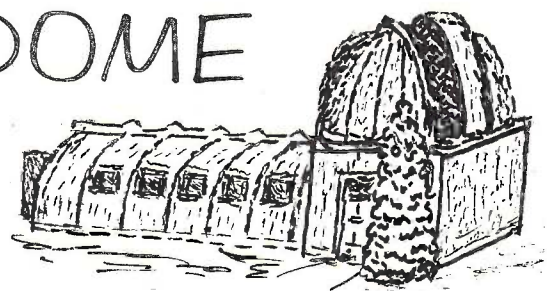


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In keeping with our study of the sciences related to astronomy, this month we again turn our attention inward to the earth sciences. Most astronomers, as you probably well know, will talk in great detail about the planets in the solar system, giving to each planet the awe and respect that it deserves. Ask an astronomer about the earth, however, and you will probably find that most of them consider our planet as only a convenient place to anchor a telescope.

To keep our mother earth in her proper respect, this month's program will feature Mr. Edward Evenson of the Dept. of Geology at U.W.M. Mr. Evenson's topic will be: "The Earth as a Planet". This illustrated talk will be the second in a series of programs designed to give our members a complete basic background in the fields and sciences related to astronomy.

For this month's meeting, we'll be back at the UWM Physics & Eng. Bldg. at the corner of E. Kenwood Blvd. & N. Cramer Ave. - 8 PM in Room 137, Friday December 20.

Since the inside work on our observatory building is not quite complete, Mr. Virgil Tangney would like some help to finish. He plans to continue the project each second and fourth Sunday of every month from 2-5 PM until its done. No special talents are required and there's sure to be something you'd like to do. Please call him at 281-6533 for details.

This is a repeat of the January Dinner-Meeting notice. It will take place Friday, Jan. 17 at the Central YMCA, 8th & Wisconsin Ave.-the room will be announced on the lobby directory. The guest speaker will be MAS member Phil Glaser, former recorder for the ALPO, whose subject will be "Recent Changes in Jupiter". Dinner reservations at \$3.25 per person must be made and paid for prior to Jan. 10-no charge if you are attending only the meeting. The dinner will be at 6:15 PM, the meeting at 7:45 PM. All members and guests are invited to the dinner and/or meeting.

I plan to attend the January, 1969 Dinner-Meeting

Please make _____ dinner reservation(s) at \$3.25 each

Name _____

Address and Phone No. _____

Please send form and remittance to Mr. H. Lindemann, 4254 N. 42nd St., Milwaukee, Wisc., 53216 Phone 871-5900. Make checks payable to Mr. Lindemann.

OVER PLEASE

Treasurer Ray Ball notes that an excerpt from procedure adopted by the Board, December, 1967, states that "those whose dues are not paid before January 1 (1969) will be dropped from the membership list." Please send your remittance to Mr. Ray Ball, 3749 W. Sarnow St., Milwaukee, Wis. 53208.

Because of the Holidays, there will be no December Board Meeting.

The Observatory parking lot has been graded and resurfaced with blacktop.

The 1969 Canadian Handbooks should be available at the December meeting.

The society extends its greetings to new member
Perkins, Mark E., 112 W. Lincoln Av., Tomahawk, 54487 M68

Keyholders in charge of the JOMAS Sat. night meetings are Ed. Osypowski-Dec. 14; no program-Dec.21; Len Schaefer-Dec. 28; Bob James-Jan.4; Wm. Konig-Jan.11; H. Lindemann-Jan. 18. JOMAS members are to contact leaders John Asztalos (547-3400) or Dave Street (774-8957) for program or weather information. Keyholder is to be contacted by the JOMAS leaders BEFORE 6 PM on the observing night.

The Milwaukee Astronomical Society greatly appreciates the pleasant evening made possible by Director Robert Thompson and Mr. David Jenkins at the Wisconsin Regional Space Center. Mr. Thompson told of the aims and plans of the Space Center, and Mr. Jenkins gave an unusually interesting layman-directed talk on peaceful uses of atomic energy and the amazing qualities and preservative power of gamma radiation, especially when applied to human food. The space exhibits were "out of this world" in more ways than one as was the equally fascinating atomic energy display. We hope that every progressive and scientifically minded person aids Mr. Thompson so that this embryonic start soon matures into an internationally recognized giant.

The Officers and Board of Directors of the MAS wish everyone a pleasant Christmas Season. Let the viewing of the Northern Cross in the western sky on Christmas Eve. renew our hope in the New Year.

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