

# Highland Happenings

JUNE 2023

## Featured Evening Programs

**Saturday June 3 Mountain of Stars 7:30 p.m.**

Dr Doug Arion will give a presentation on the intricate and fascinating connections between life on Earth and the history and phenomena of the Universe around us with a tour through the stars.

**Friday June 9 Wilderness Speaks 7:30 p.m.**

Join Information Volunteer and poet Steve Soreff as he explores the voices and science of the Sun, Rocks, Water, Trees, and Birds and how elements are depicted in modern day.

**Saturday June 10 Thoreau 7:30 p.m.**

Tom Putnam explores the significance of Henry James Thoreau's writings as Thoreau pursued his search for a spiritual dimension in American life.

**Saturday June 24 Cosmic Poetry 7:30 p.m.**

Midge Goldberg shares her anthology *Outer Space: 100 Poems* featuring poets, astronomers, and scientists from the 12th century BCE to today, from all around the world.

## Celestial Events

**June 4: Full Moon.** Strawberry Full Moon. Native Americans recognized the time of year when the berries are ripe.

**June 4 Venus at Greatest Elongation.** Venus shines bright in the early evening. Venus is at its farthest distance from the sun.

**June 18: New Moon.** This is great time to observe faint objects such as galaxies and star clusters with no moonlight interference.

**June 21: Summer Solstice.** In the northern hemisphere this is the longest day of the year.

## Self-Guided Opportunities

AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT DESK

**Junior Naturalist Activity Books**—Designed for children between ages 5-12 to learn about exploring the backcountry and how to protect it.

**Nature of the Notch** — A self-guided tour exploring the glacial landscape and local inhabitants of Crawford Notch.

**Astronomy** — Take a walk through the winter constellations and the dark sky features of Crawford Notch with this short guide and easy instructions on how to find the big dipper and beyond.

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