



March 9, 2009

Dear New England Student Chapter:

This is your 2009 New England Student Conference – Concrete Canoe Mailer III, the third of three packets to be sent to each of the participating schools. Please read through this packet carefully and distribute copies to the appropriate chairpersons of your Chapter. Do not throw away this mailer! The information provided here may not be repeated in subsequent mailers. Enclosed you will find the following information:

- Liability Waiver and photograph release (for use in reports or press releases)
- Maps, directions and updated information

IMPORTANT:

- The deadline for design papers is April 3, 2009. Papers are to be submitted by midnight to neconcretecanoe2009@gmail.com. Also, please bring 4 hard copies of your final report to the competition for distribution to judges.
- Parking at the race location is limited. PLEASE carpool to the maximum extent possible.
- If you have revised T-shirt sizes, please send them as soon as possible.
- If you plan to go to the local bars after the competition, please don't drink and drive. If you need a driver, Amherst has an incredible free bus system that is outlined in the following pages. There are also a number of cheap, local taxi services in the area, including: Gotago Taxi: <http://www.gotagotaxi.com/> (413-461-3070) and Celebrity Cab, (413) 253-7330

Receipt of this mailer should be confirmed via email by March 13, 2009 along with any **food restrictions and T-shirt sizes**, if available to: neconcretecanoe2009@gmail.com.

Please remember that upon arrival and registration check-in, we will need a signed liability waiver and ASCE National ID number for each participating (competing) team member.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us via e-mail: neconcretecanoe2009@gmail.com
Questions submitted during the week of 3/13-3/20/2009 will likely go unanswered until 3/20/09 due to the UMass Spring Break.

We will do everything possible to answer your questions in a timely manner, but please be patient – we are learning as we go.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Meghan Krupka

President, UMass ASCE

Rob House and Tyler DeRuiter

Conference Co-Chairs, UMass ASCE

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Tentative Schedule

Friday April 17, 2009:

1:30PM History and Heritage Lecture
2008 MacArthur Prize Winner and MIT Professor John
Oschendorf will be speaking about his work preserving
historic masonry structures.
ELAB II, Room TBA
(optional)

6:00PM Captains' meeting
Kellogg Conference Room, ELABII Room 118

Food may be ordered for participants for a nominal fee.

7:30-10:30PM Design/Oral Presentations
ELABII Auditorium, Room 119

Saturday April 18, 2009:

8:30AM-9:30AM Canoe Exhibition at Lake Wyola State Park
Lake Wyola, Shutesbury, MA

10:00AM-4PM Races and Vendor Fair at Lake Wyola State Park
Lake Wyola, Shutesbury, MA

Note: A catered lunch will be provided for paid participants during the races

Sunday April 19, 2009:

10:00AM (Doors open at 9:30)
Brunch and Awards ceremony featuring Tony Puntin,
ASCE Region 1 Governor and Director of Civil
Engineering for the Louis Berger Group.
Top of the Campus Center Restaurant – 10th Floor
Murray D. Lincoln Campus Center
Amherst, MA

2009 New England Student Conference – Concrete Canoe Competition Hotels

The preferred hotel for this competition is the Comfort Inn in Hadley. A block of 25 rooms have been reserved at a discounted rate of \$79.00 USD/night. These rooms will be available until 3/1 on a first-come, first-served basis. Other hotels in the vicinity are also listed below:

Comfort Inn
237 Russell St.
Hadley, MA 01035 [Map It!](#)
Phone: 413-584-9816
[Email](#) Comfort Inn
www.pvhg.com

Hampton Inn
24 Bay Rd.
Hadley, MA 01035 [Map It!](#)
Phone: 413-586-4851
[Email](#) Hampton Inn www.pvhg.com

The Campus Center Hotel
University of Massachusetts
1 Campus Center Way
Amherst, MA 01003-9243
Telephone: 413.549.6000
www.aux.umass.edu/hotel

Additional Hotels can be found online at:

<http://www.amherstarea.com/business/index.cfm/fa/showcategory/CategoryID/200.cfm>

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Rules and Contacts

The rules for this competition can be found online at:
<http://content.asce.org/conferences/nccc2009/>

The primary contacts for the competition are the following:

<http://www.ecs.umass.edu/asce>
email : neconcretecanoe2009@gmail.com

Or, for emergencies:

