

# Chagrin Valley Astronomical Society

## Meeting Minutes for May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018

### Indian Hill Observatory

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#### Call to order:

President Marty Mullet opened the meeting at 8:00 with 14 members, and 1 guest present.

#### Observations Director's Report:

Steve Kainec presented the Monthly Sky Calendar. It has been posted on the member forum, and the E-mail sent out.

#### Presentation:

We watched a program on the Cassini spacecraft's mission to Saturn.

#### Secretary's Report:

April minutes are posted to the website – no changes were suggested.

#### Treasurer's Report:

Steve Fishman reported the following:

Bank Balance	\$4081.69
Marty Fund	\$5687.00
John Gorka Fund	\$600.00
North Observatory Automation Fund	\$625.00
Petty Cash	\$25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,018.69</b>

Expenses for the month:

Phone bill every 3 months.	-\$20.00
Electric bill	-\$81.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$ 101.25)</b>

### **New Business:**

- The calendar of events has been updated and posted to the webpage. Events were added at the Nassau Station.
- George Trimble sent out the spring edition of The Valley Skywatcher, it is also available on the website.
- We are still in need of a new Editor. Any member interested in taking on this important role should touch base with Marty.
- Chris Stalder is organizing the lending library in the warm room of the main observatory. Please email him the title of any books you borrow for his inventory.  
[chris080270@yahoo.com](mailto:chris080270@yahoo.com)
- There was discussion of an initial meeting with a foundation interested in increasing interest in astronomy in our local schools. Discovery is in progress.
- Joe Masar and Paul Bell demonstrated a new Facebook group page.  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/412277979236798/> the page format is still under development. It is currently a public page with member only posting.

### **Observatory Director's Report:**

Sam Bennici, and a team of volunteers accomplished some maintenance tasks today at Indian Hill. The plan is to continue these work parties before each of the summer meetings. Please try to attend for at least one of them. The next opportunity will be June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Events:**

There are 2 scheduled events for May 19<sup>th</sup>. We will need some representation at both venues.

- May 19<sup>th</sup> Star Party at the Pier. Painesville Township Park. 8:30-10:00pm – 1025 Hardy Rd. Painesville OH. 44077
- May 19<sup>th</sup> Astronomy Night with the CVAS. Swine Creek Reservation. 8:30-10:00pm 16004 Hayes Rd. Middlefield OH. 44062
- June 9<sup>th</sup> CVAS OTAA 5:00pm Indian Hill. Volunteers will be needed to help set up in advance. Bring a dish to pass. \$5.00 door prize.

### **Next Monthly meeting:**

Will be held June 2<sup>nd</sup> at Indian Hill starting at 8:00pm.

**The Meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.**