# NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY VOL XXIV NO 2 APRIL 1995 Irene Moseley, President Naomi Liggett, Editor

Dear CODS Members,

Betty Kealiher and I arrived Wednesday, March 15th at the American Daffodil Society Convention in Dallas, Texas. It was rainy and a very dreary day! That all changed, Thursday the sun came out and all was beautiful the rest of the stay.

Steve Vinisky, Kirby Fong, Elise Havens, Jeannie Driver and many others were already fast at work grooming their blooms - they were all gorgeous. It was wonderful to see and visit with friends from Holland, England and Down Under and everywhere.

The show was a great success. The best part, our own Naomi Liggett received the Silver Medal for her years of meritorious work with the American Daffodil Society. Helen Link recieved the ADS Gold Medal. The Midwest is doing well!

With the cooperation of the weather our trips to the Dallas Arboretum, Rodney and Katherine Armstrong's home and garden, J. Lee and Juanita Youngblood's ranch and the Texas Bar-B-Que at Don and Dottie Sable's were fantastic.

It will soon be time for our show, A Tasce of Spring, at Franklin Park. Bring your flowers and let's make it great. I'm sure you have been working hard and now we can see what Mother Nature has done.

This also is a good time to see what bulbs you might like to order for fall planting.

Good luck at The Tasce of Spring.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 4, 1995 at 7:30 pm at Whetstone Library. Phyllis Hess will conduct a workshop on Grooming for Show.

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### 1995 ADS CONVENTION

### Tag Bourne, Naomi Liggett

The 40th Convention of the American Daffodil Society was hosted by the Texas Daffodil Society March 16-18, 1995 in Dallas, Texas. Upon departure from Columbus on Wednesday the temperature was in the high 70's and on arrival in Dallas there was light rain and low 60's temperatures. This is the opposite of what one would expect.

After registering for the convention, two of the first people we encountered were CODS' Down Under members, Dr. Peter and Leslie Ramsay. It was great to see them again and we wish they were coming on to Ohio. That evening we enjoyed the company of Bill Schrader, long time member of ADS and CODS. It was great to see Bill looking so well and undertaking a new daffodil planting at the McBride Arboretum that is part of the campus of Bowling Green in Huron. If you have any excess bulbs this year, please remember this project.

Tag got an early start on Thursday with a Miniature Committee Breakfast Meeting. Many past problems were taken into consideration and solved. 'Loyce' 7Y-YYO and 'Woodstar' 5Y-YWW will be added to the ADS Approved List of Miniatures. The following will be eliminated from the list: 'Agnes Harvey', 'Rockery Beauty' and 'Cobweb'. The ADS Miniature Candidate List as published in the December Journal has been eliminated and in the future ADS Accredited Judges will determine if an exhibit in the Miniature Section should be considered a miniature. These changes will NOT take effect until the December The Daffodil Journal.

The Annual Show chaired by Craig Walther was a well-organized show with many quality blooms. 804 entries and 1425 blooms were staged by members from twelve states (OR, CA, MS, DE, OH, IN, WA, GA, TN, AL, AR, VA) and England (Tony James).

Betty and Irene enjoyed the optional Shoppe-Finders Tour on Thursday. Other CODS members were busy judging the show.

The reception and dinner that evening were held in the Windows Penthouse on the 16th floor affording a breathtaking view of downtown Dallas. After dinner the show awards were presented by Dr. Leone Low, ADS Awards Chairman. Steve Vinisky's bloom of 'Bryanston' 2Y-Y was the winner of the Gold Ribbon, the best standard daffodil in the show. He also won the Fowlds Medal and the Olive Lee Trophy with a bloom of 'Abracadabra'. Both of these blooms were taken from his winning Green Ribbon exhibit.