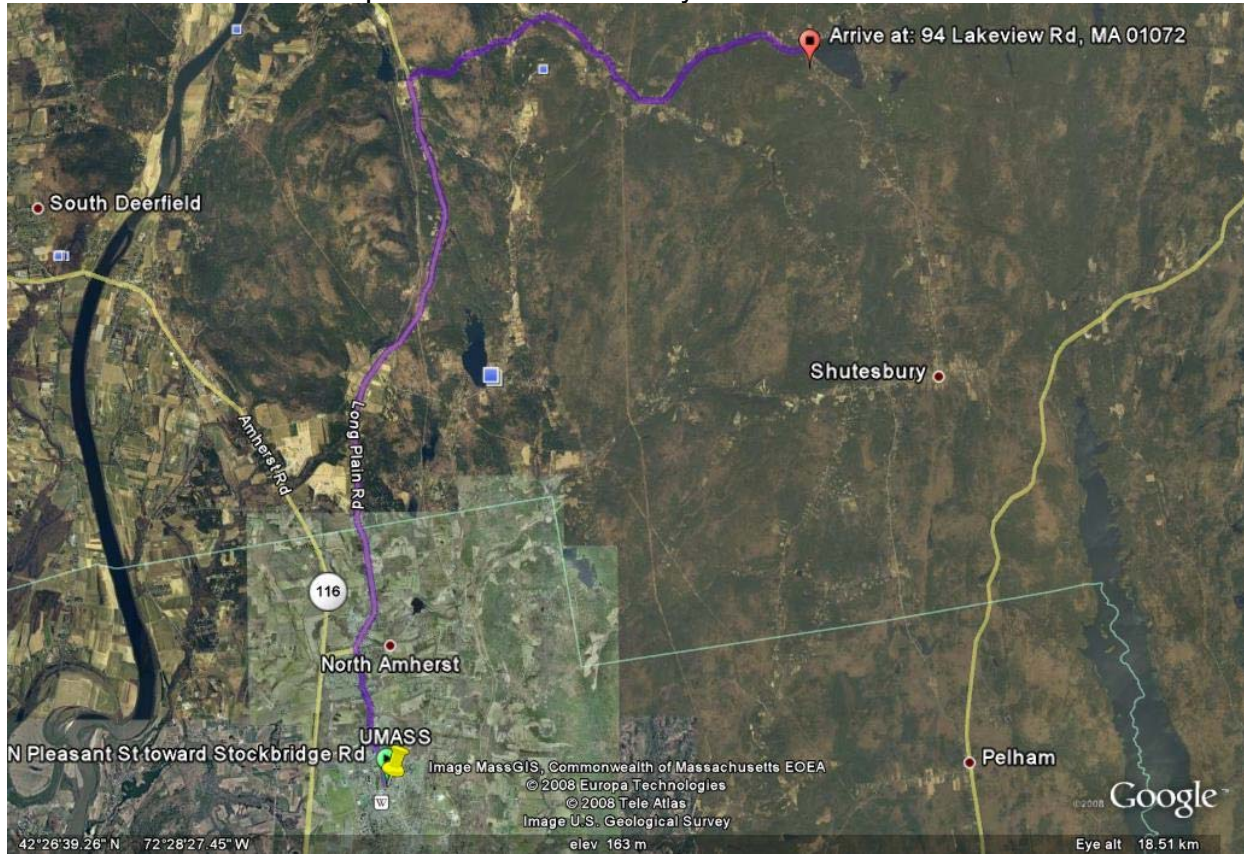
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Tyler DeRuiter
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phone : 413-588-8170

The Race:

The race will be held offsite at Lake Wyola in Shutesbury, MA. Directions from campus are shown below:

Directions to the race site (Lake Wyola, Shutesbury MA)
Map of UMass to Lake Wyola ~25 min drive



Directions:

"UMASS"

From North Pleasant St (center of campus)

1. Head **north** on **N Pleasant St** toward **Stockbridge Rd** 1.5 mi
2. Continue straight onto **Montague Rd/RT-63** 6.5 mi
Continue to follow RT-63
3. Turn **right** at **Jackson Hill Rd** 1.3 mi
4. Turn **left** at **Cave Hill Rd** 0.4 mi
5. Continue straight onto **Mill Hill Rd** 390 ft
6. Turn **right** at **N Leverett Rd** 3.2 mi
7. Continue on **Lakeview Rd** 0.3 mi
Destination will be on the right

End at "Lake Wyola"

94 Lakeview Road, Shutesbury, MA



The race site is located on the beach off Lakeview Road. VERY LIMITED parking is available northwest of Lakeview Road in the lots outlined in orange. PLEASE carpool to the maximum extent possible so there is parking for everyone.

