

LOS ANGELES ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY, INC.

MONTHLY BULLETIN FOR NOVEMBER 1973

GENERAL MEETING

The next general meeting of the Society will be on Monday, November 12 at 7:45 P.M. The meeting place is again Lemon Grove Recreation Center at Lemon Grove and Kingsley near Melrose and Normandie.

ELECTIONS

The nominating Committee has presented the following slate of candidates: President-Ed Johnston, Vice President- not yet confirmed, Treasurer- Walt Deutsch, Secretary- Wanda Giblin, Board of Directors-Bob Jones, Mike Simmons, Steve Kufeld, Ron McKnight, Lew Chilton, Ted Sobelman, Norm Muir, Dave Sovereign, John Taylor, Norm James, and Mary Cragg. Tom Cragg will automatically be on the Board as past President. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the November meeting and again at the December meeting prior to the voting.

AWARDS

The award committee is open to receive nominations from the membership for the presentation of achievements merit and/or service awards. Names and statements should be submitted, preferably in writing to any of the members of the awards committee: Norm James, Lew Chilton, Norm Muir or Mike Simmons. Entries in Astro Photography must be submitted by the December General Meeting. Astro Art should be brought to the December meeting for exhibit and judging. Those unable to attend should make other arrangements. Because of the very few new telescopes exhibited this year, it is not anticipated that a regular telescope award will be presented.

--Norm James

Awards Committee Chairman

OPTICAL SHOP

The LAAS Optical Shop is now closed. This sad state of affairs is due to a scarcity of mirror grinders making use of the facilities. The Board is very interested in determining why our shop has not been used. We will discuss this problem at the November 12 meeting, and it is hoped a solution can be found then. If you have a suggestion but cannot make it to the meeting, call Mike Simmons at 884-7156 and let him have it. The LAAS was originally founded as the Telescope Makers of Los Angeles. It is hoped this name will not become entirely out-dated.

AWARDS BANQUET

The LAAS Awards Banquet will be held Saturday, January 12 at Michael's, just down the hill from the Griffith Observatory at Los Feliz and Hillhurst. Tickets are \$5.25 for a dinner of Grenadine of Beef. We will have a special guest speaker, awards presentations, and a lot of fun. Tickets will be available at the November and December meetings, or write to LAAS, Banquet Chairman, P.O. Box 27787, Los Angeles, Calif. 90027.

SPECIAL THANKS

are due to Fred Harvey from all members of the LAAS. Mr. Harvey has made a donation of \$250 to the Observatory Fund. Considering the shoe-string budget we have been operating on, Mr. Harvey's generous donation is indeed timely. It has enabled us to put the observatory into use just in time for the winter months when construction must cease. Our gratitude is astronomical.

STAR MEMBER REPORT

We finally did it! The LAAS observatory now has a roof, and is ready to accept the telescope for use during the winter and spring. We will discuss rules concerning it's use at our next meeting, November 19. LAAS members interested in Star Membership, which entitles you to use the 14½ inch telescope, should contact Mike Simmons, Star Member Chairman.

TELESCOPE WANTED

Reflector for around \$100. Victor Lee 222-0121 before 7:00p.m.

DATES ON THE LAAS CALENDAR

GENERAL MEETING- Monday, November 12, 7:45 p.m. at Lemon Grove Recreation Center, Lemon Grove and Kingsley near Melrose and Normandie.

STAR MEMBER MEETING- Monday, November 19, 7:30 p.m. at Palms Recreation Center, National and Overland in West L.A.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING- Monday, November 26, 7:30 p.m., Palms Recreation Center.

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