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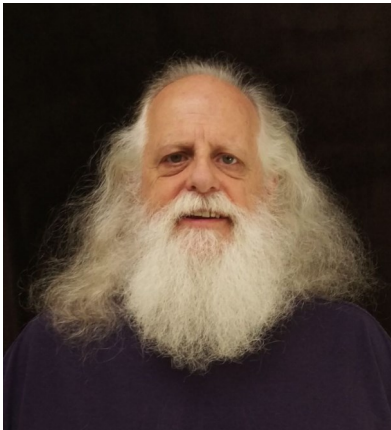
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Fighting Light Pollution? Get the Police on Your Side.

Deborah Moran, Houston

We cannot solve the problem of light pollution if environmentalists say one thing and the police another. In Houston, TX, we have shifted our focus to putting together evidence especially compelling to the police. Below are useful tools we have developed.

A policeman first recommends very bright lighting, hears our talk, and changes his thinking:

<https://youtu.be/9a3Krzar6Gg>

At www.softlighthouston.com you can find many resources on our Home, Education and Gallery pages including our new commercial lighting code, our “disappearing pedestrian” video, police guidance, and good quality LED lighting.

Studies on sleep, exterior light and mental health:

Experimental sleep loss, racial bias, and the decision criterion to shoot in the Police Officer’s Dilemma task:

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-020-77522-z>

Disruption of adolescents’ circadian clock: The vicious circle of media use, exposure to light at night, sleep loss and risk behaviors:

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/28487255/>

Outdoor Light Linked with Teens’ Sleep and Mental Health:

<https://www.nimh.nih.gov/news/science-news/2020/outdoor-light-linked-with-teens-sleep-and-mental-health#:~:text=Research>

Sleep and delinquency: does the amount of sleep matter?

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/20936500/>

Association Between Exposure to Outdoor Artificial Light at Night and Sleep Disorders Among Children in China:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9123501/>

Association of Outdoor Artificial Light at Night With Mental Disorders and Sleep Patterns Among US Adolescents:

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapsychiatry/fullarticle/2767698#:~:text=Adolescents>

Brighter Neighborhoods Harm Human Health (Dr. Qian Xiao of UT Health Sciences Center)

<https://appliedsciences.nasa.gov/our-impact/story/brighter-neighborhoods-harm-human-health#:~:text=Xiao>

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LIVE 2024!



Scott Harrington
*"Observing it All
with Binoculars"*

also

Chuck Allen,
Terry Mann,
Scott Roberts,
and David Levy



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ASTROCON 2025:
Bryce Canyon, Utah, June 25–28, 2025

Selected Photos from ALCon 2024

These photos are compliments of Neil Dunham, Convention Photographer.

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Master Observers receiving their plaques at the ALCon 2024 banquet: Jerelyn Ramirez, James Twellman, Rob Robinson, Steve Riegel, John Strebeck and Jack Fitzmier with Aaron Clevenson and Carroll Iorg



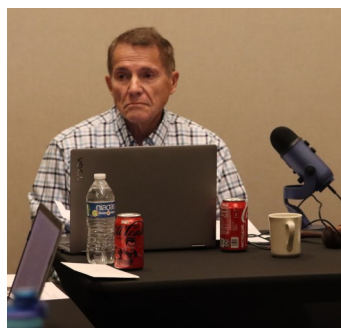
Our Canadian member Bernard Venasse



ASKC President Rick Henderson with visitors at Gottlieb Planetarium



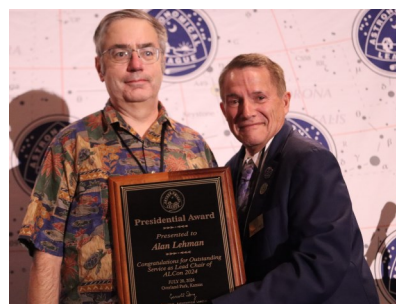
Registration



Let the "serious" Council meeting business begin



Speaker Jen Winter. Day-star Filters



Alan Lehman lead chair receiving Presidential Award



Astronomy Day Award Presented to Laurie Anson on behalf of the Westminster Astro. Soc.



