



Fairfield Glade Garden Club



February 2026 Newsletter



From the President

During this roller coaster of weather, I have been thinking about spring planting and ran across this quote: I grow plants for many reasons: to please my soul, to challenge the elements or to challenge my patience, for novelty, or for nostalgia, but mostly for the joy in seeing them grow. - David Hobson This seems to apply to our last few weeks.

Stay safe and warm.

Allison Stanley, President 2026



Our **February 18th** meeting is at
the **FG Community Church**.
Membership meeting begins at
9:00 am

February Speaker
Gregg Upchurch
Pest, Ticks,
Off Products



Gregg Upchurch

UT Agricultural Extension Agent in Cumberland County

Wednesday February 18, 2026

Gregg will speak about pests in and around our homes and yards.

Gregg has served as the UT Agricultural Extension Agent in Cumberland County since 2003. Part of his duties are to provide information, education and consultation to homeowners, Master Gardeners, commercial fruit and vegetable growers and horticultural businesses.

Gregg serves on numerous UT Extension Statewide committees that strive to advance sustainable landscape and improve home fruit and vegetable production. Gregg cares for his family orchard and his own home farm.

He also plays a significant role in the UT Extension Master Gardener program. He teaches classes for the Master Gardener Program and also speaks to different groups around our county and across the state of TN. He is a very busy man and wears many hats.



Travel Corner

Trips available for sign up

Date: Monday - March 23rd

Place: Dirty Girls Nursery - Crossville

Time: 10:00 am (Driving trip - car pool will be available)

Cost: TBD - cost will include the class, supplies & lunch @ Dirty Girls Cafe.

Description: We will be making a succulent wreath and learn how to care for them.

Date: Wednesday - April 22nd

Place: **Rock City** - Lookout Mountain, GA

Time: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm estimated

Cost: \$93 pp - includes roundtrip bus, guided tour, boxed lunch and some free time at the location

NOTE: There are **ONLY 6 seats remaining** for this trip! Sign up quickly!

Watch for more details coming soon on the following trips - no signups currently available

May 26 - **Fairwinds Lavender Farm** - Jamestown, TN

June 3 - **Erin's Meadow Herb Farm** - Clinton, TN

Trip Guidelines

- Please be sure to check your calendar prior to signups - as all trips are non-refundable. While we understand things may come up, you will need to find a replacement to recoup your monies. Should a wait list be available, I can provide names from that list.
- You may sign up either at monthly meeting, or by contacting me via text or email (see below)
- Payment must be made upon signup to guarantee your spot. So please either bring a check or cash with you to the monthly meeting, or if signing up via text or email, be sure to put your check made out to FGGC to FGGC - PO Box 1614, Fairfield Glade, TN 38558 in the mail immediately.
- All trips are rain or shine - so be prepared for what mother nature has to offer us.
- All bus trips meet behind the community center in the Glade. All driving trips will offer carpooling opportunities. We meet in the Domino's parking lot.
- A detailed email is sent 2-3 days prior to all trips with all the details needed. Should you not receive it, contact me immediately and I will resend. (Be sure to check your SPAM folder - emails come from my personal email box).

Darlene Petersen - Fairfield Glade Garden Club Travel Chair

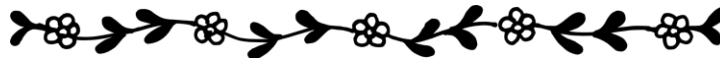
847-714-2153



Sharing table

Welcome back to another year of the Sharing Table! We brought in **\$98.00** last month, way to go! I bet you received a gift this past Christmas that wasn't "quite the right fit." You are wondering what to do with it. We are happy to "recycle" it into a double donation to our scholarship fund; place it on the table and another member will make a generous donation...it's a **WIN-WIN**. Thanks again for your participation!! See you soon 😊

Mary Stockton



Look what I dug up by Nathy Hill



A Secret Weapon for 12 Houseplants

Eggshells might seem like simple kitchen waste, but they're actually a secret weapon for many houseplants. These calcium-packed powerhouses can transform your indoor garden when crushed and

added to soil.

Spider Plant - For best results, mix crushed eggshells into the soil when repotting your spider plant. You can also sprinkle a small amount on the soil surface every few months.

African Violet - Use very finely crushed eggshells for African violets since their root systems are delicate. Mix the powder into the top layer of soil every few months.

Peace Lily - Add crushed eggshells to your peace lily's soil during repotting or as a top dressing twice a year.

Snake Plant - Since snake plants don't need frequent repotting, sprinkle crushed eggshells around the base of the plant annually.

Pothos - Mix crushed eggshells into the soil when potting or repotting your pothos.

Jade Plant - For jade plants, coarsely crushed eggshells work best.

Aloe Vera - Add crushed eggshells to your aloe's soil during the growing season.

Boston Fern - Use finely crushed eggshells for Boston ferns, incorporating them into the soil during repotting.

Christmas Cactus - Add crushed eggshells to your Christmas cactus soil after the blooming period to replenish nutrients.

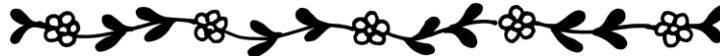
Rubber Plant - Add coarsely crushed eggshells to your rubber plant's soil during repotting.

Begonia - Use finely crushed eggshells for begonias, working them into the top layer of soil.

Orchid - For orchids, place larger pieces of clean, dried eggshell directly into the bark medium.

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FAIRFIELD GLADE GARDEN CLUB
TREASURER'S REPORT
Dec, 2025

Operating Fund

Balance at 12/1/2025

Trips \$8,865.78

Income:

Refund of PO Box pmt (key not needed) \$11.00

VOIDED check 1610- replaced with 1611 \$45.00

Total Income

\$56

Disbursements

Checks:

	Transfer Elks club donation to School fund	(\$225.00)
	Dixie Bernsteen - Bake sale supplies	(\$45.00)
1611	replaces check 1610	
1612	Kathy Spancake - Microsoft for laptop (1yr)	(\$109.74)
		(\$79.00)
1613	Cynthia Rossiter - Plants at bank	
1614	FG Community Church - Dec mtg donation	(\$100.00)

Total

Disbursements

Balance at

12/31/2025

\$8,363.04

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Scholarship Fund

Balance at

12/1/2025

\$15,682.66

Income:

\$225.00	Transfer Elks Club donation from Op fund
\$550.00	Donations towards School Fund

Total Income

\$775.00

Checks:

Total

Disbursements

\$0.00

Balance at

12/31/2025

\$16,457.66

Total Balance

\$24,820.70



Who to call if you have questions about:

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