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Midwest Region Daffodil Shows 2014

April 12 & 13, 2014, Cincinnati, Ohio
Southwest Ohio Daffodil Society (SWODS)
Civic Garden Center, 2715 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45206
Contact: Linda Wallpe, 513-221-4140, lwallpe@gmail.com

April 19 & 20, 2014, Indianapolis, Indiana (moved from April 5 & 6)
Indiana Daffodil Society (IDS)
Nature Center at Holliday Park, 6363 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis, IN 46260
Contact: Sara Kinne, 812-332-5603 sara8899kinne@gmail.com,
or Sue Luken, 812-794-3675, chemocurl@hotmail.com

April 19 & 20, 2014, Columbus, Ohio
Central Ohio Daffodil Society (CODS)
Franklin Park Conservatory, 1777 East Broad St. Columbus OH 43203
Contact: Betty Kealiher, 740-745-3424, bkealiher@windstream.net

April 19 & 20, 2014, Youngstown, Ohio (*Midwest Regional Show*)
Fellows Riverside Gardens, Mill Creek MetroParks
123 McKinley Ave., Youngstown, OH 44509
Contact: Norma Roden, 330-740-7116 x 206, norma@millcreekmetroparks.org

And close by, the late show:

April 26 & 27, 2014, Washington, Pennsylvania
Western Pennsylvania Daffodil Growers South
Joe Hamm's Barn, 99 Maple Road, Buffalo Village, Washington, PA 15301
Contact: Joe Hamm, 724-345-3762, joehamm1@juno.com

Willing young volunteers assist with display garden preparation

Students from LaSalle High School answered the call for volunteers to groom the new ADS Display Garden at St. Clare Convent/Centennial Barn in Cincinnati, one of only 25 gardens to hold this distinction in the United States. Andrew Schmidt (at right), age 16, a junior, and his cousin Colin Jester (at left), age 14, a freshman, both put their backs into it to prepare the daffodil beds for the bloom season, and for the Southwest Ohio Daffodil Society show held at the Centennial Barn on April 6 & 7, 2013.



(Photos courtesy of Dawn Longworth Murray)

Midwest Region daffodil shows held in Spring 2013

April 6 & 7, 2013, Cincinnati, Ohio
Southwest Ohio Daffodil Society (SWODS)
The Centennial Barn, Cincinnati, Ohio
208 entries; 20 exhibitors; 416 stems

April 12 & 13, 2013, Columbus, Ohio = *ADS National Show & Convention*
Central Ohio Daffodil Society (CODS)
Crown Plaza Hotel, Columbus, Ohio
725 entries; 87 exhibitors; 2668 stems

April 20 & 21, 2013, Cleveland, Ohio
Western Reserve Daffodil Society
Cleveland Botanical Garden, Cleveland, Ohio
175 entries; 7 exhibitors; 407 stems

April 20 & 21, 2013, Indianapolis, Indiana = *Midwest Regional Show*
Indiana Daffodil Society (IDS)
Nature Center at Holliday Park, Indianapolis, Indiana
201 entries; 21 exhibitors; 558 stems

April 20 & 21, 2013, Youngstown, Ohio
Fellows Riverside Gardens Daffodil Show
Fellows Riverside Gardens Mill Creek Metroparks, Youngstown, Ohio
249 entries; 25 exhibitors; 330 stems

A long, late winter loomed over the 2013 daffodil show season in the Midwest, however, the weather cooperated just soon enough to allow the shows to proceed successfully.

After many years at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, the SWODS show moved to the St. Clare Convent/Centennial Barn, at which the blooms of the ADS Display Garden on the site delighted the public outdoors concurrently with the daffodil show.

CODS hosted a very elegant and delightful national show and convention, with the theme "Romance of the Daffodil." The tours and seminars were outstanding, and have been very well-documented in *The Daffodil Journal* and on Daffnet. Local CODS members opened their homes to convention attendees, with dazzling displays of daffodils. Jill and Paul Griesse hosted the incoming Board meeting and dinner in a pavilion just adjacent to their lovely woods with over a million daffodils in bloom.

