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Why should she apologize  
for needing the midnight blue

of moon, stars, and planets  
she wanted to learn?

Her high school's planetarium  
made her forget it was daylight.

Night's dreams and planetary guidance  
seemed to be possible.

The cold clear nights now call  
her to look up, identify

some long ago learned pattern,  
a bit foggy through

the thickness of time  
and so many branches.