

ATLANTA ASTRONOMY CLUB NEWSLETTER

MEETING - 8:00 pm, Bradley Observatory, Agnes Scott, Friday, January 21

PROGRAM - This month's program "Modern Cosmology" by Dr. Bob Hyde covers Black Holes, White Dwarfs and other curiosities of contemporary thought. Bob, as you are well aware, is the Director of the Bradley Observatory and currently a participant at the Georgia Tech Experimental Station.

TREASURY NOTES - The Atlanta Astronomy Club welcomes the following new members: Peter M. Alexander, 4751 Bexley Dr, Stone Mountain 30083 (952-1425) and Curtis L. (Bud) Rosser, 5198 Avanti Ct, Stone Mountain 30088 (498-1240).

RENEWALS - If your dues have expired and your subscription to Sky & Telescope has run out, contact Herb Teeple, 5015 Spaulding Dr NE Atlanta, GA 30360 (394-5784). Herb is our Treasurer. He asks that you do not send cash. Dues are \$25.00 (\$20.00 student).

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* your Sky & Telescope subscription begins. So when you get one of the *
* renewal notices from S&T, give the card and check to the Treasurer. *
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* "dues year" begins with the magazine subscription. Questions? See Herb *
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MEMBERSHIP MAILING LIST - Attached is the January issue of the Club mailing list. Please verify that your address and phone number are correct. I will have extra copies available at the meeting.

OBSERVING SESSION - The New Moon occurred a little past midnight on January 14, meaning that the first quarter moon sets around midnight on the January 21 weekend. Next available New Moon Sunday, February 13.

NOTE FROM LEE WILSON - Although the sky might not have warranted it, about ten or eleven observers met at the Barber farm in Villa Rica the Saturday following our last meeting. Fellowship, rather than astronomy, was the fare of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Barber served cookies, cake and coffee. Still, some observing was done between clouds. Karen Wiegel, Tom Buchannan, David Roberts, Rick Clark, John Marsh, and Lee Wilson were there and others whom Lee cannot remember.

NEXT MEETING - Friday, February 18, 8:00 pm Bradley Observatory. Topic - "Variable Star Observing" by Howard Landis. Howard is probably the leading variable star observer in the southeast. His talk will cover the basics as well as photometric measurements.

Jim Brown