



NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY

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Phyllis Hess, President

Naomi Liggett, Editor

Dear Fellow CODS Members,

We have held our planning session for the 93-94 CODS year, bulb orders have been sent and now digging time is here! I hope we have pleasant weather for that chore and that ninety degree temperatures hold off until we have completed lifting.

Our deepest sympathy to our Treasurer, Grace Baird on the loss of her husband Bill. I'm sure we all enjoyed reading about their wonderful life together in the last issue of CODS Corner. I also want to sent our best wishes to Margaret Vance who recently had surgery. I'm sorry I wasn't aware of it sooner, hope you are once again 100% Margaret.

Congratulations to CODS' latest celebrity, Mary Lou Gripshover. She recently was awarded the Peter Barr Memorial Cup while visiting the RHS Show in April.

The Executive Board has made some exciting plans for the new year, aside from some records yet to be turned over to the new Chairpersons I think we are well on our way.

We will have our Fall Installation Reception at my house on September 26th at 5 p.m. We ask that you once again bring your favorite finger food. The Members Bulb Sale will precede at 4 p.m. Elsie asks that you get your bulbs either to her or I a few days ahead of time, prepriced and in a paper bag, please. As you are sorting bulbs for the members sale, we ask that you don't forget to include three extras for Whetstone Park, save a few for the exchange at the Midwest Fall Regional Meeting and of course any others you are not replanting remember our friends at the Zoo.

I think all of us will agree that the Zoo facilities were wonderful for our show. My congratulations to our Show Chairman, Cindy for doing such a marvelous job and for winning the Gold Ribbon. Proves you are never too busy to grow beautiful daffodils. I also want to thank everyone who helped with the show in any way, there are too many of you to thank individually but you know who you are and you were very important to the success of the show. The Zoo Staff was most helpful and I hope we can build our show there into a regular "happening". A special thanks to all who brought your beautiful flowers, in this our best year ever for daffs in this region, without you there could be no show!

After this wonderful daffodil season I now know why some growers are so excited about doubles and some other cultivars that have never done well for me before. I guess my favorite word all season was incredible. The color, smoothness, substance and general appearance of the plants were all incredible!! I think we had a near perfect season, if it hadn't rained the weekend of our show. Well...next year?

Until September 26th, happy digging.



1993 Spring Safari

Cindy Hyde, 1993 Show Chairman

Nerves were jumpy the week before our show. Heavy rains laid foliage on the ground; hail and strong rains ripped petals. Then, on Friday, the weather cleared, the show was set up and everyone scurried home to pick daffodils.

We had 462 entries and almost a thousand blooms! Color and quality of bloom was tremendous. All ADS awards were given and the Throckmorton Class had five entries. There were over 250 blooms in the vases of three; over 160 in collections of five and over 200 blooms in single stems. We also enjoyed some very nice seedlings from the gardens of Helen Link and Leone Low.

I want to thank everyone again for their help setting up and tearing down the show. Zoo personnel certainly made our job easier.

Naomi Liggett did a tremendous job on the show schedule and record sheets. Show recorders were Betty Kealiher, Donna Dietsch and Phyllis Hess.

Tag Bourne spent many hours obtaining judges, coordinating clerks, preparing clerk boxes and trophies and judges gifts. Those clerking were Nancy Kolson, Betty Kealiher, Dick Henley, Pat Henley, Irene Moseley, Heather McCoy, Phyllis Hess and Nora Batterton. Bessie Haddad and Nora were also hostesses.

Handy Hatfield did a great job with staging and classification. The Zoo facility worked out very nicely with our floor plan.

Hube Bourne spent many hours photographing the show on Sunday. Much to his disappointment a malfunction in shutter speed ruined all but two photos.

Bessie and Elsie Hack coordinated the luncheon. Elsie's daffodil cake has become quite a tasty culinary tradition.

Bessie did a beautiful job with the educational display. She attracted attention with a couple of Betty Kealiher's "mutant" blooms.

The Saturday night awards dinner was held at B.G. Salvi's. Betty Kealiher made the arrangements and we had a very good time.

Thanks to everyone's efforts we had another successful show. The pouring rain reduced the number of public visitors but, Steve Belcher has promised clear skies for next year!

