

# SWODS News

## SHOWS

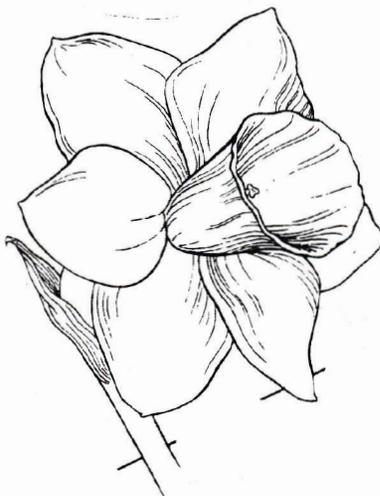
### 1994 Silver Anniversary Shows

**T**he 25th anniversary of the South-Western Ohio Daffodil society saw the staging of two back-to-back shows: the first weekend at the Cincinnati Zoo and the second weekend at Wegerzyn Horticultural Center in Dayton. Both shows were successful and many exhibitors trekked to both Cincinnati and Dayton to contribute to the success.

Tom Stettner chaired the Cincinnati show and Rebecca Priester chaired the Dayton show. Tom thanks the many chairpeople and exhibitors as does Rebecca. As new show chairs, they both found that much more was involved in staging a show than they had ever imagined. Rebecca and Tom agreed to provide a Chairman's trophy at each show. They collaborated to decide to give this special award to the best Division 4 daffodil in each show, as doubles are special favorites of both of them and sometimes seem to be overlooked in the major awards.

Those who won special awards in these two shows have received their awards. The July meeting will include an announcement of all the winners from these shows.

On the evening of the first show, twenty-two members and guests attended a catered dinner and, SWODS alumni, who now live in



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watched a slide show on miniatures presented by Tom and Louise Dunn, SWODS alumni, who now live in Arkansas. Tom's running narrative provided insight into the miniature scene, with side comments on how extraordinarily well many of the miniatures do in the South. Louise had to correct him a time or two and also provided her own companion commentary. Those attending this dinner saw views of many cultivars rarely, if ever, seen in our local shows. Miniature species were also featured in this presentation, which

provided an opportunity to see species variations that were first-time events for many of those present.

## 1995

### 1995 Easter Show at the Cincinnati Zoo

**E**aster Weekend, April 15 and 16, will see the 26th Annual SWODS Daffodil Show, in Cincinnati, at the Zoo. Bill Lee has agreed to chair this show and is counting on a lot of help from a lot of people to pull it all together. Already planned is the use of the special corrugated cardboard risers fabricated by Denny Huff and introduced at the Dayton Show. Linda Wallpe, who helped stage the Dayton show, stated that the risers were very easy to assemble and set up. The effect was worth it. These

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risers created three tiers on the tables so that each row of daffodils could be seen above the others.

A feature of this Easter show will be a special class for single stems of daffodils named after Easter, such as Easter Moon, Easter Bonnet, and Eastertide. Easter Moon will be one of the challenge bulbs available this year. Details are provided elsewhere.

Linda Wallpe has agreed to arrange the SWODS dinner and Tom Stettner has agreed to arrange the commercial exhibit. Many more positions are available and will be discussed at the July meeting.

## Challenge Bulb

**I**n honor of the Silver Anniversary, the Challenge Bulb will be Silver Surf, 2W-W. It will cost \$3.00. The number available will be limited, so requests will have to be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. We are also furnishing an alternative Challenge Bulb, Silvermere, 2W-W, also for \$3.00. We need to know what bulbs you want and how many, in the event we have to ration them because of short supply. You may be able to order one or more of each bulb, but we won't know for sure until all requests have been received.

You can also buy Easter Moon (we will have plenty of this one so there is no need to ration them), which will have a special class in the 1995 show for "Easter" daffodils.

Fill out the **Intent to Buy** form on page 4 and send it to Liz Ragouzis. Do not send any money for Silver Surf or Silvermere at this time until we notify you of how much of your request we can honor. Note that this form also has a place to indicate paying your dues—DO send a check for the amount of dues and Easter Moon bulbs.

Send your request right away. First choices on the Challenge Bulb depend on the order in which the requests are received.

## 1994 DUES

**O**f course, no SWODS mailing would be complete without a plea to update your dues. Please note that the 2-digit number above your name on the mailing label shows the last year you paid dues. Please bring your membership up to date. Dues are only \$5.00 per year. Use the enclosed form to mail dues today and also reserve your Challenge Bulbs to get first preference for your desired options.

## New Members

**W**elcome to new members Betty Daniels, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Cain, and Baker Bahlman. We hope you will attend the July meeting and meet members, socialize, learn something about SWODS, and pick up some interesting daffodil information.

## Regional Meeting

**ADS** The ADS Regional meeting will be October 2, a Sunday, at 10:00 AM at the Cincinnati Civic Garden Center. Charles Wheatley will address the meeting. A bulb exchange will also be held. New SWODS members, and non-ADS members, should plan to attend, if for no other reason than to get free bulbs in the bulb exchange. Note that you do not have to have bulbs of your own to share to participate in the bulb exchange.

