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Report on Lunar Exploration Analysis Group (LEAG) Workshop and
American Astronautical Society National Meeting
Dr. Larry Friesen

DATE: Friday, December 7, 2007
TIME: Noon to 1:00 PM

PLACE: NASA/JSC building 16, room 111
ROOM CAPACITY: 35

The Lunar Exploration Analysis Group (LEAG, www.lpi.usra.edu/leag) was chartered by NASA HQ to assist in planning the scientific exploration of the moon. LEAG analysis reports on the web site go back as far as April 2004, and this presentation reports on the workshop of October 1 – 5, 2007, in Houston, Texas. The American Astronautical Society’s National Conference and 54th Annual Meeting took place in League City, Texas, November 12-14, 2007: “Celebrating 50 Years – But, What’s Next?”

I grew up in Kansas. First became interested in space flight at age 8, under the influence of books on aviation and astronomy, and reading magazine articles about Wernher von Braun's work. I became so interested I formed a Space Club with some of my grade school friends.

Graduated from the University of Kansas in Lawrence with a Bachelor's degree in 1967 with a double major in physics and math. Received my Master's in Space Science from Rice in 1972 and my Ph.D. in Space Physics and Astronomy in 1974. No, I didn't change my field of study. The name of the department changed during my time at Rice.

Did postdoctoral work at the University of Georgia, then worked at JSC from 1976 to 1998, first for McDonnell Douglas, then for Lockheed Martin. Since 1998, I've been teaching physics and astronomy; first at Galveston College, and since 2000 at the University of Houston at Clear Lake.

Please bring your lunch and a friend. This event is open to badged personnel. AIAA membership is not required. Non-badged visitors who are US citizens may contact us with visitor badging requests 3 days or more in advance. Professional Engineers earn one hour of credit toward Continuing Education requirements by attending this event. If you plan to attend, registration is recommended online at www.aiaa-houston.org. For additional information contact Douglas Yazell at 281-244-3925.

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