

STAR GAZETTE BUSINESS BITS — SEPTEMBER, 2024

September 13 Meeting, 7:30 PM, Glenview Library and Zoom

Dale will present "Amateur Astronomers Attend an Astronomy Conference"

Details & Zoom link: <https://www.skokievalleyastronomers.org/meetings.htm#m20240913>

A Heartfelt Plea from Your Astronomy Club!

Where can we set up some scopes and explore the sky?? We have used several different locations over the years, none of which are available to us any more. If only we could find an open space with dark sky and public access... Club members are earnestly urged to seek out such a place.

Sky Watch

T Coronae Borealis (T CrB), the "Blaze Star," displays a spectacular outburst about every 78 years. It's due to happen again literally any day now! The Astronomical League has an observing challenge:

<https://www.astroleague.org/al-observing-challenge-special-observing-award/>

Order Calendars and Observer's Handbooks

RASC 2025 Observer's Handbooks and Calendars are available for PRE-ORDER at the Astro League web store: <https://store.astroleague.org/> or https://store.astroleague.org/index.php?main_page=index&cPath=12
Great prices! Typically ships in December in time for Christmas. Order early; stock is limited.

We Need to Vote...

...on the proposed amendments to AL regional bylaws as shown here:

https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/tt49me3tklb75a5liimt79/NCRAL-Proposed-New-Bylaws-10_08-28th.pdf

Online Star Stuff

Bright Comet Update | Saturn Observing Guide:

<https://mintaka-publishing.optin.com/newsletter/awlist4901557/MjQ3MTkzMjU=/bright-comet-update-saturn-observing-guide.htm>

September Reflector: <https://www.astroleague.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Reflector-SEPT-2024-pages.pdf>

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