



NEWSLETTER

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The mission of the Midland Conservation District is to provide responsible leadership in resource conservation practices to the community for present and future generations.

Upcoming Workshops

Trees 101 Workshop

March 18th, 2021 @ 7pm, Virtual via Zoom

Join us to learn Why, How and When to plant trees!

This workshop will include information on fruit tree pruning, and how to deal with invasive trees and shrubs, oak wilt, and gypsy moths. This workshop is a great resource for anyone looking to successfully plant trees, for those planting for the first time, to those that have been planting trees for a long time looking for a helpful refresher.

RSVP by email today to receive a Zoom link!
midlandconservation@macd.org

Backyard Conservation Workshop

April 8th, 2021 @ 7pm, Virtual via Zoom

This workshop is designed to help you learn how to create and facilitate healthy habitat in your own backyard!

The workshop will include information on how to create wildlife habitat, backyard gardens, pollinator habitat, as well as tips on invasive plant identification and composting. RSVP by email today to receive a Zoom link!
midlandconservation@macd.org

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, our workshops will be virtual.

RSVP to midlandconservation@macd.org to register and to receive workshop updates.

Joining information and links will also be available at www.midlandcd.org

Tree Sale: Order Today!

The Annual Reforestation Tree Sale is in full swing! Orders can be submitted NOW through Friday, April 2nd, 2021, while supplies last! For more information and a printable order form, visit our website or request an order form by mail by calling the office at 989.486.2325 leave your name and mailing address and we will gladly send you one.

NEW Online Ordering;

The online store is available at www.midlandcd.org and features helpful information on different species for sale.

Distribution will be held April 21st through May 1st, dependent upon weather.

You will be called when your order is ready for pickup.



BOARD ELECTIONS & Annual Meeting

Board Members Needed:

Are you or someone you know passionate about conservation efforts, and looking to make a positive difference in Midland County?

2021 is an election year for our board!
We have 2 positions up for election.

Petitions are available by request,
*and must be turned in by **March 16th**.*

Only 5 endorsement signatures needed for a petition to be valid!

Primary responsibilities of board members include;
contributing to the goals of the district, learning district laws,
working with the administrator to ensure compliance, help to
manage staff, develop partnerships, attend monthly board
meetings (Third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm) and be
interested and engaged in the long-term success of the
District. Elections are held at the Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting & Election

Scheduled for May 18, 2021. 5pm-7pm

We are planning to host an Open House at the District's Barn
that will include a tour of the property for the planned
Tomlinson Family Barn and Education Center project.

We will also be holding board elections at this time; come and
cast your vote for directors!

We look forward to seeing you there.

Mark your calendars and RSVP by email or by phone today!



Field Notes

by Technical Assistant Ben VanDyke

Even in the colder weather, , there are still things to do and learn! I have been able to accompany our NRCS District Conservationist with field visits to clients that are interested in the EQIP Program (Environmental Quality Incentive Program). It has been great to learn about the different conservation practices that landowners can apply to their lands!

CONTACT US

Are you looking to become involved with local conservation efforts? Are you in need of land resource assistance? The Midland Conservation District is here to help. Contact us to learn more about our programs, services and upcoming Tree Sale!

Phone: 989.486.2325

Email: midlandconservation@macd.org

Website: www.midlandcd.org

Address: USDA Service Center

954 East Isabella Rd, Midland MI 48640

THINK SPRING!

Board & Staff

*Karen Thurlow - Administrator/Manager
Laura Norcutt - Chair*

David Ruhle - Vice Chair

Cindy Poole - Board Member

Jan Ruhle - Board Member

Kevin Mudd - Board Member

Benjamin VanDyke - Staff - Technical Assistant

Angela Dietrich - Staff - Technical Assistant

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