# Michigan Association of Mayors

Being a Better Leader





# Thursday, July 13

11:30 am Registration Opens

NOON Networking Lunch (Included in registration)

12:45 pm Welcome and Conference Overview

Lee Kilbourn, Mayor, Auburn; President, MAM

**Host City Welcome** 

Robert Clark, Mayor, Monroe

**League Welcome** 

Gisgie Dávila Gendreau, President, Michigan Municipal League Foundation

1:15 pm Budget Concepts and Considerations

The budget is something that the chief elected official should understand. Hear tips for understanding the budget and items to consider when going

through the budgeting process.

Speaker: Bill Brickey, Partner, Plante Moran

2:15 pm Networking Break

2:30 pm The State of the City Address

The National League of Cities (NLC) recently published *How to Deliver an Effective State* of the City Address. Hear from the author, who will share tips on delivering a great state of the city address, as well as NLC's analysis of mayors' policy priorities in 2017.

Speaker: Trevor Langan, Research Associate, National League of Cities

3:30 pm Networking Break

3:45 pm 2017 State of the Cities Report: Highlights and Key Findings

A growing number of mayors and village presidents are delivering annual "State of the City" addresses in their communities. The speeches help improve transparency; connect local leaders with their constituents; highlight accomplishments; and share information on city/village priorities, plans, and challenges. The League recently prepared a report summarizing key themes and priorities presented in 2017 state of the city addresses given by Michigan mayors and other local leaders.

Speaker: Emily Kieliszewski, Membership Engagement Specialist, Michigan Municipal League



## 4:00 pm Update from DTE

In December, the governor signed energy legislation into law that created a path forward to an energy future that is reliable, affordable, and cleaner for the state's residents. A fundamental transformation in the way we produce power in our state is underway. Monroe is home to DTE's Monroe and Fermi 2 power plants. In addition, DTE Energy experienced the largest weather event in its more than 100-year history in early March when unseasonably warm temperatures combined with sustained tropical storm force winds gusting to 70 mph pounded Michigan for 12 hours. With 800,000 customers impacted, thousands of DTE employees, along with out-of-state crews from seven states, worked around the clock to restore power to customers. Mayors will be updated on these and other critical issues impacting Michigan municipalities.

Speakers: Carla Gribbs, Regional Manager, DTE; Michael Twomley, Monroe Plant Manager, DTE

#### 4:15 pm RAISIN' EXPECTATIONS for 200 Years

Hear about the new city brand that Monroe is launching this month.

Moderator: Wendell Dompier, Village President, Baraga; Vice President, MAM
Speakers: Robert Clark, Mayor, Monroe; Mark Cochran, Economic Development Director, Monroe;
Jody Egen, Communications Director, Monroe

# 6:00 pm Dinner at the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

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Transportation to the SSIHM is provided by Lake Erie Transit. You may also drive on your own to 610 W. Elm Avenue. If you are taking the bus, the first trip to SSIHM will be at 5:30 pm, the bus will come back to the hotel and make a second trip at 5:45 pm.

## Until 10:00 pm River Raisin Jazz Series

After dinner, the bus will loop between the jazz venues and the Quality Inn & Suites until 10:30 p.m. The venues are all within walking distance of each other. You are welcome to drive to the venues as well. The artists will perform from 6:00-10:00 pm.

#### **Trumpet Legend Tony Guerrero**

129 Lounge, 129 E. Front St.

## Jerome Clark, Jazz Guitarist

Amaya's Fresh Mexican Grill, 29 S. Monroe St.

#### J Canady & The SoulNyice Band

McGeady's Town Pub, 39 S. Monroe St.

#### **Monroe Big Band**

Public House Food + Drink, 138 N. Monroe St.



# Friday, July 14

6:00 - 8:30 am **Breakfast** 

Enjoy a hot, complimentary breakfast at your leisure in the dining area of the hotel.

8:30 am Registration, Coffee, and Networking

8:45 am Being a Better Leader/Enhancing Communication Styles

Learn how your behavior and that of others influences the effectiveness of interpersonal relationships. Learn how your natural communication style preferences can derail your leadership effectiveness, and then learn strategies to become a more effective leader and communicator.

Moderator: Phil O'Dwyer, Mayor, Berkley

Speaker: Marcey Uday-Riley, MSW, DPT, IRI Consultants

11:00 am Legislative Update

League legislative staff will present an update on local government issues being addressed in Lansing and at the federal level. Special attention will be paid to the League's municipal finance effort, the upcoming election, and lame duck session forecasting.

Speaker: John LaMacchia II, Assistant Director, State & Federal Affairs, Michigan Municipal League

11:45 am Closing Remarks and Drawing for a La-Z-Boy Chair

Speaker: Lee Kilbourn, Mayor, Auburn; President, MAM

NOON - 2:00 pm Optional Tour to the River Raisin National Battlefield Park and the Monroe County Museum

This guided two-hour tour will include a boxed lunch.

Guide: Scott Bentley, Superintendent, National Park Service

Transportation provided by Lake Erie Transit

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