# **Astrofiles**

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#### **Events Calendar**

We'll hold our **monthly meeting** on **Friday, June 7**, at 7:45pm, in <u>room 215 of Davis Hall, the Aerospace Engineering Building</u>. Our new moon **star party** this month will be on **Saturday, June 8**, at Cliff Hill's farm.

Jun 06, **ISS** rises in SW at 8:30PM CDT, passes overhead at 8:32.

Jun 07, Monthly meeting in room 215 of Davis Hall

Jun 08, Dark-sky **star party** at <u>Cliff Hill's farm</u>

Jun 21, Summer solstice

July 24 - 27, Astronomical League Convention in Atlanta

#### Web Links

Unless you've been in a cave for the past month you've probably already seen this, but just in case, here's a revised version of David Bowie's <a href="Space Oddity">Space Oddity</a> (Ground Control to Major Thom), recorded by Commander Chris Hadfield on board the International Space Station. <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KaOC9danxNo">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KaOC9danxNo</a>>

The bar has been raised for amateur planetary astro-imaging. Check out the **May 25, image** of <u>Saturn</u> with its polar hexagon by Christopher Go. <a href="http://saturn.cstoneind.com">http://saturn.cstoneind.com</a>

#### From Larry Owsley:

Childhood photos of famous astronomers

https://sphotos-a.xx.fbcdn.net/hphotos-prn1/923328 593684583982758 1058087471 n.jpg

Google searches — we still have our work cut out for us:

https://fbcdn-sphotos-g-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-ash4/430260 592539450763938 1250834931 n.jpg

#### Observatory altitudes:

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Now we know why Neil Armstrong was in such a hurry to get down the ladder.

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## **Member News**

**Wes Schwarz** had made some mods to his DSLR and is already producing great results. Check out Wes' image on the <u>AAS Facebook</u> page. Thanks to **Robert Fuller** managing the site and posting our events. <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/79864233515/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/79864233515/</a>

**Jim McLaughlin** has completed the observations and submitted the required documentation for the Astronomical League's Asteroid Observing Program. See the requirements for this and the other League observing programs at <a href="http://www.astroleague.org/observing.html">http://www.astroleague.org/observing.html</a>

Hope to see everyone at the meeting,

Russell