Honorary Member, Helen Link won the Larus Trophy with a vase of three seedlings, 'Mite' x cyclamineus 6Y-Y. These same three blooms were awarded the ADS Miniature White Ribbon. Another seedling from her winning Miniature Red, White, Blue Ribbon entry won the Miniature Rose Ribbon. (#2484 1W-Y ('Tiny Tot' x 'Divine') x (cyclamineus x 'Candlepower')

Honorary Member, Elise Havens for a second year won the Grant and Amy Mitsch Trophy. This year's entry was a vase of three cyclamineus seedlings (WH 166/1). She also won the Murray Evans Award, The AHS Gold Medal and the ADS Rose Ribbon (Y137/1 'Lemon Lyric' x 'Lemon Sails' 2Y-Y?).

Naomi won the ADS Miniature Gold Ribbon with Glenbrook's 'Spoirot' 12W-W, a beautiful greeneyed bulbocodium type. It was exciting to see several of Barwick's origination's such as 'Snook', 'Mortie', 'Minnie', 'Mickey', 'Ferdie', 'Kholmes', and 'Angels Breath'. As more growers acclimitize Rod's flowers, many more of them will be seen in our shows and many will take home the top awards. No one individual has done more in the hybridization of miniatures since Alec Gray.

After the Hybridizer's Breakfast on Friday, the convention agenda offered lectures and garden tours. In the morning Wild Daffodils and Endangered Species was given by Kathy Andersen and Marilynn Howe along with Steve Vinisky and Landscaping With Daffodils by Phil Huey, a prominent Dallas landscape horticulturist and designer.

The buses then left for a tour of Mr. & Mrs. Henry C. Coke, III's garden and from there on to the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical garden for lunch. There the featured attraction was The Garden of Oz and many characters from the Wizard of Oz could be encountered as you walked through the gardens. Beds filled with thousands of pansies were beautiful as well as the other spring blooming plants. The Palmer Fern Dell was our favorite spot. It is home to ferns, rhododendrons, and other shade-loving plants where a unique mico-mist fog creates a cool and mysterious atmosphere.

During the Friday Evening Reception the Annual Bulb Auction was conducted by Cheetos-Man, Steve Vinisky, as auctioneer. Spirited bidding by many CODS' members will bring new cultivars to Central Ohio. ADS gained over \$4000.00 for its treasury.

The Annual Meeting was held and the ADS Gold Medal was presented to Helen Link and the ADS Silver Medal to Naomi Liggett. A historic night for our region since it was the first time one region took both honors. The speaker for the evening was Holland grower, Jan Pennings whose subject was "How a Dutchman Grows and Thinks about Daffodils".

On Saturday following the Judges' Refresher, the attendees were treated to the Rodney Armstrong's beautifully landscaped garden. It was built in a ravine and required 39 loads of top soil to build. This garden is an excellent example of how to incorporate show daffodils in the landscape. Their son, Andrew won the Junior Award with 'Rapture' 6Y-Y and the Small Growers Award with 'Quail' 7Y-Y.

The tour proceeded to the horse ranch of J. Lee and Juanita Youngblood. This was a four room eclectic home with a full sized giraffe with movable parts, a cheetah in a tree and a handsome life-like gorilla seated at the dining room table. Snacks and drinks were offered to guests from a table with cowboy legs. The owners have a great sense of humor and this stop was delightful.

On then to Don and Dottie Sable's ranch where a delicious Texas Bar-b-que was held outside under the 'Big Top'. Dottie's daffodils are planted in raised beds about 30" high. It was a unique experience and especially enjoyed by antique lovers.

That evening an elegant dinner was held at the Dallas Petroleum Club (of J.R. fame). Past president, Richard Ezell presented a humerous discourse entitled "Hunting Narcissus in the Wilds of Arkansas". An invitation was extended by Joan George, 1996 Convention Chairman to meet again next April in Towson, MD April 18 - 20.

