



CODS CORNER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Late October is here, and I'm still trying to get my bulbs planted. We did get the Whetstone Display Garden planted, thanks to many members planting in a light but persistent drizzle. It was fun to see the bulbs disappear into the freshly-rototilled ground.

Last month I had a lovely visit with our founder, Mary Elizabeth Blue, at her home in Chillicothe. We chatted and recalled some of the early days of our society and reminisced about Mrs. Richardson's visit to Columbus, Cynthia Bell, planting daffodils at the Columbus School for Girls, and lots of happy times. We filled three boxes with books, catalogues, and other daffodil literature. This literature is now housed at the Franklin Park Conservatory. Thank you, Mary Elizabeth! We will all enjoy these books and think of you when using them.

As members of a plant society affiliated with Garden Club of Ohio, we are entitled to attend the Mary Knight Christmas demonstrations at the Epsworth Methodist Church, 5100 Karl Road, November 5, 1982. Registration is at 12:30 p.m., with program starting at 1:00 p.m. (Fee is \$1.00).

A big, big "thank you" to Cecile Spitz, Sharon Decker, and Diane Bell for having the members' bulb sale. A gigantic thanks to Cecile for all her efforts in one of our best ever bulb sales.

David and Nancy Gill's cocktail party in September was a super way to get our new club year started.

Don't forget the CODS meeting November 9, 1982. Tag Bourne will do a "new special ADS slide program on miniature daffodils.

Hope we will have all our bulbs planted by then!

Ruth Pardue, President

NEXT CODS Meeting is November 9, 1982, at the Upper Arlington Municipal Building.

BULB SALE

Our bulb sale this year was quite successful. Thanks go to people that donated their own "diggings." Ruth Pardue and I dug our biggest beds this year. Grace Baird, Tag Bourne, Naomi Liggett, and Handy Hatfield donated a lot of bulbs. (It must be noted that they donate bulbs every year.) This year, Lura and Dorris Emig donated bulbs, and Daydream was bought up as fast as the bulbs were bagged.

Ruth Pardue "booked" the foyer of the Franklin Park Conservatory on the Herbal Workshop date of October 2nd and 3rd, giving us a lot of customer traffic and business. This location should be considered for 1983 if we have a bulb sale for the public.

I wish to thank the kind members that helped me at the Conservatory: Ruth Pardue, all day Saturday; Donna Dietsch, Myra Jones, Suzanne O'Neil, and Grace Baird, 4 hours each. One Saturday, Handy Hatfield, Margaret Laudenslager, Naomi Liggett, Lura and Dorris Emig took their turn helping me again from 10 to 4.

Sales October 2:	\$473.10	- Bulbs
	21.85	- Labels
	<u>\$494.95</u>	

Sales October 3: \$154.20

TOTAL SALES: \$649.15

Thanks to Donna and her family for the beautiful painted posters which were placed in the foyer of the Franklin Park Conservatory to announce our sale. I have one of the posters, and perhaps it can be used in future sales.

Sharon Decker had the member bulb sale in her garage for two weeks. Diane Bell helped her on "opening night", September 22nd. Sharon, you helped a lot. You brought lunch over one day when Grace Baird came to help me clean my bulbs. Thanks to you both. (Sharon is my nice neighbor across the street.) I also had my own garage full of bulbs from my garden and the collections which I have been selling through October 17th.

Thank you, Naomi, for counting and bagging our own orders from the wholesaler. It took us four hours to bag our own orders, and with so many tiny "minnies" it was a tedious job.

I also sold bulbs at the Regional Meeting, October 16th. Donna Dietsch kept an eye on my money box. Total sales were \$175.80.

I hope all the new members saved their culture sheets that came with the membership packet and planted all the nice bulbs purchased at our sales. Ruth and I have a few more collections left, so if you haven't bought or sold any, would you please call Ruth or me. We have some miniature collections and Rippling Waters to be sold soon! Please help. Ruth, Naomi, and I have been selling a lot. I need everyone's help.

Sales Summary

Our own member bulbs sold		\$967.13
Less Expenses (bags)		-9.00
PROFIT		<u>\$958.13</u>

Wholesalers' Bulbs Sold		\$1666.56
Less Expenses	Cost of Bulbs	\$694.80
	Trucking, N.Y.Port	33.07
	to Columbus	
	N.Y. Brokerage Fees	95.64
	Bags	15.90
	Conserv. Donation	60.00
	Total Expenses	<u>\$899.41</u>
		-899.41

TOTAL PROFIT TO DATE		\$1725.28
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Cecile Spitz
Ways and Means Chairman

(EDITOR'S NOTE: I know we all want to commend Cecile for the way she has handled the 1983 bulb sale. She is also in charge of membership for CODS, and is always ready to be helpful in any way that she can.)

DAFFODILS IN THE PERENNIAL GARDEN

Not all daffodil lovers want to show daffodils or are willing to devote a whole bed or more to daffodils. Some of us have established perennial gardens, and must fit daffodils into the overall plan. The daffodils have their time of glory in the Spring, but then must give way to other bulbs or perennials.

When Joe and I started our garden, the daffodils were planted around the perimeter of the garden so the maturing foliage would be hidden by the growing perennials. This was effective, but did not allow enough space for the many varieties seen and desired.

Now daffodils are planted in most of the beds, interspersed among the hemerocallis, hostas, and in back of the peonies, all of which obscure the dying foliage. No matter how or where we plant them, we all love "Daffodil Time."

Marilyn Fitch

NEW MEMBERS (Please add to your roster.)

Mrs. David Evans (Fae), 6949 Wadsworth Road, Medina, OH 44256 (216)723-1895
(She has also joined ADS.)

Gertrude (Trudie) Fortney, 4836 Ridge Road, Wadsworth, OH 44281.

Welcome to both our new members!

NOTE At the ADS Fall Board Meeting, Lintie was taken off the miniature list.

DOWN UNDER CATALOGS

"Down Under" catalogues come in the fall. Therefore, interested people should request their copies now. Discounts are given to bulk club orders from David Bell and Lindsay Dettman. Exchange rates can be found in the business section of your newspaper.

The seasons are reversed from ours. While we are planting bulbs in September and October, they are competing on the show bench.

If proper care is given to bulbs after you receive them in May or June, you will have blooms in one or two years.

- (1) Immediately upon receipt of bulbs, open the bags and fold bags down, leaving only what appears to be a 2-inch high bag, or put in individual net bags. Put all the bulbs in an uncovered box and take to your air-conditioned office where the temperature is constant at 72-75 degrees.
- (2) Put each named bulb in a separate net bag after dusting dry bulb with dry Benlate and tie bag. Completely dry some sand in your oven at 250 degrees for 3-4 hours. Cool sand completely before layering. Put about one inch of sand on bottom of a can (a 3-lb. coffee can is ideal.) Now you can nest 1, 2, or 3 netted bulbs on the sand, bulbs not touching, cover completely with dry sand, put another layer of bulbs covered with sand, etc. Keep the uncovered can in an air-conditioned home or office. When ready to plant, empty contents in your planting area, using the Benlated sand and you should be rewarded with nice blooms in April.

Catalogue Sources

David Bell
Barbers Road, Box 23-036
Templeton, Christ Church
New Zealand

P & G Phillips
P.O. Box 177
Otorohanga
New Zealand

Brogden
Normanby, Taranaki
New Zealand

J.N. Hancock & Co.
Jacksions Hill Road
Menzies Creek
Victoria 3159 Australia

Jacksions Daffodil
P.O. Box 77 Geeveston
Tasmania, Australia

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Diamond Creek
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