

IN MEMORIAM

Richard Paul, 55, died in an automobile accident on May 11, 1984. He is survived by his wife, Averil M. Paul; three daughters, Mrs. Melanie A. Herrick of Champaign, Illinois, Renee A. Paul of Schenectady, and Wendy M. Paul of Esperance; his mother, Mrs. Dorothea M. Paul of Rutland, Vermont; and his sister, Mrs. Sandra Binns of Moorpark, California. A memorial service was held on May 12 at the Esperance Presbyterian Church.

Richard Paul was elected to the Board of Trustees of the George Landis Arboretum in 1978 and assumed the duties of treasurer at that time, succeeding Van Loveland who served as arboretum treasurer from its incorporation until his death in 1977. Dick resided in Esperance, N.Y. for 29 years, and for several of those years served as village clerk, bringing essential experience to the position of arboretum treasurer.

Prior to his election to the board, Dick visited the arboretum frequently, attending many classes and workshops. It was his interest in the arboretum that led the trustees to invite him to become a member of the board.

In addition to keeping the arboretum books, preparing reports, paying taxes, and handling the arboretum's day-to-day finances, he helped prepare both annual grant requests to the State of New York and requests to other sources of grant monies.

From time to time, Dick served on various arboretum committees, but, in fact, as treasurer he was an advisor to almost every committee whether a formal member or not. The position of arboretum treasurer has always been a demanding and time-consuming one, and Dick Paul will be sorely missed.



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When this issue of the newsletter was assembled and mailed, the arboretum Board of Trustees had not yet filled the position of treasurer. Until a treasurer is named, make your check payable to the George Landis Arboretum, and mail it to Margaret Law, Simmons Road, Glenmont, New York 12077. - Editor

RARE PLANT SALE

The arboretum's annual Rare Plant Sale will be held on Saturday, June 9. Arboretum members may purchase plants beginning at 1:00 p.m., the general public at 2:00 p.m.

Members are invited to preview sale plants and to have lunch prior to the sale. The Friends' Steering Committee will have sandwiches, baked items and beverages available for purchase at 11:00 a.m., in addition to arboretum T-shirts and stationery.

Members of the Adirondack Chapter of the American Rock Garden Society will also hold an exhibit and sale of rock garden plants.

Dwarf conifers ordered through the last issue of this newsletter will be set aside and may be claimed after 10:00 a.m.

Do join us - and bring a friend.



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The annual Friends' Potluck Picnic will be held on Saturday, July 14 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Bring either a main dish (casserole, cold cuts, etc.), or a salad (mixed greens, a macaroni or potato salad), or a dessert to serve at least eight people. And, too, bring your own flatware, lawn chairs, and a friend or two.

The feasting will take place in between two wildflower slide showings by Dr. Werner Baum.

Do come.

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Spring returns first to the south sides of woodlots, where the trees warm their feet all day in sunshine, and robins coming in flocks scatter the dried leaves, digging for grubs. Here the first soft maple buds spread their red plumes; warblers flit in the branches; where frost has split the bark, the sap runs in a dark stain, and flies buzz around and settle.

Below on the hummocks of warming earth, hepaticas open: blue flowers and white flowers, and the dark pink ones that flower pickers are always looking so hard to find. The air is sweet with their smell; their tiny faces turn to the sun, follow the sun from east to west all day as children follow day long the steps of one they love; and when the light dims under the leafless trees, they close their petals as children their hands in sleep.

Fred Lape

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