### 1995 NATIONAL SHOW WINNERS

SILVER RIBBON - Bob Spotts - 22 Blues WHITE RIBBON - Bob Spotts - 'Gowo' 3W-YY0

PURPLE RIBBON - Dr. Jack Hollister, MS 'Cazique' 6W-W, 'Jetfire' 6Y-R, 'Trena' 6W-Y, 'Tracey' 6W-W, 'Rapture' 6Y-Y

RED, WHITE, BLUE RIBBON - Dr. Stan Baird 'Arctic Char' 2W-P, 'Silken Sails' 3W-WWY, 'Geometrics' 2W-Y, 'Symphonette' 2Y-Y, 'Audubon' 3W-WWP

MAROON RIBBON - Dr. Elsie Olsen, NC
'Sweet Prince' 1YYW-WWY, 'Intrique' 7Y-W,
'Epitome' 1Y-WWY, 'Grand Prospect' 2Y-W,
'Accord' 2Y-WWY

### **GREEN RIBBON** - Steve Vinisky

'Park Springs' 3W-WWY, 'Cheltenham' 2Y-YOO, 'Fortescue' 4W-R, 'Radar' 1W-P, 'Machan' 2Y-Y, 'Tenterfield' 1Y-Y, 'Rhapsody' 2W-W, 'Dear Me' 2W-P, 'Pink Silk' 1W-P, 'Abracadabra' 6Y-Y, 'Phil's Gift' 1Y-Y, 'Bryanston' 2Y-Y

LAVENDER RIBBON - Kathy Andersen, DE 'Sprite' 1W-W, 'Smarple' 12W-W, 'Snipe' 6W-W, 'Spoirot' 12W-W, 'Gipsy Queen' 1YYW-WWY

# MINIATURE RED, WHITE, BLUE RIBBON Helen Link

3085 cyclamineus x 'Mite' 6Y-Y, 'First Kiss' 6Y-Y 82/1 unknown 7Y-Y, 2484 ('Tiny Tot ' x 'Divine') x (cyclamineus x 'Candlepower' 1W-Y, 789 1Y-Y 'Tiny Tot' x 'Bitsy'

ROBERTA WATROUS RIBBON- Kathy Andersen 'Piccolo' 1Y-Y, 'Sporiot' 12W-W, 'Mitzy' 6W-W, 'Snipe' 6W-W, 'Sprite' 1W-W, asturiensis 10Y-Y, jacetanus 10Y-Y, 'Tête-à-Tête' 12 Y-Y, 'Opening Bid' 6Y-Y, b. nivalis 12Y-Y, 'Smarple' 12W-W, Frey Sdlg PEF 9/1 6Y-Y

### CAREY E. OUINN MEDAL - Kirby Fong, CA

'Honey Pink' 2Y-P 'Sheraton' 3Y-R 'Mission Bells' 5W-W 'Glissando' 2Y-Y 'Crackington' 4Y-O 'Hoopoe' 8Y-O, 'Casterbridge' 2Y-O 'Golden Bear' 4Y-Y 'Gold Convention' 2Y-Y 'Sheer Joy' 6W-W 'Sea Dream' 3W-GWW 'Golden Topaz' 2Y-O 'Celtic Gold' 2Y-Y 'Greenodd' 3W-YYW 'Star Tracker' 2Y-W 'Socialite' 3W-YYR 'Winged Flight' 3W-GYR 'Mount Fuji' 2W-W 'Areley Kings' 2W-GWW 'Seraph' 9W-GYR 'Fairy Island' 3W-GW 'Cuan Gold' 1Y-Y 'Evesham ' 3W-GYY 'Geometrics' 2W-Y

NORTHERN ISLAND AWARD - Jack Hollister 'Forge Mill' 2Y-GOO Carncairn, 'Rio Bravo' 2O-R Ballydorn, 'Hilford' 2W-O Ballydorn, 'King's Grove' 1Y-O Duncan, 'Surrey' 2Y-R Duncan

### **ENGLISH AWARD** - Bob Spotts

'Craig Stiel' 2O-O Lea, 'Stoke Charity' 2W-W Pearson, 'Halley's Comet' 3W-GYY Abel-Smith, 'Bunclody' 2Y-R Lea, 'Evesham' 3W-GYY Lea

# CARNCAIRN AWARD - Dr.Stan Baird 'Dorado Dawn' 2W-PPW Bloomer 'Silk

'Dorado Dawn' 2W-PPW Bloomer, 'Silk Cut' 2W-GWW Duncan, 'Cheer Leader' 3YYO-R Duncan, 'Golden Wings' 6Y-Y Ballydorn, 'Namraj' 2Y-YYR Bloomer

