

GARDEN PICNIC INVITATION AND SPRING NOTICE

In addition to noting the Fitzburgh garden picnic, this e-mail also reports that we had another successful Plant Sale. This year we featured a really choice assortment of rhododendrons. I noticed that many of the plants that came in from the West Coast were the subjects of photos that I had taken in Vancouver. I normally post photos in these e-mail notices to keep them colorful, so, in lieu of photos not submitted by members, here are two of those pictures taken in Victoria which show Lem's Storm Cloud and Phyllis Korn:



Please submit photos for posting here.

Al and Mildred Fitzburgh invite you to a garden tour and picnic at their home on Saturday, May 20, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. The Fitzburghs are located in Caldwell, New Jersey at 7 Knollwood Terrace. Please RSVP before May 15 if you are coming by calling 973-226-579. Directions are posted below.

Our Plant Sale has again proved to be successful. This sale has been a consistent winner for our chapter and, while a core group of our members are responsible for achieving that result, success would not be possible without the guidance and direction of our Program and Plant Sale Chairman, Al Fitzburgh, who attends to every detail of that activity throughout the entire year.

At Our April Meeting, Diana Story, Inge Langer, Bob Ledonne (2), and Roberta Cripps requested a copy of the Washington State University 28 page color brochure, "How to Identify Rhododendron and Azalea Problems" at a cost of \$7.20 each. If anyone else is interested, I must have your name before I place an order on May 20. Call or e-mail me (845-735-3475, or ccerini@aol.com).

Also in April, only two people, Al Fitzburgh and Roberta Cripps, expressed interest in car-pooling to join the Princeton tour to Longwood Gardens. I have not been able to get confirmation on the details for this trip. When I do, I will contact those interested in joining a car pool. If you wish to participate as a passenger or driver, please contact me at 845-735-3475.

The 4 sets of limited edition azalea prints were snapped up by members before we could offer them to the general public. They are available at a higher price on Don Hyatt's web site, www.donaldhyatt.com.

DIRECTIONS TO AL AND MILDRED FITZBURGH'S HOME

From I-80 West: Take Exit 52 toward Lincoln Park/Fairfield/The Caldwells, and turn slight right onto Two Bridges Rd. Two Bridges Rd becomes Passaic Ave/CR-613. After approximately 3.0 miles, turn left onto Bloomfield Ave. At this intersection there is a bank, and a tire store with a shopping mall behind it. Proceed up the hill for approximately 2 miles to Gould. At this corner there is an auto mechanics shop. Turn right and proceed to the end of Gould, where you bear right (Cedars Rd - not marked). Make the next left and 7 Knollwood Terrace is on the right. Call Al's number 973-226-579, if you get lost.

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