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NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Though the thin, gaseous, blanket that surrounds the Earth is quite useful to us, it can, nevertheless, give astronomers no end of exasperation with its clouds, light scatter, poor seeing, and, less obvious visually, its ability to filter out certain electromagnetic wave lengths.

The OAOs (orbiting astronomical observatories) have been designed especially to orbit and observe outside our atmosphere and these superb instruments will be the subject of a talk OBSERVING PLANETS FROM AN ORBITING OBSERVATORY to be given by Dr. Savage of the UW-Madison.

WHEN: Friday, 17 Nov. 1972, 8 p.m.
WHERE: UWM Physics & Engrg. Bldg., Room 137
Corner of E. Kenwood & N. Cramer

MAS LIBRARY TO REOPEN

Mr. George Ceolla has volunteered to update the Observatory library and catalog the books and reference material after giving the bookcase a fresh coat of varnish.

When this task is completed, members may borrow books merely by signing them out and returning them as soon as possible. Contributions of recent or current books or periodicals on

astronomically related subjects are welcome.

If you have any MAS library books, please return them.

PAID UP MEMBERS, PLEASE NOTE

If you've recently paid your dues and have not received a membership card, write Treas. Al. Brouillette at P. O. Box 6001 (no phone).

MESSIER CLUB TO RECONVENE

Treasurer Al Brouillette will resume the Messier Club next month. This is a great opportunity, especially for our new or younger members, to learn to use our equipment and, of course, to hunt for Messier objects.

The Observatory will be open Monday, Dec. 4 and 11, from 7:30 to 11 p.m. The address is 11850 W. Observatory Road, New Berlin.

WANT ADS

WANTED: A 6" reflecting telescope. Please call Jeff Schultz,

536 Elm Av., South Milw. 53172. Phone 762-1071
FOR SALE: 8" reflecting telescope with features. Spiral paper tube, equitorial mount, 10x42 mm finder. Please call Kurt Miller 425-7913.

MIRROR BLANKS

Mirror blanks may be ordered in the name of the Society at a 30% discount from The Corning works. Call Pres. Wm. Collins at 464-9420 for details.

A WORD TO OBSERVATORY USERS

This note is not meant to frighten anyone, but members using the Observatory, especially at night or when working alone, might feel a bit more secure by locking the parking lot chain gate and building doors. Frequent police patrolling has kept unwelcome visitors to a bare minimum, and should they give trouble, the New Berlin Police and Fire numbers can be found near both phones.

Members visiting the facilities on "private" nights must be prepared to show their membership cards and sign the register.

Mr. William Albrecht and his group are presently setting fence posts for a security fence.

BOARD MEETING

The Board will meet Fri., Nov. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Thomas Renner, 2515 S. Calhoun Rd., Apt. 210, New Berlin. Wives are also invited.

JUNIOR NIGHT

Keyholders in charge 2 Dec. - J. Asztalos 547-3400 261-6443 11 Nov. - Dr. G. Wagner 242-0906 9 Dec. - A. Brouillette 18 Nov. - R. Zit 464-5085 16 Dec. - G. Ceolla 786-9689 25 Nov. - W. Albrecht

All Juniors (members under 16) are welcome to use the Observatory facilities for any worthwhile program or project on the above Saturday nights. The facilities are restricted to the young members and their parents-no non-member outsiders, please! Call the keyholder the Friday before the observing night-cancel Saturday if necessary. The keyholder will not come out unless called:

Incidentally, Mr. John Davis, who substituted for Dr. Bohuski at the Oct. Meeting, and delivered the talk on galaxy types, was once an MAS Junior!

- : HAVE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING: : -

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