



## **14<sup>th</sup> Annual Focus on Farming Conference Ideas to Grow With**

*November 1, 2017*

*Evergreen State Fairgrounds, Monroe, WA*

Participants spent an outstanding day of learning, networking and enjoying farm fresh local products prepared by fantastic local chefs. Local and national farmers, researchers and experts shared innovative ideas, and attendees learned how new and upcoming farmers are shaping the future of the agricultural world and providing tomorrow's food. Some of the top experts in the country presented 24 great workshop classes in six industry tracks. The conference once again included Focus on Forestry workshops.

### **Keynote Speakers**

Keynote speakers included John Ikerd, speaking on "The Status and Future of Local Foods," and Ben Hartman, speaking on "Using the Lean System to Earn a Comfortable Living on a Farm."

### **Sessions**

Focus on Farming: Some of the top agriculture experts in the country presented great workshop classes in six industry tracks (see program next page).

Focus on Forestry: Top forestry experts presented workshop classes in four industry tracks (see program next page).

### **Trade Show**

In addition to excellent keynote speakers and educational workshops, attendees experienced a trade show that offered a look at the latest equipment models, samples, and demonstrations.