



The Francestown Library has an Orion StarBlast 4.5" telescope available for circulation. The telescope was donated by Oceanside Photo & Telescope, a California based company, in conjunction with the New Hampshire Astronomical Society's Library Telescope Program. NHAS, a state chartered non-profit organization, instituted the program in 2005. It was their hope that by placing the telescopes in libraries across the state, it would give people the opportunity to learn about and enjoy astronomy. The program has been very successful and as word has spread among the libraries, NHAS has been overwhelmed with requests. We are honored to have been one of the few libraries chosen in 2012 as a recipient.

Borrowing of the telescope is restricted to adult (over 18) Francestown Library cardholders in good standing (no overdue/lost books).

The telescope is loaned out for one week at a time. We anticipate requests to be high throughout the spring and summer months. To be added to the waiting list, please contact Mary Farrell at 547-2730 or kidlit52@gmail.com.