

# CODS CORNER

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY  
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Naomi Liggett, President                      Tag Bourne, Editor

Dear Members:

It may come as a surprise to you to see my name on the letterhead as President of CODS since no Nominating Committee was appointed this year. With only six members present at our meeting in May (Irene, Helen, Phyllis, Betty, Donna and myself) I was, to my dismay, appointed the new president. I wish we could get better attendance at our meetings. With so few coming it is difficult to schedule any kind of program. If any of our members have any suggestions for programs or increasing attendance I would be glad to hear from you. (naomijliggett@cs.com)

This is the beginning of CODS' forty-first year. It was organized on June 18, 1968. First members were garden club ladies who had been involved with the NorWest Flower Show and decided to become more involved with growing and showing daffodils. Of the thirteen charter members three are still members – Mary Lou Gripshover, Ruth Pardue, Naomi Liggett.

Here are some highlights of the last forty years:

- 1971                      *CODS CORNER* was started by Mary Lou Gripshover who acted as Editor until moving to Tennessee in 1978
- 1971-1973              ADS Judging School I, II, III held with five people becoming ADS Accredited Judges.
- 1972                      Our first daffodil show held at Mountview Baptist Church with 456 entries and 897 blooms.
- 1974                      Whetstone Display Garden started with the planting of approximately 125 cultivars. Ruth Pardue was chairman for several years.
- 1978                      Hosted ADS Convention and had largest National show until 1983. (889 entries, 2263 blooms) Judging School 1 held at convention.
- 1979                      Citation from Garden Club of Ohio, Inc for Whetstone Display Garden.
- 1983                      Garden Club of Ohio, Inc and National Garden Clubs awards were received for 1982 Regional Daffodil Show and Whetstone Display Garden.
- 1987                      Hosted ADS Convention at Hyatt at Capital Square. Again set record for number of entries. (1248 entries, 3163 blooms)
- 1992                      Hosted ADS Convention at Hyatt at Capital Square in conjunction with the Ameriflora 92 Festival held at Franklin Park. Planted a bed of daffodils at Ameriflora. Dug them immediately after blooming and gave them to Columbus Zoo where they potted up over 2000 bulbs. (895 entries, 2005 blooms)
- 1993                      Received awards from Garden Club of Ohio, Inc. and National Garden Clubs for the 1992 National Show.
- 2005                      Hosted ADS Fall Board Meeting
- 2008                      Final beds at Whetstone dug and display garden shut down. The weeds were a serious problem along with aging members. We hope that the garden gave the public 35 years of beauty and enlightenment of the diversity of daffodils.

2008 Phyllis Hess became the fourth member of CODS to receive the American Daffodil Society Silver Medal (Mary Lou Gripshover, Tag Bourne and Naomi Liggett)

Time is fast approaching for lifting bulbs. Because it has been dry in recent weeks it seems the foliage is dying down faster than usual. I have already dug my strays (way too many left last year) and hopefully have them all identified correctly. It is so important to have good maps. Burying markers when planting helps when digging but not with the strays that are left.

The Executive Committee will be meeting soon to set the schedule for next year.

2009-2010 Officers

President – Naomi Liggett  
Vice-President – Donna Dietsch  
Secretary – Betty Kealiher  
Treasurer – Phyllis Hess

*Naomi*

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

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### Dear CODS Friends,

We have a new/old member; and what a member she is!  
Her dues are already paid until 2014!

Funny thing is she has considered herself a member of CODS for some time; and we were claiming her as well. She thought when she joined ADS she was allowed to pick a "home" society and picked us. We are lucky she did.

She retired last year with a goal to win one big collection. She has more than met that goal as she has entered and won, and won, and won.

Knoxville; She won the Bozievich, and there were 2 other entries; Historic 5; Purple ribbon, Mini Gold with the only mini she entered, Snook.

Southern Indiana at Jeffersonville; She won the Havens and the Throckmorton!! Mini Gold again with the only one she took this time Snipe.

SWODS; no ADS ribbons but her first try at a Quinn garnered her a Red ribbon and a couple blues for collections of 5's.

CODS; The Quinn, the Lavender Ribbon, and the Gold Ribbon for Banker!! Not to mention 4 blues for vases of 5!!

ADS National in Chicago; The Havens Medal!! Olive Lee Trophy!! And 8 blue ribbons including 2 for vases of 5.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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Also a red for a poet collection in which Mary Lou Gripshover took the blue. Some new exhibitors are afraid to enter the National!!

NOT BAD FOR ONE YEAR, actually not bad for several years!! I think she is definitely someone to watch out for in the future!!

She became interested in daffodils in childhood, planted some garden varieties when she was around 15, then happened on a show here in Columbus maybe 15 years ago; (we weren't doing our job or we would have had a new member then) that started her wanting better and better cultivars. About 5 years ago she got serious about planting show flowers. Five years and look at the success already.

