Sidereal Aimes

Newsletter of the Amateur Astronomers Association of Princeton, Inc.
Editor: Dave Brown Director: Kurt Goepfert

FROM THE DIRECTOR:

Many of you, particularly those residing on Crown Road, should be pleased to receive the newest version of our AAAP Roster accompanying this newsletter. This could be considered a truly significant accomplishment since the previous revision distributed to members was from March 1980!

This information should continue to stay current from now on since it is on a word processor floppy disk. No one should hesitate notifying me if any corrections or revisions become necessary - please supply values for those "unknown" phone numbers!

SIDEREAL TIMES GETS NEW EDITOR: A glance above indicates that Dave Brown has taken over as Editor of the AAAP Newsletter. I wish to thank Kathy Yaros for her past year's service in this capacity. Thanks likewise go to Dave for filling the void.

Please remember that any club member may submit news items for inclusion in Sidereal Times - just contact the Editor.

QB MALL WEEKEND ATTRACTS HUNDREDS: The AAAP-sponsored Astronomy Weekend at Quakerbridge Mall held September 25/26 was a huge success! Over 160 shoppers stopped by the community booth to chat with us regarding club activities and astronomy in general. More than 200 AAAP brochures were handed out and many more people checked out our slide show and exhibit. Perhaps the only person disappointed was the individual who sought out our help to do her "charts."

Special thanks go to Jay Albert for organizing the event - a job extremely well done! Roxanne's slide show along with her and John Church's excellent astrophotos were the main attention getters. Thanks also go to Dave Crisp, Doug Wurzler, Kurt Rahlfs, and Marc Halfon for manning the booth and promoting amateur astronomy and the AAAP.

The time and effort spent were well worthwhile and we expect to make such "Astronomy Weekends" at the Mall an annual event.

AAAP PICNIC: Cloudy skies and the threat of rain on Saturday gave way to a brilliant Sunday afternoon at the Washington Crossing State Park on September 19. Though our picnic crowd was modest this year, a good time was definitely had by all.

Sidereal Times

Newsletter of the Amateur Astronomers Association of Princeton, Inc.

STARWASH ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16: To assist the sagging AAAP Treasury, we are planning a car wash in Princeton on October 16, from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. We are still looking for additional volunteers. Please call Doug Wurzler or Marc Halfon to sign up - Refer to roster for numbers.

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER CALENDAR:

- 1) 10/8 10/29, Fridays Public Observing Sessions
- 2) 10/12 Tues. 8:00 P.M., Peyton Hall Dr. Ed Turner from Princeton U. talks on "Gravitational Lenses." Premeeting dinner at Foolish Fox @ 5:45 P.M.
- 3) 10/16, Saturday, 10 A.M. 4 P.M. Starwash at Princeton Hook & Ladder
- 4) 11/9, Tues. 8:00 P.M., Peyton Hall Dr. J.R. Gott III speaks on the "Early Universe."

OBSERVATORY DUTY ROSTER

| Fri. | Person | | Phone |
|--------|--------|----------|---------------|
| 10/8* | D. | Wurzler | 737-9353 |
| 10/15* | M. | Halfon | 443-5866 |
| 10/22* | A. | Esposito | 396-3630 |
| 10/29* | н. | Johnson | 882-2680 |
| 11/5 | Κ. | Goepfert | (215)584-3882 |
| 11/12 | L. | Holloway | 924-2480 |
| 11/19 | J. | Church | 799-0723 |
| 11/26 | R. | Peery | 397-3140 |

* Public Observing Session

Note: Call Keyholder before hand or phone observatory (737-2575) if weather questionable.