

# NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY

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Phyllis Hess, President

Naomi Liggett, Editor

Dear Fellow CODS Members,

I am writing this as I look out on the tops of the most beautiful snow capped Wyoming mountains. Convention is over and only pleasant memories remain! Cindy, Irene and I are now on our way home, tired but very happy. You'll read of our experiences and about the winners later in this issue of *CODS Corner*. Only one word describes our Oregon experience, from the hospitality, to the weather, to the scenery and most of all our favorite flowers- - all spectacular!!

Ohio, as usual, did itself proud having 32 people at convention, first was Oregon with 38; counting our aliens CODS had the most members there.

I would like to remind you we will be putting the labels out at the Park on April 9th, if you can not be there that day please contact Nancy. Then on April 22nd Cindy needs all our help in setting up the show at noon at the Columbus Zoo. Then again on Sunday the 25th we need to help tear down at 5P.M.

This is my last letter as CODS president. I want to thank everyone for doing such a good job these last two years. The garden at Whetstone has never looked better. When the four year plan is completed it will really be outstanding. I hope you all continue to give Nancy our utmost backing. I'm anxious for the minis to bloom! I'm sure you will all give Irene the same good support I have enjoyed. That is what makes CODS so special, we all help one another.

Let's hope we all have a good season and win lots of blue ribbons - remember our flowers can't be seen and win ribbons if you don't take them to the show!

See you all on Friday the 22nd - Let's help Cindy make this the best show ever!

Happy winning!



# WANTED SDRING SAFARI II 1994

#### Cindy Hyde, Show Chairman

Things are always better the second time around that's why you and your beautiful blooms are wanted at Spring Safari II, April 23, 24, 1994 at the Columbus Zoo.

If you have a 1993 trophy, please make sure Tag receives it by April 10, 1994

Set-up will be Friday, April 22 beginning at 12:00 noon in the Education Building at the Zoo (same as 1993).

Entries will be received Saturday, April 23 from 7:30 -11:00 A..M. We will have two staging rooms and **taxus is needed.** The box lunch will follow.

The show will open to the public from 2-4:00 P.M. on Saturday, April 23 and from 10:00 A..M. to 4:00 P.M. Sunday, April 24.

Betty Kealiher is coordinating the awards dinner at the Safari Cafe (at the golf course) which will follow the show's closing on Saturday.

Tear-down will be Sunday, April 24, 1994 at 4:00 P.M. Your help will truly be appreciated!

Many members have already volunteered - Thanks a million! If you were unable to attend our last meeting and have a particular job in mind, please call me at 474-7488. Don't be left out, get involved!

#### MEMORIES OF PORTLAND

Phyllis Hess, Cindy Hyde, Irene Moseley, Betty Kealiher

It began in the cold and rain and ended with fire, but in between was all friendly faces, daffodils and sunshine!

The 39th ADS Convention was a huge success, starting on Thursday with a trip to the Oregon Coast. We first stopped for coffee at a roadside rest where we threw snowballs, then at Cannon Beach to walk on the beach, marvel at the beauty of the monoliths and shop. On down the coast in glorious sunshine, unusual for March, we went to have our box lunch at a state park. Then a hike beneath huge virgin Douglas firs which were growing along a lovely mountain stream. It was so peaceful we could have stayed all day! We arrived at our final destination which was Tillamook Dairy where we enjoyed their world famous ice cream and cheeses. On our return to Portland we crossed the Coastal Mountains once again, past a huge land slide that earlier had closed the road for several months. Arriving back in Portland we passed one of the largest inland ports in the world. The Port of Portland brings in over 9 million dollars a day, one of the reasons there is no sales tax in Oregon. It was so clear we could see Mt. Hood, Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Adams and Mt. Rainier all from downtown Portland. When we reached the Red Lion Hotel the show had been judged and was ready for the "oohs and aahs" to begin.

That evening after a lovely dinner the winners were awarded their prizes and Marilynn Howe elected our new ADS President at the annual meeting. David Jackson was awarded the ADS gold medal to top a very eventful day as he also won the Hybridizers Cup and his "baby" Scipio 2Y-Y was Best in Show! Our congratulations once again to our CODS honorary member!! Dr. Stan Baird of California was awarded the Silver Medal.

