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The WDS Newsletter

is published in the Fall, Winter and Spring for members of WDS, with information on the activities of the Society, and of the American Daffodil Society when of local interest. Please send comments, ideas, and articles to the Editor: Mary Anne Barton, 3707 Burrows Avenue, Fairfax, VA 22030

Message from the President

Dear Daffodil Friends,

This has been a busy summer. I know a number of us have dug many bulbs this year (I'm still not finished) so be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, October 20. The exchange tables will be filled with bulbs for your taking. This meeting is our annual meeting where we elect and welcome new Board Members. A limited number of boutique items will be available for sale.

WDS needs your help on Saturday, October 6 at Merrifield Garden Center and on Thursday, November 15 on the DC Mall. Details for these two exciting projects are in the newsletter.

WDS is an active group and there are many opportunities for participation. Please email or call me if you wish to be more involved. Some other things we're doing include a public planting in West Virginia, a Wister collection at the National Arboretum, updating of the Pannill and Wister gardens at Brookside Gardens, participation in the National Convention being held next April 10-12 in Richmond, participation in the Regional Meeting on October 13 in Fairfax, VA, and the planning and preparation of two shows next spring. WOW!! Don't forget about the Daffodil World Tour next April 12-24. Hope to see you at one or more of these events!

Kathy Welsh, WDS President kathywelsh01@aol.com.

WDS Fall Annual Meeting, Bulb Exchange & Bulb Order Pickup -- October 20, 2007

Falls Church Community Center, 223 Little Falls Street, Falls Church VA 22046
703-248-5020 / 703-248-5001 / Meeting room on second floor of Community Center - labeled Senior Center - there is an elevator. Building next door is Falls Church City Hall.

10:30 am - 12 noon: WDS Board Meeting.

All Members Welcome To Attend!

All Board members: Please bring a plate of something sweet or salty, finger food only, to serve the general membership during the Annual Meeting. WDS will provide drinks. Board members may wish to bring a lunch for themselves for the break between the two meetings.

1:00 - 3:00 pm: WDS Annual Meeting & Bulb Exchange

Voting for new Officers and Board Members; Discussion of upcoming events;

FREE Blue Ribbon Bulbs for Wannabe Exhibitors - DETAILS PAGE 2;

Bulb Sales, Bulb Raffles, Door Prizes, and the **Bulb Exchange!**

(You don't have to bring bulbs to get bulbs!)

Bulb Orders may be picked up anytime during this meeting.

Report of the Nominating Committee

According to the WDS bylaws as amended, President Kathy Welsh selected a nominating committee to be chaired by previous Past President, Paul Botting, and including Board member Mary Anne Barton and non- Board member Charmane Truesdell. The following slate is being presented: President (second 1 yr term) Kathy Welsh & V-President(second 1 yr term) Mary Semrad
Directors - terms to end December 31, 2010:

Spencer Rainey (2nd term), Karen O'Meara (2nd term), Tom Taylor (1st term), Holly Ruffin (1st term)

All terms will start January 1, 2008. If you wish to run for an office or wish to nominate someone (with their permission only) contact: Paul Botting (email pmbotting@comcast.net or phone 301-869-3742)

FREE!!!! Blue Ribbon Bulbs for "Wannabe" Exhibitors

If you are a WDS member who has not yet exhibited your daffodils in our April show, but would like to give it a try (it's fun!), here is a special opportunity. Members of the WDS Board have compiled a collection of bulbs of 20 blue-ribbon varieties, to be given to a member who has not exhibited before, but who promises a serious effort (weather permitting, of course) to participate in our show next April 5-6. With the bulbs comes an offer of advice/assistance in growing them and preparing them for the show. Two of our members took advantage of this offer last year and both had gratifying success at the show.

The bulb collection will be given to the first eligible member to telephone Bob or Lina Huesmann at 301-320-6441 after 9:00 a.m. on Sept 19. The winner must be present at the Annual Meeting on October 20 to collect her/his bulbs.

BULBS, BULBS, BULBS by Mary Koonce, Bulb Order Chairman

A special thank you to those who ordered bulbs from the Bulb Order List last spring. Your financial support helps to pay the expenses for the annual spring show, storage for our properties, and bulbs for public landscaping. There were 108 orders (up a little from last year), over \$13,000 in receipts, and over 2000 bulbs sold.

