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NEWSLETTER, Fall 2008

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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,

The summer is winding down and before you know it we'll be planting bulbs. I have lots of extras hanging under my deck which need cleaning and sorting before they are ready for our bulb exchange. It would be nice if everyone would label their extras with their initials, in addition to the name and color code, so we know from whose garden they came.

Saturday, October 18 is set for our fall meeting and bulb exchange. We will meet at the Falls Church Community Center. Details for the meeting are inside this newsletter.

I can hardly believe my two years as President are coming to a close. Thank you to everyone on the Board and especially to those that helped with our shows and bulb order. I am very excited that Lucy Rhame has agreed to succeed me. Please be generous with your time and support Lucy during her tenure. Leading the WDS has been a rewarding experience.

Many Thanks,

Kathy Welsh, WDS President, [kathywelsh01@aol.com](mailto:kathywelsh01@aol.com), 703-242-9783

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## WDS Fall Annual Meeting, Bulb Exchange & Bulb Order Pickup -- October 18, 2008

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 the Falls Church City Hall. **11:30 am - 1:00 pm: 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.

### 2:00 - 4:00 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 on last page;**

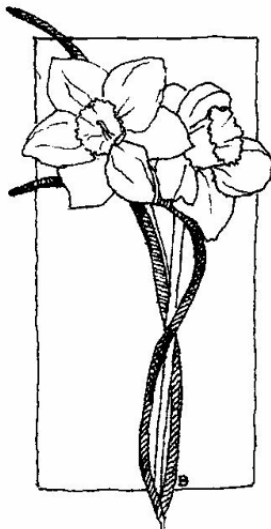
Bulb Sales, Bulb Raffles, Door Prizes, and the **Bulb Exchange!**

**(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, below is the slate of officers to be voted on at our annual meeting and bulb exchange to be held on Saturday, October 18, 2008.



President: Lucy Rhame (Term 1 year)  
Vice President: Glenna Graves (Term 1 year)  
Directors: (Terms end 2011)  
Susan Kroner, Linda Smith, Tricia Goins, Charmane Truesdell  
Mary Semrad (Term ends 2010, replaces Holly Boyd Ruffin)

(Secretary and Treasurer to be appointed by the new Board of Directors)

Secretary: Holly Boyd Ruffin  
Treasurer: Bob Huesmann

Nominations from the floor can be addressed to Nominating Committee Chair Paul Botting, [pmbotting@comcast.net](mailto:pmbotting@comcast.net) or phone 301-869-3742. Thanks to Paul for an excellent slate. All terms will begin at the fall meeting.

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## Welcome New WDS Members

Kathy Andrews Rixeyville VA  
Jennifer Brown Greenwich CT  
Nina Duchess Vienna VA  
Emi Furukawa Lutherville MD  
Stanley Heller Centreville VA  
Cindy Allen & Gary Jimerfield Greenbelt MD  
Nancy Johnston Timonium MD  
Molly Kellogg Washington DC  
Pam Lindholm Gainesville VA  
Babs McClendon Alexandria VA  
Nancy Mott Greenwich CT  
Sandi Smith Piccirillo Fairfax VA  
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Mary Lewis & Judith Reiter Silver Spring MD  
Kay & Charles Ridinger III Williamsburg VA  
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New WDS Directories will be handed out at the Fall Meeting. Please get changes in address, phone, or email to Maxine Botting at 301-869-3742 or [mmbotting@comcast.net](mailto:mmbotting@comcast.net)

## BULBS FOR EVERYONE By Mary Koonce, Bulb Chairman

Come to the fall WDS meeting for an afternoon of fun and camaraderie. Those who ordered bulbs and did not include postage, may pick them up at the meeting on the 18th of October. If you dug bulbs this summer, bring some to share in the lively bulb exchange. There will be door prizes and a raffle of some very interesting varieties. New members will have first pick from the exchange table. Everyone in attendance should be able to add some desirable cultivars to his/her collection.

We had a record breaking number of orders this year --- 135. What was the most popular item? It was Tiny Bubbles 12Y-Y, registered by Brent and Becky Heath, with 84 bulbs sold. Sixty-four members purchased the Starter Collection which consisted of nine cultivars from nine different divisions. Other top sellers in the Special Bulbs and Collections section were: Naivasha - 60; Silent Spring - 49; POPS Legacy, Neahkahnne, and Limequilla - 42; California Dreaming - 41, Royal Marine - 38; Winning Whites - 35. Discriminating exhibitors bought 73 varieties from the Connoisseur's Corner.



