2025 Spring "Star Party" Schedule* (Free and Open to the Public)

Sunday, January 26th
- *The Roche Limit*
- John Hart, Observatory Director
- Doors open at 5:30, programs begin at 6:00 until 8:00

Sunday, February 2nd
- *Harmonies of the Universe: Music inspired by Celestial Phenomena*
- Michael Standard, UTC Studio Librarian
- Doors open at 5:30, programs begin at 6:00 until 8:00

Sunday, February 9th
- *Dobsonian Telescopes*
- Jack Pitkin, Former Director of the Clarence T. Jones Observatory
- Doors open at 5:30, programs begin at 6:00 until 8:00

Sunday, February 16th
- *The Kardashev Scale*
- John Hart, Observatory Director
- Doors open at 5:30, programs begin at 6:00 until 8:00

Sunday, February 23rd
- *Nanotechnology in Space!*
- Keenan Dungey, UTC Department Head of Chemistry and Physics
- Doors open at 5:30, programs begin at 6:00 until 8:00

Sunday, March 2nd
- *The Hill Sphere*
- John Hart, Observatory Director
- Doors open at 5:30, programs begin at 6:00 until 8:00

Sunday, March 9th
- No Star Party (UTC Spring Break)

Sunday, March 16th
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***Note:** Time Change!*

Sunday, March 23rd
- *Precession of the Equinoxes*
- Wesley Foster, Chattanooga State Assistant Professor of Physics
- Doors open at 6:30, programs begin at 7:00 until 9:00

Sunday, March 30th
- *Gravitational Waves: Ripples in the Fabric of Spacetime*
- Lani Chastain, B.S. Physics
- Doors open at 6:30, programs begin at 7:00 until 9:00

Sunday, April 6th
- *Spectra: Is That My Star Type?*
- Steven Kline, UTC Physics and Astronomy Adjunct Professor
- Doors open at 6:30, programs begin at 7:00 until 9:00

Sunday, April 13th
- *Flight Stories/Overviews from Space Shuttle Telescope Missions*
- Bill Floyd, UTC Challenger Center
- Doors open at 6:30, programs begin at 7:00 until 9:00

**** Hosted by the Department of Chemistry and Physics***

Did you know that UTC has an observatory?

Watch a free planetarium show!

Look through the historic telescope!

Learn something interesting about astronomy!

Additional Info about the historic Clarence T. Jones Observatory (est. 1936)