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Current News

IMAGIN Annual Conference 2009 Geospatial Journey: Finding Our Way Together Causeway Bay Hotel (formerly Holiday Inn South Convention Center) Lansing, Michigan May 4-5, 2009

The [2009 IMAGIN Conference](#) is right around the corner! Please [register today](#) to take part in Michigan's largest GIS conference. Network with your colleagues in the geospatial industry, visit the Map Gallery, and check out the vendor displays packed with the latest and greatest examples of geospatial technology.

Click [here](#) to get the latest news about the conference, including the [program matrix](#) and information on our renowned [keynote speakers](#).

Vendors interested in [sponsorship opportunities for the 2009 Conference](#) can [click here for more information](#).

Michigan State Professor Pens New Michigan Geography and Geology Textbook

A new textbook on Michigan geography and geology was recently published by MSU Professor Dr. Randall Schaetzl with assistance from dozens of professors at multiple universities across the state. The textbook is the first one dedicated to Michigan geography and geology in over twenty years. Please click here to [read more about Professor Schnaetzl's project](#).

Mapping of Foreclosures Across the United States

Does the foreclosure crisis affect every county in the United States? USA Today has combined innovative graphics to [display the concentrations of foreclosures by county](#) across the nation. The publication has also [mapped 2008 foreclosures on a state-by-state basis](#). Check out the links to see where Michigan stands during this economic downturn.

Los Alamos Creates Innovative "Map of Science"

Researchers at Los Alamos National Laboratory recently unveiled a visualization depicting the interconnections of scientific study. The graphic represents over 1 billion information requests that were subsequently "mapped" into a cohesive graphic. Click here to [read more about the Map of Science Project](#).

Google Earth Bathymetric Data Now Includes the Great Lakes

Google recently updated their bathymetric datasets to include the landscape under the waters of our Great Lakes. The data was created by NOAA's Great Lakes Environmental Research Lab and it's GeophysicalDataCenter. Check out the [announcement page which includes a Google Earth Plug-In tour of the Lake Superior area](#).

Upcoming Events

- [Windpower 2009 Conference & Exhibition](#), May 4 - 7, 2009, Chicago, IL
- [Where 2.0, 2009](#), May 19 - 21, 2009, San Jose, CA
- [Creating Effective Web Maps](#), May 21, 2009, East Lansing, MI
- [ESRI International User Conference](#), July 13 - 17, 2009, San Diego, CA

Training Opportunities

Date(s)	D*	Organization	City	Description
April 27-29, 2009		ESRI	East Lansing	Data Management in the Multiuser Geodatabase
April 27-28, 2009		InfoGeographics	Traverse City	GIS Tools & Methods for Assessors I (SAB credit)
April 27-28, 2009		InfoGeographics	Traverse City	Introduction to ArcGIS I with GeoConnector
April 30-May 1, 2009		ESRI	East Lansing	ArcGIS Server Enterprise Configuration and Tuning for SQL Server
May 7-8, 2009		InfoGeographics	Traverse City	Introduction to ArcGIS I with GeoConnector

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May 14, 2009		InfoGeographics	Jackson	GeoConnector I
May 15, 2009		InfoGeographics	Jackson	GeoConnector II
May 26-28, 2009		ESRI	East Lansing	Introduction to Programming ArcObjects Using the Microsoft .NET Framework
June 10, 2009	D	RS & GIS	East Lansing	Introduction to Geodatabases

Spotlight on Supporting Organizations



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Each month this section will highlight two of our [supporting organizations](#). If your organizations would like to be in the spotlight, please [contact IMAGIN headquarters](#) about becoming a supporting

organization.

Web Mapping Site of the Month



[Oakland County, Michigan](#)

Adding to their already progressive mapping offerings to the public, Oakland County recently revamped their golf and trail interactive mapping services. The updated interface, based on ESRI's ArcGIS Server product, allows residents and visitors a quick glance at the myriad of golf courses and trails throughout the county.

Employment Opportunities

[GIS Programmer / Analyst C&S Companies](#)

[GIS Asset Management Technician City of Novi, MI](#)

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