



**2006**  
**Master Gardener**  
**State Conference**

**Keynote Speaker: Allan Armitage**  
**“Native Plants in the Garden”**

**Peggy Sellers: “CSI for Plants”**

**Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp: “New Plant Sampler”**

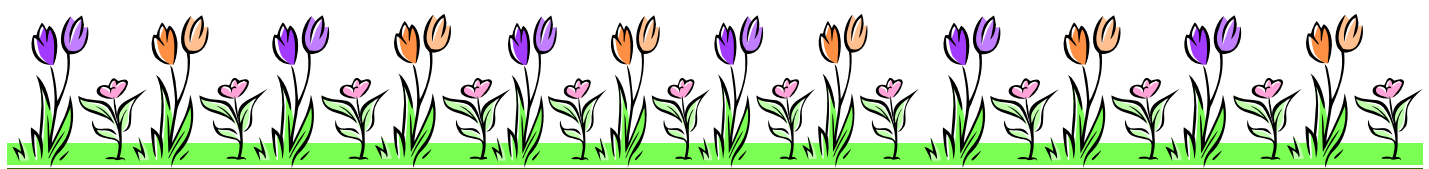
**Rosie Lerner: “Organic Trends”**

**Plus: Holly Lindzy, Hilary Cox, Carolee Snyder, Tom Turpin, Myrene Brown,  
Jodi Ellis, Cliff Sadof, John Haas, Marti Davis, Kay Grimm & Anna Welch**

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**September 22nd & 23rd**  
**Hamilton Co. 4H Fairgrounds**  
**2003 E. Pleasant St, Noblesville, IN 46060**

## Join Purdue Master Gardeners as we gather to get the latest scoop on current trends in horticulture presented by an outstanding slate of speakers !

Keynote Speaker - Internationally renowned author, speaker and plantsman, **Allan Armitage**, will offer the latest trends on **gardening with native plants**. Allan's latest gardening release, *Native Plants for North American Gardens*, is one of many well known books he has authored throughout his career as Professor of Horticulture at the University of Georgia, where he oversees the trial of many new plants and their introduction. He is a frequent contributor to *Fine Gardening*, *Horticulture* and other gardening magazines. Allan will also be discussing his online study course covering perennials, which is approved continuing education credit for Master Gardeners

**Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp**— A garden columnist for the Indianapolis Star, Jo Ellen knows the best of the **best new cultivars** available for gardeners today. She is co-author of the *Indiana Gardener's Guide* and speaks regularly on various aspects of gardening. Jo Ellen is presenting a *New Plant Sampler* of annual, perennial and shrub introductions for 2006, 2007 and some 2008.

**Rosie Lerner**— Join Rosie, Purdue Extension Consumer Horticulture Specialist, as she delves into the world of **gardening organically**. This growing trend toward keeping a healthy garden and earth is appealing to more gardeners than ever before.

### Concurrent Speakers Include:

**Holly Lindzy**— Listen in as Noblesville Daily Times columnist and self proclaimed tree hugger, Holly Lindzy, presents *Trees to Please*, during which she discusses the best **ornamental tree selections** for your garden, no matter the site, space or budget, and the latest maintenance.

**Hilary Cox**- Plantswoman, author and garden designer, Hilary offers advice and instruction on how to improve your garden photography. Check out her pictures in the March 2006 issue of *hHusetrends Indianapolis*. Hilary will also present advice for the 'time challenged', *Underused Plants for Overworked Gardeners*.

**Myrene Brown**—Rain gardens are all the rage among environmentally conscientious gardeners. Join Myrene, a pioneer in the field, as she discusses how to create and maintain a rain garden for your property. Also for busy gardeners, Myrene will be giving *Tips to Enhance your Garden Speed*.

**Tom Turpin**—Purdue Entomologist, Tom will have you in stitches over the peskiest of pests during a session on insects. He is well known for his down-to-earth delivery and witty presentations.

**Carolee Snyder**-The penultimate **Herb Lady**, Carolee will be talking about the latest and greatest performers on the Herb Scene.

**Cliff Sadof**— Cliff, Purdue Entomologist, will update us on recent progress and successes from the innovative ACORN program.

**Anna Welch & Kay Grimm**— Anna and Kay, jointly, have decades of experience collecting, preserving and using **Heirloom** seeds. Bring your Heirloom seeds for a **'Seed Exchange** and enjoy a 'Hands on' **Workshop** full of info for collecting and preserving seeds.

**Marty Davis** -Experience the life cycle of a magnificent Monarch Butterfly from egg to adult and learn how this amazing creature survives migration and returns each year for reproduction..

**John Haas**—Home composting is one of the hottest trends in gardening today. John has proven techniques to share to 'help others grow'.

**Jodi Ellis**—The emerald ash borer is something we, as Master Gardeners, need to stay abreast of considering the amount of information we pass along. Jodi, Purdue Exotic Insects Education Coordinator, will provide us with all the updated info on this pest.

## Two Preconference Events to Instruct and Entertain ! Choose One.

### Crime Scene Investigators!



Come Join Peggy Sellers, Master Gardener State Coordinator, as she delves into the world of plant problem diagnostics through the eyes of a plant pathologist. We will be reviewing case studies, gathering evidence and solving a murder using crime scene investigation methods that a plant detective would use. **Registration limited to first 30 attendees to register.** (See registration form.)