She credits her Mother for her interest in gardening and CODS and SWODS members for helping her along the way and explaining show standards.

About 10 years ago she and husband Mike purchased some land far out in the WV country side. That was before she got "yellow fever" and as the soil is poor and drainage bad, they have had to build raised beds. They mix all the soil for the beds using a tractor, mixing purchased top soil, peat moss, and sand in the bucket then dumping it in the beds. She also has buried seep hoses in the beds which probably explains her great flowers.

*Phyllis*



## CODS SHOW REPORT

"Garden Visitors"  
April 18-19, 2009

# of Entries 257  
#of Exhibitors 21  
# of Stems 616

ADS Gold Ribbon: Kathleen Simpson – Banker 2 Y-O  
(Mary Elizabeth Blue Founders Cup)  
ADS Rose Ribbon: Daniel Bellinger - #01-04-71  
Akala x Sargeant's Caye  
ADS Miniature Gold Ribbon: Naomi Liggett -  
Fernandessii 13 Y-Y (Leonora C. Wilkie Award)  
ADS Miniature Rose: No entries  
ADS White Ribbon: Christy Bellinger- Lady Diana 2 W-  
W  
(Wells & Mary Knerim Award)  
ADS Miniature White Ribbon: Naomi Liggett – Xit 3 W-W  
(Wells Knierim Award)  
ADS Youth Best Bloom: Rachel Beery – Erlicheer 4 W-Y  
(Christopher David Lang Award)  
ADS Small Grower Award: Frank vonder Meulon –  
Catalyst 2 W-R  
(Jean Wright Award)  
ADS Historic Award : Linda Wallpe – Ace of Diamonds 9  
W-R  
ADS Historic Best 3 Stems: Linda Wallpe – Ace of  
Diamonds 9 W-R  
ADS Intermediate Award: Linda Wallpe – Scarlet  
Tanager 2 Y-R  
ADS Silver Ribbon: Naomi Liggett - 22 Blues  
ADS Red-White-Blue Ribbon: Tom Stettner – Conestoa  
2 W-GYO  
(Bender), Pink Sunday 2 W-P (Wheatley), Engagement  
Ring 3 W-WWY  
(Mitsch), Lissome 2 W-W (Evans), French Robin 3 W-  
WWP (Stettner)  
ADS Maroon Ribbon: Linda Wallpe – Lemon Haze 2 Y-  
GWY, Lemon Brook  
2 YYW-W, Carib Gipsy 2 Y-WWY, Charles Pride 2 YYW-  
W, Sargeant's  
Caye 1 YYW-WWY  
ADS Purple Ribbon: Tom Stettner – Conestoga 2 W-  
GYO, Ohio Snow 2 W-W,  
Harvard 2 Y-W, Cherry Gardens 2 W-GPP, Wychavon 2  
W-YRR  
(Walter T. Poppenger Award)  
ADS Historic Collection of 5: No Entries  
ADS Elise Havens Award: No entries  
ADS Marie Bozievich Award (Green Ribbon): Naomi  
Liggett – Secret Circle  
9 W-GYR, Rim Ride 3 W-GYO, Geometrics 2 W-Y,  
Galien 2 W-Y, Reed Sdlg. #83-64 1 Y-Y, Golden  
Birthday 2 Y-Y, Louise Randall 2 W-W, Gold Convention  
2 Y-Y, Ida May 2 W-OOY, Symphonette 2 Y-Y, Peggy  
White 2 W-W, Calexico 2 O-R  
(Cynthia Bell Memorial Trophy)  
ADS Carey Quinn Award: Kathleen Simpson –

Tripartite 11a Y-Y, Angel Eyes 9 W-GYO, Dainty Miss 7  
W-GWW, Celtic Wings  
5 W-W, Champion 9 W-GYO, Lavalier 5 YYW-W,  
Stratosphere 7 Y-O, Bantam

