

CODS CORNER

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY
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Betty Kealiher, President Tag Bourne, Editor

Dear Fellow CODS Members:

The calendar and weatherman may say that it's summer. But the weatherman also says that we have had some type of precipitation on 75% of the days this year. What that says to me is that we have had a lot of snow and many soggy, damp days. However, although we didn't know what daffodil was going to bloom when (flowers didn't bloom in the correct sequence this year), they were larger than usual and lasted longer because of the cooler weather. The foliage is greener and healthier looking and, hopefully, the bulbs will be larger if it dries out enough to dig them.

At this time of year, the executive committee meets to plan meetings for the upcoming season. If you would like to attend a meeting devoted to a certain segment of growing daffodils or if our meeting time or place is not convenient for you or if you need transportation, please let me know so that your concern may be addressed. Since this is my first time as President of CODS, I'll try to make it a successful term and your input will be appreciated.

CODS lost a founding member when Grace Baird died on April 19 at the age of 92. Grace was an accredited daffodil judge and also an accomplished flower arranger in the Sogetsu School of Japanese flower arranging. She is survived by her daughter, Margaret, who is also a CODS member.

I want to sincerely thank Naomi Liggett for the 10 years she served CODS as Editor of CODS Corner. It was not an easy job but she always came through with an excellent newsletter. Many thanks to Tag Bourne for accepting the responsibility.

Elsewhere in the newsletter you will see some dates listed for working with the Whetstone bulbs. Please mark your calendar. We always have a good time and if you haven't helped before, it's a good way to meet your fellow members.

Betty

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

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EASTER MEMORIES CODS 2003 OHIO STATE SHOW

On a sad note, we learned of Grace Baird's death on the opening morning of our Show. Grace suffered a massive stroke the week before. It was somehow fitting that she died just as CODS was preparing a show. Grace was a keen competitor and had won Best in Show and the Red/White/Blue in recent years. Her daughter Margaret was planning on bringing her to our show. She will be sorely missed.

Dave and I returned home from Convention and Spring Break on April 5th to find a dozen or so cultivars in bloom. On Wednesday before the show, I had maybe, 20 cultivars in bloom. Thursday temps reached 80° and blooms popped everywhere. Sarah and I picked flowers for the show on Friday. Sunday the rains came, and the hail, marble sized. Monday any flowers I had were melted from the rain and shredded from the hail. Hmmmmm, now where have I heard that before? Oh yes, last year and probably the one before that as well. Such is life for the daffodil lover. My "perfect" season.

We wondered how attendance would be since the show was on Easter weekend, but as usual, the folks from Cincy and Indy did not let us down nor did the public and the show was very well attended. 25 exhibitors staged 299 exhibits with 675 blooms. The quality was excellent and the show presented in a very nice way.

We once again gained several new members. We welcome them with open arms! This fall we will welcome them with lots of bulbs.

Donna Dietsch won the Gold with 'Capree Elizabeth' 2 Y-P a Spud Brogden cultivar. It was a rather small bloom but exquisite, it was also deemed best New Zealand, rather fitting since Spud supplies the winner with a bulb each year. Tom Stettner won the White with 'Angel' 3 W-GWW. They were lovely! The Mini Gold, 'Three of Diamonds' 3 W-GWO and Mini White, 'Clare' 7 Y-Y were won by Naomi Liggett. She also garnered the Silver Ribbon with 18 blues.

Tom Stettner's vase of three 'Magic Charm' a 2 W-R from Havens was so bright and colorful they could have been from Oregon. A division 9 seedling from Mary Lou Gripshover was much admired by members and the public alike. Naomi's Watrous was as usual, darling. However, her vase of 5 miniatures took my eye; they were all very diminutive, so sweet.

The Design Section of the Show was simply marvelous! The public loved the miniature designs and the breakfast trays! Especially the one with the napkin made to look like a bunny! On a humorous note, some flowers did not quite make it to the show table, but did end up in a lovely design! Someone was directed to the wrong bucket of flowers.

