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Join us for an afternoon of all things astronomical at Wehr Nature Center

Astronomy Day Fair is a day of telescopes, fun in the Starlab, games, and prizes!

Franklin, WI (August 10, 2012) Wehr Nature Center 9701 W. College Avenue is hosting an afternoon of astronomy fun on August 12, 2012 from noon-4:00pm. Admission for the fair will be \$2/person or \$1/Friends of Wehr, and a \$3 parking fee. Families with kids or adults with an interest in having fun with astronomy should come. It's a special program with telescopic viewing of the sun with professional solar filters (offered by the Wehr Astronomical Society members), games, food, and a visit inside the Starlab to see the Milky Way and other stars of the Wisconsin sky.

Learn how to look safely through a telescope, guided by the Wehr Astronomical Society. Go on the Solar System Walk, a walk from the Sun to Pluto (on the woodland trails at Wehr). Have your picture taken on the Moon. Let your kids put on space suits for their pictures. (\$2 per photo sent electronically and \$6 per 5x7 photo sent USPS regular delivery. View beautiful celestial images in a special exhibit and gaze at the Milky Way in the Starlab, which is an inflatable planetarium. Be sure to sign up for a Starlab session upon your arrival, space is limited. Sessions are offered every 20 minutes; with the last session at 3:10pm. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

Wehr Nature Center is all about environmental education and we believe astronomy education is a very important part. We have a strong astronomy program here which offers a variety of programs for school field trips, libraries, scouts, and in-schools. The Wehr Astronomical Society is a prime astronomy outreach of volunteers who offer free public viewing and programs in the metro Milwaukee area and beyond. Their assistance and expertise is invaluable. For more information please contact: Karen Kerans and Deb McRae at (414) 425-8550 or www.countyparks.com.

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