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President's Message

Dear MDS Members,

We are so excited to announce that the MDS is moving forward with its plans to host the April 2022 Maryland Daffodil Show at Cylburn Arboretum.

This year's show is aptly named "Looking Forward." I know we are all looking forward to spring, the promise of a daffodil show, and seeing the blooms on those special daffodil bulbs we purchased at the November meeting! Thanks to Anne Donnell Smith and Leslie Aronson for the incredible selection of show bulbs they curated for our fall sale. These later-blooming bulbs will give us beautiful daffodils just in time for our MDS Show as well as the ADS Gettysburg Show a week later.

A reminder to get out your cameras and snap lots of photos of your daffodils this spring as both the MDS and ADS Show schedules include Photography: **Come join the fun!** **ATTEND** the show, **VOLUNTEER** to help, and **EXHIBIT** your blooms and photographs! Remember to check the MDS website for updates about the show and Baltimore City Covid restrictions at the time of the show.

I want to thank our all of our members for supporting the MDS and the Maryland Daffodil Show with your time, talent, enthusiasm, and dues! This year more than ever, we appreciate your support. To the best of our knowledge, the MDS dues back in 1926 were around a dollar. Can you believe that ninety-six years later they are only \$20? Now that's a deal! If you haven't already done so, please mail in your dues with the remittance form at the end of the newsletter.

Look forward to seeing you at the show!

-Muffin McAfee

2022 MDS Daffodil Show

Nearly two years have passed since the Maryland Daffodil Society had to cancel its annual daffodil show due to covid. Over this time, we have lost much contact with our daffodil friends, although making connections with our larger community through last spring's outreach was a true silver lining.

But now is different! It's time to look to April with all the possibility that Spring brings! MDS intends to present the annual daffodil show at the Vollmer Center of the Cylburn Arboretum on April 20 and 21, 2022. Planning is underway and this year's show title is "Looking Forward." We are *looking forward* to welcoming back our steadfast volunteers. We are *looking forward* to the joy of friendly competition and opportunities to learn. We are *looking forward* to reconnecting with friends. The 2022 Maryland Daffodil Show will comprise horticulture, including the challenge class for daffodils donated to various clubs a few years ago, and the photography show. Unfortunately, we will not have the floral design section this year, but look forward to its return in 2023.

Please contact me to offer to help with the show, and please check the MDS website www.marylanddaffodil.org for updates and to view the schedule. Thank you to everyone who makes this show possible!

- Meredith McDonagh, Show Chair



Spring cleaning?

Recycle your ribbons!

Please bring your unwanted MDS ribbons to the registration desk

at the April show for recycling, or contact Meredith McDonagh for earlier collection.

Spring 2022 Shows & Events

- **March 26:** Virginia Daffodil Society, Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens, Richmond VA jpotter890@msn.com
- **March 29:** Virginia Daffodil Show, Garden Club of Virginia, Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens, Richmond VA Catherine Madden cmadden105@gmail.com or Nancy McLaughlin nancymcl@rockbridge.net
- **April 2-3:** Gloucester Daffodil Society/Middle Atlantic ADS Show, Botetourt Elementary School krist6435@verizon.net or peggyb72@gmail.com
- **April 4:** ADS Judging School III, Brent and Becky's Bulbs, Gloucester VA, Peggy Bowditch at gloucesterdaffodils@gmail.com or nanfox@gmail.com
- **April 8-10:** Washington Daffodil Society, Alexandria Valley Scottish Rite Temple, Alexandria VA daffyun100@gmail.com
- **April 11-13:** District II FGCM, Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, Severna Park MD mliz.williams825@gmail.com
- **April 21-22:** Maryland Daffodil Society, Cylburn Arboretum, Vollmer Center meredy@comcast.net
- **April 23-24:** Pennsylvania Daffodil Show, Washington PA Joe Hamm joehamm1@juno.net
- **April 29 - May 1: (Judging School April 28)** American Daffodil Society Convention and National Show, Tuscarora Daffodil Group, Gettysburg PA www.daffodilusa.com



April 29-May 1, 2022

National Convention
Wyndham Hotel – Gettysburg, PA
Hosted by the ADS Northeast Region

Travel, Registration,
Information on Tours & Events,
and the National Show Schedule
posted on www.daffodilusa.org

Sign up by March 24 for
discounted registration
Reservation deadline April 15

One of These Gorgeous Platters Could Be Yours!



time friend and artist, Victoria Heisler.

