

Maury County Master Gardener Association

Newsletter

March 2022

Speaker's Corner

MCMG March Meeting Features

“A Floral Demonstration”

By Michelle Hughes



Photo by Sarah Gilliam

Michelle is owner of Bloomstall in Columbia.

In 2016, Michelle decided she wanted to have fresh flowers in her house every week as a New Year's goal. She had always had a love for flowers & even grew a few varieties, but it was time

for her to prioritize them. In 2019, Michelle started Bloomstall—a by-the-stem flower shop in the Columbia Arts Building. Her desire was to offer everyone the opportunity to experience seriously beautiful flowers. Her dream grew from there. In 2020 Bloomstall expanded into it's newest space on Garden Street.

Michelle specializes in creating mixed floral arrangements focusing on local, seasonal flowers when available. She strives to have sustainable practices to protect the environment that brings us such beauty. Bloomstall! Flowers for everything from weddings to the everyday moments that are enhanced with beautiful blooms.

MCMG March Meeting

March 1, 2022

The Sr. Citizen's Center

1020 Maury County Park Dr.

Columbia, TN

Activities begin at 6 pm CT with Pot Luck & Door Prizes



2022 Class Graduation & Certification of New Master Gardeners

Certification of New Master Gardeners

March 19, 2022, 6 pm

Middle TN AgResearch and Education Center

Highway 31 N

Spring Hill, Tennessee

Honors! Food! Fun!

Plan to come support our

2022 graduates!

MCMG Meeting

April 5, 2022

The Sr. Citizen's Center

1020 Maury County Park Dr.

Columbia, TN

4:30-6 pm Senior Citizen's Center

Spring Clean Up

Weeding - Mulching - (Bring your weeding tools, rakes, yard tub, gloves.)

6 pm MCMG Meeting Feature:

A hands on garden tool maintenance workshop.



MEMBERS NEEDED

FOR 'MEMBER SHARE'

April 5th Workshop

"How To Clean & Sharpen Tools In Your Garden"

If you have experience and want to say anything about cleaning and sharpening garden tools, we would love to have you present! **GOOD WAY TO EARN HOURS.** If interested please contact Kelly Raimondo, (985) 320-0941, kraimondo@att.net or Sue Nagel (307)640-0004, shelby6866@yahoo.com

Members please bring up to three hand tools you would like to clean and sharpen during our 'hands on' workshop.

MCMG Plant Sale

May 7th, 2022, 8 am to 12 pm

Baker Building, Maury County Park



NEEDED: PLANTS - LOTS of PLANTS

Let's fill the Baker building!

This is a great opportunity for volunteer hours for members and interns! You can count your prep time at home and service hours for working Friday and Saturday with the set up and sale

Now is the time to get going:

- Start seeds and attend the ones you have already planted
- Transplant seedlings and label them.
- Separate plants
- Dig Iris and PLEASE INCLUDE COLOR on label (If you dig just before sale you can place in boxes or in bags)
- Be sure to transplant plants in time for the roots to be established
- Clean out your garden shed
 - Find any garden related items you would like to donate to sale
 - Clean vases will also be needed
- Plan to bring cut flowers and greenery from your garden to be used in live arrangements early the morning of the sale
- Plan to display the "Annual Plant Sale" flier. Available at the meeting and in this Newsletter

PLEASE BRING SURPLUS POTS TO MARCH MEETING.

??? Contact Annette 931-637-5958 or Melanie 931-446-0610

A Word from Our President

Potlucks are back! If you wish to participate, please bring a dish of any type to share. If you would rather not participate or would rather bring a "sack supper," feel free.

Please read the MCMG Bylaws in this issue. As we discussed at the February meeting, the complete text is being made available in this way. The membership will vote on the proposed changes at the March meeting

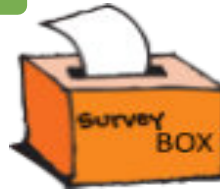
Note the two dates for MCMG in March -- discussed elsewhere in this issue! Our meeting is Tuesday, March 1, with an exciting speaker and demonstration. Then, on Saturday, March 19, we gather at the Middle Tennessee Research and Education Center in Spring Hill for the graduation of the 2022 Master Gardener class. In addition, Interns from previous classes who have completed their service and continuing education hours will be certified as Master Gardeners. Although the pandemic has interfered with the certification of Interns across parts of three years, we hope to return in 2023 to the annual cycle of graduation, internship and certification.