Phyllis Hess, Show Co-Chair

The unusual part of our show this year was the lack of miniatures, probably the fewest staged at a CODS Show in some time. Also not many division 1's. It was also a shame a very nice Quinn did not receive an Award due to a mislabeled flower.

The rest of the winners will be listed elsewhere in this issue of CODS Corner.

We want to thank: Franklin Park Conservatory for allowing us to have our show there, especially Garry Clarke and his staff who once again were so helpful. We especially liked being able to stage in the same room with the show, and being able to close off that area and use it for the entire weekend. That made loading and unloading so much easier, not to mention how much better it was for set up and tear down.

The Judges who came to judge and brought such lovely flowers, Don Caton, Ruth Pardue, Liz Ragouzis, Joe Hamm, Mary Lou Gripshover, as well as our own local members who judged and student judged. Also Linda Wallpe who came, all the way from Cincinnati, staged her winning collections, and had to hurry home to cook for Easter.

Tag Bourne for getting the Judges for us.

Nancy Gill for arranging for our Design Section and providing our taxus. Tricia Yrukovich for getting the designers and Judges and doing the Schedule for the Design Section. The designers for doing the wonderful designs that add so much to the show.

Naomi Liggett for doing and printing the Show Schedule. Linda Wallpe mentioned that Peggy Macneale had given her a lot of old Show schedules and that year after year the CODS ones had the best graphics. The one this year was really cute with the Easter basket in color on pink, yellow and white covers. Cindy Hyde for Co-chairing the Show, coordinating the morning coffee and tea and arranging for the lunch. Elsie Hack, for once again providing us with a beautiful Daffodil cake! Some of the folks wouldn't come if that cake weren't there!

I also want to thank all that clerked, helped to set up, and tear down.

Thanks to those who brought their lovely blooms. Sorry if I missed anyone. What will 2004 bring???

CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY AWARDS

MARY E. BLUE FOUNDER'S CUP - Best standard daffodil - DONNA DIETSCH - CAPREE ELIZABETH 2 Y-P

CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY AWARD - Best collection 5 whites -NANCY GILL – WHO'S WHO 2 W-W, ICE HOUSE 2 W-W, HOMESTEAD 2 W-W, RIVER QUEEN 2 W-W, MOON VALLEY 2 W-GWW

MARY LOU GRIPSHOVER AWARD - Best American Bred daffodil standard or miniature - MARY LOU GRIPSHOVER- SCARLET Tanager 2Y-R

WELLS & MARY KNIERIM AWARD - Best vase of 3 standard daffodils : TOM STETTNER ANGEL 3 W-GWW

WALTER T. POPPENGER AWARD - Best collection of 5 daffodils - MARY LOU GRIPSHOVER – LITTLE KARO 3 Y-O, AMAZING GRACE 2 W-P, INNER GLOW 2 W-P, JAKE 3 Y-GOO, SILENT CHEER 3 W-YYP

LEONORA C. WILKE AWARD - Best miniature Daffodil -NAOMI LIGGETT – THREE OF DIAMONDS 3 W-GWO

JEAN WRIGHT AWARD - Best in Section KSG (Also one year membership ADS) –SHAWNA FANCHER- FALCONET 8 Y-R

NOVICE AWARD - Open to anyone who has never won a blue ribbon in an ADS Show, Section KSG (No Winner)

CHRISTOPHER DAVID LANG AWARD – Best standard daffodil Junior Section - KYLE SPARKS - FOXFIRE 2 W-GWO

