



THE GARFIELD GARDENER

THE NEWSLETTER OF GARFIELD PARK MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION

November 2020 Next Meeting

November 18 (6:30 p.m.)
(Third Wednesday)

Topic: *Woody Perennials
Worthy of Small Spaces*

Speaker: Jo Ellen Meyers
Sharp, *The Hoosier Gardener*

**Virtual Meeting Only:
No In-Person Meeting**

December 9 (6:30 p.m.)
Virtual Holiday Dinner

Program: *GPMGA Members'
Show-and-Tell of
Local Food and Plants;
Slide Show TBD*

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President's Letter

Greetings fellow Master Gardeners !

This has been a very trying year for us. The coronavirus has changed our lives in many ways.

We have held our meetings remotely via Zoom. Although I have missed the in-person connections with my fellow Master Gardeners, we have had a year of excellent programs and interaction between our members and our excellent speakers.

Volunteer opportunities have been limited and many people (myself included) have missed the interaction, education and experience of the Demonstration Garden this year. Thanks to Steve and the many volunteers who did such a fantastic job implementing another impressive garden this year. It is a shame that the general public was not able to gain the benefit, knowledge and enjoyment of the garden since the State Fair was canceled.

On the positive side, with so many people spending more time at home, the interest in home gardening has skyrocketed this year. As of March, the Burpee Seed company had sold more seeds than at any time in their 144 year history. Johnny's Select Seeds saw a 270% jump in orders, just to name a few. I am hoping that this interest in home gardening will continue to grow as people learn the satisfaction, rewards and benefits of home gardening. I have also seen an increase of activity in the many online gardening groups.

I would also like to thank Debbie Schelske with a special thank you for all of her untiring support and hard work for all these many years. We will miss you and wish you the best in the future!

Hopefully, next year will see the return of more in-person interaction. In the meantime, happy gardening!

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Bernstein, Vice President, GPMGA



Xerces Society Webinar

Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation this fall launched a new webinar series: *Building Pollinator Habitat in Towns and Cities*.

Each program in the series highlights a different region across the US. On November 19 (at 1:00 p.m.), the series will next feature building pollinator habitat in towns and cities in the nation's South Central Region.

Ray Moranz, Grazing Lands Pollinator Ecologist, will take a closer look at the needs of pollinators in that region. Learn what plants pollinators need, how to provide nesting habitat and what steps gardeners can take to make those change.

The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation is an international nonprofit organization that protects the natural world through the conservation of invertebrates and their habitats. As a science-based organization, the Xerces Society conducts its own research and relies upon the most up-to-date information to guide its conservation work.

For more information, visit www.xerces.org/events/webinars.



Next GPMGA Meeting: November 18

Not everyone has an expansive landscape to fill with sweeping mass plantings and large specimens. And, many of us are at the point in our lives when we are downsizing to a smaller space.

Which makes the November 18 program, *Woody Perennials Worthy of Small Spaces*, a timely topic. Join us virtually as Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp tells us about trees and shrubs that pack a big punch when planted—through multi-seasonal interest, long-bloom cycles or other key attributes.



Jo Ellen, aka The Hoosier Gardener, describes her life as a mosaic in which she makes a living from various types of work: writing, speaking, garden coaching and landscaping. She is a popular speaker on various garden topics and sustainable living. An award-winning garden writer, Jo Ellen has been involved with several garden publications and serves on the board of the Garden Writers Association. Together with Tom Tyler, she authored *The Indiana Gardeners Guide*, a valuable reference for gardening in our area. In addition, Jo Ellen has worked for 20 years with a local garden center.

A native and resident of Indianapolis, Jo Ellen is an Advanced Master Gardener and was affiliated with the Friends of Garfield Park for many years. She can be reached at thehoosiergardener@gmail.com. For more information, visit her website: www.hoosiergardener.com.

GPMGA December Program to Feature Show-and-Tell

GPMGA members will gather virtually at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 9, to share stories about their favorite plants and local foods while enjoying snacks



we have prepared for ourselves at the GPMGA Virtual Holiday Dinner. The program will consist of a members' show-and-tell of local foods and plants and may include the traditional slide show of photograph favorites as well. More information soon.

