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The Newsletter of United Astronomy Clubs of New Jersey, Inc.

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VISIT UACNJ THROUGH OCTOBER 27

There's still time to attend one (or more!) of our programs this year. Our weekly Saturday evening programs begin at 8:00 PM and include a 45-60 minute presentation followed by observing (weather permitting) on UACNJ equipment until 10:30 PM. A complete list of our scheduled programs for 2018 can be found at uacnj.org/pubprograms.php.

SUCCESSFUL FAMILY FIELD DAY

Our Free Family Astronomy Field Day on August 25 was a huge success thanks to our many volunteers and participants. Over 500 people visited our facilities to enjoy solar observing, lectures, exhibits, kids' activities, a geology walk, and nighttime observing. The fun began at 3 PM with an introduction to Jenny Jump State Forest by Forest Superintendent Ernie Kabert and ended with a Star Party until midnight. A complete list of participants and activities can be found here. We hope to see you next year!









UPCOMING EVENTS

October 27
Last public event of 2018
November 17
Board meeting at UACNJ

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THANK YOU

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OTHER NEWS FROM UACNJ



GET YOUR 2019 CALENDAR NOW!

The 2019 edition of the UACNJ calendar can be purchased at our sales desk for \$10. In addition to great photographs, the calendar includes notations about astronomical events and information about UACNJ. Observers and Member Clubs interested in purchasing multiple copies for resale, and those wishing to have calendars mailed to them should write to info@uacnj.org.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Many UACNJ volunteers have participated in outreach events recently, including an exhibit at Pequest Trout Hatchery and presentations at the Allamuchy Boy Scout Reservation and Kittatinny State Park. More outreach events are planned at nearby libraries and the Orchard View Lavender Farm in October.



James DiPietro, Matt Heiss, Sean, CJ, and Sebastien Post, and Dale and Kyle Gary represented UACNJ at an event celebrating Mars at Liberty Science Center in July.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIVITIES

Our Board of Directors recently completed updating organizational documents. The Bylaws and Constitution have been combined into one document and streamlined to eliminate duplication of information. Officers for 2019 will be elected at the board meeting on November 17.

CLUB REMINDERS

- ▶ Please ensure that your club is represented at each meeting of the UACNJ Board of Directors.
- ► Club reps are encouraged to share news about club events via the NJAstronomers (public) and UACNJ (Observers only) email lists.
- ► Send events to info@uacnj.org for inclusion in the Member Club Calendar at http://uacnj.org/clubprogs.php.

MORE WAYS TO SUPPORT UACNJ

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Karl Hricko made a presentation at Kittatinny State Park in August. Paul Fischer, James DiPietro, & Gil Jeffer assisted at this event.

