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The Texas Daffodil Society is now a Federated member of Texas Garden Clubs as of April 2023. We are also a member of the Dallas Council of Garden Clubs and District X.

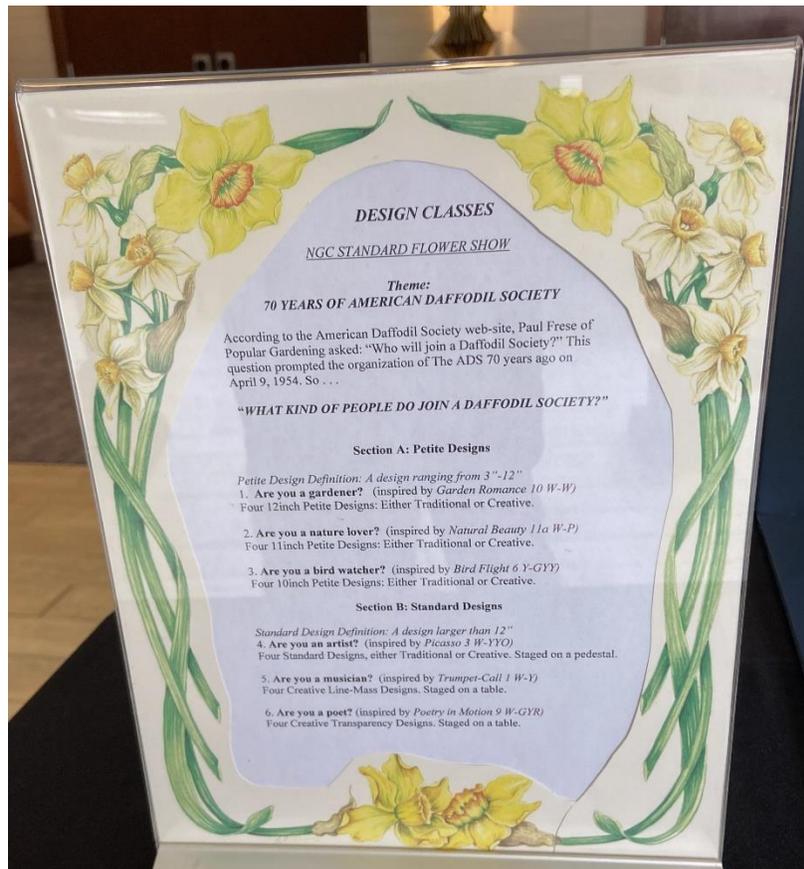
From the Newsletter editor:

This is a special edition of the Texas Daffodil Society newsletter with photos and highlights from the American Daffodil Society (ADS), National Convention in Herndon Virginia from April 10<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>. Many Texas Daffodil Society (TDS) members were in attendance including Spencer & his wife Nancy, Keith and his wife Sandy, Mary Ann, Sarah, Tom & myself. Sarah and Mary Ann were there to conduct a Judging school as well as attend the convention.

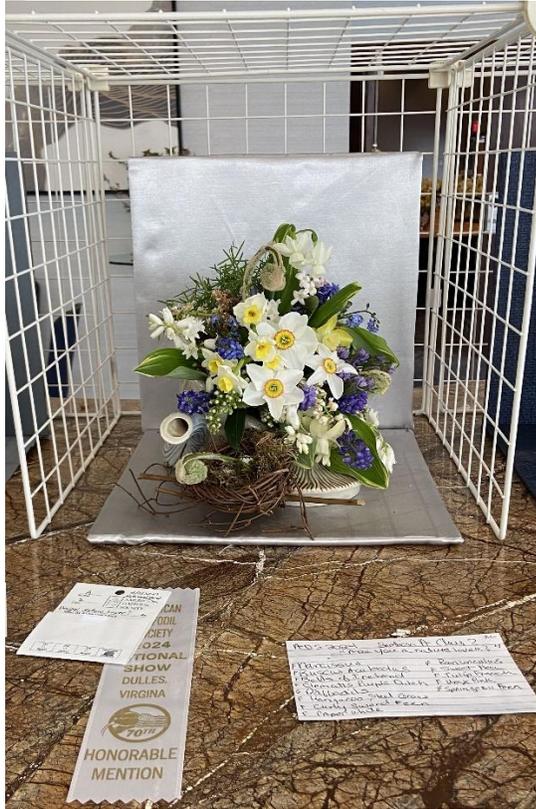
Tom & I went early so we could spend some time sight seeing in D.C. before and during the convention. It was very cold in the hotel to keep the flowers fresh during the convention. I was surprised at the number of stems entered in the show (over 3,200 and the number of collections that were entered.

