Analemma Society

The Analemma Society was founded in 1998 to foster awareness and appreciation of science through Astronomy for children and adults. The organization has created a public private partnership through a cooperative agreement with the Fairfax County Park Authority (FCPA) to develop The Observatory Park at Turner Farm in Great Falls, Virginia. Astronomic efforts include development of the Remote Accessed Telescope Observatory (RATO) and a new Roll Top observatory with classrooms. In addition a sundial garden is being developed with the Jamestown sundial now in place and planning for the Ibn al-Shatir sundial is the next step.

The tall RATO building is a landmark to passersby on Springvale Road. Inside is a Meade 14-inch Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope. [delete]We are currently raising funds to purchase additional equipment to make the observatory web accessible and enable automated observing to take place. We plan to use this telescope in liaison with local high schools, and eventually with other national academic and government science outreach programs.

The Analemma Society needs your support to continue the work at Observatory Park. In

October, 2016 the Roll Top Observatory and Classroom was dedicated. This new facility will provide special scientific programs for adults and schoolchildren throughout the year as part of FPCA Programs. Public use of high end telescopes will provide incredible views of the moon, planets, star clusters, planetary nebulae and distant galaxies. The Roll Top Observatory will house four telescopes including a 7-inch Astrophysics refractor. This facility is designed to provide science fun for families, students, and amateur astronomers alike.

We are also fundraising for the Ibn al-Shatir Sundial, based on an historic sundial that introduced features of timetelling as we know today. The Analemma Society is a 501 (C) (3) allowing your donations to be tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Your continued support is crucial to helping us meet our goals and objectives.

Contact Us

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See <u>www.anlemma.org</u> for more date and direction information and how to join AS.

Activities

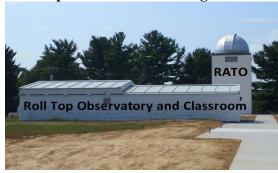
Monthly Meetings held First Wednesday of Month at Dantes Restaurant at corner of Walker Road and Colvin Run Mill in Great Falls, VA, 12:30 luncheon

Observing on clear Friday Nights at Observatory Park open free to the public

Classes arranged through FPCA Partakes

Charles Olin, Founding President Don Fowler, Corresponding Secretary/Membership

Roll Top and RATO Buildings



Observatory Park at Turner Farm 925 Springvale Rd, Great Falls, Virginia (photo by Pete Gural)

To become a member of the Analemma Society, you may join by paying annual membership dues on-line via www.analemma.org using PayPal or mail the form below with a check to the Analemma Society to:

P.O. Box 196, Great Falls, VA 22066

Name			
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Select a membership category:

Membership categories	Amount of annual Membership dues	
Single	\$20	
Student	\$10	
Family	\$30	
Business/Professional	\$100	
Contributing	\$1,000	
Sponsor (Individual)	\$2,000	
Sponsor (Corporate)	\$4,000	
One-Time Donation:		
Life Member	\$500	
Benefactor	\$10,000	

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Waiting in line for Transit of Venus June 5th, 2012 at Observatory Park, 925 Springvale Road, Great Falls, VA: Photo by Don Fowler