



## National Weather Center News

Recently, the American Meteorological Society announced its 2015 Award Winners, Fellow and Honorary Members. The National Weather Center is proud to boast that faculty, researchers, meteorologists and organizations within the building were among the recipients of these prestigious honors. See the list of NWC-related winners below:

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Dr. Elbert (Joe) Friday

Dr. Joe Friday was recognized as an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Society. Honorary Members are acknowledged as persons of acknowledged international preeminence in the atmospheric or related oceanic or hydrologic sciences. It is one of the highest honors bestowed by the Society.

Congratulations to Joe for a lifetime of achievements, including being an instrumental. Joe is currently an emeritus faculty within the School of Meteorology. He served as WeatherNews Chair and Professor of Applied Meteorology within the School from 2003 to 2006. He was also a former Director of the National Weather Service. Congratulations to Dr. Friday as he joins Dr. Sasaki, another Emeritus Faculty of the School, as Honorary Members of AMS.

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Dr. Evgeni Fedorovich

Professor Evgeni Fedorovich received recognition with the Editors Award for Journal of Atmospheric Sciences for Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences for insightful, timely, and thorough reviews and re-reviews of several manuscripts during the last two years. Incredibly, this award is Fedorovich's second Editor's Award that he received from AMS. He is the Co-chief Editor of Boundary Layer Meteorology.

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Dr. Robert Palmer, Associate Vice President for Research

Professor Robert Palmer was named a Fellow of the American Meteorological Society. Fellows are those persons that have made outstanding contributions to the atmospheric or related oceanic or hydrologic sciences or their applications during a substantial period of years. Fellows represent the top 0.2 % of the membership of the society. Palmer joins Drs. Bluestein, Carr, Droegemeier, Leslie, Moore, and Parsons as active faculty members who are Fellows of the Society.

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Dr. Paul Markowski

Dr. Paul Markowski a professor of Meteorology at Penn State who received his Master's and Ph.D from the School of Meteorology was honored by being named the winner of the Clarence Leroy Meisinger Award for advancing knowledge about the genesis of tornadoes through a rich mix of observations, theory, and numerical modeling. This award is given to promising young or early-career scientists who have demonstrated outstanding ability.

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Dr. Kevin Kloesel

Dr. Kevin Kloesel has been named the recipient of the 2015 Charles E. Anderson Award. Dr. Kloesel is a faculty member within the College of Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences who actively teaches for the School. He received this award for over two decades of dedication to engaging minority and under-represented groups in the atmospheric sciences through community outreach and academic leadership.

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Dr. David Jorgensen

Dr. David Jorgensen was also awarded by AMS by receiving the Charles Franklin Brooks award for over two decades of substantial contributions to, and visionary leadership of, the Society's all-important scientific publication process, including tireless service as Publications Commissioner from 2007 to 2012. David is a scientist within NOAA's National Severe Storms Laboratory and an affiliate faculty member of the School of Meteorology.

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NOAA/NWS Forecast Office, Norman, Oklahoma

The NOAA/NWS Forecast Office, Norman, Oklahoma received the Award for Exceptional Specific Prediction for detailed, life-saving forecasts provided days through hours leading up to the EF-5 tornado that struck Newcastle, Moore, and Oklahoma City on May 20, 2013. Congratulations to this team for their outstanding service to the community.

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THE FRANCIS W. REICHELDERFER AWARD

Richard (Rick) D. Smith

For vision, long-standing dedication, and the use of innovative technologies to enhance public safety in preparing for, and responding to, severe weather.