Kathie Wilson

March 1 VOTE TO TAKE PLACE

Proposed Changes to Bylaws

Our bylaws have been in place since 2020. They have been edited by the officers to represent how we currently operate. Kathie presented the proposed changes at the February meeting. Changes are highlighted in red. Please take time to review them. A vote to approve will be taken at the meeting. Bylaws are at the end of this Newsletter.



MCMG Survey Due at March Meeting

A 2022 MCMG Survey was handed out to all participants at the February Meeting. It will be available again at the March Meeting. A copy is included in this Newsletter.

Please take a few minutes to complete the form and return it at the March meeting. We want to hear from you to build our 2022 Calendar of events with the things that are meaningful to our members.

Thank you,
Sue Nagel, Vice President

Maury County Master Gardener's Swag



T-Shirts – Varied Colors	S – XL	\$20.00
	2XL-5XL	\$22.00
Aprons – One size	One color	\$18.00
Ball Caps –	Min. of 12 to order	\$20.00

Please bring checks for items to March Meeting so we can place orders in time to wear them for the plant sale.



Treasurer's Report for February 2022

Balance on February 1st- \$5,584.25
Income- \$70.00
Expenses- \$459.37
Balance on February 28th- \$5,194.88

GETTING TO KNOW MCMG
EVERYONE IS INVITED AND WELCOME
TO COME TO OUR MEETINGS!

Where to Find Information
About Our Organization

<https://maurycountymastergardeners.org>

 [maury county master gardeners](#)

info@maurycountymastergardeners.org

Instagram [@maurycountymg](#)

Use the MCMG website QR code



Contact And Get To Know Our
Leaders. They are there for you!

Officers and Committee Chairs pictured below.



Back Row:

Stephanie Horstman, Meeting Set-up

Horstman_s@yahoo.com

Melanie Edwards, Plant Sale melren1618@gmail.com

George Patton, Past President gpatton703@gmail.com

BruceMcShirley Treasurer bcmcshurley@yahoo.com

Front Row:

April Ray, Secretary socaldiva@hotmail.com

Gail Patton, Newsletter fgapaton@gmail.com

Kathie Wilson, President kwf@southportforge.com

Kelly Raimondo, Vice-President kraimondo@att.net

Sue Nagel, Vice-President shelby6866@yahoo.com

Cay McShirley, Treasurer bcmcshurley@yahoo.com

Shannon Reece, Meeting Set-up sreece1970@yahoo.com

Not Pictured:

Annette Wakefield, Plant Sale rayannette@gmail.com



Welcome March

March is one of my favorite months.

It's time for a new season and new beginnings.

It's a time for warmer and longer days.

Sprouts that have been dormant begin to emerge
as a sweet surprise.

If you haven't already, it's time to sow those seeds
indoors to plant in your garden or bring to the
plant sale.

There are some cool weather crops that you can
plant now. Check the planting guide to make sure
of the time and temperature.

Remember not to rush. Mother Nature is very
temperamental. It is not uncommon for us to
experience all four seasons in one week.

Whatever your plans, take time to notice the
amazing things that take place this season.

Start a nature/garden journal to record your
observations.

It is breathtaking to see how life unfolds in the
garden and in nature.

Happy Spring!

Until next time,



Cay

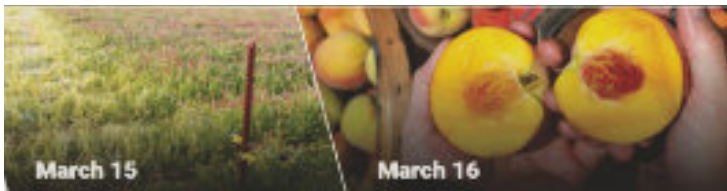


MCMG Care

If you know of a Master Gardener that is sick, had surgery, in the hospital or has lost a loved one, please let me know. I will send a card or flowers as stated in the Sunshine bylaws. You may contact me by calling, texting 931-446-1027 or email bcmcshurley@yahoo.com

Thank you!

