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POWELL OBSERVATORY

Louisburg, Kansas

Celebrating 27 years of looking up!

Powell Observatory was built in 1984 by club members, and is located about 25 miles south of Kansas City in Lewis Young Park, just north of Louisburg, Kansas. At this location skies are much darker than in the city. Powell Observatory has one of the largest telescopes open to the public in a five state area. The Ruisinger Telescope is a newtonian with a 30" diameter mirror. In addition to the 30", the observatory has a 16" & 12.5" telescope available for viewing. Public programs are every Saturday night, from May through October. For special public programs check our web site: www.askc.org Programs begin at dusk and include a talk on astronomy, a tour of the observatory, and (if skies are clear) viewing through various telescopes of the moon planets and stars. Reservations are not required.

2011 Public Program Schedule

May 7	Galaxies of Spring	8:00 p.m.	Aug 6	Red Planet	8:30 p.m.
May 14	Our Amazing Moon	8:00 p.m.	Aug 13	The Perseid Meteor Shower	8:30 p.m.
May 21	Telescopes and Time Machines	8:30 p.m.	Aug 20	Our Amazing Moon	8:00 p.m.
May 28	Amazing Stars & Planets	8:30 p.m.	Aug 27	Telescopes and Time Machines	8:00 p.m.
June 4	Our Dynamic Sun	8:30 p.m.	Sept 3	Amazing Stars & Planets	8:00 p.m.
June 11	"What's Up, Doc?"	8:30 p.m.	Sept 10	Our Dynamic Sun	8:00 p.m.
June 18	Red Planet	8:30 p.m.	Sept 17	"What's Up, Doc?"	7:30 p.m.
June 25	The Life and Death of Stars	8:30 p.m.	Sept 24	Red Planet	7:30 p.m.
July 2	Our Amazing Moon	8:30 p.m.	Oct 1	Sounds of Space	7:00 p.m.
July 9	Telescopes and Time Machines	8:30 p.m.	Oct 8	Our Amazing Moon	7:00 p.m.
July 16	Amazing Stars & Planets	8:30 p.m.	Oct 15	Telescopes and Time Machines	7:00 p.m.
July 23	Our Dynamic Sun	8:30 p.m.	Oct 22	Amazing Stars & Planets	7:00 p.m.
July 30	"What's Up, Doc?"	8:30 p.m.	Oct 29	Our Dynamic Sun	7:00 p.m.

Driving directions to Powell Observatory:

Powell Observatory is a 30-minute drive south of Overland Park Kansas, on Highway 69. Take Highway 69 south to the Louisburg exit (Highway 68). Turn left (east) and go to Broadway Street at the center of town (Casey's store is on the corner). Turn left (north) and go until you come to a T intersection at 271st Street. Turn left (west) and continue until you drive under Highway 69. Take the first right (north) on Jingo road. One-half mile north, Jingo road curves left (west) into Lewis Young Park. Follow the road past the tree line. The Observatory is on the left. Parking is located on the north side of the road. Please dim, or turn off, your head-lights when approaching the observatory. Let your eyes adjust to the dark. Please dress warmly, and bring a red flashlight if you have one, as this will help preserve your night vision. No white light please!

Come enjoy the wonders of the universe with us !

The ASKC is a non-profit organization. We ask for a suggested donation of \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children. Thank you!

