

Join forage producers, graziers, custom forage harvesters, agribusinesses, MSU Extension Specialists and Educators for this annual conference and trade show.

All women & men veterans are welcome & encouraged to attend this event.

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To register go online to:
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<https://events.anr.msu.edu/2018GLFGC/>

Pre-registration deadline is

Friday, March 2, 2018

All late registrations can register at the door.

If you do not have internet call:

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Growing High Quality Forages

Great Lakes Forage & Grazing Conference

March 7, 2018

Wednesday

AgroLiquid

3055 W. M-21

St. Johns, MI 48879

(1.5 miles W. of Old 127)

9:00 A.M. -- 4:00 P.M.

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Michigan Forage Council

Keynote Speaker: Gary Zimmer Midwestern BioAg

Gary Zimmer is the founder and Chief Visionary Officer of Midwestern BioAg, headquartered in Madison, WI.

Known as the “father” of biological agriculture, Zimmer is an internationally known author, speaker, and consultant. He owns Otter Creek Organic Farm, a family-operated, award-winning 1,000 acre farm near Lone Rock, WI, and has been on the board of Taliesin Preservation Inc. since 2011.

Zimmer is the author of three books, *The Biological Farmer* (Second Edition), *The Biological Farmer and Advancing Biological Farming*, and numerous articles on soils and livestock nutrition.

Zimmer holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a master’s degree in Dairy Nutrition from the University of Hawaii.

Conference Agenda:

9:00 - 9:30 Registration

10:00 **Keynote Speaker: Gary Zimmer**
“Soil Fertility & Nutrients for Top Quality Forages”

11:00 **Forage Spokesperson Contest**
A showcase of Michigan forage producers vying for the opportunity to represent Michigan at the 2019 AFGC Conference.

Noon - Lunch

12:30 **Michigan Forage Council Annual Meeting**

1:00 **Keynote Speaker: Gary Zimmer**
“Producing & Feeding Top Quality Forages”

1:45 - 2:30 Tradeshow Break

Afternoon Concurrent Sessions:

Forage Production Sessions:

- ◆ 2:30 **Forage Research Update**
Dr. Kim Cassida, MSU
- ◆ 3:15 **Alfalfa Irrigation Management**
Gary Carmichael, “The Hay Guy”

Grazing Management Sessions:

- ◆ 2:30 **MSU Lake City Grazing Update**
Dr. Jason Rowntree
- ◆ 3:15 **Woodland Grazing—It Really Can Work** - MSU Extension & Cornell University
- ◆ 4:00 **Adjourn**

Registration:

Registration Information:

Michigan Forage Council members: \$45.00
Non-members: \$55.00
Students: \$20.00

At the door registration **ADD \$10.00.**
(Lunch not guaranteed)

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(covers all sessions, lunch, and breaks)

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