



WINNER OF THE
GOLD AWARD

WORLD WIDE
LAXA

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00:00:07,730 --> 00:00:02,450
station this is WDIV in Detroit how do

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00:00:09,620 --> 00:00:07,740
you hear me WDIV in Detroit this is

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00:00:11,930 --> 00:00:09,630
International Space Station dan burbank

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00:00:13,220 --> 00:00:11,940
I've got you loud and clear all right

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00:00:14,870 --> 00:00:13,230
thank you very much commander for

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00:00:16,700 --> 00:00:14,880
joining us this morning the

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00:00:19,580 --> 00:00:16,710
International Space Station is obviously

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00:00:21,320 --> 00:00:19,590
a laboratory for research in a

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00:00:22,580 --> 00:00:21,330
weightless environment tell me about

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00:00:27,950 --> 00:00:22,590
some of the experiments that are going

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00:00:29,419 --> 00:00:27,960
on during this mission well some of the

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00:00:30,950 --> 00:00:29,429
experiments actually at least on the

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00:00:32,569 --> 00:00:30,960

NASA side involve trying to figure out

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00:00:34,850 --> 00:00:32,579

how to keep humans safe and productive

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00:00:36,319 --> 00:00:34,860

for a long period of time and space long

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00:00:38,660 --> 00:00:36,329

enough to go to the moon and stay there

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00:00:40,190 --> 00:00:38,670

long enough to go to Mars and so some of

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00:00:43,400 --> 00:00:40,200

the experiments we do look kind of

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00:00:45,350 --> 00:00:43,410

holistically at changes in the heart

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00:00:48,200 --> 00:00:45,360

changes in the muscles changes in the

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00:00:49,639 --> 00:00:48,210

bones and we exercise an awful lot and

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00:00:51,830 --> 00:00:49,649

we've got to various different controls

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00:00:53,750 --> 00:00:51,840

that we do for four different

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00:00:54,889 --> 00:00:53,760

investigations all of the astronauts

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00:00:56,930 --> 00:00:54,899

that are training right now that are

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00:00:58,369 --> 00:00:56,940

flying aboard the the u.s. segment of

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00:01:00,680 --> 00:00:58,379

the International Space Station our

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00:01:03,410 --> 00:01:00,690

century ultra essentially ultrasound

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00:01:05,509 --> 00:01:03,420

technicians so we'll do ultrasound scans

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00:01:08,480 --> 00:01:05,519

of our heart ultrasound scans of blood

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00:01:10,750 --> 00:01:08,490

vessels muscles that's one example and

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00:01:13,219 --> 00:01:10,760

we can basically very quantitatively

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00:01:14,750 --> 00:01:13,229

determine how what changes progress over

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00:01:18,530 --> 00:01:14,760

the course of a long duration expedition

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00:01:20,179 --> 00:01:18,540

aboard Space Station and you just

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00:01:22,100 --> 00:01:20,189

mentioned about the NASA side there are

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00:01:26,660 --> 00:01:22,110

other research experiments going on as

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00:01:28,730 --> 00:01:26,670

well are there not we have a total of

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00:01:30,710 --> 00:01:28,740

about 200 experiments going on while

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00:01:32,420 --> 00:01:30,720

we're here doing this one expedition so

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00:01:33,950 --> 00:01:32,430

there's an awful lot I don't even know

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00:01:36,230 --> 00:01:33,960

where I would start but there's plenty

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00:01:38,390 --> 00:01:36,240

of work going on and life sciences the

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00:01:40,940 --> 00:01:38,400

human research like I just describes one

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00:01:42,289 --> 00:01:40,950

small piece of which physical sciences

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00:01:43,910 --> 00:01:42,299

we've got a combustion integrated rack

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00:01:46,069 --> 00:01:43,920

in the u.s. laboratory that we're

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00:01:48,050 --> 00:01:46,079

working on earlier today we're actually

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00:01:49,520 --> 00:01:48,060

earlier this week and the goal of that

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00:01:51,830 --> 00:01:49,530

at least the experiment we currently

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00:01:54,859 --> 00:01:51,840
have loaded up right now is to look at

