



CODS CORNER

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Nancy Gill, President

Mrs. James Liggett, Editor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Sunny days, warmer temperatures, and that stupid daffodil foliage. It's amazing how the season can change our attitude when the bloom has come and gone. Yet, we have made great accomplishments this year, because most of our membership is concerned. As we look forward to another year for CODS.....remember our membership is too small for everyone not to participate. So if you're too tired to do a job this year and you didn't contribute last year maybe it's time to ask yourself why you're a member of our group. Each of us have a worth-while talent to contribute. BELIEVE me, we need your talents! We also would like to increase our membership, so be thinking and working on your gardening friends to join us.

A warm welcome to our new members. I'm sure you'll find your association with us informative, to say the least! They are Mrs. Donald Zwilling, Mr. & Mrs. Rod Campbell, and Mrs. Terri McCoy.

Digging at Whetstone began June 15th. As we go to print, I'm sure we are all glad that this chore has been completed for this season. The Whetstone Bulb donations for working members will be a Ruth Pardue's on July 2nd at 7:00 p.m.(Bring your own bags) CODS non-workers donations will be July 7th at 7:00 p.m.(BYOB)

If you are digging in your garden this year, we would love to have your excess bulbs. Gretchen Stegmeier will conduct the members sale in her home September 15th at 7:30 p.m.(BYOB) The excess bulbs will be sold at the NorWest Flower Show on September 26,27, 1981 at the Upper Arlington Municipal Services Building. I need workers to help sell these bulbs at the show. We will also be selling Superphosphate purchased by Howard Ward in bulk. Please save your half-gallon milk cartons (paper) for packaging later this summer.

The annual Cocktail Party will be at the Stegmeiers(again) on Sunday September 20th at 6 00 p.m. Bring an hors d'oeuvre to serve eight and your own booze if you are not interested in the famous punch we always have.

Tag Bourne has again consented to compile the roster. Dues are payable NOW to Sue Harsh, 4759 Arthur Court, Columbus, Ohio 43220. They are \$4.00 for an individual and \$5.00 for a family. No charge for juniors. We must have your dues by August 1 to be listed in the roster. This will make things a lot easier for Tag.

Now, I expect all of you to be encouraged, enthused, and motivated to promote "yellow" fever and our Society to all perspective members and most of all yourselves..... ..I want YOU!

The Central Ohio Daffodil Society's Ohio State Show entitled "April's Artistry" was held at the Upper Arlington Municipal Services Building on April 25-26, 1981. There were 25 adult exhibitors and 5 junior exhibitors with 498 entries or 854 blooms. Weather-wise we had a bad spring, entries were down compared to other years, however, we had a quality show.

It was most encouraging to see the many entries in our Small Growers Section. Our Junior Section is building again and it was nice to see some new junior growers in this area.

Handy Hatfield won the Carey E. Quinn Award Ribbon. This collection gave show goers an opportunity to see some newer varieties, such as Akepa 5 W-P, Snoopie 6 W-GPP, Lemon Sherbert 2 W-GYY, Cool Autumn and Barnby Moor 3 W-Y (I might ask why this is color coded 3 W-Y when it has a distinct red/orange rim). Handy also won the ADS Gold Ribbon with Inverpolly 2 W-W.

Grace Baird won the White Ribbon for a Vase of 3 Dallas 3 W-GWW. Nancy Gill won the Purple Ribbon with a collection of long-cupped daffodils, Naomi Liggett won the Maroon Ribbon with a collection of reverse bi-colors, which consisted of Chat 7 Y-W, Canary 7 YW-W, Daydream 2 Y-W, Bethany 2 Y-W and New Day 7 Y-W. Handy took the honors in the Red-White-Blue Ribbon class showing Lyrebird 3 Y-GWW, Artic Char 2 W-P, Canary 7 YW-W and Late Snow 3 W-GWW, plus New Day 7 Y-W.

