

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL OHIO DAFFODIL SOCIETY
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear CODS Friends,

Thanks to your support, Celebrate Spring was a successful show despite the unbelievable weather we had this spring. Bloom quality was amazing. Congratulations to all the winners!

Those members who set up the show did a perfect job. The new ADS banners added to the beauty of the show as well as informed visitors. Phyllis' slide show held visitors and exhibitors spellbound. We also appreciate our wonderful judges and all their hard work (and sore backs from all that bending)! Teardown went quick as there were many helping hands. A special kudos to Phyllis for chairing the show (and she was still able to enter blooms and win with them)!

Weeding was done at Whetstone Park in preparation for the Rose Festival. The beds looked much better thanks to those who were able to assist. As my car's thermometer read 104 on my way home from work today, I was thankful that we are not going to dig at the Park this year.

We had an excellent meeting in May and I pondered over the question posed to us by Tag — What is our favorite daffodil? I love Division 6....so I started to choose this one, then that one, and (oops) I forgot about the other one....but still for me it was Akepa. That petite, sweet, innocent little 5 W-P seems to grow like a weed for me when I have soil to plant it in. It doesn't like containers because I've tried it several times now. I truly enjoyed a bloom of Akepa at our show — I can't help but be intrigued by it's delicate pink cup!

In closing, if you dig in this heat please drink lots of water!

Happy Summer,

Cindy Cimprich

CODS SHOW REPORT CELEBRATE SPRING

of Exhibits 216 # of Blooms 362 # of Exhibitors 23

ADS Gold Ribbon – Naomi Liggett – Florence Joy 2 W-W (Mary Elizabeth Blue Founders Cup) Taken from her winning New Zealand/Australian Collection

ADS White Ribbon – Mary Lou Gripshover – Silent Cheer 3

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ADS Miniature Gold Ribbon – Naomi Liggett – Pequenita 7 Y-Y (Leonora C. Wilkie Award)

ADS Miniature White Ribbon – Naomi Liggett – Snipe 6 W-W (Wells Knierim Award)

ADS Youth Best Bloom – Rachel Beery – Dynasty 2 Y-R (Christopher David Lang Award)

ADS Small Grower Award – Sue Redmond – Williamsburg 2 W-W (Jean Wright Award)

ADS Historic Daffodil Award – Naomi Liggett – Sweetness 7 Y-Y

ADS Historic Vase of 3 – Naomi Liggett – Beryl 6 W-YYO 1907

ADS Intermediate Award – Naomi Liggett – Pink China 2 W-P

ADS Rose Ribbon – Donna Dietsch – Sdlg. #89-93 2 Y-ORR Parentage: Flaming Spring x Caracas

ADS Miniature Rose Ribbon – Mary Lou Gripshover – Sdlg. #2000-02-3 –10 Y-Y Parentage Golden Bells x N. graellsii ADS Silver Ribbon – Naomi Liggett – #of Blue Ribbons 20 ADS Purple Ribbon – Naomi Liggett – New Zealand/Australian Collection – Fairy Charm 2 W-WWP. If

Zealand/Australian Collection – Fairy Charm 2 W-WWP, If Only 2 Y-R, Florence Joy 2 W-W, Sabre 2 Y-R, Nynja 2 Y-Y (Walter Poppenger Award)

ADS Lavender Ribbon – Linda Wallpe – Minnow 8 W-Y, Little Rusky 7 Y-GYO, Snipe 6 W-W, Hawera 5 Y-Y, cyclamineus 13 Y-Y (Norwest Flower Show Trophy) ADS Red-White-Blue Ribbon – Naomi Liggett – Pink Orb 2 W-P (Vinisky), First Impression 2 Y-R (Mitsch), Lackawanna 2 Y-Y (Bender), Rapture 6 Y-Y (Mitsch), Geometrics 2 W-Y (DuBose)

ADS Maroon Ribbon – Linda Wallpe – Bender Sdlg. #76-11 YYW-W, Canary 7 YYW-W, Altun Ha 2 YYW-W, Daydream 2 Y-W, Intrigue 7 Y-W

