

# The ADS Pacific Region Newsletter

Winter 2021

## Pacific Region

Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana,  
Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming

### Happy New Year, All!

Maria Krenek, Pacific Region V.P.

Finding joy in a new beginning is usually a light lift. I hope that is true for all of you. Even with the cold, wet and gray days, there are many days of sunshine to polish my dull expectations and even spark some activity out of the compulsion to hibernate. Planting the last of my daffodils lit the match for me. It was sustained by the sweet melodies of frogs all around after the first heavy rains. Yes, I do plant daffodils in January. Planting too early is worse than being a bit late since frozen soils and snows are never an issue. Warm soils and no rain are my defining lines. The bulbs are refrigerated until they are planted since they usually come my way in late October. Having had active teenagers not that very long ago, that extra refrigerator in the garage has always been there for me and my bulbs.

Yes, there are blooms, too. A few bulbocodiums have made their appearance over the month with the bulk still to come. There have been a few tazettas, too. Mainly though is a show of paper whites (unknown) that have appeared every December since I have lived in my home (36 years) left as a surprise from prior times. I would not be surprised if they have been around 50+ years sharing space with an old Y-Y. That classic looking yellow daffodil continues into spring without fuss or bother. It is a dry bed in summer under the front porch eaves and shares the space with succulents, too. A spaced limited on four sides by cement, old bulbs are popped out as empty husks making room for new bulbs in an endless (I hope) cycle of growing.

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## So besides our awakening daffodils, what else is new?

We are awaiting formal confirmation of our **REGIONAL DESIGNATION** at the spring 2021 board meeting. We will be called the **Western Region** of the American Daffodil Society. Only the name changes not the official territory or activities. Fitting for sure since we encompass so many different states not even connected to the Pacific. Just a reminder, we are Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. Wow! Let's hear from all of you!

More news, probably not very surprising is that many if not all our **Daffodil Shows have been cancelled for the 2021 year**. (More information will be coming out in the DAFFODIL JOURNAL) Covid safety concerns are still too risky and timetables for vaccines and safe gathering remain too elusive to have those shows happen. Daffodil activities remain virtual.

For those of you that participated in the **Fall 2020 Board meeting**, I hope you found it as entertaining, educational and productive as I did. It was a great success and we should again thank our organizing angels for all their work to make it happen. BRAVO.

2021 Spring Board meeting is nearly upon us. I hear planning for the Fall 2021 Board meeting is well on its way, too. Look for details coming this summer 2021.

And so, virtual again we go. This time to the **2021 annual Spring Board meeting, REACHING FOR THE STARS**. Information is in the email associated with this newsletter. All the details are in your **December 2020 DAFFODIL JOURNAL** (I just received mine in the mail). All are invited to participate, even nonmembers. The activities begin in February and will extend until May. So go on the ADS website, get all the information and register to participate. It will be well worth it with many opportunities to learn, meet up with other members and daffodil people all around the world and have fun with auctions, shows and daffodils. By the way, if you need to **pay your dues**, you can also do that on the website at the same time.

May this note find you healthy and enjoying yourselves in all the new ways we have created especially the living, doing and learning around our daffodils. Stay well and take advantage of our staying connected safely with the activities and festivities for **REACHING FOR THE STARS**.

Maria, RVP

## The ADS maintains and hosts five daffodil websites on ADS owned computer servers:

- **Daffodilusa.org** is the main ADS web site:
- **DaffNet.org**, the international discussion forum:
- **DaffLibrary.org** the free online library, with 4,000+ items:
- **DaffTube.org** free daffodil programs, presentations and videos:

**DaffSeek.org** the Daffodil Database complete with pedigree trees, descendants lists and historic and modern.



### Membership

*Memberships are due. Your support makes the ADS possible. Your love of daffodils to enjoy and share is magnified through the activities of ADS and its members. Keep connecting. It is a wonderful path to follow when you love daffodils.*

***Check your address label on your last issue of the Daffodil Journal to find your membership expiration date. It's easy to renew on line at the ADS web site:***

**[www.daffodilusa.org](http://www.daffodilusa.org)**

***by visiting the  
ADS web store.***

*Remember to support your local chapters of ADS in your region. Meetings, bulb exchanges, flower shows and other activities are happening near you!*

