Meeting Minutes 10/25/19

• Vote for constitution amendments!

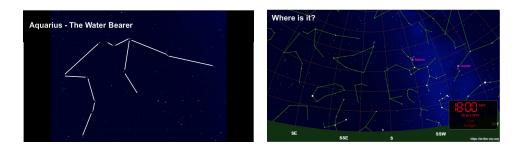
• ATOMM (Astronomy Tutoring or Majors and Minors): It's midterm season lads. We're gonna need all the backup we can get.

Stop by *EVERYDAY* b/w <u>2-4pm @ Parker Library</u>, outside N305. Get to know people in your major and work together, while also having upperclassmen available to help!

• **TIMESTEP:** Next Meeting; Graduate School Application Workshop #1 -> on November 6th in PAS 218. Bring a draft of your personal/research statements for grad school to be reviewed by faculty. RSVP required - please email timestepUA@gmail.com

• Astronomy Question of the Week:

- Presented by Don McCarthy and Sam Lyke!
- How high do you have to be to see the curvature of Earth's horizon?
- (pictures provided by Sam) they were taken from planes at sunrise and sunset
- You should be able to discern it from a commercial aircraft, it would help if there are no clouds
- The first picture of Earth's curvature was taken by the Explorer 2 balloon on Nov. 11, 1935 by Captain Albert Stevens from 72,395 feet altitude
- 96% of Earth's atmosphere lies below this altitude
- If you take a picture 100s of meters above the Earth, you can compress the image (horizontally) and stretch (vertically) to see it!
- Why does the Moon orbit the Earth?
- The Sun's gravity on the Moon is stronger on it than the Earth's gravity, so why does it?
- Don is leaving us in suspense!
- Fermi problem: how much UV light comes from the accumulated stars in the MW vs. the Sun? Can the stars help sunburn you at night?
- Stay tuned!
- Astro News of the Week: No one signed up :(
 - Pls sign up y'all it's super chill and fun, the sign up sheet is out! ALSO if you sign up and present, you'll get a free Astro Club shirt of your choosing
- **Constellation Corner:** Presented by Sammie Mackie! This week is Aquarius The Water Bearer! Check out the mythology behind it at https://www.constellation-guide.com/constellation-list/aquarius-constellation/.

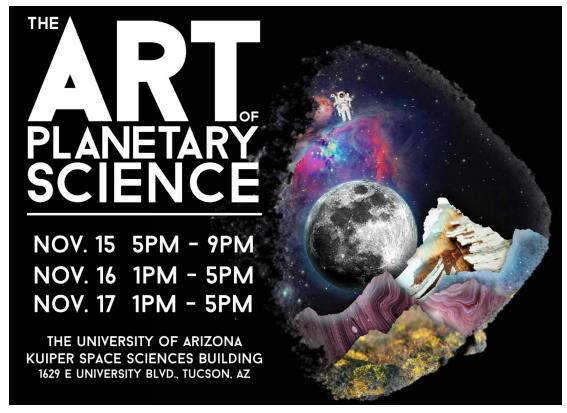


• Arizona Theater Company Presents, Silent Sky: It is a production about Henrietta Leavitt, she helped classify cepheid variables as standard candles. It will be Friday October 25th-Saturday November 9th every night except for on Mondays.



- **Pumpkin Carving:** Today after club meeting! We'll carve pumpkins on the grass outside of Steward Observatory.
- Kitt Peak Star Party: Will be on October 26th. Plan on meeting about 10 minutes before 4pm in the south steward parking lot (want to be up there by 5:30pm). Dress warm! Snacks will be provided but you'll need to bring other food for yourself.
- **Club Picture:** Next friday (November 1st) after the meeting! Make sure you wear your coolest space stuff!
- Send your pictures from this semester! Link sent by Collin!

- Integral Competition: Hosted by the Math Cats. Pairs of people will attempt to solve progressively harder integrals. If you can, you advance to the next round. Interested?
- The Art of Planetary Science: Swing by, there will be some art from your fellow astro club members!



- **Physics club:** Meets every other Wednesday at 5pm in PAS. Next meeting will be on October 30th.
- Astronomy Majors Lounge: We're back in the old lounge (N206) in the building, there's lots of snacks/soup and seating!
- **Astronoms:** If you have a snacc attacc, look no farther than Astronoms! The unofficial Astro Club snack store, new location tbd. It's restocked every week, and open to everyone, including faculty. Honor system payment
- Please pay your dues! They are \$10 a semester. They help provide funds for trips, snacks, cool activities, shirts, etc. Also if you want to attend one of our internal events such as the club picnic and the dishwalk, <u>you need to have paid your dues!</u>