**TomRileyIntro**

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Our next speaker, Tom Riley worked as an engineer at NASA for 39 years. There he worked on teams that build scientific instruments for space. This include three Hubble servicing missions, Earth science studies for ozone, and a planetary mission to Mercury. He personally supported three Shuttle missions from the Cape.

Since retiring six years ago, he is best known for his design work and writing on a grassroots space concept called “The Big Moon Dig”. In support of that effort, he has published a number of technical articles and one book using short stories in education.

His current project, *Born to Storms*, relates to Our Climate Crisis, but we will let him, and a character from his new story, tell you about it: