

# Peach State Star Gaze

## Atlanta Astronomy Club, Inc.

### September 25 - October 02, 2011

The Atlanta Astronomy Club presents the 16th Annual Peach State Star Gaze  
The PSSG is being held at the Deerlick Astronomy Village.

\* Deerlick Astronomy Village

Coordinates

33.561420, -82.763140

+N33° 33' 41.11", -W82° 45' 47.30"

Elevation

550 - 600ft

\* Dark Sky Location

\* MAG 6.5+ Skies

#### Facilities

- \* Large open field, 10+ acres, for tents, RV's or Campers.
- \* Coffee, refreshments and meals available onsite by Micki's Kitchen.
- \* Restroom / Shower Facilities
- \* Limited power available for scopes along the fence line.
- \* A 40' x 40' pavilion. This includes a Gas BBQ available for use.
- \* RV 50 AMP and 30 AMP connections are available for a small additional charge. (See registration forms.)

Speakers Vendors Workshops Door Prizes Peach Fuzzies Swap Tables

This years event will open at Noon on Sunday September 28th and continue through to noon Sunday October 5th. Come for all days and nights or come for just one. Meet other professional and amateur astronomers.

### Peach State Star Gaze Registration

Each person attending the PSSG must be registered. A registration fee of \$50.00 (individual rate) or \$75.00 (family rate) is charged to cover the expenses of the PSSG. You are urged to take advantage of advanced registration by on the website or by mail before September 17, 2011. Please complete and return the attached registration form, with payment, to the address indicated.

After September 17, 2011 and at the gate, the registration fee will be \$75.00 (individual rate) or \$100.00 (family rate) and \$25.00 per dependant child (age 17 - 21).

Registration confirmations will be emailed (if your email address is included on the registration form) to you. Payment must be received prior to September 17, 2011.

Registration confirmations will be mailed at special request.

After September 17, 2011, registration can only be made at the event. Registration payment at the event can be cash or check only. After September 17th, we cannot accept tee-shirt orders or guarantee space.

### Site Registration

This is a camping event, so bring your tent or trailer. Grier Field is a large open field at the Deerlick Astronomy Village. Restroom and shower facilities are available, supplemented by Porta-John's.

Please complete the Camping Fee section of the registration form and enclose payment. If you are not camping, but staying

elsewhere, please complete only the Entrance Fee section of the registration form, as well as the PSSG Registration Fee section.

## Internet Registration / Confirmation

Our website and registration system have been upgraded to enable you to register over the Internet. Complete details and an online registration form are available on our website at <http://www.AtlantaAstronomy.Org/PSSG>. If you include your email address on the registration form you will receive electronic confirmation.

## Credit Cards and Online Payment

We accept payment via PayPal.

## Privacy Policy

The Atlanta Astronomy Club and The Peach State Star Gaze Committee do not share your information outside of the business of running the star party. Please be assured that all information about you and your family is kept strictly confidential and is collected, used and only disclosed, where necessary, to facilitate your participation in PSSG.

## Refund Policy

Cancellations will be refunded in full if written notification is received by September 17, 2011.

Refunds, for those canceling before September 17, 2011 will be processed after November 1st.

After September 17th there are NO REFUNDS. Cancellations cannot be accepted after September 17th.

T-Shirts are not refundable after September 17th. and will be mailed.

No refunds will be issued for late arrivals or premature departure.

The PSSG is an all weather event. The event will not be rescheduled or canceled due to weather.

## What's Nearby

The nearby towns of Washington and Thompson offer alternate lodging as well as restaurants and fast-food outlets. For more information, please check the website.

## Guidelines:

The purpose of the PSSG is to provide Astronomers with a star party for observing, socializing and learning. All are welcome, regardless of your experience. Please observe the following courtesies in order that the event will be an enjoyable experience for all who attend. The PSSG Committee is the final authority.

**Gate:** The road through the camping area will be closed at 7:30pm (near Sunset) and open at 9:00am. Driving on or near the observing field, after sundown, is not allowed unless there is an emergency (See Emergency below.). If you arrive after dark or plan to leave before sunrise, you must park in the designated area with your headlights pointed away from the field.

**Lighting:** Observing is more enjoyable when your eyes are dark adapted. White light and bright light can destroy a person's dark adaptation in an instant. There will be no white light after dark on site. Please bring and use red flashlights. Please use the dimmest amount of light possible.

**Generators:** Generators intrude on your neighbor's peace and enjoyment of the natural outdoors. We expect that people, who use generators, to limit their usage as much as possible. Noisy generators, as determined by the PSSG Committee and a sound meter, will be shut down. People with generators, will be directed to camp in a designated area. You might consider using sound baffling.

**Pets:** We love pets but WOULD PREFER YOU LEFT THEM AT HOME. If you feel compelled to bring your pet, they must be properly restrained at all times. You are responsible for your pet and must clean up after them. If your pet is messy or noisy, you will be asked to leave. You are responsible to ensure your pet does not disturb others.

**DAV Land Owners:** The area south of Grier field is a private area of land and home owners. If you wish to visit or tour the DAV land owners' area, please contact a homeowner/landowner for an invitation. The Deerlick Group will also be providing tours and providing information.

### Additional Information:

Up-to-date information will be available on the website at <http://AtlantaAstronomy.Org/PSSG>. We operate a yahoo group specifically for the PSSG at [PSSG-Discussion@yahoogroups.com](mailto:PSSG-Discussion@yahoogroups.com). Members of the PSSG committee can be contacted from the website or by sending an email to [PSSG@AtlantaAstronomy.Org](mailto:PSSG@AtlantaAstronomy.Org). If all else fails, call 678-733-0223 and leave a message.