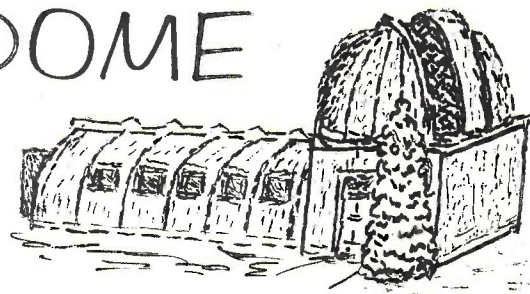


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DECEMBER MEETING

Two years ago an interesting program was presented at the UWM Olson Planetarium. It concerned the mystery of the Star of Bethlehem - was it a comet? a meteorite? or a supernatural sign heralding the Birth of Christ? By popular request this program featuring a fine recording by Lecturer Hubert J. Bernhard of the Morrison Planetarium will again be presented for members and guests of the Milwaukee Astronomical Society following a short business meeting in Room 137.

Date: December 19, 1969
Meeting time: 8:00 p.m., Room 137
Program at: 9:00 p.m. Olson Planetarium
Place: Physics & Eng. Bldg., Corner of Kenwood Blvd.
& Cramer Ave.

JANUARY DINNER-MEETING

Since the January, 1969 Dinner-Meeting was so enjoyable, another has been planned for next month. Our speaker will be Dr. Hiltner, the distinguished Director of Yerkes Observatory, who is sure to give an interesting talk.

Dinner reservations at \$4.00 per member or guest must be made and paid for prior to Jan. 9 - no charge for attending only the meeting. Reservations should be made by filling out the form at the end of this bulletin. Plan to attend for a pleasant get-together.

When: Friday, January 16, 1970
Where: Central YMCA, 8th & Wisconsin Ave.- Check Lobby Directory at news stand for Room No. Parking is available south of the building.
Time: 6:15 p.m. for Dinner, 7:45 p.m. for the meeting.

ECLIPSE ARTICLE BY HERBERT CORNELL

The December issue of Lore contains an article by Founder Member Herbert Cornell on the forthcoming total solar eclipse. Many MAS members remember Mr. Cornell as a staff member at the Milwaukee Public Museum and for his popular yearly Planetary Phenomena pamphlet. Copies of Lore will be available free to the first thirty-five members who write Secretary Mary Tangney, 2313 W. Morgan Av., Milwaukee, Wis. 53221. The books can be picked up at the January Dinner-Meeting.

OVER PLEASE

DUES REMINDER!

Treasurer Ray Ball notes that a procedure adopted by the Board in December, 1967 states that "Those whose dues are not paid before Jan. 1 (1970) will be dropped from the membership list." Please send your remittance to Mr. Ray Ball, 3749 W. Sarnow St., Milwaukee, Wis. 53208.

LAPEL NAME TAGS

A close examination of the filing boxes shows that many lapel labels are missing, probably because they were worn home instead of being turned in at the end of the meeting. There will be no replacements except by request. In the future lapel labels will be made only for new members and those who ask for replacement.

Ray Ball

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS -

Our Society welcomes

Mr. Richard Daley, 3723 E. Squire, Cudahy, 53110
Mr. Scott Dicks, 12200 W. Chapman Ave., Greenfield 53228
Mr. Thomas G. Feldmann, 3317 S. 57th St. 53219
Mr. Paul Roys, 1191 Irving Place, Waukesha 53186
Mr. Robert Pfleegor Jr., 820 Lincoln Av., Waukesha 53186
Mr. Paul Murn, 10949 W. Stark St. 53225

HELP WANTED

Mr. Al Brouillette would like assistance with the Corona Borealis Junior Girls program the first two Fridays of each month. Please call 332-6623 before 6:00 p.m. on these nights. Girls 18 and under are welcome to join this group and their parents are welcome to attend the meetings.

CANADIAN HANDBOOKS ARE HERE

Members who have reserved the 1970 Observer's Handbooks can pick them up from Treasurer Ray Ball at the December meeting. The price is \$1.50 each. There will also be a number of unreserved copies available. These books are especially valuable to the amateur astronomer.

FOR SALE

6" Starliner Reflector with 1/8 wave Pyrex mirror, equatorial mounting, clock drive, bakelite tube, 6mm & 28mm Kelner eyepieces, 6mm x 25x finder, 45x-500x with barlow lens. \$150.00 complete. Please call Mr. Ossie Rahn, 3054 S. 96th St., Milwaukee, 53227. Phone 541-2904.

THANKS

The Wisconsin Industrial Photographers Ass'n. has given a generous donation to our society in appreciation of a well conducted Observatory tour.

OVER PLEASE

BOARD MEETING

The Board will meet Friday, January 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mr. Albert Brouillette. Wives are welcome.

OBSERVATORY NEWS

A new storm door has been installed at the observatory west entrance.

Patrol of 66 Ophiuchus is still underway. About 200 hrs. have been logged without recording a flare. Ed Halbach has received a letter from Australia praising our untiring efforts in this project.

Bob James is completing a grinding machine for producing scopes to be used in the graze and Open House programs. Those interested in this project please call Ed Halbach at 541-1181.

ECLIPSE THOUGHTS

Interest in a group effort with respect to the March, 1970 Eclipse is being shown by observers from Racine, Madison and other areas. A point in particular is transportation - would there be interest in forming pools or chartering public transportation?

JOMAS

Keyholders in charge are Albert Brouillette, Dec. 13; Raymond Zit, Dec. 20; William Albrecht, Dec. 27; ? Jan. 3; ? Jan. 10; ? Jan. 17. JOMAS leaders will contact Dave Street (774-8957) or Greg Latsch (771-1752) for information. JOMAS leaders will contact the keyholder BEFORE 4:00 p.m. on the observing night.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE!

The Officers and Board of Directors of your Milwaukee Astronomical Society wish all a cheery Christmas and a New Year that will fulfill many of our hopes.

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I plan to attend the January, 1970 Dinner-Meeting

Please make _____ dinner reservation(s) at \$4.00 each

Name _____
Address & Phone No. _____

Please send form and remittance to Mrs. W. Albrecht, 5648 N. 34th St., Milwaukee, Wis., 53209 Phone 464-5085. Make checks payable to Mrs. William Albrecht.