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SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING: The Milwaukee Astronomical Society's first meeting of its new year will answer an often asked question

"As an amateur astronomer, how can I make best use of my time to make some worthwhile and real contributions to astronomy within the limitations of my technical know-how, telescopic and/or camera equipment, and available time?"

To help you find the <u>answer</u>, attend the first fall meeting on Sept. 20, when our Observatory Director, Mr. Ed Halbach, will provide you with the background information to help you choose an individual or group project.

When? Friday, 20 Sept. 74, 8 p.m.

Where? Room 135 in the UWM Physics & Engrg. Bldg. Corner of Kenwood & Cramer.

Come early and meet your fellow members during the 7:30-8:00 p.m. Get Acquainted hour! Bring a friend!

<u>GIVE YOUR SOCIETY ITS JUST DUES</u>: The MAS fiscal year begins Sept. 1. New annual membership rates recently approved by the membership are for General Membership - \$20, Family Memberships - \$20 plus \$1 for each additional member, Non-Resident Membership - \$15, Junior Membership (under 16) - \$12.50, and Founder Members - \$7.50.

Send your dues now to Mrs. Ann Albrecht, 5648 N. 34 St., Milw., Wis. 53209. Make checks payable to The Milwaukee Astronomical Society, or perhaps better yet, pay in person at the Sept. General Meeting:

<u>OPEN HOUSE REPORT</u>: Though five of the seven Open House Nights were marred by cloudy or rainy skies, the enthusiasm of the 2000 visitors who stopped by was hardly dampened. The 850 people who came out Aug. 19 turned our site into a gigantic parking lot: Celestial views through our new portascopes, Harvey Lindemann's

Celestial views through our new portascopes, Harvey Lindemann's excellent talk-slide program, our fine film, and the courtesy extended by the volunteer helpers provided a pleasurable visit and the possibility of seeing many new names on our membership roster!

Much credit must be given to the area radio and TV stations and newspapers for their announcements, especially WTMJ Channel 4 for its interview with Mr. Lindemann and the film editorial it aired. <u>A GENEROUS BEQUEST</u>: Founder Member Herbert Cornell of Walnut Creek, California passed away last June.

The Milwaukee Astronomical Society has accepted a very generous memorial from his family, funds that will do much to perpetuate the scientific organization he helped create.

MARY ANN TANGNEY has energetically and faithfully served your society as Secretary for nearly five years. But due to other commitments, she has decided to resign this important post.

Any member would do the MAS a great service by volunteering for this position, at least for the expiration of Mrs. Tangney's term. Ordinarily, the office is filled by annual election in May.

Typing or shorthand is not required. For more details, call President Jim Toeller at 352-7144.

ATTEND THE MONTHLY STAFF MEETINGS held the first Wed. of every month at 7 p.m. at the Observatory, cloudy or clear.

<u>ALL</u> members are invited, especially those who have recently joined, particularly the youngsters.

The purpose of the meetings is to exchange ideas, organize programs, discuss problems, and learn to use Observatory equipment.

NEW MEMBERS: The Society is proud to welcome JAMES GREER, UW-MILW Dept. of Anthropology. MR. & MRS. MICHAEL STRIDDE, 6420 W. Lakefield Dr., Milw. MARY WAGNER, 3610 S. Sunset Dr., Milw. MR. & MRS. ROBERT MORRIS, 1754 N. 74 St. Wauwatosa. JEFFREY BYKOWSKI, 18535 W. Evergreen Pl., New Berlin.

WANTED: - 8" Cassegrain Telescope. Contact David Freimark, 727 Michigan Av., S. Milwaukee 53172 (764-4673) between 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

FOR SALE: - For \$20 you can purchase a heavy duty equitorial mount made of 2" pipe fittings, capable of supporting an 8" scope. A worm gear is attached to the R.A. axis for a clock drive (not included). Included are setting circles, counterweights, and reamed & machined adapter bearings. For further details Call Bob Harbrecht, 3585 S. Cottonwood Rd., New Berlin, 782-4821.

BOARD MEETINGS: The Board will meet Friday, 27 Sept. 7:30 p.m., at the Observatory.

MEMBERS NIGHT: Keyholders in charge are

Sep.	14	W.	Albrecht	464-5085	-	Oct.	5	J.	Asztalos	547-3400	
-			Collins							645-9988	
	28	G.	Ceolla	786-9689			19	Ρ.	Glaser	547-5435	

Members may use the facilities for any worthwhile project on these nights-no outsiders please, except parents of young members. Call the keyholder the Fri. before the duty night - cancel Sat. if necessary. Keyholders are urged to come out anyway. The keyholder is also responsible for tours during the week preceding his night. Requests should be cleared through Robert James 421-2162.

- FULL HARVEST MOON TUE., 1 OCTOBER -

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