

THE INFORMER



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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.

**Parshall Pest
Control Experts**
Scott Maybore

Save The Dates!! MPMA Summer Meeting 2025 August 26th – August 28th 2025 The Park Place Hotel Traverse City, Michigan

Michigan Pest Management Association will be holding our summer meeting on the dates and location above. Room reservations are now being accepted. We have a block of rooms reserved at the discounted price of \$ 229.00 per night. Booking instructions below.

1. Call the hotel directly, at <tel:231-946-5000>, option #0 to speak with someone.
2. Email Resv-grp@park-place-hotel.com to request a reservation, providing the following information:
 - Group block code: VESSM
 - First and last name of guest who will be staying in the room.
 - Check in date and check out date
 - Phone number where you can be reached to provide credit card information
 - Specific requests/requirements (e.g., two beds, adjoining room, accessible room)

Our room block cutoff date is July 14th 2025.
Don't delay, book today!!
Agenda will be forthcoming.

The President's Corner

By Stephen Alcala MPMA President



First, I'd like to thank Kevin Denardo, of Rentokil for your leadership to our Association over the past couple of years as President. We all thank you.

My wife and I founded Pronto Pest Management in October 1982 with just \$500, growing it into a thriving business. Today, our two children, Tricia and Jamie, continue to lead the company. I've been an active member of the association for many years, serving on the board, including the past two years as Vice-President.

For many members and non-members, I know what it is like to start-up and have a small business and why an association such as ours is so very important and beneficial to us all. I encourage all members to help in increasing the number of new members because more members make us stronger as an Association.

In late February the Association had its Annual Winter Meeting at Firekeepers. The Board was thrilled with the turnout. There were 22 vendors and over a hundred attendees. Attendees had the opportunity to receive in-depth training on the latest pest control techniques, the best industry procedures and regulatory changes.

Bill Welsh, along with State Representative Curt VanderWall, provided a report on the new minimum wage and sick leave law.

The new Association Board for 2025-2026 is Stephen Alcala as President, Jaime Pilbeam Vice-President, Charles Bellgraph Treasurer, newest Board Member Damon Washington will be joining Maria Sorrentino, Bill Welsh, Jason Sullivan, Andy Peterson as Board Members, David Driver, was re-elected as Association Allied Member.

The association had a special guest this year. Andy Architect from NPMA had an information table and spoke at the meeting

I would like to recognize Jaime and Maria for putting together a great program. Jamie took over Master of ceremony duties when James Myers became ill, and he did a fantastic job, keeping the program on schedule.

On March 18, 2025, Board member Jason Sullivan will be having a seminar in Manistee, Board member Dave Driver is one of the presenters.

The Association will be having a summer meeting this year. More information will be forthcoming from Dave Driver.

I will be joining up with other MPMA Members and attending NPMA legislative day in Washington D.C. this month and will be providing members with a recap of the event in April's association bulletin.

If any members have any ideas or questions about the Association, you can contact me at,

salcala@prontopest.net or at 248-877-6885.

IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE



Date Release: Feb 21, 2025

Michigan Pest Management Association Concludes Successful 78th Annual Winter Meeting at FireKeepers Casino in Battle Creek

Battle Creek, MI – The Michigan Pest Management Association (MPMA) wrapped up its 78th Annual Winter Meeting on February 21, 2025, with a successful two-day event at the FireKeepers Casino in Battle Creek, Michigan. The meeting brought together over 50 pest control companies from across the state of Michigan for a comprehensive and informative gathering filled with technical training, networking opportunities, and exciting industry updates.

This year's event featured a diverse array of presenters, technical sessions, and discussions led by experts in pest management. Attendees had the opportunity to receive in-depth training on the latest pest control techniques, industry best practices, and regulatory changes. The meeting served as an invaluable resource for pest control professionals seeking to advance their knowledge and stay ahead of industry trends.