Guest speaker Shana Byrd of *The Wilds* described the reclamation of strip-mining-damaged land transformed into a conservation center and home to rare endangered species from all over the globe in open-range habitats, right in the heart of the Midwest in southeastern Ohio.

Mary Lou Gripshover announced the rollout of DaffLibrary, a free online resource with 60 years' worth of information: books, articles, and journals about daffodils. Mary Lou has scanned in stacks and stacks of printed information and organized it into a very accessible and navigable format. This is a dynamic ongoing project which she continues to augment and update. DaffLibrary is available independently through its own link www.dafflibrary.org or through the ADS website www.daffodilusa.org.

Midwest Region exhibitors performed very well at the national daffodil show in Columbus:

Mini Gold	Naomi Liggett	Penquenita 2Y-O
White Ribbon	Donna Dietsch	Gull 2W-GWW
Matthew Fowlds Award	Kathleen Simpson	Lemon Silk 6YYW-W
Olive Lee Trophy	Kathleen Simpson	Lavalier 5YYW-W
Grant and Amy Mitsch Trophy	Leone Low	98-B 2Y-O
John and Betty Larus Award	Mary Lou Gripshover	95-60 1Y-Y
Youth Best Bloom	Rachel Beery	Sweetness 7Y-Y
Youth 3 Stems Award	Rachel Beery	Goblet 1W-Y
Classic 3 Stems Award	Ted Ruoff	Falstaff 2Y-O 1960
Best Intermediate Award	Kathleen Simpson	Lemon Honey 2YYW-YYW
William Bender Award	Dr. John Reed	13-2-1 6W-Y

Elise Havens Award	Linda Wallpe	12 stems from at least 3 divisions 5 through 10
Jingle Bells 5W-Y, Rapture 6Y-Y, Straight Arrow 6Y-R, Brightspot 8W-R, Russian Chimes 5W-W, Carib 6W-P, Intrigue 7Y-W, Dobby 6W-Y, Kokopelli 7Y-Y, Charity May 6Y-Y, Niveth 5W-W, Ice Wings 5W-W		

Tom Throckmorton Award	Michael and Lisa Kuduk	15 stems; include at least 3 divisions
Oregon Pioneer 2Y-P, Pacific Rim 2Y-YYR, Intrigue 7Y-W, Bravoure 1W-Y, Ashmore 2W-GWW, Mission Bells 5W-W, American Heritage 1YYW-P, Fly Half 2Y-R, Stratosphere 7Y-O, Precocious 2W-P, Orangewood 2Y-O, Gold Bond 2Y-Y, Truculent 3W-WWY, River Queen 2W-W, Dayton Lake 2W-Y		

Lavender Ribbon	Mary Lou Gripshover	Best mini collection of 5 w/o RWB
n. Dubius 13W-W, n. Assoanus 13Y-Y, JAH 13/98B 7Y-Y, n. Jonquilla 13Y-Y, n. Bulbocodium 13Y-Y		

Miniature Red White & Blue	Naomi Liggett	Best mini collection of 5 bred in USA
Little Liz 1Y-O (Blom), Aviva 1W-W (Low), Hummingbird 6Y-Y (Mitsch), Little Cuda 6Y-Y (Reed) V-98-13-2 1W-W (Vinisky)		

Delia Bankhead Ribbon	Naomi Liggett	Mini collection 9 stems, incl 3 divisions
Medway Gold 7Y-Y, Little Cuda 6Y-Y, Snipe 6W-W, Duncan 01/3 2Y-Y, Penquenita 7Y-Y, Sprite 1W-W, Englander 6Y-Y, Tête-à-Tête 12 Y-Y, Mite 6Y-Y		

Miniature Bronze Ribbon	Kathleen Simpson	3 stems, of 5 different cultivars; must include at least 3 divisions
Pacific Coast 8Y-Y, Yellow Xit 3W-Y, n. Jonquilla 13Y-Y, Hawera 5Y-Y, Hummingbird 6Y-Y		

Three Different Miniatures By Hybridizer Ribbon	Mary Lou Gripshover	Bred by exhibitor
95-60 1Y-Y, 2005-03 7Y-Y, Norwester 6Y-Y		