Victoria's colorful earthenware pieces feature abstracted daffodils in cheerful array on either a sky-blue or deep red background. Each food and microwave safe plate measures approximately 13" x 10".



Our very own Anne Jamison, who with Frances Horich performs the important job of Scoring at our annual daffodil show, has facilitated a gift to the Maryland Daffodil Society of two beautiful platters on behalf of her long-

Chances to win these one-of-a-kind platters will be available at set-up for the MDS show on April 19, and at the show April 20-21. Winners need not be present. All proceeds will benefit MDS.

MDS Membership

- Julie Minch, Chairman

Thank you to all our members that support the MDS each year with their membership dues and additional donations. It's because of all of you that we can have a show each spring. Our fiscal year is October 1st to September 30th. Listed below are members that have already paid for the fiscal year October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022. Thank you so much.

Dues paid since October 2021:

Garden Clubs and Organizations

Amateur Gardeners Club (AS)
Cliff Dwellers Garden Club
District III - Federated Garden Clubs of MD
For-Win-Ash Garden Club
Franklin Garden Club
Garden Club of Twenty
Hardy Garden Club (AS)
Queen Anne's County Garden Club
St. George's Garden Club
Town & Country Garden Club
Woman's Club of Roland Park
Woodbrook-Murray Hill Garden Club

Individuals

Amelia Abrahams	Jane R. Lynn (SA)
Dorothy Alevizatos	Amanda Mahoney (SS)
Dale Balfour	Catherine Max (SS)
Martha Best	Muffin McAfee (SP)
Perry J. Bolton (SA)	Meredith McDonagh (SP)
Peggy Bowditch	Joan Miller
Diana Boyce	Julie Minch (SS)
Jill Breen	Joan Moore (SS)
Jane Brighton	Kathie Offutt (SS)
Janet Brown	Susan Palmer (SP)
Debbie Cameron (P)	Pat Parker (SS)
Mitch & Kate Carney	Trish Reynolds (SS)
Don Caton	Lucy Rhame (SP)
Karen Cogar	Nicki Schwab (SP)
Ana Maria Colwill (SS)	Carolyn Taylor
Marion DeGroff (SS)	Mary Ann Thompson (SP)
Richard Ezell	Sue Thompson
Patricia Ghingher	Ginger Wallach
Bruce Ann Gillet	Sally F. Waller
Sue Grady	Kitty Washburn
Jacquelyn Handley (SS)	Edward & Olivia Welbourn (SS)
Frances V. Horich	
Anne Jamison	AS – Award Sponsor
Sherry Jordan	SS – Show Sponsor
Kay Kness	SP – Show Patron
Deana Kozak	SA – Show Angel

ADS John and Gertrude Wister Award

The ADS Wister Award was established in 1985, and may be presented annually to a cultivar that's a good grower, floriferous with long-lasting, showy blooms and vigorous, frost and disease resistant foliage; the bulb should also be rot resistant and readily available. Emphasis is on garden performance, though the winner may be of show quality, too. Complete criteria may be found on the ADS website www.daffodilusa.org.



The 2022 Wister Award was presented to 'Blushing Lady' (7 Y-YYP), a true standout in the garden. This beautiful jonquilla is a 2003 Brent C. Heath hybrid, registered by Brent and Becky's Bulbs of Virginia. It is soft yellow with a halo at the base of the cup. At maturity, the edges of the cup develop a pink flush. This late-blooming hybrid usually has three graceful and nicely-scented blooms per stem.

ADS Special Classes are lists used to group daffodils with similar characteristics, primarily for show exhibition purposes. ADS has four Special Classes:

Classics - In 2011, ADS designated a new exhibition section for any standard non-miniature daffodil registered between the years 1940 and 1969, inclusive. There are over 7,500 ADS Classics.

Historics - An ADS Historic Daffodil is any daffodil formally registered with the Royal Horticultural Society or known in gardens prior to 1940. The cutoff year marks the beginning of World War II, and reflects a period during which fewer new daffodil cultivars were either created or made available, especially in Europe.

