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Next Meeting: July 7 8 pm Home of David Chamness
Dessert Potluck, with observing to follow, weather permitting

July 7 NCAS Meeting Directions
Home of David Chamness
In Fort Collins, from the intersection of US 287 and North
Shields St, go North 1.2 miles to County Rd 54 then
continue North to Mesa St.  Turn East, watch for 3854
Braidwood St, on the left.  Bring dessert to share and
your own drink.  Scopes welcome if weather permits.

Starwatch at Foxpark Wyoming June 29-30
A few local astronomers may be found at Foxpark this
weekend.  Site is off Hwy 230, SW from Laramie.  Go 12
miles past Woods Landing, then N on Hwy 512.  Road
turns left at the sawmill, and watch for the second
turnoff (into the clearing) on the right, in about 0.3 miles.
Arrival in daylight is recommended, especially for your
first visit.

Carter Lake Knolls Star Parties Site is on the East side
of Carter Lake, just south of the middle dam.  Restroom
and parking are available.  All dates subject to weather.
Dates are July 28, Aug 25, Sept 29.  Call Tom Teters with
questions about the star party status, site or dates, 482-
5702, 482-0807, or Email tom@ezlink.com.

Rocky Mountain National Park Starwatching
Volunteers are invited to assist with public starwatching
at the end of the Upper Beaver Meadows road in Rocky
Mountain National Park.  Contact Dan Laszlo, 498-9226,
if you are interested.  Dates are July 7, July 21, August 4,
August 11, August 25, September 8.

Other Area Events
Solar Scopes, Denver Museum  11AM to 3PM  7/8
Open House, Chamberlain Observatory, dusk  7/8
Longmont Astronomical Society Meetings  7PM  7/20
at Longmont Christian School 550 Coffman St
Little Thompson Observatory, Berthoud  Closed July
Rocky Mountain Star Stare, Tarryall Flat  6/29-7/2
see www.rmss.org for more information
Weekend Under the Stars, Foxpark Wy  7/27-30
http://users.sisna.com/mcurran/wuts.htm

June 1 Meeting:  Ancient Astronomical Hypotheses.
Evidence for Ancient Extraterrestrials Based on
Astronomical, Mathematical, Mythological Data " by
Robert Wilkinson
His summary appears at Mr. Wilkinson's website:
currently: www.aquariuspapers.com

Best Looks
Moon  Dawn, by Saturn & Jupiter 7/26, 27
by Mercury 7/29
Mercury  In E, eves, Last third of month
Greater elongation 7/27
Venus  Low in WNW at dusk, end of month
Mars  Hidden in glare
Jupiter & Saturn  diverging, 3 to 6 degrees apart
predawn
Near Aldebaran end of month
Uranus & Neptune  In Capricornus, highest predawn
Pluto  In Ophiuchus, evenings

Comet Linear 1999 S4 in evening sky after July 20
It is expected to reach 5th magnitude around July 23, see
maps for location.

AstroAlerts from Sky & Telescope
To subscribe to rapid E mail notification of events such as
supernovae in neighboring galaxies, comets or good
chances for viewing an aurora, see

A Few Mir and ISS Passes.  Times are estimates as of late
May.  Times are MDT, Fort Collins/Loveland.  Az is
compass direction, N=0, E=90, S=180, W=270.  Elevation
above horizon, 10 degrees, about a hand-width at arm's
length.  For updates:  http://www.heavens-
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