This newsletter will primarily be photos of the convention and some of the tours that I went on with Tom. The photos from the convention will be divided into design, horticulture and photography.

### Designs at the Convention












**DESIGN CLASSES**  
*NGC STANDARD FLOWER SHOW*

*Theme:*  
**70 YEARS OF AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY**

According to the American Daffodil Society web-site, Paul Freese of Popular Gardening asked: "Who will join a Daffodil Society?" This question prompted the organization of ADS 70 years ago on April 9, 1954. So ...

**"WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE DO JOIN A DAFFODIL SOCIETY?"**

**Section A: Petite Designs**

*Petite Design Definition: A design ranging from 3"-12"*

1. **Are you a gardener?** (inspired by *Garden Romance 10 W-W*) 4 entries  
Four 12inch Petite Designs: Either Traditional or Creative.
2. **Are you a nature lover?** (inspired by *Natural Beauty 11a W-F*) 4 entries  
Four 11inch Petite Designs: Either Traditional or Creative.
3. **Are you a bird watcher?** (inspired by *Bird Flight 6 Y-GY*) 4 entries  
Four 10inch Petite Designs: Either Traditional or Creative.

**Section B: Standard Designs**

*Standard Design Definition: A design larger than 12"*

4. **Are you an artist?** (inspired by *Picasso 3 W-YO*) 4 entries  
Four Standard Designs, either Traditional or Creative. Staged on a pedestal.
5. **Are you a musician?** (inspired by *Trumpet Call 1 W-Y*) 4 entries  
Four Creative Line-Mass Designs. Staged on a table.
6. **Are you a poet?** (inspired by *Poetry in Motion 9 W-GYK*) 4 entries  
Four Creative Transparency Designs. Staged on a table.







**This next section is photos of the Horticulture Section of the show: first up best in show table.**





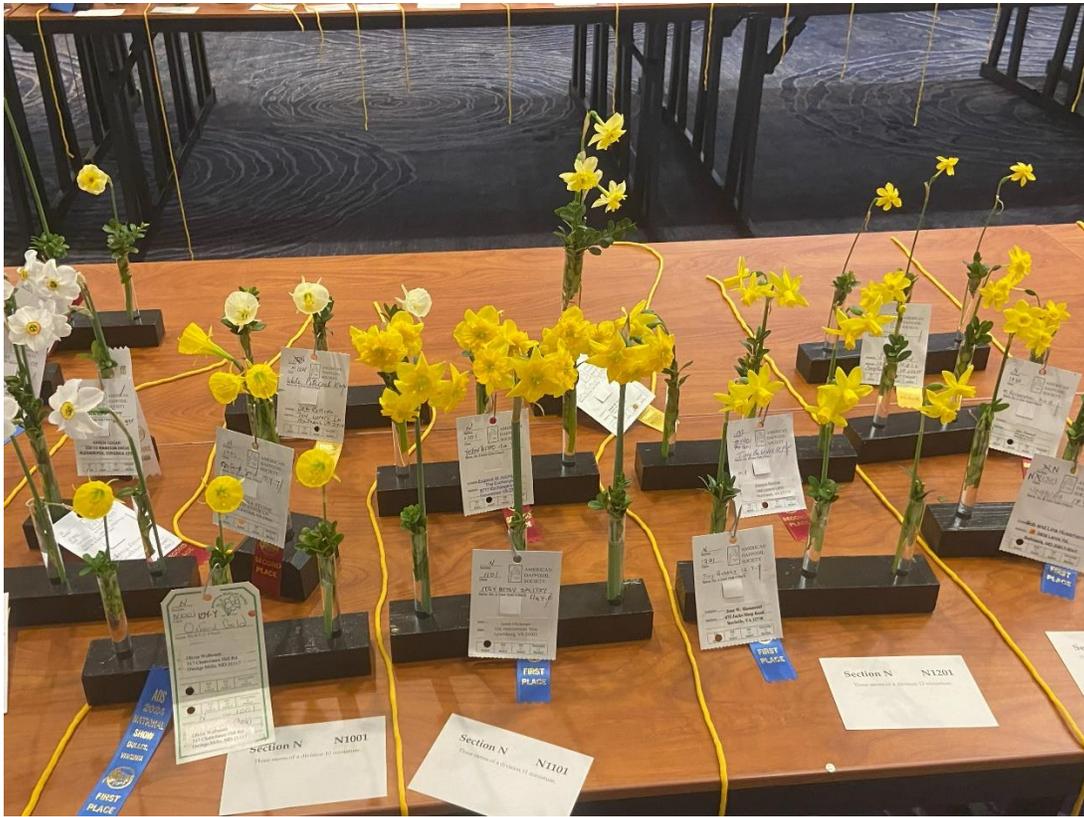
**A panoramic view of the entire flower show.**