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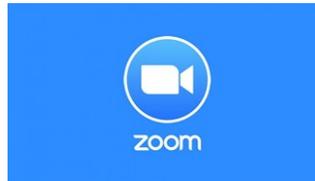
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Please contact the officers and chairs of the Garfield Park Master Gardener Association if you have any questions or suggestions .

Zoom Guidelines for GPMGA Meeting

The link below will allow you to join the GPMGA's virtual meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18. Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp, the Hoosier Gardener, will present *Woody Perennials Worthy of Small Spaces*. (Please see the article on Page 2 for details.)

It is very easy to join virtually either via your home computer, Apple device or non-Apple device. Just copy the link below into your search engine or click on the link provided in the Purdue University— Extension Office's meeting notification. Either way, Zoom will start up and, if you have never done a Zoom meeting previously, it will install a small amount of software on your device so that, next time, it is much easier to join. When prompted to "Open Zoom", do so and enter the password. You then will join our meeting.



Link Needed to Join the Zoom Meeting by Computer

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87152317473?pwd=RzhRMFFFTit6bmtFbnJCeng5cnNKdz09>

Meeting ID: 871 5231 7473
Passcode: 544719

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Practice Session Available

To see how to join a Zoom meeting (if you have never done so before), the following link takes you to a quick video explaining how to join a Zoom meeting: <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362193-Joining-a-Meeting>. Please enter this link in your search engine to watch.

During the Zoom Meeting

Zoom allows for video display and audio, thus the meeting has been set up for both. If you do not have video on your computer, tablet or phone OR do not want to be shown on video, that is OK. You may be as comfortable as you like when joining our meeting.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a short business meeting. This approach will allow people to join if running late. You will be able to talk to people and can even "text chat" to the whole group or to a single person.

When Jo Ellen begins her presentation, all members will be muted to allow Jo Ellen to present and talk. The chat at this time will be limited to chat with the host only. If you have a question during the presentation, you will be able to ask our host, Kay Martin-Pence, and she will let Jo Ellen know there is a question. This way, Jo Ellen can address any questions as they come up. There also will be a Q&A session with Jo Ellen at the end of the presentation.

After the presentation, the meeting will be opened up again to complete the remainder of the business meeting and to chat with each other.

If you have never used Zoom before, this is a chance to try something new and to see how the world is getting along with everyone staying home—yet still being able to work together and talk to each other. We hope that you will join us!

If you have questions about the Zoom meeting, please contact Kay Martin-Pence at guitargirl929@gmail.com.

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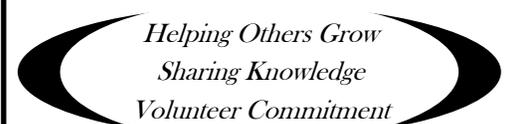
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GPMGA Meeting Minutes: October 14

Executive Reports

- President--Lane Judkins: Welcome
- Secretary's Report--Nancy Boettner: Approved as printed in the newsletter
- Treasurer--Cindy Maude: Bank balance: \$6,672.46; Nursery Dealer and/or Nursery Grower License to be renewed (reported via email)

Program

- *Starting from Scratch* by Irvin Etienne (See photo below.)

Other Board Business

- Plant Sale-Open: Looking for new chair; Kay and Bill willing to advise; Kay will discuss date with Garfield Park, May 15 or 22; Carrie will check on possible donations that Lane could store
- Newsletter/Publicity-Oren Cooley: Have more stories for the November issue, will include note about grants; Lane will check availability of grant money for 2020; Website still being tweaked
- Programs-Carrie Alumbaugh, Debra Boyer: November - Jo Ellen Meyers Sharp; December - Virtual holiday meal with members virtually featuring things from their gardens/favorite meals, possibly will include slide show
- Hospitality-Theresa McCurry, Jayne Queck: No activity
- Conservatory Tours: Conservatory open by appointment; Virtual tour available

Other

- Steve Mayer asked for volunteers to share info about GPMGA with the two MG classes
—Nancy Boettner, Secretary



President's Letter (of October)

The October issue of the *Garfield Gardener* did not contain Lane Judkins' column because of some submission difficulties. However, her column was posted on the GPMGA website throughout October and is reprinted below in its entirety. Enjoy!

Well here we are. October is in full swing.

While I love summer, by this time of the year, I am tired of sweating and look forward to the refreshingly cool weather. And, the promise of some rain. It is hard to put on long pants again, but I may still be able to wear my sandals for a little longer.



