

THE WASHINGTON DAFFODIL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER, WINTER 2014

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The WDS Newsletter

is published in the Spring, Winter and Fall 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,

It would be easy to look out the window from our cozy homes and fret about the cold weather we're getting, but an optimist could just as well observe the longer days and say "by golly it's only a couple months until spring!" And that's right. None of us can predict what winter has in store for us during next couple weeks, but we know the daffodils will be blooming soon and we need to get ready.

I hope I can count on the many dedicated people who served on committees and assumed important roles to continue with those duties this year. If for any reason you don't think that you can contribute at a previous level, please let me know so I can attempt to find a replacement early.

Everyone was disappointed last year that we did not have a suitable location for our regular daffodil show, so we intend to have a good show this year in the Legion Hall in Fairfax city. It is a very nice building with adequate parking and we expect it to work out very well. We were not able to schedule it during a weekend as we have normally done and we hope that everyone will try to adjust their schedule to make sure it works for them.

After the problems that we had with scheduling Brookside Gardens for our regular show, and having to cancel that show, we were very fortunate to have a beautiful late show with many outstanding blooms of diverse classifications. It helped many of us cope with the disappointment of having to cancel the earlier show.

We are announcing the arrangements for the Spring meeting in this newsletter. It will be at the home of Holly Ruffin in northern Virginia. Her home is easy to get to, the luncheon will be very affordable. We are confident that you will have a great time. Decide now that you will be there.

Also, mark your calendar for the WDS Daffodil Show now. It will host the Mid Atlantic Regional Show so that means you have a chance to win in classes that are only available at regional shows. The committee has been working tirelessly to make it a really good one.

Remember that our dues year starts in January so please renew your membership if it has expired. We need you and your support to help ensure that the WDS continues to make an important aesthetic contribution to our lives.

Have a happy and winning new year.

Tom Taylor, WDS President

WDS Spring Lunch Meeting

February 22, 2014

At the home of Holly Ruffin, McLean, VA

Board Meeting 10:00AM

Buffet Lunch at 12 Noon

See Page 2 for Details

WDS Spring Lunch Meeting – February 22, 2014

Snow date: March 1, 2014

At the home of Holly Ruffin: 400 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA 22101 703-248-0278

The WDS Board will meet at 10 AM – all members are welcome to attend.

Deadline for Lunch Registration: February 15, 2014

Registration (form at end of newsletter) mailed to Tom Taylor

You may attend the meeting and program without eating lunch. **RSVP either way.**

A buffet lunch will follow at 12 pm. Price \$15.00 per person

Lunch will be followed by a short Business Meeting and Program.

Glenna Graves will present a slide program created by ADS Board Member, Kirby Fong.

Examining Exhibition Daffodils - Let's Take a Closer Look!

Any questions about the luncheon, please contact: Tom Taylor (703)698-8636

Directions & Parking:

Holly's house is at the intersection of Chain Bridge Road and Glebe Road (on the Fairfax County, Arlington County border -- just before you turn to go over The Chain Bridge). There is room for 10-12 cars in her parking area, with room for another 5 cars on the access way. A large open lot next to 410 Chain Bridge Road is open for overflow parking.

Receive Your Newsletter Electronically

If you don't receive your newsletter via email and would be willing to do so, please **contact Tricia Goins at: purplefan24@cox.net** . Electronic newsletters save us printing and mailing costs, plus you see the pictures in color. We plan to post the newsletters on the WDS website.

Membership Dues Tricia Goins, Membership Chair.

If you haven't renewed, it is TIME NOW!! We hope everyone will renew...and we love 3 year memberships!! Dues are \$15 for one year and \$40 for three years for both individuals and garden clubs. Households are \$20 and \$50. Youth only memberships are \$5.00 per year. Please send your check made payable to "WDS" to our membership chairman, Tricia Goins 11648 LeeHigh Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030. A membership application form is on the last page of this newsletter (before WDS Calendar).

