

Chagrin Valley Astronomical Society

September 1, 2012 Meeting at Indian Hill

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Russ Swaney

Officer Reports:

Secretary: Roseanne Radgowski Minutes are available on the web site. Let me know if any corrections are needed.

Treasurer: Steve Fishman

Bank Balance	7021.13	Expenses:	54.45	Phone bill
Marty Fund	2,637.00		34.75	Electric
Petty Cash	10.00		73.00	Supplies
Total	9668.13			

Observatory Directory:

Ken Fisher: There was some discussion about the type of building that would be best for the new 18 inch scope that was donated. Russ attempted to describe the type of building he has in mind and again mentioned that the observatory at Camp Stigwandish had a building that rolled away from the base that might be ideal for this scope. He estimates that the cost of this type of building would be far less than a dome. He is thinking of a 15' x15' pad with a roll off shed. He will post pictures of the building on the website for members to consider as there was not enough members present for a vote.

Editor: Ron Baker: Ron requests that articles for the fall Valley Skywatcher be sent to him by the third week of this month.

Director of Observations.

Bob Modic did not make the meeting. His monthly sky calendar can be found at <http://rjmastro.net/skycal.html> . Copies were handed out to those present.

Black River will have their OTAA picnic on Sept 15th at Birmingham United Methodist Church, check their website for the address and additional information.

Upcoming Star Parties:

Friday Sept 21st at Girdled Road 7:30 set up.

Saturday Sept 22nd Observatory Park 7:30 set up.

New Business:

Russ mentioned that the November and December meetings will take place at Observatory Park. The December meeting will be our annual Christmas Party. The next meeting will be October 6th @ 7:00 at the Hill.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50, followed by a presentation by Ron Baker on Celestial Navigation.

Submitted by Roseanne Radgowski