My garden has done great but, as usual, I am thinking about what I'm going to change or do differently next year. First priority is to expand the vegetable bed. This will be at least the third location in my 20+ years at this home. The primary purpose for moving it is to get to a sunnier area as the trees and shrubs have grown. My plan is to lay cardboard down on top of the grass, and then cover with shredded leaves. There is no shortage of leaves in my neighborhood. I did this last

fall, and did not intend to plant in the space this past spring. But, the bug hit me and I planted tomato seeds in March, and needed the space to put at least 20 plants. Then, the volunteer tomatoes came on, so I had more plants.

Despite the number of plants, I did not get an over-whelming huge amount of tomatoes, maybe because they were over-crowded. I have not declined any offers of tomatoes from friends, and thus have made 3 quarts of fermented salsa, dried some, eaten lots, will eat more, and will puree and freeze the rest for chili and spaghetti sauce. I am battling fruit flies in my kitchen, and they move to the kombucha when there aren't any overripe tomatoes.

I have been the recipient of the "ding-dong-ditch a zucchini on your neighbor's porch". I only had a few heirloom round zucchini (about the size of a softball) from my garden, so didn't mind the extras. Pumpkins and squash were a labor of love and anguish this year between the early fruit drop and borers. But, I do actually have two pumpkins right now. Success at last!!!

I planted two types of bush green beans, and got a good amount, but it also reinforced my preference for pole beans. Swiss Chard has produced all season, is still producing, and . . . I ate so much of it, I got tired of it and have left it to the bugs. I planted waaaaay too many. . . like 40-ish? LOL! I also had butternut squash volunteers, which gave me six small- to medium-sized fruits. Luckily, they keep for a while on the counter so I don't have to do anything with them just yet.

As for the houseplants, last year I had at least 35 inside over the winter. This year's count is about 30 right now. I held a little houseplant sale and made about \$50. The most popular item was the pothos (Devil's Ivy) in hanging planters. These are the trimmings of the ones I bring in for the winter. This year, I have 4 large vases with the cuttings, will grow them in water, and plant in hanging planters next spring. Many of my houseplants have gotten pretty large, and some need trimming or dividing. The Angel Wing Begonias need trimming, but they look so lush and are blooming nicely now. I will trim them back later in the winter when they start looking shabby, and create new pots which may go into next year's sale.

The agave I got years ago at our plant sale also needs dividing, but I really don't want more pots, nor do I have room at this point, so it might just have to wait until spring. I have had good luck with cuttings from both the dracaena and schefflera rooting easily. The key seems to be don't overwater - they like to be dry or they'll rot.

I want to hear about your gardens as you reflect on the season. Enjoy the cool weather as we wrap up the outdoors. I look forward to seeing you at our [October] Zoom meeting with Irvin Etienne. You know it will be great so don't miss it!

—Lane Judkins
President, GPMGA

GPMGA Calls for Grant Applications

Any organization wishing to apply for a grant from the Garfield Park Master Gardener Association should submit their proposals to GPMGA Treasurer Cindy Maude at cmaude@sbcglobal.net. Requests should not exceed \$300 per application.

A committee of GPMGA officers will review all submitted applications to ensure projects will meet the GPMGA's desire to advance gardening and beautification. Recommendations from the committee usually are announced at a monthly meeting for approval by the general membership.

Members of GPMGA are encouraged to nominate organizations. Volunteer garden activities headed by GPMGA members are given priority. Also, projects affecting Garfield Park are considered a high priority in this process.

To apply, individuals should submit the following items:

Cover Sheet, including:

- Organization benefiting (not-for-profit organizations only please)
- Name, location and brief history of project
- Applicant/contact person (name, address, telephone, e-mail)
- Amount requested (not to exceed \$300); Indicate new or existing project
- Prior Garfield Park Master Gardener Association funding

Text of Proposal (Not to exceed 2 pages)

- Summary of project (50 words)
- Clear, concise description of project, including:
 1. How the project furthers the GPMGA's mission
 2. Why is the project needed?
 3. Objectives to be achieved
 4. Detailed list of plants, seeds and materials needed
(Itemization of funds needed; drawings/graphs may be included)
- List names of Master Gardeners and/or Extension Staff working on this project as well as others benefiting
- Anticipated start and completion dates of project
- Additional donors to your project (if applicable)

Budget Sheet, including:

- Materials, labor and program costs
- Sources and amounts of any funds already raised
- Total cost of project

Project Summary and Comments on the expected results to be achieved within the following year. Photos may be included if applicable.