1993 CODS SHOW WINNERS

Gold Ribbon Cindy Hyde Fragrant Rose 2W-GPP Mary Elizabeth Blue Founder's Cup

White Harold McConnell Cold Overton 2W-GWW Mary & Wells Knierim Award

Miniature Gold Leone Low calcicola 10Y-Y Leonora C. Wilke Award

Miniature White Tag Bourne Stafford 7Y-O

Junior Ribbon Chris Hyde Ashmore 2W-GWW

Christopher David Lang Award

Silver Ribbon Curtis Tolley 15 Blues

Rose Ribbon Leone Low #SGCN2E 1Y-Y

(Strathkaniard x Gold Convention)

Miniature Rose Helen Link #1670 3W-GYO

(Fairy Circle x jonquilla)

Purple Ribbon Handy Hatfield

Walter T. Poppenger Award

Williamsburg 2W-W Shadow 2W-GWW Misty Glen 2W-GWW Gull 2W-GWW

River Queen 2W-W

Red-White-Blue Ribbon Leone Low

Grebe 4Y-O J2-4 2W-YPP UH-1-90 2Y-Y SGCN2E 1Y-Y I6-7 2W-GPP

Maroon Ribbon Naomi Liggett

Bethany 2Y-W Pipit 7Y-W Lavalier 5YW-W Intrique 7Y-W Rio Dell 2YW-WWY

Green Ribbon Harold McConnell

Cynthia Bell Memorial Trophy

Downpatrick 1W-Y
Silver Surf 2W-W
Kimmeridge 3W-YYO
Silent Valley 1W-GWW
Shining Light 2Y-ORR
Golden Pond 3Y-YYO

Avenger 2W-R
Lighthouse 3W-R
Symphonette 1W-Y
Symphonette 2Y-Y
Trish Mist 2W-Y
Tues's Child 5W-Y

Throckmorton Award Harold McConnell

Hambledon 2YW-WYY
Liverpool Festival 2Y-O
Springwood 2W-GWW
Red Ember 3Y-R
Fair Prospect 2W-P
Silent Valley 1W-GWW
Kelanne 2YW-P
Williamsburg 2W-W
Avenger 2W-R
Panache 1W-W
Aircastle 3W-Y
Bravoure 1W-Y
Angel 3W-GWW
Yamhill 2W-YYW
Loch Brora 2W-O

Carey E. Quinn Award

Rain Dance 2W-W Gold Convention 2Y-Y Ravenhill 3W-GYO Raspberry Rose 2W-P Lavender Lass 6W-GPP Miss Prim 2Y-Y Royal Viking 1Y-Y Opal Pearl 2W-P Pink Special 2W-P Fairy Charm 2W-WWO Capitol Hill 2Y-YYP

Phyllis Hess Scipio 2Y-Y Safari 2Y-O Bilbo 6W-GPP Mot Mot 8Y-R Jovial 5Y-O River Queen 2W-W

Torridon 2Y-R Circuit 7Y-Y Wendover 7W-Y Abiqua 2Y-Y Tristram 2Y-Y Flash Affair 2W-Y

Lavender Ribbon

Clare 7Y-Y Fairy Chimes 5Y-Y Yellow Xit 3W-Y

Crystal Blanc 2W-GWW

Naomi Liggett

Rikki 7W-Y Stafford 7Y-O

Roberta C. Watrous Award

Clare 7Y-Y Fairy Chimes 5Y-Y Evans N25/6 9W-YYR Segovia 3W-Y bulbocodium var. 10Y-Y Curlylocks 7Y-Y Yellow Xit 3W-Y T. triandrus 10W-W

Naomi Liggett Tweeny 2W-Y Rikki 7W-Y Stafford 7Y-O Skiffle 7Y-Y

Central Chio Daffodil Society Awards:

Best of Show Small Growers Trene Moseley

Jean Wright Award

Lavender Lass 6W-GPP

Wells Knierim Award Tag Bourne

Stafford 7Y-O, Xit 3W-W, Sundial 7Y-Y

Mary Knierim Award Phyllis Hess

Gull 2W-GWW Williamsburg 2W-W Merry Princess 2W-W Silent Valley 1W-GWW Mountain Dew 1W-W Arley Kings 2W-GWW