Scholarship Winners Highlighted During the event, the MPMA proudly recognized the outstanding achievements of its scholarship recipients, Madeline and Brandon. Their dedication to the pest management industry and academic excellence were celebrated during the meeting.

PCT Crown Leadership Class of 2024 Spotlight The MPMA also congratulated Bill Welsh of Rose Pest Solutions, who was selected to join the prestigious PCT Crown Leadership Class of 2024. Bill's recognition reflects his leadership and commitment to the advancement of the pest management profession.

MPMA Board Elections The meeting also included the election of key MPMA leadership positions for the coming year. Steve Alcalá of Pronto Pest Management was elected as the new President, while Jaime Pilbeam of Superior Pest Control will serve as Vice President. Charles Bellgraph of Aardvark Pest Management was re-elected as Treasurer.

In addition, the MPMA Board of Directors saw the election of Damon Washington from Peace Pest Consultants as a new trustee, while Maria Sorrentino from Pest Pros of Michigan was re-elected. David Driver of Vesperis was elected as an Allied Member Trustee, strengthening the association's ties with industry partners.



Event Sponsors and Partners The MPMA's 78th Annual Winter Meeting would not have been possible without the generous support of its sponsors. Vesperis served as the Title Event Sponsor, with featured sponsors including Zoecon, BASF, Syngenta, ENVU, Target Specialty, R-Pro Partners & Solutions, and Ensysyex. Presenter sponsors included MGK, Nisus, NPMA, Central Life Sciences, Syngenta, MMCA, AAC Distributing, and Bird-B-Gone.

"We are thrilled with the turnout and success of this year's Winter Meeting," said Steve Alcalá, MPMA President. "It was a fantastic opportunity for industry professionals to come together, learn, and network. We're excited to continue building on this momentum in the year ahead."

The MPMA's 78th Annual Winter Meeting was a resounding success, providing valuable insights and fostering connections among pest control professionals from across the state. The association looks forward to its continued growth and collaboration with members and partners in the coming year.

For more information about the Michigan Pest Management Association and upcoming events, please visit www.mipma.org

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The MPMA wishes to Thank all of the
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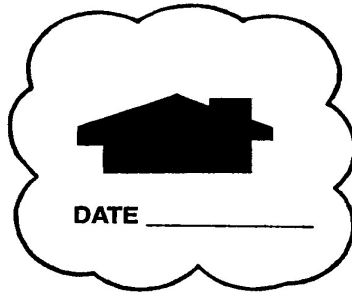
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Executive Secretary

