43rd Annual
Ohio Charter Captains Conference
March 2, 2024 at the Cedar Point Conference Center BGSU
Firelands Campus, Huron, Ohio

Agenda

8:00-9:00 AM  Check in, Continental Breakfast, & Conversation

9:00-9:05 AM  Welcome & Program Overview
Tory Gabriel, Extension Program Leader & Fisheries Educator, Ohio Sea Grant

9:05-9:15 AM  Welcoming Remarks & ODNR Lake Erie Perspectives
Scott Hale, Executive Administrator, Fish Management and Research, ODNR, Division of Wildlife

9:15-9:45 AM  Status of Lake Erie Fisheries & 2024 Fishing Outlook
Eric Weimer, Supervisor, Sandusky Fisheries Research Unit, ODNR, Division of Wildlife

9:45-10:10 AM Maritime Licensing Requirements
Chuck Kakuska, President, Sea K's Maritime Licensing Service

10:10-10:15 AM Erie PrOH: Supporting Sustainable Angling
Tory Gabriel, Extension Program Leader & Fisheries Educator, Ohio Sea Grant

10:15-10:25 AM Introduction to Conference Vendors

10:25-10:40 AM Break, Door Prizes

10:40-11:00 AM Lake Erie Law Enforcement
Matthew Leibengood, Supervisor, Lake Erie Law Enforcement Unit, ODNR, Division of Wildlife

11:00-11:15 AM Review of Boating Incidents on Lake Erie
Walter Hodgkiss, NE & NW Captain, ODNR, Division of Parks & Watercraft

11:15-11:40 AM U.S. Coast Guard News and 2024 Requirements
Presented by MSU Toledo and District 9, Cleveland

11:40-NOON Revealing Movements of Lake Erie's Smallmouth Bass with Modern Technology
Zak Slagle, Fisheries Biologist, Sandusky Fisheries Research Unit, ODNR, Division of Wildlife

NOON-1:00 PM Catered Lunch, Door Prizes

1:00-1:45 PM History of Water Quality Issues in Lake Erie
Chris Winslow, Director, Ohio Sea Grant and Stone Laboratory

1:45-2:00 PM Final Remarks, Door Prizes, and Adjourn

This conference will be held in-person only.
Register by February 28, 2024 at go.osu.edu/occc, or use the QR code below. Registration is $50. For more information contact Tory Gabriel at Gabriel.78@osu.edu or 419-819-3141.