Roger Recommends



A General Overview of Carbon Markets and Carbon Credits

Considerations for Growing Various Specialty Crops



How Technology Has Changed Farming

Considerations for Direct Marketing Meat and Live Animals for Custom Harvest

WEBINARS

Each educational webinar will begin at 6:00 pm (central time)/7:00 pm (eastern time)

REGISTRATION

There is no cost to attend but preregistration is required. The deadline to register is 24 hours prior to the scheduled webinar.

Preregister at <https://bit.ly/localfarmweb> or call **Rebecka Cronin** at **931-424-7347**. Once registered, you will receive detailed instructions on how to join the webinar.

FREE TREE SEEDLINGS

*One Bundle per person consisting of:
White Flowering Dogwood, White Walnut and
Yellow Poplar*

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022
8:00am – 10:00am

Multiple Drawings
for 5 ft Fruit Trees



United Farmers CO-OP

975 Riverview Lane, Columbia TN

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District, Area Businesses and Community
Members*



Tennessee Extension Master Gardener Plans for 2022

Distance Connections for EMGs 10 AM ET/9 AM CT- Live on Zoom Tours, Teaching and Q and A with our statewide Extension Hort Team

June 3- First Friday Hort Session

Aug. 5- First Friday Hort Session

Sept. 9- TEMG Friday Focus

Nov. 4- First Friday Hort Session

LIVE TEMG Events - Intern Friday Field Days

Mar. 4- Fruits in Middle TN

Apr. 1- Veggies in East TN

May 6- Flowers in West TN

Mar. 25th and 26th- Western Region TEMG Conference

June 9th-11th- State TEMG Conference- NE TN

Oct. 20th- Leadership Day

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UTIA and Extension Events

April 28th- Organic Gardening and Farming Field Day- Knoxville

June 14th- Fruits of the Backyard Field Day- Spring Hill

July 15th- Summer Celebration- Jackson

Aug. 30th- Fall Gardener's Festival- Crossville

Online event sign-ups as well as live event registration will be found on the state website. Plus, connect with your coordinator and local officers for all the details.

<https://mastergardener.tennessee.edu>

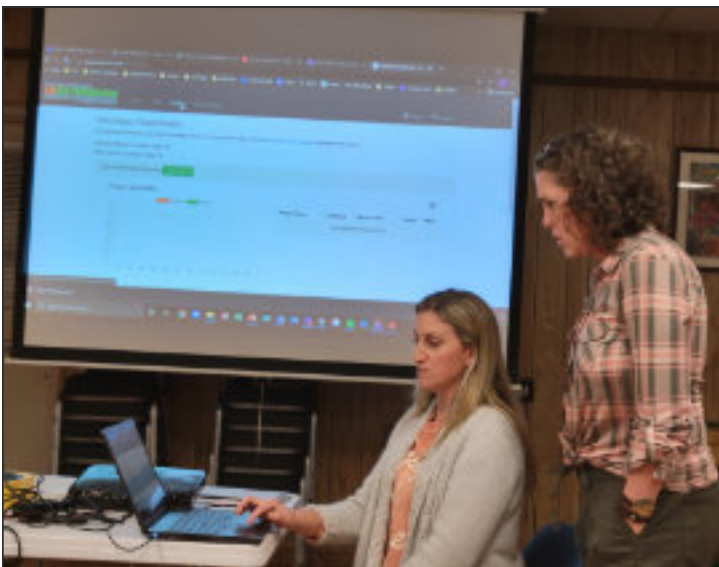


Someone is needed to do the Container Planting at Maury County Senior Citizens Center. Simple project and you get hours.

Contact: Kelly Raimondo, (985) 320-0941, kraimondo@att.net or Sue Nagel (307)640-0004, shelby6866@yahoo.com

Snapshots from Feb.

April Ray and Shannon Reece demonstrate "How to Enter Hours."



Gail Patton is honored for over 6 years of service with the MCMG Newsletter.



IF YOU ATTENDED THE FEBRUARY MCMG MEETING YOU EARNED

Club Support - 45 min+Driving Time

Education (CEU) - 1 hour

Thanks to Amanda Mathenia!