If you don't need to renew but need to update your address, phone or email, please fill out the form and mail the changes to Tricia at 11648 LeeHigh Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

WDS 2014 Daffodil Show
ADS Mid-Atlantic Regional Show for 2014
National Garden Clubs Small Standard Flower Show *

Different Time and Different Place
Check us out!

Our WDS Daffodil Show will be *different* this year in that it will be at a *different* location – The American Legion Fairfax Post No 177 --3939 Oak Street, Fairfax, VA 22030 . Another *difference*- our show will NOT be on the usual weekend days but will be on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, April 16-17-18, 2014.

We will be setting up on Wednesday, 10 AM. Entries from 3 – 10PM

Thursday, April 17th – Entries 7 AM – 10 AM
Judging 10:30 A.M.
Open to Public : 2 PM – 7PM

Friday, April 18th - Open to Public : 10 – 1:30PM
Take Down : 2 PM



Following the freezing temperatures of January I am sure we will be checking our bulbs/ blooms to see if they were damaged, but we know daffodils are very strong and sturdy so I am looking forward to seeing a whole ballroom full of blooms.

Please volunteer to help with our show. We need help in all areas, especially on Wednesday to Set Up and Friday for the Take Down. There are many areas to help and we will find the perfect place for you.

*WDS is a Plant Society Member of National Capital Area Garden Clubs of National Garden Clubs. The design section of our show will be a Small Standard Flower Show.

If you could help by clerking on Thursday morning April 17th, please contact Mary Anne Barton (703)273-8641 / wbill@bellatlantic.net

Show Chairman: Glenna Graves (540) 434-8587 / glennamgraves@comcast.net

This article written by Mary Lou Gripshover, a past ADS president and is very important at this time of year for our Daffodil Shows.

Getting Ready For The Daffodil Show

By Mary Lou Gripshover

Never exhibited in a daffodil show before? Maybe this is the year to take the plunge! Presumably you've planted wonderful daffodils in the fall, and now you want to exhibit them at the flower show this spring. So, what are some of the things you can do in advance?

Mulch your bulbs. If you haven't mulched when you planted, try to get some mulch on the beds prior to bulb growth. You can do it after growth has started but it is much easier if they're up no more than an inch. You can use fine pine bark, straw, hay, Hershey's cocoa hulls, whatever is convenient for you. Just don't use peat as mulch. When it rains, the spatters from the peat dirties the flowers, and it's hard to get off. It's much easier to remove ordinary soil spots. The mulch is to keep the flowers clean when it rains. If you mulched in the fall you don't need to mulch again.

Walk through your garden frequently, looking for possible blooms to take to the show. If stormy weather, hail, etc., is forecast, you'll want to cut the flowers to bring inside. If it's a cultivar that "burns" easily, you will probably want to cut the flower when it is about ¾ open. Put the flower in water, in a dark basement, for a few days to let it mature inside. A fine spray mist from time to time would prove helpful. Flowers will grow larger if you can let them mature in growth, but cutting and putting a dark basement works almost as well. And you don't run the risk of the flower being damaged before the show date.

Some grooming tips: most daffodils should "look you in the eye". So if the head is hanging down, you should gently try to lift it. "Gently" is relative, and you have to practice. Take a flower and push its bloom up, toward the sky. You don't want to push so hard you break the neck, but if you do it right, a bloom that was looking down can be brought up to a pose that is more acceptable to judges. Divisions 5 and 6 flowers are the exception. They tend to look down. The six petals (and if there are less than that, let the flower stay home) should preferably be flat, in the same plane. If the petals are hanging over the cup, or "hooded" push the petals back and gently massage them with your fingers. You'll be amazed how much better the flower looks. The warmth of your hands can do a lot to improve the flower's appearance. You'll hear judges say a flower wasn't "clocked". That means that the upper and lower petals don't line up with the stem in a straight line. So, what to do? Gently, there's that word again, twist the flower head until they line up. This is a small point, but you can see for yourself how much better the flower looks. If you want to enter a vase of 3, choose three blooms that are as close to identical as you can.

