

Discover Your Local Astronomy Club

20 points

Due: _____

Name: _____

Objective:

What can your local astronomy club bring to your classroom and/or your school?

Materials:

- this lab
- computer w. WWW internet access

Instructions:

1 Getting started:

Identify an amateur astronomical group near you (work or home). If you need help getting started, try the Astronomical League's *Member Societies* web page:

<http://www.astroleague.org/al/general/society.html>

2 Basic information:

Obtain the following information for the club:

- date, time, location of the next meeting
- club contact: name, email, phone
- club main page

3 Interview:

Contact one or more members of the club. Obtain the following information:

- Does the club have outreach or public education programs? If yes:
 - – what kinds things do they do
 - – date and time of the next event
- Other questions:
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4 Write up:

Write up your interview as a guide to your fellow teachers (this class, your school) on what the local astronomy club can, or can't, do for you.

Extra Credit: 10 points

Attend an outreach function of your Local Astronomy Club, OR attend a meeting of Dorian Janney's Educators' Astronomy Club

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Write this up as you did for the interview above.