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The Klimaviczes live in suburban Northern Virginia on a lot of only 1/3 acre. To maximize space, most of the three-year old seedlings that are in serious contention are planted close together in their 170-foot-long backyard hillside test bed. Not only does this provide good drainage, but it also affords Joe an excellent viewpoint from which to quickly take note of any outstanding features. For those visiting the garden in late April to mid-May, it offers a breathtaking sight. There are also smaller test beds located throughout the yard. At any one time, several thousand azaleas are under evaluation. Please see the related article on page 4. Photo by Joe Klimavicz.

