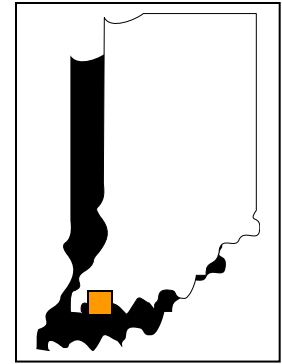


Purdue University's 2007 Master Gardener State Conference

September 27, 28, and 29

Aztar Hotel and Executive Conference Center

Evansville, Indiana



Everything
Under
One
Roof!



Hosted by
Southwestern Indiana
Master Gardener Association, Inc.
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Serving
Gibson County
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“Have you ever
bought plants you
didn't need, or
really even want,
but just couldn't
resist?”

Felder Rushing



Felder Rushing, nationally recognized garden authority, lecturer, author, journalist, TV and radio personality joins us on Friday for *Cottage Gardens by the Slice* followed by his workshop *Yard Art: the Good, the Bad, and the Unbelievable*.

The Friday morning sessions open with author and lecturer **Eva Shaw** who brings a wonderful sense of humor to her program entitled, *Shovel It: Nature's Health Plan*. A Ph.D. in psychology combined with her horticultural experiences will make her breakout session *Garden Journaling* an educational treat.



Rosie Lerner, Purdue Consumer Horticulture Extension Specialist and Master Gardener State Coordinator, presents *What Counts? and Volunteers* and participates in a round table discussion on *MG Insurance, Fundraising, and Publicity*.



2007 Purdue Master Gardener State Conference

Thursday, 1:00 p.m. Departure

Aztar Hotel Lobby 12:45 Boarding

“I love to show visitors the exotics we can raise in Southern Indiana.”

Paul Bouseman

- Activities begin as MG's are transported to Mesker Park Zoo & Botanic Garden for a guided tour aboard the tram with Paul Bouseman, Horticulture Curator. Learn first-hand about gardening around exotic animals with each exhibit painstakingly recreated to reflect a natural habitat. Visit one of three greenhouses where exotic plants are propagated and later stored for the winter.
- Journey to Hartman Arboretum for a light snack and experience the task of starting an arboretum on twenty acres of farmland. Master Gardener Grant Hartman is our guide and speaker.
- We will drive by Howell Wetlands, one of the last remaining wetlands in Indiana, in preparation for a program presented on Friday by Lauren Preske.
- Return to Aztar in time for registration and dinner atop the Casino Aztar boat anchored across the street.
- Meet the Speakers.



Butterfly Garden



Plant Booth

Friday, September 28 Aztar Walnut Building, 8:45 a.m.

Breakfast on your own.

- Welcome and Conference Information
- **Session 1:** Eva Shaw, *Shovel It: Nature's Health Plan*
- **Session 2:** Rosie Lerner, *What Counts? And Volunteers* Rosie Lerner
- **Session 3:** Felder Rushing, *Cottage Gardens by the Slice*
- **Session 4:** Felder Rushing workshop, *Yard Art: the Good, the Bad, and the Unbelievable*
- **Session 5 and 6: (select one)**
 - Session 5: Eva Shaw, *Garden Journaling*
 - Session 6: Lauren Preske, *Howell Wetlands: Wildflowers & Wildlife*
- **Session 7 and 8: (select one)**
 - Session 7: Sharon Sorenson, *A Four Season Nature Photo Journal*
 - Session 8: Colletta Kosbia, *Bulbs, Corms, & Rhizomes*
- **Session 9: Roundtable discussion, Master Gardener Insurance, Fundraising, and Publicity**

Dinner

- Dinner, speaker TBA

Stroll
The
Riverfront

Exchange
Ideas

Meet
The
Speakers

Visit
The
Museum
Of Arts
& Sciences

State Conference continues . . .



Gene Bush

Vendors

Silent
Auction

Door
Prizes

Plant
Booth

Saturday, September 29

8:00 to 8:45 a.m. Continental-Style Breakfast

Session 10: Gene Bush, *Color in the Shade Garden: 9 Months of Natives in Bloom*
Munchkins Nursery, Louisville, KY

Sessions 11 and 12 (select one)

Session 11: Dallas Foster, *Rock Gardens*, Landscapes by Dallas Foster, Vincennes, IN

Session 12: Larry Caplan, Purdue Vanderburgh County Extension Educator
Gardening Tips for People with Physical Disabilities

Sessions 13 and 14 (select one)

Session 13: TBA

Session 14: Tami Sparks and John Adams, *Roses: Care and Selection* and
The University of Evansville Historic Rose Garden

Conference adjourned.

HOTEL AND CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION
Make two reservations – conference and hotel.

State Conference reservation deadline is August 15, 2007.
Use conference reservation form on page 4.

3 Day Conference — \$120.00
2 Day, Friday and Saturday — \$95.00

Hotel reservations are to be made directly with
Aztar Hotel, 812-433-4000, and refer to Block #3941
Hotel address: 421 NW Riverside Drive, Evansville, IN 47708

Special rates for a block of rooms are in effect until July 26:

Thursday night, September 27— \$79.00
Friday night, September 28 — \$99.00
One or two people per room.

There are numerous well-known motel chains in the Evansville area.

**PURDUE MASTER GARDENER STATE CONFERENCE
RESERVATION FORM**

Conference registration deadline: August 15, 2007

Please Print _____ Date _____

Name _____
(as you wish it to appear on name tag)

Address _____ Email _____

City/St/Zip _____ County _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

MG Association name (if different from County) _____

Special needs and/or diet: _____

Indicate your preference:

_____ 3-Day Conference \$120 _____ Friday/Saturday \$95
Includes 4 meals, 2 snacks. Includes 3 meals, 1 snack.

Check \$ _____ payable to SWIMGA State Conference

Charge: VISA MasterCard

Acct. # _____ Exp. Date _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____

Receipt by mail or email.

Mail form and check to:

Linda Vanderver, 12721 Red Gate Road, Evansville, IN 47725

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Conference Information and Reservation: 812-867-0912