

THE INFORMER



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SAVE THE DATE FOR MPMA'S P.A.C. GOLF OUTING

MPMA will be hosting the PAC Golf Outing on July 19th at Timber Ridge Golf Club. The registration form is on page 3 of this newsletter and also on MPMA's web-site. (www.mipma.org) **Registration closes on July 10th, so make sure to register before then!**

The PAC fund is used to support Legislative issues that directly affect the pest management industry. There is currently numerous legislative and regulatory issues going on that will affect the pest management industry.

If you would like to support the PAC Fund but can not attend the outing, a direct contribution (personal check) can be mailed to MPMA-PAC, PO Box 26546 Fraser, MI 48026.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you on the course!

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Visit MPMA's website often for important updates and meeting information. Links to register for all meetings will be e-mailed out. The links can also be found on MPMA's website at www.mipca.org. If you have any questions or concerns, please email Rhonda Wise at rwise@mipca.org

The President's Corner

By Kevin Denardo MPMA President



Hello MPMA Members:

I hope everyone is having a safe and prosperous season so far!

Please join me in welcoming the following new members to the Michigan Pest Management Association:

- Frame's Pest Control, Inc.- Kevin DeVault
- SiteOne Landscape Supply- Brian Steinman

Thank you to Bill Welsh for your continued work and support for our industry. As you will see in his report, he has been hard at it working tirelessly on the governmental affairs side.

Don't forget to register for MPMA's PAC Golf Outing on Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at Timber Ridge Golf Club. Registration information is on page 3. It's a great way to support MPMA's PAC Fund and enjoy a day on the course!

MPMA will also be hosting a Summer Meeting in Traverse City, August 30-31, 2023. Thank you David Driver! Hope you can join us for a few days of education and relaxation! More information can be found on pages 4 & 5.

David Driver will also be hosting an "Up North" Training Meeting and Trade Show at the Otsego Club in Gaylord, September 27 & 28, 2023. More information can be found on page 9.

Shout out to Jamie Pilbeam and Andy Peterson for setting up our first two meet and greets for members and non members to help drive industry awareness and membership. More details are in this issue of our newsletter.

MMCA (Michigan Mosquito Control Association) - I had the pleasure of meeting with Doug Allen back in April. During our meeting we discussed thoughts on how best to bring our two great associations back together working on the betterment of our industry. Both organizations share the same common goals and can benefit from working together. Doug will be a guest speaker during our summer meeting.

Coming soon! Our new, redesigned Website! Listening to you, our valuable members, we are making improvements that will benefit all!

Please follow us on facebook as well as we update you on important industry topics and events happening across the state.

Reminder - There is no greater force than a unified front! Our members are the critical component to our associations' success and in ensuring we have one voice focused on the betterment of our industry.

It's up to all of us, so let's make a difference!

Respectfully,

Kevin Denardo - MPMA President

MPMA Golf

Support your MPMA-PAC!!

Wednesday, July 19th, 2023

Tee Times Start at 10:00am

**Timber Ridge Golf Club
16339 Park Lake Road
East Lansing, MI 48823**

\$145 per person Donation – No Corporate checks, please!
includes golf, lunch on the course & 18 holes w/cart

Register yourself or your group by e-mailing
Rhonda at rwise@mipca.org or complete and fax or mail registration form to:

MPMA PAC

P.O. Box 26546

Fraser, MI 48026

Fax- 586-296-9581

NO CORPORATE CHECKS, PLEASE!

-REGISTRATION-

 Yes! Please Sign me up for the MPMA PAC Golf Outing I have enclosed a personal check for the following golfers;

Company Name _____ PH# _____

Address _____

Golfer 1 _____

Golfer 2 _____

Golfer 3 _____

Golfer 4 _____

or

 Yes! Please Sign Me up for the MPMA PAC Golf Outing I have enclosed a personal check for myself;

Company Name _____ PH# _____

Address _____

Golfer 1 _____

And I would like to be paired up with one or more of the following Golfers;

Golfer 2 _____

Golfer 3 _____

Golfer 4 _____

MPMA 2023 Summer Meeting

Park Place Hotel and Conference Center

300 E State Street, Traverse City, MI

Hotel Reservations CAN NOT be made on-line! Please call

231-946-5000, option #9.