Lawrence Community Gardens

Lawrence Community Gardens was started by Sharrona Moore to make fresh produce accessible to the that community's residents.

The far east-side Indianapolis neighborhood is a food desert—with no traditional grocery stores within miles of some homes. By December 2016, more than one-third of the neighborhood residents lived near or at the poverty level.

Thus, Moore decided to start a community garden to help meet the fresh food needs of the people in her neighborhood. With training from Purdue University's Urban Agriculture Certificate program, she learned how to scale up from being a backyard gardener to becoming a food producer.

Partnering with Monarch Beverage (9347 Pendleton Pike) and the City of Lawrence, the Lawrence Community Gardens—located on 46th Street just east of Post Road—today grows a variety of produce on its 7.6 acres that the organization donates to the surrounding community through The Cupboard and The Sharing Place food pantries.

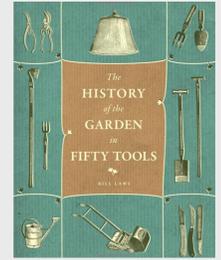
For more information about Lawrence Community Gardens, visit www.lawrencecommunitygardens.org.



From the Bookshelf . . .

A History of the Garden in Fifty Tools

by Bill Laws



A green thumb is not the only tool one needs to garden well—at least that's what the makers of gardening catalogs and the designers of aisle displays in lawn-and-garden stores would have people believe.

Since the very earliest gardens, people have developed tools to make planting and harvesting more efficient and to make flora more beautiful and trees more fruitful. In *A History of the Garden in Fifty Tools*, author Bill Laws offers entertaining and colorful anecdotes about the implements that have shaped the gardening experience since the beginning.

As Laws reveals, gardening tools have co-evolved with human society, and the story of these fifty individual tools presents an innovative history of humans and the garden through time. For example, Neolithic humans used a microlith, the first "all-in-one" tool consisting of a small, sharp stone blade set into a handle made of wood, bone or antler. This small spade could be used to dig, clip and cut plant material.

Some tools though remain unchanged. Although wheelbarrows originated in China in the second century BC, their basic form has not changed much through time. Recognizable images of pruning knives and small scythes appear in early Roman art—cutting through herbs, vegetables, fruits and nuts.

Organized into five thematic chapters relating to different types of gardens (the flower garden, the kitchen garden, the orchard, the lawn and ornamental gardens), the book includes a mix of horticulture and history, in addition to stories featuring well-known characters (such as Henry David Thoreau and his favorite hoe). *A History of the Garden in Fifty Tools* will bring delight to any gardener — and provide a reassuring reminder that gardeners have always invented devices to overcome their garden quandaries.

EXTENSION HORTICULTURE HINTS—NOVEMBER 2020

Steve Mayer, Extension Educator-Horticulture, Purdue Extension-Marion County

Steve Mayer, Extension Educator-Horticulture for Purdue Extension-Marion County, serves as coordinator and instructor for the Purdue Master Gardener program in Marion County.

Purdue Extension Update for Master Gardeners

There are no changes at this time for the Purdue Extension-Marion County office:

- OFFICE: No date is set to open the Purdue Extension-Marion County office. Some staff are using their work spaces at times, but meeting spaces and classrooms in our building will remain closed to public access until further notice. Staff will continue to work remotely at this time.
- COVID-19 RESOURCES: Purdue Extension resources for COVID-19 are here: <https://extension.purdue.edu/label/44>.



This year the PE-MC Demonstration Garden took 2nd place in the AAS Landscape Design Challenge (Steve Mayer, 7/28/2020).

PE-MC Demonstration Garden Wins 2nd Place in AAS Landscape Design Challenge

The landscape design of the Purdue Extension-Marion County Demonstration Garden was recognized nationally among All-America Selections (AAS) Display Gardens, receiving the 2nd place award (tie) for Category II Display Gardens (10,000-100,000 visitors per year): <https://all-americaelections.org/landscape-design-contest-winners-2020/>.