For those who like statistics, I listed further sales below. The figures also show what varieties members are buying. Ninety nine bulbs from Division 1 were sold with Three Trees and Hicks Mill as the top sellers (15 sold). John Pearson's Altun Ha (26 sold) was the top seller in Division 2. A total of 333 bulbs were sold in the large-cupped division. Achnasheen, registered in 1964, and Rimmon, registered in 1981, (11 each sold) were bought by our members from a total of 88 Division 3 varieties. Forty five Division 4 daffodils were purchased with Ice

Diamond and Tamar Fire tying with 16 sold. Mission Bells (19 sold) edged out Celtic Wings (18 sold) by one as the most popular purchase in Division 5. Sheer Joy which has not been available commercially for a few years was the top seller (30 sold) in Division 6. Eighty five bulbs were sold from the ever popular cyclamineus category. Sid DuBose's pink cupped Artwork #16 (14 sold) was the favorite jonquil from a total of 48 purchased. Twenty two bulbs of the white tazetta Polly's Pearl was the top seller in Division 8. Aspasia, one of my favorite winning historic, came close with 16 bulbs sold. The total for Division 8 was 61. Sixty three poeticus daffodils were purchased with Brian Duncan's Chesterton and Meg Yerger's Sweet Somerset topping the other three cultivars with 22 each sold. Ron Scamp's Division 11 Sparnon was purchased by 11 members with a total of 31 split-corona sold.

Each year we sell more intermediates than in the previous year. Exhibitors are enlarging their collections and entering more cultivars in shows. One hundred and forty nine bulbs sold with the following numbers: Pewee - 39, Pink China - 29, Scarlet Tanager - 28, Rimski - 24, Little Ruby - 15, Pentire - 9, Solera - 5.

Another section which is growing in shows is the historic section. Members purchased 109 bulbs with the following statistics: Green Island - 30, Saint Keveer - 22, Queen of the North - 16, Elvira 15, Ornatus - 12, Polar Ice - 8, Kanchenjunga - 6.

Miniatures hold a particular fascination for me and our members share the joy in growing them. Two hundred and eighty eight bulbs were sold. The list includes: Tiny Bubbles - 84, N. watieri - 38, Snook - 34, Angel's Whisper - 32, Idol - 30, Fuco - 26, Wavertree - 23, Diamond Ring - 21.

Thank you to all who purchased bulbs. Two orders from our suppliers arrived this week. I am eager to start bagging bulbs. I punched holes in the bags this year to help ventilate the bulbs in case they are not thoroughly dried. Sometimes a little mold will collect on large quantities of bulbs shipped from overseas. A weak solution of bleach on a towel easily removes the mold.

Please check your order as soon as you receive it. I inspect each bulb upon arrival. Kindly send me a note right away if you find a mistake or if you are not satisfied with the quality of the bulbs. We can not guarantee the life of bulbs. I look forward to seeing many of you at the various societies' fall meetings when we can talk about daffodils.



## WDS 2009 Daffodil Show

By Tom Taylor, 2009 Daffodil Show Chairman

We have signed a contract with the Brookside Gardens to hold our 2009 Daffodil Show in Wheaton, Maryland, on April 10-12, 2009—Easter weekend. This is the same facility that we used last year and previously. It is a fine facility and attracts large crowds for our show.

Setup for the show may begin at 9:00 am on the 10th and the doors will be open to our exhibitors for staging daffodils from 3 until 10:00 pm. Staging may resume at 7:00am on the 11th until judging begins. The exhibition will be open to the public until 5:00 pm. The show will reopen to the public at 9:00 am on the 12th, and we must remove our properties by 6:00 pm.

I am very thankful that so many of you have accepted or volunteered for chair assignments. The WDS is fortunate that we have so many talented and hard working members that have been able to consistently produce one of the best daffodil shows in the world. But, I'm still looking for people who are willing to take on several very important jobs.

It takes a lot of "stuff" to put on the show and those properties need to be safeguarded throughout the year, assembled at the exhibition location, and returned to the storage facility after the show. Paul Botting has done an excellent job of doing this in the past, but the time has come that he must pass the baton. We desperately need someone who is willing to coordinate the use and protection of our exhibition properties. We have paid day laborers to do the heavy lifting for several years, so a strong back is not required.

The WDS needs people who have experience with the varied aspects of managing the Show. It is necessary for a vital organization to have a cadre of future leaders to carry out the purposes of the organization. As we look at our membership, we can clearly see that the average age is constantly increasing and that we need to involve more young members. I have not had a volunteer for the position of Show Co-Chair yet, and that assignment would be an excellent way for a newer member to make a much appreciated investment in the WDS.