The first order arrived this week from Bill Welch in California. I will be relieved when I receive ALL of the bulbs from our suppliers --- especially those from overseas ---- and hope that we have no misfortunes like last year. Packing and shipping will begin when the majority of bulbs arrive. Other orders may be picked up at the fall meeting on October 20 at the Falls Church Community Center. Kindly call me (304-725-5609) if you need to make other arrangements. Once again there will be a raffle, door prizes, surplus bulbs for sale, and the popular lively bulb exchange. If you lifted bulbs this summer, please share your bounty by bringing bulbs for the exchange tables. New members will have first pick from the tables. See you at the fall meeting!

Here are some bulb order sales statistics:

29 Tuscarora	21 Silver Surf	40 Division 5
26 Celestial Fire	34 Blue Ribbon Collections	69 Division 6
20 Korora Bay	8 Mitsch/Havens Garden Collections	30 Division 7
21 Wings of Freedom	26 Pink Rim Duo	63 Division 8
26 Pacific Rim	22 Red/Orange Cup Collections	31 Division 9
28 Harbour View	21 Reverse Bi-Color Trio	17 Division 11
37 American Rainbow	51 Tazetta Collections	20 David Jackson Bulbs
27 Carib Gipsy	52 Division 1	58 Intermediates
41 Equation	221 Division 2	70 Historics
41 Sunday Chimes	81 Division 3	299 Miniatures
	50 Division 4	

Daffodil Day October 6 at Merrifield Garden Center

On Saturday, October 6th, the WDS will team up with Merrifield Garden Center, to promote daffodils. Depending on the number of volunteers, we may have people at both locations. WDS members are needed to help with cultivar selection and provide basic planting information. Merrifield offers the areas largest selection of daffodils and actually carries a number seen on the show bench. We will have handouts and membership flyers available. I haven't worked out the details as of printing time, but I am looking for volunteers. This is an excellent opportunity to find potential members and invite them to our fall meeting on October 20. Please call 703-242-9783 or email kathywelsh01@aol.com.

Talk by Janis Ruksans on "Bulb Belt of Former USSR" - October 7, 2007

Several times in the last few years, the Washington Daffodil Society has been privileged to offer daffodils originated by Janis Ruksans of Latvia in the WDS bulb order. However, now we have the opportunity to meet him and hear him speak. This has come about as a result of a program sponsored by the North American Rock Garden Society to bring internationally known speakers to all local chapters of NARGS, thus giving all chapters, regardless of size, the opportunity to hear world-class speakers on alpine gardening and various other horticultural topics.

Mr. Ruksan's talks in Washington, DC will be on the topics "Bulb Belt of Former USSR" and "Growing Bulbous Iris" They will be held at the U. S. Botanic Garden Conservatory on Sunday, October 7. Refreshments will be served at 9:30 AM and the first of the two talks will begin at 10:00 AM. On completion of the first talk, and after a short break, the second talk will start. Admission is free but seating is limited to about 50 attendees, but more may attend standing. But unless you don't mind standing, plan to arrive early. Parking is totally available on weekends in front of the conservatory and the reflecting pool. It is not restricted in any way although it does fill quickly.

For more information, contact Paul Botting: (email pmbotting@comcast.net or phone 301-869-3742)

Daffodils on the DC Mall by Kathy Welsh

Over the summer I was contacted by the National Trust for the Mall for their advice and help in planting 3000-5000 bulbs on the DC Mall. So far I have met with the foundation and the Park Service to determine suitable sites and to make cultivar selections. (I hope they've ordered everything!) A lot of hoopla will surround this event, including media coverage, as it will involve education and the participation of children from downtown elementary schools. The day selected for the planting is Thursday, November 15 and we need volunteers! I have told them they need one adult for every 2-3 kids so we are looking for 30 people. After the children have each planted a few bulbs, the adults will handle the rest. Never fear, the National Park Service is actually doing the majority of the labor, but people with some knowledge are needed to oversee the activity. Please contact me if you would be willing to help. Thanks!

PS. There is a chance people will be needed on Wednesday November the 14th for preparation so let me know if you are available on that day as well.



WDS 2008 Daffodil Show, April 5-6, 2008
at Brookside Gardens, Wheaton, MD

by Dorothy Sensibaugh, WDS 2008 Show Chairman

The WDS will be returning to Brookside Gardens in Wheaton, Maryland for our 2008 show which is scheduled for April 4,5 and 6. I am happy to report that the Gloucester show has been advanced to the last week of March, so we will not be sharing our show date with another show in the Mid Atlantic Region. It is going to be the earliest WDS show that I can recall. This provides opportunities and challenges. We can not predict the weather and timing of the spring season. For southern and eastern members this may be just the right time when the garden is at its peak For northern and western members you may want to consider acceleration procedures when you plant your bulbs.

