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Welcome to the APR. 2017 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: APR. 19th, 7:30

to 9 PM

Hillview Community Center

Room 12

97 Hillview Av., Los Altos

MEETING TOPIC: *Jason's 2016 China Expedition*

SPEAKER: *Jason Martinez of Strybing Botanical Gardens*

Jason Martinez will take us on a SF Botanical Gardens sponsored field trip to Sichuan, China. With him we will explore Sichuan Province's Emei Shan region, Gonga Mountain region, and then North to Juizhaigou World Heritage Site to end the trip. Jason says "Our collecting was mainly focused on Magnolias, Rhododendrons & Maples, but we found so much more." Come hear what else Jason found on his expedition.

Jason is bringing YC Chen, azalea expert & author of an amazingly comprehensive tome on azaleas, and currently working on a book on rhododendrons. We are honored to have such a renowned guest at our meeting. Please welcome him warmly

If you'd like to join fellow members at the pre-meeting dinner @ Pompeii Restaurant, 100 State St
 Call or email Pat Ley (ley.pat@gmail.com) (650-941-1674)
 by Tues @ 5:30 pm to reserve a spot @ the rhodie table

Bringers of goodies this month: Erika Enos & Alan Wofchuck

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SHOW & TELL

This is the time of year we all wait for: blooming trusses gracing our outdoor landscape. Please bring your blooming trusses to the meeting Wed night so we can ooh & aahh, be exposed to different varieties & be inspired to add to our collections.

MAINTENANCE

This month's meeting will include planning for & distribution of duties for our ANNUAL PLANT SALE SAT April 22nd

Meeting & Activity Schedule for 2016 / 2017 Season

April 19 th	Jason Martinez shares the adventures of his latest China expedition
April 19 th	PLUS Sale prep for the Sale on the 22 nd
April 22 nd	Annual Rhododendron Plant Sale in Los Altos
May ?	Field Trip to members' gardens
June ?	End of Season Meeting / Pot Luck

Additional Dates to Mark on your Calendars

April 27/30- ARS Annual Convention, Eureka, Ca
Oct 27th/30th- International New Zealand Rhododendron Conference

SEE YOU AT THE MEETING ON **WEDNESDAY EVENING,**
APRIL 19th

Erika Enos – newsletter editor