

# Vandenberg Amateur Astronomical Society presents The Sidereal Times



Orion Nebula NGC 1976 and Running Man

## Preface

This is a special edition of the news letter. It is just a collection of activities and events in photo form that have transpired during the past several years.

The photos are in no special order but most have been seen before in various news letters. Should bring back special memories for some of the VAAS members.



## Presidents Message

Hello, All:

As we close out our 2017-2018 chapter of VAAS, we find ourselves at one of those classic moments for reflection. The enclosed photos, assembled by Newsletter Editor Vahan Yeterian, span several years of our club's history. You will find us gathered together at our monthly meetings, or at annual celebrations such our Fall Picnic and Winter Pizza Party. There are Star Parties and various outreach events with schools and wineries, among other events. You may well see some faces you have not seen in a long time, or maybe faces that predate your own association with VAAS, those who have moved on. Without doubt what you will see are people sharing with each other, helping each other, guiding others, admiring optical equipment, learning. The common thread running through it all is a fascination with the universe beyond our little planet, a love of learning about our ever-expanding, incomprehensively vast, celestial neighborhood.

Enjoy! And be sure to thank Vahan for this delightful gift to us.

Happy Summer Sky Hunting,  
Tom

Tom Gerald  
President, VAAS



**Events Past and present**

Various Outreach and star parties.



**Events Cont.**























*“Astronomy compels the soul to look upward,  
and leads us from this world to another”.*  
*(Plato)*

Dave VAAS Web Site Surf/Minion