2 Y-YOO, Songket 2 W-GWP, LaPaloma 3 W-GYR, Red  
Aria 2 O-R, Intrigue 7 Y-W,  
Smooth Sails 3 W-W, Galactic 2 W-YYW, Doctor Hugh 3  
W-GOO, Timbuktu 3 Y-Y, Red Hill 2 W-R, Lemon Lyric 2  
YYW-W, Dressy Bessie 2 W-GYO, Colley Gate 3 W-  
YOR, Carib Gipsy 2 Y-WWY, Tycoon 3 W-WWY, Triple  
Crown 3 Y-GYR, Banker 2 Y-O (Gold Ribbon from  
Quinn)  
ADS Tom Throckmorton Award : Nancy Gill – Oregon  
Pioneer 2 Y-P, Salmon Circle 2 W-WWP, New Penny 3  
Y-Y, American Dream 1 Y-P, Glamour Girl 3 W-YYR,  
Corbiere 1 Y-YOO, Princess Ziade 3 W-GWW, American  
Classic 2 Y-WWY, Cowboy 2 Y-O.  
River Queen 2 W-W, Ombersley 1 Y-Y, Cairntoul 3 W-  
YOO, Carib Gipsy 2 Y-WWY, Truculent 3 W-WWY,  
Highfield Beauty 8 Y-YYO  
ADS Lavender Ribbon (Norwest Flower Show Award)  
Kathleen Simpson – Little Rusky 7 Y-GYO, Sabrosa 7  
Y-Y, Classic Gold 10 Y-Y, Spoirot 10 W-W, Hawera 5 Y-  
Y

ADS ROBERTA WATROUS AWARD : Naomi Liggett –  
Xit 3 W-W, Exit 3 W-W, Pacific Coast 8 Y-Y, Minnow 8  
W-Y, Little Sentry 7 Y-Y, Laura 5 W-W, Sassy 12 Y-Y,  
Waterii 13 W-W, Star Song 6 Y-Y, Tiny Bubbles 12 Y-Y,  
Snipe 6 W-W, Yellow Fever 7 Y-Y

### OTHER CODS AWARDS:

Central Ohio Daffodil Society Award (Best collection of 5  
Whites) – Homestead 2 W-W,  
Sheelagh Rowan 2 W-W, Williamsburg 2 W-W, Princess  
Ziade 3 W-GWW, River  
Queen

Mary Lou Gripshover Award (Best American Bred): Tag  
Bourne - American Classic 2 Y-WWY

Bessie Haddad Award (Best Pink in show): Donna  
Dietsch – Cryptic 1 W-P

Best New Zealand Cultivar: Naomi Liggett – If Only 2 Y-  
R

CODS Novice Award: Neal Bruce, Pat Kuczak, Karen  
Hovey

ENGLISH AWARD: (Best collection Class 167) Tag  
Bourne -Colley Gate 3 W-YOR, Misty Glen 2 W-GWW,  
Fireblade 2 Y-YYO, Holme Fen 2 W-Y, Carib Gipsy 2 Y-  
WWY

AUSTRALIAN COLLECTION: (Best in Class 166) Tag  
Bourne – Mirrabooka 2 W-W, Truculent 3 W-WWY,  
Banker 2 Y-O, Nynja 2 Y-Y, Gough 2 W-W  
.BEST PINK COLLECTION: Linda Wallpe – Society  
Belle 2 W-P, Sea Shanty 2 W-GWP, American Heritage  
1 YYW-P, Fragrant Rose 2 W-GPP, Poema Trommpete  
2 W-P

BEST IRISH COLLECTION: Mary Lou Gripshover –  
Cauldron 2 Y-R, Treasure Hunt 2 Y-GYY, Palace Pink 2  
W-P, Goldfinger 2 Y-Y, Inny River 1 Y-Y

*Tag Bourne*



## NORWEST FLOWER SHOW

"Explore, Gather, Grow"

May 2 & 3, 2009

The last show of the season for some CODS members was held May 2 and 3 at the Upper Arlington Main Library. It was the NorWest Flower Show which is a National Garden Clubs approved show. Members participating were Tag Bourne, Donna Dietsch and myself.

Being in a busy library meant many visitors and hopefully good publicity for our favorite flower. In spite of the weather and late date there were over fifty entries in the classes for daffodils. Most of the entries had been refrigerated for a week or more but on Sunday most were in reasonable condition.

Tag was awarded the Award of Merit for her collection of five miniatures. It included Three of Diamonds 3 W-GWO.

It was great to see Peg Newill and find that she was one of the judges on the panel judging daffodils.

I entered an educational exhibit entitled "Daffodils for Home, Garden and Show". Since this was held in a library, book titles were used for class names and I used Don Barnes book with this title. This exhibit was awarded the Educational Award.  
Naomi Liggett

Editors Note: This excellent exhibit is one that we can now use for education in our own show.

## LATEST NEWS FROM CHRISTOPHER MASLON

Yes, it has taken a long time to tell what I am doing. I was DREAMING of being in New Zealand with Spud and Joy Brogden last night and daffodil bulbs and 'odd' daffs that's when I awoke. I had nothing in my hands-- just dreams,

OK, some great news:

I have now been in Korea for 8 years (I missed 8 ADS shows!! arghh); I was selected, as second level professor in our college. I have worked for 4 years at Daejeon Health and Sciences College (DHSC) That is one step to tenure. I am now staff. Along with this blessing came a promotion of a very shocking amount and very welcomed especially in this bad economy.

