Upcoming Deadlines and Events

- 15 March: Nomination deadline for Union awards, medals, prizes, and Union Fellows
- 15 March: Abstract deadline for International Conference on Lightning and Static Electricity 2019
- 7-12 April: European Geosciences Union 2019 General Assembly, Vienna, Austria
- 15 April: Deadline for Benjamin Franklin Lecture award nominations to ASE
- 17 April: Deadline for session, town hall, and workshop proposals for AGU Fall Meeting 2019
- 12-14 June: 11th Asia-Pacific International Conference on Lightning, Hong Kong, China
- 15 June: Submissions close for JGR: Atmospheres special collection of papers from 2017 AGU Fall Meeting session “A New Era of Lightning Observations from Space”
- 8-18 July: 27th International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG) General Assembly, Montréal, Que., Canada
- 28 July-2 August: 16th Annual Meeting of the Asia Oceania Geosciences Society, Singapore
- 31 July: Abstract deadline for AGU Fall Meeting 2019
- 10-13 September: International Conference on Lightning and Static Electricity 2019, Wichita, KA
- 9-13 December: AGU Fall Meeting 2019, San Francisco, CA

Executive Announcements

- Hurry! The 2019 AGU Honors nominations process is open until 15 March! Please consider nominating a deserving member of the ASE community for and Union Fellows or for one of the Union awards, medals, and prizes. Several AGU medals, including the Joanne Simpson Medal (for midcareer scientists), the Devendra Lal Medal (for scientists from and working in a developing country),
the Roger Revelle Medal (for work in atmospheric sciences), and the James B. Macelwane Medal (for early-career scientists), are relevant to ASE researchers. Particularly appropriate for ASE is the John Adam Fleming Medal, which is named for the former secretary of the Terrestrial Magnetism and Atmospheric Electricity section (1920–1929) of AGU. The Fleming Medal is given “for original research and technical leadership in geomagnetism, atmospheric electricity, aeronomy, space physics, and/or related sciences.” It would be great to have many deserving nominees from ASE in this Centennial year. Nominate by 15 March!

- ASE is seeking nominations for the 2019 Benjamin Franklin Lecture. This biannual award recognizes one midcareer or senior scientist for meritorious activity in ASE. The selected recipient will give the prestigious Franklin Lecture at Fall Meeting 2019. Nomination letters, to include why the nominee is well suited for the award and a suggested lecture topic, can be sent to Maribeth Stolzenburg or Morris Cohen. Deadline for nominations is 15 April.

- The session proposal window for AGU Fall Meeting 2019 is now open! As AGU celebrates its Centennial, Fall Meeting 2019 will be a “once in a lifetime” opportunity to participate in special presentations and events that will highlight the past, present, and future of our science. Also, Fall Meeting returns to San Francisco this year, its home for more than 40 years, in a newly renovated Moscone Center. Deadline to propose scientific sessions, town halls, and workshops is 17 April.

- Make plans to attend the International Association of Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences/International Commission on Atmospheric Electricity (IAMAS/ICAE) symposium at the 27th IUGG General Assembly, 8–18 July, in Montréal. IUGG is also celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2019. In addition to contributed papers, invited review talks are planned for the ICAE session. Early registration ends on 5 April.

- AGU’s Centennial is now! The Centennial is about sharing our science stories, building the geophysics community, creating science histories, and collating special collections of papers, all while reaching a broader audience for our science. ASE members are encouraged to be creative and get involved. For example, “Celebrate 100” grant opportunities are available for funds to support engagement activities that promote the value of our science. ASE will also take part in a day of special Centennial sessions being planned for Fall
Meeting 2019. Please contact Maribeth Stolzenburg or Morris Cohen if you have ideas for Centennial or if you would like to be involved in planning ASE activities centered around the AGU Centennial.

- You did it! Thanks to you, dear ASE donors, we reached the level of participation needed to obtain a bonus in 2018! Plans for the use of these funds toward special ASE member events are under way. ASE relies on member donations, and no contribution is too small. You can donate anytime via the AGU donations site by selecting the “Atmospheric and Space Electricity Section Fund” under “Sections (Formerly Focus Groups).” Individuals who give $50 or more also help ASE take advantage of the AGU Section Incentive Program, which enhances member donations with a bonus to section funds depending on primary affiliation participation rate. Please consider donating in 2019.

- AGU always needs volunteers to achieve its mission. A variety of opportunities are available, with a range of time commitments. Diverse perspectives are needed, and more participation from ASE members is actively sought. To help us identify opportunities that match your skills and interests, check out AGU’s Volunteer Central site. The fine print: Not everyone will be matched with a volunteer post. There is no obligation to accept opportunities offered to you. You can instead send an email to the ASE Executive Committee address below.

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