

Springfield Garden Club
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Newsletter

Happy New Year to all!!!

2018 has started with a major chill. Some of us revel in the beautiful whiteness and sparkling iciness of the world around us and others like my husband are keeping track of the seconds of daylight added each day and the number of days until spring. Either way, the new year has begun and responsibilities and opportunities lie ahead.

The first and most important note is that the day for removing the Festival of Trees has been postponed until Saturday the 14th of January due to the extreme cold forecast for this coming weekend. I know that this is short notice and brings some inconvenience for some, but all considered is a better plan because there is much time spent outside loading trucks and getting everything into storage. Thanks to all who will be able to help and apologies to those who have other plans.

Secondly, The SGC February program will be co-sponsored with Osher. Tuesday February 13th The History of Spices will be presented by Hank Kaestner, former Director of Spice Procurement for McCormick & Co.. During his travels as spice buyer for the world's largest spice company, our speaker literally followed in the footsteps of early explorers, Vasco De Gama and Columbus.

Our members do not have to pay to attend and are also entitled to bring a guest, free of charge. Certainly, this is a wonderful opportunity, and I hope that many will be able to attend.

The March 7th program will be as stated in the year book with a trip to Smith College's Spring Bulb Show in Northhampton, MA. Hopefully a good percentage of members and guests will be able to make the spring-inspiring trip. There is a \$5.00 fee per person.

I have begun to receive the National Gardener which is an interesting magazine with much nation wide activities. If anyone wishes to read it just let me know. I can drop it in the mail.

No more news. I am sitting looking at a new foot of snow, some of which has stuck in globs to my window. Ahhhhh winter in Vermont !! Stay warm. Cheers, Carolyn