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Weeks Bay Foundation announcing “star gazing” parties

FAIRHOPE, AL - Each year, numerous meteor showers pass through our night skies. Often, our neighborhoods are too well lit to see most of these “shooting stars” streaking across the sky. With billboards, businesses, and other light pollution, it can be difficult to make out the faint trails of these meteors. To fully enjoy these celestial showstoppers, you need a wide-open setting, few lights, and a clear sky.

With the purchase of the Alta Fish River property, the Weeks Bay Foundation can offer the first two parts of that equation. This beautiful tract, located off of County Road 33, has nearly 60 acres of pristine habitat and not a light in sight! In addition, there is a large open area surrounding one of the ponds on the property. This is the perfect location for laying out a blanket or sleeping bag and staring at the heavens.

So, the Foundation is getting ready to do just that! Over the course of the year, we will offer several opportunities to come out and watch the most active meteor showers of 2019 at our exclusive Star Parties.

July 28 – Delta Aquariids

August 12 or 13 – Perseids

October 21 or 22 – Orionids

December 13 or 14 – Geminids

The actual dates of the August, October and December Star Parties to be determined. The Star Parties will be held from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. and are free for current Weeks Bay Foundation members. There is a \$20 fee for non-members. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, snacks, and nonalcoholic drinks. The event is not suitable for pets and there is moderate walking from the parking area to the viewing site.