**2024 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**STAR PARTY HIGHLIGHTS**

**Thursday, October 3rd:** Registration begins at 5:00 pm and is open until 9:30 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, October 4th:** Registration open from 12:00 pm to 9:30 pm.

**6:30 pm Talk – Norb Vance: “**Mysteries of the Southern Skies Part 1”. Video and talk from Cerro Tololo Observatory. We will have a large tent with some chairs available.

**9:30 pm - ??? Observing on the hill.** Welcome Tent will be open all night with hot drinks and snacks!

**Saturday, October 5th:** Registration open from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.

**10:00 – 11:00 am Kids Fishing Contest – Jeff Gregory:** 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 biggest fish, most fish caught and first catch.

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm Kite Flying – Austin King:** We will have some kites to use, feel free to bring your own, weather permitting. Held in the field at the top of the hill.

**12:00 pm Rocket Launches: Norb Vance** & **Kevin Dehne…** Look Out! Weather permitting, may be pushed back. Held in the field at the top of the hill.

**1:00 – 4:30 pm Swap Meet:** We will be in the pole barn with some chairs available. As well as some tables available.

**4:30 – 5:30 pm Dinner Break**

**5:30 pm Talk –Norb Vance: “**Mysteries of the Southern Skies” Discussing images and skies from Cerro Tololo that the Northern Hemisphere is missing. We will be in the pole barn with some chairs available.

**6:20 pm Door Prize/Raffle Drawings:**

**Observing**

**Hill closes to car traffic at 9:30 p.m.**

**each night!**

* Must be present to win.
* We will be in the pole barn up on the hill. Some chairs will be provided.
* Closing Comments.

**9:30 pm** **“Tour of the Night Sky”**

**Norb Vance,** Eastern Michigan University & **Kevin Dehne**, Delta College

(Green laser will be used during this time only. Maybe be moved to Friday based on weather)

**9:30 pm - ??? Observing on the hill:**

* Welcome Tent open all night with hot drinks and snacks.

**Sunday, October 6th:**

* Departure by 1:00 pm unless you would like to stay and help clean up.