



THE NORTHERN LAKES MANAGER

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT: DICK PINAGEL

Dear MAPMS Membership -

Happy Fall! I hope that everyone had a great summer season! It was one of the better summers we've had in a few years here in the Great Lakes region with lots of warmth and sunshine to grow lots of aquatic plants for us to manage.

Your Society At Work... The annual Fall Board of Directors meeting was held October 25th in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This meeting is always held at the hotel location where, the following spring, the MAPMS conference is held....The Hyatt Regency Milwaukee. This allows for a personal Board review of the facility and to finalize details with hotel staff. At the meeting all committee reports were reviewed and discussed. Other details related to preparation for the spring 2017 MAPMS Conference such as meal planning, general session layout, and program details are reviewed.

2017 Conference... Make plans now to attend the 2017 Spring MAPMS Conference at the Milwaukee Hyatt Regency Downtown Milwaukee Monday, February 27th through Wednesday, March 2nd. Paul Hausler, our program chair, is already hard at work putting together an outstanding program filled with great speakers from our region and around the country.

The Milwaukee Hyatt Regency is a first class venue and centrally located to many great pubs and restaurants all within easy walking distance. Many of you may remember downtown Milwaukee as a fun location due in part to the numerous charming "watering holes" scattered around town! On behalf of myself and the Board of Directors let me state that we appreciate your membership in this great Society and that we value your trust in us. Believe me when I state that each decision your Board makes is solely for the betterment of our Society! I look forward to seeing you in Milwaukee!

Thank you!

MAPMS President, Dick Pinagel

37TH ANNUAL MAPMS CONFERENCE : FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 2, 2017

HYATT REGENCY: MILWAUKEE, WI

The 37TH Annual Midwest Aquatic Plant Management Conference will be held February 27-March 2, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency in downtown Milwaukee, WI. The 37TH conference will start on **Monday** and conclude with the banquet **Wednesday** evening. The Board of Directors will conduct the post-conference meeting on Thursday March 2, 2017. This will be the first time in recent history that we will start on a Monday, we will try this format for a few years and from your feedback determine if we continue with this scheduling.

The 2017 Conference CALL FOR PAPERS IS NOW! Please visit the website for Abstract Submission Forms!

ATTENDING THE 2017 CONFERENCE YOU WILL EARN CEU'S FOR MULTIPLE STATES!

NEWS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP & PUBLICITY COMMITTEE CHAIR: AMY KAY

Membership:

The goal of increased conference survey participation was identified, and the decision to go back to a paper survey was made. The committee updated the survey questions and included the incentive of an extra door prize raffle ticket upon receipt of completed surveys. These went out with our registration packets and were distributed throughout the meeting. The 2015 conference survey had 27 of 237 attendees (11%) responses. Our new approach achieved 61 responses out of 254 attendees (24%), so while response more than doubled from 2015, there is improvement to be made. We are pleased to announce that there will be a new and exciting way to provide feedback throughout the conference this year. As a member of MAPMS your opinion is important to the Board of Directors to ensure we are delivering value to the Society.

Publicity:

The Society has exhibited at the following annual conferences this year: Indiana Lakes Management Society, Wisconsin Lakes Partnership, Michigan Inland Lakes Streams Association, Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference and the Aquatic Plant Management Society. The new "Water Creates Memories" pamphlet was included in the booth exhibit and distributed to attendees as a tool to promote the society as well as our Plant ID Chart.

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STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIR: DR. RYAN THUM

A major focus for the Student Affairs Committee is to increase submissions for the Robert L. Johnson Memorial Research Grant. MAPMS is currently accepting applications for the Robert L. Johnson Memorial graduate student research grant. Each year MAPMS will consider applications for a **graduate student grant of up to \$10,000**. Funds are collected through donations, sponsorships and various activities at the annual conference. For more information, please contact: Dr. Ryan Thum Student Affairs Committee Chair ryan.thum@montana.edu

<http://www.mapms.org/students/robert-l-johnson-memorial-research-grant/>

Deadline for submission is February 1, 2017

NEWS FROM THE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: NATE LONG

NPDES - The final federal regulation for the next five years will be published any day now and the states that have been delegated NPDES authority will have until January to file their updated rules with the appropriate EPA region for signoff and approval. There weren't any real significant changes from the last one except a strengthened ESA component.

WOTUS - The WOTUS rule as written could be a major wrench in the works because it establishes the jurisdiction of the NPDES program. An injunction issued by the federal 6th Circuit Court of Appeals current prohibits the EPA and the Corps of Engineers from implementing the definition as it appears in the final rule. The Court will accept briefs on the issue some time in November and *amicas* briefs will be accepted around the same time or a little later. Live arguments will be heard by the three judge panel in the March/April timeframe with a decision likely in August/September. Appeals to the Supreme Court will be likely regardless of the 6th Circuit's decision.

Certification & Training - The final rule is due any day now which will define the minimum requirements for state certification and training requirements for pesticide applicators. The states will then have two years to amend statutes and rules, upgrade training and testing materials and submit a new State Plan for the Certification and Training of Pesticide Applicators. EPA will approve or not and the State Plans will be implemented. Look for shorter certification times, higher numbers of recertification credits/CEUs, and minimum training requirements for pesticide handlers which will be short of certification.

Endangered Species - EPA is currently on track to issue "may affect" determinations for chlorpyrifos, diazinon and malathion which will morph into full blown consultations between EPA, Fish & Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service. Methomyl and sevin will be the next two insecticides in the queue and 5 herbicides are waiting in the wings.

EPA has indicated they are considering labeling restricting tank mixes, requiring endangered species considerations for new registrations and re-registrations, and look for more and enforceable resistance management labeling on pesticides.

Submission by Carlton Layne, Executive Director, AERF

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THE SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE COMMITTEE: JAKE BRITTON

All of the funds generated from the box raffle and silent auction go to support the Robert L Johnson Memorial Research Grant. This grant is awarded each year to support research in the field of aquatic plant management. The MAPMS board of directors recently approved increasing the grant award to up to \$10,000.

Contact Jake to donate silent auction items for the upcoming 2017 conference: jakeb@sepro.com

EXHIBITS COMMITTEE: ERIC SCHUTMAN

We had 25 exhibitors at the 2016 conference, thank you all who exhibited. As a reminder, exhibit space is available on a first come first serve basis. If you plan to exhibit at the conference in Milwaukee in 2017, I suggest you register early. This will ensure you have a spot.

Contact Eric to get your exhibit spot for upcoming 2017 conference: eric.schutman@syngenta.com

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FROM THE EDITOR:

It was a great season for all of us and it's now time to relax, enjoy the fall weather, spend time the families and get caught up on those long over due projects that we can never find time for during the season. The snow will be flying soon and before you know it the lakes will be opening up and its back the business of preserving our natural resources!

We are investing in the future! We will be utilizing new AV equipment to bring a better experience in 2017. All presentations will support FULL1080 HD widescreen format. We look forward to bringing you another amazing conference in 2017 so please reach out to the board to let us know how we can continue to build and strengthen this great organization!

Rich DeJonghe

MAPMS Editor



**2016-17 MIDWEST AQUATIC
PLANT MANAGEMENT SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE YOUR SOCIETY?

The Nominations Committee is now accepting nominations for positions on the 2017-2018 Board of Directors!

If you would like to be a part of leading this great organization please contact the committee chair:

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