Group Code: PEST23

Reservations have to be made by 7/10/2023 to receive discounted rate.

MPMA 2023 Summer Meeting August 29-31

Tuesday August 29th

6:00-8:00pm - Board Meeting

Wednesday August 30th:

Credits Requested: 4-7A or Core

7:00-8:00- Continental Breakfast

8:00-8:15- Welcome and preview of the day's agenda

8:15-9:15- " Ah rats"- Dave Johnson APG

Dave will provide a thorough update of the rodent explosion and how to deal with the pesky varmints.

9:15-9:30- Break

9:30-11:00- " Tick Talk"- Gary Wagner ACE Central Life Sciences

Gary will give an in depth discussion on tick biology and a deep dive on a proper tick service.

11:00-12:00- MDARD Update with Emily Pochubay

5:30-6:30- Cash Bar

Thursday August 31st

Credits Requested: 3-7F or Core

7:00-8:00- Continental Breakfast

8:00- 9:15- “ Vector Control in 2023”- Gary Wagner ACE Central Life Sciences

Gary will discuss mosquito biology and proper treatment techniques.

9:00-9:15- Break

9:15- 10:00- “Michigan Arbovirus Update”-

Doug Allen biologist Midland County Mosquito Abatement

Doug will present on the arbovirus scene in Michigan and give thoughts on what will transpire in the next few years.

10:00-11:00- “ New Products & Technologies”- David Driver Vesperis

David will discuss the newest trends in products, actives, and technology

11:00-12:00- MPMA general membership meeting

Noon - Adjourn

Click Link Below to register for MPMA's Summer Meeting:

[MPMA Summer Meeting \(ticketspice.com\)](https://ticketspice.com)

Membership: In accordance with our bylaws, we have received the following applications for new membership. The names of the firms and their voting members are listed below. If any person has just cause as to why the applicant should not be a member they must protest in writing within 30 days of this publication. If no protests are received, their application will be submitted to the Board of Directors for consideration.

Frame's Pest Control, Inc.
Kevin DeVault

SiteOne Landscape Supply
Brian Steinman



Governmental Affairs Update

Bill Welsh

bwelsh@rosepest.com

As you can see from recent activity as it relates to governmental affairs.... A lot has been going on. First the C&T information from the EPA has not been returned to MDARD. When it does happen, regulations 636 and 637 will need to be opened back up for some fine tuning. Keep in mind when that happens, others will jump at the opportunity! They will try to make other changes detrimental to our industry. Each time a regulation is opened, it takes 18 full months and a lot of meetings to finalize. Secondly, we currently don't know if any changes will need to be made in ACT 451 which covers pesticide use in Michigan until we get those comments back from the EPA. Michigan overall is in pretty good shape from what it appears, but when stuff gets opened you never know what might happen. So, get ready, as I expect it will all be going on at once.

Secondly, we have been looking to reintroduce the Bed Bug bill. Currently, our lobbyist is working on putting it together and finding a sponsor. Our best opportunity to get it passed will be now with the current makeup of the legislature and governor's office.

On a national level, the Farm Bill is front and center this year. While we had the preemption language inserted in the farm bill last time through the house, it was stripped during conference after the house and senate passed their own forms of the farm bill. We hope to have good news to report shortly as Kim Rodriguez and I will be meeting with Senator Stabenow on how we can make it happen this time around. Russ Ives and I met with Senator Stabenow back in March which has been very helpful in setting up this meeting in the next couple of days. NPMA does have a lobbyist working in Washington DC on this issue and hopefully will prove to be fruitful in the end.

You will continue to see VoterVOICE stuff coming your way, please make sure that you are completing the VoterVOICE campaigns. In addition to completing them, send them to your employees, family members and whoever else will help with the campaigns. The more the better.

