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LAKE ERIE NATURE & SCIENCE CENTER TAKES THE STARS TO NASA GLENN *Schuele Planetarium Portable StarLab Featured At the Largest Space Science Event in the Region*

Bay Village, Ohio --- The Walter R. Schuele Planetarium staff will take their family-friendly brand of star shows off-site on May 2 for the sixth annual "Star Gazing Event," hosted by NASA Glenn Research Center. The free event celebrates National Astronomy Day with hourly space science presentations, Lake Erie Nature & Science Center's StarLab shows and crafts, as well as solar and evening telescopes provided by the Cuyahoga Astronomical Association (CAA).

Planetarium Director Jay Reynolds says, "This is the largest space science event in our region and we're always proud to collaborate with NASA and the CAA to help make it a special day." Visitors to Lake Erie Nature & Science Center should note that *there will be no programming in Schuele Planetarium on May 2.*

On the remaining Saturdays in May, *Monthly Skyquest* programs in the Schuele Planetarium will focus on "**The Big Dipper in the Sky and in Many Cultures.**" Most people can find the Big Dipper, but in other cultures this cluster of bright stars goes by many different names. Skyquest audiences will find out how people all over the world connect themselves to these stars. You can catch a *Monthly Skyquest* program on Saturday, May 9, 16, 23, 30 at 2 p.m. and on May 16 at 7 p.m. Telescopes will be out for free viewing after the 7 p.m. show, weather permitting.

Also in the Schuele Planetarium in May:

- **Twinkle Tots** is a popular program that includes the toddler in your family. Watch lights dance across the sky and learn what's new in space. This program, on Thursdays & Saturdays at 11 a.m., is \$1 per person, including infants.
- **Stellar Stars** - Grab your passports and tour our solar system! This program is great for children 2 years and up and takes place Wednesdays at 11 a.m. & Saturdays at Noon. Tickets are \$2 per child.
- **Backyard Astronomy** delights family audiences of all ages on Saturdays at 1 p.m. Explore the spring night sky as it appears from your very own backyard! Admission is \$2 per person.

Planetarium tickets are available at the front desk 30 minutes before the program begins on a first-come, first-served basis. Doors close promptly at the start of the show. With the exception of Twinkle Tots and Stellar Stars, programs may not be appropriate for very young children who are unable to sit through a 30-minute presentation. Lake Erie Nature & Science Center is located at 28728 Wolf Road in Bay Village. For more information, visit the Center's website at www.lensc.org or call (440) 871-2900.