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BLOOMINGTON, ILL.--The rush for knowledge about our constantly expanding universe has compelled former Normalite Sharon Frank, doctoral student in Planetary Geology at Brown University, to concentrate on the geology of the planets; in particular, Venus.

The daughter of Forrest and Dorothy Frank, 800 Sheridan Road, Normal, will present a Natural Science Seminar lecture at 7 p.m. Monday, Mar. 26, in room 108, Sherff Hall, Illinois Wesleyan University. The program will be open free to the public.

Ms. Frank's remarks will be a general discussion about the planet with some educated thoughts of what may be on the surface. She will supplement her remarks with slides from the NASA space program.

Venus is our nearest planetary neighbor, only about 27 million miles away, but because its atmosphere consists of dense white clouds, little is known about the surface. Recent radar observations have shown surface features including large craters, continent-sized highlands and extensive dry "ocean" basins.

The graduate of Normal Community High School earned a bachelor's degree at Carleton and a master of science degree at Brown.