



CODS CORNER

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

It looks like it will be another one of those springs daffodil devotees agonize over. Easter weekend the temperature soared to 82° for two days setting new records. With the dry conditions and sudden heat, some flowers were opening on short stems and were undersized. Upon returning from Memphis I was shocked to see so many daffodils in bloom. My first reaction was there goes our show, but cooler weather followed which may help to save the show.

I am very pleased our Editor, Tag Bourne is recuperating very nicely from her major surgeries in February. The best part of her ordeal is that her doctor would not let her go back to work this month. Thanks to Tag for another great year as Editor of CODS Corner.

Our society again had good representation at the National Convention with 20 members. The rest of the Midwest Region had at least that many giving the region about 1/5th of the attendance.

This will be my last letter as president and I would like to thank all the members of The Central Ohio Daffodil Society for their wonderful support. As we look toward 1987 and the National Convention in Columbus, we pray for a "normal" daffodil season and a very successful convention. Everyone remembers the last one in 1978, so we have a tough act to follow.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 13th at the Upper Arlington Municipal Services Building in the Training Room at 7:30 p.m. This will be a business meeting and election of officers.

Naomi

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:

Cecile Spitz, Chairman; Grace Baird, Phyllis Hess

President: Handy Hatfield
Vice-President: Cecile Spitz
Treasurer: Pat Zwilling
Secretary: Lura Emig

1986 MEMPHIS CONVENTION

Our seat belts fastened, Margaret Vance and I left Columbus, Ohio April 2nd at 6:15 A. M. hoping to beat the impending Cincinnati rush-hour traffic due to bridge construction on I-71, however, only the Northbound traffic is presently affected. We made good time as the terrific freeways were virtually empty. After making four stops for gas and brunch, we arrived in Memphis at 5:50 Columbus time (4:50 P.M. Central). We stayed at the Day's Inn Motel that night only a 10 minute drive to the convention hotel where we would go Thursday afternoon. Thursday morning, Margaret Vance and I took the complete 2 1/2 hour tour of Graceland. We were especially impressed with all of Elvis Presley's charity work and donations which began with the release of his first recording. Equally impressive were the Mansion (his daughter, Lisa inherits everything at age 25 ... she is 19) trophy room, automobiles, his luxury jet and touring bus. There also was an interesting movie depicting his rise after an appearance on the Ed Sullivan TV Show.

It was very hot in Memphis Thursday, so we wondered how the flowers would look at the show so after a refreshing lunch we started for the Airport Hilton. The hotel registration took longer than usual but finally found our room after crossing many corridors and taking many elevators. We discovered we could park my car near our room so we went to move our car and we heard a friendly "Hello there, Cecile." Turning around we saw Ray Culbertson outside his R.V. Catherine and Phyllis Hess were inside and all were enjoying a jumbo hamburger plus lunch. They also had just arrived. This was the first of many happy surprises. After unpacking we went down to register. We received another daffodil bag with goodies and a pin with our names done in calligraphy. We were greeted by many smiles and familiar faces, we were so pleased to see all of our convention friends. Many hugs later, I decided to see how the daffodils fared in this hot dry weather. Ray, Catherine and Phyllis were already there checking each bloom when they spotted three Golden Vales, a different corona on each one. I wanted to see the Best of Show in all categories so I checked that out and went back to check Golden Vale when we spotted a collection of five trumpets apparently not judged. The blooms were all perfect and no ribbon at all. The blue ribbon group had a knick on the center flower, the red ribbon collection had mittens. Mary Lou Gripshover was passing by so I asked her for any reason this should happen, apparently it was overlooked. There were no ribbons separating the classes and a beautiful collection was overlooked. I point this out mainly to stress the importance of the ribbons we place between classes. Should this be a show rule? The Golden Vale opens differently depending on when it opens and Canisp does the same. A bulb and corona vary slightly, however, the perianth remains identical. These were Brian Duncan's comments when I inquired about Golden Vale.

