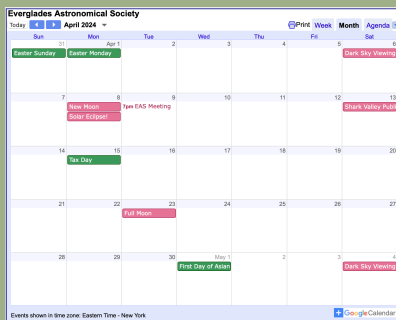
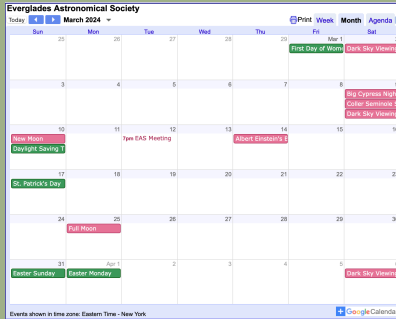


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## Calendar



## Monthly Notices of the Everglades Astronomical Society Naples FL

### Letter from the President

Greetings, the clouds have not been too good to us this year, and now that daylight savings time is over, we will be out even later as the clock goes. Take note that the regular March meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup> will be at Orange Blossom, and the April meeting date and location have been moved.

"The Great American Eclipse" will be April 8th. Everything America does is great, in fact our eclipses are greater than the eclipses of any other country. I wonder how they arranged it. Soon there will be hats and shirts to commemorate the occasion. But I digress. The Eclipse will be on the same day as our regular monthly meeting. Because many members will be out of town, we will be moving the meeting to April 11th and holding it at Bradford Square auditorium. Rich Sherman will be presenting a program on light pollution. I hope you can make it, and it will also be on zoom.

See you soon,

Chris @ Robyn Pritchard

### Parkside February 20<sup>th</sup>!

As the Moon moves past first quarter the weather improves – fairly typical behavior this season. However, our loss was Parkside Elementary’s gain! We had a clear night on February 20<sup>th</sup> for our annual event.

Several members brought out their telescopes. There were even two smart telescopes, SeeStar S50, which are really high tech in that you can use a tablet or your phone. During setup we talked about the kids being drawn to the technology. Nope! As someone put it “that moon on your phone looks like Google!” Everyone was very drawn to the telescopes and had a great time.

It was a lunar based event with viewings of Jupiter also. Some of the children were quite young.

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A huge thank you to every who came out with their equipment. The kids really enjoyed it.

~ Mike Usher

### SeeStar S50

While this smart telescope continues to frequently sell out, it's easy to see why. But is it cheating? There's a big controversy brewing over this topic. EAS will be holding a panel discussion on this **hot topic!** The meeting is also on Zoom in addition to in person at Orange Blossom. We hope to see you there!

Until next time...Here's to clear skies!

~ Monica