

VIA PHONE



**Sally
Ride**

President and CEO, Sally Ride Science
America's first woman in space

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00:00:09,270 --> 00:00:07,670
good afternoon my name is duane brown

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00:00:11,830 --> 00:00:09,280
from the office of communications and

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00:00:14,709 --> 00:00:11,840
welcome to nasa headquarters

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00:00:17,910 --> 00:00:14,719
nasa rang in 2012 with twin spacecraft

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00:00:19,510 --> 00:00:17,920
being placed in orbit around our moon

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00:00:22,310 --> 00:00:19,520
and not only will you hear the current

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00:00:24,710 --> 00:00:22,320
status of the twins but also upcoming

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00:00:26,630 --> 00:00:24,720
plans for science operations

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00:00:28,070 --> 00:00:26,640
and for the grand finale

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00:00:30,390 --> 00:00:28,080
the announcement

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00:00:33,830 --> 00:00:30,400
of new names for the spacecraft as a

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00:00:35,670 --> 00:00:33,840
result of a nationwide student contest

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00:00:38,310 --> 00:00:35,680

we will have brief remarks

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00:00:40,630 --> 00:00:38,320

from our participants here in washington

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00:00:42,310 --> 00:00:40,640

then go to the phone with sally ride

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00:00:45,510 --> 00:00:42,320

america's first woman in space and

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00:00:48,069 --> 00:00:45,520

president and ceo sally rad science san

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00:00:49,910 --> 00:00:48,079

diego would take us into the grand

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00:00:51,910 --> 00:00:49,920

finale

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00:00:54,310 --> 00:00:51,920

let me introduce you to today's

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00:00:55,910 --> 00:00:54,320

participants here on stage in order of

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00:00:58,389 --> 00:00:55,920

their seating

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00:01:00,549 --> 00:00:58,399

first leland melvin

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00:01:03,510 --> 00:01:00,559

associate administrator for education

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00:01:06,310 --> 00:01:04,869

maria zuber

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00:01:08,950 --> 00:01:06,320

grail principal investigator

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00:01:12,870 --> 00:01:08,960

massachusetts institute of technology

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00:01:17,990 --> 00:01:15,350

jim green director planetary science

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00:01:19,670 --> 00:01:18,000

division science mission directorate

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00:01:20,630 --> 00:01:19,680

nasa headquarters we'll start with

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00:01:21,990 --> 00:01:20,640

leland

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00:01:24,390 --> 00:01:22,000

then jim

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00:01:26,710 --> 00:01:24,400

and then to maria leon

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00:01:28,950 --> 00:01:26,720

thanks duane

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00:01:30,469 --> 00:01:28,960

i'm really pleased to be here today to

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00:01:31,510 --> 00:01:30,479

share in the next step of the grail

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00:01:33,109 --> 00:01:31,520

mission

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00:01:35,350 --> 00:01:33,119

and learning the names that the students

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00:01:37,270 --> 00:01:35,360

have chosen for the twin spacecraft

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00:01:39,429 --> 00:01:37,280

nasa's science and education programs

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00:01:41,510 --> 00:01:39,439

are perfect complements for engaging

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00:01:43,749 --> 00:01:41,520

america's students in stem which is

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00:01:45,109 --> 00:01:43,759

science technology engineering and

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00:01:46,870 --> 00:01:45,119

mathematics

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00:01:49,749 --> 00:01:46,880

nasa's scientific missions and the

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00:01:51,749 --> 00:01:49,759

exciting discoveries that they reveal

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00:01:54,149 --> 00:01:51,759

are wonderful catalysts for getting

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00:01:56,230 --> 00:01:54,159

students interested in studying science

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00:01:58,870 --> 00:01:56,240

and it's really cool

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00:02:00,149 --> 00:01:58,880

i mean like really cool to study science

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00:02:02,069 --> 00:02:00,159
i was talking to maria a little bit

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00:02:04,149 --> 00:02:02,079
earlier about how my mother gave me a

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00:02:05,670 --> 00:02:04,159
chemistry set when i was a young boy and

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00:02:07,749 --> 00:02:05,680
this was before osha got involved with

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00:02:09,910 --> 00:02:07,759
chemistry sets but i mixed these two

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00:02:12,309 --> 00:02:09,920
dissimilar chemicals and created this

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00:02:15,030 --> 00:02:12,319
fantastic explosion in my mother's

58
00:02:17,350 --> 00:02:15,040
living room so the coolness led me to

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00:02:19,190 --> 00:02:17,360
become a chemistry major so we have to

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00:02:23,110 --> 00:02:19,200
do more things like this to get kids

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00:02:24,550 --> 00:02:23,120
inspired in in doing cool stuff but

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00:02:26,390 --> 00:02:24,560
science has always been an important

