



# The Washington Daffodil Society

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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 year's daffodil show being held at Brookside Gardens, April 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> has several firsts that we want to point out.

- **A Photography Division** – The ADS National Show has had a photo division for several years so we thought it would be nice to add this new dimension to the WDS Show. Review the schedule and think about making an entry.

- **The ADS Aqua Ribbon** – This exciting new class provides an additional opportunity for entering miniatures. The Aqua ribbon is for a collection of 9 different minatures and/or species. Thanks to Tom Taylor WDS has beautiful new properties for this collection class which falls between the ADS Lavender (five miniatures and/or species) and Watrous (twelve miniatures and/or species) collections.

- **The Delia Bankhead Award** – The WDS has had an award in Delia's name which was very close to what is now the Aqua ribbon. The Bankhead Award will now be given to the Best American Bred Miniature in the Show.

Other details of the show such as directions and entry times are listed in the show schedule. If you have questions call show chair Dorothy Sensibaugh or co-chair Lucy Rhame. There numbers are to the left.

With the Richmond and Longwood daffodil shows on the same date as the WDS show we will need all the blooms we can muster. Please bring lots of daffodils to enter. If you don't have the confidence you need, sign up to attend the exhibitor's workshop. It won't be offered again next year.

Don't forget about the second annual **Pie Eater's Show** to be held May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Details are in this newsletter.

And lastly, the date is set for our **Summer Picnic, Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendar now and plan to join in the fun.

Hope to see you soon.

*Kathy Welsh*  
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## Exhibitor's Workshop

Sunday, April 1, 2007 Time: 1:00pm – 3:30pm

Where: At the home of Kathy Welsh, 10803 Windcloud Ct., Oakton, VA 22124

703-242-9783, kathywelsh01@aol.com

Fee: \$5.00 WDS members/ \$10.00 non-members

This session is intended for those beginning to exhibit, as well as those who want to improve their techniques. We will discuss the show schedule (please bring yours), filling out entry tags, "Show and Grow", and the color coding system for daffodils. There will be an overview of the different divisions of daffodils, staging flowers, cutting and labeling of blooms, selection of show-worthy blooms, conditioning, the basics of grooming, as well as the storage and transportation of blooms. Information will be provided on cleaning flowers, smoothing the petals, clocking, and straightening the stem. We will compare flowers that have been staged and discuss why one is better than the other. What exactly are the judges looking for? We hope to supply you with the knowledge and confidence you need to make your flowers competitive on the show bench. We will talk about the items needed for a good exhibitor's kit. Please bring your kit if you have one. Bring some blooms so you can practice getting them ready for the show. All questions will be answered, time permitting. We hope to have a brief discussion on entering collections. We will need some boxwood, so if you have some to spare, please bring it.

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## WDS Summer Social & Meeting

June 16, 2007

The WDS Summer Social & Meeting will be at the vacation home of Robert Darling and Mary Semrad in scenic Gettysburg, PA, just 1 1/2 hours from Washington DC. More information will come to members in the next newsletter. Thanks Robert and Mary for inviting us.

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## WDS Calendar

**For more shows and information check out the following websites:**

American Daffodil Society

[www.daffodilusa.org](http://www.daffodilusa.org)

**WDS**

[www.washingtondaffodilsociety.org](http://www.washingtondaffodilsociety.org)

WebMaster, Paul Botting, email: [pmbotting@comcast.net](mailto:pmbotting@comcast.net)

### 2007- WDS Events

February 24	WDS Spring Lunch Meeting, Alexandria VA
April 14&15	WDS Daffodil Show, Brookside Gardens, Wheaton, MD
May 5-6	WDS 2nd Annual Pie Eaters Show (an ADS approved Daffodil Show), Reston, VA
June 16	WDS Summer Social & Meeting, Gettysburg, PA
October 27	Tentative date for the Fall Meeting and Bulb Exchange



## WDS Pie Eater's Show

When the daffodil season is all over but the shouting, it is time for the WDS supported Pie Eater's "late" show which will be held on Saturday May 5 from 2:30-8 PM and on Sunday May 6 from 8:30-7 PM. The show has an ADS approved schedule of classes and will welcome entries in all the major collection classes as well as single stems and sets of three.

