

COD AMS Meeting Notes: September 11th, 2007

- Matt talked about the importance of joining the COD Student Chapter of the AMS

We would like any students interested in weather, especially Meteorology (Earth Science) majors to understand the importance of joining the COD Student Chapter of the AMS. Primarily it will offer you connections and opportunities that won't be available to you otherwise. You will be able to meet like-minded students who share your interest in weather. This can be valuable not only for advancement within the field, but it can also help you attain your degree if you choose to knock out required classes with help from fellow members. We also invite speakers from within the field (many of which are COD Alumni!!) to come give speeches at many of our meetings; to discuss everything from how to get your foot in the door, to debate and discussion on new and exciting events in the weather. In short, **THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO BECOME INVOLVED!!**

- The floor was then turned over to the attendees. Everyone introduced themselves and talked about why they are here.
- Kitty and Jenna then discussed Goals for this year.

We were able to accomplish a lot this past year. Our main goal is to continue this success and build off of it. First and foremost is to keep the ball rolling on fundraising materials. The calendars worked out great and we want to do them again! But we need to start work on this immediately; photos are needed! Please send them to either Matt or Kitty.

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- The photos **MUST** be weather related.
- They **MUST** be your own, or you must offer contact information if it is a friend/family members picture.
- They **CANNOT** be doctored in any way!
- We would also like you to include a brief description of where and when the photo was taken.
- Do not resize the image. Any cropping or resizing will be done by us.
- Please send in “.jpg”, “.gif”, or “.png” format.
- *Note: If any of your photos are selected for the Calendar, we will copyright the image under your name and include the information you provided.

Also the bake sales this past year went very well and they proved to be great way to raise money. We would like to keep doing these but we can't do it alone. We will need help with producing items to be sold and having people at the table to help sell the items. Bake Sale dates will be posted on our site as soon as they are known.

Last but certainly not least is we would like to keep our club growing in numbers!

We encourage our members to stay involved in our club. Please contribute in any way you can, your help will always be appreciated; anything from meeting ideas to fundraising opportunities. Most importantly, just make your presence known!

- Matt then spoke briefly about how internships are a great way to start learning the science and get your name out there. Matt has been an intern at ENSCO for nearly 5 months now and speaks highly of how much he has learned from being there.
- We then turned over the floor to Mike Bartosz, Aviation Meteorologist at the United Airlines Weather Center. Mike spoke about what is involved in his job at ENSCO, reflected on how he became involved in the field (STARTING AT COD!), and discussed the internship opportunities that ENSCO.
- Meeting was adjourned. Proceeded to Alfies for food, drink and socializing.