

CODS CORNER

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY

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Tag Bourne, President

Naomi Liggett, Editor

Dear Fellow CODS Members:

It's show time in our region...For daffodil lovers it's the most wonderful time of the year. I just returned from the ADS National Convention in Asheville, and would you believe, on Sunday we could not get out on the highway for some time, because of the heavy snow that fell in the mountains overnight. Due to an extremely rough winter, I only have a few miniatures in bloom and we have a long way to go before the standards are at maturity.

Plans for our show on Easter weekend are underway and Phyllis will call our new members to give them a chance to clerk at the show. This will give them a chance to become acquainted with other members and see how our show is handled and they should be ready next year to show their daffodils. We will be setting up the show at Franklin Park on Friday, April 18th, at 2:00 p.m. The more that come, the quicker we will finish and get home to staging our exhibits. Please call Phyllis and let her know when and where you will be willing to work to make our show successful.

The Conservatory will be open on Saturday morning to accept entries at 7:30 a.m. Entries will close at 11:00 a.m. and none will be accepted after that time.

We had a very interesting meeting by Carol Renneker of Dream Getaways Travel on tours of Gardens in Europe and other places. Phyllis also showed slides sent by David Jackson on Down Under cultivars. Our next meeting will be May 13th at Franklin Park with election of officers and slides of show winners.

My term as president of CODS will soon be ending and I want to thank those who have tried to make CODS a viable organization. Naomi is resigning as Editor of *CODS Corner* after many years and we need to thank her profusely for handling this tough job for such an extended period. I also want to thank Helen Meeker for her dedication to the Whetstone Park Garden and Phyllis for all the work she has put in on Ways and Means.

See you at the show and bring all your blooms, as they will be needed to make a splendid Easter display!

Cordially,

Tag

Easter Memories

Cincy Hyde & Phyllis Hess, Co-Chairman

"Easter Memories" the 2003 edition of the Central Ohio Daffodil Society Daffodil Show will be held at Franklin Park Conservatory on April 19 and 20.

We will be setting up for the Show starting at 2 PM on Friday, April 18. Tear down will be at 5 PM on Sunday, April 20. No flowers or designs may be removed before that time.

Entries for the show will open on Saturday at 7:30 AM and close promptly at 11 AM. There will be no exceptions, the public gets restless and we need to open the show right at 2 PM.

We need lots of willing hands to set up and tear down in a short amount of time.

If you have not signed up to clerk, or otherwise help with the show, no problem, we will always find a job for willing workers.

I want to thank Tag Bourne for getting our Judges, Naomi Liggett for doing the Show Schedule, and Co-chair Cindy Hyde for taking care of the lunch. Elsie will bring a daffodil cake, couldn't have a show without them!

If you need a schedule ahead of time, please contact either Naomi Liggett or Phyllis Hess.

Bring lots of blooms, See you there!

BOX LUNCH:

1. Conservatory Turkey Club Sandwich, Potato Chips, Salad (Chef's choice), Cookie, Ice Tea
2. Chicken Ceaser Salad, Cookie, Roll, Ice Tea

Must make reservation for box lunch by April 4. Cost is \$8.25.

MOUNTAIN MAGIC-ASHEVILLE 2003

Tag Bourne

The National Convention and Show of the American Daffodil Society was held in Asheville, North Carolina from March 26th through the 30th, 2003. Mary Lou Gripshover was the convention chair and Delia Bankhead was the show chair.

For those of us in the northern reaches of North America, please take heart, spring is finally arriving. Naomi and I left for Asheville early on Wednesday and on our way South saw the devastation to trees in Central Kentucky, around Lexington, from a recent ice storm. The thoroughbred horses and their young foals were out in the bluegrass fields, in Northern Tennessee we began to see the Redbuds and Ornamental Pears beginning to bloom and the mass plantings of daffodils by the North Carolina Department of Transportation along the highways and at the rest areas were awesome.

