April 2024

The Monthly Update

from the AMS Local Chapter Affairs Committee

Updates

1 Chapter of the Year

The Chapter of the Year award submissions for May 2023-April 2024 are **due on May 1st**.

Visit our website* to find sample nominations, guidance from the LCAC, and nomination forms.

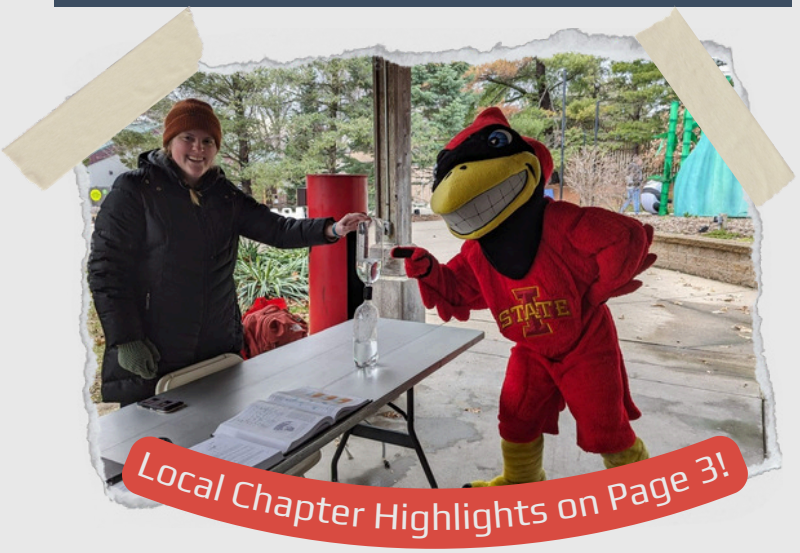
2 Report Election Results

If you have conducted chapter elections or plan to do so soon, please make sure that you report the results of the election and the newest points of contact us** and we will make sure it's updated in the chapter directory.

3 Chapter Emails

LCAC Tip: Create an email address for your Chapter.

Having a local chapter email requires less turnover in contact information on a yearly basis when new officers are elected.



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4 Call for New LCAC Members

There are 2 openings! Great volunteer opportunity, especially for those departing their local chapters, and very rewarding being able to work with chapters across the nation! If you are interested, please reach out** for more info.

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Detailed Updates

As many chapters start to transition to their new E-Boards, we would like to remind you of some important information as we approach May.

The **Chapter of the Year award submissions for the May 2023-April 2024 chapter year are due on May 1st!** Be thinking of ways to make the most of your spring and get those applications in so we can properly recognize all the hard work being put forth by your local chapter to further the mission of the AMS!

ACTION: If you have conducted chapter elections or are in the process of doing so, please make sure that you report the results of the election and the newest points of contact through the LCAC website. Please report these results **by June 1st**. If a Local Chapter hasn't reported an update within 2 years (Since June 1, 2022), they will be deemed inactive and removed from the directory.

What has your chapter been up to recently? We would love to hear from you! If your chapter has done something that you would like to share, feel free to reach out to us and let us know*.

LCAC Updates:
We are calling for NEW MEMBERS to join the LCAC! Currently we have 2 Vacancies. This is a great volunteer opportunity especially for those departing their local chapters and a very rewarding one being able to work with chapters across the nation! If you are interested, please reach out for more information*.

Lastly, we are also in the process of consolidating our forms of communication to best suit the needs of our chapters into this one email and through our slack channel and we would encourage your local chapters to do the same by having a local chapter email created so that when officers change it requires less turnover in contact information on a yearly basis.

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Rutgers Student Chapter

Local Chapter Highlights



The Rutgers Meteorology Chapter has undergone a Financial Literacy workshop, where members learned more about personal financial responsibility and budgeting tactics. The Rutgers Chapter also had the opportunity to attend the Northeastern Storm Conference this year in Burlington, Vermont, where one member, Andrea John, presented her research as an Offshore Wind Institute fellow. Another graduate student, Alexander Friedman, was a key panelist on Graduate School Insights. Upcoming events for the club include a Career Panel with Rutgers Meteorology Alumni, advanced Skywarn training to become advanced, registered spotters, and a tour of NWS Mount Holly.

Iowa State Student Chapter

Local Chapter Highlights



Operation and attendance are better than ever with our broadcast club, Cy's Eyes, as they continue to do their weekly showings and help students build reels. This helps prepare them for the fast-paced reality of a broadcast meteorologist and allows them to have some fun with their friends while doing so.



Our outreach chair got the approval of Cy, the Iowa State mascot, at an outreach event last month. These events are designed to demonstrate the capabilities and opportunities students can have in STEM careers like meteorology and include fun and interactive showcases of meteorological phenomena.

Texas A&M Student Chapter

Local Chapter Highlights

The Texas A&M Student Chapter brought 14 students to the AMS Student Conference, and 10 of our students received a full expense paid trip by our chapter! We achieved this by applying for funding from the university and our department. The rest of our members were fully funded by their internships. Our chapter had 5 poster presentations! We had a great time at the conference, touring Baltimore, and meeting other student chapters.





Our student chapter poster won first place! It was Wii MarioKart themed, a game we play often in our student lounge, the Weather Center. Pictured are the three officers who attended the conference (left to right): Adam Clark-Treasurer, Kate Stapleton-Vice President, and Leah Mathews-Historian.

During the conference, our social officer held our annual Ice Skating social to commemorate the first week of the spring semester!



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Texas A&M Student Chapter

Local Chapter Highlights



Since then, we had an In-or-Out Night social, where members chose to stay-in or go-out. This time, our go-out-ers went to Urban Air, where our social officer, Connor, got stuck (see picture). Our In-Nighters spent the evening in the observatory playing Jackbox, Mafia, and boardgames.

The next day, we held our annual Spring Trip! 20 members traveled 3 hours to Fort Worth, TX to visit the NWS Fort Worth WFO and NWS West Gulf River Forecast Center. We received a comprehensive tour and operational insight from both offices, and left with memorable BeReals with Meteorologist Patricia Sanchez!



Our March general body meeting was a blast! We had Meteorologists from International Trip Planning speak about their day-to-day and the innovative services they offer pilots. Each of the officers gave a summary of their duties, as we will hold elections for the new officer team before our April Meeting.