### AHS GOLD MEDAL - Elise Havens

'Sunday Chimes' 5Y-Y, 'Pacific Rim' 2Y-YYR, 'Christmas Valley' 4W-P, VH18/3, 'Iraquois' 2YYW-O, 'Rose Garden' 4W-R, VH/18/4, H/17/6, Y36/3, TT10/2, 2P9/3, EH30/3, TEH51/2, VH14/, Y137/1

### AHS SILVER MEDAL - Bob Spotts

87-222-1 7Y-Y 'Amber Castle' x jonquilla 87-207-2 9W-GYR Evans Sdlg x 'Poet's Way' 88-215-1 5Y-YOO 'Rufus' x triandrus 86-217-1 7W-GYY 'Lollipop' x ('Vermllion' x viridiflorus) 90-225-1 8Y-O 'Matador' x ? 89-220-1 6Y-P ? 'Punchline' 7Y-YYP 'Kokopelli' 7Y-Y

### ADS CHALLENGE AWARDS

MURRAY EVANS TROPHY - Elise Havens Y137/1, TEH30/1, VH3/10, VH17/6, VH18/2, 'Oregon Pioneer' 2Y-P

THE GOETH LINK AWARD - Sid Dubose N92-7 1W-YPP, LT1-45 1W-P, M65-5 2W-P

### **ADS CHALLENGE CUP - Bob Spotts**

83-51-4 3W-R 'Merlin' x 'Glenwherry'
89-208-1 2Y-R 'Rotarian' x 'Centre Ville'
90-201-1 2Y-Y 'Pastime' x 'Gold Convention'
2W-WPP 'Tomphubil' x 'Pink Silk'
90-207-1 3Y-R 'Red Ember' x'Sabine Hay'
87-205-1 9W-GYR Sdlg x 'Poet's Way'
90-209-1 2W-P B-13-28 x 'Pink Silk'
89-230-1 2Y-Y 'Tudor Minstrel' x 'Gold Convention'
83-51-5 3W-R 'Merlin' x 'Glenwherry'
86-201-1 7G-G 'Ashmore' x ('Grace Note' x viridiflorus \*\*
88-216-1 2W-YPP 'Fellowship' x 'Quasar'
'Kokopelli' 7Y-Y

\*\* ADS Hybridizers Rosette

NOT GIVEN: Throckmorton Award, Australian Award, New Zealand Award, Little England-Larry P. Mains Trophy, Harry I. Tuggle, Jr. Trophy

### **Profiles**

### Elise Hack

My name is Elise Hack and I have been married for 43 years to my husband, Emmett. We have two married children, Barbara and Timothy plus two grandchildren, Brandi and Timmy.

My hobbies are golfing, baking pies and cookies, decorating cakes, gardening and daffodils. I have driven a school bus for the Olentangy School District, Delaware County for 26 years.

I got my start in daffodils in 1984 from Phyllis Hess. She was selling bags of daffodils at school to other bus drivers. She said to me, "I don't reckon you would be interested in daffodils." I told her yes I would buy some from her. I was so thrilled to get them and didn't realize there were so many different colored daffodils and large ones at that. The only daffodils I had ever seen were the yellow garden ones.

I had just dug up some shrubs in my front yard and bought nine tons of top soil to put in my beds. At that time I had no idea what I was going to plant. Those daffodils I bought were just the thing to put there. I went back to Phyllis and asked to buy more. She asked me if I would be interested in joining CODS and asked me to go to the next meeting with her. I went and was glad I did. I joined CODS that evening. Phyllis then talked about the daffodil show and talked me into entering that April. I have learned a lot about daffodils with the help of CODS. I did enter that year, 1994, and won the Small Growers Award and the Novice Award. I have entered every year since and am hooked on daffodils. Since I have joined CODS, I have been Publicity Chairman for two years, Secretary two years, Ways & Means two years and presently holding the office of Treasurer.

It is a pleasure being a member of CODS--meeting different people from around the world at the ADS Conventions and learning about daffodils.

