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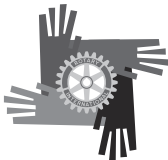
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From the Moon

Apollo 8, the first manned mission to circle the Moon, entered lunar orbit on Christmas Eve, December 24, 1968. That evening the three astronauts - Frank Borman, Jim Lovell, and William Anders - did a live television broadcast during the ninth lunar orbit, in which they showed pictures of the Earth and Moon as seen from Apollo 8. At the time, the broadcast was the most watched TV program ever.

About six weeks before launch, a NASA official had called Borman and said, "We figure more people will be listening to your voice than that of any man in history. So we want you to say something appropriate." The Apollo 8 team ended the broadcast with the following words:

William Anders - *"We are now approaching lunar sunrise and, for all the people back on Earth, the crew of Apollo 8 has a message that we would like to send to you. In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness."*

Jim Lovell - *"And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day. And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters. And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so. And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day."*

Frank Borman - *"And God said, Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so. And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good. And from the crew of Apollo 8, we close with good night, good luck, a Merry Christmas - and God bless all of you, all of you on the good Earth."*

-Wayne Anthony

ROTARY NOTES 12-30-09

The meeting was called to order by President Bob, who then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Rich Martindale gave the invocation. Elizabeth Barker introduced visiting Rotarians and guests. Greg Camp introduced our military guest from Fort Benning, MSG Shawn Provost. He is a member of the 198th Infantry Brigade, is currently the senior NCO of his unit and has completed 5 marathons.

Two new members were introduced today. Robert and Carter Woolfolk were proudly presented to the club by their father Bill Woolfolk. Both of the younger Woolfolks are graduates of Auburn University and have returned to Columbus to work in the family business.

At the head table there sat President Bob, Rich Matindale, Greg Tipton, Dick McMichael, Otis Pickett and Gene Kemp. Gene introduced our speaker, Otis Pickett.

Otis is the General Manager of WRBL and a member of our club. Born and raised in South Carolina, he has resided in Columbus for five years having arrived here via Texas. Otis has been a member of various Rotary Clubs since 1984.

Otis introduced a special recorded audio\visual presentation hosted by our club's own Phil Scoggins. The video detailed the history and background of WRBL's "Remember When" news segment with highlights of some of this past years most memorial clips. These included:

The **Columbus Municipal Auditorium** built in 1957 and host to such commemorative events as Wednesday Night Wrestling with Lillian Carter, Willie Nelson and multiple high school graduations. The facility was demolished in 1995 with the construction of the Civic Center

The **Goo Goo Restaurant and Drive-in** founded in 1934 by Albert Snipes and eventually located on Linwood Boulevard. This establishment produced many fond memories for Columbus's teenagers until it burned in 1965 and is the forerunner and namesake of the Goo Goo Carwash.

The **Columbus Square Mall** constructed in 1965, originally containing 38 stores, was the center of retail activity in the area for almost 30 years until

it was closed in the late 1990's. The site is now the location of the library.

The **Stagg Bowl**, in Garrett Stadium of Phenix City, hosted the Colligate Football Division 3 National Championship Game for a total of 15 years. First from 1973 to 1982 and then from 1985 to 1989, teams as diverse as Wittenberg, St. Johns, and Towson competed for the title.

The program was concluded with a notice that **Pritchett's Seafood Restaurant** will be the first "Remember When" segment of the new year.

President Bob thanked Otis for the program. He then rang the bell and the meeting adjourned.

-Joe Johnson

INVOCATION - RICH MARTINDALE

It has been said that the new year is placed in our hands like a new born child as the old year passes away. May all that was good in the year ending remain with us in the next. May all that was harmful or fearful be left behind. And may we welcome the days and weeks to come as God's gift and blessing. Let us pray.

Bless us, Almighty Father, and bless the time and seasons of our lives.

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.

In the year ahead, Lord, give us a few friends who understand us - and yet *remain* our friends.

Give us work to do which has *real* value - without which the world would be poorer.

Give us minds unafraid to follow *and* to lead - even where the trail is yet unblazed.

Give us understanding hearts, a sense of humility and humor, and time to quietly feel your presence.

Give us, Lord, the patience to wait for the coming of *all* these things - and the vision to recognize them when they come.

Above all, Lover of our Souls, fill the year ahead with your mercy and grace, that we may be glad and rejoice all the days of our life.

Amen.

And please remember generously those that do not enjoy the blessings we have all received.



Shirley Gillespie
 John Richards
 Guy Sims

1/11
 1/14
 1/15

MAKE-UPS

PHENIX CITY (12/28)
Meets Monday 12:15
Quality Inn
 Ed Adams
 Tom Flowers
 Tracy Fisher
 Robert Granger
 Thelon Hamby
 John Kelly
 Mike Helms
 Gene Kemp
 Jack Key, Jr.
 Mark Overby
 Mac Plummer
 John Sheftall
 Mat Swift

MUSCOGEE (12/31)
Meets Thursday 12:00
Green Island
 Billy Cunningham
 Tracy Fisher
 Mike Helms
 Ashok Kumar
 Mark Overby
 Marc Reid
 Joe Robbins
 Dick Stone

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Bill Heard III
 Jim Ballengee
 Chuck McClure
 Joe Johnson
 Ron King
 Beth Parsons

NORTH COLUMBUS (12/29)
Meets Tuesday 12:30
Green Island
 Marc Calhoun
 Don Dakin
 Bill Edwards
 Dickie Edge
 Chuck Hasty
 Jamie Hempstead
 Richard Illges
 Meridith Jarrell
 Lamar Johnson
 Larry King
 Tommy King
 Ashok Kumar
 Joey Loudermilk
 Mark Overby
 Marc Reid
 Don Sharitt
 Dick Stone
 Ed Sprouse
 Mat Swift
 Cathy Williams
 Tommy Williams

NORTH COLUMBUS (12/22)
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Green Island
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 Chuck Hasty
 Ashok Kumar
 Lamar Johnson
 Joey Loudermilk
 Marc Reid
 Don Sharitt
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