After checking into the Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort, we headed for the staging area where we found many good friends from the States and overseas grooming and entering their flowers. Naomi and I got our properties together because she had a few miniature entries and I had picked three Mites 6 Y-Y just before heading out.

Up early on Thursday as we were both judging, we had an early breakfast and then joined our judging panels. Naomi and I considered ourselves very fortunate as she was judging with Nial Watson of Ringhaddy Daffodils, Northern Ireland and Bob Darling of Washington, DC and my panel consisted of Bill Pannill of Virginia and Michael Berrigan of Minnesota. After dinner on Thursday, the ADS Awards were given out and Nial Watson spoke on "Why Daffodils?" which was hilarious.

ADS GOLD RIBBON - Best standard daffodil in the show was given to Bob Spotts for a beautiful bloom of 'Jan Dalton' 2YYW-Y. Bill Gould took the ROSE RIBBON - Best standard seedling exhibited by the originator . SDLG. #97-37-1, a 2Y-YYP. The ADS WHITE RIBBON - best vase of 3 standard daffodils went to Delia Bankhead for 'Gold Bond' 2Y-Y. The MATTHEW FOWLDS AWARD - for the best standard named cyclamineus went to Delia Bankhead for 'Lemon Silk' 6YYW-W AND THE OLIVE W. LEE AWARD - for the best standard daffodil from Div. 5, 6, 7 and 8 went to the same cultivar.

The WILLIAM A. BENDER RIBBON - for the best in the Hybridizers Section went to Steve Vinisky for a seedling of his own raising ,V92-72-1, 5Y-Y, ('Hillstar' x N. *triandrus capax*). The JUNIOR RIBBON for the best daffodil in the Junior Section went to Alice Watson for her bloom of 'Pink Silk' 1W-P. The SMALL GROWERS RIBBON - Best daffodil in the Small Growers Section was presented to Elizabeth Baron for 'Avalon' 2Y-W. The ADS INTERMEDIATE RIBBON won by Bill Gould for another 2Y-P Seedling #84-21-A was gorgeous. The JOHN C. VAN BECK MEDAL for the best daffodil in the Historic Section went to Beth Holbrooke for her bloom of 'Zero' 2W-W (1935). The

SILVER RIBBON - most blue ribbons in the show went to our President, Steve Vinisky.

I was so thankful that I was not given the assignment to judge the Miniature Section. There were 15 Lavender Ribbon exhibits, five Red-White-Blue exhibits, and five Watrous collections. The MINIATURE GOLD RIBBON - for the best miniature daffodil in the show went to Rodney Armstrong for a bloom of 'Smarple' 10 W-W. The MINIATURE ROSE RIBBON - given for the best miniature seedling exhibited by the originator went to Steve Vinisky for #V95-16-1, 1Y-Y, 'Snook' x 'Small Talk'. and the MINIATURE WHITE RIBBON - for the best set of 3 miniature daffodils was presented to Nancy Wilson for *N. rupicola* 13Y-Y.

LAVENDER RIBBON WINNER: Larry Force of MS. 'Shillingstone' 8W-W, Kiera 64-91-1X 5Y-Y, *N. jonquilla* 13Y-Y, 'Fenben' 7Y-Y and 'Segovia' 3W-Y. MINIATURE RED-WHITE-BLUE RIBBON; Steve Vinisky of Oregon. 'Junior Miss' 12W-Y (Pannill), V93-221-9 6Y-WWY ('Mitzy' x Glenbrook Mini Cycla, Link #79-5 5W-Y, V95-16-1 ('Snook' x 'Small Talk', and V93-62-9 6Y-Y ('Snook' x 'Candlepower')) MINIATURE BRONZE RIBBON; Larry Force 'Xit' 3W-W, 'Fenben' 7Y-Y, 'Yellow Xit' 3W-Y, 'Segovia' 3 W-Y and 'Angel's Breath' 5Y-Y.