OK, your flower looks perfect 10 days before the show date. What now? You're out of luck? No. Cut it and refrigerate it. First clean off any dirt that may be on the flower. You can do this with a Q-tip dipped in water. If the spot is troublesome, put a drop of dishwashing liquid in the water, then gently rub the spot. (If you've mulched, you probably won't have a problem). There are several schools of thought on refrigeration. Some put the flowers in water, with a plastic bag over them and keep them that way. I prefer to put them, without water, into plastic bags and lay them on my refrigerator shelf. When I take them out to exhibit (the night before), I re-cut the end of the stem and put them in water. Even those that look wilted will probably recover. Doesn't work for miniatures though. You have to put them in water in the fridge to keep. If you don't try it, you won't have the flower, so what have you got to lose?

Know the names of you daffodils. When you plant bulbs, make some kind of map or planting diagram so that you'll know in the spring what you're looking at. Labels in the garden are good, but do diagram also, in case labels get moved by children or animals, or by ground freezing and thawing. As you cut flowers, write the name on the stem, using a ball point pen – or something that won't wash off. (Used with permission).

American Daffodil Society Convention and National Show
Little Rock Arkansas March 27-30
Choose — Perfect — Present -- Bring Your Photos to Little Rock

By Robert Darling

Kristin Boone's committee in Little Rock devised delightful challenges for ADS daffodil photographers. The Photo Division Classes offer many opportunities for you to find, select, perfect and present your images to celebrate the daffodil. They found appropriate categories to fit and expand our understandings of the various classes via an Arkansas theme.

Discussing them with Kristin, how delightful to learn Arkansas considers itself "The Natural State." The P-3 Class looks forward to images of daffodils in either their native habitat or a natural environment. An Arkansas Diamond exists should you find time to mine one in the Crater of Diamonds State Park. How to express this

“Arkansas Diamond” P-1 Class in a daffodil portrait remains for you to answer. Or to translate the Arkansas Razorback, a local *wild* boar and mascot of Arkansas State into a photo of daffodils with animals, requires your creativity. The Old Mill still exists. It enjoyed a part in the Famous Movie Gone with the Wind. You might find in your archives a photo of a daffodil landscape to inspire your preparations.

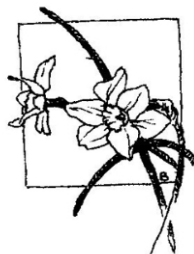
Not wanting to limit your creativity, Kristin’s Committee hopes to add to your knowledge of Arkansas. The Starving Artists Café features artists, sells excellent artwork, the Heifer Project famously raises animals to help people throughout the world. Their Offices in Little Rock and several sites throughout the State offer a creative response to a Global concern. She assures me that the Still Life category may or may not include President Clinton, but it will be *still*, like formal portraits taken with this famous Arkansas native.

Three Judges conspire to find the most creative and interesting responses to these Challenges. Judging weighs Creativity, Composition, Craft and Content equally, even as Kristin considers “creativity and composition — more important...” The gauntlet thrown, you make the decisions on Classes you enter to wow us with your responses. We hope that as the winter wanes you find in your existing photos and in those you might yet make, winning ways to focus on the daffodil and explore ideas of Arkansas, and “La Petite Roche,” (Little Rock) this coming Spring.

For more information contact ADS National Show Photo Chair, Kristin Boone — daffodil.photo101@yahoo.com

Mid Atlantic Daffodil Shows and Activities 2014

The Northeastern North Carolina Daffodil Society started by Clay and Fran Higgins has the first ADS approved show of the spring in our area. Their General Membership Spring Meeting will be the same date as ours, February 22 and will include a program on flower arranging with daffodils. Contact Clay at clayhiggins@centurylink.net for more information. Then be sure to attend their show on March 22.



