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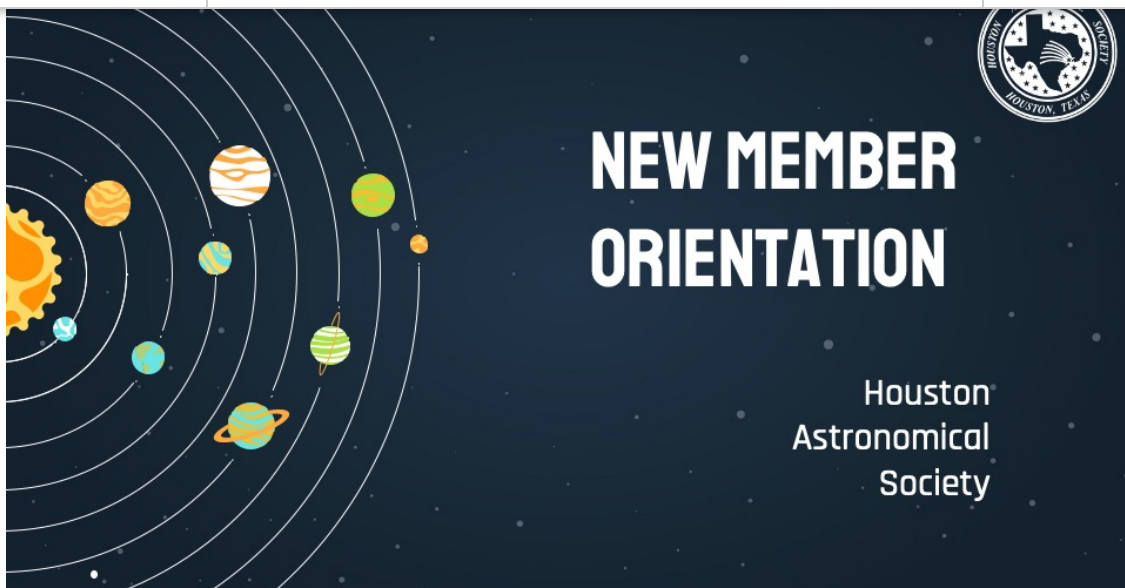


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## President's Letter

Joe Khalaf

As I mentioned in an earlier newsletter, one of the things I wanted to focus on in 2020 was increasing our member engagement. We have taken a look at where and how we engage our members from before the time a potential member engages us, then into the actual process of joining us, and into how we educate them on what it is the club has to offer them. From there, it's a matter of continual engagement through our club activities and programs. Needless to say, COVID-19 has thrown us for a loop with some of these things, but we've been able to adapt pretty well and find new ways continue this engagement forward.

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**Sept Novice Presentation  
Via Zoom**

**A Tour of the Houston  
Astronomical Dark Site**  
by Joe Khalaf

**September 10, 2020, 7:00PM**

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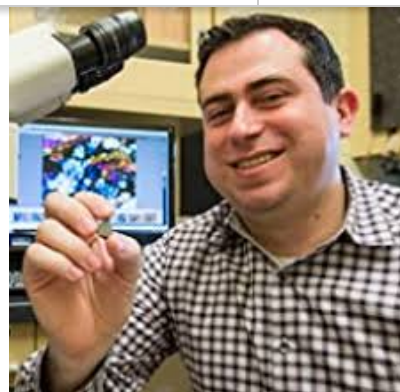
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### Volcanism on Venus: Evidence for Very Young Volcanism

