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Greetings to the EPSP Community:

It's almost December and it's time for the #AGU20 to begin! We all know how different everything is this year, including our annual meeting. AGU and our program committee have risen to the challenge and delivered a promising list of exciting enriching activities, many of which have drawn on our growing digital communication tools for excellent engagement opportunities as well.

We are writing this quick note to wish you a great meeting and also assure that, along with AGU, we will be providing intermittent communication over the next three weeks. We plan to do this through a number of means, and our first is a very quick list of last-minute AGU meeting tips below.

Have a great meeting and we hope to "see" you "there"!

Kimberly Hill, (soon-to-be) President Elect
Dorothy Merritts, (soon-to-be) Past President
Gordon Grant, (soon-to-be) President
Noah Snyder, (continuing) Secretary

(1) Check your digital access tools: (a) update your [zoom app](#); (b) for guaranteed browser effectiveness across the entire meeting, use [Chrome](#) or Firefox (other browsers work for some but not all events); and (c) note the time zone indicated with the scheduled event.

(2) Use the first week to enjoy extra plenary sessions and social events, and prepare for the 2nd week by tuning into pre-recorded talks and posters.

(3) Don't miss the EPSP Business Meeting with award presentations and responses from awardees. It is Thursday, 10 December at 1500 "Los Angeles time" and the Robert Sharp Lecture ([EP033](#)) to be given by the Leopold awardee immediately following (at 1600 Los Angeles time). This year we have 3 awards, including the new Marguerite T. Williams mid-career award, the Leopold early career award, and the Gilbert career award.

(4) Watch the [EPSP twitter feed](#) for live updates and helpful tips throughout the meeting. Interested in live-tweeting a session you plan to attend? Nominate yourself [with this form](#) to share science in real-time with our 2,000+ followers!

(5) Here are two great ways to network and have fun with other EPSP folks:

- **Pod reservations** are 30-minute slots that you can schedule to chat (no video) with other EPSP members during the Fall Meeting and [can be reserved here](#).
- **Brain Dates** (we didn't make up this name) are smaller gatherings including video chat of up to 5 people and are 45 minutes in length. You can reserve [time for these chats here](#).

(6) Finally, a note from Bill Dietrich on the status of the [2020 Gilbert Club](#):

"Because of the extended duration of the AGU annual meeting, our annual Gilbert Club gathering is currently being planned as an online event in February 2021. The focus will be on community communication: we must socially distance, but let's be sure to keep connected."

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