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FROM MERRY...

I was disappointed that I missed our last speaker. Mimi Barnes from the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency always has some great information to share with those of us new to living here on the plateau and learning to share our surroundings with all the different critters. So on that note, I will share some of the information we have learned in the past from various "experts".

Various critters are territorial and if removed from a specific area others will move in. It is best to just try to learn to co-exist. If they seem to be causing problems to your home then seek help from an agency with expertise so that the problem can be resolved humanely.

Also, many people get pleasure out of feeding various wildlife including birds. While it is recommended that we do not feed any wildlife, for those who wish to do so should research what type of food is best. Many foods do not provide our birds and wildlife, including deer, a balanced diet and can actually cause them harm. You can find good information by doing some research from wildlife resources online or ask some of the experts who live in our area. What you feed them matters greatly to their well-being. They actually have plenty of food to eat here without our interference!

CALLING NEW MEMBERS... if you joined the Garden Club this year and have not yet attended, you are invited to a **New Member Orientation** on Monday November 4th from 1:30-3:30 at the Fairfield Glade Library (main floor). Leader Board members will be on hand to explain our club's mission, various committees, and provide valuable gardening resources in our county. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and meet new people in a more intimate setting. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by November 1st to Evelyn Birmingham at ewbkids@yahoo.com or (931) 287-0420.

DOGWOOD ARTS ANNUAL TREE-PLANTING INITIATIVE: Last March our speaker was Vicki Baumgartner who spoke about the Knoxville Dogwood Arts Festival. She shared information on Bazillion Blooms which is their annual dogwood tree-planting initiative held each fall. Many members expressed an interest in purchasing trees. You may now order trees on their website through mid-November. They must be picked up on Saturday, December 7th from 9am-12noon at the UT Gardens off Neyland Drive in Knoxville. You will find details and order form on their website: www.dogwoodarts.com/bazillionblooms

UPCOMING CLASSES UT DISCOVERY GARDENS

FALL GARDENING SERIES - GREGG UPCHURCH

Fee: none

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

Fall Landscape Maintenance-
Do's and Don'ts Fee: none

OCTOBER CLASSES:

Sat, Oct 12 **10-noon**

Composting Fee: none
Sid Morgan

Wed, Oct 16 **9-11:30am**

Tree Identification Fee: none
Sid Morgan

Tues, Oct 22 **10-noon**

Repurposing with Angela Fee: TBD
Angela Witzel

NOVEMBER CLASSES:

Thurs, Nov 21 **10-noon**

Holiday Cooking Fee: \$20
Kelli Roberson and Crystal Blankenship

Tues, Nov 26 **10-noon**

Repurposing with Angela Fee: TBD
Angela Witzel

To register: Phone: (931) 484-0034
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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

3rd Wednesday of each month
FFG Community Church, 521 Snead Drive, Fairfield Glade
Coffee & Socializing 9am – Meeting starts at 9:30am