Also, I am looking for someone who would enjoy hosting the judge's reception and coffee prior to the judging on Saturday morning. It is important to the WDS that our judges who have generously contributed their time and expense to judge our show be shown the courtesy of a gracious welcome. This would be a great opportunity to meet some of the more interesting daffodil people in the region.

I was very reluctant to volunteer when I was a new member, because compared to the talents of other members, I didn't think I had much to offer, but please, don't you feel that way. If you are interested in becoming more involved in the Show, or know of someone who may be waiting to be asked, give me a call or send me an email Tom Taylor 703-698-8636, tom1939@msn.com

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### Daffodil Culture

Below are two excerpts from our fall newsletters in 2006 and 2007 put together by Kathy Welsh. I feel these are still timely and hopefully will be very useful to our many new members.

#### **From Fall 2007:**

#### *Miscellaneous Daffodil Tips and Observations...* **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 Fall 2006:**

#### *Preparation, Planting, and Labeling* by Kathy Welsh

..... Fall is the time for planting, but before you can plant you need to have your soil prepared and your bulbs sorted.

**How do you prepare the soil?** Mary (Koonce) has a very large commercial size rototiller which she uses to loosen the soil. She adds some peat moss to break up the clay and improve its composition. Clay (Higgins) prepares his soil at least one month in advance of planting. He amends his soil with peat and "garden chalk" purchased at Merrifield Garden Center or Southern States. This product improves the electrolytes in the soil as well as the drainage. Clay has also imported good topsoil so that some of his beds are raised 6" above the normal level. Once prepared, Clay soaks the soil so that it settles back into place. Clay refreshes his soil every time he digs. Kathy (Welsh) digs her ground approximately 10" deep using a shovel, then uses a Mantis tiller to break up the dirt. She adds bags of "Super Fines" purchased from Betty's Azalea Ranch or Merrifield Garden Center, rototilling these in, breaking up the clay and improving drainage. Super Fines is a bark mulch that has been shredded four times. Its composition is very light and fluffy. Claybusters is a similar product. This process is repeated several times and results in beds that are raised approximately 6" above the normal ground level.

**When do you begin planting?** Everyone agrees that the soil should be 55 degrees or below before planting begins. Bob Huesmann usually starts much earlier than the other three. He often starts in the middle of September. Kathy and Clay never plant until the beginning of October, but generally towards the middle of the month and Mary usually begins planting in the end of October when all the daffodil meetings are over. Everyone shoots to complete their work by Thanksgiving (although most would admit to much later planting upon occasion). It is important to get the minis in the ground first when planting late. All bulbs need to grow roots before the ground freezes and this is even more important for tiny bulbs which are planted closer to the surface than their bigger brothers. If you have bulbs, then get them in the ground whenever you can. They can not survive being out of the ground for an entire year. Early spring planting is possible if the bulbs are still firm. Soft bulbs should be thrown away.

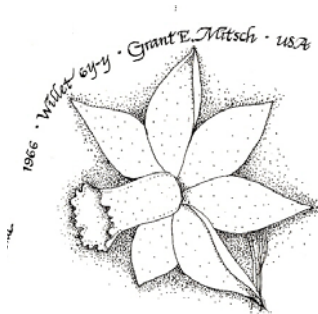


**How do you plant?** Mary plants 7-8 inches deep. She uses an auger and plants one bulb per hole. Minis are planted 4-5" deep in berry baskets. Bulbs are rolled in Banvel prior to planting, a dust to prevent basal rot. 5-10-10 fertilizer is broadcast over the beds after planting and watering is left to nature. Bob plants at a similar depth. He uses Captan, Bonide's Bulb Dust or another general purpose fungicide powder which prevents fusarium to coat his bulbs. Again this is extra protection against basal rot. Fertilizer is placed in the bottom of the hole, followed by dirt, sand, then the bulb. Bob usually waters unless it is a wet fall. He believes that consistent and ample water is one the keys to great blooms. Kathy digs 8 or more inches deep, places 5-10-10 fertilizer in the hole or trench, then dirt, then small or medium Gran-i-Grit from Southern States. (This is a recent change. It helps with drainage and makes it easier to find the bulbs when digging.) Kathy feels that fertilizing below the bulb at the time of planting is the most important time to fertilize. It places the nutrients at the roots, where the bulbs are able to absorb them. Don't let the fertilizer touch the bulbs or it will burn them. Kathy hasn't been using a bulb dust, but may start! When it comes to minis Kathy uses fertilizer

sparingly and usually broadcasts it over the planted area. She waters in the fall when it is dry. Like Mary, Clay broadcasts his fertilizer on all bulbs after planting. He has started using soaker hoses after planting.

