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Welcome to the **MAY 2012** Issue of the newsletter for the DeAnza Chapter of the ARS. I am seeking your input on what articles and topics you would like to see covered in the newsletter. Full color copy of the newsletter is available via email subscription or on our website

Next Meeting: **MAY 17th, 7:30 to 9 PM**
Hillview Community Center
Room 12
97 Hillview Av., Los Altos

MEETING TOPIC: Mediterranean Climate Gardening

SPEAKER: Sandy Scott

We are fortunate to have Sandy Scott speak this month on our Mediterranean Climate and the gardens this climate fosters. Sandy is a current board member of Mendocino Botanical Gardens and lifelong horticulturalist with extensive experience in garden design. In her former life, Sandy held a position in construction management @ the Stanford Bus School.

While living in Menlo Park, Sandy was on the boards of Filoli and Hidden Villa.

Join other members for a special pre-meeting dinner @ 5:30 PM
@ Pompeii Restaurant, 100 State St, Los Altos, (across from CITI Bank Plaza)
Call or email Alma Fletcher to reserve your place by Wednesday, MAY 16th @ 5:30 PM
(almawfletcher@gmail.com)

Bringers of goodies this month: We need volunteers – please email me if you can bring treats



SHOW & TELL

This is the big bloom month – so I’m sure you have blooming trusses you can bring and share. Since we don’t do a “show”, let’s have a mini-show this coming meeting with trusses from members’ gardens

MAINTENANCE

Enjoy the glory of your garden, and don’t forget to deadhead after the blooms fade
After blooms fade, is a good time to do some pruning & shaping of your plants

Meeting & Activity Schedule for 2011 / 2012 Season

- May 17th Mediterranean Plants w/Sandy Scott
Report on Successful April Plant Sale
- June 9th End of Season Meeting & Pot Luck (Erika’s House)
Separate email to follow with directions to Erika’s House

Additional Dates to Mark on your Calendars

Sept 21 - 23 Fall Western Regional Conference Nanaimo, British Columbia

SEE YOU AT THE MEETING ON **THURSDAY EVENING,**
MAY 17TH

Erika Enos – newsletter editor