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GENERAL MEETING

President's Column

**MONDAY
MAY 11
7:45 pm**

at GRIFFITH OBSERVATORY

The speaker at the May general meeting will be Dr. Barry Labonte, Research Fellow at Mt. Wilson Observatory. His talk will be entitled "STudies of the Sun".

In addition to the speaker, several members will show their slides of the Space Shuttle landing at Edwards AFB.

Other LAAS events:

Board Meeting: Monday, May 4th, 7:30pm

Public Star Party: Saturday, May 9th
at Griffith Obs.

Star meeting: Monday, May 18th, 7:30pm

Star Party: Saturday, May 30th, at
Lockwood Valley

Astronomy Day Star Party:

The Public Star Party will be on National Astronomy Day, Saturday, May 9th, at Griffith Observatory. The LAAS will set up at 11am, do solar observing from noon until dusk, then do planetary and lunar observing until 10pm. Our LAAS display will be set up on the lawn, and our slide show will be presented in the museum. The Observatory will have an open house, with tours of their solar telescope. Local telescope dealers will be invited to bring bring product displays. LAAS members are invited to bring their telescopes (please watch your equipment closely).

Low turnout at April Board Meeting:

I was very dissatisfied in the attendance (7) at the board meeting. If one more member had been absent, we would not have been able to transact society business. It is very important that all board members (including alternates) attend the meetings.

Board Member resigns:

Because of other pressing commitments, member Wade Bunting has regretfully resigned from the LAAS Board of Directors. I would like to thank Wade for all the support he has provided the LAAS in the past. I'm sure we all hope that Wade will be able to participate in Society activities in the future. Thanks again Wade!

--Tom Wallace
LAAS President

STAR PARTY

The first Star Party of the year was a great success! The weather was mild, and at twilight, the zodiacal light could be seen, to about 35° above the horizon.

Thirty five to forty LAAS members had an enjoyable evening, observing through a wide variety of telescopes members had set up.

Dana Patchick lent a hand helping members find the popular and the lesser known N.G.C. objects. Thanks Dana! The 16" Orion Ernest telescope was open for observing at dusk by Steve Kufeld.

Our next Star Party: May 30th at the Lockwood Valley site. See you there!
--Joe Addison

UCLA has a 16" Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope open to the public every Wednesday night at 7:30pm. Visitors may observe many of the brighter celestial objects including Jupiter, Saturn, the moon and some deep-sky objects. The telescope is located on the roof of the Mathematical Sciences Building on the UCLA campus. Go to the Math building and take the elevator to the 8th floor. Further directions to the telescope will appear directly in front of you as you walk out of the elevator.
--Ed Rosenblatt

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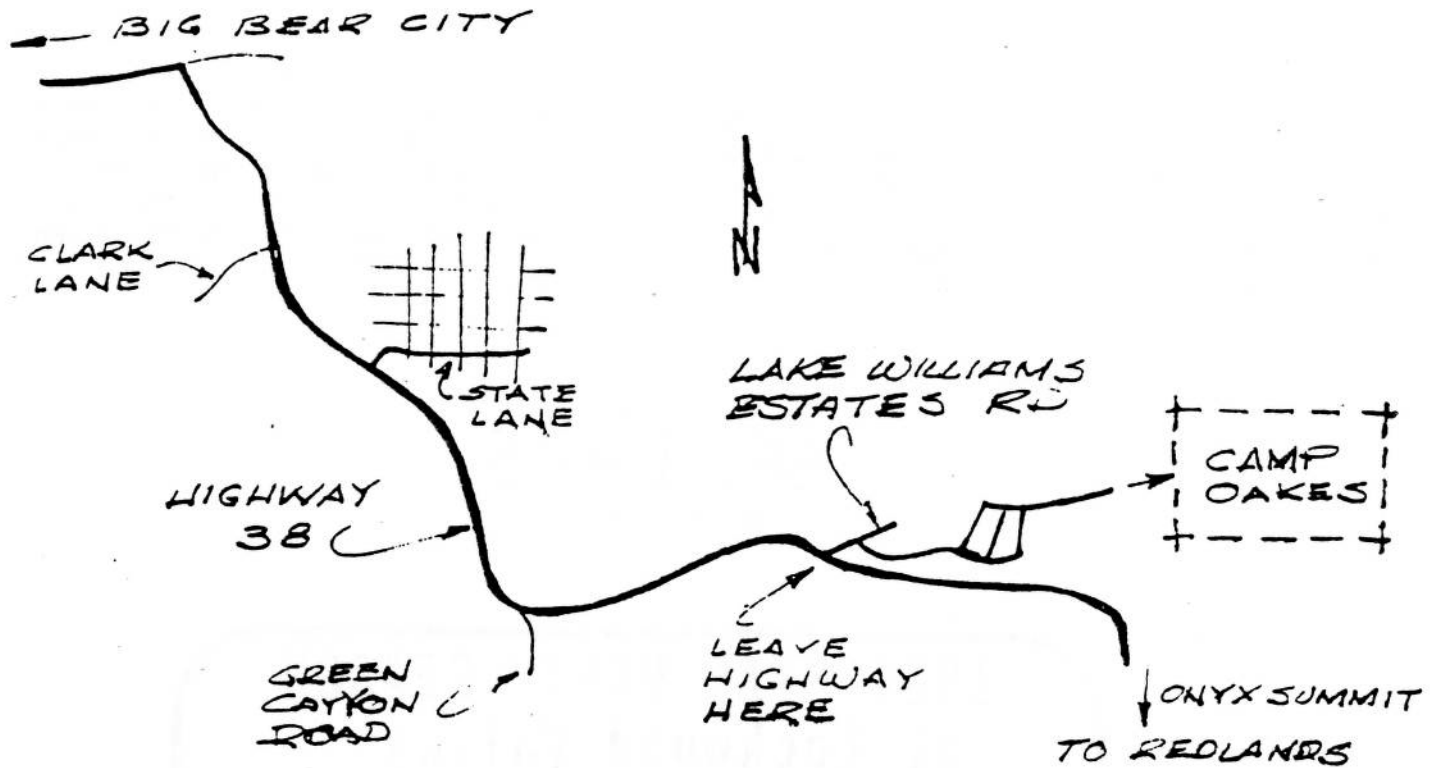
Star Member Chairman
Bob Kendall

NEW MEMBERS

At the April meeting of the LAAS Board of directors, nine applications for membership to the LAAS were approved. These new members are:

Louis Balleweg
Ruth Balleweg
Ernest Herr
Martin Maharis
Larry Menges
Gene Partlow
Cairo Salvatierra
Asher Shamam
Gary Teti

We would like to officially welcome these people to the society and we hope to see them at future LAAS events. New member packets will be available for pickup at the May general meeting, or they will be mailed later.



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NEWS NOTES

Because of the recent vacancy in the Board of Directors, there will be a special election to fill the position at the June General Meeting. The Board of Directors has nominated Eugene Mezereny. Additional nominations will be taken at the meeting.

The 1981 Riverside Telescope Makers Conference will be held over the Memorial day weekend. Members are encouraged to attend since this is one of the largest amateur astronomy conventions on the west coast. A registration form appears elsewhere in the Bulletin for those who need them.

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for current club events

1981 STAR PARTY SEASON at Lockwood Valley

April 4	August	1
May 2	August	29
May 30	September	26
July 4	October	24

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