

# PRIMEFOCUS

Tri-Valley Stargazers



December 2019



## Meeting Info Holiday Potluck

**Who:**  
Family and Friends

**When:**  
December 20, 2019  
Set-up at 6:30 p.m.  
Dinner at 7:00 p.m.

**Where:**  
Unitarian Universalist  
Church in Livermore  
1893 N. Vasco Road

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## December Meeting

### Holiday Potluck Dinner and Door Prize Raffle

This month is our Holiday dinner. The doors will open at 6:30pm to set up the tables and chairs, and then the feast will begin at 7pm. TVS will provide the drinks and paper/plasticware. Roland will bring the turkey and Ron Kane will bring the tri-tip. Please bring family and friends to share in the festivities. Based on the first letter of your last name, members are asked to bring a dish to share: A-D Macaroni, Potato, Green or Fruit Salad; E-J Vegetable or Beans; K-O Appetizer; P-Z Dessert.

At the potluck we will also hold a raffle. On a strictly voluntary basis we're looking for a few members to donate small door prizes for the raffle, especially if you have something astronomically themed to share.



### Time to Renew Club Membership for 2020

Now is a great time to become part of TVS. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in astronomy. Amateurs and professionals are equally welcome; skilled amateurs comprise the majority of the membership. You do not have to own a telescope in order to be a member.

Those renewing their club membership are encouraged to do so by using the online application before the end of December. Normally our memberships are only good for the calendar year, but anyone joining after October 1st will be given a membership for the remainder of 2019 and all of 2020. The regular club membership remains a bargain at \$30. Student membership (full-time High School or College student) is only \$10! Alternatively, Patron Membership, which grants use of the club's 17.5" reflector at H2O, is available at the annual rate of \$100.00. To become a key holder to H2O, you must be 18 or older. There is a one-time \$20 Key deposit and a \$10 annual access fee.

You can join TVS or renew your membership online at:

<http://www.trivalleystargazers.org/membership.shtml> After filling out the application form you are connected to the PayPal payment form. You do not need to have a PayPal account to pay online, since PayPal will accept credit cards. Everyone is encouraged to use the online application. Alternatively, you can mail in the Membership Application on the last page of this newsletter along with a check to the Tri-Valley Stargazers, P.O. Box 2476, Livermore, CA 94551-2476. Note that TVS will not share your information with anyone. We only use the e-mail address to notify you when the newsletter becomes available.

All members agree to hold the Tri-Valley Stargazers, and any cooperating organizations or landowners, harmless from all claims of liability for any injury or loss sustained at a TVS function.



Tri-Valley Stargazers  
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Livermore, CA 94551  
[www.trivalleystargazers.org](http://www.trivalleystargazers.org)

## Tri-Valley Stargazers Membership Application

### Contact information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Status (select one): \_\_\_\_\_ New member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewing or returning member

**Membership category** (select one): Membership term is for one calendar year, January through December.

\_\_\_\_\_ Student member (\$10). Must be a full-time high-school or college student.

\_\_\_\_\_ Regular member (\$30).

\_\_\_\_\_ Patron member (\$100). Patron membership grants use of the club's 17.5" reflector at H2O. You must be a member in good standing for at least one year, hold a key to H2O, and receive board approval.

**Hidden Hill Observatory Access** (optional): Must be 18 or older.

\_\_\_\_\_ One-time key deposit (\$20). This is a refundable deposit for a key to H2O. New key holders must first hear an orientation lecture and sign a usage agreement form before using the observing site.

\_\_\_\_\_ Annual access fee (\$10). You must also be a key holder to access the site.

**Donation** (optional):

\_\_\_\_\_ Tax-deductible contribution to Tri-Valley Stargazers

**Total enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member agrees to hold Tri-Valley Stargazers, and any cooperating organizations or landowners, harmless from all claims of liability for any injury or loss sustained at a TVS function. TVS will not share information with anyone except as detailed in our Privacy Policy (<http://www.trivalleystargazers.org/privacy.shtml>).

Mail this completed form along with a check to: Tri-Valley Stargazers, P.O. Box 2476, Livermore, CA 94551.