



The Des Moines Astronomical Society Presents

2010 Ashton Public Nights

Night-sky viewing follows all presentations, weather permitting.



DATE	TIME	PRESENTATION SUBJECT	PRESENTER
April 3	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
April 10	8:00	Astronomy 101: Viewing The Night Sky	Norm Van Klompenburg
April 17	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
April 24	8:00	Coincidences In Astronomy	Rod Williams
<i>(Astronomy Day #1)</i>			
May 1	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
May 8	8:00	Armageddon: Near Earth Objects	Ed Ramsell
May 15	8:00	Everything We Know Is Wrong, #1	Herb Schwartz
May 22	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
May 29	8:00	Everything We Know Is Wrong, #2	Herb Schwartz
June 5	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
June 12	8:00	How Big Is The Universe	Vern Naffier
June 19	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
June 26	8:00	Getting To Know Your Telescope	Doug Rudd
JULY ----- NO PRESENTATIONS OR OPEN OBSERVATORY ----- JULY			
Aug 7	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
<i>(Perseid Meteor Shower Peak, 8-12)</i>			
Aug 14	8:00	Saturn's Fantastic Rings & Moons	Ed Ramsell
Aug 21	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
Aug 28	8:00	TBA	
Sep 4	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
Sep 11	8:00	Meteorites: Rocks From Space	Harry Wood
Sep 18	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
Sep 25	8:00	TBA	
Oct 2	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
Oct 9	8:00	TBA	
Oct 16	8:00	TBA	
<i>(Astronomy Day #2, 10-16); (Comet 103P/Hartley, 10-20 closest point to Earth); (Orionid Meteor Shower Peak, 10-21)</i>			
Oct 23	8:00	Observatory open – Night-sky viewing after dark	---
Oct 30	8:00	Colonizing Alien Worlds	Bryan Butcher

All Public Nights are subject to change. Please refer to our website for current information:

www.dmAstronomy.com

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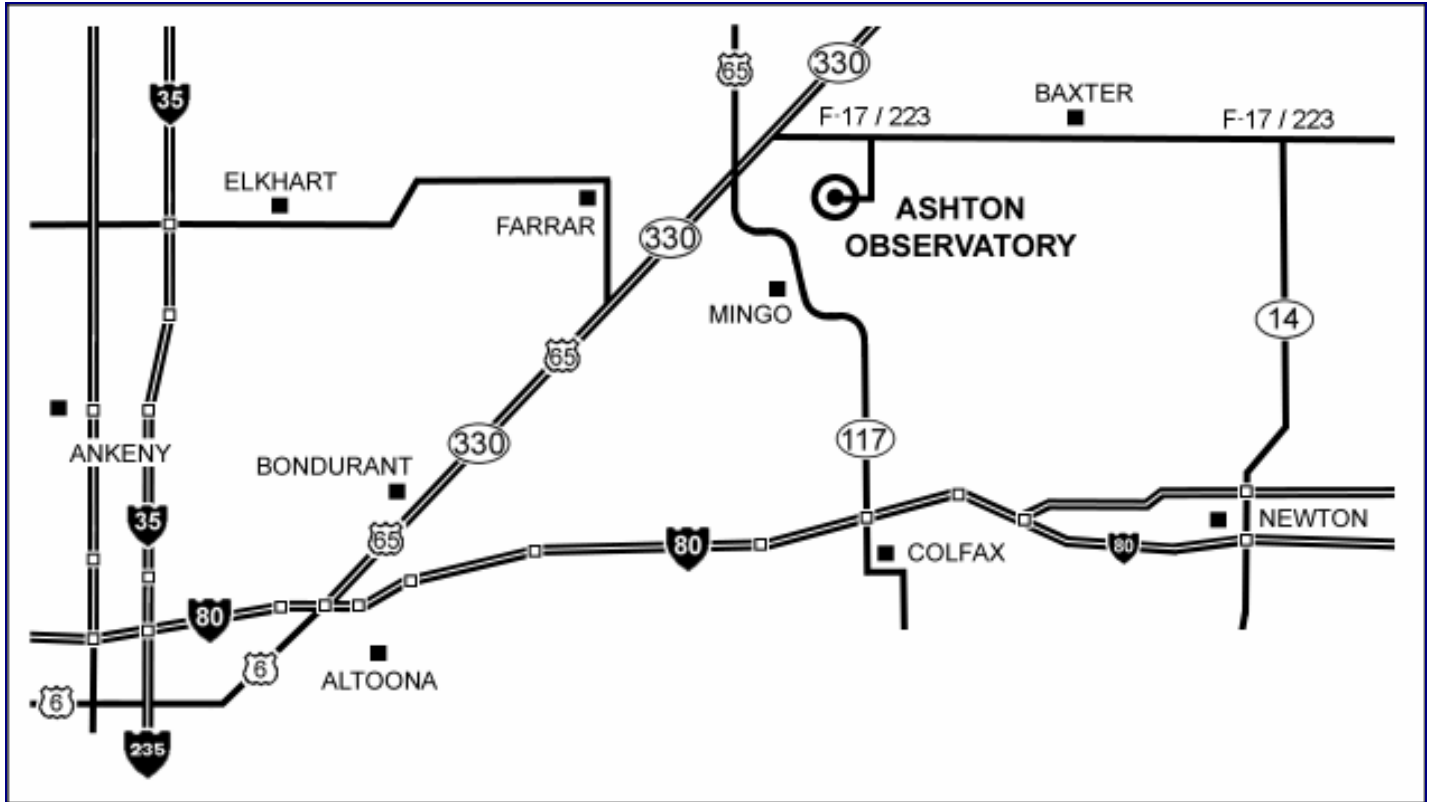


Ashton Observatory

Ashton-Wildwood Park, Jasper County
 8755 W. 122nd Street North
 Mingo, IA 50168

Operated by the
Des Moines Astronomical Society, Inc.

In a beautiful Jasper County Park just
 30 minutes from downtown Des Moines
 OPEN SATURDAYS, 8 pm, April–June, and August–October



DIRECTIONS:

From West of Altoona:

- Take I-80 east towards Altoona
- Take Hubble Ave. exit onto N. Hwy 65/330
- Turn east on County Road F-17/223
- Turn south onto West 122nd Street North
- Turn west into Ashton-Wildwood Park

From East of Altoona:

- Take I-80 west towards Newton
- Take Hwy 14 north to F-17/223
- Turn west onto County Road F-17/223
- Turn south onto West 122nd Street North
- Turn west into Ashton-Wildwood Park

OR

- Take I-80 west towards Colfax
- Take Hwy 117 north to Hwy 330
- Turn northeast onto Hwy 330 for about 1 mile
- Turn east onto County Road F-17/223
- Turn south onto West 122nd Street North
- Turn west into Ashton-Wildwood Park

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