

DAFF CENTRAL ADS CENTRAL REGION NEWSLETTER



A Glorious Spring Bloom Season ...

The Summer Solstice officially started the summer season. Except for the past two weeks, we had a glorious cool and wet Spring for our daffodils to grow and bloom beautifully. My daffodils had better color and more vigor than I can recall from past years. It is unfortunate that all the Daffodil Shows in our region were cancelled due to the Covid-19 virus, but this gave us more time to enjoy Spring in our gardens.



This Spring I had more time and opportunity to observe the many daffodil cultivars in my garden and make some decisions about digging and sharing those over-crowded clumps of blooms with others during our Fall Bulb Exchange in St. Louis. I've included a photo of 'Tudor Dance', 1W-Y, hybridized by Helen K. (Nell) Richardson of Ireland. This cultivar is a great grower in my garden and is one of the many daffodil bulbs drying in my garage for distribution to daffodil friends.

I hope other members throughout the Central Region will consider sharing their over-crowded bulbs with their daffodil friends this Fall. Share them locally with your friends and neighbors or consider donating some daffodil bulbs to the ADS Fall Bulb Auction. Janet Hickman at hickmanderm@aol.com is organizing this event and could use your donation.

Lynn Slackman, Belleville, IL

2020 Virtual Fall Forum & Fall Board Meeting



The American Daffodil Society is embracing the Virtual World with their exciting 2020 Fall Forum and Board Meeting **scheduled for multiple weekends from September 12 to November 8, 2020!** The ADS Virtual Fall Forum is open to anyone interested in learning about daffodils. *Please consider yourself, and your gardening friends, cordially invited to this special event.*

Successful interactive participation, via ZOOM, in this virtual forum is explained at the top of our [2020 Virtual Fall Forum & Board Meeting](#) page on the ADS website.

The 2020 Fall Forum has an extensive line-up of Speakers from around the world, phenomenal Events that include two online eBay Daffodil Bulb Auctions as well as a virtual LIVE Bulb auction, and a fabulous Online Daffodil Photography Show where YOU have the opportunity to vote for your favorite Photograph in the Show. We are also providing practice login sessions, using ZOOM, that provide guidance and support. Please review our [Schedule of Activities](#) at your earliest convenience!

Registration is OPEN for the 2020 Virtual Fall Forum & Daffodil Show! A registration form can be downloaded in either [MS Word](#) or [PDF format](#). Please complete a separate form for each attendee and mail your completed form, including check, to our Registrar's address indicated at the bottom of the form -OR- Email your completed registration form to the Registrar and then pay online at the [ADS Webstore](#).

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This year we celebrate daffodils by virtually sharing your newly captured photographs, or photos from our own Libraries, with daffodil friends and others participating in the ADS Online Photography Show from around the World. Rules and Classes for the **2020 Online Daffodil Photography Show** as well as detailed instructions for uploading your photo entries for the Show are available by the end of July. Please send your questions about pre-registration to [Show Chair Robert Darling](#). All entries need to be loaded and labeled properly on the Virtual Photography Show website.

For further details about our extensive 2020 Fall Forum, Board Meeting, and Photography Show, please visit the [2020 Virtual Fall Forum & Board Meeting](#) page on the ADS website, and **take advantage of this unique opportunity to join the ADS on a "Visionary Venture" into the virtual world of daffodils.**



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"In the Spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt."

Margaret Atwood

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