Michigan Chapter
Soil & Water Conservation Society
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A MATTER OF BALANCE:
Feeding our Crops, Protecting the Waters of the Great Lakes

Friday, March 3, 2017, 9:00 am to 4:40 pm
Room 105AB, Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center
219 S. Harrison Rd., Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan

AGENDA

Moderators: a.m. - Dr. Tim Harrigan, Associate Professor, MSU, and Region 4 Dir., Michigan Chapter SWCS
p.m. - Maureen Stine, Past President, and Tim Cattron, Vice President, Michigan Chapter SWCS

8:00 – 9:00 am  Registration and Coffee/Tea
9:00 – 9:05 am  Welcome and Introductions
                Maureen Stine, Past President, Michigan Chapter SWCS
9:05 – 10:00 am  Instilling Health into Un-Healthy Soils
                 Dr. Newell Kitchen, Soil Scientist
                 USDA Agricultural Research Service, Columbia, Missouri
10:00 – 10:15 am  Break
10:15 – 11:05 am  Combating Nutrient Transport in Drainage Water
                 using Various Conservation Practices
                 Dr. Ehsane Ghane
                 Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering
                 Michigan State University
11:05 – 11:55 pm  Thinking Outside the Lake:
                 How Can Management Benefit Western Lake Erie and its Tributaries
                 Dr. Scott Sowa, Director of Science
                 The Nature Conservancy, Lansing, Michigan
12:05 – 12:55 pm  Luncheon in Red Cedar AB
1:05 – 1:20 pm  Award and Scholarship Presentations
                Scholarship - Hugh Brown, Chair, Scholarship Committee, Michigan Chapter SWCS
                Award presentation – Maureen Stine, Past President, Michigan Chapter SWCS
1:20 – 2:15 pm  Finding Value in Conservation Targeting
                Using Precision Agriculture Technologies
                Dr. Newell Kitchen
2:15 – 2:30 pm  Break
2:30 – 3:20 pm  Using Tile Drainage Water and Detention Ponds to
                Supplement Overhead Irrigation
                Mr. Bob Mantey
                Tuscola County Farmer
3:20 – 4:10 pm  Right to Farm—An Opportunity, not a ‘Right’
                Mr. Wayne Whitman, Right to Farm Program Manager
                Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
4:10 – 4:40 pm  Speaker panel and discussion
4:40 pm  Adjourn

Fostering the science and art of soil and water conservation in Michigan and the Great Lakes Region.