

On the Fringe: CHARA Array finally up and running

The CHARA array people on Mount Wilson have finally announced the first starlight fringes. The first two telescopes have been on the mountain for some months, and the buildings have been in place for more than a year. Indeed, questions have been raised in some circles regarding the speed of progress on the mountain. Nevertheless, they now have something to show at the meeting to be held in Atlanta next January and the big push is on now to actually do some science. One spokesman said "the difference between getting light down the tubes and doing science is a large one. There's lots of work left and it will probably involve more bailing wire and duct-tape."



Sallie HAMs it Up

Her dad was a Ham before her and now Theo was one too (was there ever any doubt?) so our intrepid heroine took to the books to go for her license. "I had to learn basic electronics, radio rules and regulations and more than I'll ever want to know about antennae." said Sallie "I've never studied so hard in my life. It was quite a buzz really." The real thrill will come when her call sign arrives in the mail. She was heard to comment "I think dad would have been tickled pink. Here's to you VK7EJ."

"I LIKE TO WATCH!!"

said Gladys Cravatts aka Sallie Cruise with her clear vista of Palm and Marengo streets. Then she got all the neighbors to help her do it and now they all watch - and they call it the neighborhood watch. They like to watch.

New Tradition in Altadena

While trying not to scare the tiny tots, local Altadena residents held a small tea party on the eve of Halloween. Although some suspected there was more than tea in those cups a good time was had by all and a great deal of candy was left over at the end of the event. Rumor has it they will do the same thing next year.



Old Door, New Shed

Not much work around the house has been done since the big flurry reported in the last S&T Times, with two notable exceptions. The creation of the magnificent picnic table with old wood they found in the garage, and the installation of the new garage door and the careful dismantling of the old one. "You can't get the wood anymore" explained Theo "so we've made a table out of the wood we've found and plan a garden shed out of this lovely old door." So far The Times has only seen the table as the shed is top secret and "under wraps" said Theo darkly.

The Turkey was a Duck

Thanksgiving turned out many a turkey in the old U. S. of A. but somewhere in Altadena there was a duck dressed and stuffed and laid out with all the trimmings: pumpkin, greens and what's that taste? Orange gravy of course. "You just run out of things to do with left over turkey" the manic cook said, "I mean, turkey Bolognese, turkey pizza, turkey and rice, turkey and beans.... it's very upsetting".



VISA Do-Si-Do

Having finally been recognized as an outstanding researcher by the INS, Dr ten Brummelaar has now moved on to the next step in this agonizing process. With a new pile of paperwork, this time about an inch high, several checks amounting to many hundreds of dollars and the obligatory medical tests by an INS chosen facility, the good doctor and his wife have finally applied for green cards (which are, of course, actually pink). "I was most relieved to find we did not have the plague or syphilis", his wife said, "although if we did, we probably caught it here". This will mean that Sallie will soon have permission to work, a daunting prospect for the house proud blonde. They expect an answer from the INS in about two years, the nominal processing time.



Thumbs Up For Science

While some people refuse to believe he could be so stupid as to put his own pocket knife all the way through his thumb, others have known for some time that Theo is capable of such a thing. "I was dangling from the S1 telescope trying to cut a cable tie when I did it" the abashed victim said, "I knew I had cut myself pretty badly, but I didn't realize I had gone completely through my thumb until I noticed a cut on the next finger down". Fortunately the cut was clean and no nerve or bone damage was found by the doctors at the Hollywood hospital. To this day, blood stains can be found on the telescope floor, reminding all the other workers not to be so damn foolish.

Photo Gallery

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Le Macho



And the jester sang for the king and queen



Booth, Andrew Booth.



Yes Joey, these are very strange people.