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00:01:56,359 --> 00:01:54,869
flammability issues for materials that

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00:01:58,069 --> 00:01:56,369
we have aboard the International Space

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00:02:00,530 --> 00:01:58,079
Station materials that we would use in

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00:02:02,660 --> 00:02:00,540
future aircraft or spacecraft so that

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00:02:04,520 --> 00:02:02,670
the idea is to figure out what the

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00:02:06,410 --> 00:02:04,530
flammability boundary is for various

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00:02:08,749 --> 00:02:06,420
fuels various kinds of exposed to

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00:02:10,639 --> 00:02:08,759
various kind of atmospheres and there's

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00:02:12,979 --> 00:02:10,649
a whole host of other things to probably

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00:02:13,820 --> 00:02:12,989
be too long to get into today but it's

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00:02:15,650 --> 00:02:13,830
quite a place

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00:02:17,090 --> 00:02:15,660

and an awful lot going on certainly

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00:02:19,130 --> 00:02:17,100

plenty for the three people we currently

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00:02:22,690 --> 00:02:19,140

have that's why we're especially happy

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00:02:24,800 --> 00:02:22,700

to get three more folks aboard tomorrow

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00:02:26,930 --> 00:02:24,810

been up there in that weightless

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00:02:32,180 --> 00:02:26,940

environment for 38 days how are you

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00:02:33,650 --> 00:02:32,190

holding up physically not too bad for

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00:02:35,150 --> 00:02:33,660

know a guy I think I think we're doing

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00:02:37,340 --> 00:02:35,160

actually very well we've got one new

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00:02:42,110 --> 00:02:37,350

piece of equipment that's that does a

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00:02:43,790 --> 00:02:42,120

great job of basically replicating a gym

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00:02:45,700 --> 00:02:43,800

that you might have on the ground that

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00:02:47,780 --> 00:02:45,710

you could use with free weights

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00:02:50,180 --> 00:02:47,790

cardiovascular all the rest of it and

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00:02:52,520 --> 00:02:50,190

that will allow us to have loads for

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00:02:54,740 --> 00:02:52,530

squats and deadlifts and things like

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00:02:56,840 --> 00:02:54,750

that up to as high as 600 pounds I

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00:02:58,460 --> 00:02:56,850

haven't gotten near that yet but it's

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00:03:00,620 --> 00:02:58,470

some capability that we have never had

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00:03:03,350 --> 00:03:00,630

onboard the space station previous to

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00:03:06,110 --> 00:03:03,360

this and a great treadmill actually a

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00:03:07,640 --> 00:03:06,120

couple of them and an exercise bicycle

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00:03:10,070 --> 00:03:07,650

all the equipment that we have that we

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00:03:11,810 --> 00:03:10,080

use frequently is vibration isolated

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00:03:14,180 --> 00:03:11,820

from the space station the goal being to

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00:03:15,560 --> 00:03:14,190

keep us healthy but also not to

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00:03:17,120 --> 00:03:15,570

interrupt all the sensitive experiments

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00:03:22,009 --> 00:03:17,130

that we have going out throughout this

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00:03:23,449 --> 00:03:22,019

entire 400 foot long space station as

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00:03:25,100 --> 00:03:23,459

you've just mentioned the key to

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00:03:27,350 --> 00:03:25,110

enduring long-term exposure to a

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00:03:28,550 --> 00:03:27,360

weightless environment is exercise can

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00:03:30,560 --> 00:03:28,560

you tell me about your exercise routine

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00:03:35,780 --> 00:03:30,570

in terms of how many hours a day or

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00:03:37,400 --> 00:03:35,790

what's the requirement well the standard

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00:03:40,130 --> 00:03:37,410

for us is basically an hour and a half

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00:03:42,170 --> 00:03:40,140

of weights a day and one hour of

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00:03:45,259 --> 00:03:42,180

cardiovascular we can do more if we have

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00:03:47,090 --> 00:03:45,269
the opportunity we often on occasion