**How do you label your bulbs?** All four growers label AND map their bulbs. In addition to labeling and mapping, Kathy buries a piece of plastic milk carton with the name of the bulb and the color code written with a sharpie. This provides verification when digging and can be kept in the mesh bag after bulbs are out of the ground. Bob uses plastic sticks and a sharpie and admits that heaving can be a problem. Mary uses 15" markers purchased from S-W Supply Co. with a label made with a P-Touch labeler (these last at least 5 years) Clay and Kathy both use the 12" EON markers sold by WDS. Clay uses the plates that come with the markers and a lead pencil. This holds up for about two years. Kathy makes an aluminum label with a Dymo label maker purchased from A.M. Leonard. The aluminum labels usually last 8-10 years. All four feel that a label AND a map are essential to keep track of their dafs. Most make the map immediately and several keep track of how many bulbs they've planted. Once your dafs are planted and mapped its time to kick up your feet and celebrate!

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## Biological Suppression of Basal Rot By Bob Huesmann

Basal rot is caused by a fungus, *fusarium oxysporum f. narcissus*, which lives in the soil. Fortunately, this disease-causing fungus has a natural enemy (antagonist) called *trichoderma* (a.k.a. *Gliocladium*) *virens* which, not surprisingly, also likes to live in soil. For the past 3 years, I have been using a soil additive containing this natural antagonist--about a tablespoon or so, I'd guess--mixed with the soil in the bottom of each planting hole. The additive I used also contains growth-enhancing fungi (*glomus* species) and, originally, my hope was simply to grow better daffodils. After 3 years, I can't say for sure that using this stuff has given me better flowers, but it is fair to say that it hasn't hurt, and I certainly will continue to use it. The more important point, however, and the subject of this note is that I do think that there has been a gradual reduction in the incidence of basal rot in my daffodils to what, this year, was an acceptably low level.

Mind you, this is personal observation and not a scientific conclusion since I didn't do anything like a controlled experiment. However, I am encouraged by a fair amount of research literature documenting the antagonistic action of *trichoderma virens* on *fusarium oxysporum* in various species, despite the fact that much more research needs to be done specifically on narcissus.

I generally have a "show me" attitude toward biological disease/pest control, but it seems to me that if *trichoderma* works, it has some advantage over soil pasteurization which kills good organisms as well as bad. Also, while post-digging treatment with a chemical fungicide or otherwise may still be helpful to control any *fusarium* infection remaining on bulbs, I will feel better about planting my bulbs right back in soil that inevitably contains basal rot fungus if I have increased the numbers of its enemy fungus. That's particularly comforting because, like others, I don't have the luxury of being able to rotate my daffodil beds.

The product I have used is called Diehard Flower Bed. It contains the growth-enhancing fungi I mentioned above and other good stuff like kelp as well as *trichoderma virens* and a few other *trichoderma* species. (Read the label!) Among these other *trichoderma* species is one called *T. harzianum* which, according to some (not a lot, as far as I can tell) research may suppress bulb and stem nematodes--but that's a subject for another year. There is a related product called Diehard Bio Rush, which contains a more concentrated amount of *trichoderma*, but not the growth-enhancing fungi. This year, I plan to add some of this to the Flower Bed additive, hoping it will strengthen the disease-suppression action of Flower Bed. Both of these products are made by Horticultural Alliance ([www.horticulturalalliance.com](http://www.horticulturalalliance.com) or 1-800-628-6373). Other suppliers may make similar products.

I would welcome telephone calls from members who have had any experience using the type of additive noted above, or who have any questions regarding the subject in general. Due to space limitations in the Newsletter, the foregoing is only a very brief summary of a much longer article which I plan to post on the WDS website.

WASHINGTON DAFFODIL SOCIETY -- Meeting Minutes  
2008 Summer Picnic Meeting                      Saturday, June 14, 2008

Kathy Welsh convened the meeting at 11:10 am at the home of Anne Donnell Smith in Stevenson, Maryland. In attendance were Chriss Rainey, Spencer Rainey, Maxine Botting Paul Botting, Ruth Ann McGrail, Bonnie Mirmak, Mary Koonce, Bob Huesmann, Tom Taylor, Dorothy Sensibaugh, Lucy Rhame and Robert Darling.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bob Huesmann reported that WDS is in sound financial condition.