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00:02:28,390 --> 00:02:26,400

component of nasa's education program

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00:02:29,910 --> 00:02:28,400

and i think it will be featured even

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00:02:32,390 --> 00:02:29,920

more prominently now

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00:02:34,790 --> 00:02:32,400

that we're in the post shuttle era

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00:02:36,710 --> 00:02:34,800

in november nasa education joined our

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00:02:39,509 --> 00:02:36,720

friends in science in celebrating the

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00:02:41,509 --> 00:02:39,519

launch of the mars science laboratory

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00:02:44,470 --> 00:02:41,519

and the curiosity rover

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00:02:46,869 --> 00:02:44,480

the name curiosity was also chosen by a

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00:02:48,630 --> 00:02:46,879

student clara ma of kansas

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00:02:50,070 --> 00:02:48,640

by engaging students in the interactive

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00:02:52,630 --> 00:02:50,080

learning tools developed for this

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00:02:54,390 --> 00:02:52,640

mission were really taking them along on

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00:02:56,229 --> 00:02:54,400

the journey

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00:02:58,229 --> 00:02:56,239

this mission even captured the attention

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00:03:00,149 --> 00:02:58,239

of entertainer will i am

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00:03:01,830 --> 00:03:00,159

he joined us for the launch and has

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00:03:04,470 --> 00:03:01,840

restated his commitment to helping

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00:03:06,070 --> 00:03:04,480

students get excited about robotics and

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00:03:07,750 --> 00:03:06,080

technical subjects

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00:03:09,670 --> 00:03:07,760

we're happy to be working with him so

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00:03:11,670 --> 00:03:09,680

they can do more of that

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00:03:13,670 --> 00:03:11,680

science is exciting and the grail

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00:03:15,990 --> 00:03:13,680

spacecraft will no doubt offer many

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00:03:18,550 --> 00:03:16,000

opportunities for students to learn more

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00:03:20,229 --> 00:03:18,560

about earth's only natural satellite

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00:03:22,309 --> 00:03:20,239

i am really delighted to work with my

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00:03:24,949 --> 00:03:22,319

science colleagues to my left

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00:03:27,750 --> 00:03:24,959

to inspire and truly inspire the next

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00:03:30,630 --> 00:03:27,760

generation of explorers thank you

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00:03:32,149 --> 00:03:30,640

thank you lily jim

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00:03:34,309 --> 00:03:32,159

well you know this has just been a

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00:03:35,430 --> 00:03:34,319

tremendous year and a half for planetary

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00:03:37,589 --> 00:03:35,440

science

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00:03:38,789 --> 00:03:37,599

over that time period we flew by two

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00:03:41,830 --> 00:03:38,799

comments

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00:03:42,710 --> 00:03:41,840

we took we put two spacecraft in orbit

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00:03:44,949 --> 00:03:42,720

around

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00:03:47,270 --> 00:03:44,959
bodies in our solar system messenger

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00:03:49,830 --> 00:03:47,280
around mercury and dawn around a

103
00:03:51,910 --> 00:03:49,840
fabulous asteroid called vesta

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00:03:54,149 --> 00:03:51,920
we also did three launches

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00:03:55,830 --> 00:03:54,159
we launched juno to jupiter

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00:03:58,789 --> 00:03:55,840
as leland mentioned

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00:04:01,670 --> 00:03:58,799
msl or the curiosity rover is on its way

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00:04:03,350 --> 00:04:01,680
to mars and of course the grail mission

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00:04:05,030 --> 00:04:03,360
in september

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00:04:06,710 --> 00:04:05,040
now since that time

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00:04:09,110 --> 00:04:06,720
since september 10th

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00:04:10,149 --> 00:04:09,120
the two grail spacecraft have made it to

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00:04:12,550 --> 00:04:10,159

the moon

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00:04:14,869 --> 00:04:12,560

and it's going to open a new era for us

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00:04:16,710 --> 00:04:14,879

it's really going to be a new moon it's

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00:04:18,390 --> 00:04:16,720

going to look at the moon in ways we've

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00:04:20,310 --> 00:04:18,400

never seen before

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00:04:22,629 --> 00:04:20,320

and to give you an update on the health

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00:04:25,909 --> 00:04:22,639

of those spacecraft and where they are

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00:04:28,230 --> 00:04:25,919

maria right thank you very much again

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00:04:29,030 --> 00:04:28,240

okay if we could run the first video all

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00:04:31,510 --> 00:04:29,040

right

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00:04:35,350 --> 00:04:31,520

on uh new year's eve and new year's day

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00:04:37,110 --> 00:04:35,360

the sparkling cider uh was popping um

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00:04:38,950 --> 00:04:37,120

out at the control

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00:04:40,310 --> 00:04:38,960

rooms in the jet propulsion laboratory

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00:04:43,510 --> 00:04:40,320

in pasadena

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00:04:45,270 --> 00:04:43,520

um as well as uh in our control room at

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00:04:47,830 --> 00:04:45,280

the spacecraft contractor lockheed

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00:04:50,629 --> 00:04:47,840

martin astronautics in denver

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00:04:53,670 --> 00:04:50,639

uh on new year's eve uh the grail a

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00:04:55,189 --> 00:04:53,680

spacecraft inserted successfully into uh

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00:04:57,430 --> 00:04:55,199

lunar orbit

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00:04:59,270 --> 00:04:57,440

