

5th Annual Symposium presented by
Lake County Master Gardeners Association

"Autumn - Nature's Mosaic"

Saturday, September 16, 2017
8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
(registration starts at 8:30 a.m.)

AVALON MANOR BANQUET CENTER
3550 E. Lincoln Highway, Merrillville, IN 46410
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FEATURED SPEAKERS AND TOPICS

Beth Botts (Keynote Speaker) - "The Edible Garden" – (The Garden Beat)

Award winning writer, Beth has written hundreds of articles about gardens and nature for publication including the *Chicago Tribune*, senior writer at The Morton Arboretum and free-lance writer for magazines including *Organic Gardening*, *Country Gardening* and *Chicagoland Gardening*. Raised on the South Side of Chicago by an organic gardener, she now gardens in deep shade on the north side of a four-story apartment building and crowds her roses into one small bed where the sun sneaks between the trees and grows tomatoes and herbs

Jim Nau – "The Lure of Plants; what's new and some others to be considered!"

The 2016 Medallion of Honor recipient, Jim Nau of the Ball Horticultural Company, West Chicago, Illinois, started his career in June, 1982 after graduating from Iowa State University. The Gardens of Ball have evolved and thrived under Jim's thirty-four years of managing those showplace gardens. Jim has also been a Director, Vice President, President and then Past-President of this organization. He is a nationally recognized expert in annual flowers and containers.

Frederick "Fred" Whitford – "Do Pesticides Have A Place In Your Garden?"

Clinical Engagement Professor, Botany and Plant Pathology and Director of Purdue Pesticide Programs in West Lafayette, Fred received his bachelor's degree from Louisiana Tech and his master's and doctorate degrees in entomology from Iowa State University. He has authored numerous books including two books on pesticide management and has authored over 300 publications. Fred has received numerous awards and honors, and has served as Coordinator of the Purdue Pesticide Program since 1991.

Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp – "A Selection of the Best Plants for the Indiana Landscape."

Jo Ellen works as a freelance writer, editor and photographer. Her work has appeared in several national and local publications, including the *American Gardener*, *Indiana Gardening*, *Angie's List* magazine, *Edible Indy* and more. Her weekly *Hoosier Gardener* column has been running in the *Indianapolis Star* since 1989. She was the founding editor and a part owner of *Indiana Living Green* magazine.

VENDORS – GIVEAWAYS – DOOR PRIZES

1st Registration deadline: September 1, 2017 - \$40 per person or \$35 per person for a table of 8 when registering.

2nd Registration deadline: September 9, 2017 - \$50 per person.

Morning sweets, coffee/tea or water and a plated light lunch with dessert are inclusive. **NO REFUNDS.**

(Please return this portion . Please include all information for each attendee on backside, if needed)

NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____

INDICATE LUNCH CHOICE(S): * Chicken Breast Piccata _____ * Tuna on Croissant _____ * Vegetable Wrap _____ *Gluten Free _____

*I would like to purchase _____ ticket(s) @ \$40 each for a total of \$_____

*I would like to purchase 8 tickets @ \$35 each for a total of \$280.00.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LCMGA, INC. and forward to Purdue Extension-Lake County, 2293 N. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307, Attn. Symposium.

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