My daughter Elizabeth is going to be age 3, on August 31st, 2009. She is speaking both languages. She loves Poroyo, a Korean cartoon about a penguin in the North Pole. My wife wants another one as soon as possible. If a boy, we will name him Andrew. We are waiting for the right day to come...hopefully this year.

While in Korea, I was offered three beautiful used/new cars, for free. I turned them all down and we still use taxi to commute. WHY? You crazy guy? Simple- Have you ever seen Asians drive??- Enough said. Leave the driving to them..

Myself, I can now translate a lot Korean and speak with ease. Learning Chinese symbols now and forgetting my English at astonishing rates- I suffered for 3 days when a student asked me question teacher " This dah elevat-or, it up and dow-n, now wha-t is stairs that does like-a-dis??" The answer was escalator. I struggled and had a mental breakdown- "What is it? What is it called", I said ,over and over again.. Finally, it came to me.

While in Australia, I helped a non English speaking Korean grandfather place an order. He wanted to buy a \$10 calling card at a discount mart and didn't know a word of English- he was amazed I could speak to him, and I was amazed that I knew what he wanted!! Regardless, I got 10% off my order because I helped the owner of the store. Then the owner asked me if I wanted a job.

In February 2009, I went to my 35th country. The Island of Yap. Which in fact is secretly protected by the US. I had no problem entering the country. It took two days to get there. One day from Korea to Guam, and a whole day waiting- because of infrequent planes. There is only one plane twice a week(Tues and Thurs) that goes in, and if you miss it- you must wait another week to get the next one,

So primitive is this country, it has no T.V., no radio and the quote unquote airport had no baggage claim, I waited in line for 40 mins, hope the next bag unpacked and carted was mine.

The highlight of my arrival in Yap was the topless, well formed, giant breasted women waiting for us, and handing out tropical flowers in a hand braided rope that was placed over my shoulders as I exited customs. I saved it, and it dried so well. A keepsake.

This island uses US dollars- but is home to the strangest currency in the world- stone money- some "coins" weighing a ton and a half. To prove this entire visit: [www.visityap.com](http://www.visityap.com) And see for yourself. The coins can be traded for a house, land or a wife.

On my next around the world visit- Saipan and Rota are now in my sites.

A dear Indian friend of mine who lives in Casmir, brought me a gift, a religious object that the men use to flange (beat) themselves, this object has knives and 9 chains. Each chain has its own knife. The sinner or repentner uses the flange to inflict pain on his or her back- so



that the person loses blood, gets dizzy and falls down. This is repentance in this part in his part of the world- two things, what a lovely gift, and thank God I was raised Catholic.



Last year, I had traveled to Cambodia. That same week an airplane was reported on Korean TV, had gone down, killing 44 Koreans and a few foreigners. My wife who was home in Korea- held her breath as she waited to find out 24 hours later, I was not on that plane but another one. Somehow, a Korean told me the story while in Cambodia and freely gave me his cell phone and said call her let her know I was OK. "It a good thing", thank you Martha Stewart.

In Cambodia, I was confronted with hellish filth, children with river blindness, 109F temps, sweats, a lizard that ate malaria mosquitoes in my room as I slept and came home with a parasites in my stomach. I was hospitalized for a week at home drinking heavy pink syrups to kill the parasitic worms. I lost 7 pounds that week. When I came back to Korea and got healthy again, I went the Mr. Korea Bodybuilding Show in Suwon. I met the world famous fashion designer Andre Kim. He was there looking for some "hot bods" for his new show in Paris. For those who do not know I took up bodybuilding 5 years ago- and went from 120 lbs to a unique 170 pounds.

My stories are real and wild at times; I follow the great Mr. Robert Ripley who coined the phrase " Believe it or not" ..of Christopher in Korea, It will make one hell of a book someday.

My love to you all

(And all of you around the world who know me.) at  
C.O.D.S./ S.W.O.D.S./ N.O.D.S, D.O.D.S,/ and X-.Y-.Z-.  
O.D.S.

*Christopher*

## **OBITUARY**

It is with deep sadness that I report the death of Delia Bankhead. Delia was the ADS Miniatures Chair for many years and maintained the ADS Miniatures List. She edited the Miniature Handbook and has written many articles on miniatures for the Journal. We last saw Delia at the Knoxville show where she showed a number of miniature seedlings. She will be greatly missed.

## **DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

April 16, 2010 Set-up for Show

Show: April 17-18-2010

May 11, 2010 meeting at Franklin Park 7:00 p.m.

## **GENTLE REMINDER**

CODS dues are due. \$5.00 per member,  
Family membership \$6.00. Send to Phyllis Hess, 3670  
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## **DEADLINE FOR NEXT CODS CORNER**

**March 15, 2010**