The AAS news release stated, “The Purdue Extension-Marion County group really learned how to work under adversity this year, with great results. They had to change the normal days and times of the volunteer Master Gardeners for health safety reasons, but the resulting teams greatly improved efficiency and the sense of accomplishment, and the gardens ended up being healthy, attractive and well-maintained. While the Purdue Extension

has always donated produce from the garden to the local food pantry, this COVID year brought even more of a need and appreciation for this generosity.” A record amount of produce from the demonstration garden was donated this year: about 4/5th of a ton (1,671.5 pounds).

AAS Display Gardens are divided into three categories based on the number of visitors/year: Category I: fewer than 10,000 visitors, Category II: 10,001 – 100,000 visitors, & Category III: Over 100,000. The 2nd place winner for Category I this year was the Master Gardener Association of Tippecanoe County Display Gardens, Lafayette, IN.

Our garden photos are on the AAS website: <https://all-americaelections.org/project/second-place-winner-tie-purdue-extension-marion-county-demonstration-garden-indianapolis-indiana/>. Our website has links to our 2018, 2019 and 2020 drone videos of the garden (by Dean Wiseman): <https://extension.purdue.edu/marion/article/4498>.

We worked with a smaller group of volunteers due to the COVID-19 crisis. Many thanks to the Master Gardeners who helped make the garden happen this year: Cindy Monnier, John Baldwin, Gail Wiseman, Steve Cline, Deanne Heidrich, Dennis Gilbert, Barb Garing, Sue Draheim, Joanna Russell, Julian Martinez, Bernie Cinkoske, and Susan Cinkoske.

The complete AAS news release on the 2020 winners is here: <https://extension.purdue.edu/marion/article/4498>.



The 2020 PE-MC Demonstration Garden (Steve Mayer, 8/4/2020).

November Garden Calendar Tips

Note: Letters & numbers following the tip refer to Purdue publications; other reference links may also be supplied.

- **First Week:** Finish planting spring flowering bulbs as soon as possible (HO-86). <https://ag.purdue.edu/hla/pubs/HO/HO-86.pdf>
- **Second Week:** Test your garden soil for pH and fertilizer needs every 3 to 5 years (HO-71). It is best to fertilize flowering bulbs according to soil test results. <https://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/HO/HO-71-W.pdf>
- **Third Week:** Mix the materials in your compost pile to speed up the process (ID-182). <https://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/ID/ID-182.pdf>
- **Fourth Week:** Cut your own Christmas tree at an Indiana tree farm. <https://www.indianachristmastrees.com/>

Follow me on Twitter @purduehortindy (or view at: <http://twitter.com/purduehortindy>) for more tips. You can also see my tweets on each Master Gardener association website: <http://indymcmga.org/> and <http://indygpmga.com/>.

Report All Volunteer and Education Hours

Now is a good time to catch up on your reporting. It is very important to record ALL Master Gardener volunteer hours. This helps show impact of the Purdue Extension Master Gardener program – at the local level and at the state level. Thank you for all of your volunteer efforts and thank you for reporting! Last year Marion County Master Gardeners volunteered 22,664.5 hours educating others and impacting communities. Local Master Gardeners also reported 5,838 education (training) hours.

Here is a snapshot of the impact the Purdue Extension Master Gardener program had in 2019 across the state: <https://www.purdue.edu/hla/sites/master-gardener/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2020/09/16-37-Impact-Flyer-2019.pdf>.

If you were not able to volunteer this year, do not worry about it. Due to cancellations and restrictions associated with COVID-19, the Purdue Extension Master Gardener (EMG) minimum volunteer hours requirement is suspended for 2020. This means that Purdue Extension Master Gardeners will be able to report less than 12 volunteer hours and still maintain active status. Purdue EMG volunteers should not jeopardize their health or safety through their participation in the program. However, if you are volunteering, please report!

The Question Box November 2020

Steve Mayer, Extension Educator-Horticulture
Purdue Extension-Marion County

Q. What insects and diseases will be a major problem next year?

A. This is a difficult question to answer, and one that will usually vary, depending on what you are growing. However, one insect that should be on your radar screen next year is the periodical cicada. Unlike the dog-day cicadas found each year (<https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/radicalbugs/default.php?page=pests/cicada>), this insect emerges in large numbers after spending 7, 13 or 17 years in the ground. Brood X will appear in 2021 in all Indiana counties, and will be heaviest in south-central Indiana. This is the largest of the 17-year broods. The cicadas injure small twigs (between 3/16-7/16 inch diameter) through egg-laying.

