

GARDENERS' GAB



Shelby County Master Gardeners' Assoc.

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E-mail: SCMGA.email@gmail.com

Meetings: Monthly, 2nd Friday at 10 a.m.
Shelby County Extension Office—Columbiana, Alabama

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Alabama MG Program: www.aces.edu/mg

AMG Online Store: <http://www.victorydesigns.com/amg/>

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The President Ponders...

We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses. — Abraham Lincoln

This is my last message as president. I presided over my third meeting the day before the world shut down. We had only one more meeting in 2020—outdoors at Shoal Creek Park in Montevallo.

We started off 2021 with a ZOOM meeting followed by two outdoor meetings. As restrictions eased, we had six indoor or indoor/outdoor meetings. Despite COVID, we were able to meet in person nine times.

Cindy Hearn will be sworn in as president at our January 14th meeting. When you see her, thank her for taking over this job and thank Sylvia Sheffield for agreeing to be our secretary.

Special thanks go to Barbara Williams who will continue as treasurer even though she has done it for three years. Please consider taking over this position or that of vice-president which I will do until we can find someone else. Extra special thanks go to Heidee Vansant for always doing a great job as our *Gardeners' Gab* editor.

Kate

**SHELBY COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION
10 December 2021 Minutes**

The Shelby County Master Gardeners' Association met at Columbiana Church of the Nazarene with Kate Vogel presiding.

The minutes and treasurer's report for November were accepted as printed in the *Gardeners' Gab*.

President Vogel presented the slate of officers, and they were elected with no nominations from the floor.

President	Cindy Hearn
Vice President	Kate Vogel
Secretary	Sylvia Sheffield
Treasurer	Barbara Williams

President Vogel reminded everyone to pay dues and submit volunteer hours by December 31st. There was a review of how to count volunteer hours and CEUs, including webinars. Inactive certified MGs can be reinstated by reporting 25 hours and paying dues.

President Vogel called attention to the list of 2022 meetings on the back of the agenda.

Following a "Dirty Gardener" gift exchange, a soup lunch was served.

PLANTING YOUR SPRING GARDEN
FOR THE GARDEN OF YOUR DAILY LIVING

Plant Three Rows of Peas:

1. Peace of Mind
2. Peace of Heart
3. Peace of Soul

Plant Four Rows of Squash:

1. Squash Gossip
2. Squash Indifference
3. Squash Grumbling
4. Squash Selfishness

Plant Four Rows of Lettuce:

1. Lettuce be Faithful
2. Lettuce be Kind
3. Lettuce be Patient
4. Lettuce Really Love One Another

No Garden is Complete Without Turnips:

1. Turnip For Meetings
2. Turnip For Service
3. Turnip To Help One Another

To Conclude Our Garden, We Must Have Thyme:

1. Thyme For Each Other
2. Thyme For Family
3. Thyme For Friends

Water Freely With Patience And Cultivate With Love.

There Is Much Fruit In Your Garden Because You Reap What You Sow. Pass It On !!!



TREASURER'S REPORT as of December 22, 2021

Submitted by Barbara Williams, Treasurer



Checks/Deposits

Beginning Balance	\$5,664.18
Deposits	288.00
Checks	
Ending Balance	\$5,952.18

Cards sent by Martha Grantham on behalf of SCMGA during December:

Help Spread
The Sunshine!



Birthday Cards:

Joy Doering
Sunny Gilliam

Sympathy:

Julie Baumgartner

SHELBY COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS' 2022 DATES

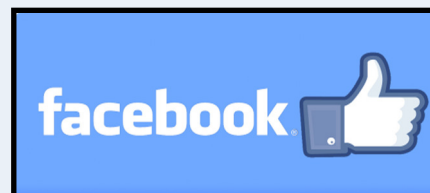
Jan 14	SCMGA Meeting	May 2-4	AMGA State Conference, Montgomery
Jan 15	Applications due to the AMGA Project Funding Chairperson	May 13	SCMGA Meeting
Jan 23	Spring AMGA Intern Registration Closes	Jun 10	SCMGA Meeting & Member Garden Tour
Jan 31	AMGA Awards Nominations due	Jul 8	SCMGA Meeting
Feb 1	AMGA Advisory Council Meeting	Aug 2	AMGA Advisory Council Meeting
Feb 3	Spring AMGA intern classes begin Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. —2:30 p.m. for 15 weeks	Aug 12	SCMGA Meeting
		Sep 9	SCMGA Meeting
Feb 11	SCMGA Meeting	Oct 14	SCMGA Meeting
Mar 11	SCMGA Meeting	Nov 1	AMGA Advisory Council Meeting
Apr 8	SCMGA Meeting	Nov 11	SCMGA Meeting
		Dec 9	SCMGA Meeting & Dirty Gardener Gift Exchange

We have a Facebook group called

"Shelby County Alabama Master Gardener Active Members"



This **private** group was formed to help communicate with our members. Please check it out and ask to join if you are on Facebook.



**GROW
MORE
GIVE MORE**

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Cindy Hearn is spearheading **Grow More, Give More** for SCMGA. Please let her know what you are doing.

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Holiday Harvest Cranberry Orange Pecan Spread

From the Kitchen of: Barbara Williams, Shelby County Master Gardener

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 – 8 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 2/3 cup dried cranberries
- 1/3 cup orange marmalade
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans, toasted if you like
- 1-2 Tbsp. freshly grated orange peel, optional

DIRECTIONS:

Simply mix together and chill for several hours for flavor.



Blue Ribbon Recipe

This rich and creamy spread screams the holidays. The sweet citrus combination of the orange and tart cranberries is always yummy. Mixed with cream cheese and crunchy pecans, this a winner. This would be great to set out during busy holiday mornings for everyone to smear on some toast or bagels. It's a simple spread and will make your family think you made something really special for them.