MPMA Meet and Greet

MPMA held its first ever meet and greet on April 20, 2023 at Revel and Roll in Kalamazoo. In attendance was Jason and Tony from Pest-Pros, Mike Leahy from Envu, and Andy Peterson representing North Shore Pest Control and MPMA. We had a great time throwing axes and getting to know each other. Jason and Tony made a strong effort in the axe throwing but were edged out by Mike and Andy who took the win 101-83. (Pictures on the right)



The MPMA held its second meet and greet at High Caliber Karting & Entertainment in the Greater Lansing area on May 24, 2023. We had seventeen in attendance and we all shared a few stories, laughs, and watched Adrian Culpepper from BASF and Ernie Schoonover from Bell put on a masterclass in axe throwing. The official scorer for the event was MPMA Vice President Steve Alcalá (Pronto Pest). Dave Driver from Vesperis was in charge of judging this rowdy group of Ax throwers, and continued to provide great support for the MPMA. A big thank you to everyone that ventured out through all the construction barrels and made this a great event. Where should we go next? If you got a suggestion please send us a message on Facebook. If you're not following us on Facebook please do.

MPMA “ Up North” Training Meetings & Trade Show

When: September 27 & 28 2023

Where: Otsego Club Gaylord, MI

Come join your peers at our now annual UP North training meetings.
Visit with manufacturers to see the latest in new
technology and Products

Agenda still to come!

For more information email David Driver with Vesperis at

David.driver@veseris.com

<p>Term Ends: 02/2024</p> <p>Kevin Denardo, President Rentokil/Ehrlich 41169 Vincent Court Novi, MI 48375</p>	<p>Term Ends: 02/2024</p> <p>Jason Sullivan Action (WDI) Specialist, Inc. P.O. Box 118 Manistee, MI 49660 231-723-6888</p>	<p>Term Ends: 02/2024</p> <p>David Driver, Allied Representative Vesperis 20994 Bridge Street Southfield, MI 48033 (800) 888-4897</p>
<p>Term Ends: 02/2024</p> <p>Steve Alcala, Vice President Pronto Pest Management 10130 Capital Street Oak Park, MI 48237 248-399-4298</p>	<p>Term Ends: 02/2026</p> <p>Andrew Peterson North Shore Pest Control 175 43rd Street Bloomington, MI 49026</p>	<p>MPMA PO Box 26546 Fraser, MI 48026 (P) 586-345-5879</p>
<p>Term Ends: 02/2024</p> <p>Charles Bellgraph, Secretary /Tres. Aardvark Pest Management, Inc. 2925 Remico Street SW Grandville, MI 49418 616- 530-9800</p>	<p>Term Ends: 02/2025</p> <p>Maria Sorrentino Pest Pros of Michigan, LLC 5068 S Sprinkle Rd. Portage, MI 49002 269-993-0051</p>	
<p>Term Ends: 02/2024</p> <p>Bill Welsh Rose Pest Solutions 8674 W ML Ave. Kalamazoo, MI 49009 616-292-4998</p>	<p>Term Ends: 02/2025</p> <p>Jamie Pilbeam Superior Pest Control 4251 Stafford Ave. SW Wyoming, MI 49548 616-247-7500</p>	



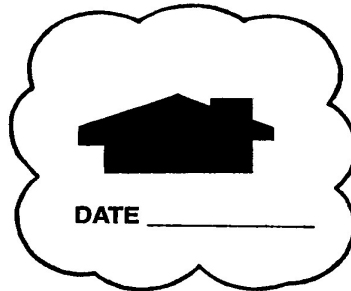
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Executive Secretary

DON'T RUN OUT! ORDER YOURS TODAY!

To comply with state regulations, please post this sticker on a window, door, or other readily visible surface at the primary point of entry for the building. It must remain posted for 48 hours after the pesticide application (date is written below).

peel off here



(Sample)

REGULATION 637 POSTING STICKERS

Michigan Pest Management Association has posting stickers according to Regulation 637 Standards Available for pest control companies at a reasonable rate. Each sticker has a house/cloud and is easily removed from window and doors. Sticker costs: Member Rate= \$80.00 per 1000, NON Member Rate=\$125.00, plus shipping. Please fill out the enclosed form and mail it with your check or money order to:

M.P.M.A.

P.O. BOX 26546

Fraser, MI 48026-6546

POSTING STICKER ORDER FORM

NAME: _____

COMPANY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

Shipping-1,000-\$10.00 over 1,000- \$15.00 : _____ \$ ENCLOSED:\$ _____