For coming and sharing her helpful in-sites on "Raised Beds and Container Gardening."

In the Works

April – Mount Pleasant Library, Bedding Cleanup and Annual Planting

April 23rd, (Sat) – Polk Home Raised Garden Community Demo and Planting. Need volunteer/s to present/demonstrate and plant.

April – Polk Home Rose Planting Project

April – Mt. Pleasant Library Bedding Project.

Maury County Senior Citizens Center Back Bed Planting

May – Polk Home Kitchen and Garden Projects

May – Polk Home Rose Planting Project

June 4th (Sat) – MCMG Garden Home Tour - **Need Volunteers to nominate their homes!**

Any questions Kelly Raimondo, (985) 320-0941, kraimondo@att.net Sue Nagel (307)640-0004, shelby6866@yahoo.com



Get Ready Now!!!
They ARE Coming
Coming
Coming ...



Looking for Plants



Plan Your Calendar

March 1 MCMG Meeting, “Bloomstall Flowers Floral Demonstration,” 6 pm, Senior Citizen’s Center; 1020 Maury County Park Dr; Columbia, TN

March 19 MCMG 2022 Class Graduation & Certification of New Master Gardeners, 6 pm, Spring Hill AgResearch and Education Center; Hwy 31 N; Spring Hill, TN

March 25-26 Western Region Conference, Clarksville, TN. Hosted by Montgomery County Master Gardeners

March 26 Workday, 9-11 am, Kitchen Garden, President James K. Polk Home and Museum; 301 W 7th Street; Columbia, TN

April 5 Maury County Senior Citizens Center Grounds Cleanup and Mulching, 4:30 – 6:00 pm Senior Center Clean up weeding. Bring your weeding tools and gloves.

MCMG Meeting, “Garden Tools Hands-on Maintenance Workshop,” 6 pm, Senior Citizen’s Center; 1020 Maury County Park Dr; Columbia

Organic Gardening and Farming Field Day, Knoxville

May 2 DEADLINE for sign up to showcase your garden in the 2022 MCMG Members Garden Tour

May 3 NO MCMG Meeting

May 6 Set up for MCMG Plant Sale

May 7 Maury County Master Gardeners Annual Plant Sale, Baker Bldg, Maury Co Park, 8 am-12 noon

June 4 2022 MCMG Garden Home Tour

June 14 “Fruits of the Backyard Field Day,” 8 am Middle TN AgResearch and Education Center, Spring Hill; 1000 Main Entrance Drive; Spring Hill, TN



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ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Saturday
May 7, 2022
8 am - Noon

**GREAT
PRICES!**

**All Kinds
Of Plants
Vendors**

**Flower
Arrangements
(DIY or made for you)
Prices Start at \$2**

The Baker Building, Maury Co Fair Grounds
1018 Maury County Park Drive, Columbia, TN



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CALL 931-637-5958 or 931-446-0610

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2022 Maurey County Master Gardener (MCMG) Membership Survey

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

MCMG Status: (Check the box that applies to you)

Active Member = Dues paying member/voting member. Dues of \$10.00 paid in full

Inactive Member = non dues paying member attends meeting, no voting rights

What is your interest in our club and what activities do you enjoy the most? (Check all that apply)

Monthly Meetings UT Extension Activities Speakers Field Trips Potluck

Service Projects

Other: _____

Speaker and Topic recommendations: Contact information and topics:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Door Prize recommendations:

Outdoor gardening items Home interior garden themed decorations Any garden related item seeds plants Other: _____

Potluck interest:

Pre Covid-Full Meals Yes or NO

Months not meeting any interest in getting together on our Meeting day and time for get together?
Yes/No

Garden Tours:

Even years; 2022 - MCMG June Garden Tours of three members gardens. Would you be willing to share your garden with the club? (Circle one) Yes/No/Maybe

Odd Years; 2023 – Support the James K. Polk Home Gardens of Columbia Public Garden Tour. More information to be provided in the future.

Would you be willing to present on a particular topic or do you have talents you would like to share with the Club? A subject matter expert and like to present? If so, what topic _____

What is your favorite public garden or garden related site for upcoming field trip ideas?

