

SAMPLE AWARD APPLICATION

1. In the past year, what has your chapter done for your members? (500 words or less)

Meetings Held.....3

- **Dr. Windmeister**..... “Alternative energy and the impact on Doppler Radars”.
- **Mr. Staysafe**..... “Disaster preparedness for you, your pets and your community”.
- **Professor Knowsalot**....”Dynamic storm structures”.

Webpage

- Links to scholarships and the main AMS webpage
- Meeting minutes posted

Social and Just for Fun Events

- **Christmas Party**....15 members attended at the Affordable-and-Good Restaurant.
- **Spring BBQ**....25 members attended and a frisbee throwing contest was held. The prize for the winner was a NOAA All Hazards Radio.
- **Annual Forecast Contest**....The categories included the first measurable snow, the highest and lowest temperatures, the highest and lowest barometric pressure, and total snowfall for the winter season. Winners get to choose from a variety of prizes including donated prints from local artists, NOAA All Hazards Radios, and other locally donated items.
- **Annual Local Chapter Member of the Year**... the winner enjoyed bragging rights and a special prize donated by the local Housewares and More store.

2. In the past year, what has your chapter done for your community? (500 words or less)

(questions 1 and 2 are not limited to activities of a scientific nature)

Community Outreach

- **Organize a Severe Weather Awareness Fair**....Emergency Managers from around the State, NOAA Offices, and Local TV Stations participated and had booths at the event. Over 500 people attended the Fair.
- **NOAA warning messages on grocery store bags**....Partnered with a local grocery store to put NOAA warning messages such as “Turn Around, Don’t Drown” on paper bags as part of a Severe Weather Awareness campaign. 1,000 bags were handed out.
- **Weather talks for elementary school children...2**
- **Participation in the State Science Fair**. Several Chapter members participated in the judging and the local Chapter handed out certificates to all participants. The top 3 winners in the Elementary, Junior High, and Senior High categories also received free subscriptions to Weatherwise Calendars and NOAA All Hazards Radios
- **Earth Day Celebration activities**. The local Chapter teamed up with NOAA to staff a booth at a local Earth Day Celebration. We handed out weather-related and scientific information as well as other fun weather related trinkets.
- **Promote Local Chapter meetings** in the Community section of the local newspaper.
- **Advertise AMS Scholarship information** through the webpage, direct mailings and e-mails to schools, Flyers distributed to state-wide NOAA Offices and local TV Stations, and wrote articles for the statewide print media.
- **Community Clean Up Activity**. The chapter organized a community litter pickup event and spoke to participants about other ways to become environmentally responsible.

Donations

- Donations procured from local and National businesses allow the local chapter to provide give prizes at the State Science Fair, to our Chapter Member of the Year, and prizes for the local Forecast Contest Winners.

3. In the past year, what has your chapter done for the national AMS? (500 words or less)

- **Meeting Minutes:** The number of Meeting Minutes submitted 3. One of those minutes was published in the Chapter News section of the Bulletin.
- **Elections results** were properly reported.
- **Advertise AMS Scholarship information, especially the Industry Minority Scholarship,** through the webpage, direct mailings and e-mails to schools, Flyers distributed to state-wide NOAA Offices and local TV Stations, and wrote articles for the statewide print media.
- **Active with AMS:** Several members of the Chapter are active members within AMS. Two went to the AMS National Meeting and one is on the Local Chapter Affairs Committee (LCAC).
- **Display Chapter Poster at National AMS Conference.** The Chapter won Honorable Mention this year.