



**Michigan Lake and Stream Associations**  
**56<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**  
**April 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017**  
**Crystal Mountain Resort**  
**Thompsonville, Michigan**



**Conference Agenda**  
**Friday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017**

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM	General Conference Registration	Conference Area
10:00 AM - Noon	<p align="center"><b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b>          ML&amp;SA President Dick Morey          Executive Director Scott Brown</p> <p align="center"><b>Keynote Speakers</b>  <b>Jon Allan</b>          Director, MI Office of the Great Lakes</p> <p align="center"><b>Lisa Brush</b>          Executive Director, MI Stewardship Network</p>	NW Territories B & C
Noon - 1:30 PM	Lunch	James Bay
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	<p align="center"><b>Workshop</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Exploring the Critical Role of Local Units of Government in Lake and AIS Management</b></p> <p align="center">Monica Day, MSU Extension Water Resources Educator          Paul Sniadecki, Eagle Lake Improvement Association          Lon Nordeen, Director, ML&amp;SA &amp; Pleasant Lake POA</p> <p align="center">(session does not repeat)</p>	Conference Area  Arctic Bay
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	<p align="center"><b>General Topic Breakout Sessions</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program</b>          Joanne Foremen, Communications Coordinator          Invasive Species Program          MI Dept. of Natural Resources          MI Dept. of Environmental Quality          MI Dept. of Agriculture and Rural Development          (session repeats)</p> <p align="center"><b>Lessons from Wisconsin: How our neighbor state is supporting inland lakes in the fight against AIS</b>          Alisha Davidson, PhD, ML&amp;SA Research Coordinator          (session repeats)</p> <p align="center"><b>Findings from a Large-Scale Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol Project on the St. Joseph River</b>          Patty Hoch-Melluish          Kieser &amp; Associates          (session repeats)</p>	Conference Area  NW Territories B  NW Territories C  Mountain View (located in the lodge)
2:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Break	Conference Area



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#### General Topic Breakout Sessions

Conference Area

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

#### The Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program

Joanne Foremen, Communications Coordinator  
Invasive Species Program  
MI Dept. of Natural Resources  
MI Dept. of Environmental Quality  
MI Dept. of Agriculture and Rural Development

NW Territories B

#### Lessons from Wisconsin: How our neighbor state is supporting inland lakes in the fight against AIS

Alisha Davidson, PhD, ML&SA Research Coordinator

NW Territories C

#### Findings from a Large-Scale Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol Project on the St. Joseph River

Patty Hoch-Melluish  
Kieser & Associates

Mountain View  
(located in the lodge)

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

#### ML&SA Annual "Happy Hour"

Beer, Wine & Pop Compliments of Exhibitors & ML&SA  
(Mixed Drinks / Liquor Available on Cash Basis)

Conference Area

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

#### *Michigan Lake and Stream Associations 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Banquet Invocation Dinner*

#### *Awards Ceremony*

*ML&SA "Lake Association of the Year" Award  
Annual ML&SA "Masters" Award  
Annual "Peanut" Awards*

#### *Special Presentation*

*"Working Together: The Key to Preserving and Protecting Local Lakes and Streams"*

*Ed Hoogterp, Benzie County Drain Commissioner  
John Ransom, Benzie Conservation District  
Stacy Daniels, Benzie County River Improvement Company*

NW Territories

9:00 PM - 9:45 PM

#### Michigan Riparian Rights and Water Law Question & Answer Session

Clifford H. Bloom  
Attorney-at-Law  
Bloom Sluggett Morgan Law, P.C.

Arctic Bay



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## Conference Agenda Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

6:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Breakfast	James Bay
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	General Conference Registration	Conference Area
	<b>General Topic Breakout Sessions</b>	Conference Area
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	<b>Aquatic Plant Identification</b> Jo Latimore, PhD, Aquatic Ecologist, MSUE Outreach Educator Erick Elgin, MSUE Water Resources Educator (Session <b>Does Not</b> Repeat)	NW Territories A
9:30 AM - Noon	<b>"The Status of Invasive Starry stonewort in MI Waters"</b> Doug Pullman, PhD, Aquest Corporation Scott Brown, ML&SA Executive Director (Session does not repeat)	NW Territories C
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	<b>Annual Michigan Riparian &amp; Water Law Review</b> Clifford H. Bloom, Attorney-at-Law Bloom Slugggett Morgan Law, Grand Rapids, MI (Session Repeats)	Arctic Bay
	<b>"Community Capital Resources for the Betterment of Your Lake"</b> Jennifer L. Jermalowicz-Jones, PhD Water Resources Director, Restorative Lake Sciences (Session Repeats)	NW Territories B
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Break	Conference Area
	<b>General Topic Breakout Sessions</b>	
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	<b>Annual Michigan Riparian &amp; Water Law Review</b> Clifford H. Bloom, Attorney-at-Law Bloom Slugggett Morgan Law, P.C.	Arctic Bay
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12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Buffet Lunch	James Bay



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Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

	Panel Discussion	Conference Area
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	<p align="center"><b>Creating a Fair and Sustainable System for Funding Inland Lake Aquatic Invasive Species Management Projects in Michigan</b></p> <p align="center">Ed Hoogterp, Benzie County Drain Commissioner            Paul Sniadecki, Eagle Lake Improvement Association            Jane Perrino, Benzie Conservation District            Stacy Daniels, Benzie County River Improvement Company            (session does not repeat)</p>	Arctic Bay
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**ML&SA 56th Annual Conference Adjourns! Thank you very much for your participation!**