Ideas on increasing membership and retention of membership?

Ideas on how to help interns complete their service hours and become Master Gardeners?

Are you interested in being paired with a new intern for membership and as a welcoming member to assist with any questions they may have? ____ Yes or ____ No

Are you interested in serving on a committee? ____ Yes, if so, which one: _____

Any additional comments:

Your feedback is important to us.

Leave on the table or return to Kelly or Sue 2022 Vice- Presidents

**THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE EXTENSION
INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE
MAURY COUNTY MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION
BYLAWS**

2022 PROPOSED CHANGES TO 2020 BYLAWS

ARTICLE I – NAME

This organization shall be known as the Maury County Master Gardener Association, herein referred to as “the MCMGA” or “the Association.”

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

SECTION 1. The Maury County Master Gardener program trains and maintains horticultural volunteers for the University of Tennessee Extension, the off-campus educational unit of the UT Institute of Agriculture. The purpose of the Association is to foster and engage in activities that promote environmental stewardship and provide horticultural information based on UT Extension research to its members and to the community at large, thereby improving the quality of life for citizens of Maury County, Tennessee.

SECTION 2. The Association is a non-profit organization. It shall have the power to collect, manage, and expend dues and contributions in a manner consistent with its purpose; to incorporate as a non-profit corporation; to enlist services of independent contractors; and to perform all lawful actions consistent with the Association’s purpose and bylaws.

SECTION 3. The association does not participate in political campaigns and does not endorse candidates for public office.

ARTICLE III – ROLE OF THE EXTENSION AGENT

SECTION 1. The County Extension Agent, **as the Master Gardener Coordinator**, advises and supervises the MCMGA and, as the University of Tennessee Extension representative in Maury County, is the final authority on its Master Gardener program. The administrative directives set forth in these bylaws provide guidelines to facilitate operation of the Association.

SECTION 2. The County Extension Agent is available to meet with the Association president and other officers as invited by the president, typically each month, for mentoring and planning.

SECTION 3. The County Extension Agent shall sign up new officers for the State Master Gardener newsletter and regional news as appropriate.

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERS

SECTION 1. Membership in the MCMGA shall be by completing Master Gardener training classes and by remaining a member in good standing. The program is open to all interested persons without regard to race, national origin, religion, gender, disability, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status. Each member must maintain the integrity of the organization.

- a. Members are those who have had Master Gardener certification conferred upon them after completing the required course of study conducted by the University of Tennessee Extension. They remain active members in good standing by maintaining certified status and paying annual dues each calendar year.
- b. Master Gardener Interns are required to perform 40 volunteer service hours and acquire an additional 8 continued education **unit** hours (CEUs), within 12 months of completion of the class.
- c. To remain a certified Master Gardener in good standing in subsequent years, an individual must perform 25 volunteer service hours and acquire 8 CEUs within each year.
- d. If an individual does not meet these requirements, he or she will no longer be considered a certified Master Gardener and will forfeit all privileges of membership. The Association, with the approval of the County Extension Agent, may make exceptions in unusual circumstances.
- e. The County Extension Agent is the sole authority on certification status. He or she will notify the Association of any change in certification of its current members as well as persons newly certified after annual training classes.
- f. Persons who have completed Master Gardener training in another Tennessee county or another state, and were members in good standing, may petition for immediate membership in the MCMGA (see UT Extension Master Gardener Program Guidelines and Procedures for out-of-state policy).
- g. Life members are members who have served in good standing for 10 or more consecutive years. This status requires 15 hours of volunteer service and/or continued education annually. They may hold office and vote. They are exempt from paying dues.
- h. Honorary members are persons who have shown overwhelming support for the organization but have not been through the program. They are exempt from paying dues.

SECTION 2. All memberships are for a calendar year.

- a. Members record volunteer/education hours from January through December and report as required by the County Extension Agent **in early December**.
- b. Interns who become certified may count all hours from January to December of that year to meet ongoing certification requirements.

