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### How Green Was My Volley

If your organization has joined the fight against excess energy consumption, the University Center of Lake County's motto, "Come here, go far" can become your rallying cry. As business and industry meeting planners look for ways to "go green," videoconferencing and videostreaming technologies gain new importance. With high quality technology available at both its Grayslake and Waukegan facilities, the University Center allows local companies to connect with people around the world while incurring only a local commute. *Illinois Meeting + Events* magazine (Winter 2008) cited University Center as one of its top 5 venues for 2008 and urged, "Some events demand that you pull out all the stops, tech-wise—look no further than the University Center of Lake County in Grayslake."

In addition to allowing you to reduce the travel for distant attendees, the University Center helps you make your meetings more eco-friendly through its energy efficient design (automated HVAC, water-saving devices on toilets and faucets, high efficiency air filters) and its recycling program. LCD projectors and document cameras in every meeting space permit your presenters to share both print and electronic resources with the group as a whole. Video-streaming technology allows you to capture speakers and presentations for later on-demand viewing and reduce the number of handouts required.

During July and August 2008, meeting planners can also save greenbacks by taking advantage of the University Center's "Put Your Meeting at the Center" promotion. Reduced room rates and a special \$39.95 per person all day catering rate still include the free services of the Center's Certified Meeting Planner, Kim Kreml. For more information about how the Center can help you win the fight against excess energy consumption, see [www.ucenter.org/special/](http://www.ucenter.org/special/) or contact Kim Kreml at (847) 665-4010.