**10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (lunch included)**

**\$20 Fee for Equipment & Materials**


### Coxhall Gardens



Visit a premier regional garden in the making. Learn what it takes to turn cornfields into world class gardens. Hamilton County is transforming a bequest of 125 acres into **Coxhall Gardens**. We will tour the results to date and attend a presentation of the progress and future plans by those making it happen. It's an amazing undertaking in the works.

(See Registration Form)

**10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m (Box Lunch for a Picnic—\$5.00)**

<b>Friday's Schedule</b>	
10:00 PLANT CSI With PEGGY SELLERS Lunch Included Materials fee: \$20.00	10:00 Tour and Presentation COXHALL GARDENS Box Lunch—\$5.00
1:00 p.m.—1:45 p.m. Registration	
1:45-2:00 Welcome—Bill Rice	
2:00—3:00 p.m. <b>Opening Speaker</b> —ROSIE LERNER “Gardening Organically”	
3:15 —4:00 p.m. Concurrent Speakers	
TOM TURPIN Bugs	MYRENE BROWN Gardening Tips
4:15-5:00 p.m. Concurrent Speakers	
HILARY COX Photography	CLIFF SADOFF ACORN Program
5:00 p.m.-6:00p.m. Social Hour (No Alcohol)	
6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Master Gardener's 2006 BANQUET Master Gardener Awards: PEGGY SELLERS	
	

<b>Saturday's Schedule</b>	
8:00—8:50 CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST	
8:50—9:00 Morning Comments	
9:00—10:15 a.m. Keynote Address—ALLAN ARMITAGE “Native Plants for the Garden”	
10:30-11:15 p.m. Concurrent Speakers	
MARTY DAVIS Monarchs	HILARY COX Underused Natives
11:30a.m.-12:15 p.m. Concurrent Speakers	
ANNA WELCH & KAY GRIMM Heirloom workshop, seed exchange	JODI ELLIS Emerald Ash Borer
Silent Auction Closes at 1:00 p.m. 12:15-1:15 p.m. LUNCH, VISITING, SHOPPING	
1:15—2:00 p.m. Concurrent Speakers	
CAROLEE SNYDER Herbs	HOLLY LINDZY Tree Care
2:15-3:00 p.m. Concurrent Speakers	
MYRENE BROWN Rain Gardens	JOHN HAAS Composting
3:15—4:15 <b>Closing Speaker</b> —JO ELLEN MEYERS SHARP “New Cultivars”	
4:15—4:30 p.m. Farewell Comments—PEGGY SELLERS	

Attendance at all sessions, including one preconference event, equals 15 Education Hours

## Come Early and Stay Late, Make it a Gardener's Getaway!

Gardens to tour, museums to visit, world class shopping and dining are all close by. There are also golf courses and parks for hiking within short distance. Information and directions will be included in your Attendee's Packet. For example:

- White River Gardens - downtown Indianapolis - 28 miles, 36 minutes
- Oldfield-Lilly Gardens at the Indianapolis Museum of Art - 20 miles, 26 minutes
- Conner Prairie with heirloom gardens - 4.7 miles, 8 minutes
- Clay Terrace, upscale shopping & dining - 8 miles, 15 minutes
- Keystone at the Crossing, premier shops and restaurants - 12 miles, 20 minutes
- Circle Center Mall, downtown Indianapolis—28 miles, 36 minutes



**Places to Stay—**

**Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott**

17960 Foundations Drive  
 Noblesville, IN 46060  
 (800) 396 3126  
 (317) 776 9900  
 finoblesville@midwesthospitality.com  
 Marriott.com/INDNS

3 minutes, 1.03 miles from 4H Fairgrounds

**Quality Inn & Suites**

16025 Prosperity Drive  
 Noblesville, IN 46060  
 (800) 4CHOICE  
 (317) 770 6772  
 www.choicehotels.com/hotel/in146  
 Gm.in146@choicehotels.com

2 minutes, 1.46 miles from 4H Fairgrounds

**The Pickett Gate Bed and Breakfast**

1107 South 11th St.  
 Noblesville, IN 46060  
 (317) 770-4572

3 minutes, .8 mile from 4H Fairgrounds

Detailed directions to Hamilton Co. 4H Fair grounds, nearby motels and places to go will be mailed in your registration confirmation packet.

Please cut along dotted line and mail to the address listed below with Check

**Registration for the 2006 Master Gardener State Conference**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 8, 2006**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

MG County \_\_\_\_\_ MG Certification Level \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend both Friday and Saturday (Registration for both days is \$95.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I will attend Saturday Only (Registration for Saturday only is \$80.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please check your preference if you wish to attend a preconference event:

\_\_\_ PLANTS CSI (Please add \$20.00 to the Registration Fee) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ COXHALL GARDENS TOUR (Please add \$5.00 for a box lunch) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Registration Fee Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mark your Concurrent Speaker choices with an X in the appropriate box:**

Fri. 3:15-4:00	Fri. 4:15-5:00	Sat. 10:30-11:15	Sat. 11:30-12:15	Sat. 1:15-2:00	Sat. 2:15-3:00
Tom Turpin	Hilary Cox	Marty Davis	Welch & Grimm	Carolee Snyder	Myrene Brown
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Please note if you require auxiliary aids and services due to a disability or have special food needs:  
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**Call (317) 776- 0854 if you have questions or need further information**

**Make Check Payable to: HCMGA**

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