

## 34<sup>TH</sup> CONFERENCE ON RADAR METEOROLOGY

5-9 OCTOBER 2009

MARRIOTT HOTEL

WILLIAMSBURG, VA

### SPONSORSHIP / ORGANIZERS

The 34<sup>th</sup> Conference on Radar Meteorology is sponsored by the American Meteorological Society and organized by the AMS Committee on Radar Meteorology. The conference will be held 5-9 October 2009 at Marriott Hotel in Williamsburg, VA

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### IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission Deadline: Friday, 1 May  
Acceptance E-Mails Out, Registration & Hotel Reservations Open: Friday, 12 June  
Pre-Registration Deadline: Friday, 31 July  
Hotel Reservation Deadline: Wednesday, 2 Sept.  
No Registration Refunds After: Friday, 18 Sept.  
Manuscript Deadline: Wednesday, 30 Sept.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Attendees are responsible for making their own hotel arrangements. All meeting sessions for the conferences will be held at The Marriott Hotel, 50 Kingsmill Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

A block of rooms have been reserved at the hotel for meeting attendees at a special rate of \$89.00 single/double plus tax. Government per diem rates are also available to those who qualify (\$75\* for Williamsburg in Fiscal Year 09. \*This rate will be updated when the new rate is established.) To receive the special meeting rate, attendees must request a room under the AMS block.

For reservations, call the hotel directly at (1-800) 442-3654 or make your reservations on-line:

For general attendees use this link:

[http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/  
phfcw?groupCode=metmeta&app=resvlink&fromDate=10/3/09&toDate=10/12/09](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/phfcw?groupCode=metmeta&app=resvlink&fromDate=10/3/09&toDate=10/12/09)

For attendees who qualify for the government per diem rate, use this link:

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phfcw?groupCode=megmega&app=resvlink&fromDate=10/3/09&toDate=10/12/09](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/phfcw?groupCode=megmega&app=resvlink&fromDate=10/3/09&toDate=10/12/09)

Reservations must be made prior to **Wednesday, 2 September** and must be accompanied by a one-night deposit. Reservations made after that date will be on a space available basis. We urge you to book at the Marriott Hotel since revenue from sleeping rooms helps offset other meeting costs and is passed down to meeting attendees in keeping registration rates to a minimum. Please make your reservations early since space is limited.

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

All attendees must register to attend the meeting. There are three methods to register:

1.) **On-Line Registration:** This option is available to attendees paying by credit card or purchase order. Please see the AMS homepage: [www.ametsoc.org](http://www.ametsoc.org). Select 'Meetings' in the top red bar and then select 'Register for a Conference' and follow the instructions. You can register on-line between now and **Friday, 2 October**. Be sure to register by **Friday, 31 July** for the lowest rates.

2.) **Complete & Fax-In the registration form (PDF) from the AMS homepage:** Refer to the AMS homepage: [www.ametsoc.org](http://www.ametsoc.org). Select 'Meetings' in the top red bar, then select 'AMS Upcoming Meetings', then the meeting of your choice. Download, print, and complete the paper pre-registration form. Fax to: (617) 249-0272 or mail to: AMS: 34 Radar Meeting, 45 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02108. **REGISTRATION FORMS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED THROUGH WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER. AFTER THIS DATE, YOU MUST REGISTER ON-LINE OR ON-SITE.**

3.) **On-Site Registration:** The on-site registration desk at the Marriott Hotel will be open for registration during the following hours:

Sun. 4 October:	5:00pm-7:00pm
Mon. 5 October:	7:30am-5:30pm
Tues. 6 October:	7:30am-5:30pm
Wed. 7 October:	7:30am-12:00pm
Thurs. 8 October:	7:30am-5:30pm
Fri. 9 October:	7:30am-12:00pm

We urge you to pre-register. We do not accept registration over the phone.

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION RATES

ATTENDEE TYPE	FULL-WEEK PACKAGE		ONE-DAY PACKAGE	
	By 31 July	After 31 July	By 31 July	After 31 July
AMS Full Member Program Chair/Session Chair	\$405	\$445	\$240	\$280
Non-member Speaker, Poster Presenter; AMS Associate Member; Cosponsoring Society Member	\$445	\$485	\$240	\$280
Nonmember	\$490	\$530	\$240	\$280
Retired Member	\$190	\$230	\$90	\$130
AMS Student Member	\$165	\$205	\$60	\$100
Student Nonmember	\$195	\$235	\$90	\$130

**FULL-WEEK REGISTRATION includes:** a conference admission badge, a program, admission to all sessions and exhibits, morning and afternoon coffee breaks, admission to the Monday Icebreaker Reception, and the Wednesday night conference banquet.

**ONE-DAY REGISTRATION includes:** for that calendar day only: a conference admission badge, a program, admission to all sessions and exhibits, morning and afternoon coffee breaks, and the reception. Tickets (sold separately - \$65) will be available for the banquet.

**REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT PAYMENT.** Payment may be made with check, money order, purchase order, or credit card (MasterCard/VISA/American Express). Checks must be drawn on a US bank and payable in US dollars. Refunds (less a \$25 processing fee) will be granted only for cancellations received by **Friday, 18 Sept.**

## FLYING TO WILLIAMSBURG

Three airports service the Williamsburg, VA area. The Newport News Airport (PHF) is approx. 15 miles E, the Richmond, VA Airport (RIC) is approx. 50 miles W, and the Norfolk, VA Airport (ORF) is approx. 45 miles W.

## GROUND TRANSPORTATION

From the Newport News Airport, taxi is the fastest and cheapest way to get to the hotel. Expect a fare of ~\$30. For all other airports, transportation by rental car would most likely be needed. Driving directions can be found on the hotel web-page: <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/maps/travel/phfcw-williamsburg-marriott/>  
Self-parking at the Marriott Hotel is complimentary. The hotel is in close proximity to a variety of restaurants. A group outing is tentatively being planned so everyone will have the opportunity to explore and dine within Colonial Williamsburg.

## CONFERENCE BANQUET (WEDNESDAY)

The 34th Conference on Radar Meteorology Banquet will be held on Wednesday, 7 October at 5:30pm within the Colonial Williamsburg Museum area at 2 taverns: King's Arms Tavern and Shields Tavern. The Taverns are located across the street from each other and are each historical in design with a floorplan of many small rooms. Attendees will be divided between the 2 taverns with an identical dinner menu and experience at each tavern. A Colonial-style meal will be served and a cash bar will be available.

Buses will transport attendees to the Taverns from the Marriott Hotel starting at 5:15pm and will begin the return trip back to the Marriott Hotel at 7:45pm.

If you require a vegetarian meal or have other special dietary requirements, please confirm with Cara at [ccampbell@ametsoc.org](mailto:ccampbell@ametsoc.org) by Mon. 21 September 2009.

This event is included in your registration package. Guest tickets (\$65.00/ticket) may be purchased on-line with your registration package or on-site until **noon Monday, 5 October.**

## ICEBREAKER RECEPTION

### SPONSORED BY GEMATRONIK GMBH (MONDAY)

An Icebreaker Reception is being generously sponsored by Gematronik GmbH in conjunction with the opening of exhibits on Monday, 5 October from 6:00-8:00pm with light food and a cash bar.

Guests are welcome to attend the Icebreaker Reception with a proper guest badge from the registration desk.

## INTERNET ACCESSIBILITY

Vaisala Inc. will be sponsoring e-mail stations for attendee use throughout the week. The Marriott Hotel offers complimentary wireless internet access in public space. Internet access in sleeping rooms is currently \$10.00 per 24-hour period.

## POSTER ROTATIONS

Posters will be displayed in two distinct poster presentation timeframes. Set-up and tear down times will be strictly as follows:

### **First Rotation (Mon/Tues)**

Set-Up: Mon. at 10:00am

Tear-Down: Tues. by 5:00pm

### **Second Rotation (Wed/Thurs/Fri)**

Set-Up: Wed. at 10:00am

Tear-Down: Fri by 12:00pm

## EXHIBITOR INTRODUCTION SESSION

A special exhibitor introduction session will be held on Monday, 5 October from 9:30-10:00am in the Auditorium for an opportunity to meet valued exhibitors.

## EXHIBIT HOURS

TBA

## OPTIONAL CONFERENCE OUTING: COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG AREA

### **Wednesday, 7 October**

Discounted group tickets (\$25) will be available for those who'd like to take Wednesday afternoon off to explore the Colonial Williamsburg museum area. Tickets will be available in advance with registration or on-site at the registration desk until 12:00pm Tuesday, 6 October. This excursion is not included in registration.

Colonial Williamsburg is a museum district featuring scores of original buildings, hundreds of homes, shops and public buildings reconstructed over 301 acres - most on their original foundations. Rare animal breeds, trades, and gardens add layers of authenticity to the recreated town. Special activities and programs are featured daily. A number of historic American museums are also included with entrance.

Ticketholders will depart the Marriott Hotel at 12:45pm and should plan to meet the rest of the group at King's Arms Tavern at 5:20pm for dinner. Buses will return everyone to the Marriott Hotel after dinner at 7:45pm.

## BEYOND THE CONFERENCE

The Williamsburg area can be a fun place to visit with friends and family. For more information, visit Williamsburg's tourist sites:

[www.history.org](http://www.history.org)

[www.visitwilliamsburg.com](http://www.visitwilliamsburg.com)

## SPECIAL NEEDS

It is our sincere desire to comply fully with both the letter and the spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). Attendees with special needs should call the AMS Meetings Dept. at (617) 227-2426 x228, 4-6 weeks prior to the meeting to request special arrangements. Special housing needs should be requested when making hotel reservations.