March 22, 2014 – Barco, North Carolina. The Northeastern North Carolina Daffodil Society, NC Agriculture Cooperative Extension Facility, 120 Community Way (at US Rt 158 & Avion Pkwy), Barco NC ,Contact: Clay Higgins, PO Box 369, Harbinger NC 27941 252-491-9268; clayhiggins@centurylink.net

Attending the long running **Garden Club of Gloucester ‘s Daffodil Show** in Gloucester Virginia is always very special. This is the home town of Brent and Becky Heath and their wonderful nursery. Take some time to visit the local historic sites and think spring. This is the 62 annual show for the Garden Club of Gloucester. The theme this year:

Flower Power – Music of the 1960s “Three Days of Peace and Daffodils”
See contact below and also check out: www.gloucesterdaffodils.blogspot.com

March 29-30, 2014, Gloucester, Virginia. Garden Club of Gloucester, Ware Academy, 7936 John Clayton Memorial Hwy, (Rt 14) Gloucester VA. 23062 Contact: Ceci Brown 804-693-3663, PO Box 160, Gloucester, VA,. ccbzanoni@gmail.com

The Garden Club of Virginia has annual statewide Daffodil Shows that are always spectacular. This year’s show is in Winchester Virginia. Check it out.

April 1 - 2, 2014. Garden Club of Virginia Show; sponsored by The Little Garden Club of Winchester. Millwood Station 252 Costello Drive, Winchester VA. Contact: Diane Kelly- C-540-303-4675; dianekelly59@gmail.com
Suzy Oliver – 540-247-8970; suzyoliver2@gmail.com

More Shows:

April 5, 2014, Princess Anne, Maryland, Somerset County Garden Club, St Andrew's Parish Hall, 30513 Washington Street, Princess Anne, MD 21853. Contact:
Kathy Green 410-651-0556 or 443-880-6693, Billscat1111@aol.com

April 5-6, 2014; Richmond, Virginia, Virginia Daffodil Society, Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, Edu. Bldg., 1800 Lakeside Ave., Richmond, VA 23228. Contact: Skip Ford, 804-200-1346, sford3115@gmail.com

April 7-8, 2014. Severna Park, Maryland, Dist.II, Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, Our Shepherd Lutheran Church, Severna Park, MD., 400 Benfield Road. Contact: Marie Coulter, 342 Prestonfield Lane, Severna Park, MD 21146-1512, 410-647-8971, Frankandmarie@verizon.net

April 8, 2014, Upperville, Virginia, Upperville Garden Club, Buchanan Hall, 8649 John S. Mosby Hwy, Upperville, VA. Contact: Carol Farnow, cfarnow@aol.com

April 14-16, 2014. Towson, Maryland. Maryland Daffodil Society, The Shops at Kenilworth, 800 Kenilworth Drive, Towson, MD 21204. Contact: Mary Ann Thompson, 410-832-1810 mannthompson@verizon.net, or Hilles Whedbee, hwhedbee@shawan.org

April 17-18, 2014, Fairfax, VA, Middle Atlantic Regional Show, and NGS Small Standard Flower Show, Washington Daffodil Society, The American Legion Fairfax Post No 177, 3939 Oak Street, Fairfax, VA 22030. Contact: Glenna Graves 2621 Smithland Road, Harrisonburg, VA 22802; 540-434-8587; glennamgraves@comcast.net

April 19-20, 2014, Devon, Pennsylvania, Delaware Valley Daffodil Society, Jenkins Arboretum & Gardens, 631 Berwyn-Baptist Road, Devon, PA 19333 Contact: Jocelyn Thayer, 535 Woodhaven Rd, West Chester, PA. 610-399-0903, j.thayer179@verizon.net

