Martian Chronicles

July 2013

Up Coming Club Events

July

12th M.A.R.S. Club meeting at 7:00 PM in the Science Works Theater. Astronomy facts and Trivia by Jason Routman

August 2013

9th MARS Meeting
10th FarrOut Observatory

2017

August 21 Solar Eclipse

**Your Article, Story, ... could be here. This Newsletter is for all M.A.R.S. Club members. Please send your Newsletter contribution to newsletter@marsastro.org**
The Scope of things
Dennis Farr

First, notice the start time of the meetings has moved to 7:00 PM. This gives us more time for socializing after the regular meeting and still be out by 9:00 PM at the request of MOSI.

Our president, Curt Walker, has moved to Nashville, TN and left the office of president open. Since we did not fill the office of vice president at the last election, I am filling in until permanent arrangements can be made.

Our club prides itself on having as much administration as necessary, and no more. However, we need to fill in a few blank spots to keep everything running smoothly.

I would like to ask for some assistance in various aspects of keeping the club going. If you could help in any of the following areas, it would be appreciated.
Membership
Web Page/email lists
Newsletter

Please email me or come up at the next meeting to talk about it.

Some of the things that have been done recently are starting a page on meetup.com. This has been a great way to get information about the club out and over 30 people have ‘joined’ the meetup page.

Also, we now have a PayPal account for the club and all club funds have been transferred to it. In addition, dues may now be paid through PayPal to the ID treas@marsastro.org. If you do it as a gift there will be no percentage taken out of the amount paid.

Notice on the front page under upcoming events, I put the Solar eclipse on August 21, 2017. I hope to attend and lord willing and the creek don’t rise, I’ll be taking my RV up. I’ve already picked out an RV park in Santee, SC that should be a perfect viewing location, so starting thinking ahead.

Remember, astronomy is looking up!

If you have an article to submit, please feel free. I will find space. ☺ Make sure you send it to my home address: newsletter@marsastro.org by the 15th of the month before it is to appear. I apologize if I missed anyone this month. Dennis
The night sky, July 5 at 2300 in Tampa.

Courtesy of heavens-above.com
Minutes of January meeting:

Dennis Farr opened up the meeting and discussed moving forward now that Curt Walker has moved to Tennessee and is no longer the club president. Then we went around the room to see if there were any new people and had them introduce themselves. Total attendees was 20.

**Presentation:** *Finding Near Earth Objects Before They Find Us* was given by Craig McDougal
Craig started out by explaining the difference of a Comet and an Asteroid and then about the History of Known NEO Population. He also shared how we are keeping track of these objects and when to expect the next one coming our way. Great Presentation!!

Dennis discussed about Meetup.com and that we have this website which is designed for clubs like ours. That it is $10 a month and provides services such as schedule of events and notifies members, Keeps club roster, and Keeps track of who has paid their dues. Also, dues now can be paid via PAYPAL to ID treas@marsastro.org

It was brought up to start the meetings at 7:00 rather then at 7:30 and everyone liked the idea. This shall start within the next few months. This gives us a chance to be done and out of MOSI before 9:00PM so the GSO’s on duty that night can go home.

**Upcoming Events:**
- August 9th MARS Meeting
- August 10th Farr Out Observatory
- August 2017 Solar Eclipse
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