



The Michiana Astronomical Society Presents:

The Tenth Annual

Michiana Star Party

At Dr. T. K. Lawless Park near Vandalia, MI

May 18-20, 2018



P.O. Box 262
South Bend, IN 46624

Observing opportunities
Special speakers
Dark sky
Constellation guided tours
Vendors
Interaction with astronomy enthusiasts
Many types of telescopes
Camping, hiking trails, outdoor activities



PROGRAM

FRIDAY

- * Camp set-up after 3:00 p.m.
- * Observing
- * Green laser constellation hunts
- * Informal talks

Eating and Sleeping

- * Community fireplace and grill
- * Microwave oven available
- * Camp sites available for tents, campers, and RV's
- * Public restrooms and running water available in Pavilion
- * Motels/hotels in nearby communities



SATURDAY

- * Vendors and swaps
- * Solar observing
- * Hiking, biking, free time
- * Organized activities for kids of all ages
- * 11:00 Speaker
- * 12:00 **Lunch** break
- * 1:00 p.m. Speaker
- * 2:30 p.m. Speaker
- * 4:00 p.m. Group photo
- * Dinner break
- * Observing



Park Opportunities

- * Wildlife observations
- * Hiking trails
- * Biking trails
- * Open fields for games, Frisbee

SEE:

www.Michiana-Astro.org for more information about Michiana Astronomical Society.

www.casscountymi.org/CountyParks/DrTKLawlessPark.aspx for more park information.



Michiana Star Party 2018

Pre-registration Form

May 18 - 20, 2018

Please pre-register by **May 11**. Copy this form as needed.

Name: _____

Others in your party: please include names, and ages if under 18.

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ **Phone:** _____

Member of Astronomy group – name: _____

<u>Pre-registration</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adult (non-MAS member)	\$25	_____	_____
MAS current member	\$15	_____	_____
Under 18	Free	_____	Free

Admission at the gate: Adult -- \$30, Under 18 -- \$10.

Official 2018 Michiana Star Party T-shirt (May 1 deadline -- we may not have your size on site)

Small	\$18	_____	_____
Medium	\$18	_____	_____
Large	\$18	_____	_____
XL	\$18	_____	_____
XXL	\$23	_____	_____
XXXL or larger	\$23	_____	_____

MAS Membership for One Year (optional)

Associate & Family	\$20	_____	_____
Senior & Student	\$15	_____	_____

Grand Total: _____

Make check payable to Michiana Astronomical Society

Your check is your receipt.
No confirmation will be mailed.
No refunds.
Pre-registration closes May 12.

Send pre-registration and check to:

Ruth Craft
5176 Fredricksburg Ct.
South Bend, IN 46614
(e-mail: ruth.craft1@gmail.com)

Star Party Camping Guidelines

- * Arrive after 3:00 p.m. Friday, set up before dusk
- * Star party ends at 11:00 a.m. Sunday
- * Parking in designated parking area
- * No car movement on the field after dark
- * Bring battery power for motorized mounts
- * Red flashlights only!
- * Minors must be accompanied by an adult
- * Dogs on leashes are allowed
- * Vendors and swap tables welcome!
- * Acoustical music instruments welcome!
- * Inappropriate behavior will result in eviction
- * Dress warmly
- * Smoking permitted beyond telescope areas, downwind
- * You are responsible for the security of your own belongings.