

July 9, 2010

Dear MAAE Members and Supporters,

The 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Conference of the Michigan Association of Airport Executives will be held September 13-17, 2010 at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire. Included with this letter, you will find the hotel reservation form, draft agenda (on back of this letter), conference registration form and information on financial assistance (on back of conference registration form).

This year's conference promises to be packed with informative aviation issues and will provide a great networking experience. Tentative sessions include an environmental panel, selling your airport to the community and updates from both the FAA and the State. In addition, Roy Williams is scheduled to present a session about managing your airport during a crisis. Roy was the airport director at New Orleans during Hurricane Katrina. Finally, we are planning something new this year by adding a brief presentation during the round-table break-out sessions. For the air carrier airports, we will discuss air service issues awhile the GA airports will have a wildlife biologist discuss wildlife control. After Thursday's morning sessions you will be able to choose between the annual golf outing or a canoe trip.

For more information on the resort and area please visit [www.shantycreek.com](http://www.shantycreek.com). A block of rooms are being held at the listed price of \$135 for a Run of the House Room or \$175 for a Parlor Suite until August 13, 2010. Current MAAE Airport Members will be credited \$35 per night on their hotel bill. Call the resort directly or log on to their website to make room reservations. (Shawn, please verify this will work)

Please pay special attention; financial assistance is available to those that may need it to help with registration fees. On the back of the conference registration form is the application form that explains the details in full. MAAE is looking forward to having as many airports in attendance as possible, please read the enclosed information and contact me with any questions on this scholarship.

**In addition, on Friday after the conference adjourns, MAAE will be offering an Airport Management 101 class. This class is open for all airport managers in the State (you do not have to be a member of MAAE). This class is designed to help you better understand the responsibilities of the job, as well as an information exchange of how to get it done with the resources you have.**

Help us in planning for meals, events and accommodations by promptly returning your registration form by August 28, 2010. We look forward to seeing you in September and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Shawn J. Jezak  
Executive Director

Enclosures