

Greene Co. Master Gardeners
Zoom business meeting
April 13, 2021 @ 1:00 pm

President Dan welcomed all to the regular business meeting at 1:02 pm. This meeting is being recorded. There were 22 participants online for this meeting.

Minutes-Robbie Nash made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 9th business meeting with a second by Sarah Preston. Motion passed.

The financial report by Skip through March 31, 2021

Received 1-31 Mar	\$	37.97
Expenditures 1-31 Mar (non-rstr)	\$	0.00

Checking account Balance Mar 31 - \$10,722.53

Restricted Funds Feb 28, 2020	(\$1,328.00)
Restricted Funds Spent in Mar	\$ 0.00
Checking Account Cash 02/28/21	\$ 9,394.53
Unspent Obligated 2021 Budget Fund	(\$9,850)

03/31/21 Available Cash	
Checking Acct.	\$9,395
Savings	\$2,060
CDs	<u>\$5,250</u>
Total	\$16,705

Forecast Net Cash 12/31/21	\$14,706
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Contributions/Donations	
Prior Year (2020)	\$142.18
First Quarter 2021 (Jan 01 – Mar 31)	
Kroger Community Rewards	\$ 37.97
AmazonSmile	<u>\$ 00.00</u>
Total for the Quarter	\$ 37.97

Total for the Year 2021	\$ 37.97
Goal for 12/31/21	\$177.73

Skip requested that the membership submit your expenses for your projects as soon as possible and to not hold on to them. Use a reimbursement form and include a copy of the receipt. The project manager approval should be on the form or an email from the project manager granting permission. These forms

may be found at greene.osu.edu under MG tag.

Old business

Upcoming business meetings-

The next business meeting will be May 11th at 1 pm via Zoom.

June 8th Oaks Quarry in Fairborn @ 6:30 pm

July 13th Beaver Creek Wetlands @ 6:30 pm

August 10th Little Miami River Farms @6:30 pm

These will be a one hour program with a possible short business meeting afterward.

We may have a fall picnic in either August or September.

Our annual meeting will be in October.

Our last 2021 regular business meeting will be in November.

In December, there will only be a board meeting.

Plant sale-

- The plant sale will be in the Buckeye room at the extension office on May 8th from 9-1pm .
- Set up will be May 7th starting at 9 am.
- Please let Pam Carter know if you can volunteer.
- Please, no early drop-offs.
- If you are volunteering, please fill out a health check each day. Masks and social distancing will be observed.

Op manual-

These are the updates to the Operations Manual.

1. Action required to return to active MGV status
2. Revised Grants Committee
3. Added Grants Steering Group

These have been approved and were sent out to everyone on April 12th. These will soon be posted to the Greene County Extension site

<https://greene.osu.edu/program-areas/master-gardener-volunteers/current-master-gardeners/organizational>

2021 Continuing Education (Virtual Programs)-

There will be no more Greene County continuing ed. on the day of the business meeting.

OSU Extension Lunch & Learn and Happy Hour Webinar Series

- *Buckeye Lady Beetle Blitz* Thursday 4/15 12-1 PM
- *Recognizing and addressing delusions of Parasitosis* Weds. 4/21 4-5 PM
- *Jumping Worms* Thursday 5/6 12-1 PM
- *Periodical Cicada Emergence in OH* Weds. 5/12 4-5 PM
- *Combating Mosquitoes in the Yard* Thursday 5/20 12-1
- *Insect Mouthparts and Feeding Damage* Weds. 5/26 4-5

You may register for each Webinar at Mastergardener.osu.edu

Please note that previous webinars are also available at this website.

Cuyahoga County Master Gardeners "Saturday Gatherings in the Garden

- *April 24 10-11 AM Container Vegetable Gardening*
- *May 8 10-11 AM Heirloom Vegetables and Flowers*
- *June 12 10-11 AM Rain Gardens*
- *June 26 10-11 AM Managing Pests in the Vegetable Garden without Chemicals*

You may register for each webinar at cuyahogamg.org. There is a \$5 fee per session.

Ohio AgrAbility 2021 Gardening with Physical Limitations Webinar Series

You may register for June, July, and August Webinars at

Go.osu.edu/everyonecangarden

Summit County Sustainable Gardening in your Backyard

- *A Common Bond: Insect and Plant Interactions* Thurs. April 15 7 PM
- *Important Late Summer and Fall Plantings to Aid Pollinators and Migratory Species* Thurs. May 20 7PM

You may register at go.osu.edu/twins

April phenology report-

2020 Growing Degree Days (GDD) 209

2021 Growing Degree Days (GDD) 218

In March, the US Senate passed a resolution declaring April as national native plant month. <https://www.ohionativeplantmonth.org>

New business

- Goals/Objectives –

1. Develop a vibrant grant program
2. Improve revenue streams
3. Increase educational aspects of projects
4. Improve project and committee support
5. Increase community involvement
6. Improve GCMGV satisfaction
7. Assist 2022 intern class recruitment

April's Objective Focus-

7. Assist recruitment for the 2022 Intern Class

7b. Provide five (5) \$100 tuition scholarships to individuals who demonstrate financial need to participate in the 2022 intern class. (The Finance Standing Committee amends the 2021 budget and an Intern Scholarship Team works with the Program Coordinator to receive and make recommendations to the Board.) (Intern Scholarship Team is chaired by GCMGV Board VP assisted by two (2) additional members) (Tuition scholarships are intended for individuals for whom the current program cost is a prohibiting factor to becoming an intern. (Recipients will not be identified.)

Execution steps –

a. Intern Scholarship Team

Jane Worth – Chair, Jim and Pat Hammond– members. This is still a work in progress.

b. Actions

- Building an implementation plan – how and when
- Work closely with Program Coordinator
- Membership key as you talk to prospective applicants
- Update with details at May Business Meeting

Phenology garden-

Dick Baker gave a report on our phenology garden which is located at the Xenia Station. Dick needs more volunteers/observers for Tuesday, Thursday or Saturday for data collection. Please see Dick if you'd like to help. A pollinator garden has been added to the phenology garden.

Awards-

Jane reported on two awards that will be given out in 2021. MGs are encouraged to nominate their fellow MGs. Deadline to nominate is August 31st. Kim has the nominating forms. Awards will be given out at the Winter Gathering in January. At the May business meeting, we will learn more about two other awards.

The Dirtiest Jeans Award is given to the MGV who wears the evidence of a day's work at a project on their sleeve, or in this case -- on their pants. Please include a short summary paragraph on why this MGV should receive this award and include a specific example or incident describing how the MGV got that dirty. A photo of the MGV in the dirty jeans and/or other clothing is required to be considered for this award.

The Sunshine Award is given to an MGV who demonstrates a positive attitude and who goes the extra mile to encourage other MGVs and lift their spirits. Please include a short summary paragraph on why this MGV should receive the Sunshine Award. Please include the specific example(s) or incident(s) which illustrate the positive spirit of the MGV.

Coordinators report

- Please check your emails as Kim has sent out info regarding MG apparel, Victory garden seeds, Grow Ohio, etc.
- our committees are up and active.
- still waiting for training on Hands on Connect.
- has recruited a team of trainers and each MG should be hearing from the trainer assigned to them soon regarding the Greene County website.
- Grow Ohio-Lexington Park-see Kim or Trevor if interested in volunteering

Open discussion

- The cicadas are coming!
- Keep an eye out for leaf tier caterpillars on your hydrangeas.

Adjourn-The next business meeting will be Tuesday May 11th at 1 pm via Zoom. Skip Mahan made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Debbie Downes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm. 23 participants were on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Lea Brown
Greene Co. MGV secretary