Directions to UMass:

Directions to Campus

By Car

- **From the North** From I-91 South, take exit 25 in Deerfield. At the end of the ramp, turn left and follow road to the intersection. Turn right onto Routes 5 & 10 South. Go 1 mile, then turn left onto Route 116 South. Follow 8 miles to the UMass exit.
- **From the South** From I-91 North, take Exit 19 in Northampton. From the exit ramp, turn right onto Route 9. Travel approximately 4.5 miles to Route 116 North (turn left at traffic lights). UMass exit is 1 mile.
- **From the East** From Route 2 West, take exit 16 (Belchertown/Amherst). Follow Route 202 for about 15 miles to blinking light at Route 9 and 116 Amherst exit (Pelham). Turn right and follow for 7 miles to Amherst center. Follow signs to UMass.
- **From the West** From Route 2 East, follow to Greenfield/I-91 exit. Take I-91 South to exit 25 in Deerfield. At the end of the ramp turn left and follow the road to the intersection. Turn right onto Routes 5 & 10 South. Go 1 mile, then turn left onto Route 116 South. Follow for 8 miles to the UMass exit.

From I-90 (Mass Pike), take exit 4 (West Springfield).

Follow I-91 North to Exit 19. From the exit ramp, turn right onto Route 9. Travel approximately 4.5 miles to Route 116 North (turn left at traffic lights). UMass exit is 1 mile.

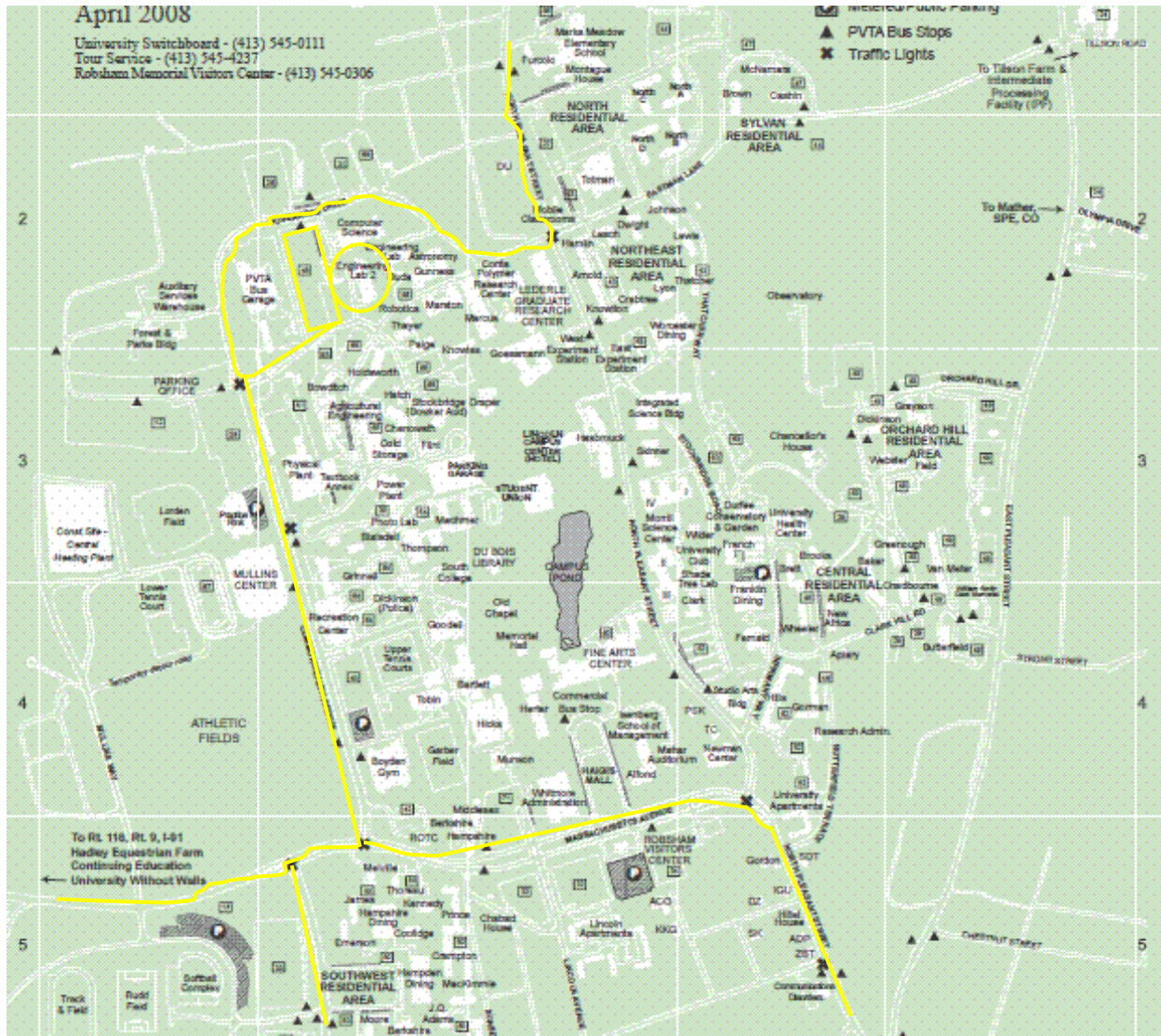
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http://www.umass.edu/visitorsctr/Directions_to_Campus/

