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**Indiana Organic Grain Farmer Meeting Scheduled for February 19, 2025**

**West Lafayette, IN** – Purdue Extension is pleased to announce the upcoming Indiana Organic Grain Farmer Meeting, taking place on February 19, 2025, at the Beck Center in West Lafayette. This event promises to be a comprehensive gathering for organic farmers, agricultural professionals, and landowners looking to connect and learn alongside peers in the industry in Indiana.

Doors will open at 8 AM, with the program kicking off at 9 AM and concluding at 4 PM. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from keynote speaker Dave Campbell, owner of Lily Lake Organic Farm and Organic Advisor with the Rodale Institute. In his talk, Campbell will share his rich history in organic farming, discussing valuable lessons learned over the years both as a farmer and an agricultural professional in his more recent work with Rodale.

“We’re thrilled to have Marbleseed’s 2022 Farmer of the Year, Dave Campbell, as our keynote speaker,” said Ashley Adair, Extension Organic Agriculture Specialist at Purdue. “Dave’s experiences farming in northern Illinois and advising across the Midwest will enrich our program this year.”

Throughout the day, participants can look forward to engaging sessions led by fellow farmers and industry experts, highlighting the latest research and issues in organic agriculture. Exhibitors from the organic industry and service organizations will be on-site, providing resources and networking opportunities for attendees.

A highlight of the event will be a buffet lunch catered by The Juniper Spoon, featuring locally sourced ingredients, emphasizing the importance of supporting local and organic agriculture.

**Event Details:**

* **Date:** February 19, 2025
* **Location:** Beck Agricultural Center, 4550 US-52, West Lafayette, IN 47906
* **Time:** Doors open at 8 AM; Program from 9 AM to 4 PM

Registration is open! Sponsorship is encouraged for this year’s event. Prospective attendees and sponsors can visit [the IOGFM website](https://extension.purdue.edu/anr/_teams/dffs/organic_ag/programs/org-grain-farmer-meeting.html) for more information and to register.

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