



SAC SkyWatch 2025-2026 Schedule

All SkyWatches & Star Parties are FREE !!!

1. SkyWatches on 2nd Fridays from Oct 2025 through March 2026. **The Fall and Spring Star Parties will be held on the 2st Friday of Sept and April.** The early start times for the star parties will allow for safe solar observing before sunset. Solar and night observing through SAC member telescopes.
2. Light Refreshments and socializing to follow after the SkyWatch presentations in Rm 229, Peters Science Hall, KWU. Also, on nights when we do NOT have an off-campus Star Party; attendees will have an opportunity to observe the night sky through the KWU Observatory telescope, weather-permitting. If clouds prevent observing, we can still give observatory tour to new attendees.

Topic	Speaker	Date	Time
Fall Star Party/ Constellation IDing under the stars	NA	12-Sep-25	6 to 10:30 pm
Cosmology – Dark Matter / Dark Energy	David Hanson	10-Oct-25	7:30 to 10 pm
Alternative Spaceship Propulsion – Solar Wind Sailing	Mark Ingelin	14-Nov-25	7:30 to 10 pm
Deep Space Chemistry	Dorothy Hanna	12-Dec-25	7:30 to 10 pm
Introduction to Astrophotography	Dallas Stewart	9-Jan-26	7:30 to 10 pm
Astrophysics for Everyone	Suman Kundu	13-Feb-26	7:30 to 10 pm
Women and Astronomy	Mary Lemon	13-Mar-26	7:30 to 10 pm
Spring Star Party/ Constellation IDing under the stars	NA	10-Apr-26	6 to 10:30 pm

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	% Illuminated	Phase
12-Sep-25	0709	1942	2231		66	Waning Gibbous
10-Oct-25	0735	1858	2115		79	Waning Gibbous
14-Nov-25	0712	1717		1434	23	Waning Crescent
12-Dec-25	0739	1708		1259	38	Waning Crescent
9-Jan-26	0748	1726		1122	56	Waning Gibbous
13-Feb-26	0723	1805		1411	12	Waning Crescent
13-Mar-26	0644	1835		1258	26	Waning Crescent
10-Apr-26	0701	2002		1247	42	Waning Crescent

Times are local Central Time for Salina, Kansas. Sep, Oct, & Apr are CDT. CST in the other months.

Note: Daylight Savings Time ends 2-Nov-2025 and starts 15-Mar-2026.

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