

MISS DIG 811

Education Events & Information December 2018

MISS DIG811 Annual Meeting



MISS DIG 811 and the Michigan Infrastructure & Transportation Association (MITA) are teaming up to host their annual meetings and provide a variety of educational opportunities January 22nd - 24th, 2019 at the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort in Mt Pleasant.

We are excited to bring our members new educational opportunities as well as our time-tested member favorites. Most information packed sessions will run for just 50 minutes.

MISS DIG 811 knows that it is through knowledge and collaboration we are able to impact damage prevention; 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, MISS DIG is the conduit through which facility owners, contractors, and locators collaborate. On Tuesday evening, January 22nd, we will facilitate face to face collaboration and networking by hosting a strolling dinner and cocktail hour at the Casino. Please join us to network and meet your MISS DIG 811 team.

As in past years, MISS DIG 811 encourages members to take advantage of this multi-day event and have secured a room block at Soaring Eagle Casino. Attendees will receive a discounted room rate of \$129.00 per night at the casino utilizing Group Code: MDS012119. Book your rooms directly at: www.soaringeaglecasino.com

Below is the itinerary for the event. For a description of the sessions and to register for the Annual Meeting and sessions, click [HERE](#).



Location

Black River

Saginaw Room

Three Fires Room

Ojibway Room

Tuesday January 22nd

Registration
(7:00am - 8:30am)

Breakfast
(8:00am - 9:00am)

Session 1
(9:00am - 9:50am)

Session 2
(10:00am - 10:50am)

Session 3
(11:00am - 11:50am)

Lunch
(12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Session 4
(1:00pm - 1:50pm)

Session 5
(2:00pm - 2:50pm)

Session 6
(3:00pm - 3:50pm)

Session 7
(4:00pm - 4:50pm)

Cocktails
(5:00pm - 6:00pm)

Dinner
(6:00pm - 8:00pm)

Gold Shovel for Municipalities

Damage Reporting and Documentation

Inside the MISS DIG 811 Notification Center

Buffet lunch for all attendees

Gas and Trench Safety
(1:00pm - 2:50pm)

MISS DIG 811 Annual Meeting
(3:00pm - 5:00pm)

IT Issues? Who to Contact

MISS DIG 811 Answers your Questions (10:00am - 11:30am)

MDPB Meeting

TIME Committee Meeting

Locator Action Committee

Membership Overview

MISS DIG 811 Member Troubleshooting

Positive Response Posting

Member Contact Updates

Beyond the Basics: Ticket Search

Reports! Reports! Reports!

Facility Owner Database: Mapping Options

Join us for additional networking and a couple of drinks. In addition to vouchers, the bar will be cash.

An opportunity to network and meet the MISS DIG 811 team while enjoying a strolling dinner.

Wednesday January 23rd

Breakfast
(8:00am - 9:00am)

Session 1

Lunch
(12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Session 2
(1:00pm - 3:00pm)

MISS DIG 811 Certification
(8:30am - 12:00pm)

Buffet lunch for all attendees

Practical Solutions for Collaboration: The Detroit Pilot

Design Ticket Entry Training
(9:00am - 11:00am)

RTE Training

Thursday January 24th

Breakfast
(8:00am - 9:00am)

Session 1

Lunch
(12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Session 2
(1:00pm - 3:00pm)

MISS DIG 811 Certification
(8:30am - 12:00pm)

Buffet Lunch for All Attendees

Gold Shovel Standard for Excavators (9:00am - 11:00am)

RTE Training

*Room assignments may change to meet session demands

SAFE DIGGING ADVOCATE AWARD

Nominate an individual or organization that has significantly served, improved, promoted or innovated the underground utility safety industry for the Annual Safe Digging Advocate Award.

The winner will receive a trophy, **MISSDIG811** swag, & an all-expense paid trip for 2 to the **MISSDIG811** Annual Meeting being held at the Soaring Eagle Casino January 22-24, 2019!



Go to www.missdig811.org – Click on Education – then the trophy to place your nomination by 12-31-18

NOMINATE SOMEONE TODAY !

Hire It Done



Bruce Campbell- MISS DIG 811 CEO

Tune in on Saturday, December 8th at 7:15am to the *Hire It Done* radio show with Adam Helfman on 97.1FM when he discusses All Things MISS DIG with his guest Bruce Campbell, MISS DIG 811's CEO.