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00:03:49,040 --> 00:03:47,100
will do a little bit less that time does

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00:03:50,330 --> 00:03:49,050
account some setup and it does account

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00:03:52,820 --> 00:03:50,340
for a little bit of cleanup afterwards

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00:03:54,290 --> 00:03:52,830
but it's a pretty aggressive schedule in

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00:03:56,030 --> 00:03:54,300
fact I think we're seeing crews that are

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00:03:57,979 --> 00:03:56,040
coming up to space right now that are

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00:04:00,320 --> 00:03:57,989
returning back to earth after six-month

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00:04:02,720 --> 00:04:00,330
mission with almost no loss and perhaps

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00:04:04,430 --> 00:04:02,730
some gain and muscle capability and

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00:04:06,900 --> 00:04:04,440
cardiovascular endurance that's

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00:04:09,000 --> 00:04:06,910
something we haven't seen

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00:04:11,910 --> 00:04:09,010

one thing that you and I have in common

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00:04:14,550 --> 00:04:11,920

is that we both turned 50 this year so

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00:04:16,830 --> 00:04:14,560

20 years ago if I had asked you could

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00:04:19,590 --> 00:04:16,840

you have possibly envisioned at age 50

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00:04:26,010 --> 00:04:19,600

spending four months aboard a permanent

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00:04:27,770 --> 00:04:26,020

orbiting space station no way Paul I 20

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00:04:31,200 --> 00:04:27,780

years ago was before I joined NASA and

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00:04:33,420 --> 00:04:31,210

and even after i joined nasa i joined us

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00:04:35,040 --> 00:04:33,430

at thinking about flying on space

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00:04:37,500 --> 00:04:35,050

shuttle for shorter duration missions

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00:04:39,120 --> 00:04:37,510

but having done two of those i can tell

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00:04:41,310 --> 00:04:39,130

you that it wasn't long enough for me

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00:04:42,690 --> 00:04:41,320

and our missions a little bit shorter

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00:04:44,610 --> 00:04:42,700

than we planned it's not quite six

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00:04:48,180 --> 00:04:44,620

months but it'll be four months and it

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00:04:50,610 --> 00:04:48,190

is absolutely spectacular it is i I'm

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00:04:52,560 --> 00:04:50,620

not going to want to come back to Planet

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00:04:53,910 --> 00:04:52,570

Earth afterwards I will want to see my

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00:04:56,760 --> 00:04:53,920

family I want to do all the other things

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00:04:58,590 --> 00:04:56,770

we can do but the opportunity to float

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00:04:59,850 --> 00:04:58,600

over to these windows and look at Planet

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00:05:01,530 --> 00:04:59,860

Earth going by beneath us the

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00:05:03,030 --> 00:05:01,540

opportunity to participate in this kind

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00:05:07,230 --> 00:05:03,040

of research that we're doing on board is

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00:05:08,760 --> 00:05:07,240

just the dream of a lifetime well as a

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00:05:10,020 --> 00:05:08,770

meteorologist I can tell you that being

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00:05:11,760 --> 00:05:10,030

able to pour it over to that window must

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00:05:12,930 --> 00:05:11,770

be an amazing experience look down and

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00:05:14,850 --> 00:05:12,940

see the cloud patterns and see our

142

00:05:17,460 --> 00:05:14,860

beautiful planet and you just mentioned

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00:05:19,800 --> 00:05:17,470

the space shuttle now as we move to the

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00:05:21,870 --> 00:05:19,810

end of 2011 we look back on the ending

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00:05:23,880 --> 00:05:21,880

of that shuttle program but we also look

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00:05:29,970 --> 00:05:23,890

ahead so what do you envision is the

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00:05:31,530 --> 00:05:29,980

future of human space exploration lets

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00:05:32,580 --> 00:05:31,540

you move from this point on first off I

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00:05:33,960 --> 00:05:32,590

would just encourage people to

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00:05:35,340 --> 00:05:33,970

understand that there's an awful lot

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00:05:37,320 --> 00:05:35,350

going on in the International Space

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00:05:39,060 --> 00:05:37,330

