



# George Landis Arboretum Newsletter

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## Mrs. Corning Honored

At the 1992 Spring Benefit the Trustees of the Landis Arboretum honored Elizabeth Corning with presentation of a plaque "in recognition of her scientific, educational and horticultural endeavors".

Mrs. Corning has been President of the Board since founder/director Fred Lape died in 1985. Her leadership has seen the Arboretum through some difficult times, and she deserves a great deal of credit for the re-emergence of the Arboretum as an educational resource in horticulture and botany.

A noted horticulturist, Mrs. Corning actively serves on the boards of a number of gardens, including the New York Botanical Garden (NYC) and the Berry Botanic Garden (Or-



egon). She is the discoverer of a clematis which now bears her name. Clematis 'Betty Corning' received highest honors and the 1992 gold medal Styer award from the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

Through her example and generosity Elizabeth Corning has inspired and sustained a new generation of gardeners, students, and supporters of the Arboretum. We offer her our deepest thanks.

## Onteora Trip

Landis Arboretum members and guests have been invited by Dr. and Mrs. Edward Ahrens to tour their arboretum. Located in Tannersville, NY, the Onteora Arboretum is located on seven acres of the Ahrens' property. Groves of crabapples, beech, bald cypress and dawn redwood grace the arboretum's grounds. A special collection of trees with unusual bark (that provide winter landscape interest) includes maples, birch and cork trees, and a rock sculpture highlights a pond.

Our trip to Onteora will include lunch and visits to two other gardens. Following lunch at the Onteora Club we will visit a small walled garden with lots of color. Owned by Mimi Bowes, her garden reflects her use of color as a painter and her art studio is filled with paintings of flowers. The second garden will be that of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wenzell, a country perennial garden with a stream and a magnificent view of the surrounding Catskills.

The trip to Onteora is planned for July 7, with July 8 as the raindate. Departure will be at 10:00 a.m. from the Wade Tours lot on Burdeck Road, Schenectady, and we'll be back by 5:30. The cost of \$27 per person includes lunch at the club. As space is limited you might want to send your reservation before the June 30 deadline.

## 1992 Rare Plant Sale

Please note, despite a misprint elsewhere to the contrary...

The Rare Plant Sale is on Saturday, May 2, and begins at 11:00 a.m. No one will be admitted before that time so that everyone will have equal opportunity to select items.

Members are encouraged to visit the "public" sale at the Meeting House BEFORE picking up their advance ordered plants at the barn. This will help cut down on confusion in the roadway as people are arriving for the sale. Your ordered plants will be grouped and held for you until 4:00 p.m., so you will have plenty of time to enjoy the plants and food at the Meeting House!