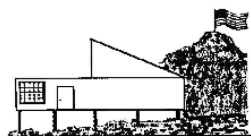


**20th Annual Fremont Peak Star-B-Que
Potluck Picnic & Super Star Party on Saturday, August 11, 2007
At Fremont Peak State Park**

*This is a GREAT way to meet amateur
of astronomy.*



astronomers and enjoy the fun side

COSPONSORS:

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COST: Fremont Peak State Park charges a per-car Day Use Fee. Self-serve pay envelopes are provided in the main parking area. Please use them.

RSVP: If you plan to attend, **PLEASE call the FPOA hotline (831) 623-2465 or e-mail info@fpoa.net by Tuesday, August 7**, and leave your name and number of guests. We want to be sure that we have enough hamburgers! Anyone interested in astronomy or Fremont Peak State Park is welcome. You do not have to be a member of a club to attend.

RAFFLE: Lots of prizes and lots of fun.

POTLUCK: Begins at 5:00 p.m. in the area below the observatory. Please bring a side dish, dessert, salad or your favorite dish to share. We will provide hamburgers and fixings, soft drinks and utensils.

GASTRONOMICAL CONTEST: Enter the astronomical-gastronomical contest! Bring a dish having an astronomical theme and maybe you will win a fabulous (?) prize. Entries will be judged based on culinary ingenuity, looks and astronomical relevance! Please enter by 5:30 p.m., by placing your dish—suitably labeled—on the food table. Entries arriving late may be consumed without judging!



TRIVIA CONTEST: The traditional Astronomical Trivia Contest will be held after we eat. And there will be other fabulous (?) prizes for the winners.

PROGRAM: Our guest speaker, Dr. Raja (Puragra) Guha Thakurta, UCO/Lick Obs, will present "Journey Back to the Big Bang", an illustrated journey through the Universe, which uses some of the latest astronomical images and most realistic and current computer animations to review key concepts and observational findings in modern cosmology.

GETTING THERE: Take US 101 to State Route 156, which is about 10 miles south of Gilroy and 18 miles north of Salinas. Go east on SR156 about 3 miles to the traffic signal. Turn right and **watch carefully** for the **Fremont Peak State Park** signs. After going 0.3 miles you will jog left then immediately right. **Important!** You should see a county road "G1" sign and a "Not A Through Road" sign. You should see another Fremont Peak State Park sign. Then it is 11 miles to the park. Check www.fpoa.net for more detailed directions.

SEE THE WONDERS OF THE SKY! After dark you can look through the 30-inch Challenger Telescope and see stars and stuff in the sky as you have never seen them before ... especially if the sky is clear. As a special treat this year, we've arranged for the Perseid meteor shower to peak later that night, with no interference from the moon.