



MAA 2026 Annual Meeting Agenda

Friday February 27, 2026

11:30-4:30PM

There is no registration fee for this meeting, but attendees are encouraged to renew their MAA membership or join the MAA at a membership level that suits your budget or interest for involvement with the Association. Membership cost ranges from a \$25 Associate Membership up to \$300 for Corporate Membership. Details on membership levels can be found through the link "[Join MAA Here](https://maa-membership.square.site/)" (https://maa-membership.square.site/)

MEETING AGENDA

Pre-Meeting - Grower Only Session <i>Brenden Doyle, Facilitator</i>	9:30 – 11:00
Registration and Lunch	11:00
Welcome and MAA Golden Oyster Presentation <i>Seth Garfield, MAA President</i>	11:30
State Agency Updates - <i>Div. of Marine Fisheries</i> <i>Dept. of Agricultural Resources</i>	11:45 12:15
MassDevelopment Introduction <i>John Endicott, Scott Soares</i>	12:35
MA Farm Bureau Federation Update <i>Karen Schwalbe</i>	1:00
East Coast Shellfish Growers Association Update <i>Bob Rheault</i>	1:25
USDA Farm Service Agency Update <i>USDA FSA Staff</i>	1:55
Impacts of overwintering strategies on oysters: upcoming research from UMass faculty <i>Sarah Donelan, UMass Dartmouth</i>	2:15
Barnstable County Coop. Extension / SEMAP Update <i>Josh Reitsma, Abigail Archer, Rachel Hutchinson</i>	2:45
Open Forum	3:30
Adjourn	4:30