



Houston Chapter of the American Meteorological Society

May/June 2012

Notes from the President –

Greetings! We had a good time at our last meeting as Dr. Steve Lyons provided an excellent presentation concerning "The Five Toes of a Hurricane Footprint".

As we approach the start of the 2012 Hurricane season, we are going to stay with the hurricane theme and have NHC director Bill Read speak to us to close out our meetings this spring. Bill is retiring in early June, so please come out to hear his perspective on what he has learned about tropical cyclones during his career and also to wish him well as he begins a new chapter in his life.

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"40 years of chasin' 'canes"

Speaker: Bill Read, Director, National Hurricane Center

Friday, June 8th

6 PM Dinner

7 PM Meeting

Location:

Rudy's BBQ

21361 Gulf Freeway

Webster, TX 77598

Speaker Information-

- Director, National Hurricane Center since January 2008
- MIC WFO Houston Galveston area January 1992 - January 2008
- NWS HQ Mar. '89 – Jan. '92 - Program Leader Severe storms and Flash Floods
- WFO Fort Worth March 1983 - March 1989 Lead Forecaster
- WFO San Antonio April 1978 - March 1983 Forecaster
- NWS Test and Evaluation Division February 1977 - March 1978
- US Navy Meteorological Officer June 1971 - August 1975
- MS Meteorology Texas A&M 1976, BS 1971

Notes from the President continued...

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, I am looking for a member that is interested in serving as President of the Chapter next year. We will vote for officer positions at our upcoming June meeting. Brian, Jennifer, and Chris are all interested in returning as Treasurer, Secretary, and Vice President, so the Chapter President will have great support. If you have an interest in becoming an officer, please send me an e-mail (lance.wood@noaa.gov) prior to our June meeting.

Thanks,
Lance

Maps & Directions

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The Houston Chapter boasts of one of the most diverse memberships in the country. Due to our location, we have meteorologists and scientists working for many different types of industry, government, private and media. These people are involved in forecasting and monitoring weather world-wide, right from Houston.

In addition, we welcome everyone and anyone who is interested in weather and weather-related topics.

Our dues are only \$15 per year. Funds are used to pay for dinner and thank you gifts for our speakers, and provide awards for the winners of the Houston AMS Special Awards at the Science and Engineering Fair of Houston held each spring.

If you'd like to become a member, please fill out the form below with your most recent information, include \$15 cash or check and turn it into any officer. If you prefer, you can mail the form and money to our Treasurer. Please see the address below. Checks should be made out to: *Houston Chapter of the American Meteorological Society*

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