Midwest Regional Meeting

SWODS hosted the Midwest Regional meeting October 12, 2013, at the Civic Garden Center in Cincinnati, with 47 folks in attendance. Leone Low was elected as new Regional Director. IDS sponsored the invitation and accommodations for special guest speaker Becky Fox Matthews for a pictorial presentation of the World Convention in New Zealand Fall 2012. Sara Kinne led and coordinated with IDS a new program to create and distribute gift packs of show bulbs for all new ADS members who have joined from 2010 to the present. Mike Kuduk and Lisa Kuduk also graciously sorted out the bulb swap to favor our newer members with the best choices. Linda Wallpe, with the assistance of Mike Kuduk, conducted a Judges Refresher based upon Kirby Fong's latest ADS e-media program "Examining Exhibition Daffodils."



(Photo courtesy of Chuck Orton)

Back row first:

George M, Ted R, Mike K, Rebecca K, Becky M, Jeanne L, Sue L, Sara K, Judy T, Kit W, Jackie B, JR B.

Second row forward:

Janet W, Naomi L, Jim W, Kathy M, Margaret B, Phyllis H, Sally H, Drew M, Jon K, Dottie K, Kathleen S, Tom S, Dan B, Bill L, Carolyn C, Mark W.

Third row forward (seated):

Donna D, Avalee M, Liz R, Helen T, Joe H, Ailin M, Belle M, Mary M, Tag B, Betty K, Linda W, Leone L, Jill G.

Seated on floor:

Lisa K, Susan R, Fred L, Mike G, Betsy D.

In Memoriam

The Midwest Region mourns the passing of three very great ladies among our membership within the last few months. Each of them led a life full of action and good works, with passion for daffodils and the love of family and many friends. We miss them, but we can see that each has left this earth a better place in her own way, and we are the better for having known them.

Libby Frey, of Bloomington, Indiana. Deceased November 7, 2013.

Libby joined the Bloomington Garden Club in 1955, strongly advocating for youth programs. She endowed a fund at the IU Foundation, to be used for the maintenance of "Libby's Garden" at Hilltop, where her prize daffodils play a starring role. Libby transformed the grounds around her home into terraced gardens, with one of the most impressive displays of spring flowers in Bloomington, rewarding visitors with an unforgettable show of countless varieties of daffodils. She was inspired by her friend Helen Link's example of growing vast quantities of daffodils, and she purchased bulbs from hybridizers around the world. Libby was a charter life member of The Indiana Daffodil Society and a longstanding member of the American Daffodil Society. In the 1990's she advocated the inclusion of more color photography in *The Daffodil Journal* and influenced IDS to contribute to the initial fund; today the *Journal* is entirely in color. Libby was also an instructor for many daffodil Judging Schools and judged at shows throughout the Midwest. She remained a committed environmental activist her entire life. The Bloomington Eco Center presents an annual award in Libby's honor to an individual who demonstrates the commitment to stand up for the principles of environmental activism through their life's work: *The Frey Eco Warrior Award*. Libby will be remembered both for the breadth of her interests as well as the depth of her singular focus on the natural world, as a gardener and an environmental activist.

Marcella Modisett, of Madison, Indiana. Deceased November 24, 2013.

Dr. Marcella Modisett graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine in 1943. She partnered with her husband and another medical classmate to form the Madison Clinic, which grew to become one of the largest medical practices in the area. Dr. Marcella, as she was known, retired from the practice of medicine in 1984, and became active in various community groups. She served on the boards of the Kentuckiana Girl Scouts of America, Jefferson County Board of Health, Community Foundation of Madison and Jefferson County, Jefferson County Historical Society, and Planned Parenthood of Indiana. In 1979 she received the Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award. Dr. Marcella was also a member of the Daffodil Society of Southern Indiana where she won first of show with one of the over 150 varieties of daffodils she grew in her yard. For many years she also participated in the annual bird count. In 2013 she was named a Girls' Inc. "She Knows Where She's Going" honoree. Also in 2013, Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana presented her with the "Tough Cookie Award," the highest given to volunteers. Her most enduring achievement was helping to establish Camp Whippoorwill, a place for Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana to experience, to enjoy and to love the outdoors as she did.