ROBERTA C. WATROUS AWARD - Delia Bankhead of North Carolina. Minnow 8Y-Y, 970B 2W-Y (*N. watieri* x 'Pink China'), 'Pequenita' 7 Y-Y, *N. tazetta pachybolbus* 13W-W, 'Junior Miss' 12W-Y, 'Xit' 3W-W, *N. triandrus triandrus* 13W-W, 'Angel's Breath' 5Y-Y, 'Exit' 3W-W, 'Little Becky' 12Y-Y, 'Yellow Fever' 7Y-Y and 'Little Emma' 12Y-Y.

I did not agree with the best miniature selected (so what's new). Frank Galyon had a white cyclamineus seedling #BF-1-MS ('Bird Flight' x 'Snipe' Seedling) 6 W-W which was to "die for" and Steve Vinisky showed *Callicola*, which had 5 florets, Larry Force's Keira seedling was outstanding, plus some wonderful 'Canaliculatus' 8W-Y.

I will go on with the other convention activities and list the other show winners later in the newsletter. On Friday morning we had the annual meeting and Steve presented the ADS Silver Medal to Richard Ezell. The purpose of the Silver Medal is to recognize outstanding service to the Society. The ADS Gold Medal is given in recognition of creative work of a pre-eminent nature in the understanding and advancement of daffodils. It was presented to Brent Heath.

On Friday there were a number of lectures, including a Judges Refresher on Judging Collections. Our own

Nancy Kolson participated in the one on Public Plantings of Daffodils. Our luncheon speaker was Brent Heath of Brent & Becky Bulbs and he spoke on "Bulbs as Companion Plants". Our speaker for the evening was Allen Lacy who wrote "Plant Mania". He was a delightful speaker.

On Saturday we boarded the buses for the Biltmore Estate., which was the summer home of George Vanderbilt. Mr. Vanderbilt wanted it to be a working estate and his grandson is still there. There are 80,000 bulbs planted on the estate as well as 2,300 roses. Many daffodils were worked into the landscape. The Biltmore has almost one million visitors per year. We had lunch at the North Carolina Arboretum and were able to tour for a short while. Bill Pannill was the dinner speaker talking on "The Good Life With Daffodils" and as usual, Bill was a delight.

The remainder of the evening was spent saying our good-byes to daffodil friends, who we look forward to seeing again next year.

ADDITIONAL WINNING COLLECTIONS

PURPLE RIBBON WINNER: Larry Force
'Vineland' 6Y-Y, 'Arrowhead' 6Y-R, 'Flint Arrow' 6Y-O, 'Swallow' 6YYW-W, 'Tracey' 6W-W

RED-WHITE-BLUE WINNER: Lynn Ladd, TN
'Gull' 2W-GWW (Mitsch), 'Veery' 7Y-Y (Fowlds). 'Bee Mabley' 3W-YYO (Fitzwater), 'Nob Hill' 2YYW-Y (Dubose) and 'Best Regards' 1YYW-Y (Mitsch)

GREEN RIBBON: Steve Vinisky
10 Seedlings of his raising, plus 'Tangelo' 3W-OOY and 'Loch Leven' 2O-ORR

HAVENS AWARD: Lois VanWie, TN
'Highfield Beauty' 8Y-YYO, 'Indian Maid' 7O-R, 'Waxwing' 5W-W, 'Hoopoe' 8Y-O, 'Intrigue' 7Y-W, 'Quail' 7Y-Y, 'Tracey' 6W-W, 'Wings of Freedom' 6Y-Y, 'Triller' 7Y-O, 'Harmony Bells' 5Y-Y, 'Rapture' 6Y-Y and 'Beryl' 6W-YYO

THROCKMORTON AWARD: Loyce McKenzie (This was the talk of the convention--a Throckmorton with all Division 7)