Broomhill 2W-W Homestead 2W-W Blue Bird 2W-W Wild Oats 2W-W Gallery 2W-W White Mist 2W-W

Mary Lou Gripshover Award Helen Link

Lemon Cremes 2YW-W

English Award Phyllis Vonnegut Torridon 2Y-R

Strines 2Y-Y Misty Glen 2W-GWW Osmington 3W-R

Loch Owskeich 2Y-O

Show Expenses: \$335.29

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WELCOME:

PROFILE

Dolores S. Bourne, Secretary

I was born in a very small town which is North of Lexington, Kentucky, to Maria Ruth and Frank Simons. My great grandmother was of the Chickasaw Tribe and my great grandfather was French and killed in one of the Indian Wars. My father was a minister and my mother was a homemaker, therefore, I am a "P.K." (preacher's kid), so you know what kind of reputation they have. I have one sister living in Kentucky and one brother in Atlanta, Georgia. Most people ask how I got my nickname, Tag. It's as simple as pie; I followed my older sister and our old collie dog everywhere and was called a Tag-a-long.

I spent all my early life in Kentucky and was educated there. After graduation from Fugazzi School of Business in Lexington, I became secretary to the president of a small manufacturing firm in Paris, Kentucky. There was a new movie theatre in town owned by the Schine Circuit and after leaving the University of Kentucky, Hube was transferred to Paris as Assistant Manager of this new theatre. We were married in a small ceremony, just family and friends, at my home with my father officiating. We just celebrated our 44th anniversary last week.

We have three children: Mike Jeff and Sallie Kate. We have two cats: Sasha and Pixie. After Sallie entered kindergarten, I went back to work as offfice manager for Dr. James H. Healey and Dr. John K, Pfahl, two former OSU professors who were in consulting in management and finance. I retired last March.

Since this is a daffodil publication, however, I think I will leave my personal life and resort to daffodil things of which I have had some wonderful experiences and made some fantastic friends (possibly a few enemies) My mother was a good gardener and had poets in the yard, which she called Narcissus. The "yellow ones" were jonquils.

When we moved to Shadyhill Estates over 25 years ago, they had a garden club in the subdivision. When a new family moved in, a member of the garden club called to welcome you to the area and brought you a house plant. I joined Shadyhill Garden Club and became involved in the NorWest Flower Show and flower arranging in the Sogetsu School.

I am not a charter member of CODS because I didn't attend a meeting until the <u>second</u> one where we met at Cynthia Bell's and had a wine and cheese party. I attended the first clinic Wells did and ordered my first daffodils from Gerald Walz. Our next step was to get the NorWest Flower Show to put in an extensive daffodil section in the Horticulture Division of the show and this was accomplished. And, from this, we wanted MORE, so we decided to have a show of our own.

At this point I got to the place where I could not hold down a full-time job, take care of a family and do my garden club work as well, so I decided to devote all my time to daffodils and CODS. I have served in all capacities in CODS, some offices more than once. I have belonged to the American Daffodil Society since late 1970. I have served on the Nominating Committee, both as co-chair and chairperson, I have served on the Board of Directors as Photography Chairman twice and the Awards Chairman for eight years. I am an ADS Accredited Judge. I served with Naomi Liggett in revising the Judges Handbook and think this was one of the hardest jobs I have ever had. As most of you know, I was awarded the ADS Silver Medal for service to the society this past spring and for that I am deeply grateful. As I stated in my acceptance speech "I was having fun and to be awarded a medal as well is something else".

I would be hard-pressed to name my favorite daffodil; although I think everyone should grow Sweetness 7Y-Y. I have many pinks and love the whites with green eyes. I have many, many poeticus and they are a favorite as well. I accumulated many old ones when I was writing the script for the Poeticus Slide Program for ADS. At our first convention, I got a blue ribbon on Stratosphere 7Y-O and it was brought up for the Olive Lee Memorial Trophy (best standard from Divisons 5,6,7,9). Jetfire 6Y-R won and I was so jealous. From there on out, I became a fierce competitor. My winning the ADS Gold Ribbon at

convention in 1992 with Chelsea Girl 2W-P was a tremendous thrill.

