



# Giveaways will make Metro East Home & Garden Show extra special

by Dan Brannan, Content Director  
March 1 2016 11:44 AM



**EDWARDSVILLE** - The upcoming giveaway at the **Metro East Home & Garden Show** is going to be something special with two tickets to Cancun, Mexico, via Travel Express in Edwardsville and a large Green Egg Grill.

The grill is courtesy of Hearthside Grill and Fireplace in Belleville.



The home and garden show is set for 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 12, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 13. The show will be held in the two gymnasiums on the Metro East Lutheran High School campus at 6305 Center Grove Road in Edwardsville.

There will be several other outstanding giveaways, including St. Louis Cardinals and Gateway Grizzlies tickets, tickets to the Missouri Botanical Gardens in St. Louis, along with much more, said **Karen Johnson, coordinator of the Metro East Home & Garden Show giveaways**. There will be several small door prizes with gift certificates, she said, so there is something for everyone.

“I think now with all the popularity with do-it-yourself and home improvement shows on cable TV, this home and garden show should be very popular,” Johnson said. “We have almost filled two full gyms with exhibitors. This is our third year for the home show and it is growing every year.”

The other strong point about the event is it is a major fund-raiser for **Metro East Lutheran High School**. **Principal Dr. Jay Krause** said the home and garden show continues attract more and more people each year and he said a major fund-raising event for the school. He said he so appreciative to the volunteers and people who make the big event happen.

Over 40 vendors will be on hand with all things for a person's spring home and garden needs. Special guests include **KLOU's Morning Show hosts, Billy Greenwood & Julie Tristan** midday on Saturday and **Newstalk 97.1** radio remotes "**Right at Home with Rich**" and "**All Around the Yard with Tony Frisella**" from 12-2 p.m. Saturday.



The home and garden show is a major fund-raiser for MELHS. **The Bank of Edwardsville** is the main sponsor for the show.

**Scott Credit Union** is bringing in trucks to do shredding, **Franko's Small Engine Service** will sponsor parking and **Woods Basement** will sponsor the stage and presentation. Other sponsors will be included by the time of the event.

**Lisa Masters**, who is one of the event organizers and leads in marketing, said there are still needs for a program sponsor and concession sponsor. She said anyone who is interested in advertising in the program to be distributed, there is space available for 4 x 5 ads (\$250) and full page (\$500). Business card-sized ads are available for \$100 each. Sponsorships are \$1,000 and there isn't a limit.

Booths cost between \$425 and \$800 depending on size and there are spots still available for vendors.

Cardinals' super fan, **Fred Bird** will be on hand both days and there will be plenty of speakers and activities for everyone including:

- MERS Goodwill accepting donations (no TVs, CRT Monitors, Mattresses, Box Springs, large appliances or chemicals)
- Scott Credit Union sponsored on-site shredding (Shred It) 10-2 Saturday)
- Drop-off site for the Shoeman Water Project
- Partners 4 Pets, Metro East Humane Society, and APA on hand for pet adoptions
- Professional Organizer, Terry Capehart
- Smoke House by the Edwardsville Fire Department
- Cardinal Kids Safety Program

Admission to the home and garden show is free and parking is also free.

For more information sponsorship or being a vendor, contact Metro East Lutheran High School at 618-656-0043, ext. 150, or e-mail [mehgs@melhs.org](mailto:mehgs@melhs.org). Visit [www.mehgs.org](http://www.mehgs.org) for more info.