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Greetings....

Spring is fast approaching, even if it doesn't look that way outside (or on the thermometer).

Thoughts of spring lead us to Severe Weather Spotter Training. The good folks at IXW are doing every other year training in all of their counties in their forecast area. This translates to no NWS training in Branch County in 2010. There will be training in Hillsdale and St. Joseph counties in Michigan as well as Lagrange County, Indiana. These training sessions are open to the public and all interested persons are welcome. Car pooling would be a good way to conserve gas and have a chance to jaw with fellow hams. You can find dates and times on IWX training sessions by using this link: http://www.crh.noaa.gov/iwx/program_areas/outreach/index.php

Here in Branch County, we are working on our own program headed up by our home grown weather expert, Brad McConn, K8BPD. For those of you have had the opportunity to attend one of Brad's sessions, you know that he really does a great job and has a way of explaining things in plain, easy to understand language. This session is scheduled for March 16 (3rd Tuesday) at 7:00 PM and will take the place of our regular club meeting.

Refresher training is important for each of us and all are encouraged to attend both an IWX session as well as our program here at home.

Stay warm and think spring!

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