Thursday afternoon was my last board meeting. We learned that Wells Knierim resigned after 12 years as Treasurer. Wells gave a report on the IRS 501C-3 Code for board members travel expenses to conventions and regional meetings. However no deductions are allowed if you travel to the East or West Coast to judge or if you travel to Tasmania and write an article. Board meetings are very informative and I shall miss the board.

Thursday evening an open bar and buffet was enjoyed by 105 people. Trophies were awarded. We met more of our convention friends. We also mingled with people that came along, introduced them to people we already knew. We met many new friends especially the new club from Knoxville, TN. Bill Schrader brought the members over introducing them to me. They enjoyed their first convention and intend to come to our convention. 7:30 A.M. Friday morning, we attended a short miniature round robin breakfast. We were told by experts not to fertilize miniatures as a rule. Fertilize only a little in the very early spring. Canaliculatus 10 W-Y needs a lot of fertilizer, peat moss, rich humus or leaf mold and rich top soil to bloom every year. After blooming it must be baked in the hot sun.

Harold Cross from Tasmania lectured and presented slides on double daffodils. This was a thorough refresher on judging doubles. He does it so well. He introduced us to some frilled daffodils which he calls the curled cup. A separate sub-division on Div. 11 is required for them. If you like doubles he has many nice ones ... Tasgold, Ulster Bride (his wife is from Ulster) and Taslass a very good 4 W-Y.

Brent Heath had a slide lecture on gardens. He had a picture of Naomi's back garden, his other Columbus slides failed to develop. We saw many of the slides at Inniswood. I enjoyed both presentations very much.

After a hotel lunch/buffet, Wells Knierim presented slides of the Spring World Convention 1984. What beautiful pinks they grow down under. Elise Havens presented a slide program of her seedlings. Bercuse is a smooth 2 W-P to be released in about 2-3 years. She also had it in her display. Elise has many good flowers coming on, however, I fell in love with Bercuse.

I finally met John Reed. I had been looking for him since coming to Memphis. He joined us for dinner along with Brent Heath, Dave Karnstedt and our new member, Daniel Bellinger (this new member is a pleasant addition and he has been researching daffodil crosses for hybridizing). After the invocation by the Mayor of Hernando, MS, Wilson Douglas, our evening began with beautiful music and inspirational songs presented by the "Miracles" (slightly retarded young adults). The 45 minute program moved us emotionally, many of us could not control our tears. The "Miracles" tour the U. S. in a bus presenting their beautiful music. They have entertained the Reagan's in the White House. One young gentleman gave us a rendition of Satchmo's trumpet, without the trumpet, and sang when the "Saints Come Marching In." He sounded just like Satchmo. What a beautiful, beautiful evening this was for our ADS group. The "Miracles" were given a dewey-eyed standing ovation.

7:00 A.M. We attended the Hybridizer's breakfast hosted by Dr. Bender. What an educational hour. Don't use Benlate indiscriminately. Your bulbs will become resistant to Benlate in five years. Use it only on susceptible bulbs, 3 W-W, reverses and pinks. Alternate with Zineb, Dursban. Also use Banrot by dissolving in watering can; water all daffodils. Slow release fertilizer is recommended, scratch it into the soil around the bulbs. Foundling attracts bulb fly, watch Foundling and cover the little hole left by the ripening foliage. Later blooming daffodils attract bulb fly. The fly is active at the time the late foliage ripens leaving a gaping hole near the stem, permitting the fly to burrow. Try a systemic spray every two weeks to prevent bulb fly infestation at this time.

Minnow should be divided every 2 or 3 years for continued good bloom. Use a soaker hose and thoroughly soak beds in early spring. The Parents, Kilworth x Arbar, produce a beautiful offspring, however susceptible to basal rot. The southern members stay away from this cross.

Dan Bellinger had a lot of questions ... also answers as he had been researching the crosses for hybridizing. I sat at Ted Snazelle's table and pointed with pride at our new member. Ted thinks we are all great members.

We boarded 3 busses at 9:15 and took off for Hernando, MS. We had a beautiful hostess at the front of each bus. They wore dresses made from daffodil sheets. They provided us with the history of Hernando (named for Hernando De Soto), took us from exploration to the Civil War damage, rebuilding and resurveying when most of Hernando was granted back to Tennessee. This explained why Hernando was the smallest county in "Ole Miss."

Our first garden was Leslie Anderson's. We had been there quite a few years back but not after a 2 1/2 inch rainfall in four hours. Those of us with boots moved along with ease. The markers intrigued me. They were made from metal house siding and cut into 16" lengths - 4 inches of the label was pushed into the ground behind the daffodils. The markers are large enough for everyone to read. The cultivar name was printed with black acrylic paint on the white metal. I understand you damage the daffodil roots and cause a virus if you constantly pull your label out so you can read it. Leslie had a lot of Jackson and Brogden bulbs in their first bloom. Since I ordered the same cultivars, I was pleased to see how good the blooms were.

Cookies and punch were served and we browsed through out her home or as her neighbors call it "The Antique Museum." That land has been in the Anderson family for 160 years. We were told 400 beef cattle were out there but we saw only a few. They were way out. Their crop is cotton and beef cattle.

The driveway to Judy Faggard's home (Leslie Anderson's adopted niece) was washed out so our second stop was by car - many trips were taken to bring us there - it was near Leslie Anderson's home. Judy's garden sloped into a small river or deep creek, the waterway was the first WPA conservation project built in the 1933 depression. From this water, Judy pulls in 7 1/2 and 8 pound bass. She had many new daffodils that were beaten down by the previous nights deluge. The garden area was large, many hanging baskets provided lots of color. She had climbing woodvine blooming on a trellis to attract hummingbirds. As we were enjoying the unusual southern flowers we saw many Eastern bluebirds flying in the area. She has many bluebird houses, however they were occupied by sparrows. Bill Schrader and the Duncan's kept hoping they would see and hear the southern mockingbird. This was a beautiful serene garden and we hated to leave but as we headed for Judy's car, two mockingbirds flew by as if to say "You all come back to hear me sing." We enjoyed this peaceful setting.

Our third stop was at Martha Anderson's daughters. The children's outside play area was separated from the garden and the beef cattle. The children were squealing with delight as they were bouncing on the huge trampoline. What a beautiful sight, happy children, lovely daffodils and smiling faces to greet all three busloads of yellow fever patients. Lunch was served here in an old building filled with primitive farm tools hanging throughout. Part of this building was geared for young people activities. Our lunch was very filling; Barbecue sandwiches that covered the entire plate, potato chips, 3 bean salad, pecan and chocolate pie and iced tea. The beverage that pleased everyone was a wine native to that area, Muscadine wine. It can be ordered by the case from the Rushing Winery, Merigold, MS.

Our fourth stop was at Martha Anderson's. Her entire grounds were aglow with beautiful cerise azaleas. Arum also grew in abundance. We were enjoying the beautiful blooms when a few people came to make sure we toured Martha's home. What a surprise Martha's husband gave her for Christmas ... daffodils from Division 1 through 12 painted on her kitchen cabinets. A division on each cabinet. The last cabinet had a miniature scene of miniatures. It was a small cabinet. All the rooms had daffodils. The bedroom and bathroom had daffodil wallpaper, the bedroom decorative pillows were topped with unusual rolled daffodils ... I find it difficult to describe them. The living room cabinet was loaded with daffodil porcelain and china pieces. Simply gorgeous. We really did not want to board the bus back to our hotel, but all good things, like a beautiful sunset, must come to an end, so we boarded our busses and headed back to our hotel. I kept wondering how Columbus could top this in 1987.