Station the shuttle did what the shuttle

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00:05:41,340 --> 00:05:39,070

was designed to do what it was perfectly

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00:05:43,140 --> 00:05:41,350

designed to do and that was to build

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00:05:44,820 --> 00:05:43,150

this nearly million pound Space Station

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00:05:46,620 --> 00:05:44,830

low-earth orbit so now we have this

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00:05:48,060 --> 00:05:46,630

capability to do all the research that

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00:05:49,950 --> 00:05:48,070

we need to answer the questions to be

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00:05:51,390 --> 00:05:49,960

able to leave low-earth orbit and do the

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00:05:54,330 --> 00:05:51,400

things that we really want to do as an

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00:05:55,740 --> 00:05:54,340

agency and I think as a people so in the

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00:05:57,390 --> 00:05:55,750

near term we've got an awful lot of work

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00:06:00,170 --> 00:05:57,400

to do on Space Station at least out to

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00:06:03,630 --> 00:06:00,180

2020 and beyond but we're also basically

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00:06:05,820 --> 00:06:03,640

turning over to commercial industry the

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00:06:07,620 --> 00:06:05,830

piece of the puzzle of spaceflight that

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00:06:09,240 --> 00:06:07,630

involves at least for the United States

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00:06:10,560 --> 00:06:09,250

getting from low Earth or getting from

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00:06:12,900 --> 00:06:10,570

the surface of the planet to low Earth

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00:06:15,810 --> 00:06:12,910

orbit and I think this the time is right

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00:06:18,270 --> 00:06:15,820

to do that and NASA is now taking up the

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00:06:20,200 --> 00:06:18,280

mantle to leave low-earth orbit and go

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00:06:22,210 --> 00:06:20,210

on to the moon asteroids and on to Mars

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00:06:24,070 --> 00:06:22,220

to do that we need a giant rocket and

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00:06:25,809 --> 00:06:24,080

that's in work to do that we need a

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00:06:27,820 --> 00:06:25,819

different kind of spacecraft that's in

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00:06:29,110 --> 00:06:27,830

development as well and for folks that

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00:06:30,520 --> 00:06:29,120

are listening right now I'd really

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00:06:32,650 --> 00:06:30,530

encourage them for the young folks that

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00:06:35,409 --> 00:06:32,660

want to get in this business the time

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00:06:37,540 --> 00:06:35,419

has never been better and I think NASA's

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00:06:39,249 --> 00:06:37,550

got a tremendously bright future and we

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00:06:41,379 --> 00:06:39,259

need their brains their energy and we

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00:06:42,820 --> 00:06:41,389

need them to come and fly in space and

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00:06:47,050 --> 00:06:42,830

do the research on Space Station and

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00:06:48,460 --> 00:06:47,060

beyond a personal question you knew the

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00:06:49,600 --> 00:06:48,470

moment you saw the schedule for this

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00:06:51,370 --> 00:06:49,610

mission that you were going to be

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00:06:52,510 --> 00:06:51,380

working over the holidays and that's

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00:06:55,180 --> 00:06:52,520

tough front anybody to be away from

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00:06:56,620 --> 00:06:55,190

their family i i'm sure you're prepared

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00:07:02,950 --> 00:06:56,630

for this but it's a little tough to be

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00:07:04,480 --> 00:07:02,960

away from home I think that's probably

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00:07:06,279 --> 00:07:04,490

the hardest part the hardest part about

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00:07:07,810 --> 00:07:06,289

training for a space flight at least on

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00:07:09,670 --> 00:07:07,820

