

KVAS Minutes
Club Meeting

Mathis Hall
March 20, 2009

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Attendance:

Rick Archer, Ed Connors, Paul Daniell, Robert Dean Sr., Bonnie Dean, Andrew Dickens, Richard Dunlap, Bob Frostick, Debbie Frostick, Carol Hillary, Charlee Lerch, James Lowman, Brenton Ogle, Dan Pleska, Cat Pleska, Patricia Shaffer, Rachel Shamteau, Melissa Thorner, Chris Vass,
Janet Willson

Janet Willson called the meeting to order:

The members introduce themselves and thank Dan and Cat Pleska for the refreshments

Bob presented the treasurers report.

Since the last meeting we have 4 new members

Chuck discusses Blackwater Falls Astronomy weekend:

-Thursday has been added to the weekend in celebration of

KVAS's *20th* anniversary at BWF.

We are going to have a reception with a cake decorated for the 20th

The weekend is September 17 th, 18 th, 19 th, and the 20th

Chuck wants the weekend to be special and is looking at possible speakers. We are going to need twice as many speakers as usual.

Chuck talked to manager at BWF. Pat Hissom who has helped us with astronomy weekend in the past is in the hospital.

Janet hasn't heard anything from Joe Gonzales about Starquest

We have two requests for star parties:

Richmond Elementary School May 2~ - 50 youth and 10 adults

Boy Scouts- this is a program to earn a merit badge

Brent is working on this, it is a week from Tuesday March 31 at
First Presby for the program
Later they would like a star party at the observatory

Brent read an article that suggested skyandtelescope.com/fiftybest

Janet asks if anyone interested in
doing astronomy weekend.
We could possibly get some public
promotion

Astronomy weekend will be: April 25th with
May 2nd as the rain date.

This event will be open to the public -parking
will be at the lodge;

Bob will work on the program, Cat and Dan, Melissa, Rick and Robert
volunteered to run telescopes

We have a Messier Marathon next weekend: Friday night, Saturday is the rain date-7:00
setup and 8:00 start viewing

Cat and Dan are making progress on taking over the website; they have been updating the
website with new information

Members discussed possible items to
Raffle for the BWF door prize
\$200.00 range is the most profit we've
made on an item.

Janet gives presentation: A video tour inside the International Space
Station

Brent gave a presentation on things in the night sky: The types of
galaxies and nebulas.

Janet adjourns the meeting. The next meeting will be April 17, 2009 at
Mathis Hall.

Sub

mitted by
Patricia
Shaffer

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