See the campus map for more details:

<http://www.umass.edu/visitorsctr/downloads/campusmap.pdf>

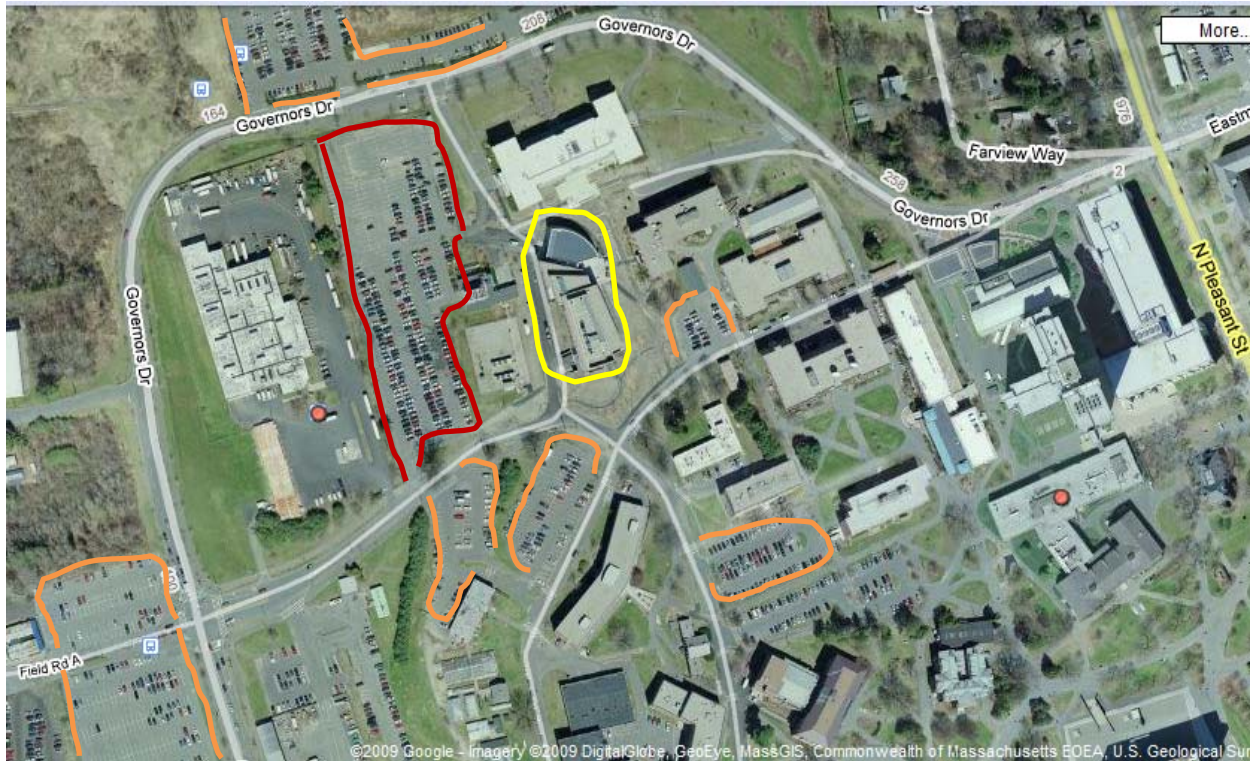
The Presentations:



The presentations will be held in Engineering Lab II Auditorium – Room 119, shown in the yellow circle above. The closest parking is available in Lot 45, outlined by the yellow rectangle. Parking is free on campus after 5pm and during weekends. Major roads entering campus are also shown in yellow. Please note that Massachusetts Avenue is a divided road (2 lanes of one way traffic on either side). A pdf of the campus map was also included in the email and can be found online at:

<http://www.umass.edu/visitorsctr/downloads/campusmap.pdf>

Engineering Lab II & Parking:



The Engineering Lab II is shown in the yellow shape in the map and in the picture on the left. The parking lots are shown in the orange lines. There are several parking lots available but the biggest and closest one is parking lot 45 (enclosed by red lines; others in orange). If you are bringing your trailer and have trouble finding a spot, the lot in the bottom left of the above picture will likely accommodate large vehicles best.

The auditorium is on your right when you walk in the entrance shown to the left. The

Kellogg room is straight through the entrance and on your left before the stairs.

Downtown Amherst & Various Places:



Hampshire Mall, Downtown Amherst and UMass

UMass is located near shopping malls and downtown Amherst is easily accessed by cars and buses. Metered parking spots are also available (downtown). Meters are free at UMass after 5pm and on weekends. Bus schedules are provided below. If you need help finding or deciding which bus to take and what time to board, call the PVTA, who can tell you when and what bus to take: 413-545-0056

Bus Schedule To: (All PDF files)

- Hampshire Mall, Walmart, McDonald, KFC
B43: [Northampton / Hadley / Amherst](#)
- Big Y, Stop & Shop, CVS
Route 37: [Amity Shuttle](#)
- Downtown Amherst
Route 30: [North Amherst / Old Belchertown Road](#)

- Route 31: [Sunderland / South Amherst](#)
- Get around UMass
Route 34: [Orchard Hill / Campus Shuttle \(Northbound\)](#)
- Route 35: [Orchard Hill / Campus Shuttle \(Southbound\)](#)

For more info, please visit: www.pvta.com

Downtown Amherst:



1. Amherst Brewing Company
Amherst Brewing Company is a full-service brewpub. Our 10-Barrel brewery is visible from the bar and produces some of the finest ales and lagers for serving in our 150-seat restaurant and 100-seat lounge and game room.
Phone 413-253-4400
24 N. Pleasant St, Amherst
Hours 11:30 am to 12:30 am

2. Antonio's Pizza Shop
Antonio's famous pizza by the slice! Creative combination of toppings. Open late night. Best pizza in Amherst!
Phone 413-253-0808
31 N. Pleasant St, Amherst

3. Bueno e Sano
Serving a large variety of burritos, tacos, quesadillas. Numerous vegetarian options.
Phone 413-253-4000
1 Boltwood Walk, Amherst

4. Judie's Restaurant
Home of the Popover! Creative lunch, dinner, full liquor, burgers, salads, sandwiches, pasta, homemade soups, kids menu, amazing desserts!
Phone 413-253-3491
51 N. Pleasant St., Amherst
Hours: 11:30-10:00pm. Fri- Sat until 11:00 pm

8. Mc Murphy's Uptown Tavern
37 N Pleasant St Amherst
(413) 253-0170

9. Charlie's Tavern
1 Pray St. Amherst 413-549-5403

10. Stackers Pub
57 N Pleasant St. Amherst
(413) 253-5141

11. D P Dough
96 N Pleasant St. Amherst
(413) 256-1616

12. Subway
4 Main St. Amherst

13. Bank of America
1 S Pleasant St Amherst

5. Pasta e Basta
Serving pizza and Italian dishes. Pasta e Basta is a trattoria style Italian restaurant located near Amherst Books.
26 Main St. Amherst
Phone: 413-256-3551
Hours: 11am-10pm; Fri-Sat, 'til 11pm

6. The Pub
Fresh fish specials, sandwiches, Mexican, salads, dinners. Takeout and delivery available. **Phone:** 413-549-1200
15 E. Pleasant St. Amherst, MA
Hours: 11:30am - 1am Daily

7. Bistro 63 at The Monkey Bar & Grille
Creative bistro cuisine, soups, salads, steak, seafood, sandwiches, burgers, microbrew bar.
Phone: 413-259-1660
63 N Pleasant St., Amherst

For more info, please visit:

<http://www.amherstdowntown.com/>