International Space Station and it's the

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00:07:11,620 --> 00:07:09,680

hardest thing about about being in space

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00:07:13,060 --> 00:07:11,630

but it's a little bit different and

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00:07:14,890 --> 00:07:13,070

quite a lot better than it was in the

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00:07:17,020 --> 00:07:14,900

past and we can talk to our families

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00:07:19,180 --> 00:07:17,030

every day couple times a day if if if

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00:07:20,950 --> 00:07:19,190

our time permits and we can see them at

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00:07:23,980 --> 00:07:20,960

least one time a week on a you know on a

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00:07:26,379 --> 00:07:23,990

computer screen so that goes a long way

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00:07:28,719 --> 00:07:26,389

towards making us feel connected and

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00:07:30,909 --> 00:07:28,729

close to them and the families there

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00:07:33,010 --> 00:07:30,919

been there you know all along the way

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00:07:34,240 --> 00:07:33,020

for me for an awful long time leading up

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00:07:36,430 --> 00:07:34,250

to this mission and throughout the

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00:07:39,040 --> 00:07:36,440

mission and one of the tremendous

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00:07:40,629 --> 00:07:39,050

rewards after the mission is done will

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00:07:42,969 --> 00:07:40,639

be to get to return to them and spend

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00:07:44,950 --> 00:07:42,979

some good quality time with them during

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00:07:47,740 --> 00:07:44,960

the holidays during thanksgiving during

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00:07:49,180 --> 00:07:47,750

during Christmastime and new years we'll

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00:07:50,709 --> 00:07:49,190

be talking and seeing all of our

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00:07:52,899 --> 00:07:50,719

families you know each of us all the

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00:07:54,370 --> 00:07:52,909

crew members aboard Space Station and so

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00:07:58,839 --> 00:07:54,380

it's not going to be like being a long

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00:08:00,459 --> 00:07:58,849

ways away and one last question I see

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00:08:01,959 --> 00:08:00,469

that you're from Massachusetts so I'm

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00:08:03,490 --> 00:08:01,969

going to assume that you're a Patriots

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00:08:08,770 --> 00:08:03,500

fan what do you think about a lion

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00:08:10,390 --> 00:08:08,780

Patriots Super Bowl I think that'd be

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00:08:12,939 --> 00:08:10,400

great I think to be great I think it'd

226
00:08:14,680 --> 00:08:12,949
be great to have a Patriots Super Bowl

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00:08:19,300 --> 00:08:14,690
winner but but we'll see how that all

228
00:08:21,010 --> 00:08:19,310
plays out and and I just like to go back

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00:08:22,120 --> 00:08:21,020
one one quick thing because I know your

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00:08:24,459 --> 00:08:22,130
meteorologist and I think you're

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00:08:26,999 --> 00:08:24,469
probably also a little bit interested in

232
00:08:28,990 --> 00:08:27,009
astronomy most meteorologist I think our

233
00:08:30,760 --> 00:08:29,000
every time that we look out this window

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00:08:33,279 --> 00:08:30,770
or we look out the windows and the

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00:08:34,959 --> 00:08:33,289
cupola we're absolutely amazed and

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00:08:37,779 --> 00:08:34,969
and the same thing goes for being on

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00:08:39,610 --> 00:08:37,789
board a space shuttle and i would say

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00:08:41,259 --> 00:08:39,620

that two nights ago I probably saw the

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00:08:43,120 --> 00:08:41,269

most amazing thing I have ever seen in

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00:08:44,650 --> 00:08:43,130

space and that's saying an awful lot

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00:08:46,720 --> 00:08:44,660

because every day is filled with amazing

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00:08:48,910 --> 00:08:46,730

things and that was we were flying over

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00:08:50,710 --> 00:08:48,920

Tasmania we had actually just seen the

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00:08:53,079 --> 00:08:50,720

storms in the South Pacific over the

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00:08:55,059 --> 00:08:53,089