'Fertile Crescent' 7YYW-YYW, 'Lemon Supreme' 7YYW-WWY, 'Golden Perfection' 7Y-Y, 'Oryx' 7Y-W, 'Perpetuation' 7YYW-W, 'Avocet' 7W-YYW, 'Tender Moment' 7W-GYP, 'White Bird' 7W-W, 'Pink Angel' 7W-GWP, 'Joppa' 7 Y-YYO, 'Work of Art' 7W-P, 'Indian Maid' 7O-R, 'Kasota' 7Y-O, 'Pukawa' 7Y-R and 'Roberta Watrous' 7Y-GYP

QUINN AWARD WINNER: Steve Vinisky
'Pink Platinum' 2W-P, 'Work of Art' 7W-P, 'Fortescue' 4 W-R, 'Clouded Yellow' 2YYW-Y, 'Tangelo' 3 W-YYO, 'Gold Fusion' 1Y-Y, 'Lady Diana' 2W-W, 'Kiwi Solstice' 4Y-R and 16 seedlings of Steve's raising
CARNCAIRN TROPHY WINNER: Jerry Wilson, California

'High Society' 2W-GWP (Duncan), 'Birthday Girl' 2W-GWW (Duncan), 'Ethereal Beauty' 2W-WWP (Duncan), 'Verdoy' 2W-PPW (Duncan) and 'Inner Glow' 2W-P (Duncan)

NORTHERN IRELAND AWARD WINNER: Kirby Fong, California

'Goldfinger' 1Y-Y (Duncan), 'Green Bridge' 3 W-GYO (Carncairn), 'Simply Bloomfield' 2Y-Y (Carncairn), 'Songket' 2W-GWP (Duncan) and 'Sheer Joy' 6W-W (Duncan)

ENGLISH AWARD: Dick & Sandra Frank, Tennessee
'Bullbarrow' 2Y-Y (Blanchard), 'Gold Convention' 2Y-Y (Lea), 'Pink Whisper' 2W-P (Abel Smith), 'Colley Gate' 3W-YOR (Lea) and 'Fine Romance' 2W-P (Pearson)

AUSTRALIAN TROPHY: Bill Pannill, Virginia
'Impeccable' 2Y-Y (Jackson), 'Terminator' 2Y-Y (Jackson), 'Extrovert' 1YYW-WWY (Jackson), 'Radar' 1W-P (Radcliff) and 'Elusive' 3 W-R (Jackson)

NEW ZEALAND TROPHY: Kirby Fong
'Pure Magic' 2W-W (Brogden), 'Polar Sky' 2W-WWP (Hunter), 'Kiwi Dream' 3W-WWO (Brogden), 'Elfin Dell' 2W-P (Hunter) and 'Trena' 6W-Y (Verry)

GRANT & AMY MITSCH TROPHY Bill Pannill
Seedling No. 89/25B 5 Y-W ('Century' x 'Little Bell')

CHALLENGE CLASSES: The Link Award went to Bill Gould for three pink seedlings, The Murray Evans Trophy also went to Bill Gould for a group of his seedlings and the ADS Challenge Cup Winner was Steve Vinisky with 'Tangelo' 3W-YYO, 'Gold Fusion' 1Y-Y, 'Lemon Puff' 4W-Y, 'Platinum Pink' 2W-P and eight seedlings under number.

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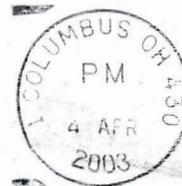
One of the highlights of the convention was the Photography Show. Many wonderful photos and the winner was from Class 2 (Daffodils in the Landscape or Garden) by Bob Darling.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

President: Betty Kealiher
Vice President: Jody Scribner
Secretary: Cindy Hyde
Treasurer: Phyllis Hess
Irene Moseley, Chairman; Bessie Haddad; Helen Meeker

Next Meeting: May 13, 2003, Franklin Park Conservatory 7:30 p.m. Election of Officers and Slides of Show Winners

Deadline July *CODS Corner*: June 15, 2003



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