

ADS Midwest Region

2022 Fall Newsletter

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Hello All ADS Midwest members! I hope everyone continues to be safe and stay well.

Let's Welcome new member, David Williams

We hope to see you at a Daffodil show near you!

Other members please make David welcome and show him around.

Thinking about this past spring, the weather stands out which isn't new of course. It seems that every daffodil season starts out with a bang of serious weather. This one was no different but felt like it was a bit more severe. Kentucky had 6 inches of snow when the season began and folded many varieties. Up in my part of the world, southwest Ohio had torrential rains when quite a few varieties were in bloom and were flattened. My hopes for good quality show blooms seemed doomed, but later on, I actually had the most stem count in my entire 33 years and entered my 1<sup>st</sup> Tuggle.

\*This brings me to some thoughts on my experience this season with seedling daffodils and exhibiting/judging them.

A few shows I attended this season had questions on how seedlings are chosen for the ADS Rose Ribbon contention. In a conversation in email with some key ADS board members, I quoted the following (check your handbooks for these details). While this is mostly for Judges, it's also vital to exhibitors that grow their own daffodils that they have bloomed from seed, OR exhibit others seedlings.

I reviewed the judges handbook and on page 74 of the 5th edition 2007, 2nd printing 2008 it quotes the following.

Seedlings may be exhibited either by the originator or by other individuals in any of the classes for named cultivars, *provided they are identified by a number designation assigned by the originator*. **If the exhibitor is not the originator, the name of the originator MUST be included as part of the identification.** The exhibitor's name on the entry card signals the judges that the exhibitor is not the originator, thus making the entry ineligible for the Rose Ribbon. Seedlings without the originator's number may NOT be entered in ADS-approved shows. This rule applies equally to standard and miniature seedlings. **The seedling number may only be assigned by the originator.**

So, basically, if 'you' are exhibiting your own seedling (defined by the ADS as the **Originator** which is the person to bring a seed grown daffodil to "Bloom" for the 1<sup>st</sup> time) you should never put your name as part of the identification on the label, but it should have the division and color code along with the seedling number you've assigned to that bloom. The parents of the seedling should be quoted on the label as well, if known. For example, when I enter my seedlings I use only the number, division & color code and parents. Example: GS\_FR, 2W-WWP (Gentle Soul X French Robin). Continued....

The reverse is true if you are exhibiting someone else's seedling. In that case, you would always put the hybridizer's name on the label with the division and color code with parents "if known". For example if I enter a Brian Duncan seedling, I would print something like "Duncan 2008", 2W-P, (Amazing Grace X Clouds Rest). No, I don't know if that parentage actually exists. This is just an example. ☺

The reason for this difference is so that the judges can see seedlings with no hybridizers name and know that it should be considered for the Rose Ribbon (knowing that the exhibitor is indeed the hybridizer), while seedlings WITH the hybridizers name should 'not' be considered as such because the rule is that the exhibitor MUST be the hybridizer of the flower. These considerations apply to both standards and minis.

With that said, we move on to the next topic...

\*Forward to this past early summer, we took some time to get away for a few days to Red River Gorge with hopes for a nice stay in a cabin, BUT the weather again had other plans. Many of you have heard about our little Westie pooch, Linus, and he is a little 'furnace' needing cool temps for comfort, and this getaway was a challenge for us with temps in the mid to upper 90s, so we couldn't get Linus out much. We just stayed in the cabin for a nice relaxing time for a couple of days.

With this time away, the topic of pests comes up. Several days later, one of us noticed a tick embedded in the other. A very different type, with a single white dot on its back. Uh oh! that's different! Research found this to be a lone star tick. It's ironic that an IDS member also reported in their newsletter that she too had a lone star on her. I asked other members for personal advice on what we needed to do because there are a couple of infections that this tick can transmit. Thank goodness for us, it didn't cause any infection.

This brings me to another irony, where the last IDS newsletter (Thanks IDS!) quoted an insecticide that is good to use to repel and kill insects while outdoors. Coincidentally, Frank's brother, Greg, had just suggested this product, *Permethrin*. Doing some investigating, I found that this is a synthetic product, cloned from the usual insecticide we all know as pyrethrin which is derived from chrysanthemum plants. From what I've read, the synthetic version "Permethrin" is the product most would know as Nix, used for treating humans with lice infections. So, it's safe for humans, and it's been quoted as safe for animals too. It's reportedly effective for ticks and fleas as well. Pretty interesting.