**Bulb Order:** Mary Koonce reported there were 115 bulb orders with gross sales over 14K, the most successful ever. Great interest in minis and intermediates. In addition Mary will order the bulbs needed for the gardens at Brookside and the Arboretum; 5 each of the Wister winners, 3 each of the Pannill winners.

**Membership:** Maxine Botting reported the WDS currently has 219 members and 24 clubs, reflecting an addition of 33 new members this year. It was noted that despite the high membership numbers, the club does need to attract local members who would be interested in getting actively involved in the organization. As such a mentoring program will be established for new members. A new directory will be distributed in the fall.

**Garden Club Liason:** Bonnie Mirmak reported there are 24 club members, two of which are new. The question of what WDS can offer garden clubs was addressed. It was suggested that a cover letter go to the garden club liaison encouraging her to pass the WDS newsletter on to all the club members.

**Newsletter:** New article ideas are needed. If any member has any suggestions or contributions, please contact the president or newsletter editor.

**Show Reports:** Dorothy Sensibaugh thanked all those who helped with the 2008 show at Brookside. Tom Taylor is going to chair the show in 2009 which will be the regional ADS show. The show will be held at Brookside gardens on April 11 and 12, 2009. The board moved and approved the payment of the contract to secure the Brookside space. Tom is looking for a co-chair and would appreciate being contacted if you have an interest. Paul Botting is resigning as properties chair and the position needs to be refilled as well as a staging chair. Discussion was given to automating the show report and records. A committee was established to review the show schedule. A suggestion was made to pay the show chairs lodging or a per diem rate in light of higher commuting costs to get to Brookside.

**Pie Eaters' Show:** Chriss Rainey reported on positive response to the show and her commitment to continue with the late show though better packing and storage in black crates would be desirable for easier access to those properties that were needed.

**Speaker's Bureau:** No report.

**Boutique:** Mary Semrad did not buy any more stock for the boutique this year and focused on reducing inventory. Kathy will order 30 Show and Grows. A motion was made and approved to buy 1000 of each (smallest quantity for order) of five of the different colored mesh bags.

**Nominating:** The slate of officers and directors is still being compiled and will be emailed to those with emails, presented in the fall newsletter, and presented for a vote at the fall meeting to be held October 18, 2009 at the Falls Church Community Center.

**Honorary membership:** The board voted to give Sarah Burton an honorary membership.

**New Business:** Mary Koonce requested and the board voted and approved the donation of \$150 to Ranson, WV for further daffodil planting in their public spaces. Anyone wishing to request WDS monies for public planting projects is encouraged to contact the president.

Kathy is going to research the availability and cost of vests and polo shirts with the WDS logo, in addition to having bookmarks made as promotional items for WDS to be placed in garden centers and the like. Bonnie and Robert will work on bookmark design.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm



**General Meeting:** Kathy thanked Anne Donnell Smith for hosting the summer picnic in conjunction with the MDS. The above business was reported and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Lucy Rhame, Secretary

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WDS Calendar --  
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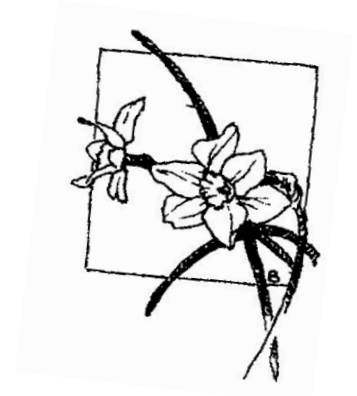
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TBA WDS Spring Luncheon Meeting  
March 28-29 Gloucester Show  
April 1-2 Garden Club of Virginia Show  
April 4-5 Virginia Daffodil Society Show  
April 7 Upperville Show

**April 10-12, 2009 WDS and Mid-Atlantic Regional  
Daffodil Show, Wheaton, MD**

April 18-19 DVDS Show at Longwood  
April 22-23 Maryland Daffodil Society Show  
April 24-26 ADS Convention in Chicago  
April 25 Tuscarora Daffodil Society Show, Chambersburg, PV



**FREE Blue Ribbon Bulbs for Wannabe Exhibitors**

If you have entered the WDS Show, but never won a blue ribbon then we want to hear from you!! Kathy Welsh and Bob Huesmann have compiled several collections of winning bulbs they want to pass along. The only catch is that they will mentor the recipients.

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