and then

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00:05:02,469 --> 00:04:59,280

just in time to take a little bit of

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00:05:05,990 --> 00:05:02,479

breath 25 hours later on new year's day

137

00:05:07,909 --> 00:05:06,000

grail b inserted successfully into lunar

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00:05:10,629 --> 00:05:07,919

orbit

139

00:05:12,710 --> 00:05:10,639

and we've been busy since then um the

140

00:05:15,670 --> 00:05:12,720

two spacecraft have

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00:05:18,230 --> 00:05:15,680

each gone through a series of three main

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00:05:20,070 --> 00:05:18,240

engine maneuvers to reduce their orbital

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00:05:22,310 --> 00:05:20,080

periods they both started eleven and a

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00:05:25,110 --> 00:05:22,320

half hour uh orbits

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00:05:29,510 --> 00:05:25,120

and now grail a is uh orbiting it with a

146

00:05:33,670 --> 00:05:29,520

3.7 hour period and grail b is at a 3.9

147

00:05:35,749 --> 00:05:33,680

hour period um grail a is um

148

00:05:38,150 --> 00:05:35,759

about 93 kilometers above the surface of

149

00:05:40,629 --> 00:05:38,160

the moon grail b is

150

00:05:43,270 --> 00:05:40,639

109 kilometers above the surface of the

151
00:05:45,670 --> 00:05:43,280
moon and the two spacecraft will undergo

152
00:05:48,629 --> 00:05:45,680
further main engine maneuvers to get

153
00:05:51,590 --> 00:05:48,639
them down to their mapping orbit of 55

154
00:05:54,710 --> 00:05:51,600
kilometers so at this point

155
00:05:56,230 --> 00:05:54,720
both spacecraft are still being operated

156
00:05:58,550 --> 00:05:56,240
independently

157
00:06:00,950 --> 00:05:58,560
but then we're going to line them up

158
00:06:02,950 --> 00:06:00,960
and they'll begin mapping the moon in

159
00:06:05,029 --> 00:06:02,960
early march so you can see here in this

160
00:06:07,590 --> 00:06:05,039
animation the first spacecraft there

161
00:06:09,830 --> 00:06:07,600
being accelerated due to that mountain

162
00:06:11,670 --> 00:06:09,840
um there on the moon and it stretches

163
00:06:13,189 --> 00:06:11,680

gets a larger distance from the second

164

00:06:14,710 --> 00:06:13,199

spacecraft and then once the second

165

00:06:17,029 --> 00:06:14,720

spacecraft is affected by that

166

00:06:19,830 --> 00:06:17,039

gravitational mass it catches up to the

167

00:06:21,270 --> 00:06:19,840

first spacecraft so these two spacecraft

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00:06:23,749 --> 00:06:21,280

they're going to be in orbit the one

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00:06:25,749 --> 00:06:23,759

behind chasing the one in front in a

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00:06:29,430 --> 00:06:25,759

polar orbit while the moon slowly

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00:06:31,749 --> 00:06:29,440

rotates um beneath them and uh and in

172

00:06:33,430 --> 00:06:31,759

that way we will map the moon determine

173

00:06:36,070 --> 00:06:33,440

the gravity field

174

00:06:37,830 --> 00:06:36,080

and gain in our understanding of the

175

00:06:40,870 --> 00:06:37,840

inside of the moon

176

00:06:43,110 --> 00:06:40,880

we could have the next uh slide please

177

00:06:46,309 --> 00:06:43,120

um so mapping of the two of the moon

178

00:06:48,230 --> 00:06:46,319

will begin um in early march and um and

179

00:06:49,589 --> 00:06:48,240

you see in this

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00:06:53,029 --> 00:06:49,599

still here

181

00:06:55,510 --> 00:06:53,039

the two spacecraft side by side in their

182

00:06:57,990 --> 00:06:55,520

launch configuration out in the the

183

00:06:59,990 --> 00:06:58,000

clean room at lockheed martin

184

00:07:01,670 --> 00:07:00,000

these two spacecraft as i said are now

185

00:07:02,870 --> 00:07:01,680

in lunar orbit

186

00:07:04,390 --> 00:07:02,880

we were

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00:07:06,309 --> 00:07:04,400

so busy

188

00:07:07,830 --> 00:07:06,319

in the design

189

00:07:09,990 --> 00:07:07,840
and getting these two spacecraft

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00:07:11,430 --> 00:07:10,000
launched on time

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00:07:13,189 --> 00:07:11,440
that when we gave them names we gave

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00:07:13,990 --> 00:07:13,199
them names of a and b

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00:07:20,070 --> 00:07:14,000
and

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00:07:22,309 --> 00:07:20,080
the youth of america to um assist us in