Now that I am retired, Hube and I are traveling a lot. We just returned from a trip to Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Mexico. I have become a member of the Columbus Audubon Society and the National Audubon Society and have taken up bird watching, but nothing will ever replace my daffodils.

WHETSTONE GARDEN REPORT

Nancy Kolson, Chairman

On June 19, thirteen members and one volunteer met at Whetstone Park to dig Beds 1, 2 and 3. Ray Scholz was there at 6:30 ---- alone. The rest of us trickled in between 7 and 10. As usual, the friendly banter made work go faster. All bulbs were dug and in bags by 1:00 p.m.; then we enjoyed a social time in the shade of the big oak tree.

Those participating in the dig were: Grace Baird, Mary Lou Gripshover, Elsie Hack, Bessie Haddad, Phyllis Hess, Cindy Hyde, Betty Kealiher, Dick Kolson, Nancy Kolson, Naomi Liggett, Lindsey Magliocca (a walk-in volunteer), Irene Moseley, Ray Scholz and Cecile Spitz. Thanks to all of you!

Many **nice** bulbs were dug and will be offered for sale at the Whetstone Volunteer Bulb Sale. It will be July 13 at the home of Phyllis Hess, 3670 Powell Road at 7:00 p.m. Anybody who volunteered at the Display Garden is eligible to participate, so please come and bring your checkbook.

Most of the big weeds have been pulled...wild onion, groundsel, shepherd's purse etc.; however, the black medic is starting to take over many of the beds particularly 12 and 13. Please come in at any time and pull weeds, or you can call me after July 1 and I will meet you there...it's always more enjoyable to have more then one person working together.

CONGRATULATIONS:

The 1992 American Daffodil Society's Annual Show, *Celebrate*, sponsored by the Central Ohio Daffodil Society was the recipient of the Garden Club of Ohio, Inc.'s Certificate of Merit for a Plant Society and National Council of State Garden Club's Award of Merit for a Plant Society.

DETED BARR MEMORIAL CUD

Ruth Pardue

A group of Americans traveled to London, England in April to attend the 1993 RHS Daffodil Show. We were invited to observe the meeting of the RHS Narcissus and Tulip Committee on April 20 after the judging. We were impressed by the array of world-noted daffodil aficionados on the committee. The last order of business was a splendid surprise to the Americans attending.

The Royal Horticulture Society awards the Peter Barr Memorial Cup to individuals who have made a significant contribution to the promotion of the genus Narcissus. The 1993 recipient was Mary Lou Gripshover. Mary Lou's credentials were given at the ceremony and included her current position as Executive Director of the American Daffodil Society where she works with the RHS in the classification of daffodils and new registrations, and carries on correspondence with their office regularly. edited the ADS The Daffodil Journal for eight years, during which time color was introduced in the publication. She held the positions in the ADS of Second Vice President, Regional Director, Regional Vice President Midwest Region, Show Reporter, Classification Chairman and Convention Chairman.

Her work as a hybridizer was chronicled, noting that she has received the ADS Larus Trophy twice and the Link Medal along with numerous Rose Ribbons for her seedlings. Her work in the Central Ohio Daffodil Society was detailed as being a charter member of the group, serving as its president and first editor of *CODS Corner*.

Mary Lou made a short acceptance speech as she received the beautiful tall silver cup that was engraved with her name along with past recipients including Engleheart, Wilson, B. Y. Morrison, Richardson, Mitsch, Throckmorton and Duncan.

Many toasts to Mary Lou were made during our next ten days in London, Northern Ireland and Holland. She became affectionately known as the "Barr Girl".

We congratulate Mary Lou for this distinguished award. Only four Americans have received this award and she richly deserves the honor. We can also take pride in the fact that she started her career in daffodils as a member of CODS.

REFLECTIONS

Naomi Liggett

As has been mentioned several times in this newsletter, this was an exceptional year for daffodils. The weather was cool and damp making for great color, size and substance. However, one disadvantage to this type of weather is that most white cups and the reverse bicolors take much longer to reach their optimum color. The foliage on Avalanche 8W-Y is almost to my waist. In this area the foliage emerges in the fall and by the time April comes it looks dead. Maybe it was the mushroom compost.

