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## **The Great Lakes Log Crafters Association**

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Hello Everyone:

Here are the 2009 conference information and registration packages.

This year the Great Lakes Log Crafters Association and International Log Builders' Association have joined together to present our first ever 2009 Joint Conference to be held at Telemark Resort and Conference Center in Cable, Wisconsin on May 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> 2009.

### **REGISTRATION PACKAGE INFORMATION**

The location is in a beautiful forested area of northern Wisconsin. Pine-studded forests and plenty of open space set the stage for this year's gathering of many of the finest log builders in the world!

The resort offers swimming/whirlpool/sauna - splash, soak, swim, steam or just relax poolside. Telemark's indoor pool is great fun for all ages. The shallow end accommodates all but the youngest kids and the deep end is ample for diving. The whirlpool and sauna are great places to sooth tired muscles.

Now's the perfect time to take advantage of the hiking and mountain biking trails or some canoeing down the Namekagon & White Rivers. Fishing season opens in early May. Beautiful golf courses are ready for play, plus there are many great shops, restaurants and other area attractions!

The conference will focus on many aspects of the industry: crane certification, SketchUp seminar, chainsaw sharpening, engineering, blower-door house testing, chainsaw accidents & PPE, log restoration, Sill log layout, Tech-Talk and much more. There is indeed something for everyone. Our schedule this year will have you wanting to bring additional staff to take in all the various valuable training being offered. Family is also very welcome to attend. Join us on Thursday, May 7th, through Saturday, May 9th 2009 to enjoy comfort amidst the warm fellowship of other GLLCA and ILBA members.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### **LOG BUILDER GAMES**

This event is a great way to show off your skills, and demonstrate jobsite efficiency with other builders. It's safe, fun and well organized with official rules. The Grand Champion will go home with a new saw; will it be you? Safety gear must be worn to compete, and you are encouraged to bring your own equipment. Please indicate your desire to participate by filling

in the appropriate form when you arrive at the conference. This event is open to all ILBA and GLLCA members attending the full conference. The Log Builder awards will then be handed out on Saturday evening.

### **BENEFIT AUCTION**

We have some items guaranteed to raise your eyebrows. Join us to raise money for a good cause and have some fun in the process. Send donations ahead or call Ann at the office to discuss your donation. Thanks!

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

This year each Association will be having their individual Annual General Meetings. Times to be announced at the conference.

### **SHOWCASE SLIDESHOW ORGANIZED BY KAY SELLMAN**

Presented by you. This is a great opportunity to share and showcase your work with members. Send your CD of photos (max 15 photos). CDs should be sent in advance (by April 15th, 2009) to Kay Sellman, GLLCA, 24355 Esquire Boulevard, Forest Lake MN 55025 USA  
Phone: 651-464-3843 fax: 651-464-6506 email: [info@gllca.org](mailto:info@gllca.org).

Small projects are welcome; we want to see a variety - come share your creative skills. Please indicate your intent to participate in this event by emailing Kay and be there on Saturday evening to present your photos.

### **TRADE SHOW**

Our association is fueled by the participation and support of our industry sponsors. They will host a wine and cheese reception on Friday and there will be lots of opportunity to see their product throughout the weekend. Make sure to stop by their booths and support those who are supporting your industry!

### **WINE AND CHEESE**

Our annual Wine and Cheese hosted by our generous sponsors is a great time to socialize and meet other members.

### **MEALS:**

Main Conference registration includes all meals from Friday breakfast through Saturday dinner.

### **AIR ACCESSIBILITY:**

Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport (MSP) - 3 hrs driving time to Cable, WI. Duluth International Airport (DLH) - 1.5 hrs driving to Cable WI. Rental cars are available at airports.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-464-6506 or e-mail me at [info@gllca.org](mailto:info@gllca.org) . We hope to see you there!