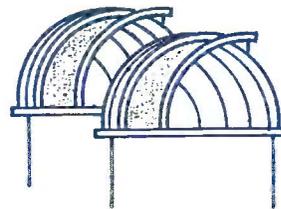


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ANNUAL PICNIC: You owe it to yourself to take a day off once in a while and relax! And there is no better place to do it than at the MAS Annual Picnic, Sunday, 27 June, at the observatory, starting at 2 p.m.

The society will provide fine weather, games starting around 2:30, coffee, soda, and cake; you bring the family, a supply of goodies, and a card table.

Like last year, plans are for everyone to gather for supper around 5 p.m. Later, there will be a short business meeting, a Board meeting, and a star party (bring your 'scopes or use the society instruments).

ELECTION RESULTS: Board members elected at the May General Meeting are John Geraci, Edward Hafkemeyer, Dwight Harris, and James Toeller, who will replace Mrs. R. Ball, William Albrecht, Kenneth Krahn, and Robert James, whose terms expired.

Immediately after the election, the directors present convened to elect MAS officers for the following year. They are Thomas Renner, President, Harvey Kuehn, Vice President and Program Chairman, Mrs. William Collins, Secretary, and Mrs. William Albrecht, Treasurer.

To the new and outgoing officers and directors, thank you for accepting the challenge to attain the society goals, and for the energy and time expended to take care of the many details and problems that go with maintaining a top flight organization.

ED HALBACH RETIRES AS OBSERVATORY DIRECTOR: Ed Halbach has decided to retire not only from his place of employment, but also as the Milwaukee Astronomical Society Observatory Director.

Ed has faithfully and expertly performed this post for most of his years with the society since he helped found it in 1932. Appreciation for this outstanding job of work was evidenced by the terrific ovation he received from members attending the May General Meeting!

The society wishes him Godspeed on his plans to travel and to realize his many astronomical ambitions.

But Ed promises to lend a hand when asked, and newly appointed Director Robert James and Co-Director Raymond Zit will certainly have a first rate consultant!

OPEN HOUSE PLANS: Harvey Lindemann has started the ball rolling toward carrying out plans for the 1976 general public Open House Program to take place July 19, 26, and Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, all Monday nights.

To make these evenings impressive and enjoyable, crews are presently busy repairing and cleaning up, and many volunteers have pledged to come out to serve as guides, telescope operators, or parking lot attendants.

But more people are needed for these tasks! Call Mr. Lindemann (871-5900) if you want to help. Sat., 10 July, has been set aside to give our facilities a quick once-over, so don't call, just come on out and bring cleaning equipment and lawn trimming tools if possible.

The various news media will soon be informed of the Open House, and hundreds of visitors are expected. Many of our new members are gained through this program--let's make a good impression.

Incidentally, members should invite acquaintances. The parking donation will be \$1.00 per car.

MEETINGS:

- Except for a short meeting at the picnic, Sun., 27 June, there will be no general meetings during June, July, or August.
- Sun., 27 June - Board of Directors. Board members will convene after the general meeting. The board will meet the fourth Fri. of July and Aug. at the observatory.
- Wed., 7 July, 4 Aug., 1 Sept., - STAFF, 7 p.m., at the observatory. All members of all ages welcome.
- 25" TELESCOPE - no meetings until further notice.
- Aug. 19-22 - National Convention of the Astronomical League - Kutztown, Penn. If enough persons are interested, a charter bus may leave from Chicago. Check with V. Tangney (281-6533).

25" TELESCOPE FUND INCREASES: Reverend Milton Lange of Springdale, Arkansas, a member of the Society since 1940, has made a very generous contribution to the 25" Telescope Fund.

Rev. Lange never fails to stop in and say hello when he is in Milwaukee.

Thank you, Reverend, and God bless!

DUES: Dues are normally collectible by 1 Sept. of each year. Although that date is still quite distant, Treas. Anne Albrecht will be happy to receive them now. Individual Memberships are \$20, Family Plans are \$20 plus \$1 for each additional member, Non-Residents, \$15, Juniors under 16 as of 1 Sept. 76, \$12.50, and Founder Members, \$7.50.

Please remit to Mrs. Anne Albrecht, 5648 N. 34 St., Milw., Wis. 53209 (464-5085).

Contributions to the 25" TELESCOPE Fund will also be cheerfully accepted.

NEW PROPERTY CUSTODIAN: Christopher Hesseltine will be the MAS Property Custodian. If you have any society property in your possession please contact him at 765-0251 or send a list to 1515 N. Farwell Av., Milw., 53202.

NEW MEMBERS: The Society is happy to introduce:

- RICHARD BERRY, Milwaukee; Technical Editor of "ASTRONOMY" magazine, has M.Sc. in Astronomy. Interests include astrophotography (active member of RASC, Toronto Center), and photometry.
- DR. IRA KASTENBERG, Milwaukee; general astronomy.
- RICHARD WOBST, New Berlin; general astronomy.

THE DOUBLE DOME WILL CEASE PUBLICATION until September when it will be back to inform you of MAS news and events.

METEOR SHOWERS:

<u>MAX. DATE</u>	<u>SHOWER</u>	<u>PEAK RATE/HR.</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
Fri., 30 Jul.	Delta Aquarids	38	-
11-13 Aug.	Perseids	65	Comet 1862 III

Best observing time is after midnight.

WANTED: Finder scope, right angle prism type, illuminated, with cross-hairs preferred. Please call Tom Delfeld at 6025 Parkview Rd., Greendale, Wis. 53129 (421-3166).

MEMBER'S NIGHT: Keyholders in charge are:

Jun. 19	H. Kuehn	774-6256	Aug. 7	T. Schmidkunz	774-9590
26	B. Krueger	281-6904	14	V. Tangney	281-6533
Jul. 3	H. Lindemann	871-5900	21	J. Toeller	352-7144
10	J. Pfannerstill	258-3409	28	G. Wedemayer	476-1827
17	T. Ross	543-5809	Sep. 4	R. Zit	259-0247
24	T. Renner	1-392-2799	11	W. Albrecht	464-5085
31	G. Samolyk	462-1340	18	J. Asztalos	962-5696

Contact Mr. Toeller if you are going on vacation. Changes will be shown on a revised list posted at the observatory. PLEASE SAVE THIS LIST!

Members may use the facilities for any worthwhile project on these nights-no outsiders please, except parents of young members. Call the keyholder the Fri. before the duty night - cancel Sat. if necessary. Keyholders are urged to come out anyway. The keyholder is also responsible for tours during the week preceding his night. Requests should be cleared through James Toeller (352-7144).

- FULL BUCK MOON SUNDAY, 11 JUL. -

- FULL STURGEON MOON MONDAY, 9 AUG. -

- FULL HARVEST MOON WED., 8 SEP. 1

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