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MEETING NOTICE

F I L M P R E S E N T A T I O N

"Window to the Arctic"

Followed by Short Films on the Antarctic

8:00 p. m., Tuesday

January 25, 1977

Room 540, National Science Foundation
(Board Room, NSF)

1800 G Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The newly released film, "Window to the Arctic," was commercially made for the Oceanographer of the Navy. Primarily dealing with U. S. research based at the Naval Arctic Research Laboratory, Barrow, Alaska, it is a good general interest film on U. S. research in the Arctic.

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ANTARCTIC CALENDARS

We have received a supply of Antarctic calendars from 1977 produced in New Zealand for the Public Affairs Division of the U. S. Naval Support Force Antarctica. Each sheet is 12.5" x 17.5" with approximately two-thirds occupied by a colored photography of an Antarctic scene and one third by the calendar for the month. Dates of historic significance relative to Antarctica are given special note. For example, January 3, 1903, Captain R. F. Scott led the first party to reach the polar plateau; January 11, 1971, South Pole Station had a record high of minus 2° F., and on January 25, 1960, the first ski-equipped C-130 cargo aircraft landed in Antarctica. These are only three of the 17 days so noted in January. It is a very attractive and useful calendar.

They will be for sale as long as they last at the meeting on January 25 for \$3.00 each.

January 4, 1977

To the members of the Antarctic Society:

I regret that events and situations beyond the control of the officers and members of the Board of Directors have combined to limit the public meetings of the Society during the fall to one lecture. An abstract of Dr. Anderson's lecture, "Mars, the Permafrost Planet," will appear in the next issue of the Newsletter. The Program Committee has tentatively arranged for interesting speakers for February, March, and April, and we look forward to an active period during the first half of 1977.

To cut our mailing costs we have obtained, as of January 3, a bulk mailing permit as a non-profit, tax exempt organization. Such permits are issued only for the calendar year. Sending them by third class mail will slow delivery of our announcements, but we plan to compensate for this by early preparation of material to be mailed. Hopefully, this issue of the Newsletter will be mailed January 7. If it arrives more than a week later in the Middle Atlantic area, please let us know.

In the case of mail to foreign members and when necessary for domestic mail, first class postage will be used. Returns on undelivered first class mail also will provide a check on the accurateness of our mailing list. We must depend on you, however, to notify us of any change of address if our mailing list is to remain up-to-date.

We also depend on you to make the Newsletter interesting and useful. Please send the editor personal news notes and information about events and projects that relate to Antarctica or Antarcticans, especially those that do not get national news coverage.

I extend best wishes for 1977 to all of you.

Sincerely,



Kenneth J. Bertrand, President

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MEMORIAL TO PAUL SIPLE

On Saturday, July 24, 1976, in Montpelier, Ohio, in commemoration of its most famous native, Paul Allman Siple, a memorial stone, placed on the front lawn of the Town Hall, was unveiled and dedicated. The ceremony, conducted by Mayor Dean, following the Bicentennial parade, was the culmination of the town's week-long Bicentennial celebration.

Joining the townspeople for this significant event were members of Paul Siple's family - his youngest daughter, Mary Remington, her husband and two young sons; his sister, Carrol Kettering, her husband and their son, Paul Siple Kettering; and his widow, Ruth Siple.

SCHEDULE FOR TRAVELING EXHIBIT ON ANTARCTICA

In two previous editions of the Newsletter reference has been made to the exhibition ANTARCTICA, distributed by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service. Prepared by the Division of Polar Programs of the National Science Foundation, the exhibit consists of 45 full-color photographs by Eliot Porter, which are mounted on aluminum panels measuring 36" x 38", and 11 paintings and two etchings by Daniel Lang.

Porter and Lang traveled and worked in Antarctica in December and January, 1974-75, under the auspices of NSF. Eliot Porter is best known for his wilderness photographs, which have appeared in his books, *Birds of North America*, *Flow of Wilderness*, and others. Daniel Lang, known for his landscapes, has had one-man shows in New York, London, Rome, Chicago, and other major cities.

The exhibit has already appeared in Washington, St. Louis, at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, and in Philadelphia, and it has been very favorably received. A 57-minute film, entitled "Antarctica", accompanies the exhibit. Members may be interested in the schedule for the exhibit for 1977 which is:

Jan. 8 to Feb. 6	Philbrook Art Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Feb. 26 to March 25	Florida Center for the Arts, University of South Florida, Tampa.
April 15 to May 14	University Art Collection, University of Maine, Orono.
June 3 to July 2	School for the Arts, Boston University, Boston.
July 22 to Aug. 20	Dept. of Geology, University of Wisconsin, Madison.
Sept. 9 to Oct. 8	Dept. of Geology, Northern Illinois University, Dekalb.
Oct. 28 to Nov. 26	Dept. of Meteorology, Texas A. and M. University, College Station.

If the Exhibit appears in your area, we recommend that you plan to see it. The 1978 schedule for the Exhibit is not yet entirely filled, with open dates available for summer and fall. The Exhibit will be closed January 9, 1979. Anyone wishing further information should contact Ms. Deborah Dawson, Science Coordinator, Traveling Exhibition Service, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. 20560. Telephone: (202) 381-6631.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES

Why not decorate that empty wall of your office, study, or den with an Antarctic Society membership certificate? It is artistically designed and suitable for framing (11" x 14"). If you are interested, send an order to Charles E. Morrison, Secretary, with a check for \$2.00, payable to the Antarctic Society. Please print your name as you want it inscribed, and give the date you want on the certificate; i.e., current date or date of joining the Society.

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