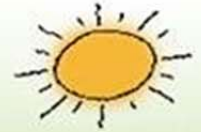




# Loudoun County Master Gardener Annual Gardening Symposium



March 24-25, 2012

Holiday Inn Leesburg at Carradoc Hall, 1500 E. Market St, Leesburg, VA 20176

## Saturday Speakers 9am – 4:45pm

**Dr. Jeff Kirwan**, Emeritus Professor and Extension Specialist, Department of Forestry at Virginia Tech, *Remarkable Trees Two (An Update)*. Dr. Kirwan will provide an update on the big and remarkable trees project and share his latest findings.

**Nancy Hugo**, Outdoor writer, *Seeing Trees*. Nancy shares how close observation reveals frequently overlooked beauty and botanical secrets in the garden.

**Chip Osborne**, President, Osborne Organics, *Simple Steps to Organic Lawn Care*. Chip discusses the compelling reasons why we should consider a natural approach to lawn care and the systems approach he has developed to reduce our dependence on synthetic and chemical turf products.

**Mary Stickley**, Manager of Gardens and Grounds, Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, *The Lazy Gardener*. Mary will describe some simple tips and techniques that will help keep your garden gorgeous without so much work.

## Sunday Speakers 9:30am-3:30pm

**Debbie Dillion**, Urban Horticulturalist, *It's a Small World -- Small Fruit that is!* Debbie will talk about her experience growing blueberries and blackberries and touch on the basics of other commonly grown small fruits.

**Donna Williamson**, Garden design and coaching, *Seven Strategies for Garden Success*. The key to a beautiful and coherent garden is discerning, shaping and sustaining the intention for the space. Seven strategies for sorting out the real issues make this a simpler process.

**Peter Deahl**, Arborist, *Pruning Woody Plants Naturally*. Peter will discuss and demonstrate pruning woody shrubs and ornamentals with regard to biology and emotion.

**Peter Deahl**, Arborist, *Q&A*. Peter will answer your questions and discuss common pruning issues.

**Adria Bordas**, Extension Agent, Unit Coordinator, Fairfax County, *IPM is Like a Green KISS for Your Garden*. Adria will discuss Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and how Keeping it Simple is the best theme for the plants in your garden.

**Paul Gibson**, Master Gardener Volunteer, Prince William County, *Organic Sustainable Vegetable Gardening*. Growing our own food, with nature as a guide and incorporating sustainable practices is good for our bodies and good for the earth.

**Karen Rexrode**, Horticulturalist and Artist, *Why Challenge Yourself*. Karen will discuss using plants that use fewer resources, require less time, give more and fit into the local landscape in a desirable way.

**Jeffrey Pfoutz**, Beekeeper, *Pollination Under Pressure*. Jeff Pfoutz will present an overview of the critical role in pollination played by not just honeybees but insects, birds and other animals.

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One Day \$37.50

Two Days \$65

Registration fees are non-refundable. Fee includes lunch. Space is limited,  
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This form and your payment may also be dropped off at the Extension Office,  
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For details about the symposium and the speakers see:  
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