Intermediates - The ADS and the New Zealand Daffodil Society define an intermediate as a standard daffodil in Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, or 11 having a single floret whose diameter is typically greater than 50 mm and through 80 mm. The Daffodil Society of Great Britain accepts a slightly larger size range up to 85 mm.

Miniatures - Miniatures are named, numbered or species daffodils which appear graceful, with all parts proportionately small. A single miniature daffodil bloom is less than 50 mm (1.97") in natural spread. For multi-floreted miniature daffodils, the measurement for the floral mass is 72 mm (2.83") in natural spread.

Lists of ADS, New Zealand and Great Britain's Intermediate and Miniature daffodils can be viewed at <https://daffseek.org/special-classes/>

Minutes of the 2021 Fall Meeting of the Maryland Daffodil Society:

The Fall 2021 Meeting of the Maryland Daffodil Society was held on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at the Greenhouse Classroom at Cylburn Arboretum, 4915 Greenspring Ave., Baltimore, MD 21209, and was called to order by President Muffin McAfee at 10:22 AM. Twenty-three persons were in attendance.

Minutes of the 2020 Election of Officers were approved as printed and distributed in the February, 2021 newsletter. Julie Minch read the report for Treasurer Jackie Handley, who was unable to attend. Checking account balance as of 9/20/21 was \$15,355.78; CD balance was \$5,175.10.

Muffin welcomed attendees, introduced the board and Deana Kozak, ADS Regional Vice-President. Deana reported that Middle Atlantic Leadership and Service Awards were presented to Peggy Bowditch, a Virginia resident and MDS and Washington Daffodil Society (WDS) member, and posthumously to Joan Bender of MDS, whose medal was accepted by Muffin on behalf of Joan’s daughter.

Muffin extended thanks to all who organized and participated in alternatives to the cancelled-due-to-Covid 2021 MDS show. Events this past spring included tours and educational displays at Cylburn, Zoom and social media presentations, and opportunities to give back to essential and medical workers, and first responders; activities were detailed in the October 2021 newsletter.

Membership chairman Julie Minch reported that there were 44 paid individual and 20 garden club members last year, and encouraged members to publicize the organization.

2022 Show Chairman Meredith McDonagh reported that the 2020 schedule will be used for 2022, and that she hopes those who have helped in the past can be counted on for repeat duty; volunteers needed. The show Committee will meet after the first of the year.

Anne Donnell Smith, who coordinated the acquisition of bulbs for today’s sale, reported that bulbs were chosen for their show-worthiness in the first year, and were bought from Esker (N.Ire.), Quality, Brent and Becky’s. Consensus was to water when planted and plant late, to have blooms to enter in 2022 shows.

Under ADS business, the 2022 Convention “Long Remember” will be held in Gettysburg, PA April 28 – May 1, 2022. Hotel, registration, schedule of events and National Show information can be found on the convention page of the ADS website <https://daffodilusa.org>. Photography rules will be posted in December; for design information, contact Nancy Reddington at rosered1@comcast.net.

WDS will host the 2024 Middle Atlantic Regional Convention and Show. MDS will be expected to help.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM, and was followed by a Judges Refresher presented by Anne Donnell Smith on the topic of using scales for historic and species daffodils, and the bulb sale. - Susan Palmer, Secretary

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Maryland Daffodil Society, Inc. Dues Remittance and Volunteer Information Oct 1, 2021 – Sep 30, 2022

Individual, Couple or Organization's Name _____

Mailing address _____

_____ Contact person, if applicable _____

Telephone _____ Email address _____

This is a change of address or contact information.

Dues. 1-year membership dues, October 1 to September 30 Renewing Member or New member

Individual \$ 20.00 Couple \$ 25.00

Organization or Garden Club \$ 25.00

Support for the MDS. I/we want to make an additional contribution to support MDS:

Sponsor \$ 50 Patron \$100 Angel \$200 Other \$ _____

Total Enclosed: _____ \$ _____

Please Volunteer! The annual Daffodil Show in April is the major undertaking of MDS! Please indicate your willingness to help with: Set-up the day before, Dismantling, Publicity, Passing, Properties and Staging, Records, Hosting while the show is open to the public; Design Division; Special Exhibits Division; other.

Yes, I can help with _____. Yes, I can help where needed most.

Please make checks payable to MDS, Inc. and mail to: Jackie Handley, 1055 W. Joppa Rd., #612, Towson, MD 21204