195

00:07:25,270 --> 00:07:22,319
uh in getting slightly better names and

196

00:07:28,309 --> 00:07:25,280
we held a nationwide contest

197

00:07:29,189 --> 00:07:28,319
um we had um if we could go to the next

198

00:07:32,390 --> 00:07:29,199
uh

199

00:07:34,950 --> 00:07:32,400
chart i think we'll have here

200

00:07:37,670 --> 00:07:34,960
we had over 11 000

201
00:07:39,909 --> 00:07:37,680
students involved in the naming from 45

202
00:07:43,110 --> 00:07:39,919
states and several

203
00:07:45,430 --> 00:07:43,120
territories and provinces

204
00:07:47,589 --> 00:07:45,440
we all of these students wrote essays

205
00:07:49,029 --> 00:07:47,599
there was a very competitive um

206
00:07:51,350 --> 00:07:49,039
competition

207
00:07:54,230 --> 00:07:51,360
and uh and the students really um

208
00:07:55,749 --> 00:07:54,240
stepped up and made a very difficult uh

209
00:07:58,469 --> 00:07:55,759
decision for us

210
00:08:01,589 --> 00:07:58,479
so to um to talk a little bit more

211
00:08:02,869 --> 00:08:01,599
about the program and the contest and

212
00:08:05,589 --> 00:08:02,879
also

213
00:08:08,710 --> 00:08:05,599

grails education public outreach program

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00:08:10,950 --> 00:08:08,720

i'm going to turn it over to sally ride

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00:08:14,150 --> 00:08:10,960

dr brad

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00:08:16,390 --> 00:08:14,160

thanks duane thanks maria um i'm really

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00:08:19,110 --> 00:08:16,400

proud to say that grail is the first

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00:08:22,070 --> 00:08:19,120

spacecraft mission to carry instruments

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00:08:23,749 --> 00:08:22,080

that are entirely dedicated to education

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00:08:25,749 --> 00:08:23,759

each of the two spacecraft carry

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00:08:27,670 --> 00:08:25,759

dedicated cameras that will be operated

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00:08:29,430 --> 00:08:27,680

by students

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00:08:31,350 --> 00:08:29,440

maria and i designed an education

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00:08:33,190 --> 00:08:31,360

program using these cameras that will

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00:08:35,110 --> 00:08:33,200

rocket over two hundred thousand

226
00:08:36,149 --> 00:08:35,120
elementary and middle school students to

227
00:08:37,990 --> 00:08:36,159
the moon

228
00:08:39,670 --> 00:08:38,000
the program is called mooncam that's

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00:08:41,350 --> 00:08:39,680
mooncam with a k

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00:08:43,509 --> 00:08:41,360
and it lets classrooms around the

231
00:08:45,269 --> 00:08:43,519
country and in fact around the world

232
00:08:47,030 --> 00:08:45,279
control the cameras on the grail

233
00:08:49,430 --> 00:08:47,040
spacecraft

234
00:08:51,590 --> 00:08:49,440
students own these cameras

235
00:08:54,150 --> 00:08:51,600
there they'll decide what pictures to

236
00:08:56,070 --> 00:08:54,160
take then they'll use their pictures and

237
00:08:58,790 --> 00:08:56,080
if they like pictures taken by other

238
00:09:01,910 --> 00:08:58,800

schools to study the moon

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00:09:03,110 --> 00:09:01,920

we already have over 2 100 classrooms

240

00:09:07,030 --> 00:09:03,120

signed up

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00:09:09,829 --> 00:09:07,040

representing over 150 000 students

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00:09:12,790 --> 00:09:09,839

and by mid-march when the mission starts

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00:09:14,230 --> 00:09:12,800

we expect over three thousand stu

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00:09:15,990 --> 00:09:14,240

three thousand schools to be

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00:09:17,829 --> 00:09:16,000

participating

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00:09:20,230 --> 00:09:17,839

now the classroom that won the naming

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00:09:22,870 --> 00:09:20,240

contest is one of those already

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00:09:24,710 --> 00:09:22,880

registered for mooncam we're about to

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00:09:27,590 --> 00:09:24,720

introduce the winning classroom to

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00:09:29,590 --> 00:09:27,600

unveil the names of the grail spacecraft

251
00:09:31,350 --> 00:09:29,600
but first i wanted to announce that in

252
00:09:33,030 --> 00:09:31,360
mid-march

253
00:09:36,070 --> 00:09:33,040
they'll have the honor of being the

254
00:09:38,630 --> 00:09:36,080
first school to take photos of the moon

255
00:09:41,430 --> 00:09:38,640
with the moon cam cameras

256
00:09:43,430 --> 00:09:41,440
now we'll go live via skype to bozeman

257
00:09:45,590 --> 00:09:43,440
montana

258
00:09:48,710 --> 00:09:45,600
and it's my pleasure to introduce fourth

259
00:09:51,350 --> 00:09:48,720
grade teacher nina demaro

260
00:09:54,310 --> 00:09:51,360
her class at emily dinkinson school in

261
00:10:04,069 --> 00:09:54,320
bozeman submitted the winning entry

262
00:10:10,949 --> 00:10:07,910
oh my gosh this is unbelievable

263
00:10:13,829 --> 00:10:10,959

uh first of all welcome to our classroom

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00:10:16,470 --> 00:10:13,839

