

GENERAL INFORMATION - 2007 WINTER PHYSICS CONFERENCE

TRAVELING TO ASPEN: Have your travel agent make reservations far in advance, since winter weekend travel is popular. Flying from Denver to Aspen takes about 35 minutes and is served by United Express, 1-800-241-6522. There are direct flights to Aspen from Minneapolis & Memphis (Northwest 1-800-225-2525), Los Angeles & San Francisco (United), Salt Lake City (Delta), and Phoenix (America West). There are also direct flights to Eagle from Chicago, Miami, New York, Newark and Dallas (American Airlines) and Atlanta and Cincinnati (Delta). With the current state of airlines, all of these options may change. Ground transportation is available from both Denver (4 hours) and Eagle (1.5 hours) through Colorado Mountain Express: 1-800-525-6363, Fax #: 970-949-5032. Reservations are required. To get the discounted rate, \$112.00 Denver/Aspen one way and \$63 Eagle/Aspen, mention that you are with the Physics Group.

ARRIVAL AT THE MEADOWS: If you arrive by air, you may call the Aspen Meadows from the airport at 970-925-4240 for complimentary shuttle service. If you arrive by ground transportation, their address is 845 Meadows Road. If you arrive by car, drive north on either 7th or 8th Street, and you will be directed to the hotel. Parking is free at the Meadows and at the Center, but cars are not needed. Both breakfast and dinner are included in your reservation and served at The Meadows. The meetings are held at the Aspen Center for Physics, located a short walk from The Meadows.

REGISTRATION: Registration and dinner will be held from 7:00 - 8:30 on Sunday evening at The Aspen Meadows. The dinners included in your package are *group dinners*, so if you have a guest not on the package who would like to eat dinner with you on a particular night, please register them with the Meadows 72 hours in advance. If you arrive after 8:30 on Sunday, you may register the following morning at the Aspen Center for Physics, where the meetings take place.

COMPUTER FACILITIES: The Aspen Center for Physics has 2 public workstations available running Debian Linux. They have a web browser (mozilla) and an editor (emacs) installed, as well as TeX, a postscript previewer, ssh, and some other simple utilities. They are not capable of any serious computing, and you should restrict your sessions to 10 minutes to allow everyone an opportunity to use them. Please do not modify any of the user configuration files. You may create a sub-directory in the home directory on these machines to store temporary files if necessary. Please use your name as the sub-directory name. (e.g. mkdir jane) The public workstations are not backed up, and the directories are cleaned between sessions.

Please be considerate and avoid any bandwidth intensive activities since we are all sharing a T1 circuit. (or at least do them late at night when demand is low). During the day, please restrict use to physics related activities. There is no access to the ACP network from off-campus.

Offices are equipped with both wireless and ethernet connections, but without computers. You may connect your own 10-baseT equipped laptop. DHCP is used to automatically

configure network information (IP address, router, etc). DHCP comes standard on most systems. A free DHCP client is also available from the Internet Software Consortium (<http://www.isc.org/>). If you are coming from a foreign country you may need an adaptor for the electrical connection.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE: The scientific program has been planned for early morning and late afternoon sessions, which allows participants to have ample time for discussions or recreational activities. The sessions will be held at the Aspen Center for Physics in Flug Forum, which has an LCD projector and an overhead projector available for your use. There will be two sessions each day, a morning one from approximately 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM, and the afternoon session from approximately 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM. You will receive a program at registration.

RECREATION: The elevation of the town is nearly 8,000 feet, so consider the effects of the altitude during your first few days – drink lots of water and don't overdo the exercise. Aspen offers a wide variety of Winter sports, including downhill and cross-country skiing, ice-skating, and walking. Equipment can be rented for all activities, and instruction is also available. We have obtained ski lift tickets at a rate of \$49 per day. You may purchase them at the Center during your stay. **IF YOU NEED THEM BEFORE SUNDAY EVENING, PLEASE LET US KNOW BY THE THURSDAY BEFORE YOUR ARRIVAL, AND WE WILL ARRANGE TO HAVE THEM FOR YOU AT THE MEADOWS UPON CHECK-IN.** Also, if you plan to rent skis, we will direct you to the shops that will give you a discount if you mention the conference.

We look forward to seeing you this winter!

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