ADS Green Ribbon (Bozievich) – Mary Lou Gripshover – Elixir 4 Y-Y, Grand Prospect 2 Y-W, Cantabile 9 W-GYR, Everready 1 Y-Y, Singing Pub 3 W-O, American Classic 2 Y-WYY, Inny River 1 Y-Y, Gripshover Sdlg. #2000-30-26 2 W-Y, Savoir Fair 2 W-GWP, Carole Lombard 3 W-YYO, Rose Garden 4 W-R, Sunny Chimes 5 W-W (Cynthia Bell Memorial Trophy)

ADS Watrous Award Naomi Liggett - Yellow Xit 3 W-Y, Snipe 6 W-W, Pacific

Coast 8 Y-Y, Laura 5 W-W, Exit 3 W-W, Segovia 3 W-Y, Xit

3 W-W, Silver Rains 10 W-W, Little Star 6 Y-Y, Hummingbird 6 Y-Y, Pequenita 7 Y-Y, Minnow 8 W-Y ADS Havens Award - Linda Wallpe - Elvira 8 W-YYO, Ringer 9 W-GYO, Canary 7 YYW-W, Ice Wings 5 W-W, Chinita 8 Y-YYP, Rapture 6 Y-Y, Intrigue 7 Y-W, Carib 6 W-P, Highfield Beauty 8 Y-YYO, Stony Brook 6 W-YYP, Tilly Titus 5 W-W, Glenbrook Belle 6 Y-Y ADS Throckmorton Award - Donna Dietsch - Divermento 7 W-P, Polar Convention 3 W-W, Finch 7 Y-O, Golden Aura 2 Y-Y, Far Country 2 W-GWP, Fire Storm 2 Y-R, Kedron 7 Y-O, Crackington 4 Y-O, Ka-Jika 9 W-GYR, Heslington 3 W-YYR, New Penny 3 Y-Y, Golden Vale 1 Y-Y, Polar Sky 2 W-WWP, Crater 2 Y-GRR, Dietsch Sdlg. #889-89 3 Y-YYR MARY LOU GRIPSHOVER AWARD - Naomi Liggett -Geometrics 2 W-Y (Best American Bred Daffodil) BROGDEN AWARD - Naomi Liggett - Florence Joy 2 W-W (Best New Zealand Bred Daffodil) BESSIE HADDAD AWARD Naomi Liggett – Pink Orb 2 W-P (Best pink daffodil)

Members of the Serendipity Garden Club did the Designs and all three classes were won by Janet Hannaway

We want to thank the members of the Adena Daffodil Society for attending our show and bringing their flowers as well as those from West Virginia, Cincinnati, Dayton, Medina and Wadsworth (and all others as well). After the hail storm on Wednesday evening in Ohio it is rather a miracle there were any flowers in our show. Thank heavens for refrigerators! As usual the public remarked on the miniatures, we had a rather good display of them, and mostly wondered where on earth we found any flowers to show! I guess the old adage holds, "If you have a show, they will come".

Again our heartfelt thanks to all who came and made our show possible. We all had a good time! I told everyone we would have some sort of show, but if no flowers we would have a good lunch and enjoy one another's company. Turns out, we did it all!

The new ADS displays were a hit with the public and we ran some power point programs during the show as well. I thought one way or another we would surround folks with daffodils.

Phyllis Hess, Co-chair with Cindy Cimprich, who handled the lunch and fed us all very well.

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In the previous CODS Corner I asked as you attend shows to make notes on new and good things you see and then write something for the newsletter. I have received the following: The only daffodils that could be my favorites in 2007 would have to be the two seedlings that won Rose Ribbons for me in Columbus and Cleveland. In Columbus I won with a terrific 2 Y-ORR, which has been one of my favorites since it first bloomed. It is in the process of being registered and will be named "Jasper Mills", as long as the RHS approves the name. It is really the perfect garden flower. It's merits include that it makes very large bulbs which resist rot and multiply rapidly. The flowers are large and face out at right angles to the stem, which is thick and sturdy. The blooms are held well above the foliage and are a vivid yellow on the petals and bright red in the cup. The foliage is broad and blue-green. The bulbs not only multiply rapidly, but most bulbs will bloom, giving an excellent display in the garden. The best reason for this being good in the garden is that the bright red cup does not burn in the sun. In fact, the cup is not entirely red when it opens and sunlight seems to make it increase the color. It takes four days in the sunlight to completely color the cup and the flower will last even longer than that, especially if it is cool at the time. Even when the flower has died, the cup is still red.

