APRIL SSC MEETING - April 15, 2015

AGENDA

Catching Up!!!

- How's everyone doing?! Any updates from anyone?
- Dates to remember:
    - Registration for the conference opens today!
    - Hotel block opened in mid-March for Doubletree Resort Myrtle Beach Oceanfront.
    - Hotel Reservation/Pre-Registration Deadline is May 10th.
- We do have a student member! Yay!
    - Her name is Julia Haley and she's a senior at University of Florida. She was also one of Vanessa's students. WOOO!
- Who's planning on going to the conference!?

Update from Broadcast Committee

- Vanessa, Emily, and Danielle-Updates/news from the Broadcast Board on the Conference?

Speakers/Details For Our Session

- Abstracts submitted:
    - - Opportunities for Effective Collaboration between Broadcast Meteorologists and Emergency Managers - Sepi Yalda
    - - Solar Cycle 25 and Space Weather Impacts in A Modern Society- Mike Cook

    - - Understanding (and Explaining) How the Sun Works- Kelly Beatty
    - - It's Time to Step Up Your Game . . . Your Audience Needs You - Ellen Prager
    - - Hurricanes and Climate Change - Tom Knutson

- We also got these additional submissions to the SS session:
    - - Putting Down Roots: Gardening Localizes the Weather Story- Alex Calamia
    - The Disappearance of Weather and Climate Science (both Quantity and Quality) in K-12 Textbooks- Michael Mogil

- Seeing as there is a Space Session as well (with open slots), Emily is hoping to move Kelly Beatty to that session to allow room for the rest in the SS Session.
    - Emily says we could certainly have someone from SSC co-chair the session with Danielle and introduce Kelly.
    - Sounds like Mike will need to stay in the SSC Session.

Who Do We Want???

- Can we keep everyone?
    - Who should we cut?
- Timing for SSC Session???
    - Hour and a half…just to make sure.
    - How long do we want each speaker to have?
- Want to make sure our session is called Joe Witte Station Scientist Symposium :)

Other Housekeeping Things

- AMS Award Season
    - All of us will need to vote for The Award for Excellence in Science Reporting by a Broadcast Meteorologist.
    - In addition, we'll need one member to be on a committee to vote on Award for Distinguished Science Journalism.
- I'll need to send these over to Erica by May 1st.