



## Announcing - 17<sup>th</sup> Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day Saturday, Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016

SKYWARN™ Recognition Day was developed in 1999 by the National Weather Service and the American Radio Relay League. It celebrates the contributions that SKYWARN volunteers make to the NWS mission protecting life and property. Amateur radio operators form a large percentage of the SKYWARN volunteers across the country. They provide vital communication between NWS and emergency management if normal communications become inoperative. During the SKYWARN Special Event ham operators and other SKYWARN spotters are invited to NWS offices for food, learning and fellowship, and to contact other radio operators across the world. Awards can be earned for contacting other NWS offices! ***You DO NOT need to be a ham radio operator to attend!***

### **Where & When:**

NWS Forecast Office Columbia, SC 2909 Aviation Way, W. Columbia, SC 29170  
(At the CAE airport). 8 AM to 5 PM EST.

### **Events:**

- Special Event Radio Station WX4CAE – operational the entire day.
- Basic SKYWARN Spotter Class – 10 AM to Noon
- Introductory SKYWARN Net Control Orientation – 1PM to 2 PM
- Food will be provided.

### **Planning to Attend? Please let us know!**

- RSVP to Doug Anderson, W4NWS: [caewx@noaa.gov](mailto:caewx@noaa.gov), (803) 822-8133.
- Let us know if you are planning to operate the station, and if you are bringing any equipment or antennas to set up.

### **More information at:**

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mtr/hamradio/>

<http://www.arrl.org/skywarn-recognition-day>