



Arizona Chapter

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Newsletter

## **Congratulations and Welcome to our 2009 – 2010 Officers & Board Members**

**President** – Dave Moore, Soil Scientist, Prescott National Forest, Prescott

**Secretary** – Kris Johnson, Owner, Well Energy Testing, Buckeye

**Treasurer** – Kris Graham-Chavez, Resource Conservationist, USDA - Natural Resource Conservation Service, Phoenix

**Past President** – Cathy McGuire, Soil Scientist, USDA-NRCS, Phoenix

**Board Members** - Paul Buck, Supervisory Soil Conservationist, San Carlos Apache Tribe, San Carlos • Karen Geldmacher, Professor of Agriculture, Central Arizona College, Coolidge • Mary Nichols, Research Hydraulic Engineer, South Western Watershed Research Center, Tucson • Gary Wendt, Manager Environmental, Black Mesa Complex, Peabody Western Coal, Kayenta • Mohammed Zerkoune, Soil Conservationist, USDA-NRCS, Avondale

## **National Awards for Arizona Chapter and Chapter Members**

The Arizona Chapter will receive THREE awards this year at the National Conference in Dearborn, Michigan.

- ❖ Cathy McGuire will receive the President's Leadership Award for outstanding service to the Arizona Chapter. Congratulations Cathy!!
- ❖ Mark Nearing will receive the Best Paper Research Award for Impact and Quality of a Paper published between 2004 & 2008. Congratulations Mark!!!
- ❖ Arizona Chapter will receive a Chapter Achievement Award. Good work chapter!

## **Don't forget the**

### **International SWCS Conference • July 11-15 • Dearborn, Michigan**

Kris Graham-Chavez will attend the National Meeting as the state's House Delegate and will attend the House of Delegates meeting.

## **Summer Chapter Meeting**

On Friday, June 26 the Arizona Chapter will hold its summer meeting in Flagstaff at the USDA-NRCS Flagstaff Service Center, 1611 S. Plaza Way, Flagstaff, AZ 86001. Agenda items will include: short and long range plan of work, membership recruitment and planning for fall conference. The meeting will be from 10 a.m. until approximately 2 p.m. Set up a carpool and go to the cool country for some fun and beautiful scenery!

## **Fall Conference**

The board members are in the process of planning the 2009 Arizona SWCS Fall Conference. Potential dates are from September 15 – October 15, in the Prescott area. Theme will be erosion control and rehabilitation. A field trip to a local forest rehabilitation site may be part of the meeting schedule. More news to come in the next newsletter, **WATCH FOR IT!!**