



# NARCISSUS NOTES

NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDWEST REGION

Fall, 2008

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## MIDWEST SHOWS 2009

### April 4: Jeffersonville, IN Kentucky Daffodil Society

Contact: Sue Bartle, 107 Nashua Dr, Clarksville, IN,  
47129-1428; (812) 945-8219, suebartle@att.net  
Location to be determined

### April 11-12: Cincinnati, OH Southwest Ohio Daffodil Society

Chair: Linda Wallpe, 1940 Gregory Lane,  
Cincinnati, OH 45206; (513) 221-4140;  
LWallpe@cinci.rr.com  
Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, 3240 Vine St,  
Cincinnati, OH (in the Treetops Room)

### April 13-14: Chillicothe Adena Daffodil Society

Contact: Karen Beery, 83 E. 4th Street, Chillicothe,  
OH 45601; (740) 775-7595;  
daffodilmom@hotmail.com  
The Pump House Center for the Arts, Enderlin  
Circle in Yoctangee Park (note new location)

### April 16-17: Indianapolis, IN Indiana Daffodil Society

Chair: Suzy Wert, 7350 N. Illinois Street,  
Indianapolis, IN 46260; (317) 254-0060;  
limequilla@aol.com  
Holliday Park Nature Center, 6333 Springmill Rd,  
Indianapolis, IN

### April 18-19: Columbus, OH Central Ohio Daffodil Society

Contact: Phyllis Hess, 3670 E Powell Rd, Lewis  
Center, OH 43035; (614) 882-  
5720; phess1@insightrr.com  
Franklin Park Conservatory, 1770 E Broad St,  
Columbus, OH.

### April 25-26: Youngstown, OH Fellows Riverside Gardens Daffodil Show,

Contact: Keith Kaiser, 123 McKinley Ave.,  
Youngstown, OH 44509; (330) 740-7116;  
kkaiser@cboss.com

(The location of the regional show will be determined at the regional meeting.)

## The Midwest Region Fall Meeting Saturday, September 20, 10:00 to 2:00

The regional meeting for the ADS Midwest region is Saturday, Sept. 20, at the home of Jill and Paul Griesse in Granville, OH. (2640 North St., Granville, OH 43023 (740-887-3736) (email: pdgriesse@prodigy.net)

In addition to our program, lunch, and bulb exchange, there will be opportunities to tour the extensive grounds and gardens as well as view the restored antique cars in Paul's garages.

### Panel Discussion: How We Grow 'Em

A distinguished panel of expert growers and showers in the region will discuss the following aspects of growing daffodils in our region:

- Are there differences in growing for landscape vs. growing for show?

- What do you do to amend your soil, if anything?
- Are some locations better than others? (NSEW exposures, flat vs. slope, etc.)
- When do you feed and what do you use?
- When do you water?
- -Do you do anything special to enhance color when in bloom (or before)
- Do you interplant with perennials?
- What do you do to amend your soil, if anything?
- How often do you lift and divide and how do you store the bulbs and when do you replant them?
- Are there special techniques for different kinds of daffodils (cyclamineus hybrids, doubles, and

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those considered hard to keep ('Gull', for example, comes to mind).

For this meeting, we'll focus on standards since last year's topic was on miniatures.

**What to bring:**

- A covered dish, salad, or dessert for the lunch.
- Bulbs for the bulb exchange. (Also feel free to bring any divisions or seeds from your perennial gardens.)
- A written list of your five favorite garden daffodils and your five favorite show daffodils. We did this at a SWODS meeting last weekend and the results were interesting. Our lists consisted of the following:

**For show:**

'Acropolis', 'Altun Ha', 'American Dream', 'Ballyvoy', 'Barnum', 'Beersheba', 'Berceuse', 'Cantatrice', 'Cape Point', 'Clouded Yellow', 'Cool Crystal', 'Crackington', 'David Adams', 'Ethereal Beauty', 'Festivity', 'Fragrant Rose' (3 times), 'Geometrics' (2 times), 'Goff's Caye', 'Gull', 'Intrigue' (2 times), 'La Paloma' (2 times), 'Magic Lantern', 'Michael's Gold', 'Miss Prim', 'Montpier', 'Notre Dame', 'Ohio Snow', 'Oregon Pioneer', 'Pink Silk', 'Rapture', 'River Queen', 'Savoire Faire' (2 times), 'Segovia', 'Sidling Hill', 'Sir Winston Churchill', 'Snipe', 'Spring Chimes', 'Tripartite', 'Velvet Spring', 'Wild Honey', 'Xit'

