

*The Greater Philadelphia Chapter  
American Rhododendron Society*

## *Annual Banquet*

*Saturday, April 14, 2018, 6:00 p.m.  
Sunnybrook Golf Club, Plymouth Meeting, Pa.*

Stephanie Cohen  
“The Perennial Diva”

There's a sign in Stephanie Cohen's garden that reads: "This isn't a garden. It's a horticultural masterpiece." And the mistress of the masterpiece will be our banquet speaker on April 14. Be prepared for a regaling evening from a self-titled Vertically Challenged Gardener whose books and lectures have won awards from the Garden Writers of America and the Perennial Plant Association.

After an excess of houseplants began to interfere with familial life in the Cohen household, the future diva enrolled in Temple's horticultural program. With that she was off to the races. She amassed perennials by the truckload, taught for years at Temple, was founding director of the Ambler campus' landscape Arboretum, a lecturer from coast to coast, and author or coauthor of three books, *The Perennial Gardener's Design Primer*, *Fallscaping*, and *The Nonstop Garden*. (She'll have copies for sale and signing at the banquet.)

We gather at 6:00 p.m. for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, with dinner at 7:00 p.m. followed by the program. Table favors will be chapter-propagated rooted cuttings.

The evening will conclude with the avidly anticipated plant exchange we call Rhododendron Roulette. For each reservation, please bring a rhododendron, azalea, or companion plant for the exchange. Please put your name on the tag in case the recipient wants to get more information. (Never done this before and unsure? Contact chapter president Craig Conover at [sterling@sterlingfinishing.com](mailto:sterling@sterlingfinishing.com) or 215-901-1034.)

**Directions:** Sunnybrook Golf Club is at 398 Stenton Avenue, corner of Joshua Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 (closest Pennsylvania Turnpike exit is Exit 333). If lost en route, call the club at 610-828-9617 for directions.

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### Reservation Form

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please choose an entrée for each reservation:

Filet Mignon \_\_\_\_\_ (number) x \$55 = \_\_\_\_\_

Seared Ahi Tuna \_\_\_\_\_ (number) x \$47 = \_\_\_\_\_

Vegetarian (pasta primavera) \_\_\_\_\_ (number) x \$45 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

Send this form with a check for the total, payable to "Greater Philadelphia Chapter ARS", to:

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