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## FROM MERRY...

First, I have taken over the writing of this newsletter for Diana Cesena. Their house sold quickly and they are preparing to move very soon. A huge thank you goes to Diana as she was an integral and active member of our club. We wish her all the best! So be patient with me as I slide into her shoes and find my way – they are BIG shoes to fill.

I wanted to share a recent experience with you. We had bats! Now, I love having bats around, but we had a large amount of excrement on our front walk



every morning. In addition, over a 2 day period we found 3 dead bats in this same area. A google search informed me that there is a white nose syndrome killing thousands of bats so I assume this to be the cause. I also learned that while bat houses are good to have around, there is no guarantee that the bats will use it. Fortunately a friend who observed our dilemma told me they had a similar issue and leaving your front outside lights on at night will keep them away. Our problem is now fixed! For those of you who might prefer the darkness of your neighborhood, there might be a good reason for your neighbors' lights to be on. No more bats in my belfrey!

## TRIP INFORMATION

The next scheduled trip is August 24 to the Ijams Hummingbird Festival at Ijams Nature Center in Knoxville. Please contact Judy Wade to register. [jwade866@gmail.com](mailto:jwade866@gmail.com)

In June five members traveled to the Daylily Festival in Coryton, TN to view over 1000 different dayliy specimens and each member received a free daylily.

## AUGUST 21 MEMBER-ONLY MEETING

Our August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will be a celebration of our Club's birthday and is a members-only event. It will be held off-site at The Barn at Oaklawn Farms. Details and directions will be sent from the committee soon. Space is limited therefore you must sign up by **August 7<sup>th</sup>**. If you have not yet registered you may contact Sue Case at [suecasaneenee@gmail.com](mailto:suecasaneenee@gmail.com) or (218)591-8665. Please let her know what breakfast-related food item you plan to bring.

## UPCOMING UT DISCOVERY GARDENS CLASSES

### FALL GARDENING SERIES - GREGG UPCHURCH

**Tues., Aug 13** **10am-11:30am**

Soils and Mulch Fee: none

**Tues., Sept 17** **10am-Noon**

Cool Season Turf Planting  
and Weed Control Fee: none

**Tues., Oct 8** **10am-11:30am**

Fall Landscape Maintenance-  
Do's and Don't Fee: none

### AUGUST CLASSES:

**Wed, Aug 14** **10am-Noon**

Saving Seeds Fee: none

Jewell Wilhoite

**Tues, Aug 27** **9am-3pm**

11<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Gardeners' Festival

320 Experiment Station Rd.

12 topics, wagon tours, vendors, exhibits,  
etc. Fee: none

To register: Phone: (931) 484-0034  
Email: [jburns35@utk.edu](mailto:jburns35@utk.edu)

Over 40 classes are typically scheduled at the UT Gardens/Crossville at the Plateau Discovery Gardens on a wide variety of horticultural, nature, landscaping, and gardening topics. Reservations required.

Cumberland Master Gardeners'

Website: [www.ccmga.org](http://www.ccmga.org)



3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month

FFG Community Church, 521 Snead Drive, Fairfield Glade

Coffee & Socializing 9am – Meeting starts at 9:30am