

## **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**

Keith Cottrill, Keith's Trenching  
Will Word, Word Construction  
Russ Talaski, Talaski Farm Tiling  
Nathan Payne, Payne Farm Drainage  
Dave Franks, Dig-N-Dave's Excavating LLC  
Associate Representative: John Freeman, ADS  
Associate Representative: Matt Carter, RWF  
Gov't Relations— Scott Everett, Fraser Law Firm

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



**2020**

# **Michigan Land Improvement Contractors Association Annual Meeting & Conference**

Crowne Plaza Lansing West  
925 S Creyts Road  
Lansing, MI 48917  
January 12-14, 2020

Hospitality Room & Board Meeting — Durant  
Educational Seminars — Reo  
Exhibits & Meals — Ballrooms D & E

## PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 12TH

- ◆ 3:30 PM **MLICA Board of Directors Meeting**
- ◆ 5:30 PM **Annual Cornhole Tournament**  
**\*EVERYONE INVITED\***  
*Ballrooms D & E*  
*Adam Cook, SWMS, Host*  
*Ben Cook, Cook's Drainage, Co-Host*
- ◆ 6:30 PM **Pizza, Refreshments**  
*Ballrooms D & E*

### MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH

- ◆ 7:30 AM — 9:00 AM **Exhibit Opening, *Ballrooms D & E***  
*Coffee, Donuts, Juice Registration Area*
- ◆ 9:00 AM — 9:05 AM **Welcome: Ben Cook, President**
- ◆ 9:15 AM — 10:00 AM **Balancing Soil Nutrients to Aid Soil Fertility Programs**  
*Zouheir Massri, Ph.D, MSU*
- ◆ 10:00 AM — 10:30 AM **MSU Report**  
*Ehsan Ghane, Ph.D, MSU*
- ◆ 10:30 AM — 11:00 AM **2020 Field Day June 24 & 25, 2020**  
*Keith Cottrill, Ehsan Ghane, Mike Cook*
- ◆ 11:00 AM — 11:30 AM **Pump Drainage**  
*Jamie Near, Energy Service Solutions LLC*  
*Tim Dahl, ADS*  
*Dave & Al Kemp*
- ◆ 11:30 AM — 12:00 PM **Roundtable Discussion on Maintaining Employees & Benefits**
- ◆ 12:00 PM — 1:30 PM **Lunch**  
*Ballrooms D & E (Exhibit Area)*



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### MONDAY, JANUARY 13TH

- ◆ 1:30 PM **Associates Meeting *Ballrooms D & E***
- ◆ 1:30 PM — 2:15 PM **Senator Kevin Daley**  
***MI 31st District & Ag Committee Chair***  
***Capital Update & Miss Dig Issues***
- ◆ 2:15 PM — 2:45 PM **Drainage Law Cases**  
*Mike Perry, Fraser Law Firm*
- ◆ 2:45 PM — 3:15 PM **Sandhills Global/Machinery Trader**  
*LICA Benefit, Matt Sterup*
- ◆ 3:15 PM — 3:45 PM **Legislative Update: Equipment Sales Tax Law, Wetlands Issues, Commercial License Plates, Prior Issue Results and 2020 Plans**  
*Scott Everett, Director Legislative Affairs*  
*Fraser Consulting, Lansing, MI*
- ◆ 3:45 PM — 4:45 PM **2020 MLICA Annual Meeting**
- ◆ 4:45 PM — 5:00 PM **Geeks and Dirt: Open discussion/ Q & A about the technology, what's new and what can it do?**
- ◆ 5:00 PM — 5:15 PM **MLICA Re-Organizational Board Meeting**
- ◆ 5:30 PM **Refreshments**
- ◆ 6:15 PM **Dinner Buffet**
- ◆ 7:00 PM **MLICA Annual Auction & Fun Night**

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

- 8:30 AM — 12:00 PM **Located in Ballroom E**  
**MIOSHA, Tom Hansen**  
**CDL Rules & Clearinghouse,**  
*Martha Conrad, WT Fleet Services*

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