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SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

Mention of astronomical photography often connotes expensive equipment, exotic films, or elaborate processes. This is not necessarily true as Mr. Harvey Lindemann will prove in his discourse entitled "Exhibit of Basic Sky Photography without a Telescope."

Although his talk will be directed especially to new and younger MAS members, older and more experienced members will also benefit.

Mr. Lindemann will illustrate his talk with many fine slides taken with and without a telescope.

Let's have a big turnout for this fine, first meeting:

Friday, 15 Sept. 72, 8 p.m. When:

Where: UWM Physics & Engrg. Bldg., Room 137 Corner E. Kenwood & N. Cramer

HERE'S GREAT NEWS:

What can be a more fitting name for our newly acquired 25" mirror blank than the Zemlock Mirror:

Learning of our plans to build a larger reflector, Miss Cora Zemlock generously offered to subscribe the necessary funds to purchase a mirror blank.

The Long Range Planning Committee has already discussed plans for its completion and use.

Thank you, Miss Zemlock!

DUES

Sept. 1 is the beginning of the MAS Fiscal Year, and Treasurer Al Brouillette has Brink's standing by to help him with the dues intake.

As a reminder, members attending the Dec. 1972 General Business Meeting have approved the following dues -

General Membership - \$15 Juniors (under 16) - \$7.50

Family Plan - \$15 & \$1 per extra member Non-Residents - \$10

Send your remittance to Mr. Al Brouillette, P. O. Box 6001, Milwaukee, Wis. 53209 (332-6623).

OPEN HOUSE NOTES

Though Open House Chairman Dr. Wagner was handicapped by some cloudy skies, the 1972 Open House Program under his able direction, nevertheless, had good attendance.

Despite the preponderance of astronomical and space news, most people, especially the youngsters, still are awed by first hand views of the heavens through a real, professional instrument.

But Dr. Wagner didn't do this good job of work alone. Publicity Chairman Harvey Lindemann alerted the public through his radio, TV, and newspaper releases. Appearances of Messrs. Lindemann, Albrecht, and Halbach on TV stirred more interest. Harvey's fine slide presentation helped out more than once on the cloudy nights. Dr. Wagner's assistants at the 'scopes, in the parking lot, and on general duties played no small part in providing our guests with an enjoyable evening.

And a Thank You! to the visitor who offered 100 theater seats

for our lecture hall!

COPERNICUS" BIRTHDAY TO BE OBSERVED

The 500th Anniversary of the birth of Nicholas Copernicus, a supremely versatile genius, will occur early in 1973.

A prominent Milwaukee group, the International Institute, is

organizing to take part in the observance.

MAS President William Collins has appointed William Albrecht to represent our society.

NEW MEMBERS

The roster shows three new members. Welcome to Mr. Scott Lanza, 1533 W. Holmes Av. 53221 281-7875. Interests include photography, stars, moon, and the planets. Mr. Lee Keith, 1122 W. Madison St. 53204 645-4039. Interests include stars, moon, the planets, mathematics. Mr. Richard Polarsky & Richard, Jr., 9123 County Line Rd., Franksville, 53126 425-4568. Mr. Polarsky Sr.'s interests include astrophotography, general astronomy, music (guitarist), mechanical and electrical systems.

POSTERS AVAILABLE

Mr. Jeff Rogers of the UW-Milwaukee Manfred Olson Planetarium will be offering six different Astro-Posters for sale at the Sept. and Oct. General Meetings. The 23"x29" posters are in color and include views of the M31 (Andromeda), Orion, and Trifid nebulae, and the Pleides. They'll sell for \$2.50 each at a booth just outside the meeting hall door.

OBSERVATORY NOTES

- 1) The efforts of the Long Range Planning Committee have borne sweet fruit. Thanks to the active group leaders and the diligent efforts of many volunteers, many repairs and improvements have been made the new quonset vent fan, the redecorated ladies room, the renovated store room under the "A"-scope, and the new 10" "C" scope, to name a few. One more big push should finish most of them before winter.
- 2) A thirteen year old dream is becoming a reality a Comet-Seeker. The foundation is poured, the support tile is here, and the cab is ready for mounting.

JUNIOR NIGHT

Keyholders in charge
9 Sep. - R. James 421-2162 7 Oct. - T. Ross 541-0307
16 Sep. - P. Murn 464-1539 14 Oct. - L. Schaeffer 786-8220
23 Sep. - D. Ramthun 543-6635 21 Oct. - L. Simandl 933-3052
30 Sep. - T. Renner 786-1835

All Juniors (members under 16) are welcome to use the Observatory and its equipment for any worthwhile program or project on the Saturday nights listed above. 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.

BOARD MEETING

The Board will meet at the Observatory, Fri., Sep. 22 at 7:30 p.m. Wives are welcome.

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