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Touchmark hosts astronomy lectures
Bob Grossfeld, distinguished member of NASA and principal instructor of astronomy at Central Oregon Community College, to present a four-part series.

BEND, Ore. — Touchmark at Mount Bachelor Village will be hosting a four-part astronomy series starting Feb. 17 at the retirement community, located at 19800 SW Touchmark Way, Bend. Bob Grossfeld, principal instructor of astronomy at COCC, will be presenting. All are welcome to attend, and there is no charge. Because seating is limited, call Mattie Swanson, retirement counselor and department manager, at 541-383-1414 to RSVP. Schedule details are:

Feb. 17 at 2 p.m., “Saturn and the Cassini Mission”

March 16 at 2 p.m., “Pluto and New Horizons”

April 20 at 2 p.m., “Jupiter, King of the Planets”

May 18 at 2 p.m., “Solar System Overview”

Grossfeld first came to Central Oregon and became a volunteer at the Oregon Observatory at Sunriver in 1990 after receiving his Bachelor of Arts from the University of California at Santa Cruz. In 1998, he became the Observatory manager and since then has advanced the teaching of astronomy and outreach of the observatory throughout the greater Northwest. He is a distinguished member of NASA/JPL Solar Ambassador program and for nearly 20 years has benefited from the advanced programs offered by the organization. Since 2007, he has also been the principal instructor of astronomy at COCC.

About Touchmark

Located along the Deschutes River, Touchmark at Mt. Bachelor Village is an award-winning retirement community offering a range of homes and lifestyles. For more information, visit www.Touchmark.com.

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