

Amateur stargazers welcome at University's Bend observatory

Free tours of the only observatory in Oregon are available until early fall at the University's observatory at Pine Mountain near Bend.

Visiting hours are 1 to 5 p.m., and 7 p.m. to dark, Thursday through Sunday. Afternoon visitors are given a tour of the observatory; evening guests also have an opportunity to look through the 24-inch telescope.

The observatory, the site in recent years of some spectacular discoveries in astronomy, will be used this summer for three major research projects.

A research group using the 24-inch telescope will be looking at

changes in radiation sent out by certain hot, rapidly rotating stars over periods of hours and even minutes. Astronomers have known for some time that the atmospheres of these stars change over the years, but it has only recently become clear that the changes can be noticed in much shorter units of time.

The other project involving the large telescope will take advantage of something that happens only twice every 11.86 years—when the orbital plane of the Galilean satellites passes through the sun and the earth. When this happens, the satellites eclipse and hide one another

hundreds of times over a period of about eight weeks. Pine Mountain observers will be able to see 20 of these eclipses this summer.

The other telescope at the observatory, a 15-inch, will be used to continue the research of E.G. Ebbighausen, professor of physics at the University, on double stars that continually revolve about, and eclipse each other (eclipsing binaries).

Visitors of the observatory may reach it by car by driving east on Highway 20 from Bend, then turning at the tiny town of Millican onto an eight-mile gravel road leading directly to the observatory.

On Campus

Library instructor awarded fellowship

Carolyn Rice, instructor in the University's School of Librarianship, has been awarded a graduate fellowship to attend the University of Chicago, where she will study for a doctorate in library science. Rice holds a bachelor of arts degree in German from Howard University where she graduated with honors, and a Master of Library Science degree from the University. She was also a Fulbright Scholar and studied for a year at the Free University of Berlin. Rice will begin work towards her Ph.D at the University of Chicago in the fall.

Course add-drop deadline is Friday

Friday, July 6 is the last day to add courses 8 and 11 weeks in duration. It is also the last day to withdraw from courses in the 8 and 11 week sessions without the course being recorded and the last day to sign up to graduate summer term.

Community

Growers Market offers office space

The Growers Market is preparing the second floor of its building for use as community office space.

At 7:30, Monday, there will be a meeting to meet and talk with representatives of any non-profit, community oriented groups that wish to locate in the 454 Willamette St. building.

Each group should send, or bring, to the Growers Market office prior to Monday, a short written description of activities and an estimate of the amount of space required.

Any questions should be directed at David or Judy at 935-7330.

Beginners' car rally set for Sunday

The Springfield Active 20-30 Club will hold a car rally on Sunday, beginning at the Silke Field parking lot located at 10th and "G" Streets in Springfield. Sign up and registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. with the first car leaving on the rally at 1:15 p.m. Dash plaques will be awarded to all entering cars and a first, second, and third place trophy will be awarded to the winning entries with the most correct answers to the rally questions.

This is a basic beginners rally with no previous rallying experience necessary. All types of cars are welcome. The route is on all paved roads with a predetermined finish destination so no one should become lost. Points are awarded to the entrants filling in the most correct answers to questions whose answers will be located along the route. All that is necessary to enter is a driver and a navigator to keep the driver on course and a pencil and tablet to record answers.

There are no age limits with families welcome. The cost is \$2 per car with the proceeds going to the Springfield Active 20-30 Club's Children's Projects. For more information, call Dave Lroy, 687-5751.

Veteran enrollment up at LCC

More than 450 veterans, including 18 women, are enrolled this summer at Lane Community College. All are receiving GI benefits.

Of the total of 453 veterans, 174 are enrolled in associate degree or college transfer programs, while 271 are signed up for vocational programs. An additional eight ex-GI's are taking high school completion classes.

LCC veterans' affairs coordinator, Barbara Harmon, said the summer term total was higher than normal, which is in line with overall enrollment figures for the college this summer. At the end of the first week of classes, approximately 1800 students had signed up for credit programs at the college. In the past two years, credit course enrollment peaked at less than 1400.

The school's total enrollment won't be known for about one week because registration for the non-credit (adult education, high school completion) classes is not yet completed.

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