



RocheStar Fest 2009

Featured Speaker:

**Prof. Eric Mamajek, University of Rochester Dept. of Physics and Astronomy:
"The (Exo) Planetary Zoo"**

The Astronomy Section of the Rochester Academy of Science (ASRAS) will hold the 12th annual RocheStar Fest on July 17th to July 18th. This weekend-long event features astronomy, lectures, demonstrations, and camping at ASRAS's Ionia, NY observing grounds. A picnic dinner will be held on Saturday. Door prizes and a silent auction add to the fun. Proceeds benefit ASRAS, a non-profit organization devoted to education and public outreach in the fields of astronomy and space sciences. Camping arrangements are available at no charge, tents and small campers permitted. These are primitive camping sites; no electric or water hookups, or showers are available. No pets or ground fires are allowed.

Schedule of Events

Friday July 17th	7:00 pm	Arrival for camping, informal trivia program at 8:00 PM Observing begins at dark, weather permitting
Saturday, July 18th	12:00 (noon)	Registration begins; <u>hot dogs will be available for purchase or bring your own lunch</u> , drinks available at modest cost
	1:00 – 4:30 pm	Talks & Demonstrations: "A Visit with Galileo" (Adolph Kurth & Bob McGovern), "SCT Optics and Collimation" (Robert Piekiet from Syracuse), "Maximizing Night Vision" (Frank Bov), "\$39.95 Astrophotography (Adolph Kurth and Don Chamberlain), Radio Astronomy Demo (Mike Barlow). Also hiking and children's activities including fossil / gem digs and rocket launches.
	1:00 – 5:45 pm	Silent auction, door prizes
	4:30 pm	Members reception (bring appetizers to share)
	6:00 pm	Barbeque Dinner cooked on-site Beef brisket, pulled pork, smoked turkey, potato salad, baked beans, pasta salad, veggies (hamburgers and hot dogs by request). Bring your signature dish or dessert if you'd like. Enjoy WolkBerries and Ice Cream for dessert.
	7:00 pm	Awards and Door Prizes
	8:00 pm	Featured speaker, Eric Mamajek: "The (Exo) Planetary Zoo" Observing to follow, weather permitting
Sunday, July 19th	10:00 am - Noon	Cleanup (breakfast at 9:00 am)

For general information, contact *Carol Latta* at (585) 230-9548; Contact *Joe Altieri* with ideas and offers to help with Program 654-6535; If you can donate a door prize, contact *Dave Bishop* at (585)392-8831; For camping arrangements contact *Bob McGovern* at (585) 315-1850

Check out all ASRAS summer activities, including 8/7 meeting at Ionia, at www.rochesterastronomy.org!!!!

Registration due by Saturday, July 10, 2008

After July 10, please register at the event, dinner purchases available but not guaranteed

Complete and mail this form with your payment (checks made out to ASRAS) to

Gail Smith, Attn: RocheStar Fest Registration, 9780 Bethany Center Rd, East Bethany, NY 14054.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Email address (optional): _____

Number of adults attending: _____

Number of children attending: _____

Total number attending: _____

Camping? Yes No (Tents and small campers allowed, no hookups are available.)

		Amount due
Event Fee:	\$14 for individuals or \$20 for families	\$ _____
Dinners:	Number of adult dinners: _____ x \$10	\$ _____
	Children 6 thru 12 (5 and under FREE) _____ x \$5	\$ _____
	Total	\$ _____