

Spring 2019 MATYCONN meeting
Asnuntuck Community College
Freshwater Conference Room
April 12, 2019

“Apollo at 50”



Bill Weppner’s reminiscences take us back to the 1960s when a “perfect storm” driven by international politics, a national commitment by a President, and a Congress willing to spend a whole lot of cash, enabled a lot of really smart people with a lot of chutzpah and a lot of luck to accomplish the seemingly impossible - the Apollo Program. Bill served as a flight controller at the Manned Spacecraft Center in Houston, TX, during the Apollo Missions 7 and 13. He’ll explain why Apollo 8 was his favorite mission.

You’ll learn how we traveled all the way to the moon, only to discover the earth; how the Apollo 11 computer said, “Uh! Oh!, but GUIDO said, “GO!”; how the command, “SCE to AUX”, saved Apollo 12; whether we could’ve reached the moon with today’s smart phone; how, in order to reach the moon, we needed to come up with, “. . . the most powerful machine ever devised” - the Saturn V.

Ponder with Bill whether we’ll see such accomplishments again in our life times.

Schedule

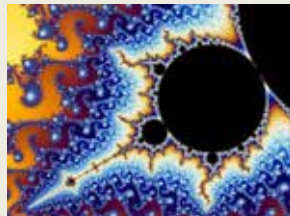
1:00 – 1:30 Registration

1:30 – 2:30 Lunch

2:30 – 3:30 Business Meeting

3:30 – 5:00 Speaker - Bill Weppner

(5:00 - after formal meeting - “Cookies and Conversation”
sharing concerns about consolidation)



Cost to attend is \$20 – see registration form