

# SOUTHWEST COMPUTER CONFERENCE

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## Counterfeit or Pirated Computer Products

From your computer hardware to your software, batteries, electrical cords, microchips and surge protectors, all of these legitimate items are represented by counterfeit, pirated or illegal goods coming into the United States, as well as the rest of the world. The National Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Center was up and running in 2000 as a multi-agency response to the growing issue of Intellectual Property crime in the United States.

Dixie L. Faries, will be the Keynote Speaker on Friday, May 30, at the Southwest Computer Conference being held in San Diego, CA. Ms. Faries is the Management & Program Analyst for National Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Coordination Center, U.S. Immigration & Customs Enforcement under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Ms. Faries will be addressing the conference on Friday afternoon, May 30, 2008. She will address the dangers involved in purchasing and using these products.

The 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Southwest Computer Conference will be held May 30, 31 and June 1, 2008 at the Town and Country Resort & Convention Center in San Diego, CA. The conference is open to all Windows, Mac and Linux end users who will learn about the latest technology. The conference fee of \$60, postmarked by May 1<sup>st</sup>, includes workshops, seminars, and tech sessions, networking with other computer users, vendor presentations, meals, a sponsored T-shirt and Welcome Bag, plus the ever-popular Vendor Expo. The public is invited to register for this conference. The Conference registration form can be found at the following website: [www.theswcc.org](http://www.theswcc.org).

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