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Apollo 14 Photographs to be Featured in Lecture

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Photography from manned spacecraft in flight—including the mission of Apollo 14—will be featured in an illustrated lecture Friday evening (March 19) at Salve Regina College.

Richard W. Underwood, a Newport native who is now a supervisory aerospace technologist at the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center, Houston, Tex., will narrate the color slide presentation beginning at 8:00 p.m. in the O'Hare Academic Center on campus. The public is invited to attend; no admission will be charged.

The varied program will include a photo-trip around the earth as seen from a manned spacecraft; discussion of the diversified geoscientific applications of the photography and its potential value to mankind; and a look at some of the engineering photography which was used as "stepping stones" to the moon.

Highlighting the presentation will be photographic journeys with the historic Apollo 8, 11, 12, and 14 missions—including the first walk on the moon—as well as inflight photography of the Apollo 13 rescue operations.

Mr. Underwood, who came to NASA’s Manned Spacecraft Center (MSC) in 1964, as a photogrammetric engineer, is now responsible for the precision processing and reproduction of Apollo original flight films, as well as the precision processing of films from the Earth Resources Aircraft Program. He also serves as a photogrammetric and photographic sciences consultant to MSC staff elements for such functions as Apollo Application Program Space Station Planning, Lunar Receiving Laboratory, and lunar on space camera design and manufacture.

A graduate of the University of Connecticut, with advanced studies completed at the Colorado School of Mines, the University of Wyoming, and George Washington

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University, Mr. Underwood began his public service career as a photogrammetrist with the Army Map Service in 1951. He advanced through a number of positions to Chief of Operations of Photogrammetry in 1958, and Chief of Photography in 1961, before joining NASA in 1964.

A recipient of several photographic awards, Mr. Underwood has authored and presented papers in the field of photogrammetry both in this country and abroad.

Married, and the father of five children, Mr. Underwood is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Underwood, 184b North Fenner Avenue, Middletown.

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