at emily dickinson school in bozeman

265

00:10:19,030 --> 00:10:16,480

montana

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00:10:23,350 --> 00:10:19,040

this has been just a phenomenal

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00:10:27,030 --> 00:10:23,360

experience um we're so excited it's an

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00:10:29,750 --> 00:10:27,040

exceptional honor we can't believe it's

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00:10:32,150 --> 00:10:29,760

actually happened to us we're so

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00:10:34,470 --> 00:10:32,160

thrilled that our names were chosen for

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00:10:38,069 --> 00:10:34,480

girls a and b

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00:10:41,030 --> 00:10:38,079

we hope but we didn't know that this is

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00:10:42,310 --> 00:10:41,040

we're so anxious now to share the names

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00:10:46,310 --> 00:10:42,320

with you

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00:10:46,320 --> 00:10:52,630

bring us in a class sure

276
00:10:52,640 --> 00:10:55,509
give me an e

277
00:11:01,110 --> 00:10:58,230
give me an f

278
00:11:03,829 --> 00:11:01,120
give me a b

279
00:11:06,470 --> 00:11:03,839
give me an o

280
00:11:08,790 --> 00:11:06,480
give me a b

281
00:11:11,350 --> 00:11:08,800
give me an o

282
00:11:12,829 --> 00:11:11,360
give me an n

283
00:11:16,430 --> 00:11:12,839
give me a

284
00:11:31,030 --> 00:11:16,440
w have we

285
00:11:35,990 --> 00:11:32,949
thank you for the honor of being the

286
00:11:37,990 --> 00:11:36,000
first class to use the moon cam in march

287
00:11:50,069 --> 00:11:38,000
we can't wait

288
00:11:53,509 --> 00:11:51,350

maria i would say they're a little

289

00:11:56,389 --> 00:11:53,519

excited

290

00:11:58,470 --> 00:11:56,399

just a wee bit i hope they apply to mit

291

00:12:00,629 --> 00:11:58,480

someday

292

00:12:02,870 --> 00:12:00,639

and and uh before we open it up for

293

00:12:04,389 --> 00:12:02,880

questions maria uh wants to

294

00:12:05,750 --> 00:12:04,399

re give you some more details on the

295

00:12:08,389 --> 00:12:05,760

winning essay

296

00:12:11,269 --> 00:12:08,399

so i didn't uh i didn't even know that

297

00:12:12,310 --> 00:12:11,279

fourth graders studied gravity but

298

00:12:14,389 --> 00:12:12,320

but this

299

00:12:16,629 --> 00:12:14,399

class full of students

300

00:12:17,829 --> 00:12:16,639

wrote a very clear

301
00:12:19,750 --> 00:12:17,839
essay

302
00:12:21,030 --> 00:12:19,760
obviously learned something about the

303
00:12:24,710 --> 00:12:21,040
grail mission

304
00:12:26,310 --> 00:12:24,720
um they noted the fact that uh grail is

305
00:12:27,910 --> 00:12:26,320
going to be studying

306
00:12:28,710 --> 00:12:27,920
gravity on the moon

307
00:12:33,350 --> 00:12:28,720
and

308
00:12:35,430 --> 00:12:33,360
earth is seen every day

309
00:12:36,310 --> 00:12:35,440
in terms of tides that we have on the

310
00:12:39,910 --> 00:12:36,320
earth

311
00:12:43,110 --> 00:12:39,920
so um so they chose ebb and flow because

312
00:12:45,110 --> 00:12:43,120
it was the daily uh example of how the

313
00:12:46,629 --> 00:12:45,120

moon's gravity um is working on the

314

00:12:50,470 --> 00:12:46,639

earth and i thought that that was

315

00:12:53,670 --> 00:12:50,480

although uh it was very simple um sally

316

00:12:56,230 --> 00:12:53,680

and i were extremely persuaded um as

317

00:12:58,790 --> 00:12:56,240

well as all of us on the team about how

318

00:13:00,710 --> 00:12:58,800

sophisticated the thinking was that uh

319

00:13:02,470 --> 00:13:00,720

that went into that uh

320

00:13:05,110 --> 00:13:02,480

selection by the students so

321

00:13:07,030 --> 00:13:05,120

congratulations their students

322

00:13:09,509 --> 00:13:07,040

congratulations again

323

00:13:12,389 --> 00:13:09,519

and ebb and flow

324

00:13:14,629 --> 00:13:12,399

congratulations emily dickerson and

325

00:13:16,550 --> 00:13:14,639

teacher and the students

326

00:13:18,870 --> 00:13:16,560

this is what nasa is about

327

00:13:20,150 --> 00:13:18,880

inspiring the next generation no better

328

00:13:21,670 --> 00:13:20,160

