



# THE DAILY ANAGRAM

THURSDAY, MAY 8

THE DAILY NEWSLETTER OF THE 2008 NATIONAL FLOOD CONFERENCE

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**Exhibit Hall Open & Continental Breakfast**  
7:00 am – 8:00 am

**Opening General Session & Awards Ceremony**  
8:00 am – 10:00 am

**Workshops 1-6**  
10:15 am – 11:45 am

**Exhibit Hall Open & Lunch on Your Own**  
11:45 am – 1:00 pm

**Workshops 7-12\***  
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

**Workshops 13-18**  
2:45 pm – 4:15 pm

**Happy Hour in the Exhibit Hall**  
4:15 pm – 6:00 pm

*\*Today's Workshop 10, Alternatives to the NFIP, has been canceled. It will still be offered on Friday afternoon as Workshop 36.*



# FEMA

## Welcome! You're Helping the NFIP Make History

Welcome to Chicago and the 2008 National Flood Conference! This year's conference is special in at least three respects. This year, we celebrate:

- The 40th anniversary of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)
- The 25th anniversary of the highly successful government/industry partnership known as the Write Your Own (WYO) Program
- The 25th anniversary of this conference, which was originally called the WYO Conference.

Speakers at this morning's Opening General Session will offer their perspectives on the NFIP—past, present, and future.

Saturday morning's Breakfast Session will focus on the WYO Program.

## So Many Activities, So Little Time

Several dozen new participants in the National Flood Conference took advantage of yesterday afternoon's First-Time Attendee Orientation conducted by the NFIP Bureau and Statistical Agent.



Introduced several years ago, the popular orientation session was designed to help first-time attendees derive maximum benefit from their event-packed days at the conference.

This year's moderator, Edie Lohmann, NFIP Bureau Field Operations Manager, offered a brief description of the origin, purpose, and growth of the NFIP. She also provided experience-based suggestions for how to make the most of the conference's numerous workshops, general sessions, exhibits of products and services, Town Halls, and opportunities for networking.

## Continuing a Tradition of Friendship

One of the great traditions of the flood conference is the Opening Reception hosted annually by Pilot Catastrophe Services, Inc., of Mobile, AL. Year after year, the Opening



Reception has been the perfect way for conference-goers to decompress from the flight in and prepare for the busy 2½ days ahead.

Last night was no exception.

Between 6:00 and 8:00, hundreds of conference attendees gathered in Grand Ballroom AB to enjoy the Pilot family's generous hospitality. Friendships of long standing were reaffirmed. New friendships were established. Personal anecdotes were exchanged—plenty of shop talk, too. And, as always, a spectacular spread of hot and cold delicacies was enjoyed by all. The late Walter D. Pilot, Sr., founder of the Pilot company, began the family tradition of hosting the Opening Reception in the 1980s.

## Exhibitors Offer the Proven and the Promising

When it comes to resources for the flood insurance community, the best of the old and the new are on display today and tomorrow in the 30,000-square-foot East Wing of the Riverside Center Exhibition Hall.

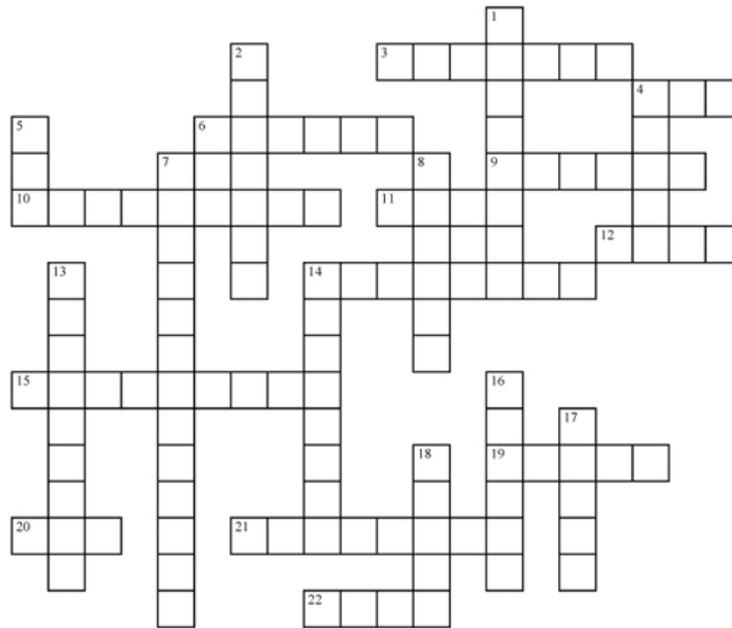
About 24 private- and public-sector providers of flood insurance products and services are exhibiting at this year's conference. Their specialties include catastrophe adjusting, claims and underwriting software, digital mapping, elevation certification and flood zone determination, engineering and consulting services, flood vents, lender services, and outsourcing services for WYO companies.



The Exhibit Hall will be open during breakfast, lunch, and happy hour today, and during breakfast and lunch tomorrow.

## How's Your NFIP IQ?

(answers tomorrow)



### ACROSS

- 3 Change the original policy
- 4 Community Rating System
- 6 Lessee or tenant of property
- 9 Process of determining the appropriate premium for specified coverage
- 10 Height above ground level
- 11 Amendment to the FEMA map which establishes that a property is not located in a Special Flood Hazard Area
- 12 A geographical area shown on a Flood Insurance Rate Map that reflects the severity or type of flooding in the area
- 14 Policy must be written on General Property Form
- 15 Tropical storm with strong rain and wind
- 19 Producer of flood insurance policies
- 20 Increased Cost of Compliance
- 21 Cause to become less harsh or hostile
- 22 Official community map delineating special hazard areas and risk premium zones

### DOWN

- 1 What is included in the scope of the policy
- 2 Monies paid for a contract of insurance
- 4 That form of ownership of real property in which each unit owner has an undivided interest in common elements
- 5 Base flood elevation
- 7 Describes a community that is part of the NFIP
- 8 The entire written contract between the insured and the insurer
- 13 Protection against loss
- 14 Building area that is subgrade on all sides
- 16 The NextGen data exchange application
- 17 Embankment for preventing flooding
- 18 Loss filed against a policy