



Michigan Chapter of The Wildlife Society
2022 Annual Conference
"Keeping it together for wildlife"



Virtual Conference Schedule

All times are listed in Eastern Standard Time (EST)

Thursday, March 24	
10 am - Noon	TWS Certification Workshop Free to all conference attendees Presented by Jim Schneider & Jamila Blake
Noon - 1pm	BREAK for lunch
1:00 - 1:15 pm	Welcome and Opening Remarks from Chapter President, Clay Buchanan
1:15 - 2:15 pm	PLENARY I - Ian K. Evans, Psy. D , Licensed Clinical Psychologist <i>Taking Care in Uncertain Times: Interpersonal Well-Being, Self-Compassion, & Work-Life Harmony</i>
2:15 - 2:30 pm	BREAK
2:30 - 4:40 pm	Presentations - Session I
2:30 pm	Clay Wilton - <i>White-tailed Deer Density and Habitat Use on the Beaver Island Archipelago using a Camera Trap Array</i>
2:50 pm	Patrick Ryan - <i>The Historical Effects of Lethal and Non-lethal Predator Management to Protect Piping Plover (<i>Charadrius melodus</i>) at Dimmick's Point, North Manitou Island</i>
3:10 pm	Caitlin Ott-Conn & Kristin Brzeski - <i>Upper Peninsula Black Bear Population Estimator</i>
3:30 pm	5-min Lightning Talks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emilia Shokoohi - <i>Using Citizen Science Data to Evaluate the Breeding Distribution of Merlins "<i>Falco columbarius</i>" in Michigan</i> • Andrew Vander Tuig & Andrew Kapteyn - <i>Evaluating the Distribution of Blacklegged Ticks (<i>Ixodes scapularis</i>) in a Region of Recent Expansion</i> • Clay Wilton - <i>Michigan Natural Features Inventory</i>
3:50 pm	Megan Baker - <i>Outreach and Education: Non-Traditional Management Tools for Airport Wildlife Biologists</i>
4:10 pm	Gael Sanchez - <i>An Analysis of Jobs in the Wildlife Field</i>

4:30 - 5:30 pm	Chapter social
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Friday, March 25	
9:00 - 10:00 am	PLENARY II - Dr. Alexa Warwick , Wildlife Engagement Specialist, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Michigan State University <i>A Partnership to Foster Engagement</i>
10:00 - 10:05 am	BREAK
10:05 - 11:45 am	Presentations - Session II
10:05 am	Tyler Petroelje - <i>Recreational Feeding alters wintering strategy but not survival of White-tailed deer</i>
10:25 am	Tricia Brockman - <i>She's Going the Distance: Wood Turtle Movement on a Managed Forest Landscape</i>
10:45 am	5-min Lightning Talks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tyler Petroelje - <i>A Machine Learning Platform to Automate Identification of Wildlife in Camera Trap Images</i> • Ashley Cole-Wick - <i>It's easy to report rare species occurrences to Michigan Natural Features Inventory!</i> • Tim Wilson - <i>USDA Wildlife Services</i>
11:05 am	Jillian Serman - <i>Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake Space Use near MDOT Maintained Right-of-Ways</i>
11:25 am	Megan Bos - <i>Do Muskrats influence water chemistry in Great Lakes Coastal Wetlands?</i>
11:45 - 12:30 pm	Chapter Business Meeting
12:30 pm	Closing Remarks from new Chapter President, Melissa Starking

Thank you for attending!