April 26-27, 2014, Chambersburg, PA, Chambersburg Garden Club and Tuscarora Daffodil Group, First Lutheran Church, 43 West Washington St., Chambersburg, PA 17201. Contact: Richard Ezell, 334 Baltimore St., Gettysburg, PA 17325, 717-334-2304, brownezell@earthlink.net or Mitch Carney 301-432-4728, mcal1062357@aol.com

WDS Meeting Minutes Fall 2013

By Glenna Graves, Secretary

The Washington Daffodil Society Fall Executive Board meeting was called to order by President, Tom Taylor, November 2, 2013, 10:25AM, at Hill Episcopal Church Parish Hall in Alexandria, VA.

Those executive board members present: Tom Taylor, Mary Ann Barton, Mary Koonce, Amelia Abrahams, Martha Best, Donna Clausen, Judy Brunner, Linda Smith, Ruth Ann McGrail, Tricia Goins and Glenna Graves.

Mary Ann Barton moved that we accept the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the Summer Newsletter. Linda Smith seconded the motion.

Treasurers Report: Tricia Goins reported we had deposits of \$10,883.95 from the bulb sales so far. Expenditures to date: \$2,363.32 since June 22, 2013, including bulb orders to nurseries and a \$500.00 deposit to the American Legion Post for our Daffodil Show in 2014. Membership dues received \$250.00. Current total assets, including CD, \$30,416.50.

Holly Ruffin has graciously extended an invitation to have our February meeting at her home in McLean, VA. The date will be February 22, 2014 with a snow date of March 1, 2014.

Bulb Order: Mary Koonce thanked Bob Huesmann for a terrific job of planning and executing the bulb order process, from selecting the bulbs for order to actually packing and delivery to some who had placed orders. His most able assistants were Lina Huesmann, Martha Best, Amelia Abrahams, Mary Koonce and Mary Ann Barton. International bulb orders were delayed on the receiving end due to extended travel to various airports after arrival in the US.

Membership: \$250.00 in dues has been received since June 22, 2013. It was recommended that an additional person to help with membership would be most helpful. Tricia handles all the money but someone to contact garden clubs etc. would be great.

Nominating Committee Report: The committee consisted of Glenna Graves, Mary Ann Barton and Kate Carney. Glenna Graves reviewed the slate as printed in the Fall Newsletter. Tom Taylor, President; Donna Clausen, Vice President; Directors: Judy Brunner 2nd term, Kathy Welsh 1st term, Don Caton, 1st term, Mary Ann Barton 1st term.

Newsletter: Mary Ann Barton thanked everyone who can and will get the WDS Newsletter electronically. This saves postage and time and you also get full color with the photos inserts. Anyone objecting to having your address printed in/on our mailing list please let Mary Ann Barton know.

Website: Our website is now back in operation and the NEW ADDRESS is thewashingtondaffodilsociety.org Be sure to add the **the** to the address. Please visit and offer suggestions of what you may like the content of our site to be. We want to protect names and not have rosters for the general public so we may develop a password for all "members only" to access pertinent society information.

Joint Venture with Merrifield Garden Center: Tom thanked those members who helped with bulbs sales during the first two weekends in October at the three Merrifield Garden Centers. It is a fun experience. We are not asked difficult garden questions but Merrifield really does appreciate our being there. This is our obligation duty in return for free parking of our show properties building at their Fairfax Garden Center. We do encourage more participation next year.

Daffodil Show: Our daffodil show will be held on April 16-17-18, 2014 at the American Legion Fairfax Post #177, 3939 Oak Street, Fairfax, VA. Our show will be on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – not the weekend as in the past. As we are in a new location our members are busy measuring and planning to accommodate a beautiful show. We will need a lot of manpower so I encourage everyone to come and help anytime during the show time period--setting up tables, setting up workroom, placement of blooms, helping with food for exhibitors and judges, photography set-up, clerking etc. We will have the Artistic Section as well. This show will also be the Mid Atlantic Regional Show so the opportunity for the challenge of few extra classes will be there as well.

