

# Conference Schedule

Casual Business Attire Is Recommended Unless Otherwise Noted

## **General Session** **Monday, August 21, 2006** **8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

The all-day General Session features an opening welcome from state dignitaries and a flag-raising ceremony. The morning speakers are Harley Duncan, Executive Director of the Federation of Tax Administrators, and Joe Huddleston, Executive Director of the Multistate Tax Commission. Our keynote speaker is a remarkable Michigan personality whose popularity has not waned in fifty years. Ernie Harwell, the Voice of the Detroit Tigers, is an inspiring motivational speaker who shares many years of wisdom with his audience.

After a group lunch, guest speakers will focus on Revenue Trends and Streamlined Sales Tax. The final portion of the General Session will feature the Commissioners' Round Table, where the Midwestern Commissioners will provide a state perspective on Integrated Tax Systems and discuss Adapting Tax Structures to a Changing Economy.

## **Breakout Sessions** **Tuesday, August 22, 2006** **8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Service** – Focusing on providing services to our customers. Topics to be covered include Streamlined Sales Tax e-registration, education and outreach; E-file Programs, Media Relations and Customer Service.

**Enforcement** – Focusing on Internet fraud, immigration fraud, audit recruitment issues, and criminal investigations.

**Collections** – Several topics comprise this track, including budgeting toward the collection process, non-tax compliance and collections, amnesty, circumventing the collection process, and measurement of accounts receivables.

**Exploration** – Focusing on discovery and closure of the tax gap, with discussion of data mining and warehousing, immigration issues, and IRS initiatives.

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## **Sunday, August 20**

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

### **Golf Outing Registration**

*Coffee and donuts to start your day.*

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

### **Golf Outing Begins**

*Shotgun start with a box lunch and prizes.*

1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

### **Conference Registration**

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

### **Opening Reception**

*Wines of northern Michigan, hors d'oeuvres and entertainment featuring pianist Jeffrey Cobbs.*

## Monday, August 21

- 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Conference Registration**
- 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **General Session**  
*Welcome from Michigan representatives, Harley Duncan, Executive Director of FTA, and Joe Huddleston, Executive Director of MTC.*
- 10:00 a.m.– 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m.– 12 Noon **General Session**  
*Keynote Speaker: Ernie Harwell, Voice of the Detroit Tigers*
- 12 Noon – 1:30 p.m. **Group Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **General Session**  
*Revenue Trends and Streamlined Sales Tax*
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **General Session**  
*Commissioners’ Round Table (all conference attendees). Topics include Integrated Tax Systems and Adapting Tax Structures to a Changing Economy.*
- 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. **Beach Party/Barbecue**  
*Traverse City Barbecue Buffet (chicken and ribs). Music provided by “Living Soul” - a Jimmy Buffet-style band. Casual attire (shorts/jeans/sweatshirts) is recommended.*

## Tuesday, August 22

- 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast Buffet**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**  
*Topics include Service, Enforcement, Collections and Exploration.*
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. – 12 Noon **Concurrent Breakout Sessions** (continued)
- 12 Noon – 1:30 p.m. **Group Lunch**  
*Keynote Speaker: Jim Dreyer, World Record Marathon Athlete*
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Concurrent Breakout Sessions** (continued)
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Concurrent Breakout Sessions** (continued)
- 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Cocktail Reception**
- 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. **Closing Banquet** (Dinner Attire Recommended)  
*Dinner followed by Recognition Ceremony. Entertainment features Blues/R&B Artist Dawn Campbell.*