by: Dr. Justin Filiberto

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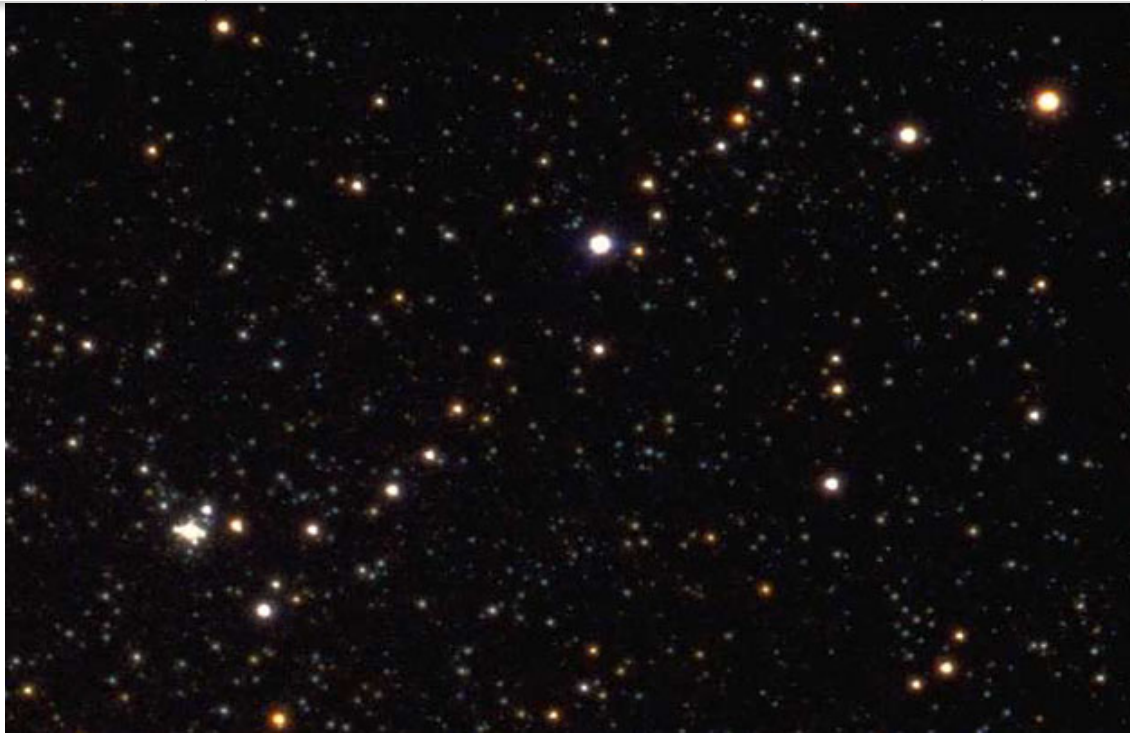
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### Pandemic Impact on Amateur Astronomy

