THE MICHIGAN HEMINGWAY SOCIETY
“UP IN MICHIGAN” CONFERENCE       OCTOBER 16-18, 1998
at the PERRY HOTEL
PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN

“TORRENTS OF SPRING” IN THE FALL

Friday, October 16
6 pm Welcome and Social Hour (cash bar & heavy hors d’oeuvres)
8 pm Society business, Speaker: Robin Gajdusek

Saturday, October 18
8 am Breakfast, Perry Hotel
9 am Morning Speakers: Waring Jones: Publication History of Torrrents
                   Fern Kory: Dark Laughter and Torrrents and the Harlem Renaissance
2 pm A Walking tour of Hemingway’s Petoskey
       with Brad Leech
7 pm Dinner - One Water St., Boyne City
       Speaker: Judy Hen, Torrrents Of Spring
       [9am - 2pm Book Fair, lobby of the Perry Hotel]

Sunday, October 19
9 am Breakfast at the Perry Hotel
       Speaker: John Sanford, Republishing At the Hemingways’
       Report on International Conference
       [9 am - 2pm Book Fair in the Perry Hotel Lobby]

***Meals listed are included in registration fee***

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Conference fee is $130 per person,
($120 before October 1st)
(Includes 1999 membership and a
copy of ‘The Torrents of Spring’)

Lodging is not included in the conference fee; for reservations contact
the Perry Hotel at 800 456-1917 (or Visitors Bureau at 616 347-4150)
Dear Members and Friends of the Michigan Hemingway Society,

The time is rapidly drawing near for our annual meeting and conference on October 16-18, at the historic Perry Hotel in Petoskey, Michigan! This year’s topic is Hemingway’s satirical novel, *Torrents Of Spring*, which takes place in Petoskey. We have lined up some excellent speakers to help us to better enjoy the novel and to understand its ramifications in the context of Hemingway’s career and of the social atmosphere of the time. (You will receive a copy of this short novel upon paying your registration fee so that you will have the opportunity to read it before arriving, if you so desire. You will *not* be questioned or tested on your prior knowledge of it—you know us: highly flexible.)

On Friday evening, following greetings and introductions, we will have the privilege of hearing from noted Hemingway scholar, Robin Gajdusek. Robin reports that he has a special fondness for *Torrents*, and he will share with us the ways in which he feels the novel has been misread and misunderstood from its beginning. Many of you are lucky enough to own Dr. Gajdusek’s beautiful work, *Hemingway’s Paris*, published in 1978 by Scribner’s or his 1984 book *Hemingway and Joyce: A Study in Debt and Payment*. He is also the author of short story collections *Travelling* and *Set Pieces*, along with many poems, articles, and papers. His latest publication is his stunning memoir, *Resurrection: A War Journey*.

Following breakfast on Saturday we will hear from two other noted Hemingway scholars, Fern Kory and Waring Jones. Dr. Kory is an associate professor of English at Eastern Illinois University and assistant director of their Writing Center. She has written articles and papers on Hemingway and has presented papers at three international Hemingway conferences and a number of national and regional conferences. Having just finished a sabbatical year doing research and writing about *The Brownies Book*, a magazine for African American children published from 1920-21, Dr. Kory will speak to us about how Sherwood Anderson’s *Dark Laughter*, and subsequently Hemingway’s satire of it, fit into the Harlem Renaissance movement of the times.

Waring Jones is a well-known scholar and collector of “Hemingwayiana” who has been a mainstay of the Hemingway societies for quite some time. He will speak to us on the “fun and games” of the satirical *Torrents*. Mr. Jones was a newspaper reporter and publisher for many years, a producer of plays in London, and currently writes plays in his homes in Minneapolis, MN and in Montana.

Our keynote speaker on Saturday evening will be Judy Hen, who is coming to us from Haifa University in Israel where she is teaching and writing her doctoral dissertation on *Torrents Of Spring*. Ms. Hen is a delightful and knowledgeable speaker who has been an important contributor to many Hemingway conferences and publications. We are in for a real treat in hearing this dynamic woman tell us the results of her research on our subject novel.

Our resident expert on Hemingway sites in Petoskey is Brad Leech, city planner. His tours of Petoskey have been enlightening conference participants for a number of years, and he will lead us on a well-researched tour of the places mentioned in *Torrents* and other Hemingway works.

The city of Petoskey will again be holding a Hemingway festival in conjunction with our
conference, featuring exhibitions and competitions in fly casting, a tennis tournament, and other entertaining activities. Regional booksellers will be holding a book fair in the Perry lobby on Saturday and Sunday, and you will find adequate free time in our schedule to enjoy these events, the excellent Little Traverse Bay Historical Museum, and the wonderful Petoskey shops.

Our Saturday night dinner will be held at the splendid restaurant, One Water Street, in Boyne City, a short drive from Petoskey. Car pools will be organized for those needing transportation. Maps will be provided, and an alternate route to Boyne City will take those who care to go to Horton Bay to explore the famous Horton Bay General Store and other Hemingway sites in that village.

On Sunday morning we will hear a report from John Sanford, son of Hemingway’s sister Marcelline, on the upcoming republication of her book *At the Hemingways* and of some of her correspondence with her brother. Those of us who attended the International Hemingway Conference at Les Saintes Maries de la Mer in the South of France will give a brief and envy inducing report of that marvelous week last May.

Please plan to join us for what will be a fun and educational weekend in beautiful Petoskey!

Sincerely,

Charlotte

Charlotte Ponder, president

PS We have some board positions to be filled. If you are willing to serve on the board of directors, which involves traveling to a meeting two additional times per year (March and June) and working on various planning committees and projects, please let me know by mail (708 Ferry St. NE, Decatur, AL 35601) or by E-mail (C2ponder@aol.com). Elections will be held at the October meeting.