CYNTHIA BELL MEMORIAL TROPHY - Best collection Class 171 - BOZIEVICH (GREEN) RIBBON WINNER -NANCY GILL – FOUNDLING 6 W-P, CARIB GIPSY 2 Y-WWP, RINGMER 3 Y-YYO, GOLD CONVENTION 2 Y-Y, SAVOIR FAIRE 2 W-GWP, INTRIGUE 7 Y-W, CENTREVILLE 3 Y-R, IDA MAY 2 W-OOY, MOTMOT 8 Y-R, COLONIAL WHITE 2 W-W, RIVER QUEEN 2 W-W, HOLME FEN 2 W-Y

SILVER RIBBON AWARD - Most blue ribbons - NAOMI LIGGETT- 18

ENGLISH AWARD - Best collection Class 166 – TAG BOURNE- LOCH HOPE 2 Y-R, WHITE SPRINGS 3 W-W, GOLD CONVENTION 2 Y-Y, HOLME FEN 2 W-Y, FINCHCOCKS 2 Y-R

MARY KNIERIM MEMORIAL AWARD - Best collection Class 174 (No Winner)

NORWEST FLOWER SHOW AWARD - Best collection 5 miniature daffodils - TAG BOURNE – RIKKI 7 Y-Y, FAIRY CHIMES 5 Y-Y, STAFFORD 7 Y-YYO, CLARE 7 Y-Y, CANALICULATUS 8 W-Y

BROGDEN AWARD - Best New Zealand Bred Daffodil -DONNA DIETSCH- CAPREE ELIZABETH 2 Y-P

BESSIE HADDAD AWARD - Best pink daffodil - NAOMI LIGGETT- CHERRY GARDENS 2 W-GPP

WELLS KNIERIM AWARD - Best vase of 3 miniatures - NAOMI LIGGETT- CLARE 7 Y-Y

DESIGN CLASS WINNERS:

- #1 EASTER EGG HUNT (SMALL DESIGN) – NANCY GILL
- #2 BUNNIES BREAKFAST (BREAKFAST TRAY) – KAREN GROFF
- #3 EASTER PARADE (EXHIBITION TABLE) – JACKIE LUNDBERG

WHETSTONE DAFFODIL GARDEN

Helen Meeker, Chair

The beds are soaked, so we have decided to forgo digging this year. HOWEVER, we need to weed the beds as soon as they dry out. Anytime you have a bit of time, PLEASE go to the park and do some weeding. It is necessary to remove the foliage and properly fill the holes. As soon as that is completed, Park employees will spray the beds with Roundup.

ADS FALL REGIONAL MEETING

A former ADS Regional Vice President has advised me that the ADS Fall Regional Meeting will be held at the Civic Garden Center in Cincinnati on November 1, 2003.

Starting time will be 9:30 a.m. and there will be a potluck lunch with bulb exchange.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW PRESIDENT

Betty Kealiher, our new president, has been married to Bill for 26 years. After 38 years at Columbus Southern (AEP) she moved to part of the

farm where her mother was born. It is eight miles north of Newark and has been in the family since 1827.

She is a past Regional Vice President of ADS, sings tenor in the Newark Chapter of Sweet Adelines, belongs to the Licking County Genealogical Society, Utica Historical Society and St. Luke Lutheran Church.

Volunteer mentor at Newton School, docent at Historical Society and currently packages lunches for the summer program at the Salvation Army one day a week. Her leisure time is spent with historical novels and needlepoint.

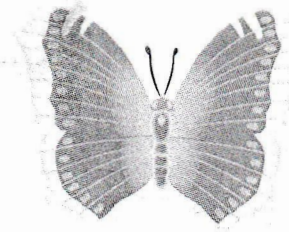
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DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER: September 15, 2003

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GOOD STUFF

*Happiness is like a butterfly. The more
You chase it, the more it will elude
You. But if you turn your attention to
Other things, it comes softly and sits on
Your shoulder.*



NEWS has reached the Editor, that our good friend and excellent member of CODS, Elsie Hack, is moving to Florida. This will be a great loss and we will certainly miss her, especially her great daffodil decorated cakes.

Elsie was our Treasurer for over nine years.



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