

KVAS NOTES 9/21/18

The KVAS met at The Hansford Senior Center at 6:30 for the annual picnic. The picnic was originally scheduled for the following evening but due to the weather the picnic/meeting were rescheduled for Friday. The picnic was followed by a discussion of the Blackwater Falls Star Party. The club was disturbed by some irregularities in raffle prizes, and Janet thanked everyone who helped to make the party successful. **And thank you, Janet, for the wonderful job you did coordinating this event.** Due to inclement weather and a competing star party, the attendance was lower than usual. Next year the party is scheduled the weekend of the Leaf Peepers Festival in Davis so members are encouraged to make their reservations early. John Willson gave a treasurer's report, and this was accepted.

Janet Willson discussed the Backridge Observatory which is located at the Experience Learning, formerly Mountain Institute, near Spruce Knob and owned by Joe Morris of Maryland. Mr. Morris is interested in coordinating with an astronomy group in WV to promote outreach and perhaps take over the observatory. The club felt that interested individuals, rather than the club, contact Mr. Morris for instruction and use of the observatory.

The meeting and picnic were adjourned.

Best wishes to Danny Blair as he continues to recover from surgery.

Members Present in September:

John Willson Janet Willson Judy Waugh Rodney Waugh

Dan Pleska Robert Dean Bob Frostick Deb Frostick

Janet McCallister Kay Brown Ed Conners

The next meeting is scheduled at the Hansford Senior Center at 7:00 on October 19,2018.

Notes by Deb Frostick, Secretary