

ACA NEWS AND NOTES

June 2017

ACA Meetings

The next ACA membership meeting is scheduled for September 22nd, after our summer hiatus. This will begin our yearly meeting cycle that ends with the May 2018 monthly meeting. Please remember to renew your ACA membership at any point in time before the September 30th deadline. ACA and its outreach programs thank you for your continued support.

ACA Members' Annual Picnic

The ACA Annual Members' Summer Picnic and Swap & Shop is scheduled for Sunday, July 30th at 3:00 p.m. The event will be held at Big Oaks Pavilion, Portage Lakes State Park, rain or shine. Please RSVP the number attending and note the food item you intend to share to President Cathy Loboda at cnloboda@aol.com before July 23rd. ACA will provide burgers, dogs, buns, condiments, drinks, and paper products. Last year's picnic was enjoyed by all in attendance....good friends + good food = good times! Hope to see you there!

Star Parties

Upcoming star parties are scheduled for June 17th at 9:00 p.m., June 24th at 8:45 p.m. Preceding the June 24th star party, there will be a presentation on asteroids. Come out to the observatory and support!

The Night Sky Newsletter

Publications Secretary Marissa Fanady is asking members to contribute articles for the July 2017 publication. Any member who has passion for a topic related to astronomy is encouraged to share that passion and subject knowledge through an article for the upcoming newsletter. Please consider playing an important role in sustaining this vital informational outreach.

Eclipse 2017

Marnie Sanders is writing for the ACA newsletter about all things associated with the Solar Eclipse of August 2017. If you have plans for the event or other information you would like to share, feel free to contribute to Marnie's column. Let's create a club experience for Eclipse 2017!

OTAA Event

On June 17th Chargin Valley Astronomical Society hosts their OTAA Convention. Although this OTAA Convention conflicts with an ACA Observatory public program we hope some members might attend, especially if it is cloudy at the Observatory. It is scheduled to start at 5:00PM with a picnic and run until 4:30AM. It will take place at Indian Hill Observatory, 15701 Huntly Rd, , Huntsburg, Ohio 44046.

June Astronomical Events

Day Hour(UT)

1 13 FIRST QUARTER
2 15 Venus 1°.8 S. of Uranus
3 13 Venus greatest elong. W. (46°)
4 00 Jupiter 2° S. of Moon
6 00 Ceres in conjunction with Sun
8 22 Moon at apogee
9 13 FULL MOON
10 01 Saturn 3° S. of Moon
10 05 Jupiter stationary
12 11 Mercury 5° N. of Aldebaran
15 10 Saturn at opposition
16 13 Neptune 0°.7 N. of Moon Occn.
16 23 Neptune stationary
17 12 LAST QUARTER
19 16 Uranus 4° N. of Moon
20 21 Venus 2° N. of Moon
21 04 Solstice
21 14 Mercury in superior conjunction
22 15 Aldebaran 0°.5 S. of Moon Occn.
23 11 Moon at perigee
24 03 NEW MOON
28 01 Regulus 0°.03 N. of Moon Occn.

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United Kingdom Hydrographic Office.
US Naval Observatory.*

July Astronomical Events

Day Hour(UT)

1 01 FIRST QUARTER
1 07 Jupiter 3° S. of Moon
2 13 Juno at opposition
3 00 Mercury 5° S. of Pollux
3 20 Earth at aphelion
6 04 Moon at apogee
7 03 Saturn 3° S. of Moon
9 04 FULL MOON
10 05 Pluto at opposition
13 18 Neptune 0°.9 N. of Moon Occn.
14 11 Venus 3° N. of Aldebaran
16 19 LAST QUARTER
17 00 Uranus 4° N. of Moon
20 00 Aldebaran 0°.4 S. of Moon Occn.
20 11 Venus 3° N. of Moon
21 17 Moon at perigee
23 10 NEW MOON
25 09 Mercury 0°.9 S. of Moon Occn.
25 11 Regulus 0°.07 S. of Moon Occn.
26 09 Mercury 1°.1S. of Regulus
27 01 Mars in conjunction with Sun
28 20 Jupiter 3° S. of Moon
30 05 Mercury greatest elong. E. (27°)
30 15 FIRST QUARTER

ACA Meeting Minutes May 26, 2017

Venue: Portage Lakes Kiwanis Hall.

Attendance: 27.

Guest Speaker: 8:05 Dave Jessie introduces our guest Dr. John Feldmeir of Youngstown State University.

Topic: HETDEX, Discovering Dark Energy. Q & A: 8:50, Break. 9:10.

Business Meeting: Called to order at 9:22 by President Cathy Loboda.

Officers' Report: Dave Jessie, A reminder about Camp (Carl) Chops June 3rd at 9pm.

Secretary: Lew Snodgrass, read minutes from last meeting.

Treasurer: Nick Absent. However, our current balance is \$3,790.51.

Committee Reports: None.

Old Business: Astronomy Day, Marissa reports a good turnout.

Scenic Vista Public/OTAA Star Party (No Go). Next event, Chagrin Valley, June 17, 2017, 5pm.

August Solar Eclipse, No New News.

Members' Summer Picnic: July 30 at the same shelter as last year at PLSP. Start time: 12 noon?

Night Sky Network, Check, mentioned.

New Business: Observatory Director's Report: Ron absent.

Call for observations: Lew reads a letter from Firestone student: Kailynn Reidenger expressing her gratitude for the opportunity to assist ACA at the last Akron Public School Astronomy Day and for Freddie's gracious donation of some nice eyepieces.

A big ACA welcome to our newest member: Ken Caldwell.

Adjourned: 9:43 by voice vote.

Lew Snodgrass
ACA Secretary

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May Treasurer's Report

By Nick Mihiylov

5/1/2017 Through 5/31/2017

Checking Beginning Balance	\$1,281.53
Income	
Adult Membership	35.00
Total Income	\$35.00
Expenses	
Speaker Dinner	-24.00
Ck #1213 - Gary Ciesieczyk Reimbursement	-118.34
Total Expenses	-142.34
Income Less Expenses	-\$107.34
Checking Ending Balance	\$1,174.19
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Savings Beginning Balance	\$2,566.32
Earned Interest	0.04
Savings Ending Balance	\$2,566.36
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Petty Cash Beginning Balance	\$50.00
	0.00
Petty Cash Ending Balance	\$50.00
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Petty Cash	50.00
Savings	2,566.36
Checking	1,174.19
Grand Total	\$3,790.55

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