

GARDENERS' GAB



Shelby County Master Gardeners' Assoc.

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Meetings: Monthly, 2nd Friday at 10 a.m.
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The President Ponders...

I am considering what our Association means to people who have completed the Master Gardener Classes. While attending the class I built relationships with other students, realized how much I did not know and expanded a desire to work with the Association to find areas related to gardening and the people who shared this interest. I appreciate the people who made their career at the college level, the Extension level and the in the commercial arena who are willing to share their knowledge and experiences with all of us. I appreciate the long-time gardeners who take time to share with the new. I personally am enjoying the Grow More Give More and community garden opportunity to serve and teach vegetable gardening within the community. The Zoom class does not offer the same fellowship. People take the classes for varied reasons. We should strive to make the association activities include a wide variety of these interests. I hope members will reach out to new Master Gardeners and everyone will share ideas for our Association.

Cindy

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Thank you Kate Vogel for SCMGA's donation to the silent auction at the AMGA Conference. Tricia Williams reported it sold for more than \$100.

Our own Dennis Stanek was the highest bidder on this canning pot "basket" which included books and various other nice items.



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



MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/8—Weldon Edwards
5/16—Jim Busbin, Jr.
5/22—Marilyn Donoho
5/26—Ben Crunk
5/27—Jeannie Bubbett



Extension-Master Gardener Monthly Update

A monthly Extension-MG Update webinar is the last Monday of every month, at 1 PM
<https://auburn.zoom.us/j/93566762516> Meeting ID: 935.6676.2516.

All Master Gardeners are invited to attend!
(Cancelled when the last Monday falls on a holiday)

PLEASE ADD YOUR PHOTO TO DIRECTORY

We encourage everyone to add their photo to our Volunteer Service Report Directory. A portrait style photo is preferred so we can learn faces and names. To add your photo, log in to the service report at: <https://www.acesagmq.site/login.php> and click on the My Page tab. Look for upload or edit my photo. Check the requirements, then click upload and choose your file. Enter the validation code shown in a grey box and then click upload.

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TREASURER'S REPORT as of April 20, 2022

Submitted by Barbara Williams, Treasurer

Checks/Deposits

Beginning Balance

Deposit: Dues

Ending Balance

Balance

\$4,934.22

+22.00

\$4,956.22

Help Spread
The Sunshine!



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

Birthday Cards:

Edith Johnston
Diane McKinnon
Steve Nadeau
Lisa Wade

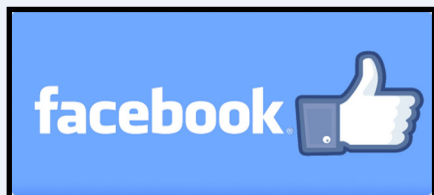
Sympathy:

SHELBY COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS' 2022 DATES

May 11	SCMGA Board Meeting, 10 am	Sep 9	SCMGA Meeting, 10 am
May 13	SCMGA Meeting, 10 am	Oct 14	SCMGA Meeting, 10 am
Jun 10	SCMGA Member Garden Tour, 10 am	Nov 1	AMGA Advisory Council Meeting
Jul 8	SCMGA Meeting 10 am	Nov 11	SCMGA Meeting, 10 am
Aug 2	AMGA Advisory Council Meeting, 10 am, Petals from the Past	Dec 9	SCMGA Meeting & Dirty Gardener Gift Exchange, 10 am
Aug 12	SCMGA Meeting, 10am		

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.



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

cindy_hearn@att.net or 205-531-0616

Shelby County Master Gardeners Association
8 April 2022 - Meeting

- President Cindy Hearn opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- Nelson Wynn gave an update on the current Master Gardener class.
- Vice President Kate Vogel introduced the speaker, Sue Webb from Petals from the Past, whose topic was "Planting for the Planet, Native Plants for Beauty and Function."
- President Hearn announced there is a need for committee members. A sign-up sheet was passed around.
- Secretary Sylvia Sheffield asked if there were any corrections to the March meeting minutes which were published in the Gardeners' Gab. Hearing none, the minutes stand as written.
- Treasurer Barbara Williams made the Treasurer's Report including that we have allocated \$200 for hospitality expenses. She announced that we will be exploring the possibility of becoming a non-profit 501(c)(3).
- **Committee Reports**
 - **By-Laws**—Trisha Williams reported that there were no by-laws report this month. She announced that we are invited to two Chilton County Master Gardeners plant sale/swap/potluck dinner events. Notices with details are available on the back table.
 - **Communications and Gardeners' Gab**—Heidee Vansant discussed notifying members of meetings.
 - **Hospitality**—Thanks to Julie Baumgartner for arranging coffee and snacks for today's meeting.
 - **Membership**—Sylvia Sheffield reported that she will be comparing our business meeting sign-in sheets to our membership list to identify those who are members but do not attend meetings. There will be an effort to contact these members to invite them to become active.
 - **Projects**—Dennis Stanek reported that seven raised garden beds at the Montevallo Community Garden Seed to Table project are now established through the help of volunteers and funding from Alabama Master Gardening Association.
 - President Hearn provided an update on the Grow More Give More project including that we have received a donation of buckets, soil, and seeds, which are at the Extension Center to be assembled and distributed. Volunteers are needed to assist. There is a flyer with additional information available on the back table.
- **Old Business**
 - Karen Mims is beginning an ongoing gardening class at the Alabaster Senior Center. Please contact Karen if you can assist with this project.
 - Barbara Williams reported that there are SCMG membership cards available on the back table. These may be used for discounts at a variety of gardening shops and nurseries.
- **New Business**
 - President Hearn:
 - ◇ Announced that we have received a donation of books.
 - ◇ Suggested that we have a plant swap at our business meetings.
 - ◇ Reported that Gardener Jinny Lusk has invited us to view her beautiful garden in Indian Springs after this meeting.
- **For the Good of the Association**
 - Karen Mims requested volunteers for Mana Farm, please contact Karen for details.
 - Remember to record your Master Gardening hours!
 - President Hearn adjourned the meeting at 12:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvia Sheffield, Secretary



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ALABAMA GARDENERS' CALENDAR FOR MAY

FRUITS AND NUTS—Continue spray program. Keep grass from around trees & strawberries. Peaches & apples can still be budded.

SHRUBS—Newly planted shrubs need extra care now and in coming weeks. Don't spray with oil emulsions when temperature is above 85°F.

LAWNS—Now is the best time to start lawns from seed. Water new lawns as needed to prevent drying. Keep established lawns actively growing by watering, fertilizing, and mowing. Spray weeds in lawns with proper herbicide.

ROSES—Spray or dust for insects and diseases. Fertilize monthly with complete fertilizer or Rose special. Container-grown plants in flower may be planted. Prune climbing roses after the first big flush of flowering.

ANNUALS AND PERENNIALS—Late plantings of bedding plants still have time to produce. Watch for insects on daylilies.

BULBS—Summer bulbs started in containers may still be planted. Do not remove foliage from spring flowering bulbs. Do not let seed heads form on tulips and other spring flowering bulbs.

MISCELLANEOUS—Mulch new shrub plantings if not already done. Avoid drying out new shrub, tree, and lawn plantings.

VEGETABLE SEED—Plant heat-loving and tender vegetables. Start cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, and celery in cold-frame for fall garden.

VEGETABLES—Plant tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, and sweet potatoes.

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