

Partial Eclipse?

If you're not traveling to the Big Event in August, Ryerson is hosting a partial eclipse event, 11 AM to 3 PM. They're looking for club members to attend, converse with people, etc. Interested?

Library Star Party

The Morton Grove Library invited us to do a star party in fall. Only one person responded to my 3/14 email! We need more people if we want to make this happen. We'll make a final decision at the meeting.

Astronomical League

Members of the Skokie Valley Astronomers are automatically members of the Astronomical League. You can earn observing rewards, buy cool stuff, get discounts on astronomy books, attend conferences, etc. If you want online access to discounts and other members-only content, set up an account at https://members.astroleague.org/request_account

Eclipse Booklets

There are a few left – only \$6 apiece.

Coming Events

21-23 Apr: “**Astronomical Observing**” – convention of the N. Central Region, Astro. League (NCRAL)
Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Ctr, MN (~40 miles SE of Rochester)

<http://www.ncral2017.rochesterskies.org/index.html>

22 Apr: “**The Great American Total Eclipse of 2017**” – Fred Espenak at Triton College, 7:30 PM
Reservations required <http://triton.edu/cernan/bigevent/>

29 Apr: **Astronomy Day** – Harper College, Palatine, 5:30 to 9 PM followed by stargazing
Demonstrations, displays, crafts for kids, good talks including:

“The Antikythera Mechanism” – Dale Dellutri

“The Possibility of Life on the Moons of Jupiter and Saturn” – Jim Kovac

5 May, 8 PM: “**Mapping Dark Matter**” by Dr. Priya Natarajan; Fermilab, \$7

<http://events.fnal.gov/arts-lecture-series/events/event/topic-mapping-dark-matter/>

19-21 May: **Michiana Star Party** – Lawless Park near Vandalia <http://www.michiana-astro.org/index.php/msp9/>

21-28 May: **Texas Star Party** – near Ft. Davis; dark sky, limited space <http://texasstarparty.org/get-started/>

16-19 Aug: **ASTROCON** – Casper, Wyoming <https://astrocon2017.astroleague.org/>

21 Aug: **Total Solar Eclipse** – Coast to coast! <http://www.greatamericaneclipse.com/>

21-23 Sep: “**Illinois Dark Skies Star Party**” Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Fish & Wildlife Area
<http://www.sas-sky.org/>