New Business: Steve Morrison offered a suggestion for consideration for future meetings. He recommended having a reusable Daffodil sign to be placed at the entrance of wherever a meeting is to be held. A sign that would catch the eye and help with locating the entrance. Perhaps someone would undertake this task.

Another suggestion was offered to consider combining our show or programs with another gardening group. This could help in publicizing both groups and perhaps get more involvement. Mary Koonce encouraged us to plant more bulbs in our areas to draw more attention to daffodils as well as beautifying the areas. She also encouraged us to attend other plant societies functions for personal education as well as support of other groups.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30am.

Following lunch the WDS Annual meeting was called to order by Tom Taylor at 1:40PM. Tricia Goins moved and Ruth Ann McGrail seconded the motion for accepting the minutes of the June 22,2013 meeting as printed in the Fall Newsletter. The Treasurer's report was presented by Tricia Goins. Lucy Rhame moved and Donna Clausen seconded that we accept the report as presented.

Robert Darling gave a report on the National Arboretum as an established show garden. Mr. Lynn Batdorf has retired from the National Arboretum and Dr. Richard

Olsen is now head of the Narcissus Section of the Arboretum. Robert will send a letter to Dr. Olsen with updated information concerning the WDS past involvement

In the National Arboretum. Robert encouraged us to visit and record the blooming times of various Narcissus and let him know your observations. The National Arboretum is closed on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursdays.

Bob Huesmann gave the bulb order report. 60 orders were placed. Substitutions were made with as near like color code as possible. In the future, order early and often.

Nominating Committee- Glenna Graves presented the slate of proposed officers for the WDS for 2014. There were no nominations from the floor and the vote was taken to accept the slate as presented.

Tom Taylor, President. Second 1 year term to expire at the end of 2014.

Donna Clausen, V. Pres. Second 1 year term to expire at end of 2014

Directors:

Judy Brunner 2nd term to expire at end of 2016

Kathy Welsh 1st term to expire at end of 2016

Don Caton 12st term to expire at end of 2016

Mary Ann Barton 1st term to expire at end of 2016.

Glenna Graves reported the WDS Daffodil show date and location and asked for all members to attend and help in the many positions available to make a successful show. The show will be held on April 16-17-18, 2014 (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) at The American Legion Fairfax Post No 177, 3939 Oak Street, Fairfax, VA. 22030.

Phil Rappa reported on the WDS website. He apologized for confusion on the site but has updated the payment of the website space and we now have a NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS---thewashingtondaffodilsociety.org. Remember the **the** in the name.

WDS participants in the Joint Venture with Merrifield Garden Center the first two weekends of October were thanked and more participation for next year was encouraged. This is our agreement with Merrifield for allowing us free parking for our properties building.

Membership- It was noted we need to put ourselves – WDS logo – out in front of people whether presenting a program, working at Merrifield, or at a show, to gain the interest of possible new members. We need to publicize and make ourselves known in the area.



The Mid Atlantic Region Daffodil Meeting-

The Mid- Atlantic Regional meeting was called to order at 2:20 pm by V-President Kate Carney.

The Mid- Atlantic Region Leadership and Service Award was announced as Lissa Williamson of Severna Park, Maryland.

Lissa has been a very valuable active daffodil society member for many years. She was the past VP of the Mid Atlantic Region, also had served as director, held many positions in the Maryland Daffodil Society and was especially prominent as the all-night classification chairman for the National ADS convention held in Baltimore in 2012. She has been very involved in the Shely Island N.Y. daffodil show as well for many years.

Glenna Graves, National ADS Nominating committee member, presented the slate of officers for 2013 and 2014. These positions will begin after the ADS convention annual meeting in March 2014.

