

October 13, 2000
Minutes
Lightning Data Center
St. Anthony Hospital

Quote of the Month:

"An old suggestion that crossing the visual and auditory pathways to the brain would lead to light being experienced as sound, and vice versa, has been tested and found to be false."

"Over a century ago, the psychologist William James proposed a thought experiment, and suggested the answer: if the eyes were forced to connect to the auditory centres of the brain, and the ears with the visual centres, we would 'hear the lightning and see the thunder.'"

Nicholas V. Swindale, Current Biology 2000

1. Meeting began at noon and adjourned at 1:30 pm.
2. Those in attendance: Anderson, Bergschneider, Cherington, Collier, Dahlberg, Foley, J Frier, R Frier, Gibbs, Glancy, Hodanish, Krider, Kropfli, Lines, Martner, McDonough, Mouchantat, Politovich, Resignolo, Sellon, Simmons, Swanson, Ueblacker, H Wachtel, Whitmore, Yarnell, Zajac.
3. Guest speaker for today's meeting: Professor E. Philip Krider, PhD of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at the University of Arizona in Tucson, Arizona. Dr. Krider's topic: Recent Advances in Lightning Research. We were privileged to hear his outstanding presentation. Following his presentation, there were many comments and questions from those in the audience.

Thanks Phil for visiting LDC and giving us a wonderful presentation.

4. These minutes reflect the comments of those present and do not reflect official positions of LDC.
5. Next meeting: Friday, November 10 at 11:30 am in the Main Auditorium of St. Anthony Central Hospital.

Scheduled speaker: Professor Howard Wachtel of the University of Colorado, Boulder.
Topic: EMF and Power Lines - What Are the Health Hazards?

Respectfully submitted,

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