

Skokie Valley Astronomers

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Our next meeting, **Friday, November 8, 2024, 7:30 PM**, will be a party! Members only. Please check your email for instructions.

Thanks to our party host!

It's a Party!

Skokie Valley Astronomer club dues are \$30 per year, which runs from April to March. Please check your mailing label. Does it say "**member through March 2025**"? If not, please consider becoming a member.

2024 Date	Talk	Speaker	Moon Elongation and Phase
December 13	When Data Visualization Isn't Enough: Illustrating Astrophysics for the Public (Video)	Robert Hurt	164°E – Full Moon

Club member Dale Dellutri will introduce a video presented by Robert Hurt, an AstroVizicist (an astronomy visualizer, scientist, and artist) describing his work creating artistic representations of astrophysical objects and concepts for many audiences. He works at Caltech IPAC (Infrared Processing and Analysis Center). This talk covers the development of his artistic process, and the visualization of Black Holes, Exoplanets, Stellar Colors, and other topics.

This video is a Plenary Session talk from the 244th meeting of the American Astronomy Society, June, 2024.

2025 Date	Talk	Speaker	Moon Elongation and Phase
January 10	A More Colorful Look at the Red Planet	Paul Gunty	144°E – Full Moon

Paul Gunty, a NASA Solar System Ambassador, will talk about the recent results of NASA's exploration of Mars including the rovers Perseverance and Ingenuity.

February 14	TBA	TBA	150°W – Full Moon
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March 14	Could We Understand an Alien Message?	Dale Dellutri	170°W – Full Moon
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If an alien civilization sent a message, could we receive, decode, interpret, and understand it? Daniela de Paulis, Artist-in-Residence at the Green Bank Observatory and the SETI Institute, designed a message that was as alien as possible, then arranged to have it transmitted to Earth from a spacecraft orbiting Mars. Club member Dale Dellutri will describe this project.