way to do it ladies and gentlemen

329

00:13:23,829 --> 00:13:21,680

congratulations

330

00:13:25,190 --> 00:13:23,839

okay now we're going to wrap up uh here

331

00:13:26,790 --> 00:13:25,200

soon but uh we're going to see if there

332

00:13:29,110 --> 00:13:26,800

any questions here in the audience so

333

00:13:30,949 --> 00:13:29,120

any questions are you

334

00:13:32,949 --> 00:13:30,959

wait for the mic and identify yourself

335

00:13:34,550 --> 00:13:32,959

please

336

00:13:38,550 --> 00:13:34,560

global brazil

337

00:13:43,189 --> 00:13:40,150

would like to to

338

00:13:45,750 --> 00:13:43,199

understand if the uh the separation

339

00:13:46,629 --> 00:13:45,760
of the two aircraft

340

00:13:47,750 --> 00:13:46,639
when

341

00:13:49,430 --> 00:13:47,760
used

342

00:13:51,110 --> 00:13:49,440
with the cameras

343

00:13:52,150 --> 00:13:51,120
produce

344

00:13:54,150 --> 00:13:52,160
depth

345

00:13:57,030 --> 00:13:54,160
of image

346

00:13:59,990 --> 00:13:57,040
oh so so um you're essentially asking if

347

00:14:01,189 --> 00:14:00,000
um if we can do stereo

348

00:14:02,550 --> 00:14:01,199
with that

349

00:14:04,230 --> 00:14:02,560
um

350

00:14:06,389 --> 00:14:04,240
uh

351

00:14:10,470 --> 00:14:06,399

actually i don't know the answer

352

00:14:13,030 --> 00:14:10,480

to that um i suspect that uh

353

00:14:15,189 --> 00:14:13,040

i suspect that the spacing between the

354

00:14:17,910 --> 00:14:15,199

two spacecraft

355

00:14:21,509 --> 00:14:17,920

may be too great for that

356

00:14:23,350 --> 00:14:21,519

in their regular mapping configuration

357

00:14:25,030 --> 00:14:23,360

but that's something that that we could

358

00:14:28,230 --> 00:14:25,040

check you would need to have both

359

00:14:30,710 --> 00:14:28,240

spacecraft viewing the same

360

00:14:32,550 --> 00:14:30,720

object on the surface um at the same

361

00:14:35,189 --> 00:14:32,560

time and and i believe that they're

362

00:14:37,110 --> 00:14:35,199

probably from a 55 kilometer orbit given

363

00:14:38,790 --> 00:14:37,120

their spacing but it's probably too

364

00:14:41,509 --> 00:14:38,800

great

365

00:14:44,949 --> 00:14:41,519

if i could follow up they will

366

00:14:47,030 --> 00:14:44,959

not be flying exactly over the poles

367

00:14:48,949 --> 00:14:47,040

but but close to the pose

368

00:14:50,150 --> 00:14:48,959

another aircraft

369

00:14:51,590 --> 00:14:50,160

have

370

00:14:53,189 --> 00:14:51,600

detected what

371

00:14:55,269 --> 00:14:53,199

is

372

00:14:57,189 --> 00:14:55,279

possible

373

00:15:00,550 --> 00:14:57,199

the possibility of

374

00:15:02,389 --> 00:15:00,560

a large increase in the amount of of

375

00:15:05,030 --> 00:15:02,399

what could be water

376

00:15:09,030 --> 00:15:05,040

even two percent of every

377

00:15:11,269 --> 00:15:09,040

shadowed surface on the poles

378

00:15:13,269 --> 00:15:11,279

would those two aircraft

379

00:15:14,310 --> 00:15:13,279

kind of shine any more information on

380

00:15:16,550 --> 00:15:14,320

that

381

00:15:19,269 --> 00:15:16,560

okay so uh so the question was about

382

00:15:22,550 --> 00:15:19,279

water at the lunar poles okay so uh so

383

00:15:24,790 --> 00:15:22,560

the lunar poles are being monitored um

384

00:15:27,430 --> 00:15:24,800

with the lunar reconnaissance orbiter

385

00:15:29,189 --> 00:15:27,440

spacecraft which is

386

00:15:30,790 --> 00:15:29,199

orbiting the moon and collecting data

387

00:15:33,030 --> 00:15:30,800

right now

388

00:15:33,990 --> 00:15:33,040

and we have

389

00:15:35,990 --> 00:15:34,000

taken

390

00:15:38,790 --> 00:15:36,000

topographic measurements which have

391

00:15:41,670 --> 00:15:38,800

allowed us to map the inside of lunar

392

00:15:44,230 --> 00:15:41,680

polar craters and we've also taken um

393

00:15:46,470 --> 00:15:44,240

images and also spectral information to

394

00:15:47,910 --> 00:15:46,480

tell us composition um in the vicinity

395

00:15:51,430 --> 00:15:47,920

of the lunar poles

396

00:15:53,590 --> 00:15:51,440

so the um the the craters that have uh

397

00:15:55,110 --> 00:15:53,600

hydrogen deposits that

398

00:15:56,470 --> 00:15:55,120

that may be

399

00:16:01,509 --> 00:15:56,480

water ice

400

00:16:04,310 --> 00:16:01,519

um are in permanent shadow so a um

401
00:16:06,230 --> 00:16:04,320
