

# THE SPECTRUM

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c/o The Buffalo Museum of Science  
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SEPTEMBER MEETING: Our first meeting of the new season will be held at the Buffalo Museum of Science on September 13, 1968 at 8 PM-EDT. Featured will be Mrs. Marie Cain from Geneva, N.Y. Mrs. Cain's talk will be entitled "WILLIAM R. BROOKS, COMET SEEKER." William Brooks devoted most of his astronomical activities to the discovery of comets during the latter part of the 19th century. The observatory he used is still standing in Geneva, N.Y., although not in use at this time. This should be a very interesting lecture and it is our pleasure to welcome MRS. MARIE CAIN!

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NEW OFFICERS: During the June meeting the following were elected officers of the B.A.A.: President: Dr. Fred W. Price  
Vice-President: Mr. Orrin Christy  
Secretary: Miss Marjorie Meyer  
Treasurer: Mrs. Edith Geiger

The outgoing officers, Mr. Ron Clippinger, Mr. Richard Zygmunt, and Mr. Paul Redding deserve a large round of applause from all of us for a job excellently done. During their administration (with Mrs. Geiger as Vice-President) our association has moved ahead as never before. The Newstead Observatory, increased membership, sub-sections, Regional Convention, Star Nights, Niagara Frontier Astronomical Association - these are but a few of the many accomplishments we owe to their leadership. We can only hope that they will continue to aid us in moving forward.

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THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM: As in the past years we again plan to publish a little booklet listing the membership and this year's program. However, due to some unforeseen difficulties, this will not be ready until the October meeting. The program for this year has been arranged by the Board of Directors in conjunction with the Niagara Frontier Astronomical Association.

September 13, 1968: Mrs. Marie Cain (Geneva, N.Y.) "William R. Brooks, Comet Seeker."

October 11, 1968: Ralph Dakin (Rochester, N.Y.) "Tools of the Astronomer."

November 8, 1968: Dr. Fred Price: "The Norman Lockyer Observatory."

December 13, 1968: Christmas Party: Ed and Olga Lindberg: "Tycho de Brahe," and



Edith Geiger: "Star Parties I have seen (and immortalized)."

January 10, 1969: Ron Clippinger: "Standard Telescopes."

February 14, 1969: John Riggs: "Deep Sky Observations," and Dale Hankin: "Lunar Studies."

March 14, 1969: Walter Semerau: "The Sun's Activity near Maximum."

April 11, 1969: John Ruiz (Erie, PA.): "Variable Star Observing."

May 9, 1969: George T. Keene (Rochester, N.Y.): "Astrophotography."

June 13, 1969: Trip to Rochester Planetarium (probably by chartered bus), lecture and demonstration by Ian McClennon, and annual business meeting.

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**\*\*SPY AND TELL\*\*** The Lindbergs toured Europe late this spring visiting a number of points of astronomical interest, among them the island of Hveen, where Tycho de Brahe had his famed observatory (hear about it in December) \* \* \* Our newly elected president vacationed in merry ol' England, likewise visiting some points of astronomical interest \*\*\* Walt Semerau's Solar Observatory has been changed significantly since last year. All sorts of mysterious little gadgets \* \* \* Dick Zygmunt has been busy with the boys and girls at Camp Sprucelands, getting them interested in astronomy \*\*\* Edith Geiger neglecting her Lunar Studies because her mirror had to be re-aluminized (always said you should get a refractor, Edith) \* \* \* The museum's curator of astronomy attending a symposium on the evolution of higher basidiomycetes in Tennessee (???) \*\*\* OH WELL! ....

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