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### **Brooks Elementary Students Cultivate Green Thumbs**



Brooks Elementary School students in Mary Ann Tarquinio's kindergarten class recently planted daffodil bulbs with help from community members John Shaver and Angela Dalesio. Students learned the difference between seeds and blubs and the growing cycle of a daffodil. With a little green thumb luck, the building's exterior will be brightened with new yellow flowers each spring for many years to come.

Shaver and Dalesio offer gardening outreach programs to elementary school students across the district. The programs include classroom lectures on various topics such as soil and soil organisms and invasive species as well as planting activities. In 2009, the pair has educated more than 630 Moon Area students through their programs.