Here are several suggestions for accelerating growth in spring. Some require advance planning such as preparing the bulb beds. One is to choose a location with a southern exposure, or next to materials that absorb and retain the heat from the sun. Bulbs planted in protected areas commence top growth before bulbs with open exposures. Early planting also induces earlier spring growth. Plan to start planting as soon as the ground has cooled. Soil temperature should be 54 degrees.

We were delighted to see so many of our members participate in last year's show and are hoping that you will participate this coming year. We are looking for volunteers in all areas. Set up begins Friday morning, April 4. Many good hands are needed to complete this by afternoon so that exhibitors can stage their blooms. On Saturday morning April 5, exhibitors complete final entries, judging takes place, and the show is opened to the public. It is helpful to have pages as the entry deadline draws near and many of us serve in that role as busy exhibitors complete their entries.. On Saturday we need workers of all sorts to clerk, record entries, and prepare for lunch. Saturday afternoon members are needed for the information table, boutique and to talk to visitors In the past we have had an awards ceremony to applaud our exhibitors. Your presence at an awards ceremony would be appreciated. As the show date is earlier than usual publicity is important this year. If you would like to chair publicity for the show please contact me. I hope each and everyone will help publicize the date and location. Tell your friends and co workers about the show. Bring a friend to the show with you.

Lastly but not unimportant, on Sunday we need members for the information table, the boutique, to guide visitors, and to take down the show. No experience is necessary to participate in the show. Knowledgeable members will train and assist you. Please contact me and volunteer to make the 2008 show a great success .

Dorothy Sensibaugh email: mysunnydot@aol.com or phone: 410-799-9193

WDS Pie Eaters Show, May 3 & 4, 2008, Reston, VA
More information in WDS Winter 2008 Newsletter

ADS National Convention & Daffodil Show
April 10-12, 2008, Richmond, VA

Contact Chriss Rainey, email: triller7@aol.com, for more information. Registration information will be in the December issue of the ADA Journal and on their website: www.daffodilusa.org.





Miscellaneous Daffodil Tips and Observations

by Kathy Welsh

The last three issues of the WDS newsletter have contained informational articles on all aspects of growing and showing daffodils. Just in case you missed these articles or wish to refer to them, go to the WDS website www.wdsdaffodils.com and click on the newsletter tab. If you are new to WDS or aren't computer savvy, please send \$2 to cover printing and mailing to Kathy Welsh, 10803 Windcloud Ct., Oakton, VA 22124 and she will mail you a copy of the articles. Rather than repeat the information that has already appeared, a new series will appear this coming year. This edition will contain miscellaneous tips, the winter issue will list the top 100 daffodils of several successful growers, and the spring issue is yet unplanned. If you have a topic you wish to see covered please contact me.

From Clay Higgins:

- 1) Showing daffodils is the quickest way to learn about daffodils. Don't be embarrassed or afraid to show daffodils. It's like a social occasion, enjoy yourself and have fun.
- 2) Daffodils just received from suppliers usually give their best bloom the first year down in your garden. Otherwise you have to wait two or three years for the daffodil to adjust to your garden before they start producing at a high level again.
- 3) Grow as many of the divisions as possible, including miniatures. The more divisions that one grows the more chances are that you will have something to show. (This is because different divisions bloom at different times.)
- 4) Build your collections the smart way. Take notes at the shows that you attend and make notes of daffodil names that are winners. Obtain those daffodils that win. (Referring to the September issue of *The Daffodil Journal* which lists show winners across the country is also a good idea.)

From Richard Ezell

- 1) Don't plant too early. In our climate that means not before October 1st. and starting in mid-October is better. And don't be dismayed at planting late; all November is good planting season and in most years the first half of December is okay. (Often I've planted into January with no detectable trouble resulting. ONCE, alas, thanks to an early hard freeze, I lost everything I planted after December 10.) PS Daffodil losses of this sort are caused by the bulb freezing before it has a chance to grow roots.
- 2) Basal rot is going to kill some of your bulbs. Count on it. And yes, the chances are it's going to kill some of those you pay the most for and find the most beautiful. Sure, go ahead and try things like dipping bulbs in fungicides or dusting them with magic powders. Whether you plant on a layer of grani-grit or coarse sand; plant deep or shallow, in shade or sun, in turf or well-worked garden soil, basal rot is going to kill some of your bulbs.
- 3) In selecting cultivars to plant, trust what you see in the flesh rather than catalog pictures and descriptions. Make notes at next year's shows on what looks good to you. Visit the gardens of WDS members--most will be happy to show you around--to see what flowers flourish in our area.