**For Garden:**

Any poet, 'Arctic Gold', 'Avalon', 'Baby Moon', 'Bryanston', 'Can Can Girl', 'Cool Crystal', 'Cowboy', 'Daydream' (2 times), 'Dickcissel', 'Doctor Hugh', 'Elixir', 'Falstaff', 'Fragrant Rose', 'Geranium' (2 times), 'Golden Bells', 'Hambledon', 'Hawaii', 'Hillstar', 'Ice Follies', 'Indian Maid', 'Intrigue', 'Jenny', 'Jetfire' (3 times), 'Las Vegas', 'Michael's Gold', 'Misty Glen', 'Mount Hood', 'Orangery', 'Pink Charm', 'Pipit', 'Prologue', 'Rip van Winkle', 'Salome', 'Sir Winston Churchill', 'Spellbinder' (2 times), 'Spun Honey',

'Stratosphere' (2 times), 'Surfside', 'Tahiti', 'Tete-a-Tete', 'Thalia' (2 times), 'Tripartite', 'Unique'.

**E-Mailing the Regional Newsletter**

To save postage and printing costs, I am emailing this newsletter to all members for whom I have an email address. The format is a Word document. If you would prefer a .pdf version, email me at BLEE811@aol.com and I'll send it immediately.

**NEW MEMBERS in 2008**

Contact them, invite them to a show, meeting, or just over for coffee to see your daffodil patch. You can never have too many daffodil and gardening friends! New members, come to our regional meeting and make new friends and learn more about daffodils and our shows and projects. New members always leave with extra daffodils.

- Laura Cron, 5656 Lake Mead Dr, Fairfield, OH 45014
- Granville Garden Club, PO BX 198, Granville, OH 43023
- Henry Heatly, 363 Meridian Lane, Village of Lakewood, IL 60014; (312) 286-5030; hank@heatly.com
- Niles Kinerk, 7602 Hyland Dr, Guilford, IN 47022; niles\_kinerk@yahoo.com
- Bruce Murray, 401 E 4th St, Newport, KY 41071; (859) 261-4940
- Andrea, Kyle, and Nikki Sparks, 256 Rhoads Avenue, Columbus, OH 43205 (youth members);
- JanStein, 1983 Haverton Dr, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068; steinj7@nationwide.com
- Ms. M Maurice Utley, 308 State St, Elizabethtown, KY 42707-2742
- Jim & Marilyn Waldsmith, 142 Hanby Ave, Westerville, OH 43081-1212; (614) 891-6585
- John Werner, 524 South Meadowbrook Ave, Bloomington, IN 47401; jwerner002@aol.com

**Annual Meeting and National Show**

**April 24-27: Chicago, IL**

**Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel**

**Chicago Botanic Garden**

Check out the details in the December *Journal* or at the ADS website at [www.daffodilusa.org](http://www.daffodilusa.org). Our region should be well-represented at National next spring since it is in comfortable driving distance for most of us.

## ADS Website

If you haven't checked the website lately, be sure to do so: [www.daffodilusa.org](http://www.daffodilusa.org). New resources are added all the time and you will also note that you can now make purchases of ADS publications and merchandise online using a credit card. You will also find lists of ADS approved miniatures, suggested intermediates, the Pannill and Wister lists, a Pocket Guide to Daffodils, and Daffodil Coloring Pages.

The link to Daffseek is also especially valuable and Ben Blake and Nancy Tackett continue to add more and more photos to the database as well as some new features that will blow you away. Check it out!

## Fall Miniature Symposium In Nashville October 31-Nov. 2

Don't miss a great ADS event happening in Nashville this fall. All ADS members and their guests are invited.

