



## KVAS NOTES 6/17/16

The KVAS meeting was held at The Hansford Center in St. Albans at 7:00PM on Friday, June 17. Rodney Waugh opened with another of the tremendous films from The Great Courses. This film highlighted the Hubble Telescope and the phenomena of comets crashing Jupiter's atmosphere.

StarQuest is scheduled for July 6 and will replace the July meeting for KVAS. Several members want to be able to give publicity for Blackwater Falls at StarQuest by having new membership flyers available and raffle tickets for Blackwater weekend ready to sell at the entrance tables.

Ernie Snodgrass brought and donated a pair of Celestron Skymaster Solar Binoculars (80 X 25-125 magnification) with its case for the major door prize at Blackwater weekend. Rodney made a motion that Ed Connor research a tripod that would accommodate the binoculars and make it a complete package. Janet Willson seconded the motion. He suggested that a memorial to Don Haxton and his contributions to the KVAS should be a part of the Blackwater weekend on September 22-25. Carol Hilleary says that although she will not be able to attend Blackwater weekend she will contact vendors for door prize. Rodney has some Star Wars memorabilia that he would also like to donate as door prizes. He says that at this time there is only one speaker lined up for presentation at Blackwater. He may also present—not sure, but if you have suggestions please let him know.

Danny Blair spoke about having a booth at the Multifest on August 5-7. We will need a tent/canopy with a backdrop so that it draws attention to the club. He will have the small scopes for sale and suggested that we have new membership packets available. If he could get a copy he would be glad to make the copies at his office. Deb Frostick will have small flip packets with information about constellations to hand out to individuals.

Rodney reported that the meeting at Camp Virgil Tate was held and again there was no contract for the Breezy Point property. However, Damon Bradshaw said that the club would probably need to have some sort of insurance. Danny says he will call the WV Board of Risk and inquire into the matter and report on our 501 C status in regard to this.

A motion was made by Robert Dean to have the annual picnic on August 26 at 6:00 at Breezy Point and seconded by John Willson. The club will provide the meat, buns, cutlery and paper goods and members will provide all of the side dishes and desserts. Everyone's family and special friends are invited to join us.

John Willson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Janet Willson.

Present at the meeting:

Robert Dean

Danny and Sandy Blair

John and Janet Willson

Ed Connor

Scott Blake

Rodney and Judy Waugh

Bob and Deb Frostick

Michael Riggs

Ernie Powell

Carol Hilleary