

American Rhododendron Society
TAPPAN ZEE CHAPTER
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Here's a fortuitous occurrence in our garden. We planted a Vulcan over 40 years ago. A leggy plant whose truss I doubt would ever win a flower show, (see inset) but we loved it because it reliably bloomed. You can see it above in front of a Nova Zembla and a Martha Hitchcock in a picture taken in 2008.

(added after printing 1st copy:)

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For some reason, it died this Spring. In the above photo you can see its dead branches in front of the Nova Zembla and the Martha Hitchcock, both of which are not in full bloom.

Lydia cut it down and was really surprised to see that it had soil-layered. You can see the new shoot with a terminal bud on the lower left inset and the truss that opened two weeks later at the end of May on the lower right inset. So never give up. Nature is amazing!

MEETING INFORMATION

**United Methodist Church
130 Berthoud Street
Park Ridge, New Jersey**

**2:00 p.m. Saturday
September 16, 2017
12:00 p.m. for lunch**

SPEAKER: Arnold Friedman

"From Gardener to Garden Designer - The History and Methods of Landscape Design".



Arnie is a Rutgers Master Gardener, and a President of the Bergen County Master Gardener Association, whose Speaker Bureau he now runs. He is certified by the New York Botanical Garden in Landscape and Garden Design and Horticultural Identification, and operates his own "Landscapes by Design" business.

He has been on staff as an instructor at the New York Botanical Garden, and every year lectures on the history and methods of design to the new Master Gardener Class. He frequently lectures to various

Garden Clubs and associations in the metropolitan area.

Arnie was scheduled to speak to us last March, but that meeting was canceled because a snow storm prevented members who lived at a distance from attending. We are fortunate that his schedule allowed us to rebook him

DUES – ARS Regular and Associate membership renewals are now due. Mildred Fitzburgh has mailed out the renewal envelopes. Regular memberships for two people in the same household are \$40 and Associate memberships are \$10. Mildred suggests you bring your renewal check **made out to Tappan Zee Chapter, ARS** to this meeting to avoid using a stamp. If not, please place your check in the envelope, stamp it and drop it in a mailbox. Note that if you do not want your phone or e-mail address published on Chapter or ARS rosters, write "No" on the back of the envelope.

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HOSPITALITY –The hosts for this meeting are Shirley Anderson and Lydia Cerini.

PRE-MEETING DINNER – Please join us for a 12:00 noon lunch at Davey's Locker on Kinderkamack Road just below the Railroad Station in Montvale. At these pre-meeting lunches, regardless of what has been ordered, the total bill is divided equally among the group. However, alcoholic drinks, except for the speaker's, are not allowed onto the totaled bill. Please pay for your alcoholic drink separately.

ANNUAL CONVENTION – Full information on the European 2018 ARS Convention is available at <http://ars2018.org/>

THE 2017-2018 TAPPAN ZEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Please mark your calendars for these future activity dates:

MEETING DATES 2017-2018 – When Holidays do not interfere, and except for our February Fling, which is held on the fourth Saturday, our meetings are held on the third Saturday of the month. The following schedule is posted in every Newsletter and on our website for the convenience of those who have not entered the dates in their calendars.

This year because the third Saturday in March is St. Patrick's day, we switched to the fourth Saturday, March 24. Likewise, in order to get another two weeks of flower growth we have switched the April meeting to the first Saturday in May, May 5.

September 16	Arnold Friedman	Landscape Design
October 21	Ann Barry	Invasive Species
Nov 18	Mike Wilson	Rock Gardens
Feb 24	Gerald O'Dell	Tyler Arboretum
March 24	TBA	
May 5	Member meeting	
May (TBA)	Garden Tour and Luncheon	hosted by the Cerini's

Contacts

Your Governing Group:

Irene Card	Treasurer, February Fling Chair, Nominations
Gus Cerini	Newsletter Editor, Communications Coordinator, Program Chair
Lydia Cerini	Corresponding Secretary
Roberta Cripps	Recording Secretary
Mildred Fitzburgh	Membership Chair
Bernie Golden	Plant Sale Chair
Fran Morton	Vice-President Elect

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The next meeting will be on October 21, at 2:00 PM
For directions or any other inquiries call Lydia or Gus Cerini at 845-735-3475