

La Voz Diaria

The Daily Voice

The Daily Newsletter of NOPHNCSE's 11th Annual Training Conference

NOPHNCSE Elects Officers for 2005

Here are the 2005 National Council Officers:

- President:** Bertha Venegas- New
- Executive Vice President:** Carlos Suarez-New
- Vice President:** Carmen Diaz- Existing
- Secretary:** Fernando Garza- New
- Treasurer:** Zaragoza Rodriguez- Existing
- Regional Representatives**
- Northern Plains:** Herman Garcia- New
- Midwest:** Astrid Martinez- New
- Caribbean Area:** Carlos Morgarte- New
- West:** Arturo Carvajal- Existing
- South Central:** Mike Castillo- Existing
- South East:** Roel Herrera- Existing (Acting for Gilbert Guerrero)
- East: ??**



Conference participants pose for a picture



The registration committee works hard registering conference participants.

Workshop Corner

ArcGIS Summary:

by Wanda Mercado, NJ

For the first time in NOPHNCSE Conference history there was a pre-conference workshop. This year it was ArcGIS training taught by Steven Nechero and Dwain Daniels (NCGC, Fort Worth, TX). The conference was divided into two major parts:

1. Basic concepts of ArcGIS 8.3 for USDA employees.
2. How to create, edit, analyze georeferenced spatial data. Topics covered:
 - 1) Add a polygon layer
 - 2) Associate descriptive information with a layer
 - 3) Calculate statistics for your map
 - 4) Create a map layout

New Lifetime Member

Javier Montoya, Indiana, paid his lifetime membership dues. Welcome to the lifers club!

Announcements:

- **Auction Items:** Turn in your donated items at the registration table. The social begins at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday and the auction is set for 7:00 p.m.
- **Drop your \$10 donation** for the hospitality room (Room 1629) at the registration table.
- **Donations are still needed** to cover the costs of Mariachi Hermanos Flores, which will perform at the social Thursday evening.

Visit the Hospitality Room

Would you like to visit and network with NOPHNCSE friends? Come check out the Hospitality Room. Carlos Velasquez, Hospitality Room Chair, will be accepting donations at the registration table and in the room itself. He will also be the Hospitality Room Host! Thank you Carlos.

Tomorrow's Highlights:

- Diversity and Change
- Technical Paper Presentations
- Conservation Tours