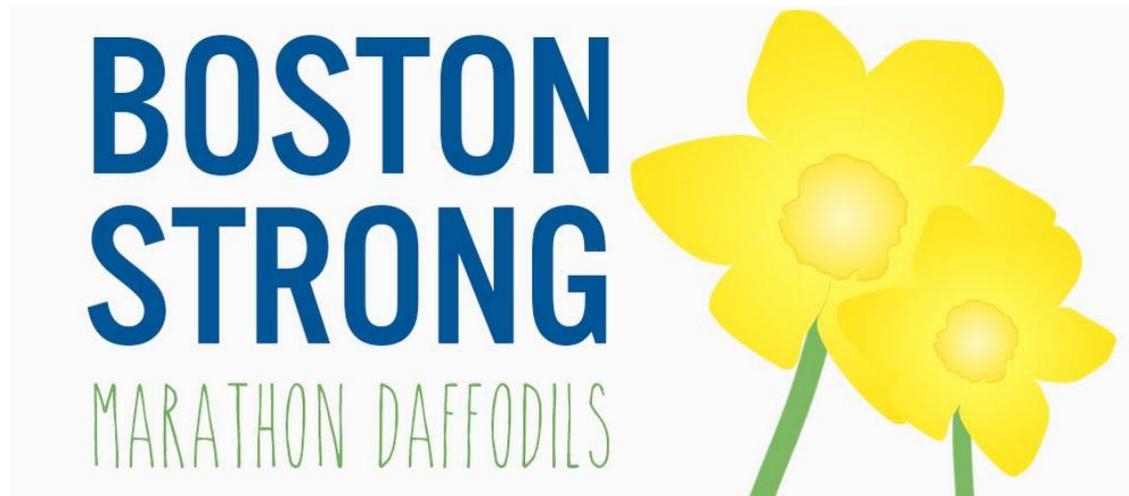
Jill Griesse, of Granville, Ohio. Deceased February 3, 2014.

Following graduation from Washington State University, Jill was Vice President and Board Member of Bry-Air Incorporated, headquartered in Sunbury, Ohio. She served many organizations which thrived under her guidance. She was past show chairman of both the American Daffodil Society (ADS) and the Chicago Botanical Garden Show, and chair of the 2013 ADS National Convention, which culminated at her home amid her glorious daffodil collection. One of her greatest joys was simply enjoying the beauty of daffodils and sharing them with the thousands of people from all over the world who were fortunate to visit her springtime wonderland. Jill founded and coached the Pau Hana Swim Club in Newark following her own swim career during which she won both senior and junior National Synchronized Swimming Championships. Jill served on the U.S. Olympic Swimming Committee for 18 years and travelled internationally in its service. Jill was the recipient of countless awards, including her 1994 election to the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame, the 2007 Licking County Foundation Everett D. Reese Award, the 2011 Granville Good Scout Award, the 2013 Robbins Hunter Women's Board Victoria Woodhull Woman of Distinction and the 2013 Central Ohio Technical College Legends of Loyalty Award. Jill enriched the lives of everyone she encountered, inspiring each to try a little harder to fulfill a purpose. Considered by many as a force of nature, she dreamed up innovative ways to entertain, often fund raising for her favorite causes while sharing pure fun with her friends and family. She left the world a better and more beautiful place, and she was afforded the tremendous opportunity to live her goodbyes with everyone she loved.

The Fall Board Meeting in Tucson, Arizona was neither the time nor place for daffodils, but what fabulous encounters with nature and culture in an environment which could not be more different from the Midwest. We so enjoyed the living desert, the clear skies, the long vistas, the exposure to Native American art, and the festivities gearing up for *La Día de Los Muertos*. Chriss Rainey did a fabulous job selecting and organizing our side trips to make the most of our experience of the area.

