

Los Angeles Astronomical Society

MEETINGS

There will be no general meeting in August. The next general meeting will be Monday, September 10th at Griffith Observatory. The speaker will be Steve Edberg of the San Fernando Solar Observatory. Check the September Bulletin for more details.

Star Members meet Monday, August 13th, 7:30 p.m. Board Members meet Monday, August 21st, 7:30 p.m. Both meetings convene at the Palms Recreational Center, located on Overland Avenue, just north of the Santa Monica Freeway. All members are welcome.

TOURING

Thanks are due to Eugene Mezerany for setting up the LAAS tour of Mt. Wilson Observatory. On July 14th around 45 LAAS members spent the afternoon on Mt. Wilson. Once there we were divided into three groups, each with its own guide. The tour consisted of going through the 100 inch dome, the 60 inch dome, and the 150 foot solar tower. A good time was had by all.

Another tour is in the making. Our September speaker, Steve Edberg, is arranging for the LAAS to see the San Fernando Solar Observatory. This observatory, located near the Van Norman dam in the San Fernando Valley, was originally built by Lockheed and designed by former LAAS member, George Carroll. The tour should be set for some Saturday late in September. All members will be welcome. Check the September Bulletin for details.

STAR PARTY

The August star party will be Saturday, August 18th up at Lockwood Valley. Other Star parties: September 22nd and October 20th.

SOLAR ECLIPSE

The next total solar eclipse will be occurring in Africa next year. Many lucky people will be going to Africa on various tours to witness the spectacle. Member Mike Simmons is mailing a flyer on a tour he is connected with in this month's Bulletin. This information is provided as a service to members. The LAAS is not associated with the tour.

BULLETIN EDITOR TO RETIRE

After the September Bulletin, Dennis Grantham will have been your Bulletin editor for one year. He is going to quit after the September issue and let someone else have the pleasure of writing to you each month. The search is on for someone who can devote three or four hours a month to this task. Typing and mailing services can be provided by others in the LAAS. Anyone interested should contact President Dave Sovereign at (213) 794-0646.

FOR SALE

80 mm Toya Refractor, equatorial mount. 6 x 30 finder, 5 eyepieces. \$430.00. Chuck Toney 789-4757.

Vintage Cave Astrola owned by the LAAS. This is a 1954 model, one of the earliest Astrolas. 8 inch F/7, W/O drives. New coating. No eyepieces. Best offer near \$200.00. Contact President Dave Sovereign 794-0646.



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