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“Gateway to the Stars” Event Premieres at the Gateway Arch

WHERE: Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, Gateway Arch Visitor Center and Arch Grounds

WHEN: Thursday, July 22, 2010

WHAT: The National Park Service, in cooperation with the St. Louis Astronomical Society, will be hosting a special stargazing-related event this summer, to be held inside the Gateway Arch Visitor Center and outside on the Gateway Arch Grounds.

8:00 p.m. - St. Louis Science Center Astronomer Eric Gustafson will give a presentation entitled “*The Useful Stars*” in the Odyssey Theater beneath the Gateway Arch, describing the role of stars in navigation and our calendars.

9:00 p.m. - Members of the St. Louis Astronomical Society will set up telescopes on the Gateway Arch grounds, weather permitting.

The Museum of Westward Expansion at the Gateway Arch Visitor Center is open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Additional information is available by calling 314-655-1700 or 7-1-1 Voice / TTY, Telecommunications Relay Services or visit www.nps.gov/jeff.

This event is free and open to the public. One more “Gateway to the Stars” events will be held this summer on August 19, 2010.

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