At the board meeting Mary Ann Streeter, RVP of New England Region, reported on the Boston Strong Marathon Daffodil project, a group determined to plant 100,000 daffodils along the entire 26-mile Boston Marathon route, to inspire hope and lift the spirits of the community who suffered from the senseless violent bombings last April. Mary Ann provided all the contact info for anyone interested in making a donation. Brent and Becky's Bulbs is collaborating as the main supplier of bulbs, mostly 'Dutch Master' for bloom to coincide with the mid-April date of the Boston Marathon.

Both SWODS and IDS thereafter organized and contributed significant quantities of daffodil bulbs in a wide variety of divisions and colors toward this effort.



WEB SITE:

<https://sites.google.com/site/marathondaffodils>

At the Midwest Regional meeting in Cincinnati, Joe Hamm had handed off to Becky Fox Matthews a large quantity of historic bulbs as a donation to the ADS. Becky organized these into a silent auction at the Fall Board Meeting, with total sales of \$440 for the benefit of the ADS, but even better was Joe's sharing of rare and unusual bulbs difficult to find in the trade.

Jason Delaney, chair of the ADS Display Garden committee, presented the motion to approve Fifth Third Gateway Park in Beavercreek, Ohio, as an official new ADS Display Garden. George McGowan, Kathy McGowan, and Barb Tinch worked very hard in conjunction with the Greene County Master Gardeners and with the help of SWODS to create this new garden in the heart of Beavercreek.

Also just adjacent to the Midwest Region, the garden of our good friend Joe Hamm also received the approval of the Board as another new official ADS Display Garden.

Fifth Third Gateway Park (Greene County) Daffodil Garden Recognized Nationally



The garden has been planted and maintained by Greene County Master Gardener Volunteers led by Barbara Tinch and working in conjunction with Beaver Creek Parks, Recreation, and Culture Department. Members of the Southwest Ohio Daffodil Society (SWODS), a local club of the American Daffodil Society provided expertise and donated many of the daffodil bulbs from their own collections. Rebecca Koesters, a local Beaver Creek resident was particularly generous, donating over 20 different cultivars.

Fifth Third Gateway Park is located at the junction of Dayton-Xenia Road and the Creekside Trail bike path. Although it is a small park, it is heavily used by bikers and local residents who appreciate the convenient parking, gazebo for relaxation and shade, and its location in the heart of Beaver Creek.

The planting was originally conceived by Barb Mills, Master Gardener Coordinator for Greene County and George McGowan, Greene County Master Gardener as a way to make Gateway Park a unique area.

The garden bed is a 60 foot by 20 foot triangle, parallel to both the bikeway and Dayton-Xenia Road. Last fall Barb Tinch, Dan Denham, Sue Donahue, Barb Mills, George and Kathy McGowan, April and Jim Artkamp volunteered their time and labor to plan and label over 400 bulbs representing 78 varieties of daffodils. Every one of them survived the winter and bloomed this past spring. Another 150 bulbs (30 different varieties) were planted this fall.

The collection is representative of the 26,000 registered daffodils available to the gardener. Historic and recent introductions, large and small trumpets, doubles, tazettas, white, yellow, and pink cups are all at Gateway Park.

The Pannill award is given by the ADS annually to a daffodil variety that consistently produces outstanding blooms for flower shows. The Wister award is given annually to those varieties that perform particularly well in the garden. About half the varieties at Gateway Park have been awarded either the Pannill or Wister award. One variety, Rapture, received both awards.

The garden bed is also home to a Stout daylily collection and some annual bedding plants. They grow together well. Daffodils start growing in March, heralding the arrival of spring and bloom throughout April. Daylilies start growing in April and cover up the the receding daffodil foliage as they prepare to bloom later in the summer. The annual bedding plants are usually planted after the frost date in mid-May and help to fill in the spaces left by the daffodils as they become dormant during the heat of summer. The American Daffodil Society initiated the Display garden program a few years ago to demonstrate the variety, beauty, and ease of growing daffodils. They are one of the few bulbs that will not be eaten by deer, squirrels, or chipmunks.