From Mary Koonce:

- 1) I've been experimenting with minis in the turf. I've planted a few cultivars in grass in an area which gets afternoon shade in the summer. 'Stafford' grew beautifully with perianths that weren't as gappy as those in my specimen bed after being picked for a day or two. 'Tete-A-Tete' was prolific: many were two and three headed stems. 'Hawera' - one or two blooms. I am beginning to think that 'Hawera' needs a little more fertilizer than other minis to get more blooms per stem. 'Sundial' and 'Sun Disc' thrived in the grass.
- 2) Division 8 cultivars love being baked in clay soil during the summer.

- 3) It is advised to grow *N. cyclamineus* in damp soil. Yet, some years ago, I spotted a clump of this cultivar at the base of a *Cedrus atlanticus*, facing east on the island of Nantucket which has sandy soil. (Kathy has observed that *N. cyclamineus* likes summer shade.)
- 4) *Triandrus* usually like a cool shaded spot after blooming.
- 5) Most Division 9's do not like to be disturbed. When we moved in 1990 I lost a number of them.
- 6) 'Canaliculatus' - Ron Scamp told me to plant them deep to get them to rebloom. I got several nice stems this past spring on bulbs two years down. I had rebloom one other time in the mini specimen bed. The bulbs had been down about 5 years ----- multiplied prolifically and pushed to the top of the soil line. When I dug, the bulbs had multiplied so much that they formed a round ball of bulbs and bulblets. (Ann Corson once told Kathy Welsh to dig 'Canaliculatus' and leave the bulbs on top of the soil to bake in the sun for rebloom.)

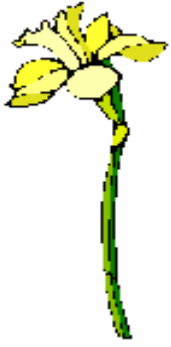
From Ann Donnell Smith:

- 1) Division 5's should be very dry during the summer.
- 2) This comes from Meg Yerger quite a number of years ago. Meg felt that poets do not go dormant to the degree other bulbs of daffodils do. When I ordered a few from her she was very firm that I plant them immediately, even if it was June.
- 3) It is my belief that bulb flies love a clearly weeded daffodil bed. The base of the foliage becomes easy to find. While I do not allow weeds and leaves to pack down or large, coarse weeds to take hold, I let whatever comes during winter and spring to remain at least until June. Then I do clean up at digging time.
- 4) There are some cultivars that I dig every year. 'New Penny' will not maintain size for me unless new fertilizer is under the bulb. 'Iroquois' sulks if not lifted and cleaned. There are others also. I lift ever bulb new to my garden after the first year of growth. This includes bulbs from commercial people or from exchanges. I like to clean them off, see what they look like and often if you had received a triple nose bulb, separation is needed.

From Kathy Welsh:

- 1) Some bulbs need to be dug every year or two in order to maintain their size. 'New Penny', 'Geometrics', 'Pink Silk', and 'Freedom Rings' are such cultivars.
 - 2) Most daffodils should not be watered regularly during the summer by an automatic sprinkler system. Most division 6's can stand some summer water, so plant this division in areas that receive water.
 - 3) I have had fewer losses to basal rot in areas that don't receive a full day of sun.
 - 4) Allowing daffodil beds to lay dormant for a year or two will help to rejuvenate the soil and reduce losses. Daffodils are like other 'crops', rotating them is of great benefit if you have the space to do it.
 - 5) Most Division 5's don't grow well in this area. They like dry summers.
 - 6) For most show daffodils, digging every three years is ideal.
- 7) Watering daffodils in the fall is just as important as lots of water in the spring.
 - 8) Plant mini's first. Because they are closer to the surface where the ground freezes sooner, it is important that they have time to grow roots.
 - 9) Bulbs purchased from overseas often take three or four years to settle down. Our annual rainfall is significantly lower that were they have come from.
 - 10) For show purposes, it is better to grow 2 or 3 bulbs of a good consistent cultivar than large quantities of a mediocre one.





