

## Astros to Celebrate 40th Anniversary of Apollo 11 Lunar Landing on Monday

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**UPDATE:** Image changed after receiving new shot of hat revealing Astros logo on right.

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They did, after all, change their name from the Colt 45s to the Astros for a reason.

Monday, July 20th will be NASA Night at the Astros game, during which the Astros will be celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Apollo 11 Lunar Landing mission, which happened on July 20, 1969. Eight members of the NASA Team contributing to the success of the Apollo Program will take part in the pregame ceremony, which will include each of them throwing out the first pitch. Astros players will wear special caps featuring the Apollo 11 patch (see above). The first 10,000 fans at the game will receive a replica of the Apollo 11 cap courtesy of United Space Alliance.

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Astronaut Dottie Metcalf-Lindenburger will sing the national anthem.

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