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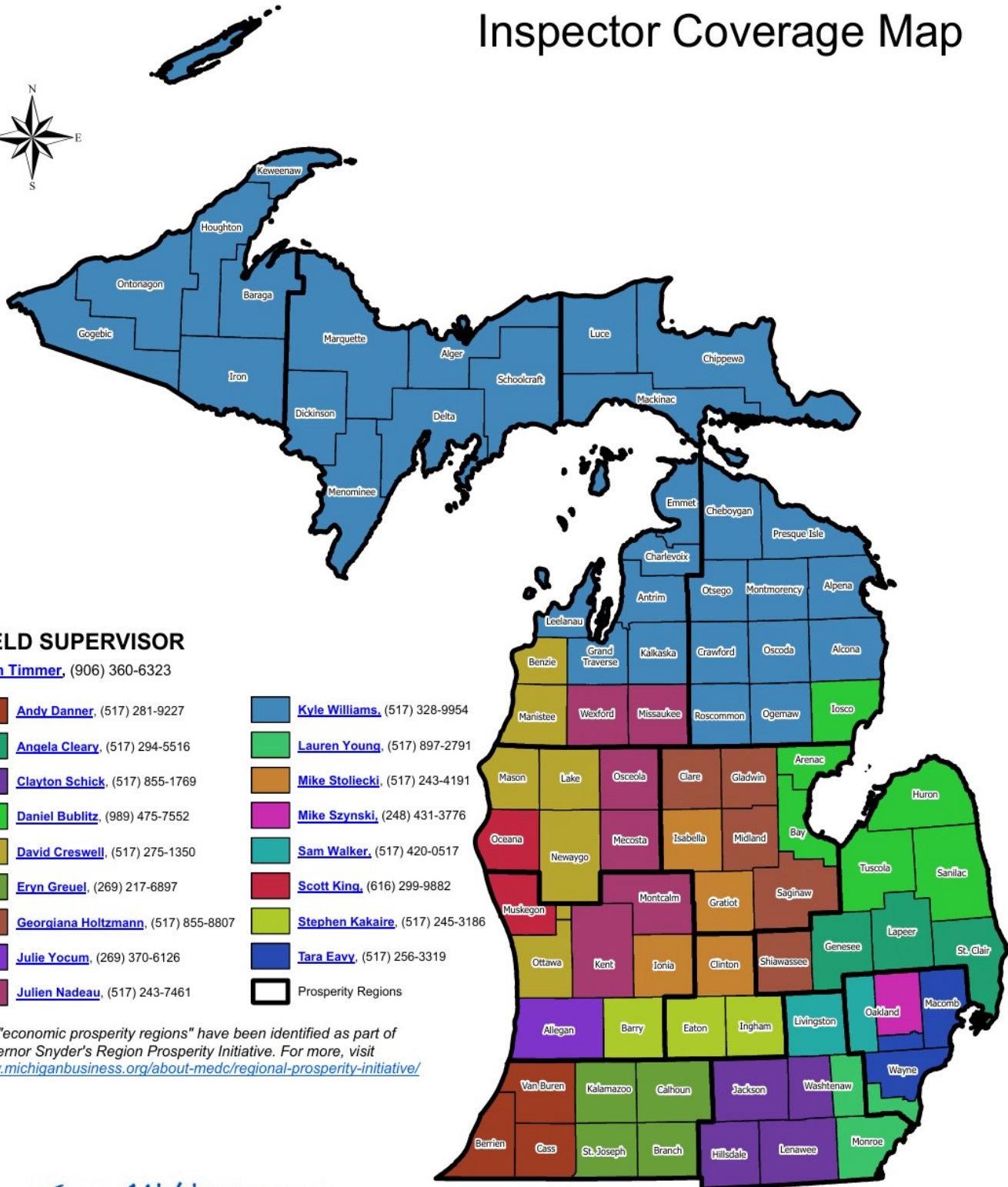
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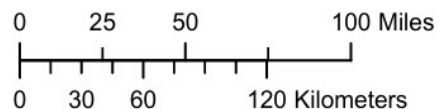


Ten "economic prosperity regions" have been identified as part of Governor Snyder's Region Prosperity Initiative. For more, visit www.michiganbusiness.org/about-medc/regional-prosperity-initiative/



Pesticide and Plant Pest Management Division

Map Created: 07/11/2024



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Oakland (Northeast)	Mike Szynski (Lead Inspector)	(248) 431-3776
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Macomb, Oakland (Southeast), Wayne (North)	Tara Eavy	(517) 256-3319

Winter Meeting Auction

MPMA would like to thank everyone who donated to the PAC and Scholarship funds. A total of \$2,126.00 was pledged, with \$635.00 to the PAC and \$1,491.00 to the Scholarship Fund. PAC funds are used to support legislative issues that affect the pest management industry. Scholarship funds are used to provide 2 scholarships per year to deserving individuals. For more information on the qualifications and to apply for a scholarship, please click the link below or visit our web-site at www.mipma.org.

[Microsoft Word - MPMA Scholarship Application Draft-updated 7-17-16](#)

Scholarship applications have to be submitted to Rhonda Wise at rhonda.wise@mipma.org by **APRIL 30, 2025**.

If you would like to make a donation to either fund please mail a check to:

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