

## BUFFALO ASTRONOMICAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

## ASSOCIATION MEETS FRIDAY DEC. 8TH

The next meeting of the Buffalo Astronomical Association will take place on Friday, Dec. 8th at 7:30 in room 302 on the third floor of the Buffalo Museum of Science. We are fortunate to have as our main speaker Mr. Clark Chapman, recipient of the Ass. of Lunar & Planetary Observers observing award for 1961, and honorary member of the B.A.A. He will talk on "The Problems and Techniques Involved in Observing the Planet Jupiter". His talk will be illustrated with slides of some of the actual results obtained from some of his extensive observations.

With him on the program will be Karl Kalweit who will give an interesting report entitled "The Far Side of the Moon". He will cover the problems, methods and results obtained by the Russian Lunar probe with the photographic satellite, Lunik III.

Daryl Knupp will be in charge of our "Constellation of the Month". His illustrated talk will be on the constellation Cassiopeia.

Ron Clippinger, Director of the club's Newstead Observatory has other astronomical interests besides building telescopes. He will tell us about one of these in a short talk entitled "Astronomical Anecdotes".

## LAST CHANCE FOR DUES

OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE. This is the last meeting for payment of your 1961-1962 dues. If you have not done so already, you are URGED to pay them at this meeting so as not to miss any issues of "Sky and Telescope".

CHRISTMAS is a season of special interest to astronomers since it was a "star" that ushered in the Christian era. Your editor wishes you all a very happy holiday season.

## OBSERVATORY PROGRESS NOTED

The observatory committee reports that work on the raised observatory floor has now proceeded to the point where virtually all of the beams and framing are in place. Work can now begin on laying the floor proper. A more detailed report will be given at the December meeting.

Working parties go out to the observatory most Saturday mornings. All members of the B.A.A. and especially those who have not yet seen our observatory would be most welcome if they wish to inspect our new facilities at that time.

## ELEMENTARY STUDY GROUP

The Elementary Study Group will meet several times a month, usually Saturday afternoons at the Museum. The group will be introduced to the constellations available for observation during the year. It will also investigate techniques of observing with a small telescope. If you are interested in joining this group call Ron Clippinger at TX3-2296.

PLANS FOR COMMITTEE  
SYMPOSIUM SYSTEM PROGRESSING

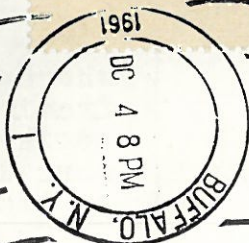
The Advanced Study Group will meet Saturday, Dec. 16th at 1:00 at the Museum where further discussion of personal research studies will continue. Also, the library catalogue will be realigned under topic names. In addition to the above, a system of technical preparation services for lectures will be worked out.

We were forced to postpone the date for the November meeting and since we were unable to get a room at the museum for the new date, the meeting had to be cancelled.



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