AAVSO 108th Annual Meeting, Las Cruces, NM

Friday, October 18	Day 1	Location
8:00 a.m6:00 p.m.	Council Meeting	Cimmaron Room
7:00 p.m8:00 p.m.	Reception, Registration, and Poster Viewing	Avenida
8:00 p.m9:00 p.m.	50th Anniversary of Moon Landing, Personal Stories from Inside the Mission	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
—Keynote Talk	Control Center: Gordon Myers	
Saturday, October 19	Day 2	Location
8:00 a.m8:30 a.m.	Registration	Avenida
Meetings	8:30 a.m.–10:20 a.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
9:00 a.m9:30 a.m.	Welcome Address: Stella Kafka and Gordon Myers	
9:30 a.m10:00 a.m.	The Frontiers of RR Lyrae and Cepheid Variable Star Research: Karen Kinemuchi	
—Keynote Talk		
10:00 a.m10:20 a.m.	SPP Observing Section: Melanie Crowson	
10:20 a.m10:50 a.m.	Coffee Break/Poster Viewing	Avenida
SDSS Teacher Workshop	12:00 p.m.–1:30 p.m.	Cimmaron Room
Meetings	10:50am-12:20 p.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
10:50 a.m11:10 a.m.	Period Changes and the Evolution of Type II Cepheids: Horace Smith et al.	
11:10 a.m11:30 a.m.	Update on Professor and Student Survey of NSV RR-Lyrae Variable Stars:	
	Melanie Crowson and David Syndergaard	
11:30 a.m11:50 a.m.	Modeling Cepheid Variable Stars Using the Open-Source MESA Code: Joyce A. Guzik et al.	
11:50 a.m12:10 p.m.	High-precision Radial Velocity Measurements of Classical Cepheids: Richard I. Anderson	
12:10 p.m12:20 p.m.	An Introduction to AAVSO Observing Sections: Bert Pablo	
12:20 p.m1:30 p.m.	Lunch Break and Meet Your Observing Sections	Avenida
How-to Hour and	1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
Beginning Variable Star		and Cimmaron Room
1:30 p.m2:00 p.m.	How-to Hour: Applying Transformations: George Silvis	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
1:30 p.m2:00 p.m.	Beginning VSO Workshop: Planning a Visual Observing Program: Michael Cook	Cimmaron Room
2:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.	How-to Hour: O-C Diagrams: Gary Billings	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
2:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.	Beginning VSO Workshop: How to Use VSX: Sebastián Otero	Cimmaron Room

Meetings	2:30 p.m.–3:40 p.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
2:30 p.m3:00 p.m.	Novae Erupting Within Symbiotic Binaries: Getting Ready for Coming Fireworks:	
—Keynote Talk	Ulisse Munari	
3:00 p.m3:20 p.m.	The Denouement of the Galactic Novae: Frederick M. Walter	
3:20 p.m3:40 p.m.	Period Change Behaviour of the Eclipsing Binary LS Persei: Gary Billings	
3:40 p.m4:20 p.m.	Coffee Break/Poster Viewing	Avenida
Meetings	4:20 p.m.–6:00 p.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
4:20 p.m4:40 p.m.	AAVSO Contributions to Year 1 of TESS: Dennis Conti	
4:40 p.m5:00 p.m.	The Exoplanet Transit Survey and the AAVSO: Robert Zellem et al.	
5:00 p.m5:20 p.m.	Student Involvement in Exoplanet Science: Pat Boyce	
5:20 p.m5:40 p.m.	First Discovery of the Galactic Plane Exoplanet Survey: GPX-1b, a Transiting 15	
	MJup Companion to a Rapidly Rotating F-type Star; and Discovery of a Bright Pre	-
	Cataclysmic Binary with a Transiting White Dwarf Companion by the GPX	
5:40 p.m.–6:00 p.m.	Survev: Paul Benni et al. Czech Pulsational and Exoplanetary Group: Marek Skarka	
Sunday October, 20	Day 3	Location
8:00 a.m9:00 a.m.	Registration	Avenida
Meetings	9:00 a.m10:30am	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
9:00 a.m10:30 a.m.	Membership Meeting	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
10:30 a.m11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break/Poster Viewing	Avenida
Meetings	11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
11:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	Strategic Planning	
12:00 p.m1:30 p.m.	Lunch Break	Avenida
Meetings	1:30 p.m.–3:00 p.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
1:30 p.m.–2:00 p.m. — Keynote Talk	Human and Environmental Effects of Light Pollution: Mario Motta, M.D.	
2:00 p.m2:20 p.m.	Variable Stars in Palomar 13: an Evaporating Globular Cluster: Mario Alberto	
	Yepez Rivera et al.	
2:20 p.m2:40 p.m.	A New Study of the Variable Star Population in the Hercules Globular Cluster	
	(M13; NGC 6205): D. Deras et al.	
2:40 p.m3:00 p.m.	BSM Update: Ken Menzies and Mike Nicholas	

3:00 p.m3:30 p.m.	Coffee Break/Poster Viewing	Avenida
Meetings	3:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
3:30 p.m.–3:50 p.m.	The Challenges of Updating VSX in the Survey Era: Sebastián Otero	
3:50 p.m4:10 p.m.	Python for Variable Star Astronomy: a Status Report: Matt Craig et al.	
4:10 p.m4:30 p.m.	Long Time Observations of Visual Solar Observers: Rodney Howe (Kris Larsen, presenter)	
6:00 p.m7:00 p.m.	Cash Bar	Avenida
7:00 p.m10:00 p.m.	Banquet and Entertainment	San Augustin/Tularosa Room
	Banquet special guest: Mr. Randy Granger, Native American musician and storyteller	
Monday October, 21	Observatories Tour	
8:00 a.m6:00 p.m.	Apache Point and Sunspot Solar Observatories Tour	(advance reservations only)
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