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SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Among the astronomers who have convened at Amherst, Mass., to discuss the results of the extraordinary Orbiting Astronomical Observatory space shot was Dr. A. D. Code, head of the Astronomy Dept. at UW-Madison. Dr. Code will lift off our new society year with an interesting talk on the data poured forth from this remarkable satellite.

Plan to hear him

Friday, <u>Sept. 24</u>, 1971, 8 p.m. Physics & Eng. Bldg. Room 137

Corner of E. Kenwood Blvd. & N. Cramer Ave. Note that for this month only the meeting will be on the fourth Friday instead of our usual third Friday.

OUR SYMPATHY

The Milwaukee Astronomical Society extends its sympathy to the family of Mr. Cornelius Prinslow who passed away at the age of 69.

Mr. Prinslow joined the Society in 1934 and was a past president. He was also a Charter Member of the Amateur Radio Club of Milwaukee.

OPEN HOUSE REPORT

The 1971 Open House Program at the Observatory was an outstanding success thanks to Chairman Virgil Tangney and his many assistants, beautiful evenings, our excellent film <u>Universe</u>, and a vast, enthused, orderly throng of visitors. Not only did this event boost the MAS image in the public eye, but also our membership roster!

DO YOU KNOW YOUR DUES ARE DUE?

Your Society new year begins Sept. 1 of each year. Mr. Al Brouillette will gladly work overtime to accept your cash, checks, or money orders. Please remit to his address at 3238 N. Shepard Av., Milwaukee, 53211 (332-6623).

NOTE TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

After you have received your questionnaire from Treasurer Al Brouillette, you must return it in person at a General Meeting. Your name will not appear in the MAS Membership List nor will you be considered an official member until the Board of Directors approves your questionnaire.

VOTING PRIVILEGE

Members of the Board convening in July ruled that any active member paying full dues is eligible to vote at our General Meetings on any resolution, or for Board of Director Candidates. MESSIER CLUB TO FORM

Treasurer Al Brouillette will conduct a Messier Object Club for anyone interested in an astronomical program. The meetings will be held the first and fourth Mondays from 7 to 11 p.m. September through December, and resuming April through June. Don't call, just come on out to the observatory.

PLANNING COMMITTEE FORMED

In order to give the Society more purpose, goals, social programs, guidance, and to offer some solutions to the pesky maintenance problem, President William Collins, at the August Board Meeting, proposed the formation of a Longrange Planning Committee, consisting of five members and chaired by Harvey Lindemann.

The current urgency is repair and maintenance of our buildings and equipment. This task force has dwindled down to very few people, and Director Ed Halbach has thrown up his hands in despair at an apparently hopeless situation. He has been doing most of the work almost single-handed.

The current plan is to assign certain tasks to the keyholders in addition to officiating on JOMAS nights. Where possible, they may choose their jobs in line with their talents, and may recruit helpers.

This has been a difficult message, but your officers and board want to keep the MAS among the small number of top clubsa position it has enjoyed for many years.

BOARD MEETING

Board Members and their wives will meet Friday, 17 September, 7:30 p.m., at the Guest House of the Lady of the Lake Convent in Mequon.

JOMAS

	Keyholders			in charge						
11	Sent.		N.	Duecker	871-2657	2	Oct.	-	E.Halbach	541-1181
					1-534-3967	9	Oct.	-	G.Hall	786-8579
					547-5435	16	Oct.		R.James	421-2162

JOMAS Leaders: Call keyholder the Friday before the observing night. Reserve the date even if usage is not certain - cancel Saturday if necessary. JOMAS Members: Call Pres. Peter Carian (543-0594), or Vice Pres. Mike Banach (383-5298) for information.

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