



**Garden Club of Ohio, Inc.
Columbus District Fall Meeting
"Beautiful Ohio"**

Thursday, September 9, 2021

**Fairfield Inn & Suites
9000 Worthington Rd., Westerville, OH 43082**



Agenda:

- 9:30 Meeting for Club Presidents
- 10:00 Registration Begins
- 10:30 Program by Jeff Johnson, Ohio Department of Natural Resources
"Ohio Natural Areas Program – Its Place in a Changing World"
- 11:30 Business Meeting
- Noon Lunch
- 1:00 Program by Ed Kapraly, Riverside Native Trees and Nursery, LLC
"Natives and Pollinators"
- 2:00 Announcements
- 2:15 Raffle Drawing

Cost: \$25

*We are asking that each club, and/or individuals, bring an item for the Raffle Table.
Tickets will be 6 for \$5.*

Club members, please give your reservation and payment to your club by August 20.
Each club will then turn in the total number of reservations and check to "GCO Columbus District"
to Vickie Muse, GCO Columbus District Co-Director. Questions: 614-560-4596

Club Member Registration Form

Name _____ Lunch Option _____

Guest(s) _____ Lunch Option _____

Amount (\$25 each) TOTAL _____

Lunch Options:

- A –Traditional Chicken Caesar Salad: Romaine, homemade Caesar, croutons, Parmesan cheese
- B –Clubhouse BLT B: Thick-cut smoked bacon, garden fresh tomatoes, leaf lettuce, more bacon, mayo, grilled sourdough
- C – Focaccia Club: Smoked Turkey topped with bacon, lettuce, tomato, onion, & Provolone cheese on grilled focaccia with pesto mayo
- D – Tomato Focaccia: Balsamic grilled zucchini, oven roasted squash, red and green peppers, and pesto on oven roasted tomato focaccia
- E - Shaved Pastrami: Artisan rye, spicy mustard, Swiss cheese
- F - Turkey, Brie, and Roasted Pear: Hand sliced multigrain bread, citrus aioli, fresh greens, and tomato
- G – Chicken Salad Sandwich: Tender chunks of all white chicken salad on croissant

All lunches are served with chips, cookies and beverage.

Fairfield by Marriott Columbus-Polaris
9000 Worthington Road
Columbus, Ohio 43082
P. 614-568-0770

Directions

I-71 to exit 121

Head East on Polaris Parkway

South on Orion Pl

Continue South on round-about.

Hotel will be on the right.

**If using GPS, please use WESTERVILLE as the city.

About Our Presenters



Jeff Johnson is the Chief of the Division of Natural Areas and Preserves in the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, where he has worked for over 25 years. Jeff guides the division through a rebuilding process and returns it and its programs to national prominence. He oversees the return of the Scenic Rivers

Program. His operations include protecting Ohio's rare and endangered species, unique geological features and threatened ecosystems, and Ohio's 15 scenic rivers, which protect a total of 831 miles of designated stream corridor and an additional 6,000 acres of streamside forests and fields. The State Nature Preserves protect more than 30,000 acres of land that have ecological significance. He holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Ohio University. He resides with his wife on a small farm in Fairfield County.



Edward Kapraly has been growing plants for nearly 45 years. Starting as a child with common houseplants his passion for plants gradually morphed into a native tree and perennial business. Today, his interest extends also to carnivorous plants and aquarium plants. His educational background has always been

science related. He earned a BA from Hiram College in Biology and an MS from The Ohio State University in Entomology; both of which help to prepare him for a life of growing and teaching. Currently, he's spending a lot of his time trying to get the perennial nursery established and stocked with high quality plants. He hopes to one day "corner the market" in milkweed production and sales to help Monarch butterflies. His two children are all grown up and he's living the dream in Delaware, OH.