ADS Midwest Region 2021 Summer Newsletter July 17th



Hello all my fellow ADS Midwest members!

During this very wet summer weekend, I'm thinking about all the challenges that the year 2020 has brought the world, and how much I have appreciated the beauty of creation in the midst of those challenges.

I want to nod my head to those we have lost during the terrible time of the virus in the year 2020 and forward. Please take a moment to acknowledge those who have passed on in the past year, no matter the cause. We keep them in our thoughts and wish comfort to those family & loved ones who remain here with us. We focus on compassion for those who have lost loved ones during this time and look for ways we can be of any comfort to them.

Last year, during the start of the pandemic, our little slice of earth had seemed to rejoice in the lower stress level that a reduced human impact had on it. We had a bumper population of migratory birds to our feeders, the animals seemed to be more active, and the daffodils were the most glorious I had ever known in my few decades of growing them.

This past spring, of 2021 I had 3 maiden seedling blooms and one of those has the longest "Jimmy Durante" type trumpet I have known on any division 1 daffodil. When I showed Frank, he said "That looks a bit like Magic Lantern". Upon checking my records of crosses, the result was Magic Lantern OP. Wow, do we need Frank to be a judge? The other 2 maiden blooms were from French Robin X Gentle Soul. One of those having the flat rounded petals of Gentle Soul brought from its parent of Easter Moon.

After the Daffodils had faded, it was time for our Cincinnati version of the brood X Cicadas that lasted till the 1st week of July. As some of you know, Frank and I adopted a West Highland White Terrier puppy back in September last year and he was thrilled with the chance to meeting these fascinating creatures and see what he could do with them. It was all we could do to keep him from snacking on all these creatures he could hunt down. He would happily bound inside the deck door and slap them around on the floor for a while before munching them down. Mercy!

This year, the ADS did not have a gold medal winner, but there were a couple of winners each in the Silver and the President's award medals.

Those details are shown on the following page. Congratulations to the winners which are very well deserved in my opinion.

In the following copy from the ADS website, you can ctl-click on the red links to view more information and details.

2021 ADS Medal Recipients

We are proud to announce and congratulate the **2021 ADS Silver Medal Recipients** and **President's Medal Recipients** awarded on February 26, 2021 at the American Daffodil Society Virtual National Convention.



Sara Kinne from Bloomington, IN, awarded the Silver Medal of the American Daffodil Society. The Silver Medal of the American Daffodil Society is awarded to an individual deemed by the Honors Committee as being worthy of "recognition of outstanding service to the American Daffodil Society."



Becky Fox Matthews from Brentwood, TN, awarded the Silver Medal of the American Daffodil Society. The Silver Medal of the American Daffodil Society is awarded to an individual deemed by the Honors Committee as being worthy of "recognition of outstanding service to the American Daffodil Society."



Jaydee Atkins Ager of Hawkinsville, Georgia was awarded the American Daffodil Society President's Medal. The American Daffodil Society President's Medal is awarded to people who can only be described as exceptional. They continue to make substantial contributions to our daffodil world above and beyond what is normally expected of any one person. Because of their presence we have a far richer environment than would have been possible without their participation.



Lynn Slackman of Shiloh, Illinois was awarded the American Daffodil Society President's Medal. The American Daffodil Society President's Medal is awarded to people who can only be described as remarkable. They continue to make substantial contributions to our daffodil world above and beyond what is normally expected of any one person. Because of their presence we have a far richer environment than would have been possible without their participation.

All of these ADS Medal Recipients have many accomplishments and accolades which will be revealed in an article within the next edition of *The Daffodil Journal*. You can also review press releases about Ms. Kinne's and Ms. Matthew's accolades, and past recipients of this prestigious award, on the <u>ADS Silver Medal Recipients page</u> of our website. Please review press releases about Ms. Ager's and Ms. Slackman's accomplishments as well as other recipients of this outstanding service award, on the <u>President's Medal Recipients page</u> of the ADS website.

Mark your Calendars for

2021 Hybrid Fall Forum & Fall Board Meeting

October 21 - 24 in Reno, Nevada



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Under the following graphic are categories that you can ctl-click on to go directly to the details of those categories and get all the information needed to arrange your visit.



Hotel Reservations | Transportation Options |
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Photography Show Schedule | Schedule of Activities |
Zoom Virtual Sessions



The High Desert Daffodil Society will host the 2021 Fall Forum, Fall Board Meeting (FBM), and Daffodil Show in Reno, Nevada at the Whitney Peak Hotel. The Fall Forum is an annual event that all ADS members and their guests are invited to attend with advance reservations. The event includes the ADS Fall Board Meeting, but it is intended to maximize the education and enjoyment of all.

Whitney Peak Hotel 255 N. Virginia St. Reno, Nevada 89501 (775) 398-5400



Also, mark your calendars for the ADS Midwest Fall meeting at the Cincinnati Civic Garden Center THIS OCTOBER. Details on the following page:

We will be holding our Midwest ADS Fall meeting at the Cincinnati Civic Garden Center, Saturday <u>OCTOBER 2nd</u> at

THE CIVIC GARDEN CENTER OF GREATER CINCINNATI

2715 Reading Road Cincinnati, OH 45206 513-221-0981 info@civicgardencenter.org

The meeting will start precisely at 9 a.m. so plan to be there early to relax, socialize a bit and have a morning cup with something to nibble.

Please bring a protein item, side dish or dessert for the pot luck lunch and maybe a few bulb varieties to share in the exchange.

I will present a program on hybridizing 101 for entertainment and a few colorful photos. We need to be out by 3:30

Finally, The Pannill & Wister awards for this year are as follows (ctl-click on the red links below to get more information on each award):

2021 William G. Pannill Award



'Southern Hospitality' is the recipient of the 2021 Pannill Award. Registered in 2000, 'Southern Hospitality' was bred by Richard and Elise Havens from [(Armada x Paricutin) x Falstaff]. It is a stunning early to mid-season standard size double daffodil with perianth and other petaloid segments in three whorls, very broadly ovate, blunt, and golden yellow in color. The center whorl is strongly inflexed, with margins folded deeply inward; corona segments half the length of the petaloid segments and interspersed among them at center, tightly ribbed, orange-red, and frilled.

The name 'Southern Hospitality' came about as a result of Frank Gaylon looking at blooms at the Mitsch/Havens fields. He returned from the fields talking about a very nice double daffodil that would probably grow very well in the Southern region. And Frank was correct because this daffodil grew very well in the South. Hence the name Southern Hospitality. See past outstanding exhibition daffodils that have been awarded the William G. Pannill Award on The Pannill Award of The American Daffodil Society page of our website.

2021 John and Gertrude Wister Award



The 2021 Wister Award is presented to 'Marieke', a widely available yellow trumpet with a record of excellent garden performance. Narcissus 'Marieke' is an absolutely stellar 1986 Konijnenburg & Mark hybrid. It has a huge, upward facing flower with a vivid, yellow perianth and a long, darker yellow trumpet. Its large flowers are beautifully proportioned, graceful despite their size, nicely scented and long-lasting. See past outstanding garden daffodils that have been awarded the Wister Award on our The John and Gertrude Wister Award page of our website.

Appreciate you all.

I hope you have all successfully managed to survive the last year and look forward to a happy future in the gardens.

Take good care now

Tom Stettner