

November 2016



WEST MICHIGAN NURSERY & LANDSCAPE ASSOCIATION

WMNLA News

President's Message

Things are changing! Not only the season! The Lions are actually winning, the Cubs are in the World Series, the University of Michigan is crushing the NCAA and well Michigan State – well, we welcome more change! Hopefully there will be some change after this weekend's game!

The potential upcoming winter weather change was laid out very well at our last meeting by George Lessons from WZZM 13.



If you missed the meeting George is predicting slightly more snow pushes than last year. It was a fun and well attended meeting!

At our next meeting we welcome Amy Frankmann from the Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association (MNLA) Most of you know Amy and the work she does for our industry. Amy certainly has a pulse on the changes that affect our industry!

-Michigan is now the 4th largest nursery state in the nation

-Michigan Green industry has a combined economic impact of over 5 billion dollars.



-1 out of every 170 Michigan citizens age 18-65 is employed in the Green Industry

Industry Update:

-Hemlock Woolly Adelgid

Key Michigan Legislation

-Unemployment,

-Invasive species

-Snow removal bill

Please join us November 9th at 11:30 at the Grand Haven Community Center for our next meeting. Enjoy the fall color change!

Nate Weaver, WMNLA President
Michigan Wood Fibers LLC

Contact him with comments, ideas, & questions at (616) 875-2241 or nate@michiganwoodfibers.com



WMNLA Scholarship Application

Attention all High School & College Students in Ottawa, Kent, Allegan, Newaygo, Muskegon and Oceana interested in a degree in a Green Industry field..

The WMNLA Scholarship Application through the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation is available for completion online at : <http://www.ghacf.org/scholarships.htm> Students should go to this page to see available scholarships and then go to the application tab to click the link to begin the E-grant process. The printed and signed application, transcript and page one of the FAFSA must be stapled together and postmarked to GHACF no later than March 5th, 2017 All of these instructions are on the online application also.

For questions contact: Grand Haven Area Community Foundation, 1 South Harbor, Grand Haven, MI 49417. 616-842-6378.



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Landscape Designer/Sales Staff :

Are good with job costing? Understand grades, drawing, designing hardscapes and/or landscapes. This could be the job for you...

We are looking to add to our sales staff yet this fall. Leads are furnished.
Experience is a plus.
Competitive wages and 401(K) plan available.

Please email your resume to service@boschlandscape.com or call 616-399-6861.

WMNLA Master Gardener Education Scholarship Fund

WMNLA has established a new fund to provide scholarships for employees of WMNLA members who successfully complete the Master Gardener Training Program.

To apply for the WMNLA Master Gardener Scholarship contact Pam Cater at:
wmnla2013@gmail.com.

WMNLA Board Meetings

You are welcome to attend the WMNLA Board Meetings at 10 a.m. on the day of the Program. It is an excellent opportunity to address the Board with any industry & membership issues.



WMNLA 2016/17 Programs

Wednesday, November 9, 2016 Amy Frankmann, Executive Director MNLA ; ‘Updates within the Green Industry’, at the Grand Haven Community Center, Grand Haven, Mi.

Wednesday, December 14, 2016 Rick Vuyst, Flowerland Garden Centers; ‘Mow-tivational.....a good swift kick in the plants’, at Hope College, Holland, Mi.

Wednesday, January 11, 2017 Rick Lohman, Business Coach, Trainer, Speaker; WooHooing.com; ‘Is Your Chemistry Right for the Results You Want to Generate?’ at Hope College, Holland, MI.

Wednesday, February 8, 2017, Michigan Department of Transportation, Michigan State Police; ‘Green Industry Specific Updates’
at Michigan Wood Fibers, 9426 Henry St, Zeeland, MI 49464 (Lunch provided by Michigan Wood Fibers)

All meeting eligible for CPIG Credit

Meeting time 11:30 a.m. at The Grand Haven Community Center, 421 Columbus, Grand Haven, Michigan. (October and November)

Hope College, Holland, MI (December and January)

Cost: \$15.00 person,

Employee special: Send 3-4th employee eats free



2017 WMNLA Membership Directory

The **2017 WMNLA Membership Directories** will be handed out at the December Holiday Program for all members and their staff.

Please review your listing and send any changes to

wmnla2013@gmail.com



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today!



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For advertising, business news, submission of articles and WMNLA member news:

Contact Pam Cater at

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Mark Your Calendar!

**December 11th -
“Mow-tivational...a good
swift kick in the plants”**

By

Rick Vuyst, Flowerland Garden Centers

2016-17 WMNLA Board of Directors

Nate Weaver, President, Michigan Wood Fibers, LLC
Ryan Weesies, Vice President, Weesies Farm & Garden Center
Brian Boyink, Secretary, Zelenka Farms

Chris Howe, Treasurer, Hortech
Russ Hillman, Member at Large, Bosch’s Landscape & Lawn Specialties
Chris Howe, Member at Large, Hortech

“Updates Within the Green Industry”
*presented by Amy Frankmann, Executive Director,
Michigan Nursery & Landscape Association*

Wednesday, November 9

11:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m.

**At The Grand Haven
Community Center**

Mackinaw Room

**421 Columbus
Grand Haven**

**Reservations for lunch
necessary by Friday
November 4th.**



Amy Frankmann, Executive Director of the Michigan Nursery & Landscape Association will update our members with new and pertinent information regarding the green industry.

Updates include information about:
Woolly Hemlock Adelgid

Michigan legislation concerning:
Snow Removal bill
Invasive Species
Unemployment Taxes
Contact Amy at:
amyf@mnla.org
Www.mnla.org



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**RSVP by November 4th
Let us know you are coming so
our hosts can prepare!**

**WMNLA member businesses &
staff are welcomed!**

**RSVP to Pam Cater at
(616) 402-4885 ♦
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