As usual the best part of the convention was seeing friends from far and near and making new ones. We especially enjoyed meeting Steve Vinisky's wife Heather and seeing Ruth Pardue and Elise and her family once more. The "Aliens" were back! We were so glad to see David and Robin, Michael and Sandra Baxter, Mary Anderson, Gene and Nancy Cameron, Spud and his wife Joy who joined him this time, Don and Carol Barnes of England and Sid Dubose of California! There was a large group from the UK and Graham Phillips returned from New Zealand, we met Wilf Hall also of NZ, plus others from around the world.

On Friday we hopped on the "fun bus" to go visit daffodil heaven at the Haven's and Steve Vinisky's homes. As we pull up to the Havens there was an audible gasp as we looked over the beautiful fields of daffodils. Later we were able to drool in the display area at the things to come. Elise had set up a display of choice seedlings. Unfortunately, Steve was hit with three inches of snow on Monday so was not at peak but he and his lovely wife Heather wined and "desserted" us in style, so the stay there was most pleasant and the seedlings we did see proved Steve will be heard from in the future. The view of Mt. Hood from their dining room and side lawn alone made it worth the trip! That evening after some spirited bidding at the bulb auction we enjoyed another lovely banquet.

The ODS and manager Marianne Burr had put together a wonderful "General Store" featuring some of Murray and Estella Evans' personal daffodil mementos which were avidly sought after! (And if you see a darling daffodil hat on one of our members you'll know where they found it!) So much to do and so little time!

On Saturday we once again boarded our favorite bus and headed out to the Columbia River Gorge. If you are fond of gorgeous scenery, beautiful water falls, native ferns, huge patches of skunk cabbage with their yellow blossoms shining in the sun and lovely wild flower (and who isn't) we highly recommend the trip! After a wonderful lunch at Crestview Manor high atop the gorge we arrived at Oregon Trail Daffodils, home of Bill and Diane Tribe where once again the daffodils were spectacular, imagine a 30 foot long row of The talk of the day among the Homestead. hybridizers was Bill's 1Y-R which had them all gathered round. The Tribes three story home is of peg and post construction, very interesting to see and lovely to look at, quite comfy. Leaving there we wound our way along narrow roads to Corbett and Bonnie Brae Gardens home of Frank and Jeanne Driver. Once again we were entertained very graciously and able to enjoy their lovely flowers. from there we rushed back to the hotel as there was an ADS Board Meeting, a wrap up of the bulb auction and another great dinner. The after dinner speaker was Brian Duncan who also showed some "people" slides taken over the last 20 years. It was fun to see our CODS members in their early days. After dinner we started saying our good-byes hating to leave friends and that beautiful place.

On Sunday morning as we were finishing breakfast and saying our last good-byes to the Vinisky's and others the cloth draping and skirting at the brunch buffet caught on fire. We helped play fireman and then left the Red Lion having enjoyed another wonderful convention and perfect weather (no rain for the length of our stay) not even on tour day!

After we left the hotel we journeyed back to the coast and spent an indescribable two days then we flew home on Tuesday in such clear skies we could see forever!!

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Ceylon 2Y-O was awarded the Wister Award by the American Daffodil Society.

# **1994 ADS NATIONAL SHOW**

The National Show was held March 24, 25, 1994 at the Red Lion Hotel Columbia River in Portiand, Oregon. Dr. Stan Baird, Judges Chairman for the show won the ADS Gold Ribbon with Sciopo 2Y-Y. He was also awarded the Gold Quinn Medal with Swallow 6YW-W, Silk Cut 2W-GWW, Sweet Prince 1YYW-WWY, Golden Strand 2Y-O, Michael's Gold 2Y-Y, Lyles 2Y-Y, Silver Surf 2W-W, Circuit 7-Y-Y, Royal Princess 3W-WWR, Bailey 2O-O, Purbeck 3W-YYO, High Point 2Y-Y, Havens 2PO5/22 3W-GYR, Comal 1Y-Y, Gull 2W-GWW, Surrey 2Y-R, Tristram 2Y-Y, Wendover 7W-Y, Trelay 3Y-R, Revelry 2Y-R, Achduart 3Y-R, Capisco 3W-GYO, Dateline 3Y-O and Evesham 3W-GYY.