—The Test Kitchen [@kitchencrew](https://www.instagram.com/kitchencrew)

I tried this and it is delicious! Heidee

SCMG's please remember, we need recipe contributions from **all** of YOU. Please send recipes to: scmg.email@gmail.com



Please send Martha Grantham, Sunshine Committee Chair, information about members (or their relatives) who are

ill, facing surgery or have lost a loved one. We want to make sure all our members know they are loved and are a vital part of our organization. Martha will send a card to let the member know we are thinking about them.

Here are two ways for you to get in touch with Martha:

Email: Doggymamacj@gmail.com

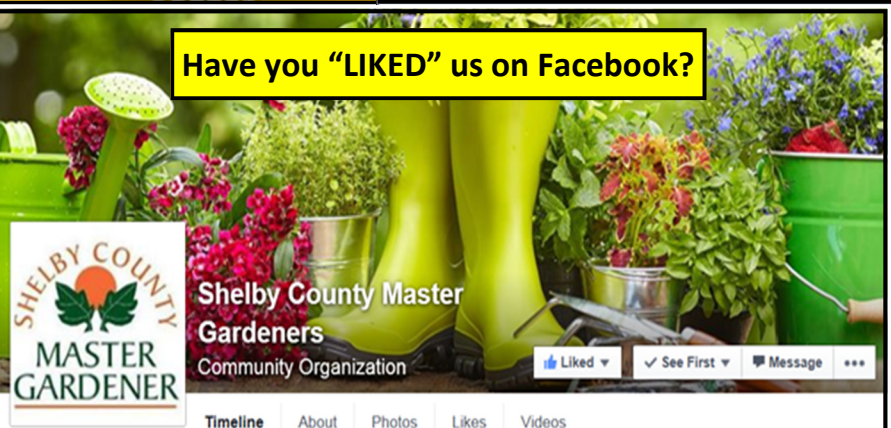
Phone: 205-663-8977



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 7—Larry Riddle
- 9—Jeanon Massien
- 10—Jan Rogers & Phyllis Weaver
- 11—Mary Mattingly
- 12—Heidee Vansant
- 24—Heidi Mueninghoff
- 25—Jim Sherbrook

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ALABAMA GARDENERS' CALENDAR FOR JANUARY

FRUITS & NUTS—Set out apples, peaches, pears, and grapes. Start grafting pecans. Prune dormant trees.

SHRUBS—Plant shrubs and trees, including broadleaf, narrow-leaf, and deciduous. Graft camellias in South Alabama. Spray all deciduous shrubbery with a dormant spray to control diseases and insects. Spray when weather is on warming trend.

LAWNS—Soil test before setting up fertility program.

ROSES—Visit nurseries and garden centers to select varieties. Start planting.

ANNUALS & PERENNIALS—Plant hardy annuals.

BULBS—Late plantings of Dutch bulbs will flower if planted now. Lilies of all types, except Madonna, may be planted. Check stored bulbs and discard rotten ones. Make indoor plantings of amaryllis, callas, and gloxinias.

MISCELLANEOUS—Prune winter-damaged limbs. Give houseplants a bath in lukewarm water to remove dust. To keep poinsettias that have finished flowering, turn pots on their sides and let them dry completely. Cut them back lightly and keep in a temperature of 55 to 60°.

VEGETABLE SEED—Plant hardy vegetables, root crops, roots, and tubers in southern-most areas. Plant lettuce, cabbage, and broccoli in cold-frames.

Shelby County Master Gardeners' Association Board of Directors and Committee Chairs 2021

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Alabama Master Gardener State Conference

May 2 – 4, 2022

Behind the Garden Gate



Date: May 2—4, 2022

Hosted by: Capital City Master Gardener Association
& Central Alabama Master Gardener Association

Location: Embassy Suites—300 Tallapoosa St., Montgomery, AL 36104

If you are planning to attend the 2022 Conference, please register at the hotel now. The Conference Committee needs a good idea of the number attending so they can get the best food prices for meals and other food items. As you have experienced, food prices have gone up, so conference food pricing has continued to rise. Here is the information and code for Embassy Suites by Hilton Montgomery Hotel & Conference Center Reservation Information.

Make your reservation soon for best room choice! Conference rates are: \$149 for 1—2 people and \$159 for 3—4 people. The reservation code is **GRD**, and attendees may call 334-269-5055 or use link below:

This link has been tried and it works properly:

[https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?
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Please Note: A new membership form must be completed each year and returned even if you don't owe dues.



**ALABAMA MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION, INC.
MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Dear Master Gardener,
The Alabama Master Gardener Association (AMGA) Board of Directors has set \$10.00 as the annual membership dues for January 1—December 31, 2022. Members are very important to this Association, and we hope that you will join or renew your membership. To remain on the state membership list and to continue to receive Garden Pathways newsletter, please complete this application and give it, along with your dues, to your local association Treasurer ASAP.

Association Name: **Shelby County Master Gardeners' Association**

Name: _____ Office: _____

Address: _____
City _____ Zip _____

Phone #'s:
Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____

State and Local Newsletters will be delivered online. County of Residence _____

Birthday: Month _____ Day: _____

Class Information: County of Training: _____ Year of Training: _____

In Case of Emergency Call: _____ Phone _____

TYPE of MEMBERSHIP (Check one)

	Local Dues	State Dues
<input type="checkbox"/> Active Member	\$12.00	\$10.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Member (Interns)	No fee	No fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Member	\$240.00	\$150.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member (Extension Employee)	No fee	No fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Honorary Member	No fee	No fee

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SCMGA AND MAIL TO:

**Shelby County Master Gardeners' Association
c/o Barbara Williams
825 Mountain View Dr.
Wilsonville, AL 35186**