



Lake Superior Stewardship Initiative

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(1) Great Lakes On the Brink Dinner & Dialogue Presentation & Discussion with Author Dave Dempsey

**6:00-8:30 pm, Tuesday, September 30, 2008
at the Michigan Tech Forestry Building Atrium**

To register, contact Loret Roberts at 482-0331 or loret@copperisd.org

(2) Meet the Author! ~ 8 am-4 pm, Wed., Oct. 1

Schedule Dave Dempsey to meet with your science, social studies, or ELA class for a 1-hour presentation & discussion on the Great Lakes and/or his writing experience.

To register, contact Joan Chadde at 487-3341 or jchadde@mtu.edu

Some Possible topics include:

- The myth of inexhaustible natural resources, management of a 'commons' and the potential impact of actions by millions of people on those resources
- The importance of citizen leadership to encourage government and industry stewardship
- How to balance an emotional connection to place with thoughtful science and well-reasoned advocacy in order to manage and protect this global resource
- Which form of governance system will best protect the Great Lakes
- The role of science in identifying and addressing threats to the lakes. How today's challenges compare to the problems plaguing the lakes 30 years ago
- What students need to know about the past, in order to be effective stewards of the Great Lakes now and in the future

Dave Dempsey is an environmental policy consultant and writer who has been active on conservation for more than 25 years. Dave served as environmental advisor to Michigan Governor James J. Blanchard from 1983-89. President Clinton appointed Dempsey to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission in 1994. He has also held numerous administrative, policy and consulting positions in Michigan. Dave is the author of two award-winning books: *On the Brink: The Great Lakes in the 21st Century* and *Ruin and Recovery: Michigan's Rise as a Conservation Leader*. More at <http://www.davedempsey.org>. Dave Dempsey is the recipient of the 2005 Michigan Notable Book Award and the Historical Society of Michigan 2004 Award of Merit.

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