Vice President Kate Carney (year 3 of three year term) ending 2015

Director Julie Minch (year 1 of one year term to fill

Remaining third year of Janet Hickman) end 2015

Director Joan Bender (year 2 of three year term) ending 2016

Director Jennifer Potter (year 1 of three year term) ending 2017

ADS National Nominating Committee Karen Cogar, first year of a two-year term

With no nominations from the floor the slate was approved as presented.

Members then participated in the bulb exchange, bulb raffle and door prize selection process administered by Mary Koonce.

There were 48 members present at our meeting.

Refresher for Judges – Stump the Experts

A refresher was presented with Mitch Carney as moderator, Richard Ezell and Anne Donnell Smith as the Experts. Questions were asked by the refresher -audience members and the experts led the discussion as directed.

A refresher is a class sanctioned by the ADS for all daffodil judges. All judges must have a refresher at least every 3 years to maintain their accreditation as a judge.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00P.M.

In Memory of Lissa Williamson.

WDS member Lissa Williamson recently passed away. Mary Koonce told me: “I lost a good friend. She was a wonderful person and great traveling companion. Lissa was a Daffodil Judge, the immediate past Vice President of the ADS Mid-Atlantic Region and advisor to the Shelter Island Daffodil Show. She was enthusiastic about daffodils, and all gardening activities, and loved to share her enthusiasm. She was a member of the Chartwell Garden Club in the Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, a NGC Flower Show Judge and a past President of the Maryland Federation. She will be missed by many.” Her memorial was held on January 18, 2014. The family has designated the Federated Garden Clubs of MD, Inc. as recipient of donations in her memory. These funds will be used to purchase Window coverings for the Cylburn Classroom, as Lissa had wished. This will provide the opportunity for using projectors there. Please make checks payable to FGCMMD, Inc. and designate for Lissa Williamson Fund. Please mail to: FGCMMD, Inc., 4915 Greenspring Avenue; Baltimore, MD 21209-4542.

Questions please call office at [410-396-4842](tel:410-396-4842)

Registration for WDS Spring Lunch Information – February 22, 2014 (snow date March 1)

At Holly Ruffin: 400 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, VA 22101 703-248-0278

WDS Board Meeting 10 a.m. Lunch will begin at 12:00 p.m.

Followed by a short Membership Meeting and Program:

The cost of \$15 / lunch

REMEMBER: You may attend the meeting and program without eating lunch. **RSVP either way.**

For more information and to register, contact:

Tom Taylor (703)698-8636 8102 Bright Meadows Lane, Dunn Loring VA 22027

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WDS Spring Lunch Reservation Form,

Mail to: Tom Taylor 8102 Bright Meadows Lane, Dunn Loring VA 22027

Make check payable to: "WDS" **Registration Deadline: February 15, 2014**

Name : _____

Name : _____

Name : _____

Phone contact: _____ email: _____

Check: \$15.00 x _____ = \$ _____

NO Lunch, attend meeting/program only:

Name : _____

Name : _____

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WDS MEMBERSHIP - Membership Year January 1 - December 31

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| 1 yr youth only (under 18) (\$5.00) _____ | |

Make check payable to "WDS"

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WDS Calendar -- check these websites for more information!

Washington Daffodil Society – **NEW WEB ADDRESS:** www.thewashingtondaffodilsociety.org

American Daffodil Society website: www.daffodilusa.org www.Daffseek.org

2014

Feb 22 WDS Spring Luncheon Meeting (Snow Date: March 1)
March 26-30 ADS National Daffodil Show and Convention, Little Rock Arkansas
See list of other shows inside this newsletter
April 16-18 WDS & Mid-Atlantic Regional Daffodil Show, Fairfax, VA
TBD WDS Summer Picnic

2014 National Daffodil Convention



ADS National Convention

March 27th thru 30th,
2014
Little Rock, Arkansas

Make Plans to come!

2016 World Daffodil Convention



World Daffodil Convention

April 6th thru 10th, 2016
Saint Louis, Missouri

Mark your calendars now!

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