Hello everybody. Welcome welcome to KSC. It is as it always is. Great to be out here. You know and I would like to thank the media for putting such a good foot forward and bringing the message of the space program home to the folks. You know we count on you to deliver the message and you've just done an absolutely wonderful job. You've carried on the tradition of welcoming the crews out here to Florida. You know way back since the Apollo days. So we do appreciate you your
interest and and everything you do too

like I said take the message forward

sts-135 notable significant for several

reasons not the least of which it's the

last flight and I don't think that's it

comes as a surprise to anybody you know

as I think I speak on behalf of the crew

everyone in the astronaut office and I'm

sure everybody here at KSC that we're

just trying to savor the moment as you

know our children and our children's

children ask us we want to be able to

say we remember when we remember when

there was a space shuttle and like I
said we're savoring every moment trying
to take it all in and looking forward to
to an incredible mission of course this
is a it's a significant mission in
addition because usually standing next
to the commander here or at least five
or six other people of course this is a
crew of four and we got a busy mission
but we're going to do it with with the
crew of four we're gonna do a fantastic
job all the way over to my right sandy
Magnus she's ms1 for the mission sandy
flew on sts-1 12 she graduated
University of missouri-rolla of course
she did a four and a half increment on

00:07:24,788 --> 00:07:28,379
the space station so she is our she's

00:07:26,649 --> 00:07:31,329
our resident expert while we're up there

00:07:28,379 --> 00:07:34,629
she's going to be our transfers are our

00:07:31,329 --> 00:07:38,109
person who takes charge of emptying and

00:07:34,629 --> 00:07:39,550
refilling the MPL em and we're looking

00:07:38,110 --> 00:07:41,500
we're really happy to have her on the

00:07:39,550 --> 00:07:44,168
crew and looking forward to a to a great

00:07:41,500 --> 00:07:45,689
MPL em evolution to my right is Doug

00:07:44,168 --> 00:07:48,448
Hurley's a colonel in the Marine Corps

00:07:45,689 --> 00:07:52,930
this is Doug second flight flew on

00:07:48,449 --> 00:07:55,689
sts-127 doug is that all things robotic

00:07:52,930 --> 00:07:57,668
on this flight he's a PDR s he's a SS

00:07:55,689 --> 00:07:58,930
rms he's going to make it all happen and

00:07:57,668 --> 00:08:00,339
of course he's going to cover me
hopefully most of the time while we're up there as well to my left Rex Walheim Rex's ms2 he's the the flight engineer mission specialist in charge of keeping Doug and I honest for asset and entry Rex rekha has a unique role in this flight and he's usually the go to EV a guy in this case he is going to be supporting the EV a in the form of IV or the choreographer for an EV a that will take place by the space stations crew graduate of university of california berkeley we we're incredibly proud to represent this the final flight you know
another common thread common question

that we get as well you know what comes

after the shuttle program nASA has a big

announcement as I understand plan for

july eighth i think it will have

something to do with what's been called

to this point the heavy lift vehicle of

course we have our we have our

commercial partners our for commercial

partners that were working with to get

astronauts back and forth to low-earth

orbit but i think you can be absolutely

sure of one thing and that is that if

you take the fact that we have been
sustaining a human presence on the international space station for the last 10 years that we the international community American astronauts have a full-time presence in space and regardless of what transpires over the next several years and we'll go with through if I'm sure a few gyrations we're going to have a nice solid program in place to go back and forth again to the space station and then hopefully beyond low-earth orbit so we look forward to having you along with us for some of the events over the next few
days and we'll see you back here just in

101
00:09:39,129 --> 00:09:43,208
a short week and a half or so of course

102
00:09:41,289 --> 00:09:45,278
for launch which comes up pretty quickly

103
00:09:43,208 --> 00:09:48,088
right behind tcd team so again thank you

104
00:09:45,278 --> 00:09:48,088
everybody for coming out

105
00:11:10,649 --> 00:11:12,708
you