

■ Beat the Heat in Embedded Systems

Take a break at the Sheraton Ferncroft Resort in Danvers, Mass., at the first annual **Embedded Systems Conference Summer**. Held June 28–30, the show features 56 technical classes and four full-day tutorials. In his keynote address, Larry Mittag, the chief scientist of Stellcom's embedded group, will discuss the convergence of embedded systems and desktop computing, a key theme of the conference.

The cost of admission is \$495 for the Monday tutorials and \$895 for the two-day conference. For more information or to register, contact Miller Freeman at 888.239.5563 or access the Web at www.embedded.com/esc.htm.

■ Diefendorff Headlines Vail Workshop

Our own Keith Diefendorff will present the keynote address at the **IEEE Computer Elements Workshop** in Vail, Colorado. The workshop, held June 27–30, also includes presentations on the IA-64 architecture, AMD K7, Sony PlayStation 2, high-end server design, and embedded DRAM. The informal atmosphere encourages interchange among system designers and architects.

The total fee of \$620 covers workshop registration, meals, and lodging during the event. Discounts are available for IEEE members. For more information or to register, contact John Polhemus (Englewood, Colorado) at 303.781.6190 or access the Web at http://pweb.netcom.com/~j_boney/vail99/vail99.htm.

■ I Want My DTV

Take a look at the technologies behind digital television, cable modems, and home networks at the **IEEE International Conference on Consumer Electronics**. From June 22 to 24, the conference offers a collection of technical papers on video codecs, encryption, signal processing, connectivity, and similar technologies. Two days of tutorials before the conference provide an in-depth look at these technologies. All activities are at the Marriott Hotel in Los Angeles.

Registration fees are \$375 for the three-day conference and \$325 for two days of tutorials. Discounts are available for IEEE members and students. For more information or to register, access www.icce.org.

■ EXPOse Yourself to PCs

The cognoscenti will descend on the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York City for the 17th annual **PC Expo** on June 22–24. Along with keynotes from top AOL, Microsoft, and Adobe executives, the show features five tracks of seminars—including enterprise, networking, and PC and server technology—and a large exhibition of PCs, workstations, and related devices. Tutorials are available on Monday, June 21.

Admission fees range from \$795 for one day to \$1,695 for all four days. Admission to the exhibition is \$60 for one day. For more information or to register, access www.pcxpo.com.