To see the interview on Facebook Live, click [HERE](#).



December Teleconferences



Winter & Spring Events

As excavation slows down, it's time to regroup and prepare for a safe digging season next year. MISS DIG 811 has a lot to offer excavators, facility owner/operators, and locators during this time.

December's teleconference will provide information about events taking place during the "off-season" such as:

- Brushing up on your ticket entry skills
- Having an Education Specialist speak at your event
- Attending the Annual Meeting (open to all)
- Nominating someone for the Safe Digging Advocate Award
- Details about Certification and how you can benefit from completing the course
- MISS DIG 811 Member Course- Member benefits and how to use resources
- Spring kick-off events
- Damage Prevention Associations

Teleconference phone number : 248-724-5800 (ID 827817)
JOIN.ME Screen Share link: <https://www.join.me/damageprevention>

Time: 9:30am

Click on a date below to RSVP.

December 4

December 11

December 18

MISS DIG 811 Certification



Under the mandate of Public Act 174, MISS DIG 811 is responsible for the education of stakeholders in the excavation community, including facility owner/operators, locators and excavators. The course explains, in detail, the MISS DIG 811 process and lays out damage prevention and safety practices. It covers requirements for underground facility owners as well as clarifying requirements for those excavators working near underground lines. It provides practical, up-to-date tools which help navigate the process and bring about the

most efficient, safe outcome possible. MISS DIG 811 Certification is currently good for 3 years and you can take the course online or attend a live workshop.

MISS DIG 811 Certification qualifies as the training portion of your company's safety management program, which is one of the requirements of becoming Gold Shovel Standard (GSS) Certified.

What does the MISS DIG 811 Certification Safe Excavation Practices Course cover?

Topics

- PUBLIC ACT 174
- TOOLS AND RESOURCES
- PIPELINE SAFETY
- OVERHEAD ELECTRIC SAFETY
- LOCATOR SERVICES
- NO MARKS TICKET
- DAMAGE REPORTING TOOL

Need continuing education credits for your professional license?

MISS DIG Certification qualifies for the following:

Online

- 0.2 credits Wastewater
- 0.2 credits Drinking Water
- 2 hrs credit Landscape Architect

- 2 hrs credit Professional Surveyor
- 2 hrs credit Professional Engineer
- 2 hrs credit Residential Builder
- 2 hrs credit Residential Maintenance & Alteration Contractor
- 3 hrs credit Pre-licensure – Residential Builder
- 3 hrs credit Pre-licensure – Residential Maintenance & Alteration Contractor

Live Workshop

- 0.3 credits Wastewater
- 0.3 credits Drinking Water
- 3 hrs credit Landscape Architect
- 3 hrs credit Professional Surveyor
- 3 hrs credit Professional Engineer
- 3 hrs credit Residential Builder
- 3 hrs credit Residential Maintenance & Alteration Contractor
- 3 hrs credit Pre-licensure – Residential Builder
- 3 hrs credit Pre-licensure – Residential Maintenance & Alteration Contractor

How Do I Get Started?

Online

Certification can be completed from the convenience of your own desk. To take the certification class online, click [HERE](#).

Certification Workshops

The live version of the MISS DIG 811 Certification Program covers the topics listed above, plus attendees receive more detailed information about relevant topics such as Positive Response, Web and Design Programs, and Ingredients of a Quality Ticket. The live workshop also gives attendees an opportunity to ask questions, voice concerns, and learn in an environment of mixed professions offering a wealth of experience.

If you've previously attended a workshop, MISS DIG 811 Certification includes *updated information* and two NEW modules that cover the No Marks Ticket and Damage Reporting Tool.

Available classes are listed below. More classes are being scheduled weekly. For the most up-to-date list of classes go to the the Education page at [MISS DIG 811.ORG](http://MISSDIG811.ORG). Workshops are free and breakfast or lunch is provided.

Instructional videos are available to assist with registration.

1. If you need assistance registering yourself, [click here](#).
2. If you need assistance registering multiple people, [click here](#).

Click on a button below to see class specifics and to register.

