

A NORTHERN MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE ACADEMY PROGRAM

Schedule

March 13, 2012

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| Check-In | 8:30am – 8:55am |
| Recreational Authorities Anne Conklin, Harry Burkholder | 9:00am – 12:00pm |
| Lunch provided onsite | 12:00pm – 12:30pm |
| Community Planning Pat Coleman | 12:30pm – 2:30pm |

Program Description

Recreational Authorities

Presenters: **Ann Conklin**, Chief Operating Officer of the Michigan Recreation and Park Association (MRPA), the state-wide trade association representing the agencies, advocates and vendors who provide public parks and recreation services to more than 4.5 million Michigan residents annually.

Harry Burkholder, AICP Certified Community Planner II with the Land Information Access Association (LIAA), Traverse City

Over the course of the presentation, we will first review and discuss the important role parks and recreation play within a community. We will then discuss why communities are considering options for cooperation and some of the barriers to cooperation. We will then discuss and review some of the administrative tools and legislative options for cooperation, looking specifically at the Recreational Authority Act. Finally, we will discuss the millage option and the feasibility of passing a recreational millage in today's political and economic climate.

Spring Forward and Make Plans...A Guide to Hot Community Planning Topics

Presenter: Patrick Coleman is the Senior Planner with U.P. Engineers & Architects, Inc., and also manages the firm's Marquette office

Community Planning during tough economic times is daunting but can open doors to generating community support, partnerships and funding opportunities. This workshop will provide an overview of planning challenges, initiatives and solutions currently being explored by a number of Upper Peninsula communities. Topics will include: Updating your Community Master Plan, Recreation Planning, and Planning for Pedestrians and Bicycles.

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Materials and Registration Fees

Members and Associate Members: \$15 per person when registered by **March 6, 2012**. Non-members: \$60 per person when registered by **March 6, 2012**. After March 6, 2012, add \$10 to each seminar fee. The fee includes instruction, handouts, and lunch.

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Refunds will be made *ONLY* if NMPA is notified of cancellation by **March 12, 2012**. If you find that you cannot attend, you may transfer your registration to another person who has not registered. This may be done by phone, fax, or email.

Location

The *Citizens' Forum* is located in the Lakeview Arena at 401 E. Fair Ave. in Marquette.

Please dress in layers as it is not always possible to control the room temperature.

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