

The Observer

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Meeting:

June 7, 2013

Location:

Grove (Farm) School
Corner of Iowa & Orange
Redlands, CA

6:00 p.m.

From I-10, take Alabama exit and go south to Orange, turn right, just past Iowa the entrance will be on your left.

Pre-meeting Dinner, **4:30**
p.m.,

The Sizzler
1800 So. Waterman
Ave.
San Bernardino, CA

After the meeting telescopes will be set up for viewing and members will be available to answer questions. Bring your telescope to observe with us.

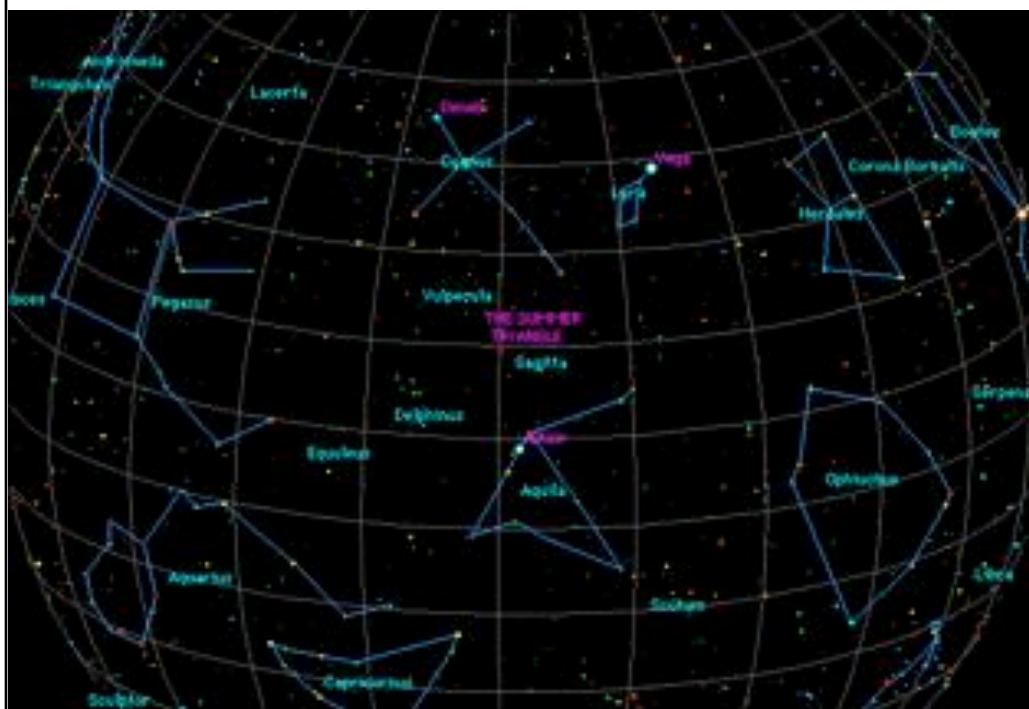
No telescope is too humble, and beginners are always made welcome!

Program

Grandview skies

The Stars of Summer

Our June program will be by our own Chris and Martin who will be showing us what we can expect to see at Grandview on the 27th to the 29th. And if you're not going to Grandview it will be what you can expect to see from a dark site nearby.



Daylight hours are short but waiting for the dark is worth it. The summer/autumn skies are a treasure house of beautiful objects. Get out your star charts and start creating your observing plan. Maybe this summer you could include some lesser known targets just for fun. Keep looking up!

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

June 27 - 29, **Grand View** star party

July 12, No meeting, just **dinner @ Sizzler**

July 26, Star Party, Johnson Valley

August 9, Summer BBQ & Picnic, loc. TBA

August 23, Star Party, Johnson Valley

September 13, Club Meeting (if school has opened)

September 19-22, **Grand View** Star Party

SBVAA “Dark” for July and August

Grove School will be closed for the summer so there will be no regular meetings during that time.

This “dark” period might be a good time to take advantage of the club’s website features to set up your own star party with other members.

Flashlights at the Meeting

Members are encouraged to bring a light to help find the way across the rough ground between the meeting room and the parking lot.

Solar Outreach, Oak Glen

Your editor has had a request for help with a public outreach at the Wildlands Conservancy Oak Glen location. Oak Glen is putting on a solar outreach in conjunction with their summer family programs. The time would be from 4:00 p.m to 8:00 p.m.

It’s a little late in the day but the sun should still be up even at 6:00 p.m. The date is July 9.

If you would like to help, contact Marianne Shuster at marianne.s@twc-ca.org

I hope to see you there!





Shorter Newsletter

Your newsletter will be a bit abbreviated for the month of June. The reason -- your editor is going to pull a "Fidel" and go traveling and therefore must set up the issue in advance.

Which brings up the question of who will do the newsletter if your current editor cannot. After all, I'm not getting any younger.

Seriously, the club really does need an alternate newsletter editor. It is not a difficult job -- really. If you have access to the internet, a printer, and maybe four hours or so a month you can do it.



If you think you might be interested, please contact your newsletter editor and we can discuss it.

Estate Sale

Meade LX200 8" SCT with 2" visual back, wedge, Celestron 2" mirror diagonal, Telrad, Meade 1.25" 26mm Super Plossl, Celestron 1.25" 2X Barlow and 5mm TV Radian. Scope, diagonal, Barlow and EP's are in original boxes. Also included is the Telrad catalog of Messier objects (Vol. 1) highlighting M1 through M55.

\$1,200

If interested, contact Carol Hall at (909) 798-1188

For Sale

TV Radian EP, 12mm focal length
Excellent planetary eye piece.
Virtually new

\$125

Contact your newsletter editor if interested.



Photos from the April 19, solar outreach at Veteran's Park, Colton, CA. We were part of their Earth Day celebration event.

The photos were taken early before the very sizable crowd descended on us.

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