In addition 5 classes named for five men in the WDS whose contributions to the society are being honored are being offered. The criteria for these classes is intended to stimulate the imagination and increase the challenge and ultimately the fun of entering this small show. Last year the competition for these "special" classes was particularly keen, despite the early season.

The location for this year's show will be the parish hall of St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 11900 Lawyer's Road in Reston, VA. If you have any questions, email Chriss Rainey, [triller7@verizon.net](mailto:triller7@verizon.net), or call her at 703 391-2073. PLEASE, do not call the church.

From the Dulles Airport Toll Road W, take Reston Parkway exit, number 12. After paying the toll, turn left at the light onto Reston Parkway. Travel 2.2 miles to the light on Lawyers Road. Travel .8 mi. to the church on the left. Use the second entrance into the parking lot. (This is the same location that the 2005 midseason WDS show was held.)

We look forward to sharing our flowers this year with the parishioners of this church who will be coming to the parish hall for muffins and coffee after each mass on Sunday morning. Last year's show was more successful than we could have imagined. And those who were there can tell you it was a lot of fun because it was simply done, with few expectations.

So come and enjoy the fun. Judges have not been formally invited, but IF YOU ARE A JUDGE, just be there and we'll put you to work. And whether you are a judge or not, we need all the live flowers you can keep alive and put in your car. They may not win, but they will help us stage a respectable display of all the divisions for the visitors to admire and enjoy. And of course, we WILL have pie and a proper, or not so proper beverage to wash it down. :)

This year's special classes are:

**Class 26 Bob Huesmann Collection**, Seven standard cultivars from seven color codes

**Class 27 Scott Bally Collection**, Three pairs from three color codes (Six blooms in all, staged in two rows with the matching flowers one behind the other.)

**Class 28 Richard Ezell Collection**, Six standard cultivars, three having white perianths, and three having yellow perianths (Staged in two rows)

**Class 29 Clay Higgins Collection**, Three sets of three standards from three divisions. (Nine stems total.)

**Class 30 James Taylor Collection**, Three standards from any division bred in Northern Ireland.

A blue ribbon in any of these categories will also win you a bottle of beer! So keep them in mind when you are planning your entry possibilities for this nifty little show at the end of the season, and come prepared to join your WDS friends in a hip hip hoorah to another wonderful daffodil season.

## Membership Dues by Maxine Botting

Please look at the mailing label on your newsletter. If you see **“Paid thru 2006”, or if your name is below, IT IS TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!** Our membership year is from January 1st through December 31st of each year.

**Do we have your phone number? Have you changed your email? Do you have a NEW zipcode? Please send updated information so we can have an accurate roster.** To update membership information, email to: **mmbotting@comcast.net** or mail in the form below and **circle UPDATE**. Please call or email if you do not plan to renew so we can remove your name from the list. **If your dues are not received by May 1 your name will not appear in the directory. THANK YOU. TIME TO RENEW:**

Betty Addamiano  
 Pat Albertson  
 Elizabeth Aldrich  
 Joan and Herbie Altman  
 Kay Ancell  
 Scott Bally  
 Meta Barton  
 John Beck  
 Charlotte Benjamin  
 Lynn Blake  
 Ron Chiabotta  
 Jim and Lisa DeRamus  
 Lisa Dickson  
 Susan Dill  
 Kathy Dolge  
 George Drexel  
 Margaret Edison  
 Rosemarie Field  
 Barbara and Jim Fleming

Nancy Greenwood  
 Alice Grindstaff  
 Roger Hirschy  
 Pam Holder  
 Dottie Howatt  
 Joe Kenney  
 Elizabeth Kruszyna  
 Leticia Law  
 Janet Murphy  
 Nancy Pilipuf  
 Fred and Bernice Pavarnik  
 Kathleen Schloeder  
 John Schorn  
 Dorothy Sensibaugh  
 John Euchler & Jim Smith  
 Dianne Spence  
 Bob Spotts  
 Rick and Carla Stanley  
 Mary and Stuart Stout

Harry Thompson  
 Judi Tonti  
 Jackie Turbidy  
 Sonya Vance  
 Ginger Wallach  
 Olivia Welbourn  
 Ruby Wingate



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**WDS MEMBERSHIP - Membership Year January 1 - December 31**  
**Please Circle:            NEW                    RENEWAL                    UPDATE ONLY**

**Name (s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone No. (home)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(work)** \_\_\_\_\_ **email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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)**    \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to "WDS"

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