Philippines and it was nighttime

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00:08:57,430 --> 00:08:55,069

thunderstorms lighting up the entire sky

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00:08:59,050 --> 00:08:57,440

and then just before the Sun came up the

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00:09:02,499 --> 00:08:59,060

earth slim was you know lit up as a

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00:09:04,030 --> 00:09:02,509

sliver of blue and in purple and then

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00:09:06,069 --> 00:09:04,040

there was this long green arc that

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00:09:08,470 --> 00:09:06,079
extended probably 10 degrees or so from

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00:09:10,420 --> 00:09:08,480
the horizon actually from the

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00:09:12,879 --> 00:09:10,430
perspective of the cupola which in which

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00:09:14,439 --> 00:09:12,889
case were upside down up up you know in

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00:09:16,720 --> 00:09:14,449
my field of view upwards in fact it

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00:09:19,930 --> 00:09:16,730
disappeared behind the gym at least 10

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00:09:21,639 --> 00:09:19,940
degrees i think twenty earth 20 moon

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00:09:23,860 --> 00:09:21,649
diameters if you think about it in those

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00:09:26,530 --> 00:09:23,870
terms and i had no idea what it was he

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00:09:28,120 --> 00:09:26,540
was a long green glowing arc and turns

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00:09:30,400 --> 00:09:28,130
out it end up being ended up being a

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00:09:32,769 --> 00:09:30,410
comet that somebody in Tasmania had seen

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00:09:35,259 --> 00:09:32,779

about the same time comet lovejoy that

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00:09:37,210 --> 00:09:35,269

had passed about 140,000 kilometres from

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00:09:38,889 --> 00:09:37,220

the surface of the Sun when it

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00:09:40,509 --> 00:09:38,899

disappeared behind the Sun I think

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00:09:42,430 --> 00:09:40,519

astronomers thought it would not appear

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00:09:44,259 --> 00:09:42,440

again it probably would burn up but it's

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00:09:45,490 --> 00:09:44,269

probably the most spectacular thing you

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00:09:47,949 --> 00:09:45,500

can imagine and from the vantage point

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00:09:49,480 --> 00:09:47,959

of space it's different than seeing it

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00:09:51,879 --> 00:09:49,490

from Planet Earth because there's no

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00:09:53,860 --> 00:09:51,889

intervening atmosphere to see so we took

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00:09:55,629 --> 00:09:53,870

some really neat pictures last night a

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00:09:58,210 --> 00:09:55,639

bit about a hundred or so that we hope

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00:09:59,319 --> 00:09:58,220

to make a movie out of but just wanted

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00:10:03,069 --> 00:09:59,329

to toss that out in case you're

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00:10:04,269 --> 00:10:03,079

interested it's quite a place very very

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00:10:05,980 --> 00:10:04,279

interested well we're out of time

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00:10:07,420 --> 00:10:05,990

commander Burbank I really appreciate

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00:10:09,100 --> 00:10:07,430

your taking the time there's a lot of

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00:10:11,199 --> 00:10:09,110

support for nasa and its programs here

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00:10:13,000 --> 00:10:11,209

in Detroit the University of Michigan is

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00:10:14,710 --> 00:10:13,010

a hotbed of researchers working directly

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00:10:17,889 --> 00:10:14,720

with NASA and you may recall the Apollo

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00:10:19,300 --> 00:10:17,899

15 crew with an entire U of M crew so on

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00:10:20,699 --> 00:10:19,310

behalf of all of us here in the Detroit

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00:10:23,230 --> 00:10:20,709

area we certainly wish you a successful

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00:10:24,910 --> 00:10:23,240

remainder of the mission very very safe

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00:10:29,470 --> 00:10:24,920

travels home and very happy holiday to

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00:10:31,780 --> 00:10:29,480

you Paul thank you so much who's great

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00:10:34,480 --> 00:10:31,790

having you aboard and all my best to you

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00:10:36,189 --> 00:10:34,490

to the team there at WDIV and to to all

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00:10:40,059 --> 00:10:36,199

the folks in Detroit Merry Christmas

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00:10:42,460 --> 00:10:40,069

Happy New Year to you station this is