Our final banquet at 7:00 P.M. held many surprises. Dr. Bender received the ADS Silver Medal. He accepted it with tears in his eyes, a lump in his throat and pink cheeks. Dr. Bender is a shy gentleman, a standing ovation brought out the tears as he thanked everyone. The ADS Gold Medal went to Brian Duncan. He became very pale as he accepted the award. A standing ovation brought some color to his cheeks. Mary Lou also

received a standing ovation for a job well done. She really tried but could not control her tears. Mary Lou is resigning as Editor of the Journal after the next issue.

Naomi invited everyone to a prayer meeting for good weather, good flowers and a good convention in Columbus in 1987.

Our program that evening was music by Debbie and Buddy Edge. Debbie has a beautiful voice ... her specialty is hymns. She cut her first record this year. We enjoyed their hymn singing very much. Harold Cross from Tasmania gave us the final slide presentation. He again showed us the good doubles but ended his program with the history and slides of many down under pinks. Why are the down under pinks so gorgeous, the corona is straight ... not flared or curled, the perianth so smooth and what's more, the color is a beautiful pink. Harold Cross invited everyone to attend "Daffodils '88 Down Under" in Tasmania.

Ted Szazelle pounded the gavel ending the 1986 Convention.

Marge and I buckled our seat belts and headed for Columbus at 7:35 Sunday morning. We had many construction detours on the Northbound freeways, especially the Northbound I-71 bridge in Cincinnati. We arrived home Sunday night at 8 PM with David greeting me by saying "Your daffodils all bloomed while you were away." What a letdown after attending the friendliest nicest, very well coordinated convention I have attended. I am so happy I was able to attend it and I am so sorry many of you missed this convention.

Cecile Spitz

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NATIONAL SHOW WINNERS

Gold Ribbon - Sally Stanford - New Penney 3 Y-Y
Miniature Gold - Helen Link - Seedling 677-A Cyclamineus x Candlepower
Miniature Rose - Helen Link - Seedling 6 Y-Y Cyclamineus x Candlepower
Lavender Ribbon - Nancy Wilson - Rupicola 10 Y-Y, Rikki 7 W-Y, Stafford 7 Y-O, Jonquilla 10 Y-Y and Sun Disc 7 Y-Y
Miniature White Ribbon - Lucy Christian - Yellow Xit 3 W-Y
Red-White Blue Ribbon - Bob Spotts - Jingle Bells 5 W-Y, Shearwater 2 Y-WWY, Petral 5 W-W, Tyee 2 W-P, Silver Bells 5 W-W
Maroon Ribbon - Louise Dunn - Verdin 7 Y-W, Chat 7 Y-W, Mockingbird 7 Y-W, Pipit 7 Y-W and Dickcissel 7 Y-W
Purple Ribbon - Anne Corson - Beryl 6 Y-O, Charity May 6 Y-Y, Baby Doll 6 Y-Y, Jenny 6 W-W and Titania 6 W-W
Carncairn Cup - Mary Lou Gripshover - Seafarer 1 W-W, Queenscourt 1 W-W, Standfast 1 Y-Y, Early Mist 2 W-W and Cabra 1 Y-Y
Larus Trophy - Roberta Watrous - Seedling 66-23 Little Gem x Small poet 2 Y-Y
Matthew Fowlds & Olive Lee Trophy - Dick & Kitty Frank - Foundling 6 W-P
Rose Ribbon - Harold Koopowitz - Seedling 78/1 Lilac Delight cross 8 W-Y
Carey Quinn Medal - Don King - Erlicheer 4 W-W, Ringmaster 2 Y-YYO, Camelot 2 Y-Y, Charity Fair 6 Y-Y, Chapeau 2 W-Y, Tangent 2 W-P, Frostkist 6 W-W, Avenger 2 W-R, Golden Vale 1 Y-GYY, Resplendent 2 Y-R, North River 1 W-Y, Divine 2 W-P, Butterscotch 2 Y-Y, Capitol Hill 2 Y-YYO, Pops Legacy 1 W-Y, Quail 7 Y-Y, Imprint 2 W-Y, April Love 1 W-W, Lara 2 Y-O, Bethany 2 Y-W, Erribol 2 W-R, Rival 6 YG-Y, Pink Wing 2 W-P and Sun City 1 Y-Y
Watrous Medal - Helen Link - Waterii 10 W-W, Hummingbird 6 Y-Y, Pequenita 7 Y-Y, Pledge 1 W-W, 677-A 6 W-W Cyclamineus x Candlepower, 1-75-A 6 Y-Y Mite y Cyclamineus, 368 5 Y-Y Tr. albus x nonquilla, Snipe 6 W-W, Mite 6 Y-Y, Candlepower 1 W-W, Picoblanco 3 W-W and Tete-a-Tete 6 Y-O
Junior Award - Kevin McKenzie - Longspur 5 W-W
Grant & Amy Mitsch Award - Eve Robertson - 320A Playboy x Bethany