### Tommy Dunn

We were sad to learn of the sudden death in February of Tommy Dunn of Arkansas formerly of Dayton and a member of CODS for a few years. Louise and Tommy have attended our show on a number of occasions.

### A TASTE OF SPRING

### Betty Keahiler, 1995 Show Chairman

A Taste of Spring will be held at the Franklin park Conservatory on April 22 and 23. Set-up will begin at noon on Friday, April 21 in the three classrooms on the lower level. Entries will be received from 7:00 AM till 11:00 AM. A box lunch will follow. If you haven't sent your check to Elsie, please do so as soon as possible. The show will be open to the public on Saturday from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM and on Sunday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM at which time we will begin to tear down the show.

The Awards Dinner will be held immediately following the show on Saturday at the Touchstone Restaurant, 2143 E. Main Street. We will be ordering from the menu.

As has been mentioned before, the Conservatory will be holding their annual butterfly exhibit at this time, and we hope that many visitors will take time to catch 'yellow fever' also.

Hopefully, the weather will cooperate this spring and we will once more be able to have over 1,000 blooms as we last did in 1990 with 1028.

On Saturday, April 22, rise with GREAT EXPECTATIONS on a MISTY MORNING to spread your WINGS OF SPRING as you drink an EGG NOG and whistle a LUCKY TUNE before joining ABBEY ELIZABETH, FLORENCE JOY, JOHN DANIEL and MARY LOU in a FLOWER PARADE. Your SOME DAY may be this day in COLUMBUS, OHIO to be FLYING HIGH while experiencing PURE JOY over a MISSION IMPOSSIBLE to be TOP NOTCH on SHOWDAY.

GOOD TIDINGS and MY LOVE.

### WHETSTONE GARDEN

Nancy Kolson, Chairman

**Important Dates To Remember:** 

**April 8 -** General Work Day - Fertilizing and placing labels

June 10 - Digging Beds 8, 9, 10, 14

June 17 - Rain Date

Don't forget to pull weeds whenever you have time. Weeds distract from the beauty of this garden!

### DAFFODIL SWEATSHIRTS

### Cindy Hyde, Phyllis Hess, Ways & Means

Daffodil sweatshirts are still available for purchase! The sweatshirts are heather (very light grey) color with a detailed pocket print of five daffodils--just right for keeping warm on cold winter nights and days.

The price is \$30.00 and sizes are medium, large, X-large and XX-large. If you need your sweatshirt mailed within the US, please include an additional \$5.00. Make your check payable to Central Ohio Daffodil Society c/o Cindy Hyde, 8870 State Route 22E, Stoutsville, Ohio 43154. Questions? Call 614-474-7488.

### **FERTILIZING MINIATURES**

### **Cecile Spitz**

This article was printed in Delia Bankhead's Bulb list last year.

Some cultivars are shy bloomers and generally need heavy feeding at the end of bloom. I like liquid fertilizers for miniatures and use Peters African Violet Food (12-36-14, Jim Wells recommends Peters 20-20-20. I have not used this, but intend to compare the two next year.

I made a point of meeting with Delia at the Dallas Convention. She applies a foliar spray only once after blooming to keep the tiny ones blooming for the new year.

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE REDORT**

President - Phyllis Hess Vice-president - Cindy Hyde Secretary - Bessie Haddad Treasurer - Elsie Hack

Elsie Hack, Chr.; Bessie Haddad; Avalee McCoy

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CODS needs members who are willing to hold office and do the jobs that have made our society so successful in the past.

### ALS CELE AND SIEVER MEDAL

### **Tag Bourne**

The American Daffodil Society's Gold Medal is given in recognition of creative work of a preeminent nature in the understanding and advancement of daffodils. At the 40th Convention in Dallas, TX the Gold Medal was presented to CODS' Honorary Member, Helen Link. Helen is a charter member of ADS and past president. She was Schools Chairman for many, many years and well known for her teaching. She had hybridized many good cultivars, such as: 'Phebe', 'Lucy Jane' (one of the best poeticus), 'Pewee', 'Roberta Watrous', 'Whip-poor-will', 'Angelique' and 'First Kiss'. She also made great strides in developing miniatures for the ADS Approved List. She is an avid exhibitor and won the Larus Trophy for her 6Y-Y seeding this year. She also won the first Miniature Red-White-Blue Ribbon given at a National Show last year in Oregon. She was a repeat winner this year in Dallas.

