The 20th annual NESUG Conference was held
November 11 - 14, 2007
at the Renaissance Harborplace Hotel in Baltimore, Maryland.

Conference Facts:
- 685 attendees
- 198 presentations, including
  - 22 posters
  - 46 Coders’ Corner presentations
  - 8 Hands-on Workshops
  - 117 other talks in 6 sections
  - 4 Sunday Workshops
  - 6 Pre-conference training classes
  - 7 SAS super demos
- More than 220 volunteers (including session coordinators, registration volunteers, presenters, section chairs, code clinicians and conference organizers)

Conference Highlights:
- Sunday evening Opening Session, featuring:
  - Keynote address by Kathy Council, VP Publications at SAS
  - NESUG: The Early Years by NESUG co-founder and Conference co-chair for NESUG 1988 and NESUG 1999, Ray Pass
  - Recognition of co-chairs from 19 previous NESUG conferences, including many who were in attendance
  - Opening Session mixer, with music by Sarah Carlisle and wandering magic by entertainer and magician Dave Thomen
- Monday evening
  - NESUG Jeopardy! Monday evening, with MC’s Daphne Ewing and David Chapman
  - Spectacular SAS-sponsored reception at the nearby National Aquarium, with food and drinks provided by Classic Catering, music by harpist Monica Vaskey and jazz trio led by Sarah Carlisle
- Tuesday night attendee party, with local dance band Swiftkick
- Futures Forum – a lively discussion of what’s new and what’s upcoming in SAS® software, including a star-studded panel from SAS: Kathy Council, Margaret Crevar, Vince DelGobbo, Jason Secosky, Maura Stokes, and Rick Wicklin
- NESUG Proceedings on CD, including all the papers from the 2007 conference and ALL the papers from the 10 previous conference, all the way back to NESUG 1997 – made possible by the volunteer efforts of Mike Zdeb

The following individuals contributed to the success of NESUG 2005 by volunteering their time as Conference Leaders (all affiliations listed in this document were current as of the dates of the Conference):

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