Washington Daffodil Society Summer Meeting & Picnic June 16, 2007

Kathy Welsh called the board meeting to order at 11:15 am. The meeting was held at the farm of Robert Darling and Mary Semrad in Fayetteville, Pennsylvania. In attendance were board members and friends Kathy Welsh, Bob and Lina Heusmann, Rebecca Brown, Robert Darling, Mary Semrad, Mary Koonce, Spencer and Chriss Rainey, Glenna and Wes Graves, Clay and Fran Higgins, Tom Taylor and Lucy Rhame. The minutes of the spring meeting were approved as written and published in the spring newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Huesmann reported that as of January 1, 2007, WDS had an operating balance of \$17,254. The balance as of May 31, 2007 was \$6,891 after payment of operating expenses and a transfer of \$5,000 into a CD maturing 3/8/09. WDS currently holds \$15,756 in their capital account, invested in CD's all maturing within 2 years. Interest earned currently on investments is about \$700 a year. A review of the sources of the clubs funds indicated that approximately \$2,000 comes from member and club dues and \$3,000 from bulb order profit each year. Boutique revenues are variable. WDS expenses run between \$4,000 and \$5,000 annually. As such WDS operates at about breakeven and there is currently no need for a dues increase. It was further noted that since May, WDS has deposited approximately \$12,000 of bulb order revenues, the expenses of which should be approximately \$9,000.

Arboretum: Robert Darling reported that Lynn Batdorf was enthusiastic about establishing a Wister garden at the Arboretum. A follow-up letter needs to be sent to the Director of the Arboretum expressing the desire of WDS to establish and continue to update the Wister garden collection for a determined amount of time. Currently most of the Arboretum collection is from the 1950's though there are some more modern cultivars. Robert has been helping identify those cultivars missing labels but more work still needs to be done. Robert will follow-up with the Arboretum about possibly planting bulbs this fall. Kathy is willing to donate many of the Wister bulbs that she currently has in her garden though she does not have the entire collection. For the purchase of the additional bulbs needed Mary Koonce moved and Rebecca seconded a motion to provide up to \$300 for the purchase of Wister bulbs, 5 each variety. The motion was unanimously approved. A discussion on signage ensued. It was felt that the government or possibly ADS might provide the signs. The board consensus was that the club should support the Wister collection at the Arboretum at this point and wait to offer a Pannill collection once the success of the Wister Collection is determined as Pannill bulbs are more expensive, they are show flowers and may not thrive in garden collections.

Bulb Order: Mary Koonce reported that there are currently 102 orders with 2 additional orders to come which included 50 Tazetta collections. The blue ribbon collection proved popular. Orders clearly motivated by price. There was a good response in orders to Bob's article regarding which are good show cultivars. Bob and Kathy agreed to provide a collection of show bulbs again this year to the first two members who call after announcement in newsletter who have never won a blue ribbon and commit to exhibiting the blooms in the future. It was noted that whoever gets the bulbs needs to be mentored.

Youth: After much discussion of requirements regarding attendance of youth entrants at the WDS show, it was agreed that youths need to be reminded that they must be the daffodil growers but need not attend the show if someone enters blooms for them.

Membership Directory will be printed in the fall.

WDS Daffodil Show 2008: Dorothy Sensibaugh has agreed to chair the show again but a co-chair is needed. Tom Taylor and Robert Darling received praise for the photo section in last year's show.

Pie Eater's Show: Good attendance this year by exhibitors and public. Show will be held at same location, St. John Neumann's Church on May 3, 2008.

Fall Meeting is to be held October 27, 2007 at the Falls Church Community Center.

Boutique: Mary Semrad reported that there will be a boutique at the convention in Richmond, 2008. She voiced concern about boutique competition with the boutique at Lewis Ginter so it was suggested that sweatshirts, polo shirts or vests with the WDS logo, no date, be offered for sale. Chriss motioned and Lucy seconded that Mary be granted funds at her discretion to use for the restocking of inventory for the upcoming boutique. All approved. Kathy offered to research the cost of red wine glasses with the RHS division drawings to be etched or frosted on them. Ownership rights of the RHS drawings need to be checked.

Brookside: It needs to be determined which Wister and Pannill bulbs are missing and they need to be ordered.

Stationary: Kathy has ordered and received new WDS stationary.

Convention 2012: It was the sense of the board that WDS would be very supportive in working with Baltimore should they agree to have the 2012 convention. Possibly Baltimore would run the convention and WDS would handle the show.

The General Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm. The above business was presented and the meeting adjourned, followed by the Summer Picnic.

Respectfully submitted, Lucy Rhame, Secretary

ADS Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting October 13, 2007
At International County Club, Chantilly, VA

This year's ADS regional meeting will be held in Northern Virginia at International Country Club on Saturday, October 13. The day will begin at 9:00am with registration and a continental breakfast. Following the business meeting the two programs of the day will be given by WDS members Mary Koonce and Mitch Carney. Mary will give the judges' refresher covering the new material in the most recent addition of the Judges' Handbook. Mitch will discuss poets. The day's programs will be followed by a buffet lunch, bulb exchange and raffle concluding around 2:30pm. The cost of the day is \$35 or \$38 for those taking the refresher. For more information on this meeting or to join the ADS, please contact Kathy Welsh, 703-242-9783 or kathywelsh01@aol.com.

USNA Recognizes Wister Cultivars in New Planting

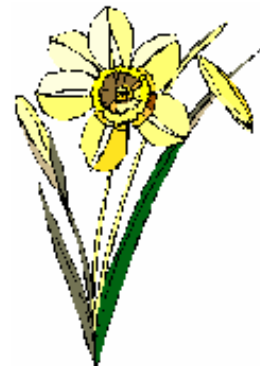
At our last meeting the WDS Board of Directors voted to establish plantings of the ADS Wister Award Daffodils recognizing outstanding garden cultivars, at the USNA. Scott Aker, author and Garden Unit Leader, currently acting Director of the United States National Arboretum while Dr. Thomas Elias is away, writes: "We...welcome the donation of the daffodil bulbs that you are offering. They will be interplanted with *Hemerocallis* in the Boxwood and Perennial Collection. We have space for about 80 cultivars, and ... will ... fabricate a simple three inch by fine inch label for each cultivar to indicate their status as Wister Award winners.

When you are ready, you may ship the bulbs to Lynn Batdorf [Curator of the Boxwood and Perennial collections] Thank you for your kind offer. The donation will help us to display some of the most notable *Narcissus* cultivars that have been developed."

This new planting will continue the improvement, updating and focus of the extensive *Narcissus* collections at the Arboretum. The first Director of the USNA, Dr. Morrison, an original member of both the ADS and the WDS established the collection in the early 1950s. Our long association with the USNA continue efforts to improve this collection as a National Daffodil Collection representative of germplasm from the genus *Narcissus*.

At the instruction of the WDS Board we are committed to sustain donations of new Wister Award winners for a five year period. We plan to assess the success of the planting and perhaps encourage the Arboretum to establish an additional planting of ADS Pannill Award winning show daffodils. Additionally, we continue to review and evaluate the basic plantings that contain many cultivars no longer in trade, including several by members of the WDS and offer current photos to post on <http://daffseek.org>.

Robert Darling, WDS Arboretum Chair



World Daffodil Convention

Next spring, April 12-24, 2008, a World Daffodil Convention is being held in England, Northern Ireland, and Holland. You can go to one country or all three. For more information refer to the June issue of the ADS Daffodil Journal or visit the ADS website, www.daffodilusa.org. Click on calendar, then scroll down to the 2008 Calendar of Events. You will find information on the ADS Convention in Richmond and links to all three legs of the World Convention. Catch Yellow Fever!

DAFFSEEK

Have you ever wanted to see a picture of a specific daffodil? Or have you ever lost the name of a daffodil, but you THINK you know what it is? Have you ever wanted to enter the Parent-Child class in the WDS show, but you didn't know how to find these relationships? Have you ever wanted to see what a daffodil looked like before you ordered it? These are all reasons to start using Daffseek. This new program, available on the ADS website, will let you obtain information on cultivars, including pictures. It will also allow you to do queries. For example, list all of the Division 11's hybridized by Elise Havens or list all of the cultivars hybridized by Bill Pannill. This product is clearly revolutionary, and if you haven't tried it you are really missing out! To use Daffseek go to the ADS website, www.daffodilusa.org. Under Internet Services click on Daffseek. Read through the screen that is presented to get an overview of the product. Click at the bottom of the screen and you are in. Once you try it, you'll be hooked!!

