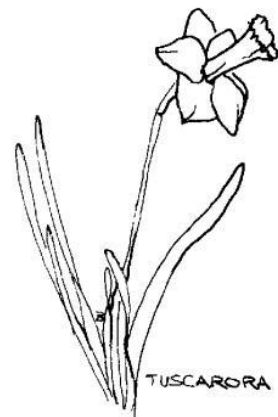


**THE
TUSCARORA
TRUMPET
FALL 2023**



Message from the President:

After a dry and sometimes hot summer, the weather is beginning to change. Early fall color caused by the drought has started and it's time to focus on the fall daffodil season, Meetings and planting bulbs lie ahead for us daffodil enthusiasts.

We will be having the **Fall Meeting of the Tuscarora Daffodil Group on Sunday October 15th 2023**. Our venue will be as it has been in the past, at the **Bender Farm**. The meeting will begin around **2:00 PM**. Please bring something to share to eat or drink and a chair.

The meeting will have a bulb sale and raffle with a chance to get some choice bulbs for your collection. The bulb exchange always offers nice bulbs dug by our members or purchased by those that could not get out to do the digging. We'll talk about the Spring Show 2024 and the upcoming ADS Convention in nearby Dulles, VA.

I look forward to seeing everyone,
Mitch Carney
TDG President

Directions to the Bender Farm:

Off interstate 81, 30 West, Main Street
Take the first left at the light
The Bender Potato Farm is on the left
Follow the driveway up to the parking lot
1120 LWE, Chambersburg, PA 17201
Phone: 717 264 7303 Grace Bender

TDG Spring Meeting Minutes, March 19,2023

Mitch Carney opened the meeting with 15 individuals present at the home of the Redingtons' in Chambersburg at 2:30 in the afternoon.

His first remarks were to thank Grace Ann for her hosting the fall meeting and bulb exchange at her home.

A quick review of the National that was held in Gettysburg by the Tuscarora Daffodil Group was a large success. The financial statement from Curtis was read and approved and filed in the records.

Since our National there was another National show where Robert Darling was awarded the Gold Medal for his work in promoting classes for Photography in all of our shows. Anne Donnel Smith gave a beautiful background of the award and all the work through the years that Robert had worked for the ADS and was well deserved of this award. Congratulations Robert on your well-deserved award.

Information and set up for the upcoming Tuscarora Spring show was discussed with emphasis on the various times volunteers would be needed for set up. Per previous years, Entries were able to be entered Friday evening and Saturday morning until 9:30.

Highlighted was the introduction of **three new awards** that will be offered at this year's show.

Grace Ann announced the establishment of the *Dr. William Bender Award* which requires 3 different Bender hybridized blooms either Registered or Seedlings.

Next, Carla Smith Announced the creation of the *Barb Peshkin Perpetual Award*. Requirements are 3 different specimens classified as both historic and a miniature by the ADS to be staged in a vase.

The third award was announced by Mitch and it is the *Richard Ezell Award*. Requirements for this award are one stem of three different standard cultivars bred in New Zealand to be staged in one vase.

All of these three new classes were welcomed for our upcoming show.

Respectively submitted, Nancy Redington

After the Daffodils Bloom Fade

After the daffodil blooms fade, a sad time for some, a time to think about next year for others. The foliage collapses and turns brown and the roots die back also. This is the required dormant period. A dry hot summer is actually what many daffodils need to get ready for the fall growing season. The end of summer brings cooler temperatures outside and in the soil. Moisture from late summer rains initiate roots to sprout. The roots take in water and nutrients so the bulbs can grow and develop.

By October many roots have grown several inches long. It's good for the bulbs to get regular moisture from now until bloom time. If we continue with our drought, hand or sprinkler watering will help in the development of the bulbs. October is a good time to fertilize your bulbs. You can use Sulfate of Potash (KSO₄). I also use Bulb-tone lightly over the top. Re-apply fertilizer in February/early March.

Regular water and fertilizer will make your daffodil blooms be larger and make the color more intense. It also facilitates stronger stems which will help the daffodils deal with the spring weather.

Beautiful blooms await us, especially if we go the extra mile. Give it a try and see if you can bring home some show ribbons!

The 2023 Chambersburg Show

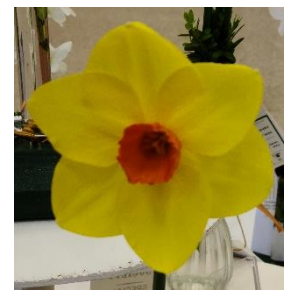
A string of very hot days and a late season made our show a bit smaller than usual. We had 281 entries in horticulture with 626 stems. Photography had 32 photographs from 11 photographers.



