



TAG TALK

February 2025

President's Message.....Carol Sevelowitz

Mother Nature is a fickle creature, isn't she? Just when we start to think Spring has come early, the thermometer does a nosedive and we're back to winter. In case you're tempted to start your Spring planting, keep in mind that the official frost date for our area is March 15. It can get pretty frustrating (not to mention expensive) to do the work only for it to be killed by a freeze and then have to do it all over again in a month.

And speaking of frustration, our Nominating Committee seems to have hit a brick wall in terms of finding someone willing to assume the TAG presidency for the upcoming term. My second term expires in May, as do the positions of Treasurer and VP of Membership. While candidates for those two roles have stepped up, and will be announced at Friday's meeting, the Presidency spot remains vacant, and we're in trouble. The term of office is only two years, beginning in May of 2025 and ending in May 2027. If you're unsure about taking on the entire role on your own, it could be possible to have two co-Presidents, and there is plenty of support from prior Presidents (myself included) who are available to help. I don't think we can have a club without a leader, so I urge you to consider stepping up to do your part.

There have been many questions about the advantages of being a "federated" club, which means we are affiliated with the Garden Club of South Carolina. Well, your questions will be answered at this Friday's meeting when we'll be honored to have representatives from the State Garden Club on hand to let us know all the advantages of being affiliated. Hope to see you there...

Carol 

PROGRAM CHANGE

The fieldtrip on March 21 will be to
Magnolia Plantation and Gardens.
Details soon.



Last call to be included in the roster being sent to the state in order to receive your gardening newsletter. Please bring your check for \$35 to the meeting Friday or mail it to me at 12 Whitetail Deer Lane. (You can also drop it off in the folder outside my front door).

Horticulture.....Karen Heaney

The Camellias are blooming all around our neighborhood! Luckily they haven't been affected by our cold temperatures. If you get a chance visit the Coastal Discovery Museum and take a stroll on the newly completed brick pathway through the Camillia Garden, they are stunning!



In January we had unusually cold temperatures and the added snow/ice that may have affected your plants. Our last official frost date is March 9th according to the almanac for our area. Being patient is the key – allow leaves to remain on plants for now and evaluate their health over the next few weeks. Hold off on fertilizing and pruning damaged plants until the beginning of March. Leave the damaged (blackened) perennial foliage in place for a bit longer and you may be surprised to see new growth appear!

Spring is right around the corner, and we should all be glad that the cold isn't here to stay!

Happy Gardening Everyone!



MEMBERS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

February

8.....Pam Schofield
8.....Helen Rizzo
12.....Debbie Meeks
13.....Janina Cushman
13.....Olivia Ford
25.....Carol Sevelowitz

If you would like to have your birthdate listed in TAG Talk, please send us the date.

IN MEMORIAM

*It is with great sadness that I inform you of the passing of
Nancy Renner*

Nancy was a long time member and valuable asset to our club having served as 1st VP. Some of you may know her from "the Farm". For many years she served on the All Saints Episcopal Church Garden Tour fundraiser. She will be greatly missed in countless ways.

With deepest sympathy to her family and countless friends.

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**You really are a great gardener.
That plant should have tried harder!**