A few cultivars that stood out this year are:

Kelanne 2YW-P A (Rose Caprice x Binkie Sdlg) x Daydream hybridized by Tom Bloomer and introduced in 1982. Many blooms of this cultivar were exhibited in all the late shows in the Midwest Region. Color was outstanding!

Scarlet Tanager 2Y-R A 1992 introduction from Havens it is not a large flower (Bantam x Kindled cross), but had good form, color and texture. Size should not be a minus for this flower.

Ice House 2W-W A Guiding Light x an Empress of Ireland x Canisp seedling introduced by Mr. Brogden. It was purchased in 1991 and bloomed for the first time this year. One bloom was in a winning Green Ribbon and the other won a blue in a collection of 5 Division 2 blooms. It has a very long straight cup and almost looks like a Division 2 daffodil. It was second for the Gold Ribbon in the SWODS Show. Looking forward to more show blooms from this cultivar.

It you wanted to see a large number of Division 6 daffodils, the Southern Indiana Show was the place. I have never seen so many different cultivars of 6's in one show before. Noss Mayo 6W-Y (Rosewarne E.H.S. 1986) was noted and now has been ordered. Rapture 6Y-Y was the most outstanding Division 6 I saw this year. It won the Gold Ribbon in Cincinnati and I believe it also won a White Ribbon in the region.

Gull 2W-GWW in my opinion is the best Division 2 white hybridized by Grant Mitsch. Almost every bloom produced is show quality. It should be seen on the show bench for many years to come.

Altun Ha 2Y-W, Camelot x Daydream introduced in 1987 by Mr. Pearson, began appearing in local shows this year. It is one of the best reverse bicolors available with form similar to Camelot.

Newcomer 3W-P an Evans flower from Quasar x (Mitsch Sdlg x Everpink) was introduced in 1991. It sports a very white rounded perianth with intense pink cup and fills a great need in this classification.

A new split corona available in 1992 from Havens was Mission Impossible 11W-P, From Mr. Mitsch it is a complicated cross: (Accent x (Wild Rose x Hillbilly) x (Pink Frost x Accent) It was exhibited at CODS' show and was very impressive, much better than the photo on the December 1991 The Daffodil Journal. The price is still high and it's hard to part with that much money for a split corona even when you like them.

Arrival 1W-Y, Little Beauty Open Pollinated, was displayed in Oregon Trails Trade Exhibit in Nashville. It is similar to Little Beauty but with much improved form -- wider and flatter segments. It appears to be a future candidate for the ADS Approved Miniature List.

Lemon Cremes 2YW-W A recent introduction (1990) of Mitsch it was the result of a Topnotch x Chiloquin cross. It received the Mary Lou Gripshover Trophy at the CODS Show for the best American Bred daffodil in the show.

Skiffle 7Y-Y This was the first time I had the opportunity of seeing this miniature. It is an asturiensis x calcicola cross by Alec Grey introduced in 1957. It opened a deep yellow, but the perianth faded to a lemony color on the show table.

Did you see any daffodils that stood out this year? Why not write a few words about them for the next CODS Corner?

IMPORTANT DATES

July 13, 1993 Whetstone Bulb Sale
September 26, 1993 Cocktail Party Y
October 1993 Midwest Regional Meeting
November 9, 1993 CODS Meeting
March 24, 26, 1994 ADS Portland Convention
April 23, 24, 1994 CODS' Daffodil Show

Louise Ream, Phyllis' mother and CODS member was recently in the hospital with bronchitis. Hope you are home and feeling great.

CODS dues are now due! Send check made out to CODS to Grace Baird, Treasurer, 1874 Collingswood Road, Columbus, OH 43221. \$4.00 single membership, \$5.00 family.

If not received by August 31, your name will not appear in CODS Roster.

I recently learned of the deaths of Frances Armstrong, Virginia and Libby Capen, New Jersey. They have both been members of the ADS for several years and were noted for growing many miniature daffodils. Both were ADS Accredited Judges and will be greatly missed.

DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER: SEDTEMBER 15, 1993

Have a great Fourth of July