## Recipe

**G**race Baird requested the recipe for the chocolate mint cheesecake served at the Dayton show. For Grace, and anyone else who wants the recipe, here it is:

### CHOCOLATE MINT CHEESECAKE

For a 10" springform pan:

1/4 pound lightly salted butter  
2 cups finely ground chocolate cookie crumbs  
1/4 cup sugar  
4 ounces semisweet chocolate chips  
4 ounces mint chocolate chips  
2 pounds cream cheese (four 8-oz. pkgs.)  
1 and 1/4 cups sugar  
1 Tbs. Vandermint or Creme de Cacao liqueur  
1 Tsp. mint extract  
pinch salt  
4 large eggs

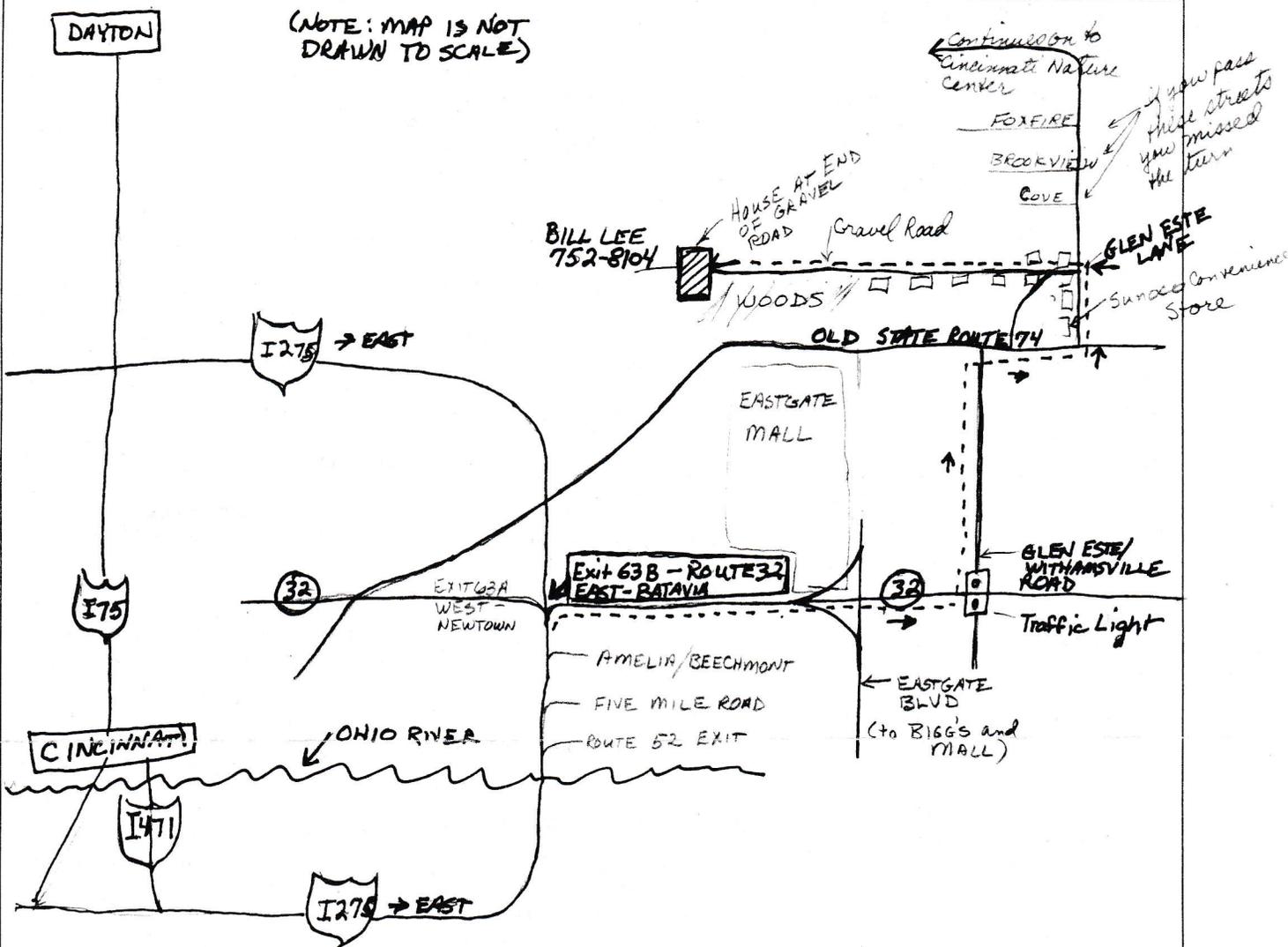
Melt butter and combine with crumbs and 1/4 cup sugar to make crust. (Add some ground walnuts or pecans if desired.) Press mixture on bottom and sides of springform pan.

Melt semisweet chocolate. Chop mint chocolate chips. In a mixer, whip cream cheese on highest speed for 5 minutes, then add sugar and whip 2 more minutes. Add liqueur, extract, melted chocolate, chopped chocolate, and salt, and blend together thoroughly. Add eggs, one at a time, keeping mixer on low to prevent too much air from destroying proper batter consistency; mix just until each egg has been incorporated.

Pour batter into crust and bake at 350 degrees for 50 minutes. Remove from oven and let stand for 10 minutes while you prepare the glaze.

Glaze:

2 cups sour cream (substitute half low-fat if desired)  
1/4 cup sugar  
1 Tsp. creme de menthe (use white creme de menthe if you don't want a green topping)  
Combine and spread over top and return to 350 oven for 10 minutes. Remove from oven and immediately place in refrigerator to cool to help prevent cracks.



**INTENT TO BUY FORM**

Complete the following form and mail it to Liz Ragouzis, 425 Rawson Woods Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45220

Check the boxes that apply	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	Easter Moon: I want a total of ____ bulbs of Easter Moon (Indicate the number of bulbs wanted; order as many as you need, \$2.00 each)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Silver Surf is my first choice (\$3.00 each)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Silvermere is my first choice (\$3.00 each)
<input type="checkbox"/>	If I can't have my first choice, I will take the alternate bulb instead.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If available I would like a total of ____ (indicate quantity) bulbs of Silver Surf.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If available I would like a total of ____ (indicate quantity) bulbs of Silvermere.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed is \$ ____ dues (\$5.00 per year; make check payable to SWODS)