# Sisters Astronomy Club Contact Information

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Unless otherwise noted all meetings of the Astronomy Club and Stars Over Sisters star watches are held at:

Sisters Park & Recreation District Coffield Community Center 1750 W. McKinney Butte Rd. Sisters, Oregon

#### **Membership**

Membership in the Sisters Astronomy Club (SAC) is open to persons who are interested in the active support of the science of astronomy in the Sisters community.

#### Mission Statement

The purpose of this club is to foster enthusiasm for and knowledge of astronomy within the community of Sisters, Oregon and surrounding area, and to interact with other persons and organizations that share similar interests in astronomy.

#### History

SAC was founded January 5, 2011 by local amateur astronomers and educators, and is a volunteer committee of Sisters Park & Recreation District.



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2021
Meeting
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Schedule

### **Club Activities**

#### **Club Meetings**

SAC holds its meetings on the third Tuesday of every month (no meeting in December). These meetings are open to all in the Sisters community who wish to learn more about astronomy or desire to share their knowledge with others.

#### **Student Activities**

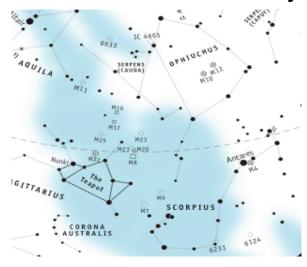
Joining with SAC members, students of Sisters High School will have an opportunity to participate in a citizen science **RECON** project called (Research Education and Collaborative Occultation Network). They help will determine the sizes of icv bodies on the outer edge of our solar system. Students also gather information about the current night sky each month and then compose a monthly article for The Nugget Newspaper to help inform the public of what people might expect to see in the sky.

#### **Public Outreach**

Stars over Sisters star events are held to view objects in the night sky through telescopes provided by our members. Also, SAC members support other groups such as: Deschutes Land Trust, Discover Your Forest and Habitat for Humanity in conducting similar astronomy viewing events.

SAC is participating with the Oregon Chapter of the International Dark-sky Association by measuring sky quality and promoting dark sky preservation.

## Check us out on Facebook: facebook.com/sistersastronomy



2021 Schedule (Tentative)
Club Meetings: 7:00 pm on 3rd
Tuesdays (except in December):

January 19
July 20
February 16
August 17
March 16
September 21
April 20
October 19
May 18
November 16

June 15

#### **Stars Over Sisters**

All programs start with an introductory talk/slide show.

(Dates not determined vet)

DATE	DAY	START TIME
April ?	Saturday	8:00 pm
May?	Saturday	8:30 pm
July?	Saturday	9:00 pm
Aug. ?	Saturday	8:30 pm
Sept. ?	Saturday	7:30 pm
Oct. ?	Saturday	7:30 pm