a visual image will not reveal that

402
00:16:08,629 --> 00:16:06,240
because uh because you can't see into

403
00:16:12,069 --> 00:16:08,639
those dark craters okay

404
00:16:13,670 --> 00:16:12,079
however it is actually possible

405
00:16:17,509 --> 00:16:13,680
that the size of the craters that are

406
00:16:19,350 --> 00:16:17,519
believed to have deposits

407
00:16:20,389 --> 00:16:19,360
if grail is approved for an extended

408
00:16:22,069 --> 00:16:20,399
mission

409
00:16:25,990 --> 00:16:22,079
we will reduce the altitude of the

410
00:16:28,550 --> 00:16:26,000
craters of the two spacecraft down to um

411
00:16:30,870 --> 00:16:28,560
about uh 20 kilometers so that we will

412
00:16:33,350 --> 00:16:30,880
actually be able to resolve small simple

413
00:16:36,069 --> 00:16:33,360

craters on the moon and if there is

414

00:16:38,230 --> 00:16:36,079

enough water ice within the craters or

415

00:16:40,150 --> 00:16:38,240

beneath the surface

416

00:16:42,790 --> 00:16:40,160

we may be able to detect that with the

417

00:16:45,590 --> 00:16:42,800

grail mission but uh but that remains to

418

00:16:48,150 --> 00:16:45,600

be seen if that's the case

419

00:16:49,189 --> 00:16:48,160

okay we're going to now go to our phone

420

00:16:51,590 --> 00:16:49,199

lines

421

00:16:54,550 --> 00:16:51,600

take a few questions there

422

00:16:57,509 --> 00:16:54,560

first up is denise chow from space.com

423

00:17:02,230 --> 00:17:00,230

hi um thanks for taking my question um

424

00:17:04,230 --> 00:17:02,240

this one is for maria i was wondering if

425

00:17:06,309 --> 00:17:04,240

you could just talk a little bit about

426

00:17:08,069 --> 00:17:06,319

um how the mission has gone so far in

427

00:17:10,470 --> 00:17:08,079

line with your expectations and how

428

00:17:13,189 --> 00:17:10,480

exciting that was for you and your team

429

00:17:13,990 --> 00:17:13,199

on new year's eve and new year's day for

430

00:17:15,990 --> 00:17:14,000

both

431

00:17:16,710 --> 00:17:16,000

very successful orbital insertions thank

432

00:17:19,590 --> 00:17:16,720

you

433

00:17:22,309 --> 00:17:19,600

sure um okay so um

434

00:17:23,510 --> 00:17:22,319

so on the missions whenever we practice

435

00:17:25,510 --> 00:17:23,520

um

436

00:17:29,110 --> 00:17:25,520

in all of our practices

437

00:17:32,870 --> 00:17:29,120

uh everything goes wrong okay and um

438

00:17:34,310 --> 00:17:32,880

and it's uh it was just an extraordinary

439

00:17:36,630 --> 00:17:34,320

experience

440

00:17:39,590 --> 00:17:36,640

to be sitting there and just having

441

00:17:41,270 --> 00:17:39,600

everything go perfectly uh it's i say

442

00:17:43,430 --> 00:17:41,280

it's something that we never trained for

443

00:17:44,950 --> 00:17:43,440

for the insertion for the real insertion

444

00:17:46,549 --> 00:17:44,960

um and um

445

00:17:49,669 --> 00:17:46,559

and so uh

446

00:17:50,789 --> 00:17:49,679

so the uh both uh orbit insertions were

447

00:17:53,510 --> 00:17:50,799

um

448

00:17:55,430 --> 00:17:53,520

precisely where we wanted them to be

449

00:17:56,630 --> 00:17:55,440

and then um subsequent to those

450

00:17:58,950 --> 00:17:56,640

insertions

451
00:18:01,350 --> 00:17:58,960
um the first weekend after we inserted

452
00:18:03,750 --> 00:18:01,360
there were three main engine maneuvers

453
00:18:06,630 --> 00:18:03,760
to reduce the period of the orbits where

454
00:18:08,070 --> 00:18:06,640
we actually expended more fuel in those

455
00:18:10,390 --> 00:18:08,080
three maneuvers than we actually did in

456
00:18:12,789 --> 00:18:10,400
the orbit insertion maneuver

457
00:18:15,750 --> 00:18:12,799
and those all went successfully and then

458
00:18:17,990 --> 00:18:15,760
the week after that this past weekend um

459
00:18:21,350 --> 00:18:18,000
we did three more main engine maneuvers

460
00:18:22,789 --> 00:18:21,360
and um uh for the grail b flow

461
00:18:26,310 --> 00:18:22,799
spacecraft now

462
00:18:29,669 --> 00:18:26,320
um and um and all of those were um were

463
00:18:31,750 --> 00:18:29,679

nominal um so so far uh

464

00:18:36,390 --> 00:18:31,760

these uh spacecraft

465

00:18:38,870 --> 00:18:36,400

uh have operated um nearly flawlessly i

466

00:18:40,470 --> 00:18:38,880

uh they're this is a very operationally

467

00:18:43,190 --> 00:18:40,480