Gavel transfer



Speaker Scott Harrington



Awaiting Dr. David Levy's presentation and the rare book visit at Linda Hall Library



**Chuck Allen and NYAA
2nd place winner Jul-
ian Shapiro**



**David Anschutz one of
the winners of Astropho-
tography Contest Awards**



David Levy and his 1st telescope



**Betty Iorg receiving A.L. First Lady Award
from Chuck Allen**

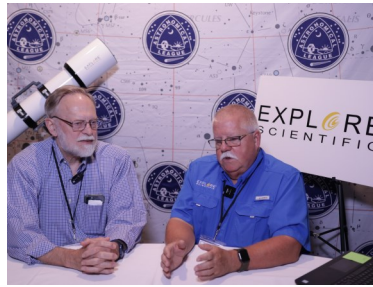


**Speaker Ryan Maderak from Benedic-
tine College**

More photos



**Donna Syed ASKC
emcee**



**Kent Marts Explore Sci-
entific interviewing
Speaker David McCallie**



**Mitch Glaze winner of
the Astronomical League
Award**



**Chuck Allen presenting outgoing Pres-
ident Carroll Iorg with a plaque of ap-
preciation.**



**Keynote speaker Stephon Alexander
Tim Russ of Star Trek fame and David
Levy**



**David Levy presentation at Linda Hall
Library**



**Terry Mann presenting Carroll Iorg
with a gift of appreciation for his
support of A.L. Live**



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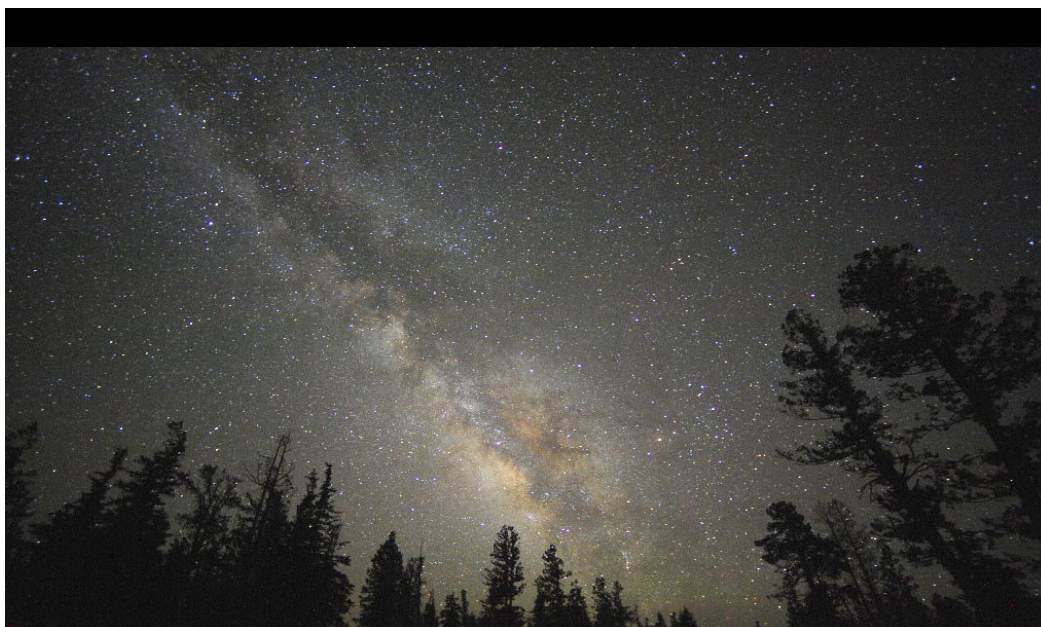
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Milky Way from Bryce Canyon by Tyler Allred during ALCon 2011