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Welcome to the OCT 2016 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:
<http://www.deanza-ars.com>

WED OCT 19th 2016

7:30 to 9 PM

Room 12 Hillview Community Ctr
97 Hillview, Los Altos

MEETING TOPIC: Drought Tolerant Landscaping

Bob Weissman, De Anza Chapter member, ARS Media & Digital Publications Chairperson & Web Master as well as a Master Gardener, will speak on a timely subject; drought tolerant plants in the landscape. He will give information on how these plants evolved, adapted and survived dry weather conditions, and will share his picks of California natives & Mediterranean plants we can add to our gardens. Included in Bob's talk will be tips on how to maintain your landscape during drought conditions. Azaleas, as somewhat drought plants, will also be discussed.

Join other members and our speaker for a pre-meeting dinner @ 5:00 pm @ Pompeii Restaurant, 100 State Street, Los Altos. Contact Pat Ley (ley.pat@gmail.com) by Tues the 18th to reserve your place at the Rhodie Table

SHOW & TELL

If you have drought tolerant plants that thrive in your garden, please share by either bringing cuttings for our members or giving the names & descriptions of your plants

Maintenance

Shorter days and cooler weather may lull us into thinking we can let up on watering - check the ground an inch below the surface to make sure the ground is moist beneath the surface. The flower buds are growing now and need water. Along with your rhodies, please check your trees. 5 years of drought are taking a toll on our trees. Make sure they will be around for years to come by keeping them watered: infrequent but deep watering is best.

2016 - 2017 Program Schedule

Oct 19th 2016	Gardening during the Drought - Bob Weissman
Nov 16th 2016	David Sheetz – Garden Photographer
Dec 11th 2016	Holiday Party @ Suzanne Legallet's Home
Jan 18th 2017	More About Japanese Maples - Arnie Gomez
Feb 15th 2017	TBD
Mar 15th 2017	TBD
Apr 19th 2017	TBD
May 17th 2017	TBD
June 2017	End of Season Meeting & Pot Luck

Additional Dates to mark on your Calendars

Oct 24th 7-9pm	Camellia Society Talk w/Tom Nuccio, Vets Memorial Senior Ctr 1455 Madison, RWC
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