Bob Spotts' winning Purple Ribbon included Water Color 2W-P, Silent Pink 2W-P and his own seedlings 87-60-2 2W-WP, 87-60-1 (both Apropos x Dailmanach) and 87-42-1 Daydream x Quasar 2Y-P. He also won the AHS Silver Medal for eight American-bred cultivars from Divisions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 with Kokapelli 7Y-Y, 86-131-2 Beryl x triandrus 5W-Y, 88-68-2 Duncan 75-12 x triandrus 5Y-Y, 87-89-2 Ashmore x (Easter Moon x viridiflorus ) 7YG-GGY, 89-161-1 Foundling x triandrus 5W-W, 88-108-1 Matador o.p. 8Y-O and 87-150-1 Fireflash x triandrus 5Y-O. This last flower won the Olive Memorial Trophy for the best 5, 6, 7, 8 daffodil in the show. The cup was a beautiful shade of light orange contrasting nicely with the yellow perianth. The English Award was also awarded to Bob for his collection of Crackington 4Y-O Blanchard, Filoli 1Y-YPP Lea, Tripartite 11Y-Y Brook, Evesham 3W-GYY Lea and Verwood 3Y-YYO Blanchard.

CODS' Honorary Member, Elise Havens was also a big winner. She was awarded the ADS Hybridizers Ribbon with VH19/1 2Y-. She won the Rose Ribbon with another bloom of the same cross. It was from her winning AHS Gold Medal Class for 15 flowers bred in Oregon. The others were: TT/23/18 2W-W, VH18/1 2Y-P, TT1/10 2W-Y, Freedom Rings 2Y-P, SEH21/31 1W-P, VH18/2 2Y-P, Silent Pink 2W-P, Refrain 2W-P, Y58/2 2Y-Y, XX14/5 2W-P, SEH80/2 2Y-YRR, XH30/4 2W-YYP, Gold Beach 2Y-Y, VH9/1 2W-Y plus one more which I neglected to record. Elise also won the Australian Award with her collection of Biograph 1Y-Y, Ingle 2W-W, Impeccable 2Y-Y, Rekuna 3W-O and Bozely 1Y-Y. All five of these flowers were Jackson originations. Yet another winner was Havens 205/2 11W-P taking the Grant & Amy Mitsch Trophy for a vase of three standard seedlings.

#### **OTHER WINNERS:**

SILVER RIBBON - Eve Gullikson, WA - 22 blues WHITE RIBBON - Lee Forester, OR Williamsburg 2W-W JUNIOR RIBBON - Leah Gross - Rapture 6Y-Y MINIATURE GOLD RIBBON - Nancy Wilson, CA Blanchard 72-5D Ringstead x N. dubuis 8W-W

MINIATURE WHITE RIBBON - Lee Gross, OR Snipe 6W-W

LAVENDER RIBBON - Nancy Wilson Sabrosa 7Y-Y, Angel's Whisper 5Y-Y, b. tenufolius 10Y-Y, rupicola 10Y-Y, assoanus 10Y-Y

MINIATURE ROSE RIBBON - Helen Link #3085 cyclamineus x Mite o.p. 6Y-Y

MINIATURE RED-WHITE-BLUE - Helen Link First Kiss 6Y-Y Link, #577-2 Mite x cyclamineus 6Y-Y, #3285A Wee Bee x Divine o.p. 1Y-Y, #3085 cyclamineus x Mite o.p. 6Y-Y, #3385-6 Wee Bee x Divine o.p. 1Y-Y

MINIATURE BRONZE RIBBON - Nancy Wilson Sundial 7Y-Y, Minnow 8W-Y, Hawera 5Y-Y, Yellow Xit 3W-Y, Pixie's Sister 7Y-Y

MATTHEW FOWLDS AWARD - Evie Gullikson Lemon Silk 6YW-W

**RED-WHITE-BLUE RIBBON** - Lee Gross, OR Raspberry Rose 2W-P DuBose, Prologue 2W-Y Mitsch, Butterscotch, 2Y-Y Mitsch, Pink Silk 1W-P Mitsch, Graduation 2W-WWP Havens

#### **GREEN RIBBON** - Wayne Steele, CA

Sportsman 2Y-R, Sweet Promise 9W-GOO, Loch Coire 3W-R, Port Noo 3W-Y, Gin & Lime 1Y-W, Occasionally 1W-Y, Modulux 2W-Y, Ormeau 2Y-Y, Conestoga 2W-GYO, Guinevere 2Y-Y, Top Notch 2Y-Y, Bunclody 2Y-R