Daffodils in Needlework



Above left: Close-up detail of the linen tablecloth embroidered by Katherine Frey, as a gift to her mother Libby Frey. At the 2002 ADS Convention in Cincinnati, Katherine Frey won “Best in Show” in the “Ooh and Ah” exhibition of daffodiliana. When Libby left the convention, the weather conditions were very foggy and she was involved in an accident which totaled her car. Although she was injured, her main concern was the retrieval of the tablecloth from the wrecked car. Paul Wallpe rescued it for her, much to her relief. This beautiful artifact is now part of the IDS show regalia, having draped the high table at several daffodil shows. *(Photo courtesy of Pete Kinne)*

Above right: Linda Wallpe proudly displays the daffodil quilt designed and stitched by her sisters as a birthday gift. The fabric squares are swatches of the girls’ childhood clothing, and the daffodils are built as soft sculpture. *(Photo courtesy of Chuck Orton)*

The Daylily Connection

Two of our newest ADS members have come over to the daffodil side from the daylily world:

Jackie Bachman, who with her husband Dan Bachman, runs Valley of the Daylilies in Lebanon, Ohio, (www.thevalleyofthedaylilies.com). This specialty nursery is a wonderful summer destination and source for beautiful daylily plants and other gardening products. Jackie also runs her own business, Bobbin Along Embroidery (www.bobbinalongembroidery.com) offering clothing and accessories embroidered in tasteful and botanically correct designs: daylilies, hostas, roses, daffodils, or what you will.

JR Blanton earned the Small Grower Award at high table with his first daffodil show entry at the 2013 SWODS show. JR hybridizes and sells daylilies at his farm, Tangled Vine Garden, in Morrow, Ohio, (www.tangledvinegarden.com). H. ‘Red Squirrel’ 2005 (Blanton) has won a Junior Citation, Honorable Mention, Award of Merit, and is now on the ballot for the first time this year for the Stout Silver Medal.

ADS National Convention and Daffodil Show, March 27-30, Little Rock, Arkansas

The national daffodil show in Little Rock had 61 exhibitors and 1879 stems.

The long late winter in the Midwest kept all our blooms off the show floor, except for a single teeny tiny little entry, but it won a big prize: Leone Low captured the Miniature Gold ribbon, best miniature in the show, with her 'Medway Gold' 7Y-Y.

More Midwest folks have been added to the Board: Suzy Wert is newly appointed as Chair of Youth Committee; Sara Kinne is newly appointed as Chair of Membership Committee.

Jason Delaney, chair of the ADS Display Garden Committee, presented us with the newly-designed ADS Display Garden signs for St. Clare Convent/Centennial Barn in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Fifth-Third Gateway Park in Beavercreek, Ohio. Joe Hamm's garden in Washington, Pennsylvania, will also display the new sign.

At the seminar *Naturalized and Public Plantings*, ADS members collaborated to give these presentations, with expert assistance from Multimedia Chair Lynn Slackman: Cindy Haeffner on mass plantings at two high schools in Missouri with help from many student volunteers; Sara Kinne on Libby Frey's daffodil garden in Bloomington, Indiana; and Fredrica Lawlor on the St. Clare Convent/Centennial Barn ADS Display Garden in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Richard Ezell, chair of the Wister/Pannill Awards Committee, announced this year's winners: Wister, outstanding garden daffodil = Tête-à-Tête; 12 Y-Y; Alec Gray; 1949; England Pannill, outstanding show daffodil = Lemon Silk; 6YYW-W; Mitsch; 1987; USA

IDS website

In July 2013, under the expert leadership of Suzy Wert and Jim Wilson, the Indiana Daffodil Society (IDS) unveiled their very own website: www.indianadaffodilsociety.org.

In a fun yet very professional format, this website keeps IDS members informed of local matters and activities. However, it also offers interesting user-friendly links for any daffodil enthusiast. The "Resources" tab has information about tools and gardening products. Especially useful is the "Articles" tab, which is like settling down with your favorite gardening magazines. Just in time for show season, you can find there Donna Dietsch's iconic article "Daffodils from Your Garden to the Show." Suzy and Jim and IDS keep the website updated, so keep checking for more items of interest. Click on "Directions to the Helen Link Garden" for fascinating history and photos of the Helen Link Daffodil Gardens and Dr. Goethe Link Observatory in Martinsville, Indiana, a destination with some visiting hours in April.