Throckmorton Award - Sally Stanford - Glenwherry 3 W-R, Precedent 2 W-YPP, Ambercastle 2 Y-WPP, Starmount 2 W-W, Suede 2 Y-W, Cantatrice 1 W-W, Moonrise 1 Y-Y, Golden Joy 2 Y-Y, New Penny 3 Y-Y, Arish Mell 5 W-W, Lavalier 5 YW-W, Woodvale 2 W-WWY, Shining Light 2 Y-ORR, Newport 2 W-YOY, Golden Vale 1 Y-GYY

Gold Ribbon winner came from this collection.

Australia Award - Kathy Anderson - First Frost 1 W-W, Banadoc 1 Y-Y, Joanne 1 W-W, Dear Me 2 W-P, Prado 1 Y-Y

New Zealand Award - Helen Link - Tracey 6 W-W, White Spray 2 W-W, Trena 6 W-Y, David Bell 1 Y-Y, Tinkerbelle 6 W-Y

Northern Ireland Award - Dick & K. Frank- Drenagh 2 W-P, Top of the Hill 3 W-GWY, Leslie Hill 1 W-W, Dew Pond 2 W-W, Downpatrick 1 W-Y

Harry Tuggle Award - Libby Frey - Philomath 7 Y-Y, Rushlight 2 Y-W, Snowhill 2 W-GWW, Charity May 6 Y-Y, Bushtit 6 Y-Y, Surfside 6 Y-Y, Rapture 6 Y-Y, Pink Isle 2 W-GPP, Canasta 11 W-Y, First Frost 1 W-W, Churchman 2 W-GWW, White Caps 6 W-Y

Mains Award - Not Given

England Award - Not Given

There were a number of flowers that caught my eye in the convention show. Pop's Legacy 1 W-Y, Dr. Bender's introduction is a fantastic flower. Revenge 1 Y-Y is large golden and smooth. Bender Seedling 76/1 a 2 Y-Y was smooth, medium yellow in color with a nice straight cup. Refrain 2 W-P was a smooth, thick white perianth with very delicate pink coloring. Dick Frank showed a Coleman seedling 6 W-W which was beautiful. Problem here is that he has no number for it. Harold Koopowitz showed Seedling 78/1 8 W-P and won the Rose Ribbon - a very delicate pink cup. And who didn't drool over Eve Robertson's Raindrop that had four or five florettes.

Tag Bourne

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Pequenita 7 Y-Y should be added to your Miniature List if you have not already done so.

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"NATURE'S NONSENSE" 1986 CODS DAFFODIL SHOW
April 26 & 27 - Upper Arlington Municipal Bldg.
3600 Tremont Road

All members should plan to help in some phase of the show.

Set-up will be at 1:00 p.m., Friday, April 25th on the concourse level. We need lots of help to set-up. The more we have, the quicker it gets done. It should only take two hours if we have all members helping.

Entries are received from 8 to 11:00 A. M. Saturday morning. With our early season this year, everyone must bring flowers to help make it another successful show. A couple of new classes have been added ... a collection of 12 whites from Div. 1, 2 or 3 and collection of 5 daffodils of English breeding.

The luncheon will be held in the basement at noon on Saturday. Everyone, please bring a covered dish to serve 12 for the luncheon. Table service and tea and coffee will be provided.

