



The La Crosse Area Astronomical Society will host the annual Astronomy Day at the Myrick Hixon Eco Park Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Through special telescopes, view solar sunspots larger than earth and enormous jets of gas thousands of miles high erupting off the surface of the sun.

Then come back at sunset to view the craters on the moon, double stars, the planets Mars and Saturn, galaxies and star clusters as Galileo could only have dreamed of seeing.

Inside the EcoCenter, from 1:00 until 2:30 pm, experience the night sky during the day inside a Starlab portable planetarium. Up to 35 people at a time will be able to view the changing night sky, constellations, and an astronomy slide show under the simulated nighttime skies inside the dome.

Displays, videos, telescopes and demonstrations will be setup in the EcoCenter for your entertainment and education.

Astronomy Day runs from 10:00 till 3:00 and will then reconvene at dusk for night time viewing.

Outside observing events are weather dependent. However, events scheduled in the EcoCenter & Starlab planetarium will run rain or shine.