A Few of My Favorite Flowers....by Leone Low, ADS Midwest Regional Director

My heart often strays to a new daffodil's first bloom, but my true loves are the ones that produce show-worthy blooms year after year after year. 'Tuscarora' 1Y-Y is such a standard and blooms after sixes 'Rapture,' 'Lemon Silk,' etc. 'Pop's Legacy' 1 W-Y, 'Trumpet Warrior' 1YYW-WWY, and the double 'Crackington' are also early. When midseason comes, I have the typical hybridizer's problem—I want to exhibit my own seedlings such as 'Mississippi Traveler' 2 W-Y. Late season favorites include 'Spindletop' 3 W-Y, 'Kilearnan' 3 W-GYR, and of course, my own new poet introduction 'Rumba in Red.' It has been said that daffodil bulbs are either splitters or spreaders. The latter can produce show-ready blooms for many years with little care except a little fertilizer, while the splitters need to be dug and divided frequently.

A gentle plea to novices ... from ADS Midwest Regional Director Sara Kinne

Please enter at least one flower in a spring daffodil show. Stepping over the threshold to exhibit the first time will increase your awareness of our favorite flower and foster a greater understanding of our daffodil society. This is not the Olympics: you do not have to be accomplished to enter the competition. All you need do is to show up with your flowers (and their cultivar names) during setup time, and someone will help you. Please do not be intimidated by the horticulture divisions within the show schedule. Plenty of willing and knowledgeable people will be there to help you. The staging time can be rather hectic; please arrive early so that we can be sure you get the help you need and enjoy the experience.

Join the American Daffodil Society

The American Daffodil Society (ADS) is a vibrant organization, with an unprecedented nearly complete change of Board leadership. The society maintains a powerful website (www.daffodilusa.org), including a flower search engine database with photos (Daffseek), online library (DaffLibrary), video and media services (DaffTube), and a discussion forum (DaffNet), all offered freely to the public without requirement of membership. But *your* membership, with very reasonable dues, helps to support the ADS mission to educate the public about daffodils. Our new ADS president, Harold Koopowitz, last year stated that we are now one of the most enviable plant societies in the country. You also stand to make fast friends all over the USA, and indeed all over the world.

Everything you need is at www.daffodilusa.org.

Please keep your membership current, or join if you have not already done so.

Come for the flowers, but stay for the fun!

Future dates for your calendars

Midwest Regional Meeting = Saturday, October 11, 2014
Riverside United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall,
2701 Zollinger Rd, Columbus, OH 43221 (Upper Arlington)

ADS Fall Board Meeting = October 24 & 25, 2014, Memphis, Tennessee
All ADS members are invited; this event is *not* exclusively for Board members only.

ADS National Convention = April 9-12, 2015, Williamsburg, Virginia
Optional tours, including Brent and Becky's Bulbs in Gloucester, Virginia
(www.brentandbeckysbulbs.com)

2016 World Daffodil Convention = April 6-10, 2016, St. Louis, Missouri = *Show Me Daffodils*.
Daffodil enthusiasts from around the world will see a fabulous daffodil show, participate in interactive educational sessions, tour the world-renowned Missouri Botanical Garden, and visit both commercial and private daffodil collections.

A closing word about the future...



(Photo courtesy of Dawn Longworth Murray)

Finnigan Murray, age 18 months, ponders the blooms at St. Clare Convent/Centennial Barn ADS Display Garden during the SWODS daffodil show on April 6, 2013.

Now is the time, now that the ice of our hard winter has receded, and the earth begins to warm, now is the time to guide a child up to the flower bed, to introduce a little one to the sweetness of blossoms, to mentor a younger person, to transmit your knowledge and love of gardening to the next generations. You are the heroes, you who turn the sweet soil and bring forth the beauty of flowering plants. Be a hero to a young one. You who burn brightly with the love of gardening: light that spark in another.

Best of luck and health to you all.
Yours in service,

Fredrica Lawlor
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