



# AstroAssembly 2016 Sept. 30 & Oct. 1

47 PeepToad Road North Scituate, Rhode Island

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## How Technology Has Changed Amateur Astronomy

### Friday Evening Talks & Stargazing at Seagrave Observatory

If you would like to give a Friday Evening Talk, please contact Kathy Siok ([kathys5@cox.net](mailto:kathys5@cox.net)).

### All day Saturday at Seagrave Observatory

Poster Session, Swap Table (please bring your own table), Solar Viewing, Astrophotography Contest, Homemade Telescopes (bring yours!), Famous Astro Bake-off Contest!

- 10:00am Poster Session begins. Please contact Steve Siok ([ssiok@cox.net](mailto:ssiok@cox.net)) to present
- 12:00pm Lunch at the Skyscrapers Grille
- 1:15pm Recent Developments in Optical and Astronomical Equipment by **Jeffrey Norwood**, Camera Concepts
- 2:30pm The Elephant in the Dark Room: The Rise of Astrophotography by **Scott MacNeill**, Frosty Drew Observatory

3:45pm Near-Earth Objects: Finding Them Before They Find Us by **Michael Rudenko**, Minor Planet Center

### Saturday Evening Program at North Scituate Community Center

- 5:15pm Reception (antipasto bar with salad and real Italian accompaniments)
- 6:00pm Evening Banquet (pre-registration required) chicken parmesan, pastas, sauces, dessert and coffee catered by Quik Stop
- 7:15pm Words of Welcome, Awards, Raffle Drawing
- 7:30pm Detecting Other Worlds with a Backyard Telescope by **Dennis Conti**, American Association of Variable Star Observers

### Directions to Seagrave Memorial Observatory

**From the Providence area:** Take Rt. 6 West to Interstate 295 in Johnston and proceed west on Rt. 6 to Scituate. In Scituate bear right off Rt. 6 onto Rt. 101. Turn right onto Rt. 116 North. PeepToad Road is the first left off Rt. 116. **From Coventry/West Warwick:** Take Rt. 116 North. PeepToad Road is the first left after crossing Rt. 101. From Southern Rhode Island: Take Interstate 95 North. Exit onto Interstate 295 North in Warwick (left exit.) Exit to Rt. 6 West in Johnston. Bear right off Rt. 6 onto Rt. 101. Turn right on Rt. 116. PeepToad Road is the first left off Rt. 116. **From Northern Rhode Island:** Take Rt. 116 South. Follow Rt.

116 thru Greenville. Turn left at Knight's Farm intersection (Rt. 116 turns left) and follow Rt. 116. Watch for PeepToad Road on the right. **From Connecticut:** Take Rt. 44 East to Greenville and turn right on Rt. 116 South. Turn left at Knight's Farm intersection (Rt. 116 turn left) and follow Rt. 116. Watch for PeepToad Road on the right. • or • Take Rt. 6 East toward Rhode Island; bear left on Rt. 101 East and continue to intersection with Rt. 116. Turn left; PeepToad Road is the first left off Rt. 116. **From Massachusetts:** Take Interstate 295 South (off Interstate 95 in Attleboro). Exit onto Rt. 6 West in Johnston. Bear right off Rt. 6 onto Rt. 101. Turn right on Rt. 116. PeepToad Road is the first left off Rt. 116.

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