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The April meeting of the Amateur Astronomers Association of Princeton will be held on Tuesday, April 12, at 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Institute of Advanced Study. The auditorium is located on the ground floor of the West Building of the Institute at the end of Olden Lane in Princeton. The building is the large concrete building just west of the main building of the Institute, Field Hall. Park behind the West Building and enter the nearest door. The auditorium is on the ground floor just inside.

The program is to be a slide show made up of the slides that members have taken, so please bring your slides with you. The success of this program will depend upon the members. It is your opportunity to exhibit your astronomical slides for the pleasure of your fellow members.

The nomination of the officers for the coming year will also be entertained from the floor, so if you have a candidate you wish to nominate for an office, this is the time. Candidates or a volunteer for Program Chairman for 1977-1978 will be cheerfully accepted.

MAY MEETING

John Church, our Program Chairman, has secured Mr. Rodger Gordon of the Lehigh Valley Amateur Astronomers Society as our speaker for May. Rodger is the "Mr." of the well-known husband and wife team of amateur astronomers from the Lehigh Valley. His topic will be Telescopes - a discussion of telescopes in general and some in particular.

OBSERVATORY

The ground-breaking ceremonies for the observatory will take place on Saturday, April 2, 1977, at 11 a.m. at the observatory site at the Nature Center in the Washington Crossing New Jersey State Park. Club members are strongly urged to attend.

PUBLIC STAR GAZING PROGRAM

The N.J. State Museum Planetarium and the AAAP will jointly offer star gazing sessions as a cooperative project this Spring rain or shine. The first session was held March 18 and succeeding sessions will be held each Friday evening through May 6 at 8 p.m. Participants will meet at the Planetarium. If skies are clear the scene will shift to Washington Crossing State Park for star gazing through a variety of telescopes. Participants are encouraged to bring their own telescopes. If skies are cloudy, a simulated star-gazing program will be conducted in the Planetarium.