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The First meeting of the Summer season will be held on Wednesday evening, June 1, 1960 at the Buffalo Museum of Science, Humboldt Park Buffalo, New York.

We are sending you "The Spectrum" early as we have planned a different meeting. The Program Committee knows that many of our group have been working on various projects and studying different phases of astronomy. Our plan is to have some of you talk a few minutes on your pet subject. We hope some will come prepared to say something.

The business part of the meeting will include the election of officers for the coming year. ANY member in good standing is eligible to be elected to any of the offices of the organization.

Elections will be held for the following offices: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Publicity Secretary.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 P.M. Sharp!.

Club members who attended the observing session on the Museum roof after last months meeting had the opportunity to view the Comet Burnham 1959K thru the 8 inch refractor. It appeared as a fuzzy little dot in the bowl of the big dipper at about 6 mag. If any of the other members of the club have observed this comet the editor of this paper would like to know it, so that your observations can be published.

Plans for summer Star Parties will be drawn up at this meeting, if any of the members wish to have star parties held at their homes during the summer months extend your invitation at this meeting. Star Parties will also be held at various county parks.

Our plans for the observatory are complete and can be seen at the June meeting. Now that summer is fast approaching we hope that a little more speed will be put into the observatory project in the way of actual construction. The mirror is under going grinding and will probably be ready by next September or October. Final arrangements have not yet been made with Cornell Lab but we hope to have this ironed out by July 1, 1960.

The following major materials will be needed for the construction of the observatory. If you are in a position to donate any of them, the Observatory Committee would like to hear from you, or if you know of a good source of supply where this material may be obtained at cost or below also let us know. You may contact Ron Clippinger at TA 2296 and he will give you instructions on what to do with the material. The list is on page 2 of this months Spectrum, if you need more than one list phone UN 8219 and I will be happy to send you more copies.

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