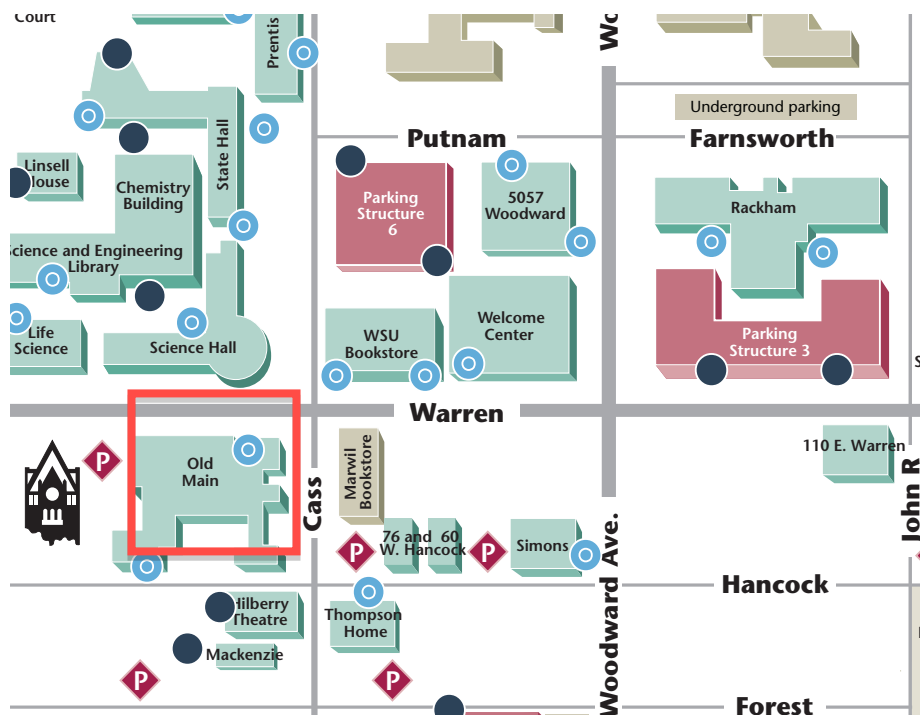


**Special Information: A DRYA EVENING AT THE PLANETARIUM: MARS, LAKE HURON & CELESTIAL NAVIGATION - Wed., 25 Jan., 2012 - 7:00 PM (sharp)**

This very special DRYA evening will be held in the recently upgraded, state-of-the-art, digital Wayne State University Planetarium. The planetarium uses a Spitz SciDome HD projector to provide a spectacular full dome experience for visitors. The group will be divided into two segments to see the special planetarium show, and to receive an introduction to celestial navigation and sextants from members of the United States Power Squadron. Both will be presented twice. The planetarium show will include a look at the dazzling winter night sky, along with currently visible planets and a number of spectacular winter nebulae. Visitors will enjoy the use of special diffraction glasses and be treated to a stunning multi-media presentation on Mars. This will be followed by a tailored planetarium presentation of what it's like to be sailing on Lake Huron to racing and recreational destinations and all of the magic and navigational information to be gleaned. Phil and Althea Doolittle of the Birmingham United States Power Squadron will provide a primer on sextants and practical celestial navigation. The planetarium presentation is hosted by the Department of Physics and Astronomy at Wayne State and will be presented by Professors Jeff Conn, Claude Pruneau, and their staff. This will be no charge for this evening, but "Wilson" will be passed and all donations will be accepted.

**Location:** The Planetarium is located on the lower level of Old Main (corner of Cass Avenue and W. Warren Avenue) near the main, Cass Avenue, entrance to the building. There is signage near entrances to help direct visitors to the planetarium. See the below map.

**Please arrive by 6:45 PM. Because the Planetarium can accommodate a maximum of 130 guests (combined) for the 2 showings and classes, tickets will be distributed – first come, first served – starting at 6:45 PM.** [Note that a 9:00 PM Planetarium presentation (only) will likely be available if we exceed 130 guests.]



**Parking:** There are two nearby private parking lots [indicated <P>]. One is across the street from the Old Main entrance, and the other is just south of the Thompson Home; cost is \$3 - \$5. In addition there is visitor parking in structures #6 and #3; the latter is less expensive. Use a credit card to enter and leave. The campus is very busy in the evening and there may be on-street (metered) parking as well.