#### NEW ZEALAND AWARD - Kirby Fong

New Life 3W-Y Brogden, Red Mantle 2Y-R Bell, Clear Gold 1Y-Y O'More, Silver Kiwi 2W-W Brodgen, Twilight Zone 2YW-WWY Brogden

## **CARNCAIRN TROPHY** - Kirby Fong

Unique 4W-Y Richardson, Golden Topaz 2Y-O Ballydorn, Camelot 2Y-Y Richardson, Golden Aura 2Y-Y Richardson, Mount Oriel 2W-Y Ballydorn

#### MURRAY EVANS TROPHY - John Pearson

Fine Romance 2Y-P, Goldhanger 2Y-Y, 88-60-L15 Amber Castle x Daydream 3W-YYO, 85-35-H32 3W-YWO Tryst x Dell Chapel, Dr Jazz 2Y-ORR, Goff's Cave 2Y-W

GOETHE LINK AWARD - John Pearson Michael's Gold 2Y-Y, 89-59-M14 (Fine Gold selfed x Camelot) x Daydream 1Y-Y, Cool Shades 2Y-Y

ADS CHALLENGE CUP - David Jackson Madruga 2Y-Y, Loophole 2W-W, Misquote 1Y-Y, Cryptic 2W-P, Obsession 2W-P, Twicer 2-O, Tisa 2W-O, Nakajama 3Y-O, Ricom 1Y-Y, Zumdish 4W-Y, Bozely 1Y-Y, Pontes 1W-Y

No entries: Maroon, Mains, Watrous, Northern Ireland Not Awarded: Throckmorton, Tuggle TOTAL ENTRIES - Over 1000 TOTAL BLOOMS - Over 2300

# WHETSTONE REPORT

#### Nancy Kolson, Chairman

Now it can be told: Our many hours of research (reading, reading and more reading), experimentation, and hard physical labors, have paid off. I have just returned from the Park (March 26) and 291 of the 292 cultivars we planted in Beds 1, 2 and 3 have emerged and are looking good. That's an emergence rate of 99.6%. I'm hoping that last one is just slow and will still emerge. Many thanks to Helen Meeker and Cecile Spitz whose hard work made this possible.

The rest of the garden is looking good too. There are very few weeds now, and they are easy to pull out because the soil is moist. Unfortunately, there are many wild onions, and these can be eradicated only by digging them out, so bring a narrow shovel, dandelion digger or trowel to the Work Day.

On April 9th, we need to fertilize Beds 1, 2, 10, 11, 12 and 13. If you have one of these beds and cannot come on the 9th, please make other arrangements to fertilize ASAP. The fertilizer we are using is called Green Velvet (Countrymark) and has the same analysis as Plant Pet, 6-12-12 plus trace amounts of calcium, magnesium, sulfur, boron, iron, manganese and zinc. The fertilizer, buckets and measuring spoons are being kept by Cecile Spitz for those of you who want to fertilize before the 9th. Call her at 451-5669 to make arrangements to pick it up. Remember, Cecile is an early-morning person. Beds 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 will NOT be fertilized this year. In some of her reading, Helen found some indication linking fertilization to bulb storage rot. Since these are the beds we will be digging this year, we are experimenting by not fertilizing them, hoping to cut down on storage rot. We are going to be digging some beautiful cultivars, including are Down-Under bulbs, so keep that in mind for our Whetstone Volunteer Bulb Sale.

There's good news and there's bad news: The good news is that a Garden Tour has been scheduled for Saturday, April 16 at 10:00 A.M. Our thanks to Columbus Parks and Recreation for handling the publicity and other details. Everybody come!

The bad news is that Karl Reiser, who is in charge of the engraving machine for the Park of Roses, took the machine home for safekeeping during the renovation of the shelter house, locked it safely in his basement and then went to Florida, giving no indication when he will return. Consequently no new labels can be made now. As soon as I get the machine, labels for Beds 1, 2 and 3 will be made. Also, broken and outdated labels will be replaced. This unfortunate circumstance will not happen again!

