

PURPOSE OF MLICA

To foster and encourage the development of high standards among the Land Improvement Contractors of this Association and others in this state in cooperation with such local, county, state and federal agencies as have mutual interest by educational programs and services with the objective of developing a higher degree of efficiency and training of Land Improvement Contractors.



MLICA OFFICERS

Chairman of Board--Trevor Young, S. Hecksel Farms LLC

President-- Ben Cook, Cook's Drainage Management

Vice President--Adam Cook, Soil & Water Mgmt Systems

Executive Director-- Sarah Cook, St. Johns, MI

Secretary/Treasurer-- Mike Cook, Soil & Water Mgmt Systems

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Russ Talaski, Talaski Farm Tiling

Dave Franks, Dig-N-Dave's Excavating LLC

Dave Dunne, Dave's Drainage

Will Word, Word Construction

Nathan Payne, Payne Farm Drainage

Associate Representative: John Freeman, ADS

Associate Representative: Jason Bleach, Northland Trenching

Government Relations-- Scott Everett, Fraser Law Firm

**PLEASE THANK THE MLICA ASSOCIATES
FOR THEIR SUPPORT!**

Welcome LICA CEO Jerry Biuso and VP Nordis Estrem



2019

Michigan Land Improvement Contractors Association Annual Meeting & Conference

Causeway Bay Lansing Hotel & Convention Center

6820 South Cedar Street

Lansing, MI 48911

January 13-15, 2019

Hospitality Room & Board Meetings -- West Imperial Room

Educational Seminars -- Executive Training Room

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13TH

- ◆ 3:30 PM **MLICA Board of Directors Meeting**
- ◆ 5:00 PM **Annual Cornhole Tournament**
**EVERYONE INVITED* Ballrooms G-J*
Adam Cook, SWMS, Host
Ben Cook, Cook's Drainage, Co-Host

- ◆ 6:30 PM **Pizza, Subs, Refreshments**
Ballrooms G-J

MONDAY, JANUARY 14TH

- ◆ 7:30 AM—9:10 AM **Exhibit Opening: Ballrooms G-J**
Coffee, donuts, juice served outside ballroom
- ◆ 9:10 AM—9:15 AM **Welcome: Ben Cook, President**
Executive Training Room
- ◆ 9:15 AM—10:00 AM **Soil Health and Drainage**
Zouheir Massri, Ph.D AgroLiquid
- ◆ 10:00 AM—10:45 AM **Miss Dig Update**
Linda Portelli Education Specialist
- ◆ 10:45 AM—11:15 AM **MSU Report**
Ehsan Ghane, Ph.D
- ◆ 11:15 AM—12:00 PM **NRCS Programs**
Richard Woodford, State Engineer
Becky Otto, EQUIP Coordinator
Abby Smith, CSP Coordinator
Brian Thomas, CEP Coordinator
Brian Buehler, Public Affairs
- ◆ 12:00 PM—1:30 PM **LUNCH, Ballrooms G-J (Exhibit Area)**



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MONDAY, JANUARY 14TH

- ◆ 1:30 PM—2:15 PM **Using Quickbooks: Questions & Answers**
Pat Sipkovski, Abraham & Gaffney CPA
- ◆ 2:15 PM—2:45 PM **Membrane for Sandy Soils**
Steve Law, SWRT Solutions LLC
- ◆ 2:45 PM—3:15 PM **LICA Benefits**
Gerald Biuso, National LICA CEO
- ◆ 3:15 PM—4:00 PM **Legislative Update: Equipment Sales Tax Law, Wetlands Issues, Commercial License Plates, Prior Issue Results and 2019 Plans**
Scott Everett, Director Legislative Affairs, Fraser Consulting, Lansing, MI
- ◆ 4:00 PM—4:45 PM **2019 MLICA Annual Meeting**
- ◆ 4:45 PM—5:00 PM **Geeks & Dirt: Q&A /Open Discussion**
about technology, what's new and what it can do.
- ◆ 5:00 PM—5:15 PM **MLICA Re-Organizational Board Meeting**
- ◆ 5:30 PM **Refreshments**
- ◆ 6:15 PM **Buffet Meal**
- ◆ 7:00 PM **MLICA Annual Fun Night and Auction**
Guest Speaker : Senator Kevin Daley, MI 31st District & Ag Committee Chair

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15TH

- 8:30 AM—12:00 PM **MIOSHA Seminar**
Jeremy Hidalgo
Construction Safety Consultant

LADIES CRAFTS @ 9:30AM IN WEST IMPERIAL, SHOPPING AFTER LUNCH.