



Newsletter of the Milwaukee Astronomical Society

March & April 2005

Library Information

By Scott Laskowski, Librarian

Once again I would like to remind the membership that the MAS has a very extensive library of astronomy related information. Our resources include over 500 books, star atlases and charts, dozens of VHS tapes, computer software, and over 1200 35 mm slides. The library is located in the Zemlock building (Z Scope).

Resources* may be borrowed by the membership on Saturday member nights, Friday monthly meeting nights, or by arrangement with a MAS key holder. Under special circumstances, research projects or lectures, historical and other items may be borrowed for use by contacting the Librarian/Historian.

I'm always open to advice, suggestions or recommendations for new acquisitions of material that may be of interest to our membership. Please contact me in writing stating the Title, Author, Publisher and Date of Publication so that our library remains one of the premier amateur astronomy libraries in the country.

*Magazines, star atlases & charts, vertical file papers & articles can't be loaned out.

New Member

Karen Luther and Family
Muskego, Wisc.

Editors Note

By Jerry Bialozynski

The above article was the only one submitted to me in the last two months, thus the short newsletter.

This is my last newsletter. I'm retiring and moving to Tucson, Arizona in a few months. Member Neil Simmons will be the new Focal Point editor.

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Upcoming MAS Events:

Messier Night: March 12th

Public Observing Nights:

April 8, Topic: Gas Giants

April 29, Topic: Trolling for Spring Galaxies

MAS Membership is open to anyone interested in enriching their knowledge of Astronomy and the Universe.

Yearly Membership Dues:

Individual \$34/yr, Family \$40, Non-resident (individual \$22, Family \$40), Student (under 18) \$16. For more information, contact Membership Chairman, Carlos Garces, 16430 Melody Drive, New Berlin, WI. 53151.

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Saturday Night Key Holder:

March

5 Steve Diesso (262) 641-0331
12 Brian Ganiere (414) 961-8745
19 Carlos Garces (262) 786-2623
26 Henry Gerner (414) 774-9194

April

2 Chris Hesseltine (414) 482-4515
9 Vern Hoag (262) 548-9130
16 Tim Hoff (262) 662-2212
23 Scott Jamieson (262) 896-0119
30 Lee Keith (414) 425-2331

May

7 Dan Koehler (262) 662-2987
14 Scott Laskowski (414) 421-3517

Loaner Telescopes (available to members for local use)

Lee Keith (Franklin) (414) 425-2331 8" Dob reflector
Scott Jamieson (Waukesha) (262) 896-0119 8" Dob reflector
Paul Borchardt (MAS site) (262) 781-0169 6" Dob reflector
Chris Weber (New Berlin) (262) 789-7128 8" Dob reflector

MAS Observatory: (262) 542-9071

MAS Web Site: <http://bb.1asphost.com/milwaukeeastro/>

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Next Board & General meetings of the MAS will be held on **Mar. 18 & Apr. 15.
*The Board will meet at 7:00 PM, the General Membership Meeting will follow at 8:00 PM at the **UW-M.***

