'Revisiting The 1963 Aristarchus Events'

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Erratum

RE: Dr. Peter Boyce's educational status in November 1963.

On page 200 of our paper¹ we wrote the following. (See Figure 1)

Peter Boyce and Kent Ford

Peter Boyce was still a graduate student at Lowell within a month of completing his PhD thesis from the University of Michigan. Boyce was not a member of the ACIC mapping team and by his own admission was not an experienced lunar observer (Private communication 2010). Kent Ford (b. 1931) was a Carnegie Institute astronomer. Both astronomers were sited at the Anderson Mesa observatory, 24km

Figure 1. Screen capture from section of our paper on page 200 with incorrect educational status of

Dr. Peter Boyce in November 1963.

On July 31, 2013, Dr. Boyce sent the following message in an email to correct the record.

"Dear Bob.

Your article captures my part in the affair quite well. It is an interesting article. The only minor thing is that I was not a graduate student. Before I went to Lowell I had passed my oral exam and my thesis had been accepted by the University of Michigan which fulfilled all requirements for the PhD. So I officially was no longer a grad student at the time, even though my diploma was not awarded until the next graduation ceremony in December.

Cheers, Peter"

We apologize to Dr. Boyce for this error and thank him for taking the time to correct the historical record.

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