Ashton Observatory Public Nights

The Des Moines Astronomical Society invites you to visit the Ashton Observatory Saturdays, 8:00 p.m., April through October.

Most Saturdays include a classroom presentation, followed by stargazing as sky conditions allow.



Meet one of our fine presenters this season:

Herbert R. Folsom



Herb Folsom has had a lifelong interest in science, the history of science, and in particular astronomy. He has taught history for DMACC, and astronomy and general science for the Johns Hopkins Summer Program For Talented Youth (CTY). He currently is an adjunct professor of astronomy at Drake University in Des Moines, and also teaches online astronomy for Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids.

Herb earned a B.S. degree from Iowa State University in 1990, and a PH.D. from ISU in 2003.