SECTION 3. Membership dues shall be in an amount set annually by the Association, payable in January – February of each year. Life and Honorary members do not pay dues. **See addenda for current dues.**

SECTION 4. Each dues-paying member shall be entitled to one vote on all matters brought before the Association.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. The officers of the Association shall be a President, two Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President. A co-officer can be available if needed.

a. Officers are members of the Association Board along with the current chairs of Association Standing Committees.

b. Duties are set forth in Section 3.

c. See addenda for current officers.

SECTION 2. Election of officers.

a. All members in good standing are eligible to serve as officers.

b. Elections shall be held biannually at the November meeting of the Association. At the September meeting, the President will provide brief descriptions of officer and committee chair duties and ask members to sign up for positions they are willing to hold. The president will appoint a nominating committee to review volunteers and other qualified candidates. This committee will present in October a slate of officers to be voted on at the November meeting. The slate proposed by the committee shall be published in electronic form prior to the November meeting.

c. Officers are elected for a period of two years, and their term of office shall begin on January 1 of the following year. Officers may serve multiple terms with the approval of the County Extension Agent. **Officers will assist in a smooth transition to new officers; maintain an “Officer’s Duties” binder supplied by the Association and pass along to the next person elected to the position.**

d. No elected officer shall hold more than one office at a time.

e. In the event that an office becomes vacant, a special election will be held to elect a member to fill the position for the unexpired term.

SECTION 3. Duties of Officers.

a. The President shall:

- 1) Prepare an agenda for each meeting of the Association
- 2) Preside at all meetings of the Association
- 3) Appoint Standing and Special Committee chairs
- 4) Be an official representative of the Association at State, Regional, or other events external to the county organization
- 5) Call special Association meetings, as requested or required
- 6) Be an ex officio and voting member of all committees
- 7) Publish monthly and special communications via email, including meeting notices

- 1) meeting notices
- 2) Perform other duties as may be required
- b. The Vice Presidents shall:
 - 1) Preside when the President is absent or unable to act **in agreement with other VP.**
 - 2) Be in charge of meeting programs and plan **service projects**
 - 3) Provide about five garden-related door prizes, predominantly gender neutral, and manage a drawing at each membership meeting**
 - 4) Ensure speakers support the MCMGA purpose and help increase membership with the support of the County Extension Agent**
 - 5) Support** committees at the President's request **and share Standing Committee oversight as agreed**
 - 6) Perform other duties as may be required
- c. The Secretary shall:
 - 1) Record the minutes of all meetings of the membership and make them available before the next meeting
 - 2) Be the custodian of the records of the organization
 - 3) Handle general correspondence of the organization
 - 4) Maintain the roster of members**
 - 5) Keep a record of attendance at monthly meetings
 - 6) Perform other duties as may be required
- d. The Treasurer shall:
 - 1) By November, prepare annual budget for coming year based on requests of officers and committee chairs, in conjunction with the outgoing treasurer from the previous election
 - 2) Collect monies due the MCMGA, including member dues
 - 3) Make necessary disbursements only as approved by President and membership -- if more than \$100, by approval of members at an Association meeting by simple majority; if less than \$100, President is authorized to make the disbursement
 - 4) Keep an accurate account of receipts and disbursements, and **make line-item reports in March, August and October to membership meetings indicating budget remaining** as well as annual report/**new budget in January**
 - 5) Submit financials as required by UT Extension
 - 6) Perform other duties as may be required
- e. The Immediate Past President, the outgoing president, shall:
 - 1) Serve in a consulting capacity
 - 2) Chair the Standing Committee for Mentoring and Retention**
 - 3) Chair the nominating committee

ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

SECTION 1. Membership meetings of the MCMGA shall be held monthly at such days, times and places as the membership may designate. **See addenda for current meeting time/place.**

SECTION 2. A **membership** meeting in November of every other year shall include the election of officers.

SECTION 3. At all meetings where business is conducted, voting members present shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 4. The fiscal year for financial reporting is January 1 to December 31. At the January meeting, the end-of-year financial report and the budget for the following year will be presented for approval of the membership.

SECTION 5. A meeting of the Association Board, consisting of Officers and Standing Committee Chairs, shall be held in January of each year.

