

## 2008 MEHA Groundwater/Wastewater Conference & Lodging Information

Kettunen Center, Tustin

*The Conference & Lodging Reservation Forms* along with payment must be received in the MEHA office by: **Friday, September 12, 2008** for reduced conference pricing and assignment to your room request. Premium rooms are limited and all attempts will be made to honor your room selection request, however, once the premium rooms are filled you will be assigned to a standard room. Participants sending in all the forms and payment before September 12<sup>th</sup> will have first consideration for premium rooms. Therefore, register early! (All-inclusive registration includes all meals, break refreshments, lodging and fees for facility use, speakers, and other conference expenses).

**SHARE-A-RIDE:** To help cut costs, we encourage car-pooling and will try to get something on the website to help.

### **THE KETTUNEN CENTER:**

The Kettunen Center is located on Center Lake in Tustin, Michigan, just 20 minutes south of Cadillac and offers a relaxed learning environment in a natural setting. The facility is equipped with wireless Internet service and a computer lab. There are many on-site sports and recreation opportunities free of charge for after hour activities; groomed hiking trails, a private beach, an athletic field for softball/football, a sand volleyball court, a basketball court, fitness room with weights/treadmill/stationary bike, many rowboats/canoes/kayaks, a bon-fire pit, and multiple lounges with TV's for social gatherings. More info and direction to the Kettunen Center may be found at [www.kettunencenter.org](http://www.kettunencenter.org).

### **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:**

\$180 (member rate) for full "all inclusive" conference registration and 2 night lodging. Other rates are available (see registration form).

### **MEAL SERVICE:**

Meals for participants staying at the Kettunen Center include three meals daily in the dining room and meals are served buffet style. Continuous beverage service (coffee, water, hot tea and cocoa) is provided in several locations around the center. Vending machines are also on site. Commuters will also receive breakfast, lunch and dinner (depending on days attending and arrival time).

### **ACCOMMODATIONS:**

#### **Premium Rooms (23 rooms)**

The **Red Oak** Hall rooms have 2-double beds and are like your basic hotel room without a TV. There are 10 rooms in the upper level and 13 rooms on the lower level. Each floor has a common gathering area including a couple of round tables with chairs, cushioned chairs/couch, TV, microwave and a small refrigerator. These areas each seat about 20 people.

#### **Standard Rooms (47 rooms)**

The **White Pine** Lodge has 5 upper level rooms with 2-single beds in each room and a bathroom/shower. The lower level has 1 room with 2-single beds and 4 rooms with 2-bunks (sleeps 4) and each room has a bathroom/shower.

The **Aspen** Lodge rooms each sleep 4 people (2-bunks per room) with 7 upper level rooms and one restroom (includes showers) and 6 lower level rooms with one restroom (includes showers).

The **Birch** Lodge rooms each sleep 4 (2-bunks per room) with 7 upper rooms and 6 lower rooms.

(each floor has 1 bath/shower room)

The **Cedar** Lodge rooms sleep 4 (2-bunks per room) with 7 upper rooms and 6 lower level rooms.

(each floor has 2 bath/shower rooms)

### **PRESENTATIONS:** (will include Ground & Waste Water tracks this year-WW track topics to be announced)

The Groundwater track consists of two workshops and topics addressing "Investigative Problem Solving". There are two Keynote Speakers; Jim Cleland (MDEQ) speaking on Water Withdrawal & DEQ Issues, and Mark Miller (USEPA) speaking on Water & Wastewater Emergencies. The workshops are; Agriculture Cross Connections and Source Water Protection. Presentations include; Iron, Sulphur, Pseudomonas Bacteria in Groundwater, Disinfection Procedures for Problem Wells, Distribution System Problem Investigation, Problem Solving & Design Issues for Water Supplies, Plan Review for On-site Water, What to do with Notification of Migration, Applied Geology, Geothermal Borehole Issues, Water Hammer Problems, Corrosion Problems, Designing Filter Packs, Plume Delineation, Constant Pressure System Use, Point of Sale Statistics, Using Web Tools for Investigations (Hands-on Computer Lab), Down-Hole Camera Use for Investigating Problem Wells, case studies on Rehabilitating a Well With a Chronic Bacteriological History and Plume Contamination of Drinking Water Wells, and University Student Project Presentations. There will be a GPS scavenger hunt for prizes – **BRING YOUR GPS UNIT!** There will be a **Wastewater Industry Day** for networking. A detailed agenda and speaker info will be posted on the website soon.