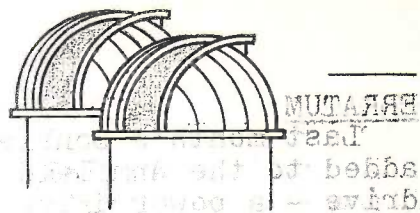


# DOUBLE DOME



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## MARCH GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

An interesting, unusual program has been planned for you by Vice President and Program Chairman James Toeller.

One of the most astounding discoveries in recent years, if not in this century, is the laser. It has been described by scientists as one of the most powerful tools yet devised by man. As a device capable of enormous peaceful use, it is already well-known for its applications in painless eye surgery and holography.

Mr. Robert Dougherty of Wisconsin Telephone will explain how laser technology is advancing in the Bell System and how lasers will soon be used to transmit telephone messages, TV programs, and communications data.

Get on the beam! Become enlightened!

Time - Fri., Mar. 17, 8 p.m.

Place - Physics & Eng. Bldg., Room 137

Corner of E. Kenwood & N. Cramer

## NCRAL CONVENTION PREVUE

Mr. Robert MacLaren of our Society and Mr. William DuVall of the Racine Astronomical Society are putting the finishing touches on the preparations for the North Central Region Astronomical League's 26th Annual Convention. Briefly, the Convention will be held in Milwaukee's Marquette Univ. on Saturday, May 19.

You'll be giving the MAS a big boost by attending this exciting event. Look for complete details with the April Double Dome.

## MEMBER-ONLY OPEN HOUSE PROGRAM CHANGE

The Friday night member-only Open House program is being canceled. Instead, Mr. Al Brouillette will conduct the program each Monday night except the third Monday night.

Members interested in participating on one or more of these evenings should call 332-6623 between 4-5:30 p.m. on the night desired.

## BOARD MEMBER ELECTION COMMITTEE

Ordinarily, the election of Board members takes place at the May General Meeting. It will be held a month earlier this year owing to the North Central Region Astronomical League Convention.

Mr. William Albrecht, assisted by LeRoy Simandl, will prepare a slate of candidates.

## CANADIAN HANDBOOKS

Treasurer Al Brouillette has a quantity of Canadian Handbooks available at \$1.60 each. They are jam-packed with astronomical information and quite handy. Call 332-6623 or pick one up at the General Meeting.

ERRATUM

Last month's Double Dome stated that a power drive was being added to the Armfield 'scope. The A-scope already has a clock drive - a power drive is being added to rotate the dome!

WANT AD

FOR SALE OR TRADE - 2" rack and pinion focuser, never used. Want 1 1/4" focuser. Please call Tom Renner at 786-1835.

NEW MEMBERS

The Society is happy to welcome two new members. They are Michael Deutsch, 14460 W. Rogers Dr., New Berlin, 53151, 782-8728. General Astronomy, photography, model trains, rockets, stamp collecting.

Ray Neeser, 11036 W. National Av., 53227, 541-0235. General astronomy, photography, satellite tracking, rocketry, fishing, hunting, drag racing.

MARCH BOARD MEETING

The Board will meet at the home of William Albrecht, 5648 N. 34th St., 464-5085, Fri., Mar. 24, at 7:30 p.m. Wives are also welcome.

YOUNG OBSERVER'S NIGHT

Keyholders in charge

11 Mar. - P.Glaser	547-5435	1 Apr. - R.James	421-2162
18 Mar. - E.Halbach	541-1181	8 Apr. - H.Lindemann	871-5900
25 Mar. - G.Hall	786-8579	15 Apr. - P.Murn	464-1539
		22 Apr. - D.Ramthun	543-6635

All JOMAS members and all Juniors (members 18 and under) are welcome to use the Observatory and its equipment for any worth-while program or project on the Saturday nights listed above. The facilities are restricted to the young members and their parents- no non-member outsiders, please! Call the keyholder the Friday before the observing night-cancel Saturday if necessary.

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