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How Moonlight Made Me Skinny

Man Immersed in Moonlight Gains Inspiration to Change Life

Tucson, AZ (4/13/07) – While standing beneath the world's first ever moonlight collector, looking straight into the light of the moon with eyes wide open, the body absorbs the moon's beams and one experiences a feeling unlike any ever felt before. Only time will tell whether the moonlight has true healing properties, but people from all over the world haven't been able to resist discovering the benefits of moonlight for themselves.

One such person is a Tucson firefighter who credits the intense moonlight with giving him the motivation to lose 90 pounds. His anecdotal testimony states that after being exposed to the moonlight, something inside of him changed. He says he is now more energetic, at ease, and credits the moon with giving him a stronger libido. He is certain that something in the moonlight triggered him to have a new purpose in life: to be fit and healthy.

Since his initial exposure to the moon he has lost 90 pounds. "I felt bad all day before the first night I ever went under the moonlight collector. After being under the light, I felt like I was 19 again. I went home and ran eight miles," he said. He has since competed in the El Tour de Tucson, Lake Havasu Triathlon, and multiple 5K and 10K runs after his moonlight exposure. Currently, he is training for Ironman Arizona in Tempe and will compete in the event on April 15. It consists of a 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike ride, and a marathon, all of which need to be completed in 17 hours. He is proud and very excited to be participating.

The first time he went under the moonlight was the first time it was ever open to the public and he has visited the moonlight collector every month since. Although many of his friends give him a friendly hard time about it, the man calls it his secret weapon and encourages people to experience the powerful effects of moonlight.

This and other experiences under the moonlight collector continue to help garner media attention locally, nationally, and internationally, with the most recent interest stemming from the *Discovery Channel*. They anticipate featuring an entire segment on the moonlight collector in the near future. In addition, *Popular Science* published an article about the moonlight collector in their March issue. Both *Discovery Channel* and *Popular Science,* along with many other top journalists, find the research and collector both intriguing and physically impressive in size, as the $2 million light collector, created by Richard Chapin, stands 52 feet high and spans 62 feet wide. The 25-ton unit rotates a full 360° and can be aligned with the moon within 1/10,000 of an inch of accuracy. The collector's 84 mirrors move as a single unit that can rotate 360 degrees.

By adjusting each mirror individually, the reflected moonbeams can be focused onto an area as big as a pickup truck or as small as a person's head.

What began as a heroic endeavor by Chapin to investigate the possibilities of intense moonlight as a healing method, inspired by a terminally ill friend, has since grown into a worldwide phenomenon. The magnificent moonlight-spectrum collection instrument was built by inventor Richard Chapin and his team at Interstellar Light Applications (www.starlightuses.com). Currently, the Interstellar Light Collector has a dual purpose: to conduct research on plants with Dr. Corinne Davies, a Ph.D. in Genetics/Plant Breeding and to help heal or alleviate individuals' health problems. Exciting research has begun already on the site.

The Interstellar Light Collector is located on unoccupied desert land 15 miles west of Tucson and 22 miles east of the Kitt Peak National Observatory. The location was specially selected to allow for maximum observation availability and light intensity. To learn more about the collector and ongoing studies of concentrated moonlight, visit ILA's website at **www.starlightuses.com.**

Interviews are available with Richard and Monica Chapin, Dr. Corinne Davies, and those experiencing the effects of the moonlight collector – real people with real stories.

Private Viewings can be arranged for the convenience of the media and others during the next full moon:

Sunday, April 29th @ 8:15 pm.