2008 STELLAFANE CONVENTION Schedule of Events

Thursday, July 31, 2008:

3:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Convention Early Entry – via pre-registration only! **Please DO NOT arrive early as we** need to keep the road clear for public traffic. Thanks!

Friday, August 1, 2008:

9:00 a.m. Registration Gate opens. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Shuttle Bus Operates. 11:00 a.m. - Noon Astronomy Activities for Kids in the McGregor Observatory. Noon - 6 p.m. ATM & Mirror Grinding Demo in the Pavilion ¹. 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. OSLO Workshop in the McGregor Observatory ³. 1:30 p.m. Horseshoe pitching Contest near the McGregor Observatory. 2 p.m. "Rough Grinding" ATM Short Talk in the Pavilion 1. 3 p.m. "Fine Grinding & polishing" ATM Short Talk in the Pavilion 1. Astronomy Activities for Kids McGregor Observatory. 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. 4 p.m. "Mirror Quality" ATM Short Talk in the Pavilion 1. 4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. "Solar System Walk", starts behind the Pink Clubhouse 1. 5:00 p.m. "Stellafane for Beginners" talk in the McGregor Observatory 1,2. Hartness House Museum of Amateur Telescope Making open 1,3. 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Optical competition register in the Pink Clubhouse 3. 12-Step Recovery Meeting at the north end of the Flanders Pavilion. 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening Presentation & Informal Talks in the Flanders Pavilion 1.2. 8:30 p.m. - ??? 10:00 p.m. "Tour of the Sky" beginner talk in the McGregor Observatory 1,2. 10:00 p.m. - ??? Optical competition ³.

Registration gate closes.

Saturday, August 2, 2008:

10:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. Registration gate opens. 7:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Swap Tables open. 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Mechanical competition register in the Pink Clubhouse ³. 9:00 a.m. - Noon Telescope Hunt, starts at the McGregor Observatory. 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Shuttle Bus Operates. 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ATM & Mirror Grinding Demo in the Pavilion¹. 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Mechanical competition ³. 11:00 a.m. "Telescope Field Walk" for beginners, meets at the Pink Clubhouse 1,2. 11:00 a.m. - Noon. Astronomy Activities for Kids in the McGregor Observatory. "Solar System Walk", starts behind the Pink Clubhouse 1,2. Noon - 12:45 p.m. "Demonstration of Basic Optics" in the McGregor Observatory 1,2. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Technical Talks in the Flanders Pavilion³. 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Astronomy Activities for Kids in the McGregor Observatory. 5:00 p.m. "Using a Telescope With Your Child" beginner talk in the McGregor Obs. 1,2. 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Optical competition register in the Pink Clubhouse ^{3,4}. 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Saturday Evening Program: Raffle Drawing, Telescope Awards, Shadowgram & Keynote Presentation. 10:00 p.m. "Discover & Enjoy the Sky" talk for beginners in the McGregor Observatory 1.2. 10:00 p.m. - ??? Optical competition ^{3,4}.

Sunday, August 3, 2008:

8:00 a.m. – Noon Cleanup. Please report to the T-Shirt table or the Pink Clubhouse to volunteer. 9:00 a.m. – Noon Hartness House Museum of Amateur Telescope Making open ^{1,2}.

¹ Beginner presentation. ² The length of the presentation will depend on the enthusiasm of the participants.

³ Advanced telescope making presentation.

⁴ Only if the competition is clouded out Friday night.