



## Pest Management News

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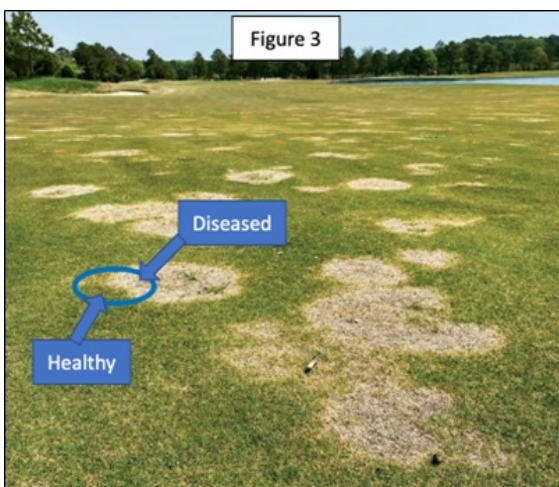
### Bagworms

Jon Zawislak  
*Assistant Professor of Apiculture and Urban Entomology*

Bagworms can be destructive pests on a variety of trees and shrubs. Named for the distinctive protective bags they construct; these caterpillars can defoliate entire plants if left unchecked. Learn more about the lifecycle, behavior, and effective control methods of this insect pest.



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### Half-healthy, half-sick— taking a proper turf disease sample...

Wendell Hutchens  
*Assistant Professor of Turfgrass Science*  
Sherrie Smith  
*Plant Pathology Instructor, Plant Health Clinic  
Diagnostician*

Turfgrass can be damaged from countless abiotic and biotic stressors that require rapid and accurate diagnosis to be effectively managed. However, it all starts with taking a proper sample and providing ample

information to the diagnosticians.

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## Septoria Leaf Spot

Sherrie Smith

*Plant Pathology Instructor, Plant Health Clinic  
Diagnostician*

The Plant Health Clinic has received numerous samples of tomato with severe leaf damage. Septoria Leaf Spot caused by *Septoria lycopersici* is one of the most damaging diseases of tomato foliage. Learn more below!

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## Broad Mite Observed on Arkansas Blackberry

Aaron Cato

*Assistant Professor and Horticulture IPM  
Specialist*

Broad mite numbers are on the rise in Arkansas and the time is now to get out and scout your fields!

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## Managing Common Pumpkin Insect Pests in Arkansas

Aaron Cato

*Assistant Professor and Horticulture IPM  
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It's August now and the pumpkins across the state have been in the ground for a month or more. Based on what we've seen in our plots and the calls we've gotten in the last couple of weeks, we also have many of our usual insect pests out in full force. Below is some advice and guidance for some of our more serious pests in pumpkins.

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### Chipmunks: Cute Pests

Becky McPeake

*Professor and Extension Wildlife Specialist*

These little darlings cross the line when their tunneling causes erosion and their activities mess up gardens and landscapes.

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### What Caused This Herbicide Injury?

Tommy Butts

*Assistant Professor and Extension Weed Scientist*

Hannah Wright-Smith

*Assistant Professor and Extension Weed Scientist*

Are you a master of herbicide symptomology? Be the first to email Tommy Butts ([tbutts@uada.edu](mailto:tbutts@uada.edu)) and Hannah Wright-Smith ([hewright@uada.edu](mailto:hewright@uada.edu)) with the correct answer for this herbicide injury scenario and win a prize. Good luck!



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