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50-Foot Dish Needs Good Home

There is a 50-foot dish with mount sitting on a farm in South Carolina. The owner is faced with it going to the scrap dealer within the next week or so. The scrap value is \$2500 dollars, and it is the same price for anyone who wants it.

As most of us know, a dish this size is a fantastic instrument for research and would be a real plus for a school, university or club to acquire.

If anyone would like further information, contact Pete at: pmanfre@gmail.com

I do not have any connection etc. to this matter, just interested in seeing this antenna get a good home. Best Regards, Jeffrey M. Lichtman, KI4GIY RADIO ASTRONOMY SUPPLIES

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Award Presentation to Fourth Place Journalism Winner

It was my honor to recently present Evan Andracek a certificate for his fourth-place finish in the Jack Horheimer/O'Meara Journalism Award competition. He is a sixth-grade student at Barstow School in Kansas City.

The presentation was made at a meeting of the Astronomical Society of Kansas City. Congratulations to Evan on his outstanding essay entitled "Black Holes."



(photo compliments Tom Martinez)

AAS 2nd 2017 Total Solar Eclipse Workshop in Columbia MO



The University of Missouri Physics Department hosted the American Astronomical Society's 2nd workshop regarding the 2017 Eclipse in August. The main goal of the workshop was to start organizing professional and amateur astronomers to prepare the public for this special event. It was sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

Attendees from across the country, including the Astronomical League, participated in this event in Columbia, Missouri, which is one of the centerline locations for the eclipse. We encourage everyone to make plans to observe this very special event, somewhere close to centerline.

The Astronomical League's national convention, in 2017, is scheduled the week before the Monday, August 21, 2017 eclipse, in Casper, Wyoming, which is also on the center line.

Map courtesy of Michael Zeiler)