

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FOOD: We will not have a food vendor this year. Gladwin is not far from River Valley and offers many food options. On Saturday between 12 noon & 5:00 pm a local youth group will be on the hill to providing a meal for donation. This meal will include polish & hot dogs, chilly dogs, nachos, and root beer floats.

STAR PARTY HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, September 6th: 5:00 pm Registration begins and will be open until 10:00 pm.

The observing hill WILL NOT open before this time! Your cooperation and understanding are appreciated! For stargazers who would like to arrive before Thursday or stay after Sunday, camping in RV Park is available at campground rates. Contact RV Park to make reservations.

Friday, September 7th: Registration open from 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

6:15 – 6:30 Opening Comments, **Kevin Dehne**

6:30 – 8:30 Astronomy Presentations:

- **Joe Bruessow**, “Electronic Assisted Astronomy”.
- **Br. Guy Consolmagno** of the **Vatican Observatory**, “Discarded Worlds: Astronomical Ideas that were Almost Correct...!”

9:00 - ??? Observing on the hill. Welcome Tent will be open all night with hot drinks!

Saturday, September 8th: Registration open from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

10:00 – 11:00 Kids Fishing Contest: Held at the pond in the main campground. Ages 13 and under bring your own fishing pole, hook, and bobber. Worms will be provided. Prizes for the first fish, biggest fish, & most fish caught.

11:30 – 12:00 Rocket Launches: Norb Vance & Kevin Dehne... Look Out!

12-00 – 1:00 Lunch Break

1:00 – 3:00 Swap Meet: Main tent. Bring astronomy equipment to sell & cash to pay!

5-00 – 6:00 Dinner Break

6:00 – 8:00 Astronomy Presentations:

- **Bob Trembley**, NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador, “Demonstrate Space Simulation Software”.
- **Br. Guy Consolmagno**, “Adventures of a Vatican Astronomer”.

8:00 – 8:30 Door Prize Drawings:

- Must be present to win.
- Closing Comments.

9:30 - 10:00 “Tour of the Night Sky”

Norb Vance, EMU.


(Green laser will be used during this time only.)

9:00 - ??? Observing on the hill:

- Welcome Tent open all night with hot drinks.

Sunday, September 9th:

- Departure by 1:00 pm unless you would like to stay and help clean up.
- If planning to stay for more nights please make arrangements with the RV Park.



Observing Hill closes to car traffic at 10:00 p.m. each night!