



Notes 7/20/18

The July 20th KVAS meeting at the Hansford Center was called to order by Janet Willson. The evening began with a welcome to the evening's presenter, Keith Pauley from NASA Adventures.

Club Business

John Willson, Treasurer, gave the month's report.

Rodney Waugh and Ed Connors, Observatory Directors, gave the following report.

The yellow lines have been painted around the pad for safety. Photos were shared from the 1960s from a former member.

Dan Pleska, webmaster, posted information about Blackwater Falls Weekend.

Star Parties:

Cedar Lakes, WV---8/4/18

Beech Fork State Park—8/11/18

Annual club picnic

The KVAS picnic is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, 8/18/18 @6:00PM. The club will provide the meat, buns, chili and cheese and members are asked to bring side dishes, condiments, plates, cups, utensils, drinks, etc. If rain is predicted for Saturday, then the picnic will be postponed until September and a regular meeting will be held on Friday, 8/17/18 at The Hansford Center.

Astronomy Weekend

John Willson has coordinated the 9 speakers for Blackwater Falls Weekend

Packets will be sent to 9 schools around Tucker County, 7 newspapers, 3 TV stations, 10 astronomy clubs, Sky and Tele and Astronomy Magazine. Brochures have already been placed at the Tucker County Chamber of Commerce, BWF State Park and Canaan Valley Resort.

Rodney Waugh and Scott Blake will oversee getting in touch with radio stations.

Ed Connors will be the contact person if anyone would like an interview.

Raffle Prizes: The Meade raffle telescope is in and raffle tickets are available. Other donations have been sent to Deb Frostick from vendors. Club donations from members are welcome.

Two cabins have been given for use by Blackwater. There are 4 bedrooms for men and 2 bedrooms for women. There are 2 women and 2 men signed up for use of these so far.

Volunteers are needed for the hospitality table on Saturday morning. If you are interested in working this table on Saturday morning, contact Janet Willson.

Other Business

Rodney Waugh made a motion to use \$200 to purchase gift cards for the speakers at Blackwater Falls. Ed Connors seconded the motion and the members passed the motion.

Attendees

Janet Willson	John Willson
Sam Willson	Robert Dean
Rodney Waugh	Judy Waugh
Sharmel Cavendar	Chad Cavendar
Dan Pleska	Ernest Snodgrass

Notes taken by Janet Willson and presented by Deb Frostick, Secretary