In the realm of Miniatures, Gretchen Stegmeier won her first Miniature Gold Ribbon with Sun Disc 7 Y-Y, Charlene Segmiller won the Miniature White with Bobbysoxer 7Y-YYO (each only having one on a stem) and Nancy Gill won the Lavender Ribbon for a collection of 5 miniatures. Nancy's collection was made up of Bebop 7 W-Y, Clare 7 Y-Y, Hawera 5 Y-Y, Stafford 7 Y-O and Paula Cottell 3 W-WWY.

The Roberta C. Watrous Award for a collection of twelve miniatures, one stem each from 3 divisions, was awarded to Naomi Liggett for a fine collection. It consisted of Stafford 7 Y-O, Hawera 5 Y-Y, Fairy Chimes 5 Y-Y, Bebop 7 W-Y, Clare 7 Y-Y, Frosty Morn 5 W-W, bulbocodium 10 Y-Y, Demure 7 W-Y, Bobbysoxer 7 Y-YYO (two on a stem), Chit Chat 7 Y-Y, Rikki 7 W-Y and Sun Disc 7 Y-Y.

A young gentleman, Ron Kalich, Jr., clobbered the female exhibitors and won the Christopher David Lang Award with a beautiful specimen of Cantabile 9 W-GGR. Others winning blue ribbons in the Junior Section were Kristin Cuilwik, Leslie Gill, Sallie Bourne.

Jack Ward won the Novice Trophy with Takoradi 4 W-W and Marie Kalich won the Jean Wright Award for the best flower in the Small Growers Section exhibiting a gorgeous Broomhill 2 W-W. Marie was also presented with a one year membership to the American Daffodil Society for her efforts.

For the first time our show had a CODS Challenge Class and Gretchen Stegmeier won her second trophy of the day with a bloom of Shining Light 2 Y-ORR and Naomi Liggett won the Mary Lou Gripshover Award with Bethany 2 Y-W (best American bred daffodil in the show).

"Tag" Bourne won the Silver Ribbon for the first time with a total of 26 Blue Ribbons.

It was a pleasure to have Robin Hill, Graham and Phil Phillips of New Zealand with us.

Our show was a success after all the bad weather....it gave us a chance to have a much larger miniature section and many, many poeticus were shown. We were fortunate to have Charley Applegate, Ray scholtz and some of our Northern Ohio friends to bring down the Division 1 flowers. I wish to thank each and every member of CODS for their superlative effort on the show, I wish to thank the exhibitors for their wise choice of entries and Ruth and Bill Pardue, a special thanks, for opening their home to us on Saturday night for our dinner and cocktail party. It was great fun and I may even do it again sometime!

Tag Bourne, Show Chairman

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RESULTS OF FORCING DAFFODILS:

Unfortunately most of our members who participated in our forcing program had unsuccessful results. Most didn't have complete failures, but not enough success in relation to the effort put forth. However, I must say, I had twelve pots of bulbs, and only some small bulbs of Minnow 8W-Y didn't bloom. So maybe the method used by our members contributed to their loss.

Sailing Light 2W-YYO, Jack Snipe 6W-Y, and Martha Washington 8W-0 failed completely. Carleton 2Y-Y, Frostkiss 6W-W, and Golden Dawn 8Y-0 had a 50% failure rate. From ten bulbs each of Balmoral 2Y-Y and Canarybird 8Y-G00 one or two each bloomed.

Therm 3Y-R, Fortune 2Y-0, Clackamus 2W-YYO, Trim 7Y-Y00, Marcola 2W-P, Dynamite 2W-0, Beryl 6Y-0, and Tete a Tete 6Y-0 had success. And judging from the reports their success was largely due to neglect after the bulbs were planted until the bloom appeared in the foliage. I left all my pots in the refrigerator at least until the bulbs showed some top growth. Then I removed them to the inside basement window for a few weeks; then put them under the grow-lights. The tricky part for me was to time the bloom for the Plant Society Fair held in January. Tete a Tete was the easiest and most desirable for me because the bloom lasted so long and the foliage was unabstrusive. In fact, I plan to force Tete a Tete every fall.