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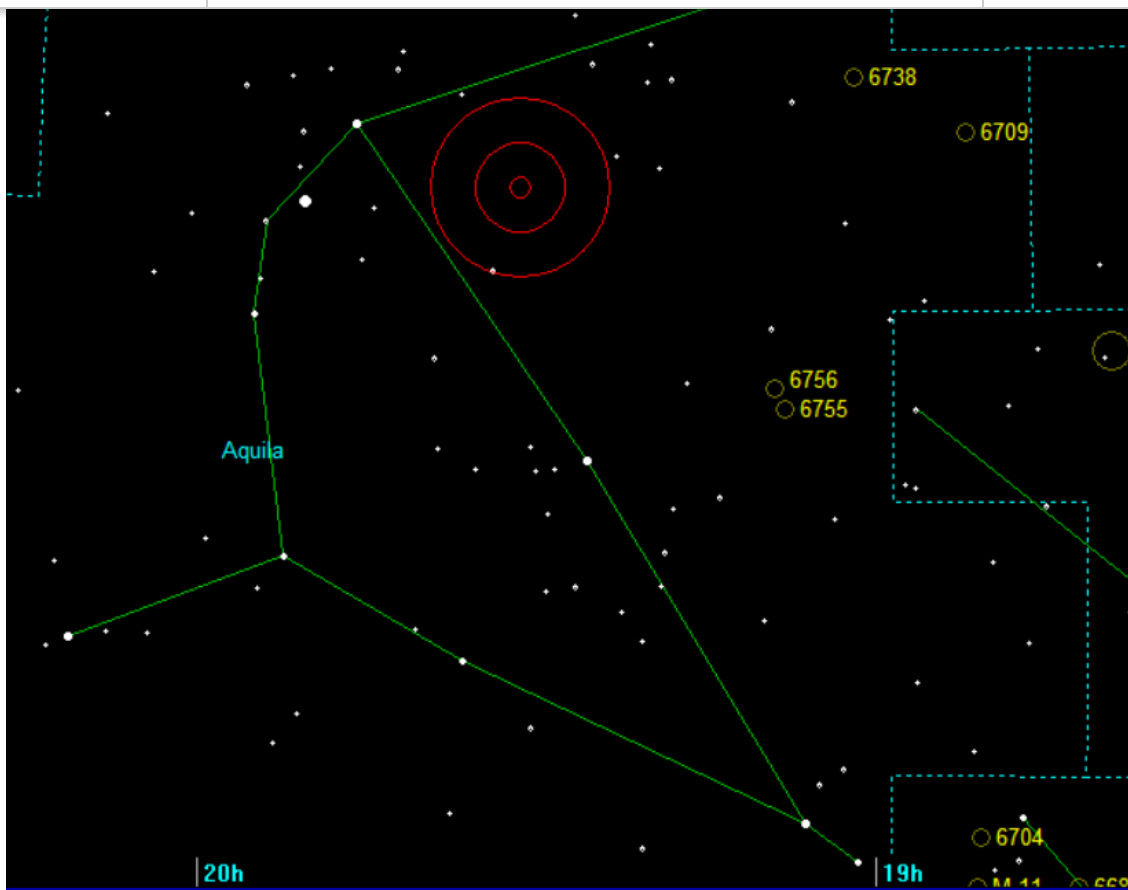
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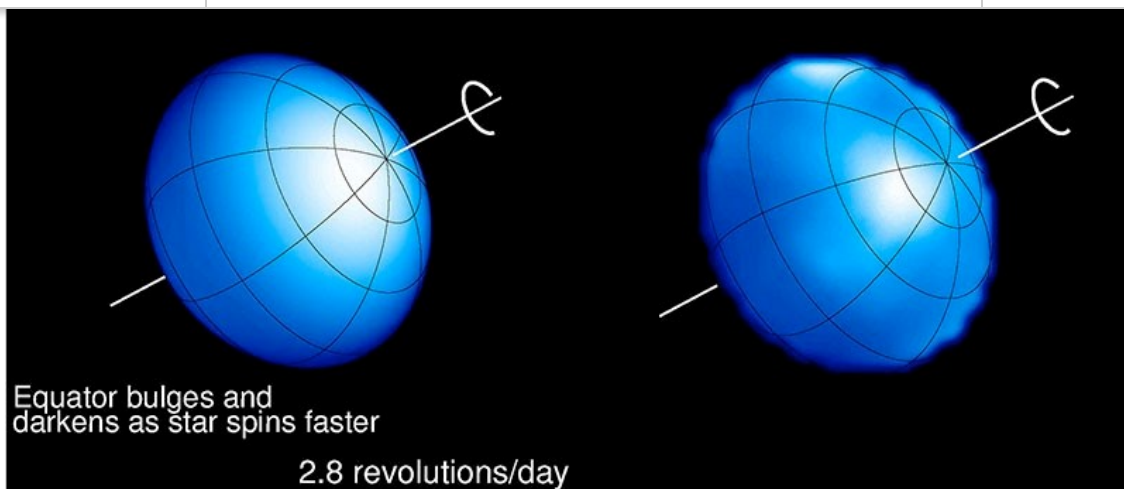


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NGC 6804

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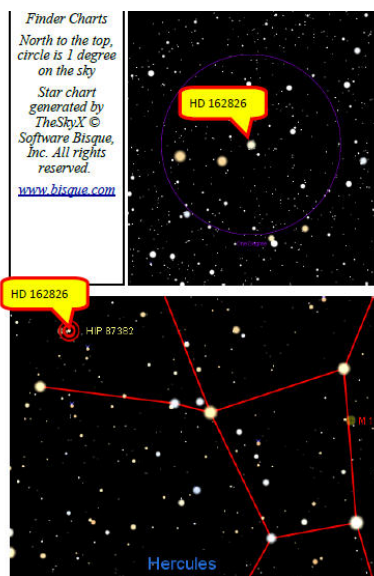


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