INTERNATIONAL OBSERVE THE MOON NIGHT **OCTOBER 21, 2023**

This Monthly Challenge is going to be a little different.

International Observe the Moon Night occurs annually in September or October, when the moon is around the first quarter. The first quarter moon is great for late afternoon and evening observing. NASA is sponsoring the International Observe the Moon Night on Saturday, October 21, 2023, and Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest, whether individually or as a troop, are going to participate in October's Monthly Challenge!

If you wish to complete this challenge, all you need to do is observe the moon on October 21, 2023, and complete your moon report within 24 hours. But I "challenge" you to do more than that! Join a moon observation party or host one of your own. Do some of the NASA moon activities, explore the NASA interactive moon map, or register your participation with NASA and download a personalized certificate from NASA.

There are tons of resources on NASA's webpage in reference to the International Observe the Moon Night:

- Find an event https://moon.nasa.gov/observe-the-moon-night/participate/ find-an-event/
- Do a moon activity https://moon.nasa.gov/observe-the-moon-night/ resources/activities/
- Capture a photo of the moon https://moon.nasa.gov/moon-observation/ photography-guide/
- Explore the interactive moon map https://moon.nasa.gov/inside-and-out/ composition/overview/

Remember, to complete the Monthly Challenge on Saturday, October 21, 2023. Complete your moon report by Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 11:45 PM MT.

Deadline to submit your Moon Report: Sunday, October 22, 2023 @ 11:45 PM MDT Submit report at: https://bit.ly/Moon_Oct2023 You will receive your patch in 3 - 4 weeks after the end of challenge. If you have any questions, please email info@gsdsw.org.