WDS Membership, New Directory, Electronic Newsletter

Membership in the WDS runs January 1 - January 1. This year we are trying to collect dues **before** they expire. If your name is listed below your membership will expire on January 1. Complete the form at the bottom of the page and mail dues to Maxine Botting. Membership will also have a table at the fall meeting. Has any of your information changed? **Please help us update our records and the NEW directory by September 20, 2007**, especially zip codes, phone numbers, and emails. We are printing a new directory to be distributed at the fall meeting so send changes ASAP to mmbotting@comcast.net or complete and mail the form below. For those not on the WDS distribution list you should know that we have been sending informational emails between newsletters. If you are on-line don't miss the opportunity to stay informed. **In addition, WDS has an electronic version of the newsletter. Contact Kathy Welsh if you wish to try it. Thank you!**

Memberships that expire January 2008:

Abrahams Amelia Addamiano Betty Armstrong Rodney Beatson Carolyn & Stuart Best Martha Biener Kunni Botting Paul & Maxine Bragdon George & Patricia Brighton Jane Brooks Gail Brooks Laura Anne Brown Cecilia Brownlee Yvonne Burton Sarah Chiabotta Ron Clausen Donna B. Cole Patt Cash Corson Ann Creighton Hilary De Leon Selma Dewey Harry Dick Sharon & Ken Dickson Lisa Dill Susan Duncan Joy Felch Dolores F. Field Rosemarie Fischer Eleanor P. Fleming Barbara & Jim Frey Libby	Griffith Pat & Wick Guild Mrs. Henley Hall Mr. Robert J Herbert Clara M. Herbstritt Chris Hessler Mary Higgins Wm. Scott Holdt Kathryne Hollenberg Linda Howatt Dottie Huesmann Robert & Marcelina Julius Kathy Katoen Maurice Kramarck Elizabeth Kroner Susan Kruszyna Nancy Lay Chris Lines Josie Lo Femma Mampe Bonita Matheson Petie W. Matthews Becky Fox McCain Diane F. McKenzie Loyce Mirmak Bonnie Moore Alleyn Morelli Sylvia Morrison Steve Nichols Margaret Nock Sam & Evelyn	O'Meara Karen C. Oswald Margaret & Ken Payne Elise Schiebel Marjorie Scott Cathy Sharp Catherine Sharp Patricia Sikorski Susan Skidmore Janet Smith Anne Donnell Smith Linda Spencer Ellen Spory Jim & Shirley Spotts Robert Stevens Bonnie Stewart Pat Stout Mary & Stuart Swim Jeannie Tarpley Poss Taylor James J. Truesdell Charmane Turbidy Jackie Vehse Judith L. Welsh & Family Kathy Whitney Eileen Whitton Linda Wickens Gabriele Winmill Sarah Wolin Trudi
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MEMBERSHIP - New or Renewal

Name (s) _____

Address: _____

Phone No. (home) _____ (work) _____ email: _____

Would you like a mentor? _____

1 yr individual (\$10.00) _____ 3 yr individual (\$25.00) _____

1 yr household (\$12.00) _____ 3 yr household (\$30.00) _____

1 yr club (\$10.00) _____ 3 yr club (\$25.00) _____

Please mail to **Maxine Botting, Membership Chairman, 12901 Riffleford Ct, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.**

WDS Calendar --

2007

- October 7 Talk by Janis Ruksans, US Botanical Gardens, Washington DC
October 13 ADS Mid Atlantic Regional Meeting, Chantilly, VA
October 20 WDS Annual Meeting, Bulb Exchange & Bulb Order Pickup,
Falls Church VA
October 27 First Fall Meeting Northeastern North Carolina Daffodil Society,
Harbinger NC (contact Clay Higgins chiggins@comcast.net)

2008

- March TBA WDS Spring Luncheon Meeting, TBA
April 4-5 WDS Daffodil Show, Wheaton MD
April 10-12 ADS National Convention and Show, Richmond VA
April 13-26 World Daffodil Conventions, in England, No. Ireland, Netherlands
May 3 & 4 WDS Pie Eater's Show, Reston, VA
TBA WDS Summer Meeting & Picnic

Check out the following web sites:

WDS web site: www.washingtondaffodilsociety.org

(Thanks to web master Paul Botting)

American Daffodil Society web site: www.daffodilusa.org

Link to WDS under "plant societies" on the National Capital Area of Garden Clubs web site:
www.gardencentral.org/ncafgc

