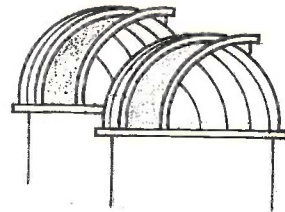


the DOUBLE DOME



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JUNE PICNIC-MEETING

Mark Sunday, June 21 on your calendar! This is the day for the Annual Milwaukee Astronomical Society Picnic-Meeting at the observatory. Pack a lunch - there'll be free soda pop - and come out any time.

The Board and General Meetings will be combined and will start at 7:00 p.m. Dave Street and possibly a guest from Racine will give talks on the March eclipse. So bring your 'scopes! Bring a guest!

Last year the decision was made to eliminate the July and August General Meetings, so this will be the last meeting until September. The Board Meetings will be held as usual on the fourth Friday at 7:30 p.m. in July and August at the observatory.

ELECTION RESULTS

Members present at the May meeting re-elected William Collins, President, Virgil Tangney, Vice President and Program Chairman, Ray Ball, Treasurer, and Mrs. Virgil Tangney, Secretary.

To complete our Board of Directors roster, Virgil Tangney and William Collins were re-elected, and Fred Rehorst, Robert MacLaren, and James Toeller were newly elected.

MAS members can be assured of continued quality direction of their club.

We're grateful for the efforts of outgoing Board Members Raymond Zit who did a fine job at last year's picnic, and John Uporsky, who, incidentally, has made substantial recovery from his illness.

ASTRONOMICAL LEAGUE NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 24th National Convention of the Astronomical League will be held on the Nazareth College Campus, Pittsford, New York, on July 8-12, 1970. Pittsford is about 8 miles Southeast of Rochester.

Room and board is available on Campus. Information on registration, etc. can be obtained from Mrs. Virgil Tangney (281-6533), Mr. Edward Halbach (541-1181), or reference to the May, 1970

REFLECTOR.

FOR SALE

4" Edmund Refractor Telescope. 5 eyepieces, Barlow, Star Diagonal, Sun Filter, Equatorial Mount, Tripod. \$175.00 or best offer. Contact Donald Leadingham, 5712 19th Ave., Kenosha, Wis. 53140.

OBSERVATORY NEWS

Sizable groups have turned out to make a sizable dent in the many big and little jobs in and around the observatory. Sizable thanks to these people. But much remains to be done. Call Director Edward Halbach (541-1181) if you can help - any kind will be appreciated.

A lot of help can be given automatically by those who use our facilities. Try to keep the place clean and neat - pick up, clean up, leave it better than you found it.

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Observation of Flare Star 66 Ophiuchus is being resumed.

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The JOMAS is furthering its work on the radio telescope by installing some electronic gear.

JOMAS SCHEDULE

Since there will be no Double Dome notice until September, keyholders will please refer to their lists to determine their JOMAS nights. There is one substitution - June 27 - Albert Brouillette (332-6623) will switch with William Albrecht, July 11 - William Albrecht (464-5085) will switch with Albert Brouillette.

JOMAS leaders, call keyholder BEFORE 4 p.m. on the observing night.

JOMAS members, call Dave Street (774-8957) or Greg Latsch (771-1752) for information.

Juniors, Please Note! Non-member friends are not allowed Saturday nights - only JOMAS members, their parents, or regular members. Be prepared to show your membership card.

WANTED - Member(s) to take over the publishing and distribution of the Double Dome. Please call LeRoy Simandl (933-3052).

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NCRAL CONVENTION NOTES

A special issue of the Double Dome would be required to adequately describe the full program offered May 2 by the North Central Region Astronomical League. The 24th Annual Convention met at the Argonne (Ill.) National Laboratory located Southwest of Chicago.

A few of the highlights: Moon Rock display, tours of the algae farm, cyclotron, and chemistry hot lab.

Papers, some controversial, all interesting, touched, on 'scope building (Ed Halbach), the big eclipse, disagreement with the newtonian gravity theory (James Krock), the filar micrometer, and grazing occultations.

During the general meeting, William Albrecht was elected Vice Chairman of the NCRAL.

Following the delightful banquet, the conventioners reassembled in the Chemistry Lab. Auditorium for an informative talk on "Modern Research on Comets" by Dr. Robert O'Dell of Yerkes Observatory.

The meeting adjourned with a fraction of the group remaining to take part in an observation session.

Mention must be made of the commendable job of work done by Mr. Homer DaBoll and Mr. Frank Mraz of the convention committee, and, of course, of all those who did the big and little things that made the event so enjoyable.

DOUBLE DOME RESPITE

The Double Dome will not be issued for July or August, 1970. Publication will be resumed with the September issue.

SEND YOUR DUES NOW!

Despite the fact that the MAS Fiscal Year begins Sept. 1, a considerable amount of your Club money can be saved by paying your dues well before that date. The SKY & TELESCOPE is raising its subscription fee by \$1.00 and we can still get the old group rate by renewing now! Please - pay your dues soon.

OPEN HOUSE

Here's a reminder that the Open House Program will be held the last two Monday evenings in July and the five Monday evenings in August.

Many guests are expected so a lot of help is needed - 'Scope operators, guides, personal 'scopes of any size, anyone who'd like to give a short talk - about eight volunteers for each night. The jobs will be simple and pleasant and we close about 10:30 p.m. Select any night(s) you like. Call Chairman Lee Simandl at the number or address at the end of this notice.

KEYHOLDER LIST

Mr. Robert James (421-2162) is now in charge of the keyholder list, and any changes should be reported to him.