

## **The NITV's 2010 Annual Advanced Examiners Course**

From 4-8 January 2010, nearly 100 examiners from across the United States – to include Alaska, Florida, West Virginia, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Georgia, Mississippi, Illinois, Arkansas, Delaware, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Louisiana, Alabama, New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and elsewhere attended NITV's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced Examiners Course in Boca Raton, FL. Chief Bill Endler and Deputy Chief Gene Shook taught the class and received rave reviews. Professor Jim Chapman and Mike DeFrancisco of the National Association of Computer Voice Stress Analysts (NACVSA) were in attendance and spoke about the tremendous benefits of joining the world's only professional organization that is 100% dedicated to supporting CVSA Examiners and the 1,800 law enforcement agencies that use the CVSA.

Professor Chapman, the Educational and Standards Director for the NACVSA, provided an insightful lecture on the history of voice stress technology and the importance of the NACVSA. First trained as a voice stress examiner in 1971, Professor Chapman conducted a ground-breaking and comprehensive 19-year longitudinal study of over 2,100 criminal cases which demonstrated a court-confirmed accuracy rate of 96.4% for CVSA technology. After close to 40-years experience as an examiner, researcher, and educator, Professor Chapman is continuing his CVSA-related research with several other esteemed PhDs and researchers, and will be releasing new findings which validate the science behind the CVSA, as well as the effectiveness of the CVSA as a crime-fighting and security tool.

Certificates were presented to a number of NACVSA Founding Members in attendance, and the NACVSA added a large number of new members to its roles during the one-week training event. All present commented that they appreciate the fact that CVSA examiners now have a truly professional, high-quality organization offering advanced CVSA Examiner Certification levels that is 100% dedicated to representing the interests of CVSA Examiners worldwide.

Many examiners had their CVSA instruments upgraded to the latest software version by NITV's Operations Coordinator, Al Hall, and expressed their pleasure with the personalized no-cost, on-site technical support they received from NITV.

Both the "Meet & Greet" social event on Tuesday night and the Golf Tournament were resounding successes. This, in spite of the fact the high temperature for the day on the golf course was a chilly 55 degrees.

2010 certainly started off successfully for all who attended this event. Professor Chapman indicated that the staff and board members of the NACVSA would work closely with the NITV to ensure the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Advanced CVSA Examiners Course would be the finest ever. Plans are already underway to offer the best training event ever for 2011!