**ATTENTION:** The south road to the garden is now closed and you will need to enter via Henderson Road turning south on Olentany Blvd. Follow it to the end and use the old entrance.

# NEW MEMBERS

#### **Cecile Spitz, Membership Chairman**

Don Piper 1103 Afton Road Columbus, OH 43221-1603

Don is a Columbus native and graduate of OSU with a degree in Microbiology. He worked in San Antonio for a few years before being transferred to Orleans and Verdun France. He worked there for three years and spent his weekends and vacations exploring and enjoying the rich history of that region. His next transfer was to Washington DC again for a few years.

Don chose Charleston WV over Japan and South Korea for his next move. Ten years later he requested a transfer to Columbus to be near his aging parent. He presently is supervisor of serology with the Ohio Department of Health Laboratory on the OSU campus. No more moving for Don, he will remain in Columbus and is looking forward to retirement in a few years so he can devote full time to his talents and interests.

A devotee of classical music, mainly opera; Verdi, Wagner, Beethoven, Brahams, Mozart and Vinaldi are his favorites. An avid reader of classics Don has read all of Hardy and Dickens. Austin, Tolstoy and Dostoevaki are on his reading table to be completed. His favorite book is *War and Peace*.

Don's beautiful landscape paintings grace the walls of his home. He is an artist in oils, watercolor, acrylic and pastels. He would like to paint some of his photographs taken on his many trips, especially the national parks, Grand and Bryce Canyons, Zion, Yosemite to name a few. Don usually travels with a few cameras.

Being an avid gardener Don grows, herbs, peonies, lilacs and of course, daffodils. He grows and hybridizes beautiful daylilies and hostas. Welcome back to CODS.

# SUNSHINE

### Cecile Spitz, Sunshine Chairman

James Kelley had a "right side" stroke September 12. Doctors concluded it was mild and no need to hospitalize but therapy was required every other day. On November 19 he fell and broke his right hip, the stroke having weakened his right side. While at Mt. Carmel East preparing for surgery, the Doctors discovered and treated him for mucous in his lungs before inserting a pin in his right hip on November 25. Jim came home the last day of December after a month in a convalescent Center. In the meantime Virginia was rushed to the same hospital with a heart problem. During examination the Doctors discovered another problem and Virginia had surgery December 10 at Riverside Hospital.

We hope you are feeling better now that spring is here and you are home.

Since Cecile wrote this article Jim has fallen again and is back in a nursing home. He spent an additional six weeks in a convalescent center after injuries to his right hip and leg again. After prolonged therapy he will be home by Easter. Virginia tries to keep the home fires burning; however, a heart fibrillation sent her back to the hospital for two days. Virginia and Jim, "pick up a few good books this spring instead of your gardening tools and relax; please". Elise Hack's husband, Emmett, had a herniated disc removed at Grady Memorial on February 16. Don Piper's mother had a leg amputated below the knee in December. She was in a convalescent center until the beginning of March.

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

President: Irene Moseley Vice-President: Helen Meeker Secretary: Tag Bourne Treasurer: Elsie Hack

Respectfully submitted, Bessie Haddad, Chairman, Nancy Kolson, Cindy Hyde

# AAAAAAA

Our President, Phyllis Hess was appointed Secretary of the American Daffodil Society and took office at the Friday Board Meeting. Other CODS Board Members are: Tag Bourne, Director-at-Large; Nancy Gill, Research and Educational Endowment Fund and Naomi Liggett, Judges and Schools Chairman.

Naomi J. Liggett 4126 Winfield Road Columbus, OH 43220

# BO-1981DE RolINBOW

This spring remember to check out the 725,000 daffodil bulbs planted last fall at major interstate interchanges around Columbus. Forty different cultivars were used. 70,000 bulbs were planted at Frank Road along with 174 trees. Some of the interchanges had bulbs planted in 1992 and should provide a better show this year.

# NORWEST FLOWER SHOW

Don't forget Tag will need help setting up the daffodil portion of the show on Friday, April 29 at 10 A.M. Also, remember there is **minimal** space for staging, so you should take home blocks and tubes and bring your entries already staged. Help will be needed for dismantling on Sunday at 4 P.M.

# DEADLINE FOR JULY\*CODS CORNER: JUNE 15, 1994





Mary Lou Gripshover 1686 Grey Fox Trails Cincinnati, OH 45150