ARTICLE VII – COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. The President may create committees as needed and shall appoint committee chairs. The chair of a committee selects committee members. Committees are of **three** types:

- a. **Executive Committee is the elected officers and is called into session to facilitate decision making between annual meetings of the Association Board or in urgent and crisis circumstances.**
- b. Standing committees are necessary for the continued existence or functioning of the Association. **Standing Committee Chairs will assist in a smooth transition and maintain a “Committee Chair’s Duties” binder supplied by the Association to pass along to the next person appointed to the position. See addenda for current Standing Committees.**
- c. Special committees may be appointed to meet short-term or immediate goals and can be for any purpose, including special events.

SECTION 2. The quorum for a committee shall be members in attendance.

SECTION 3. The President shall be an ex officio member of all committees with the right to vote, **unless delegated to another officer.**

SECTION 4. Each Committee Chair shall:

- a. Understand needs and arrange funding as needed; apply for grants and awards as appropriate
- b. Schedule committee meetings and workdays, as needed
- c. Inform membership of workdays and progress via the **email newsletter, separate email or social media**

- a. Record the minutes of committee meetings and issue a summary to the Secretary to be made available with the monthly minutes of the Association
- b. Report progress at monthly meetings, as appropriate
- c. Submit budget requests for the following year to the Treasurer **by October 15 of current year**

ARTICLE VIII – COMMUNICATION

SECTION 1. Official communication of The MCMGA is through electronic means.

SECTION 2. When any notice is required to be given to the membership, electronic publication is deemed sufficient.

ARTICLE IX – PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Robert's Rules of Order, Revised will govern the Association in all cases to which they are applicable.

ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. This organization may adopt new or revised bylaws or amendments to the bylaws at any time **as specified in Sections 2 – 4.**

SECTION 2. Changes to the bylaws may be proposed at any membership meeting by any member in good standing.

SECTION 3. At the time it is presented, an amendment may be amended by simple majority vote. It may not be finally adopted at the same meeting in which it was proposed.

SECTION 4. A proposed amendment will be advertised by electronic means prior to the next meeting of the membership, at which time it will be brought to a vote. Changes to the bylaws require an affirmative vote of two-thirds of voting members present.

ARTICLE XI – DISSOLUTION

In the event that the MCMGA disbands or otherwise ceases to function, all assets of whatever nature which remain after just debts and responsibilities have been satisfied shall be deposited in the Maury County Extension Office account to be used for educational purposes. No part of the net income shall inure to the benefit of any member or be distributed to its members or officers.

REVISION HISTORY

REVISED BY VOTE OF MEMBERSHIP: February 11, 2020

PROPOSED REVISION reviewed by the Association Board on January 18, 2022; last edited: January 26; briefly reviewed at membership meeting February 1; published in full in March newsletter

MCMGA Annual Dues

Annual dues, collected January – February of each year, are \$10.00

MCMGA Meeting Time and Place

6:00 p.m. on First Tuesday of January, February, March, April, August, September, October and November
Maury County Senior Citizens Center, Maury County Park

Special activities in other months:

- | | |
|-----------------|---|
| May | Plant Sale on Saturday before Mother's Day in Baker Building, Maury County Park |
| June | Garden Tour (James K. Polk Home tour in odd years and members' gardens in even years) |
| July | Social (Meet & Greet) |
| December | Social (Christmas Party) |

MCMGA Current Officers

President Kathie Wilson

Vice President Sue Nagel

Vice President Kelly Raimondo

Secretary April Ray

Treasurers Bruce and Cay McShurley

Immediate Past President George Patton

MCMGA Current Standing Committees and Chairs

1. Plant Sale – Melanie Edwards, Annette Wakefield
2. Mentoring and Retention – George Patton (Immediate Past President)
3. Meeting Coordinators – Shannon Reece and Stephanie Horstman
4. Publicity –
 - a. George Patton (website) and Chair
 - b. Gail Patton (newsletter)
 - c. Keith Buddemeyer (Facebook),
 - d. Larry Heidcamp (plant sale)
 - e. Shannon Reece (Instagram)
5. Maury County Home and Garden Show – Melanie Edwards
6. Maury County Fair – Gail Patton
7. Sunshine – Cay McShurley
8. Field Trips – Shannon Reece
9. Photographer and Reporter – Shannon Reece
10. Volunteer and Education Hours Online System Support – April Ray, George Patton