Chapter News

January 2013

93rd Annual AMS Meeting

Our Chapter started the year by attending the 93rd Annual AMS Meeting in Austin Texas from January 6th to January 10th. While there, the sixteen eager students representing UPRM had the chance to present their research projects, meet many professionals, learn and interact with personalities from around the world, and enjoy Austin in general. We celebrated the naming of Ada Monzón, premier meteorologist and TV personality from Puerto Rico, as an AMS Fellow. We also had the honor of being named part of the AMS Local Student Chapter Honor Roll! The Meeting was a great success for all involved and gave the Chapter a great start to the new year!

Participation in the ARRL Puerto Rico State Convention

On January 26th, the Chapter had the chance to participate in the ARRL (American Radio Relay League) Puerto Rico State Convention. This convention brought amateur radio “aficionados” from all over the Americas together to share their passion and learn about the latest developments in the field. The President of our Chapter, Suheily López; the historian, Ana Torres and Danishka Beníquez had the opportunity to introduce the attendees to weather concepts and to the general mission of our Chapter. It was a very rewarding and educational activity, we made many friends and hope to keep in contact with the League in the future.

Special Meeting

The Chapter officers called for a Special Meeting on January 31st, starting at 10:30am. Approximately 22 members were in attendance. This meeting was held to discuss activities that had been held during the month, as well as upcoming events, such as a Beach Cleaning effort during the Rip Curl Pro Surf Contest in February, upcoming fundraising ideas, among many others. The main topic of discussion, however, was the planning of our upcoming Weather Festival. The planning committee, headed by Vice-President Zuleimary Vélez brought the members up to speed with the efforts so far.

On our way to: the Weather Fest!

January was a month of many sub-meetings, many of them from the different committees within the Chapter which are planning our eagerly awaited Weather Festival. Meeting for the Planning Committee and the Demonstrations Committee were held every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30am in order to motivate, coordinate and plan the event so that it is a huge success. These meetings have been very helpful because many members have come forth wanting to help and giving many useful ideas.