#### \*Fall Midwest Regional Meeting

This year, the Midwest Region fall meeting will be held at the Hamilton Community Center & Ice Arena in Columbus, Indiana, on [Sat. Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>](#). The building will be accessible at 7:30 a.m. for setup, but we need to be out by 3 p.m. I would like to start the meeting at 9 a.m. sharp. Dan Bellinger will present a program "Form in Daffodils". The information below has all the details and the website can be launched with the Lincoln Park quote.

**\*Attention Please\*** For this meeting, if all the different society chairs would please plan to update us on the current status of the shows, it would be greatly appreciated so that I can be report to the Board and post to the *Daffodil Journal* editor.

## Hamilton Center Ice Arena



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At [Lincoln Park](#)

2501 Lincoln Park Dr, Columbus, IN 47201

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## ADS Fall Forum information and registration

If any of you are interested in visiting the ADS Fall Forum, please use the link below the graphic here to go to the ADS page for registration. Have a great time!



Newport, Rhode Island

[2022 Fall Forum & Board Meeting Registration Form | American Daffodil Society \(daffodilusa.org\)](#)

## Next Years ADS Convention & Show



### 2023 National Convention in Atlanta Georgia:

[National Conventions | American Daffodil Society \(daffodilusa.org\)](https://daffodilusa.org/national-conventions)

The Southeast Region is thrilled to announce that they will be hosting the American Daffodil Society 2023 National Daffodil Convention at the **Crowne Plaza® Atlanta Perimeter at Ravinia** in Atlanta, Georgia from **March 9 – 12, 2023**.

Atlanta is the seat of Fulton County, the most populous county in Georgia. Situated among the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains at an elevation of just over 1,000 feet (300 m) above sea level, it features unique topography that includes rolling hills, lush greenery, and the most dense urban tree coverage of any major city in the United States. Atlanta has a rich history of southern charm and grace and will be the heart of The Southeastern Daffodil Trail in 2023.

In the link under the title above, you will be taken to the Southeast Regional page of the ADS website where occasional newsletters will be updated in PDF form.

This promises to be an exceptional convention that is also combined with a national garden club show for an outstanding combination experience. Be sure to check it out!



\*Finally, we here at SWODS have lost a couple of long term past members in April & June. Obituaries below. Several of us from both SWODS, CODS, and KDABS attended the memorial for Bill. It was a very nice service and his sister Terri gave a sweet eulogy.

*Bill Lee passed on April 23<sup>rd</sup>*

Milford - William M Lee, age 74, passed away on Saturday, April 23, 2022. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on August 11, 1947 to William C and Patricia Lee (nee Packham). He was preceded in death by his mother, his father and his nephew, Joshua Brabender. William is survived by his beloved partner of 50 years, Hurst R Sloniker, his sisters, Terri L Ferguson and Linda (Carl) Huehn and his brother, Daniel Lee. He is the uncle of Christie Lee, Jeremy Brabender, Sydney Brabender and Zack Fisher. He is also a great uncle. Bill was a text book editor for Southwest Publishing and also one of the editors of the award winning, national magazine for the American Daffodil Society, *Daffodil Journal*. In loving memory of Bill, contributions may be made to the Southwestern Ohio Daffodil Society, 1940 Gregory Lane, Cincinnati (45206) or the Alzheimer's Association, 644 Linn St, Cincinnati (45203). Relatives and friends are invited to the visitation, Saturday, May 7, 2022 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM at Newcomer Funeral Home, West Side Chapel, 3300 Parkcrest Lane, Cincinnati (45211). [www.newcomercincinnati.com](http://www.newcomercincinnati.com)

*Hurst Sloniker passed on June 3<sup>rd</sup>*

Hurst R. Sloniker, Jr, Dec. 18, 1929 – June 3, 2022. Preceded in death by his cherished partner of nearly 50 years, Bill Lee, who passed on April 23, 2022. Mr. Sloniker is survived by seven nieces and nephews along with their children and grandchildren. Hurst was Chairman of ADS Publications for a time, beginning in March 1997.

A celebratory family-and-friends reunion is anticipated for early fall; details to follow. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the American Daffodil Society or to Pinebrook's Memory Care Center in Milford, Ohio, where he and Mr. Lee spent their last three years.

Please refer to [www.megiefuneralhome.com](http://www.megiefuneralhome.com) for full obituary.

We continue to hold all those in our hearts who have lost loved ones in the past couple of years during this ugly time of the pandemic.

Thank you for your time.

Take good care now.

Tom