

Meeting Notice

DECEMBER 2015

Of the Rittenhouse Astronomical Society

PRESENTERS:

Keith Johnson

Rowan University: Edelman Planetarium; Director

The Society invites members, guests and the interested public to our upcoming meeting (students encouraged to attend.) FREE/ Open to public, no admittance fee. Membership not required.

Topic Title:

Astronomical Sights of Interest

WHERE:

THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE
222 20TH STREET & THE PARKWAY
PHILADELPHIA PA

WHAT: Keith Johnson last addressed our society in October of 2005. His many experiences include graduate work at Kitt Peak National Observatory (now the National Optical Astronomy Observatory) and the NRAO 36-foot radio telescope and the Stewart telescope. Once in the planetarium field his professional support stepping up in service for the Southwestern Association for Planetariums, the Pacific Planetarium Association and now for the Middle Atlantic Planetarium Society as well as the International Planetarium Society, provided opportunities for Keith to travel around the world visiting various astronomical facilities both of educational and research emphasis. Keith plans to share a world tour of his travels and experiences with our membership. We promised to bring him back after his last presentation, almost a decade somehow passed and we now warmly welcome his return!

WHEN: **WEDNESDAY December 9, 2015**

7:15 PM.-Welcome: Introduction of Officers // **7:20 7:30- Planet Report** -D. Vacca
7:30- PM- Milky Way, Sights of Winter -T. Williams // **7:50- Presidents Address**
7:58 PM- Spaced Out –Celestial Soundscapes Dan McCormick // **8:00- Break**
8:05 PM- Looking Ahead // **8:10- Guest Speaker: Keith Johnson**
9:00 PM- Observatory Viewing weather permitting, Directed Mixer alternate if poor weather

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Tonight's Presenter Keith Johnson has been the director of the [Edelman Planetarium](#) of Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey since July 2004. His main duties are to prepare and present weekly planetarium star shows to the general public; prepare and present school programs to surrounding elementary, middle, and high schools; prepare and present programs to illustrate concepts for Rowan astronomy classes; serve as local resource for astronomy and space information; answer interesting telephone calls from people who are convinced a UFO landed just over the hill.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 18, 2015

Methacton School District Planetarium Night
Observing Opportunity for Members who assist
Free Planetarium Presentation

December 21, 2015

Hayden Planetarium Star Watch Telescope Night
Volunteers needed to assist with Scopes on Terrace
PLEASE NOTE:

Special Presentation, Special Meeting Date
Saturday January 9

ASTRONOMY PICTURE OF THE DAY

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Local astronomy clubs and societies welcome, no cost
open to the public, students encouraged to attend!