If possible, avoid planting large numbers of new trees this fall and next spring. Delay any pruning until cicadas are gone. For small numbers of small ornamental trees and shrubs, protect them by covering with nylon netting or cheesecloth no larger than 3/8" mesh screening when cicadas are present (in place when you first hear them). More is in E-47: <https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/publications/E-47/E-47.pdf>.



Adult periodic cicadas (Photo credit: J. Obermeyer, Purdue University). Source: <https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/publications/E-47/E-47.html>.

Greening the Statehouse Nov. 20-21

Resilience in a Time of Upheaval is the focus of Greening the Statehouse 2020, the Hoosier Environmental Council's first virtual conference in the annual event's thirteen-year history.

Greening the Statehouse (GTS) is Indiana's largest annual gathering of environmental-minded citizens. The forum allows participants to get up to speed on Indiana's environment, to celebrate HEC's successes and to meet kindred spirits from across the state.



This year's virtual conference will feature panels covering climate and energy solutions, factory farming, lake and river protection, wildlife habitat preservation and other critical topics. Opportunities abound to learn, network and be inspired—all from the comfort of home.

Some of the sessions on November 20 include:

- **Noon—1:15 p.m. Lakes, Rivers and Drinking Water in the 2021 Session**
Panel featuring water policy expert David Pippen and conservation farming pioneer Ray McCormick, moderated by Dr. Indra Frank
- **3:30 p.m.—4:45 p.m. Tackling Environmental Injustice**
Panel featuring Vop Osill, President of the Indianapolis City-County Council, and Cal Roberson of the IN Minority Health Coalition, moderated by Paula Brooks
- **5:00 p.m.—6:15 p.m. Wildlife Habitat and Transportation in the 2021 Session**
Panel featuring Senator Mike Crider (R-Greenfield) and Mandla Moyo of AARP-Indiana, moderated by Tim Maloney

Some of the sessions on November 21 include:

- **9:30 a.m. —10:30 a.m. Climate and Energy in the 2021 Session**
Panel featuring energy policy analyst Ben Inskeep and two state lawmakers, moderated by Jesse Kharbanda
- **1:00 p.m.—2:15 p.m. Factory Farming and a Plant Powered-Rural Indiana**
Panel featuring Rep. Tom Saunders (R-Lewisville) and speakers from the Good Food Institute and Food & Water Watch, moderated by Kim Ferraro
- **2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m. What the Election Results, COVID Could Mean for IN**
Panel featuring Sen. Jon Ford (R-Terre Haute), Rep. Cherrish Pryor (D-Indianapolis), and a senior journalist, moderated by Jesse Kharbanda

For more information or to register, please visit www.hecweb.org/gts/#.

INPS Annual Conference

November 14 (1:00 p.m.)
Indiana Native Plant Society
Virtual Annual Meeting

The Indiana Native Plant Society (INPS) will conduct its annual meeting virtually at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 14, through Zoom.

INPS President Ellen Jacquart will speak on the best places and seasons to visit native plants around Indiana. The meeting also will feature recent INPS's successes in eradicating invasive plants, a year-in-review presentation that highlights native plants, and the Florathon and Photo Contest winners.

Typically, INPS members gather every November for a full day's immersion in native plants. However, the current pandemic prompted the organization to postpone its in-person meeting until next year and conduct a virtual meeting instead.

At present, the 2021 conference will occur on Saturday, November 13, at the 502 East Event Centre in Carmel. For more information, visit <https://indiananativeplants.org/inps-sponsored-events/annual-conference>.



Renew Your GPMGA Membership This January

Renew your membership in the Garfield Park Master Gardener Association. Dues are \$15.00 per year and help pay for special activities, speakers, the newsletter and donations to community projects.

Monthly meetings occur on the second Wednesday of the month and begin at 6:30 p.m. Unless otherwise noted at the prior meeting or in the newsletter, meetings are held either virtually or at the Garfield Park Conservatory, 2505 Conservatory Drive, Indianapolis.

Date _____ Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Completion date of Master Gardener Training Class ____/____/____

I volunteer with: _____

_____ I wish to be included in the 2021 GPMGA Member Directory.

_____ I wish to receive future newsletters by e-mail only.

Submit this form and your \$15.00 annual membership fee to:

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