I could write all day about Helen's daffodil accomplishments and never cover then all. Congratulations, Helen!

The American daffodil Society's Silver Medal was presented to Naomi Liggett, CODS Newsletter Editor. The Silver Medal is given for outstanding service to the American Daffodil Society. She has indeed accomplished great things for the society, such as serving on the Board of Directors since 1980, Chairman of Judges and Schools, revised the Handbook For Growing, Exhibiting and Judging Daffodils, chaired two successful conventions in Columbus, an avid exhibitor and numerous other projects.

I know of no one who deserved this award more...Congratulations, Naomi!

This Was a banner evening for CODS and the Midwest Region...one region winning both the Gold and Silver is unprecedented

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A few flowers that stood out at the National Show were: 'Greenodd' 3W-YYW, 'Outlook' 2W-WWP, 'American Girl' 9W-GYR, 'Radar', 'Machan' 2Y-Y, 'Winged Flight' 3W-GYR and Rod Barwick's 'Mickey' 6Y-Y, 'Minnie' 6Y-Y, 'Mortie' 6Y-Y, and 'Ferdie'. They are so much smaller than most cyclamineus hybrids on the market.

### DAFFO DIL DAYS

On Sunday, March 12th six members of CODS helped with the packing and arranging of daffodils for The American Cancer Society at Claproods, a wholesale florist. Those assisting were Irene Moseley, Avalee McCoy and daughter Heather, Cindy Hyde and son Chris and Bess Haddad.

Bess returned on March 19th to complete a sale of one of our new sweatshirts that one of the other volunteers fell in love with. Bess ended up staying two hours before trotting off with her flowers, 25 bunches of ten blooms each and three potted plants with five-six bulbs to deliver to the other residents at Friendship Village. They love the yellow blooms that remind them that spring is really just around the corner.

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It has come to my attention that the American Horticultural Society's Gold and Silver Medals as reported earlier in this newsletter were not awarded in Dallas. The reason being that the AHS requires three entries per class and there were only one in each class. They were awarded blue ribbons. This is a new rule since Mrs. Bowles death in 1992 and not the way she handled the medals. In fact she did not require that the classes be for only American-bred flowers. CODS has several medals that were given to us by Mrs Bowles' daughter at the time of her death. The chairman of this committee is a local person who evidently has changed the rules. It is too bad because I feel few exhibitors or in fact none will enter these classes in the future. The Schedule Committee should think about eliminating it from the schedule and maybe giving some other award for those two classes.

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On Saturday, April 15th the annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Whetstone Park. CODS needs members to be present to answer questions. This is a good way to reach the public and hopefully pick up some new members. Time: 10 am to 1pm.

Don't forget to place your order for a box lunch with Elsie Hack by no later then April 1. There are few places to eat in the vinicity of the Conservatory and parking could be a problem because of the Butterfly Exhibit.

Congratulations go to Bessie Haddad for being recognized by *The Columbus Dispatch* for her volunteer work in the Columbus community. She teaches slow learners reading once a week at Tremont School in Upper Arlington.

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If you have a CODS trophy or a Midwest Region Trophy, please bring them to the next CODS Meeting clean and polished. If you can not attend the meeting, please make sure Tag Bourne receives them before our show.

### SUNSHINE

### Cecile Spitz, Sunshine Chairman

CODS Member, Louise Ream, Phyllis Hess' Mother, suffered a stroke in late February and after a period of hospitalization is now in a nursing home. This is he same home as her husband. Let's hope she gets better soon.

Symphony cards were sent to Don Barnes and Louise Dunn.

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There once was an editor of a daffodil newsletter, She thought it was good, but that it could be better. She's always looking for articles high and low, Asking people to tell others what they know. So think to yourself what you can do for YOURO NEXT DAFFORE NEWSLETTERS!

The Daffodil Association of NSW & ACT November 1990

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