Some general and unscientific conclusions I observed were: the specific color did not come true as in the garden, ex: a rimmed cup did not necessarily have a rim or an orange might look yellow; the stems on Divisions 1, 2, 3 weren't strong enough to support the bloom 6, 7, 8 seemed to have less offensive foliage and blooms more in proportion to the entire inflorescence; scented flowers held their see flowers did not grow as large in the pots as they do in the garden; and mold on the beginningfoliage was the killer.

Nancy Gill

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SUPERPHOSPHATE:

Howard Ward is securing 500 pounds of superphosphate 40% for CODS at a very good price. Members may purchase at the Members Bulb Sale on September 15th at Gretchen's. No price has been set.

PORT ERIN:

In 1977 Sir Frank Harrison of Ballydorn Bulb Farm sent me a seedling 76/3W-GGW/xxx (Port Stewart x Tryst) because Poet Stewart that I had ordered was damaged. It was with much anticipation that I looked forward to it's blooming the following spring as Division 3 whites are one of my favorites and GGW - wow! Spring came and it had a couple of buds and everytime I looked they were still buds. Finally they blasted. This went on for the next two years. Then I decided to lift and move it to another location, hopefully a warmer one. This same year the seedling was introduced as Port Erin. Last fall I re-planted one double nose and two large rounds. Again this April nice fat buds and great anticipation. Nothing. The beginning of May, I picked one and brought it indoors where it did open. The others did open but with some greening and distortion of the perianth segments. This is a very late cultivar (listed as 5 in the catalog) and I feel our weather is not favorable for growing it. Tag Bourne purchased it last year and she too was unsuccessful blooming it this year.

Last year I reported to Sir Frank on the progress of Port Erin. Here is his reply to me:

"We also had many buds "blasted" this year in the one year down stock and blame the lack of rain for 30 days! All flowered well last year in the cold late wet season. It always has very green buds and needs moist growing conditions."

The official amount of rainfall in Columbus for April was 1.67 inches above normal. The part of town I live in had more than that. So it must not be only moist conditions that Port Erin needs.

On the plus side, I purchased Pixie's Pool 3W-GGY (Cushendall x Sea Green) from Carncairn last year and was very pleased with it. The description in the catalog said it was rather like Grace Note 3W-GGY (Cushendall x ? Cantabile) and of course that was enough to sell it to me. Grace Note's coloring is one of the most pleasing available in daffodils. The coloring and the size are similar, but the perianth segments on Pixie's Pool do not roll which is a big plus. This flower opened around the 9th of May in an early, early season. I am hoping that in the future it will bloom early enough to exhibit.

Naomi Liggett

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NEW MEMBERS:

Cecile has been hard at work again and we now have four new members. They are;

Rod & Laurie Campbell; 5742 Middlefield Drive; Columbus, Ohio 43220

Terry McCoy (Mrs. D.E.); 2021 Indianola Avenue; Columbus, Ohio 43201

Pat Zwilling (Mrs. Donald; 3817 Mountview Road; Columbus, Ohio 43220

Another new member, but old friend is Ed Wright. Welcome to CODS and we hope your association with our society is a pleasant and learning one.

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BULB SALE:

Over one third of the daffodil collections have been sold. Collection #4 is in shortest supply, so send your order to Handy Hatfield today and don't be disappointed. Sell some to your friends.

A few bulbs of Symphonette 2Y-Y will be available for \$5.50 each. This will be a CODS Challenge Bulb. Don't wait on this one as there are not many available.

Fifty collections of five miniatures will be available at \$6.00 each. They are Hawera 5Y-Y, Jumblie 6Y-O, Tete a Tete 6Y-O, Minnow 8W-Y, and Sundial 7Y-Y. Place your order now, any unsold collections will be on sale at the NorWest Flower Show on September 26,27. Don't wait!

Orders for the collection of miniatures and Symphonette should be placed with Nancy Gill. (451-8592) Make checks payable to CODS.

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IMPORTANT DATES:

July 2, 1981	Workers Sale at Ruth Pardue's
July 7, 1981	Non-workers, CODS Members sale at Ruth Pardue's
September 15, 1981	Members Bulb Sale at Gretchen Stegmeier's
September 20, 1981	Cocktail Party at Gretchen Stegmeier's
October 10, 1981	Midwest Region ADS Fall Meeting - Dayton, Ohio
October 17, 1981	Planting Day at Whetstone Display Garden

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I reported in a recent CODS newsletter that I had planted "White Majesty" (1 W-W) for 3 years and it never came up. I followed Sir Frank Harrison's advice, I dipped the bulb in HOT BENLATE, and then completely covered it with the DRY BENLATE. I, also, put some in the ground before planting and this year it came up and had three nice blooms.

Cecile Spitz

It is with much regret that we have learned of the death of Louise Hardison, First Vice President of the American Daffodil Society. Louise was a valued member of ADS and will be sorely missed by friends and colleagues.

***** IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE *****

Workers date at Ruth Pardue's will be Tuesday, July 7th, at 7:00 p.m. Non-Workers date will be Friday, July 10th, 12:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

Beds # 6, 7, and 9 have been dug at this printing, and hopefully, 10 and 11 will be dug this week. Let's hope the weatherman cooperates! If you can help, contact Naomi Liggett for the days. Call 451-4747. WE NEED YOUR HELP DIGGING!

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I saw green banks of daffodil,
Slim poplars in the breeze,
-Edward Wyndham Tennant

CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY BULB SALE

Four outstanding collections of daffodils all can win blue ribbons, will grow and multiply well in your garden. Order NOW for yourself, friends and club members. Garden club orders in Columbus will be delivered about October 1st. Other orders will be contacted for pick-up.

300 COLLECTION # 1 ... (30 Collections available)

8 Bulbs for \$10.00 (Catalog Value \$15.00)

Harmony Bells 5 Y-Y, Rathowen Flame 2 Y-R, Easter Moon 2 W-GW, Redstart 3 W-GW, Oneonta 2 Y-Y, Propriety 2 W-P, Chapeau 2 W-Y, Chat 7 Y-W

200 COLLECTION # 2 ... (20 Collections available)

8 Bulbs for \$10.00 (Catalog Value \$19.00)

Chiloquin 1 Y-W, Armada 2 Y-O, Vantage 2 W-WPP, Festivity 2 W-Y, Ballycastle 3 W-WW, Slieveboy 1 Y-Y, Pueblo 7 W-W, Woodland Prince 3 W-Y

150 COLLECTION # 3 ... (15 Collections available)

7 Bulbs for \$10.00 (Catalog Value \$15.00)

Golden Rapture 1 Y-Y, Red Fox 3 Y-O, Jolly Roger 2 W-Y, Wahkeena 2 W-Y, Nazareth 2 Y-W, Kinglet 7 Y-O, Verona 3 W-W

80 COLLECTION # 4 ... (10 Collections available)

9 Bulbs for \$8.00 (Catalog Value \$12.00)

Rathowen Flame 2 Y-R, Festivity 2 W-Y, Pueblo 7 W-W, Woodland Prince 3 W-Y, Wahkeena 2 W-Y, Kinglet 7 Y-O, Vigil 1 W-W, Rose City 2 W-P, Double Event 4 W-Y

Send money with check payable to CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY
c/o Handy Hatfield
Route # 1
Stoutsville, Ohio 43154
Tele. No. 1-474-7908 or 1-474-5719

BY _____ If you desire bulbs mailed to you, please add sufficient amount to your check to cover postage.

_____ Collection # 1 @ \$10.00 _____

_____ Collection # 2 @ \$10.00 _____

_____ Collection # 3 @ \$10.00 _____

_____ Collection # 4 @ \$ 8.00 _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

NAME _____ PHONE # _____

ADDRESS _____

GARDEN CLUB _____