**Seedlings and container grown daffodil entries to the show.**



**Miniature Collections**



Another view of miniature daffodil collections



Winner of the Harold Koopowitz award for 24 different blooms.



**Multi-stem winners**



**Tom D. Throckmorton prize best of 15 stems**



Best 5 stem collection



# PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW



P1 - Daffodils in Nature or the Landscape.



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National Convention 2024  
P1  
The Daffodils and  
Landscape  
Best of Show  
Award  
2024



JUDGE'S CHOICE



American Daffodil Society  
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Streaming  
Daffodils

AAS  
2024  
NATIONAL  
SHOW  
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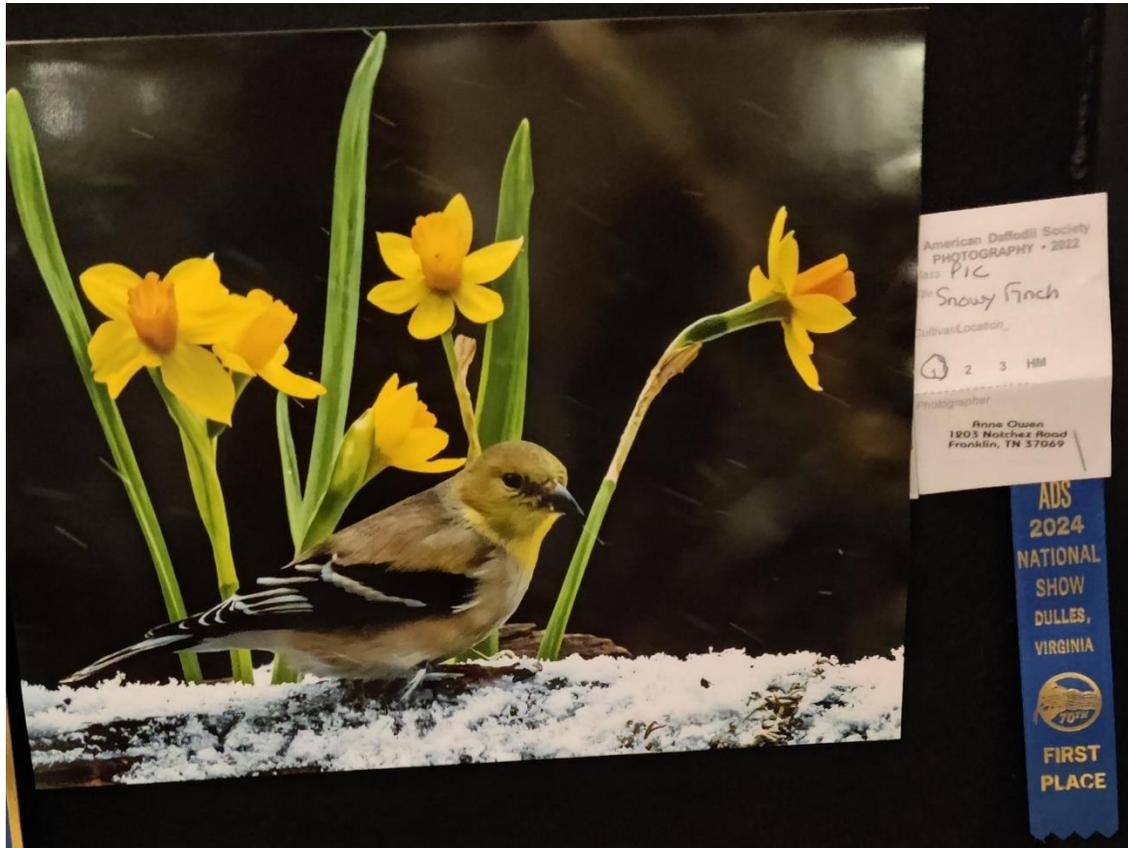
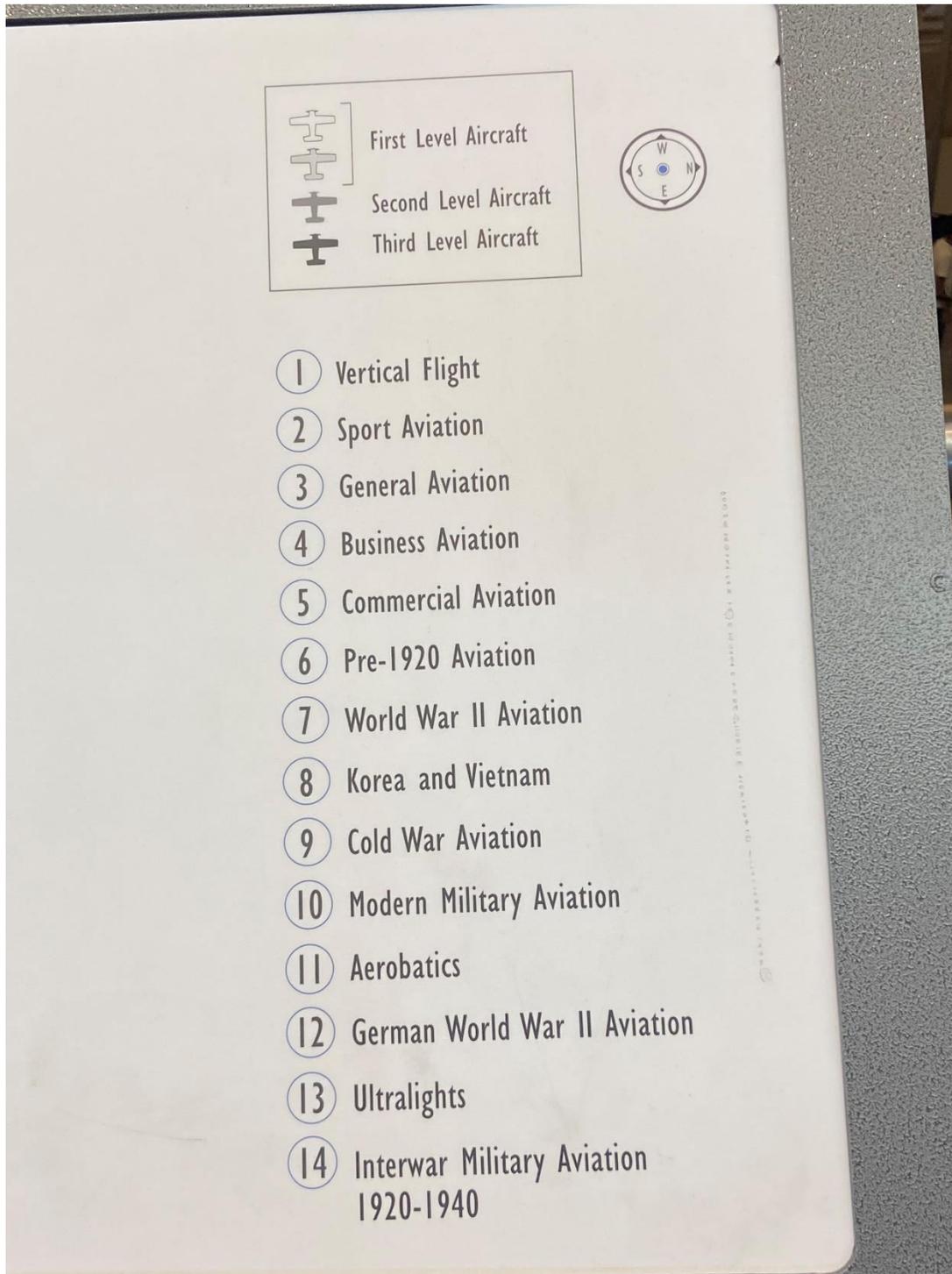




Photo Class P-3a  
Daffodils and People  
(planting, growing, showing, enjoying daffodils)

There were several tours available at the Convention. Tom & I went on two days of various tours. Our first tour was a visit to the National Air and Space Museum - Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center in Chantilly Virginia near Dulles Airport. They have an amazing collection of air craft and space craft. Here are a few photos to give you an impression of what we saw.



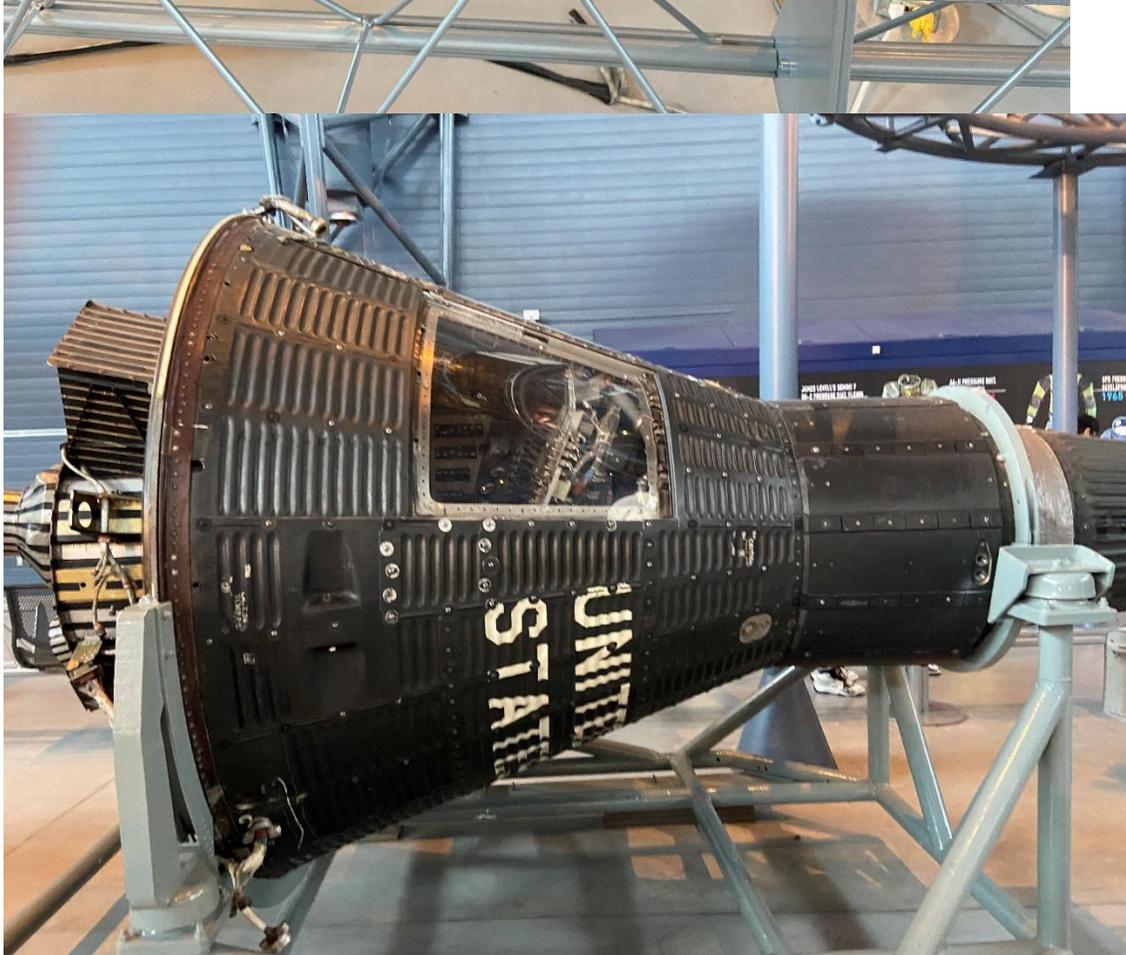




One used Space Shuttle



The aft section of the space shuttle



Mercury 7 space craft



An Air France Concorde

This tour was on Thursday.

**On Friday, we toured the gardens of Kathy Walsh and then we went to see Bunny Mellon’s Garden – Oak Spring in Virginia. Here are a few photos from the Friday tours. First from Kathy’s Garden:**



**Please note the metal tags.**



These are the ADS trophies that Kathy stores at her home.

Here are some photos from Bunny Mellon’s Garden in Virginia:



Fritillaria



Candy Tuft





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**This is just a sample of the photos that I took. Many more of the photos are on the TDS website. The next convention is in Reno, Nevada.**

**Photo from Kathleen Johnson:**



**Brent & Becky orders:**

If you place an order with Brent & Becky, be sure and go to <https://brentandbeckysbulbs.com/bloomin-bucks/> and scroll down to Texas Daffodil Society. 25% of all purchases from Brent & Becky's are rebated to the Texas Daffodil Society in February of next year.

**ADS Officers:**

The American Daffodil Society elected officers for 2022 to 2024 are the following:

**President:**

Janet Hickman, Virginia

**First Vice President:**

Steve Hampson, California

**Second Vice President:**

Susan Duncan, Nevada

**Secretary:**

Lynn Ladd, Tennessee

**Treasurer:**

Barbara Mertz, Pennsylvania

**The Executive Director:**

Frank Nyikos, Indiana

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<https://daffodilusa.org>

<https://daffnet.org>

<https://dafftube.org>

<https://daffseek.org>

<https://dafflibrary.org>

<https://daffodilusastore.org>

**TEXAS DAFFODIL SOCIETY OFFICERS 2023-2024**

President	Spencer Coffey
1 <sup>st</sup> - VP (Membership)	Diane Pike
2 <sup>nd</sup> – VP (Flower Show Chairs)	Karla McKenzie/ Mary Ann Moreland
3rd VP - (Programs)	Tom Pearce
Secretary	Daniel Pague
Treasurer	Stan Aten
Parliamentarian	Steve Guynes
<b>Committee Chairmen</b>	
Budget/Finance	Stan Aten
Communications	Tom Pearce
Photography	Spencer Coffey
Properties	Keith Kridler
Yearbook	Mary Ann Moreland & Karla McKenzie
Social Media	Dr. Eric Hibbs
Bulb Selection	Karla McKenzie
Google Drive	Steve Guynes
Judging School	Mary Ann Moreland
Newsletter	Stan Aten

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024**

Dallas Council of Garden Clubs – Sept. 2024 TBA.

September – visit to Oklahoma City for organization of new Daffodil Society.

Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the new garden year – Date TBA

## **Social Media**

**Social media sites are updated for the upcoming daffodil season, Follow, Like, Subscribe!**

Web - <http://texasdaffodilsociety.org>

Facebook - Texas Daffodil Society

Instagram – texasdaffodilsociety