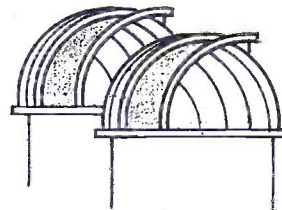


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FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING

There can be no doubt that the normal human eye is a superb optical instrument. However, its usefulness can be magnified many times with optical aid.

Mr. Ralph Eder, owner of the Optics for Industry Co. which manufactures optical aid, will enlighten those at the February meeting with an authoritative talk on professional astronomical instrumentation and will deal with the part optics play.

When: Friday, 19 Feb. 1971, 8:00 p.m.

Where: Room 137, UWM Physics & Engrg. Bldg.,
Corner of E. Kenwood & N. Cramer

A GENEROUS GIFT

The Milwaukee Astronomical Society extends thanks and gratitude to Mr. Richard Evans for his generous donation of an 1882 Alvin-Clark 5" refracting telescope. Besides serving a serious, useful purpose, the 'scope will be an interesting attraction and conversation piece at our Open House programs.

CANADIAN HANDBOOKS

Canadian Handbooks are being reserved for Messrs. Bussone, Carpenter, Duecker, Feldmann (Thomas), Huberty, and Yaeger. Please call Ray Ball (344-0645) or Al Brouillette (332-6623) if you want them since they will be offered for sale at the next General Meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

Your society has five new members! The Society bids welcome to - Sister Berine Mangold, Notre Dame of the Lake, Mequon 53092.

General astronomy.

Mr. Bruce Alseth, 5301 N. 60th St. 53218 461-1387. General astronomy and stamp collecting.

Mr. Dean Segal, 4121 N. Lake Dr. 53211 962-1632. Comets, planets, nebulae, meteors, electronics, anthropology.

Mr. James Theissen, 5443 S. 200th St., New Berlin, 53151 679-0156. General astronomy, electronic telescopes, radio-astronomy, satellite tracking. Also is an amateur radio operator, advanced class, with call letters W9EBF.

OVER PLEASE

Mr. Peter Esser, 2037 Sunset Court, Wauwatosa, 53226 771-3891.
Planets, particularly Jupiter and Saturn, asteroids, satellites,
double stars, meteorology, electronics, computers, skiing,
scouting, tennis, coins, and reading.

OBSERVING PROGRAMS

A reminder to all members! The MAS is offering two observing programs:

- 1) Under the direction of Mr. Brouillette, the Observatory will be made available the first two Fridays of each month. This is an excellent opportunity to acquaint oneself with observatory equipment. Call 332-6623 between 4 & 5:30 p.m. on the observing nights.
- 2) For a \$1.00 deposit, MAS members 16 and over may obtain a non-transferable key from any Board member at a General monthly meeting. This plan provides members with a dark place and 110V AC power to use their own equipment. This key does not open any buildings!

BOARD MEETING

Board members will meet Friday, 26 February, 1971, 7:30 p.m. at the law offices of Mr. Robert MacLaren, 3625 W. Oklahoma Av. Wives are also welcome.

OBSERVATORY NEWS

Abundant snow, cold, and murky skies have kept activities at the Observatory to a near standstill. Nevertheless, a few hardy observers braved the drifts to do variable star and general observing.

Thanks to proper storage and locking of our equipment, the recent vandalism resulted in no property loss. The damage has been repaired and all's well.

JOMAS

Keyholders in charge

Feb. 13 - Donald Ramthun 543-6635
Feb. 20 - Thomas Renner 474-7824
Feb. 27 - Leonard Schaefer 786-8200
Mar. 6 - LeRoy Simandl 933-3052
Mar. 13 - Virgil Tangney 281-6533
Mar. 20 - James Toeller 352-7144

JOMAS leaders: Call keyholder on the Friday before the observing night. JOMAS members: Call Pres. Mike Banach (383-5298) or Vice Pres. Tom Tangney (281-6533) for information.

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