The show will be taken down at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 27th. All members should plan to help with this. Again, it only takes a short time if everyone helps.

The After Show Party will be held at Nancy and David Gill's, 4381 Lyon Drive. It will begin at 7:00 p.m., Saturday evening. This year it will be catered, so the cost will be

\$10.00 per person. Reservations must be made by Monday, April 21st. The money should be sent to our Treasurer, Bessie Haddad, 2721 Edgevale Road, Columbus, OH 43221. Beer and wine provided by CODS. If you want any liquor, bring your own.

Let's everyone participate and make our 1986 CODS Daffodil Show the best ever.

Handy Hatfield
Show Chairman

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WHETSTONE PARK DAFFODILS

All beds at the park have been assigned except Bed 13 (1 bulb) If you have any questions, or comments regarding bed assignments, weeding, mulch, etc. Please call me. Who wants Bed No. 13?????

Herbicides are not permitted on any bed except 8 and 11. Ruth Pardue and a professor specializing in herbicides will experiment with various products and their effects on weeds and daffodils. Ruth will report on the safety and effectiveness of the different herbicides on the daffodils and weeds at year's end.

Try to check your beds at various stages of growth and bloom. Are the clumps labeled correctly? If labeled a 1 Y-Y, are all blooms a 1 Y-Y - if you have a different color bloom make a note on the list Ruth will provide for each bed. If possible, tie a piece of yarn on the wrong bloom so it can be rogued. If a clump looks weak or virused, take notes or tie with a yarn so the cultivar can be checked before digging.

Most of the beds look very very good. The last bed is being worked on and should be clean in a week. Most of us worked there March 31st. Naomi had her bed virtually weed-free before that date. Donna Dietsch and Ray Scholz spent a full day April 5th working there weeding and mulching. We requested an extra load of mulch from the park. We moved the mulch to our beds with the park wheelbarrow or our own bushel baskets. The Kelly's requested another load enabling them to finish their bed. You will find the mulch in the same area as the first load.

Ruth Pardue and Donna Dietsch put out many of the remaining labels April 7th. Quite a few labels were put out March 31st by Ruth Pardue, Donna Dietsch, Grace Baird and Pat Zwilling.

Have you noticed how great the garden area looks! The Kelly's said a lot of visitors admired the daffodils and the beautiful beds. The visitors said the display garden was advertised on radio or TV. The Kelly's pointed with pride to Bed 10 and said "This is our assigned bed." Now we can admit that it is our club project.

Elise Havens will provide 25 bulbs of the seedling Whetstone this Fall.

BED AND BULB ASSIGNMENTS

1	Tag Bourne	1 bulb	10	Virginia & Jim Kelly	1 bulb
2	Marilyn Fitch	1 bulb	11	Ruth Pardue	1 bulb
3	Handy Hatfield	1 bulb	12	Bessie Haddad	1 bulb
4	Naomi Liggett	1 bulb	13	Not assigned but clean	1 bulb
5	Phyllis Hess and Culbertson's	1 bulb	14	Cecile Spitz	1 bulb
6	Helen Meeker and Cecile Spitz	1 bulb	15	Helen Meeker	1 bulb
7	Donna Dietsch	1 bulb	16	Grace Baird & Pat Zwilling	2 bulb
8	Ruth Pardue	1 bulb		(extra long side bed)	
9	Sharon Decker	1 bulb	17	Lura & Doris Emig	2 bulbs
				(extra long side bed)	

Bill and Flossie Schrader digging and planting	1 bulb
Ray Scholz planting and weeding	1 bulb
Fred Taylor digging and planting	1 bulb
Whetstone Park planting	3 bulbs

Cecile Spitz

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I want to thank the members of CODS for all their kindness during my illness and long hospital stay. It certainly was much appreciated. The flowers and cards were just lovely. Again many thanks.

"Tag" Bourne
Editor
CODS CORNER

Deadline for next issue is June 15th.

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