The other daffodil that I liked this year was a 3 Y-Y. Well, it is not entirely that. The petals are pale yellow. The cup is flat and only slightly ruffled. The unusual thing about the cup is that the color code could be YWY because there is a ring just above the eye of bright yellow and then a ring of pale lemon and then a ring of bright yellow. The color looks all pale yellow. The substance is very thick and the petals are round, very overlapped and never nick the edges. It just is not quite as yellow as I would have liked, so I may just use it for breeding and not name it. The breeding is Oykel x Angel.

Donna Dietsch

This is my story about my favorite daffodil. My favorite is Raspberry Crème 11a W-P (Havens). We are doing well in Korea. I think we might be coming home to the USA in December. I would be going to my mom's house to live, I guess, for a year until we get our own place. I would like to come to Ohio.

Christopher Maslon

Down the road from where I live is the old family farmhouse built in 1850 where many of my ancestors were born, lived and died. This is where in a room off the kitchen that my mother and her five brothers were born. Like so many farms these days, the owners age, move on, and time passes. With the passing of my last uncle eleven years ago, the farm and its farmhouse was passed down to another generation; my brother.

Last spring a neighbor approached him wanting to buy the house and the required five acres. Knowing that my days of having free run of the place were about over, I made many extra trips just to sit, reflect, and wonder what the place was like so many years ago when Mother was a child.

The last week of May while circling the house yet another time, I discovered in a patch of fern and lily of the valley under the bathroom window several small doubles looking very healthy for so late in the season. More amazing than their appearance was their aroma.

I didn't waste time picking one and heading for home and the computer to search the newly released Daffseek for the name of this newly discovered little beauty. It didn't take long to learn its name: Daphne. Upon consulting with Historic Chair Joe Hamm, he advised that this may still be available from Ron Scamp.

The property was to be transferred in late June, so I waited as long as possible to dig it and replace with whatever. But the story doesn't end here. Shortly after the new owner's took possession, he was poking around to determine the location of the septic tank, but what did he find....a nest of copperheads. In stories of her youth, Mother often talked about black snakes in the corn crib or the large maple tree in front, but never did she mention copperheads. Whether the new owner knows a snake from a crowbar is another matter. The bulbs which I dug were put in three different locations. This year they are blooming a little earlier than last but at the same time as that other late beauty, Grace Note. While Daphne will be too late for the show bench, it's a welcome addition to my garden. I like to think that Grandma may have planted it. Remember the name "DAPHNE".

Betty Kealiher

Tag asked that we write about our favorite daffodil this season.

A difficult task for me, I did not see many of my daffodils this season.

We arrived home late at night, as I stepped from the car, the automatic light on the garage came on and I could see Gold Convention glistening and standing tall. By the next morning all my daffodils were lying on the ground. Cold weather had laid them low.

The memory of the clump 'Gold Convention' welcoming me home after being gone all winter was such a welcome sight it has to be my favorite flower for this year.

I remember when Katherine Culbertson and I bought the bulb, yes one bulb; we divided it as usual, one of us getting the large half the other the small. We paid \$70 for that bulb the most we had ever had the nerve to spend.

Looking back it wasn't such a bad investment, although it wasn't long before it was reclassified and was no longer a division 1 and was a division 2. However, it has multiplied very well, making the most fantastic clumps. They are visible from far away shining in the sunlight, with the flowers well above the foliage. I can always spot it in the beds when looking from the kitchen window. You can pick most any one to take to a show, yet it is a most prolific garden flower. I have been able to share many bulbs and still have several clumps left.

So, for this abbreviated year, 'Gold Convention' will have to be my favorite.

I will just have to look forward to next year, as gardener's do to see what flower catches my eye then.

Phyllis Hess

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We were saddened to learn of the death of Emmett Hack of Altamonte Springs, Florida on April 18th, 2007. Elsie was a valued member of CODs and we extend our deepest sympathy to her and her family.

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REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

(Donna Dietsch, Irene Moseley & Helen Meeker)

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DATES FOR 2008:

April 8, 2008 CODS Meeting Franklin Park Conservatory April 18, 2008 Set Up For Show April 19 & 20, 2008 CODS Daffodil Show May 13, 2008 CODS Meeting Franklin Park Conservatory

Deadline for the April 2008 CODS CORNER: March 15, 2008

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