

# ★ SONOMA SKIES ★

August 2015 E-Newsletter of the  
[Sonoma County Astronomical Society](#)



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Hello everyone,

Many thanks again to Dr. Paul Lynam for traveling from Lick Observatory to present a wonderful and fact filled program at our July General Meeting. Hopefully SCAS will have Dr. Lynam back again in the future!



*Mike Dranginis, Dr. Paul Lynam, & Jim DeManche*

## Next SCAS General Meeting

Saturday August 15, 2015  
5:00pm - ?

Location:  
ROBERT FERGUSON OBSERVATORY\*  
2605 Adobe Canyon Road  
Kenwood, CA. 95453

## SCAS ANNUAL STAR-B-QUE AND CAMP OUT

Bring along your favorite foods to grill, telescopes, binoculars, star charts, and lounge chair. Each August SCAS offers its members and invited guests the opportunity to visit, share, and do a little astronomy after the sun goes down.

Larry McCune will have the fire pit going by 5pm! The Robert Ferguson Observatory will be available for tours and stargazing later that evening as well.

Please show each other courtesy at the grill, and don't walk off with someone else's steak!

**\*Note:** There will be no meeting at the Proctor Terrace Elementary School in August.



# SONOMA COUNTY ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

## 2015 MEETING CALENDAR



**August 2015 - SCAS Star-B-Que - Annual Event**

**September 2015 – Dr. Adrienne Cool, San Francisco State University - **Confirmed****

**October 2015 – Kurt Kruger, Piner High School Observatory - **Confirmed****

**November 2015 – Popcorn & Movie Night - Annual Event** (Video to be announced)

**December 2015 – John Whitehouse, Speaking on the Lick Observatory – **Confirmed****

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# Annual Elections for SCAS Board Members Coming this December 2015!!

Hello members,

It's only 5-months until the December 2015 'General Meeting' when you (the dues paying SCAS members) will be electing a new SCAS Board of Directors for 2016. ***It's time to seriously consider nominees!***

Mike Dranginis – SCAS President, has fulfilled his two years and will be stepping down from the SCAS Board completely.

Jim DeManche – SCAS Vice President & Program Director, has fulfilled his two years as well, and will also be stepping down from the SCAS Board completely.

Here are the SCAS Board positions that will be open for nominations:

- ✚ President
- ✚ Vice President & Program Director
- ✚ Treasurer
- ✚ Secretary
- ✚ Membership Director
- ✚ Member at Large (Tech. Director)
- ✚ Director of Community Activities

Also; the various other hospitality duties that Jim DeManche has done over the years such as opening and closing the building, Greeter, Snack Table & Coffee, ID Badges, Facebook Adm., SCAS E-Newsletter, Set up & take down, will be open and available as well for you to choose from. There are plenty of opportunities to help out.

Now is the time to start giving serious thought to what your part in SCAS will be next year. Going into 2016 with a new SCAS Board of Directors is only the first step. Please feel free to discuss your interests with anyone on the SCAS Board of Directors.

It's your SCAS.