Basehor

Continued from A1

right after sunset before stars are visible.

Sharing his passion for astronomy, Hufstedler recently participated in the Basehor Community Library's "How-To Festival" where he brought several of his telescopes to discuss his hobby. He was especially happy to visit with a local third grader who shares his enjoyment of learning about the planets.

"He taught me more about the planets than you can imagine and he also tried to teach me how to pronounce the dwarf planets and moons in our solar system," said Hufstedler.

Hufstedler said he especially enjoys viewing the Pinwheel Galaxy (Messier 101) due to a supernova that was first observed on May 19, 2023. That supernova is located in the Ursa Major Big Dipper constellation which is around 21 million light years from Earth.

A recent astronomical event that Hufstedler was able to observe with his telescope occurred

in March. Every 15 years, the rings of Saturn appear edge-on due to the orbital tilt and the nearly 30-year orbit of Saturn around the sun. This event is still visible, but Hufstedler is excited for this event to conclude so he can once again see through the rings.

He also gets excited to see Mercury, which is only visible in the evening sky two to three times per year due to its close proximity to the sun. Additionally, there is some sort of interstellar object that has been identified that will be closest



to Earth in October. This object, listed as 3I/ ATLAS or C/2025 N1, is believed to have a diameter of around 12 miles. It is only the third known object of its kind. Hufstedler is looking

forward to this likely once in a lifetime event.

"I am thankful that I have more of an appreciation for the universe. I really enjoy walking in the early evening, looking for

visible planets without the need of a telescope. The first time observing the rings on Saturn and the four primary moons of Jupiter will always be a highlight for me," Hufstedler said.







Alcohol & Drug Evaluations

 Therapy & Counseling (adults, teens, families)
MAT Treatment Other services based on availability

500 Limit St., Leavenworth 913-682-5118 • 888-260-9634 • www.theguidance-ctr.org

CherryRoad Media

INTRODUCING CAMPAIGNS FOR CHARITY

CherryRoad Media would like to give back to the wonderful charitable organizations in our community, in the best way we know how!



This year, the three non profft organizations who place in our **Best of Leavenworth County event** will receive an advertising campaign at no cost.

We are happy to support the work of these amazing organizations!

VOTING ROUND:

July 21st to **August 3rd**

NOMINATION ROUND:

August 25th to September 7th



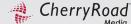


Winning charitable organizations must be a registered 501(c)(3). Winners must meet their previous year's advertising spend before using additional campaign. Best of the Best category will be named "Charitable Organization/Non-Profit" or something similar. For questions, please reach out to bestof@cherryroad.com.

LEAVENWORTH **TIMES**

300 Shawnee St., Leavenworth, KS 66048 Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For all customer inquiries please call or email: 913-682-0305 ext 2130 620-860-4774 circhelp@cherryroad.com



PUBLISHER

Jeremy Gulban | jgulban@cherryroad.com

REGIONAL ADVERTISING MANAGER Brian Bloom | bbloom@cherryroad.com

EDITOR

Mark Rountree | mrountree@cherryroad.com

BUSINESS MANAGER

Beckie Broom | rbroom@cherryroad.com

CIRCULATION DIRECTOR

Barbara Daniels | bdaniels@cherryroad.com

SPORTS CORRESPONDENT Mark Rountree | mrountree@cherryroad.com

NEWS REPORTER

John Richmeier | jrichmeier@cherryroad.com

ADVERTISING

Meredith Thompson | mthompson@cherryroad.com

OBITUARIES

obits@leavenworthtimes.com

CLASSIFIEDS

classifieds@leavenworthtimes.com

LEGALS

Legals@leavenworthtimes.com

NEWS & PHOTOS news@leavenworthtimes.com The Leavenworth Times is published daily except Sundays and Mondays, New Year's Day, Presidents Day, Independence Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day by CherryRoad Media.

Postmaster: Send address change to The Leavenworth Times.

300 Shawnee St., Leavenworth, KS 66048.

USPS 308-180 300 Shawnee St., Leavenworth, KS 66048. Periodicals postage paid at Leavenworth, Kan.