

Tentative 2026 EAS Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting	Friday, January 16, 2026	7:30pm @ Museum
Regular Meeting	Friday, February 20, 2026	7:30pm @ Museum
Observatory Work Day	Saturday, March 7, 2026	9:00am - 1:00pm @ Observatory
Regular Meeting	Friday, March 20, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
PSW	Saturday, March 28, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
Super Jupiter	Friday, April 10, 2026	8:30 - 10:30 @ Museum
Telescope Seminar	Friday, April 17, 2026	5:30pm @ Observatory
Regular Meeting	Friday, April 17, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
PSW (Astronomy Day)	Saturday, April 25, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
The Arc of Arcturus	Saturday, May 9, 2026	8:30 - 10:30 @ Museum
Reg. Mtg. (Member Obsv.)	Friday, May 15, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
EAS Picnic (Members)	Saturday, June 20, 2026	7:00pm @ Bob Flater's
Patoka Lake (35th)	Saturday, June 13, 2026	6:45pm EDT @ Patoka Lake
Girl Scout (Mary Birkhead)	Saturday, July 11, 2026	8:30pm @ Angel Mound Camp
Regular Meeting	Friday, July 17, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
PSW	Saturday, July 18, 2026	7:45pm @ Observatory
PSW	Saturday, August 8, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
Regular Meeting	Friday, August 21, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
Late Night Lunar Eclipse	Thursday, August 27, 2026	10:00pm - Midnight @ Museum
PSW	Saturday, September 12, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
Regular Meeting	Friday, September 18, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
Venus vs. Vega	Saturday, September 26, 2026	8:00pm - 10:00pm @ Museum
Toyota Family Day	Saturday, October 3, 2026	10:00am-4:00pm @ Toyota
Regular Meeting	Friday, October 16, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
PSW	Saturday, October 17, 2026	6:30pm @ Observatory
Regular Meeting	Friday, November 20, 2026	7:30pm @ Observatory
Regular Meeting (Quiz)	Friday, December 18, 2026	7:30pm @ Museum

Events in Yellow are not at the observatory.

Observatory in Lynnville and at the Museum in Evansville are on Central Time. Public Star Watches are free and open to the public. Check back frequently for schedule updates. Events at Patoka Lake are on Eastern Time.

PSW times are set to begin approximately one hour prior to nautical twilight end.

For more information see the backside of this page.

Evansville Astronomical Society

Greetings ! Welcome to the Evansville Astronomical Society. We are a small, family -like group of sky enthusiasts, willing to both learn of and teach others about astronomy as we share our knowledge, experiences, and questions about the Universe around us. We use the naked eye, binoculars, and telescopes for viewing, while some members employ cameras for capturing incredible images. We will do our best to answer questions you might have, and to assist you in getting the most from your interest in astronomy.

Public Star Watches are held about once a month from March - October. The public is invited to the observatory for a program and telescope viewing. Members are encouraged to help out.

Public Star Watches are usually scheduled for Friday or Saturday nights and begin approximately one hour prior to nautical twilight end.

Public Programs occur all year and are scheduled on an individual basis (Scouts, school classes, etc.). Usually, an astronomy program is presented followed by observing. Members are encouraged to help out when they can. These programs will take place at the Observatory and at other offsite locations.

The **Wahnsiedler Observatory** is located in Lynnville Park about 20 miles northeast of Evansville. Built in 1980, it contains a lecture hall, computer room, lounge, and dome. Two telescopes are housed in the dome on a clock-driven, equatorial mount: a 14" Celestron Schmitt- Cassegrain, and a refractor.

In addition, we have portable Dobsonian telescopes (12") that is accessible for viewing on the club's grounds. The club also has a solar telescope which is composed of a Coronado 40 mm refractor with H-alpha filter, and a small portable tracking mount.

Officers and Key Contacts for 2026:

President – Scott Conner

Vice President – Ken Harris

Secretary – David Kube

Treasurer – Scott Conner (temporarily)

Counselors – Bob Flatter, Haley Wright, and Chuck Allen

General Membership Meetings are held the third Friday of each month at the observatory except one month in the summer when we hold the annual picnic. Meetings start at 7:30 pm. The meetings begin with club business, stop for a short break, and end after an astronomy related program. Then, weather permitting, members and guests retire for an evening of observing.

Member Observing Sessions are held at various times, for E.A.S. members and guests. Members get together for viewing through telescopes they might bring or via the club's scopes. This is the best opportunity for new members to learn how to operate the dome telescopes and ask questions of other members. This event is usually held on a Friday or Saturday night closest to a new moon. You can use the observatory any time, once you have learned how to operate the dome telescopes.

Special Events such as solar eclipses, bright comets, public star watches, and Astronomy Day activities are all things where members are asked to help out when possible. Also included are field trips to various locations, as well as national Astronomy Conventions. The club has a **Library** located in the computer room. It contains books and video tapes. All members are allowed to borrow media free of charge. There is a sign out sheet located on the clipboard. Books and tapes can be kept for several months.

Webmaster – Scott Conner

Program Director – Chuck Allen

Newsletter Editor – David Kube

For more information about EAS, to obtain an application for membership, or directions to the Observatory in the Lynnville Park, visit the club's web page listed below.

EAS Website: <https://evansvilleastro.org>

EAS Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/225161755221/>