BBAA October 4, 2012 meeting summary

The Meeting was held at TCC

Those in attendance were:

Mark Gerlach

Kenny Braun

Mat Snellings

Bill Mclean

Curt Lambert

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Ben Loyola

Joey Quinn

Katelyn Neese

Les Wilson (visitor)

Dean Giangregorio

Mary Giangregorio

Courtney Flonta

Michael R Salas

Jeff Goldstein

Kevin Swann

Outreaches:

The October 19th Garden Stars has many signed up for it.

Calendar:

September 25 Tuesday, Boardwalk Astronomy @ VA Beach boardwalk, 6PM (LAST of the year)

October 4 Thursday, monthly meeting @ TCC, 7:30PM

October 5 Friday, Skywatch @ Northwest River State Park, Equestrian area, 6PM

October 11 Thursday 12PM East Coast Star Party @ Hampton Lodge Campground, Coinjock, NC through 10/14 12PM

October 13 Saturday, Nightwatch @ Chippokes, 6PM

October 18 Thursday, Science Night @ Greenbrier Intermediate School, 6PM

October 19 Friday, Garden Stars @ Norfolk Botanical Gardens, 7:30PM

December 15 Saturday, anniversary dinner @ Fire and Vine 12PM

Observing reports:

Mark Gerlach attended the VAAS conference @ Maiden scout campground (West of Richmond) where Caroline's Rose (NGC 7789 in Cassiopeia) was observed & dark matter was the subject.

Need to complete the Astronomy League Venus transit pin by the end of the year.

The evening presentation was by BBAA's Jeff Goldstein who presented two of his school's projects:

Distance to the sun – using proportions

The noon project – the sun's angle at equinox

Mark Gerlach also showed pictures of an 8" Meade 8800 scope donated to the club