Silver Ribbon, Best vase of three
'Kuantan' shown
By Anne Donnell
Smith



Gold Ribbon (left)
'Benjamin'
Rose Ribbon (right)
'Great Gatsby' x
'Real Deal'
M & K Carney



Reserve Best Bloom: 'Ballydorn' Scott Bally



Small Growers Best in Section C & D

Michael Wood N. poeticus v. poeticus

Tuscarora Daffodil Group Award Best Standard

from Div 5,6,7,8,9 'Ballydorn' Scott Bally

Hazel Lecron Culp (Five White) Mitch & Kate Carney 'Nickelodeon' 8W-W,
Homestead 2W-W, Limequilla 7W-W, 'Peggy MacNeale' , 'Snowboard'

The Alma Bender Award winner in Section I 02 Mitch and Kate Carney

Dr. William Bender Award Best in Section I 03 Mitch & Kate Carney

New Zealand Award Best in Section I 04- I 05 M & K Carney 'Wishmaster' 3W-W
Hunter



Richard Ezell Award Best in Section I 05 3 stem NZ flowers: 'Polar Flame' John Hunter, 'Oopoet'
Gordon Coombes, 'Silver Kiwi' Brogden

Barb Peshkin Award Best in Section I 06 Curtis Aumiller: N. poeticus v. helenicus, 'Hawera', N.
fernandesii var cordubensis



Hazel Lecron Culp Collection



Ezell Collection



ADS Best Historic 'Actaea'
Curtis Alumiller



'Birthday Girl', Janet Hickman 'Salome', Carla Stanley
Best Intermediate



Best Classic



Seedling 27-21 7Y-Y
Clay & Fran Higgins, Mini Rose



Nancy Fuchs, Tammy Spivey, Mitch
(Love that daffodil jacket!!)



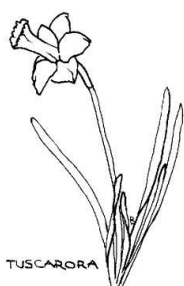
York TV Interview Curtis and Mitch



Close inspection with a cell phone light, Judges Janet Hickman and Debbie Cameron



Daffodil?! 'Dream Team'
Big bold Double!!



MEMBERSHIP FORM for the TUSCARORA DAFFODIL GROUP

Annual membership dues are \$10.00 for an individual.

With membership you receive the Tuscarora Newsletter (two annually), opportunity for showing your daffodils in special sections of the spring daffodil show. Furthermore, you provide financial support to one of the oldest daffodil groups in the country!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

**Please send this completed form along with your check payable to the Tuscarora Daffodil Group to: Dr. Curtis Aumiller, 5 Brentwood Rd. Camp Hill, PA 17011
Phone 717-991-9793 Email: caumiller1@verizon.net**

More to Plant . . . You've Got Time

By Richard Ezell

Yeh, the bulb selections at Wal-Mart and Home Depot are pretty well picked over these days. BUT it's still too early to be planting daffodils (tulips, hyacinths, and alliums too). But if all you've got to choose from are the left-overs at some of your local shopping regulars, what can you do? Kate Carney and I were talking the other day; she and Mitch are speakers at a meeting of the Gibson Island Garden Club about now and she and I agreed that it's really too late for them to be recommending mail order purchasing from the best-known international growers. But happily, there is "Brent and Becky's Bulbs," right near us on the East Coast with a considerable selection from Holland of well-chosen offerings. You probably have one of their colorful catalogs near at hand, and if not a telephone call or email should get you one. I'll list an assortment, favorites of mine, that might get you started:

Rijnveld's Early Sensation 1Y-Y should be the first daffodil to open in your garden. Not for showing.

Altun Ha 2YYW-W at its best this one is just about THE BEST.

Pacific Rim 2Y-YYR this one "at its best" may be even better than Altun Ha.

Stainless 2W-W a dainty and dependable all white for show.

Gay Tabor 4W-O a double, finicky grower, but well worth trying.

All three of the "Sensations" named in the catalog are good 'uns.

Rapture 6Y-Y everybody's favorite cyclamineus hybrid.

Golden Echo 7WWY-Y. Dependable in the garden. OK too for showing.

Falconet 8Y-Y. Good. And a hardy variety of the sort that often prefer more southern climates.

Yellow Parrot 11Y-Y. Multi-headed split cup. Catalog calls "cute." And it is.

Bittern 12Y-O. Also "different" and cute.

Several miniatures: Often tricky to grow (just ask Kate or Mitch) but you should give some a try.

Baby Moon 7Y-Y, Snow Baby 1W-W, Minnow 8W-Y, Tete-a-Tete 12Y-Y, Sabrosa 7Y-Y,

Sun Disc 7Y-Y, Twinkling Yellow 7Y-Y, White Petticoat 10W-W, Kokopelli 7Y-Y.

Now that I've said it's not too late to order I should mention that it is an excellent idea to list some alternative choices just in case the first you mention are sold out. Could happen.

Once you get your bulbs open the packages and check to make sure they are healthy looking.

Keep them in a fairly cool, preferably dark, place until early October. (I usually don't get started planting until late October or later. (November and early December are my usual planting times.) Doesn't mean that's best, but seems to work for me.

Good luck.

****Note from Kate-this list is almost identical to our program list-we like the same things!!**