

Tipton County Extension Master Gardeners

12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

# LAWN & GARDEN EXPO

Brighton High School

Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 4pm

EXPO Guest Speakers



10 am

## Backyard Chickens: Tips on Coop Construction and Maintaining your Flock

Blair Combest, a Horticulturalist and resident, self-proclaimed chicken wrangler with the Memphis Botanic Garden, cares for the MBG's Buff Blue Columbian Brahma chickens (yes, we mean Blue Chickens!), and will help you to select the right location, design, and construction methods for your backyard coop, deal with predators, select the right breed for you and understand chicken feed and supplemental nutrition.



12 noon

## A Garden Humming with Visitors

Carol Reese, Ornamental Horticulture Specialist for the Western Region Extension in Jackson, Tennessee, will help you invite more hummingbirds to meet you in the garden with these plants. She will emphasize a few great vines in this presentation, along with some innovative structures to support them. She'll also spotlight some of her favorite perennial salvias, which always provide good supplies of nectar for these feathered jewels.



2 pm

## How SMART are Your Trees?

Joellen Dimond will talk about the ways trees help people and how we can care for and enjoy them. Joellen Dimond is currently a Tennessee State University Extension Agent in Tipton County, a regular guest on *The Family Plot Gardening in the Mid-South* PBS show, and one of the authors of the Herbaceous Ornamentals Chapter of the Extension Master Gardener Handbook.



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