December

Rockford- Dec 4

St Joseph- Dec 12

Hart- Dec 5

Battle Creek- Dec 13

Three Rivers- Dec 11

January

Escanaba- Jan 8

Chesterfield- Jan 16

Menominee- Jan 10

Iron Mountain- Jan 17

Union City- Jan 10

Jackson- Jan 17

Big Rapids- Jan 15

Kalamazoo- Jan 29

Frankenmuth- Jan 15

Okemos- Jan 29

Shelbyville- Jan 16

Grand Haven- Jan 30

Manistique- Jan 15

February

Mackinaw City- Feb 5

Hastings- Feb 12

Ewart- Feb 6

Ishpeming- Feb 13

Lexington- Feb 6

Lawrence- Feb 14

Traverse City- Feb 6

Watersmeet- Feb 19

Canton- Feb 7

Baraga- Feb 20

Petoskey- Feb 7

Roscommon- Feb 26

Greenville- Feb 7

West Branch- Feb 27

Dafter- Feb 12

Ypsilanti- Feb 27

Dundee- Feb 12

Rogers City- Feb 28

March

Kalkaska- March 20

Gaylord- March 21

April

Marquette- Apr 10

Damage Prevention Associations



Damage Prevention Associations (DPA) meet on a regular basis and provide an optimal forum where stakeholders can share information and perspectives; and then work together on all aspects of damage prevention issues. We are looking to municipalities, excavators, and facility owners in their regions for participation. Below is the contact information for each of the five DPA's.

If you would like to attend a meeting, but are unable to travel to a location below, you may access them remotely. *Participation is needed by the excavating community to keep DPA's viable.*

- To access remotely, call 248-724-5800 ID (827817)
- When available, visual aids may be viewed during the meeting with JOIN.ME at <https://www.join.me/damageprevention>

NORTHERN LOWER MICHIGAN

LOCATION

Cherryland Electric Co-op
5930 US Hwy 31
Traverse City MI 49637

TIME

10AM to 11:30AM

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

CONTACTS

Ray Ravary-Fife Lake Utility
Authority

rravary@provide.net

231-392-4824

Colleen Goddard-MISS DIG 811

cgoddard@missdig811.org

906-789-3083

To receive Norther Lower Michigan DPA meeting reminders, please fill out the form from the link below.

UPPER PENINSULA

LOCATION

Ishpeming Township Hall
1575 US 41 W
Ishpeming MI 49849

TIME

10AM to 11:30AM Eastern Time

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

CONTACTS

Looking for a volunteer to facilitate. Until then, call or email:

Colleen Goddard-MISS DIG 811

cgoddard@missdig811.org

906-789-3083

To receive Upper Peninsula DPA meeting reminders, please fill out the form from the link below.

Upper Peninsula Notifications

WEST MICHIGAN

LOCATION

Plainfield Water Distribution Ctr
5195 Plainfield Ave
Grand Rapids MI 49525

CONTACTS

Matt Weldon-Plainfield Twp
weldonm@plainfieldmi.org

Linda Portelli-MISS DIG 811
lportelli@missdig811.org

TIME

Quarterly
1:30PM to 3PM

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

To receive West DPA meeting reminders, please
fill out the form from the link below.

[West MI Notifications](#)

TRI-COUNTY

LOCATION

Saginaw County Rd Commission
3020 Sheridan Ave
Saginaw MI 48607

CONTACTS

Scott Hare-Saginaw CRC
hars@scrc-mi.org
989-399-3754

TIME

Third Thursday Each Month
10AM to 11:30AM

Richard Crannell- Tri-County
Contractors Association
rcrannel@homail.com

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, January 17, 2019

Paul Harding-MISS DIG 811
pharding@missdig811.org

To receive Tri-County DPA meeting reminders,
please fill out the form from the link below.

[Tri-County Notifications](#)

SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN

LOCATION

Kalamazoo Community
Foundation Bldg
402 E Michigan Ave
Kalamazoo MI 49007

CONTACTS

Jane McDonagh-Kalamazoo City
mcdonaghj@kalamazoocity.org

Linda Portelli-MISS DIG 811
lportelli@missdig811.org

TIME

10:15AM to 11:45AM

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

To receive Southwest Michigan DPA meeting reminders, please fill out the form from the link below.

SW MI Notifications

