

Polar Wanderings

SOUTHWEST HARBOR – Geologist and photographer, Gary Moore, will give an illustrated travel presentation to Iceland, Greenland, and Spitsbergen at the Southwest Harbor Public Library, Saturday afternoon, October 14, 1:30. All are invited to come explore these rugged polar regions.

In this presentation we will travel from Iceland in the winter to Greenland and Spitsbergen (part of the Svalbard archipelago) in their polar summers. It will include images of snow covered mountains, glaciers, icebergs, ice caves, and the Northern Lights as well as images of Icelandic horses, and the wildlife of Northeastern Greenland and the Svalbard Archipelago. From the Arctic we will go south to the Antarctic region with images from the Falkland Islands, South Georgia, and the Antarctic Peninsula. The scenery there is breathtaking and the abundance of wildlife is incredible - penguins, plus seabirds, seals and whales. The photos will be accompanied by short anecdotes and some useful photo tips.

Moore lives in Tennessee, near family, but has visited Southwest Harbor several times a year for the last 29 years. He is a retired mineral exploration geologist, basically a prospector, who, during a 30-year career worked all over the US, Canada, Mexico, South Africa, and Australia. In his retirement years he became more interested in traveling to places with less tourists. His interests lie in the peace and tranquility of the wilderness. He feels he has found it in the unspoiled polar regions; some refer this to “Polar Fever.” He is inspired by the rugged, awesome beauty of these regions and has a passion for photographing the mountains, the ice and the abundant wildlife. He has only photographed a small sampling of the polar regions, parts of Iceland, Greenland, and Spitsbergen in the north and South Georgia and the Antarctic Peninsula in the south, but this is enough to keep him coming back for more.