On Saturday, Harold Koopowitz will lead a Miniatures Symposium with miniature expert growers and hybridizers from many parts of the US and Lawrence Trevanion from Camberra, Australia. Lawrence will be our dinner speaker on Saturday night and will enlighten us about miniature daffodils Down Under. Harold will bring a selection of his fall blooming daffodils from California. Live daffodils to see and sniff! Sunday offers a tour of Cheekwood Botanical Gardens and Museum of Art. At the Friday night dinner, costumes based on daffodil names will be optional. (It's Halloween!) There will be prizes for the best and most creative costumes! After dinner don't miss the bulb auction. Visit the link below for more information. Please make your hotel reservations ASAP and note the deadlines for registration.

Becky Fox Matthews, who is organizing this event, advises: Make your hotel reservations NOW! We don't have a large block of rooms reserved and you can always cancel the rooms with no penalty closer to the date if you find you can't attend. The conference registration deadline is October 1; earlier registrations would help with advance planning.

Link for the fall meeting:

<http://daffodilusa.org/BoardBusiness/2008fallboard/2008fallmeeting.html>

## Getting Canaliculatus To Bloom

By Kathy Welsh

Are you of the opinion that the only way to have a blooming Canaliculatus is to buy new bulbs from your favorite Dutch source each year? Until last year, I would have sworn by this theory. I first purchased Canaliculatus a number of years ago. The bulbs had split and multiplied regularly, but produced nothing but foliage in the spring. It was not until I mentioned my frustration to Ann Corson that I learned a new trick.

Ann's advice, "Dig the bulbs and leave the mesh bag on top of the dirt for weeks. Let the bulbs really bake. Pretend like you're trying to kill them." Following this advice was easy because I had decided that if I didn't get flowers I was disposing of the bulbs anyway. Who needs bulbs that produce nothing but foliage? My efforts paid off greatly. In the summer of 2007 I followed Ann's directions and this past spring I was rewarded with an entire row of flowering bulbs. Most had 5 or 6 blooms per stem.

For those in the deep south where temperatures are much hotter than the mid to upper 90 degree days in Northern Virginia, you may want to modify these directions slightly. Good luck!

## Color Code Change

Note that the color code of Bill Pannill's 'Ashland' has been changed to 2W-W from 2W-Y. Since this cultivar is so widely grown, I thought this should be publicized.

## Important Message About Your Ads Dues

Jaydee, Ager, Executive Director

Effective July 1, 2009, we will convert to an annual dues renewal date of JULY 1. We trust this will simplify dues payments. With ever increasing costs, it was incumbent upon us to find a better solution than our current quarterly dues renewal system. So what will you do as you pay dues for this year, or in 2009? To align with the JUL 1 09 start date, you may need to pay a pro-rated amount. Look at the back cover of your JUNE *Journal* or this newsletter if it has been sent via USPS to ascertain your dues renewal date. Each calendar quarter of MAR, JUN, SEP, DEC, has a value of \$5 attributed to your annual dues payment of \$20. If your one year dues are paid through SEP 08, you would pay \$15, DEC 08, pay \$10, MARCH 09, pay

\$5 or \$25 to renew for another year. These payments will get you aligned with the JUL 1 date. If your dues are paid thru JUN 09; lucky you, you are good to go, with no pro-rated payments! Please renew by sending your check, made payable to ADS, to the Executive Director. The mailing address is: PO BX 522, Hawkinsville, GA 31036-0522. You can also renew at our ADS web store: [www.daffodilusastore.org](http://www.daffodilusastore.org). I welcome your inquiries about this change. I prefer e-mail communication, but a phone call or a snail mailed note will work, too. Our ADS web store will be problematic for dues renewal pro-rated payments, because it only

offers an annual or three year dues renewal option. But if you prefer utilizing the web store, rather than sending a personal check, it can be worked out. Please contact me first, so we can make the necessary arrangements. I aim to please. Jaydee Atkins Ager, ADS Executive Director, [jager@dishmail.net](mailto:jager@dishmail.net); (478) 783-2153.

### **ADS MIDWEST REGION ELECTIONS**

**Nominees for Regional Vice President, Regional Director and member of the ADS National Nominating Committee are:**

**For Regional Vice President: Bill Lee, Ohio – third year of a 3-year term ending 2010:**

**Bill Lee**

**For Regional Director, term of 3 years ending 2012:**

**George McGowan**

**For member of the ADS National Nominating Committee:**

**Phyllis Hess**

**Mark your ballot and mail it to Tag Bourne, 1052 Shadyhill Drive, Columbus, OH 43221**

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