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### **About TVS**

The Tri-Valley Stargazers is an amateur astronomy club based in Livermore, with members from throughout the Bay Area and Central Valley. The club's mission is to bring together people interested in astronomy, to provide opportunities for them to develop their skills and knowledge in astronomy, and to promote education and public interest in astronomy. TVS is a registered non-profit organization and is entirely run by volunteers.

## **Club Meetings**

TVS holds club meetings on the third Friday of every month at the Unitarian Universalist Church at 1893 North Vasco Road in Livermore. Most meetings start at 7:30 PM and include updates on club activities, short presentations by club members, and a featured presentation by an invited speaker. Invited speakers have come from organizations such as NASA, UC Berkeley, and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. TVS club meetings are always open to the public.

### **Public Star Parties**

TVS holds star parties throughout the year for the benefit of a wide variety of educational and recreational groups. These events are an opportunity for our members to share their enthusiasm for the night sky with the public and to promote amateur astronomy.

If you are interested in having TVS come to your school or group, send an e-mail to: outreach@trivalleystargazers.org



### **Membership**

TVS membership is open to anyone with an interest in astronomy. Beginners are welcome, and you don't have to own a telescope to join. Basic membership costs \$30 per year. Some of the benefits of membership include:

**Club star parties:** The club hosts several local star parties each year open only to members and their guests. These star parties are an opportunity for club members to share expertise and to enjoy observing the night sky with fellow amateur astronomers.

Dark-sky observing sites: Club members have access to Hidden Hill Observatory, our club's private observing site on Mines Road. Use of the site only costs an additional \$10 per year plus \$3 per visit. Club members also have access to an observing site within Del Valle Regional Park. The Del Valle site is free for all members to use.

**Club newsletter notification:** TVS publishes a monthly newsletter available on our club's website. Our newsletter contains information about upcoming meetings, star parties, and

other events, as well as articles written by club members and professional astronomers.

**Telescope rentals:** If you don't already own a telescope but are interested in trying one, the club has several telescopes available for members to rent for \$15 per month.

Newtonian reflectors, SCTs, and refractors are available along with a selection of eyepieces.

**Astronomical League membership:** As a member of TVS, you will also be enrolled as a member in the Astronomical League (see www.astroleague.org). You will receive their quarterly magazine and you are eligible to participate in their many observing programs.

**Product discounts:** Club members are eligible to receive reduced-rate subscriptions to Sky & Telescope magazine and Astronomy magazine.

### Find us on the web

To learn more about TVS, to read our newsletter, or to join our club, you can find us on the web at:

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