



# Los Angeles Astronomical Society

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## LAAS MEETINGS

General Meeting - Monday, December 10th, 7:45 p.m., at Griffith Observatory.  
This month the speakers will be members from the society.  
The individual talks will be introduced at the meeting.

Board Meeting - Monday, December 17th, 7:30 p.m.

Star Members - Monday, December 24th, 7:30 p.m.

Star and Board meetings convene at the Palms Recreational Center, located on Overland Avenue, just north of the Santa Monica Freeway, behind the Rancho Park Library. All members are welcome.

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## **ELECTIONS !**

This month the LAAS officers and board members for the next year will be elected. The responsibilities of each position are listed below.

President - Serves as Master of Ceremonies at General Meetings, chairs Board Meetings, and is expected to help respond on letters directed to the LAAS.

Vice-President - Substitutes for President when necessary and works with the President.

Secretary - Keeps membership records and responds to general letters addressed to the LAAS. It involves more time and bookkeeping than the average position.

Treasurer - Keeps track of LAAS income and expenses. Keeps Board informed on what is prudent moneywise.

Board Member - Attends all Board Meetings, votes on LAAS policy and is expected to volunteer for some of the chores necessary to keep the LAAS going.

Many people have already been nominated for positions. If you are interested in running, nominate yourself just before the election this month.

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The people that are presently running are as follows:

President:

Tom Wallace  
David Sovereign  
Marty Kapp

Vice-President:

Lu Rarogiewicz

Secretary:

Glenn Wheeler  
Sharon Mihld

Treasurer:

Mario Vetri  
Steve Kufeld

Board of Directors:

Mario Vetri  
Glenn Wheeler  
Tom Wallace  
Jim Walker  
Sam Sjogren  
Lu Rarogiewicz  
Dana Patchick  
Howard Packer  
Sharon Mihld  
Eugene Mezereny  
Steve Kufeld  
Mary Kapp  
Mark Jacobs  
Gary Gibson

This year candidates will be allowed, if they wish, to state to the membership their intentions if elected to the position. This will prevent the elections from being a popularity contest or a guessing game. Many people are willing to donate their time and effort, but have been discouraged because of the election techniques in the past. Now, these people have a chance to state what they are willing to do for the society. This should give everybody a fair chance for a position.

- Mark Jacobs  
Bulletin Editor

**Treasurer's Report**

As reported by LAAS treasurer Steve Kufeld at the November 19th Board of Directors meeting, the general treasury has \$1,907.13; the observatory fund has \$1,123.84.

GOT A STORY?

Any stories, articles or advertisements should be sent to:

Mark Jacobs  
22661 Cass Avenue  
Woodland Hills, CA 91364



### NEW LAAS OBSERVATORY NOISE RULES

At the November meeting of the LAAS Board of Directors, I proposed the new stricter rules of conduct for our Lockwood Valley Observatory which I described at the November General Meeting. The rules were unanimously approved by the Board. They include stricter noise rules and also establish specific enforcement procedures with graduated penalties for the existing rules. They take effect immediately. These rules will be enforced at all future star parties. The amended rules will be printed in a future bulletin. I am asking all members to cooperate in observing these rules so that future star parties will be enjoyed by all.

- Tom Wallace  
Star Member Chairman

### NEWS NOTES

The Society wishes to thank Avery Hildon and Ben Mayer for their generous donations. Other members are encouraged to donate to the Society. No donation is too small.

The response on the "WHERE'S MY G.O.?" article has been positive. People that have not received or need back issues to the Griffith Observer please have patience. We will try to straighten things out as soon as possible.

- Mark Jacobs  
Bulletin Editor

### ASTRO ADS

FOR SALE -- 8" telescope with tripod, has D.C. inverter with clock drive and 2 view finders. \$300. Also camera and flood lights - \$25. Contact Al Smith at (213) 756-6596.

## **JANUARY BANQUET !**

The best meeting of the year is coming up! Tickets for the January Banquet are now on sale. The Banquet will again be at Michael's Restaurant. The dinner will be Michael's Famous Char-Broiled Filet Mignon, wrapped in bacon. The speaker has not yet been finalized as this is written (November 21), but we promise you a good one. The Banquet will be January 20th. There will be awards and door prizes. The restaurant is located at 4500 Los Feliz Boulevard, Los Angeles (near Griffith). Because of inflation the price will be \$10.00 per person. But for what you get, this price is surely worth it. If you would like to buy a ticket, please fill out the blank on the reverse side, and mail to: Steve Kufeld, 7092 Betty Drive, Huntington Beach, CA, 92647.

**1980 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET**

Yes! I'll be there. Send me \_\_\_\_\_ tickets at \$10.00 each. Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ made payable to the LAAS.

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*Merry Christmas*

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