intensive mission because there are two

468

00:18:45,510 --> 00:18:43,200

spacecraft and and i you know have said

469

00:18:47,190 --> 00:18:45,520

to people sometimes i i think i know

470

00:18:48,789 --> 00:18:47,200

what it's like now for people who raise

471

00:18:51,430 --> 00:18:48,799

twins okay

472

00:18:52,789 --> 00:18:51,440

um however um they're very well behaved

473

00:18:54,470 --> 00:18:52,799

twins

474

00:18:56,470 --> 00:18:54,480

and actually their personalities are

475

00:18:58,710 --> 00:18:56,480

very similar because the behavior that

476

00:19:01,029 --> 00:18:58,720

we see in one

477

00:19:03,669 --> 00:19:01,039

gives us a pretty good expectation of

478

00:19:06,710 --> 00:19:03,679

how the other one is going to react when

479

00:19:09,110 --> 00:19:06,720

when we do these maneuvers so um so

480

00:19:11,270 --> 00:19:09,120

space flight is a very risky thing and

481

00:19:15,669 --> 00:19:11,280

whenever you have two of something that

482

00:19:17,990 --> 00:19:15,679

uh doubles the opportunities uh for

483

00:19:19,669 --> 00:19:18,000

things that can go wrong but so far so

484

00:19:21,590 --> 00:19:19,679

far so good and both of the the

485

00:19:23,590 --> 00:19:21,600

spacecraft have been

486

00:19:24,390 --> 00:19:23,600

operating very well

487

00:19:28,950 --> 00:19:24,400

and

488

00:19:30,230 --> 00:19:28,960

the team is actually uh delighted um

489

00:19:31,990 --> 00:19:30,240

with uh

490

00:19:33,909 --> 00:19:32,000

with how things have been going so far

491

00:19:35,590 --> 00:19:33,919

but we're really

492

00:19:37,750 --> 00:19:35,600

trying to keep our eye on the ball here

493

00:19:39,510 --> 00:19:37,760

because we have a great deal of work to

494

00:19:42,549 --> 00:19:39,520

do yet before we start returning science

495

00:19:47,270 --> 00:19:44,390

our last question is coming from robert

496

00:19:49,750 --> 00:19:47,280

perlman from collectspace.com

497

00:19:55,750 --> 00:19:53,830

hi thanks for taking my question um

498

00:19:58,150 --> 00:19:55,760

not to take anything away from ebb and

499

00:20:00,230 --> 00:19:58,160

flow uh but if

500

00:20:02,470 --> 00:20:00,240

maria zuber if you could uh comment a

501
00:20:03,590 --> 00:20:02,480
little bit about what this competition

502
00:20:05,270 --> 00:20:03,600
was

503
00:20:06,390 --> 00:20:05,280
with so many missions were there others

504
00:20:08,070 --> 00:20:06,400
that stood out

505
00:20:11,110 --> 00:20:08,080
and i think back at the launch

506
00:20:12,310 --> 00:20:11,120
conference you you had your own names

507
00:20:14,710 --> 00:20:12,320
uh

508
00:20:16,070 --> 00:20:14,720
could you share what those were

509
00:20:17,190 --> 00:20:16,080
uh

510
00:20:19,990 --> 00:20:17,200
let's see

511
00:20:23,110 --> 00:20:20,000
uh well i i had uh so the competition

512
00:20:26,230 --> 00:20:23,120
over there were over um 900

513
00:20:27,430 --> 00:20:26,240

uh pairs of names that were proposed

514

00:20:29,350 --> 00:20:27,440

uh

515

00:20:32,230 --> 00:20:29,360

i had my own set everybody on the team

516

00:20:34,549 --> 00:20:32,240

had their own set of names and none of

517

00:20:37,110 --> 00:20:34,559

those names that any of us had

518

00:20:40,310 --> 00:20:37,120

were nearly as good as what we got from

519

00:20:43,669 --> 00:20:40,320

the the students what we uh it actually

520

00:20:45,990 --> 00:20:43,679

was um it was very difficult to make

521

00:20:48,710 --> 00:20:46,000

this um decision

522

00:20:51,110 --> 00:20:48,720

and um but uh you know what what won the

523

00:20:52,789 --> 00:20:51,120

day actually was the the quality of the

524

00:20:55,430 --> 00:20:52,799

the essays that the students wrote so

525

00:21:00,950 --> 00:20:58,070

okay that's going to do it nice short

526
00:21:03,110 --> 00:21:00,960
and sweet again congratulations

527
00:21:05,029 --> 00:21:03,120
to the students at emily dickerson

528
00:21:06,470 --> 00:21:05,039
school in bozeman and to the teacher

529
00:21:08,630 --> 00:21:06,480
this is tomorrow

530
00:21:10,630 --> 00:21:08,640
ebb and flow

531
00:21:12,870 --> 00:21:10,640
thank you all for joining us here and of

532
00:21:14,950 --> 00:21:12,880
course to dr sally ride on our phone and

533
00:21:17,270 --> 00:21:14,960
sally ride science ladies and gentlemen

534
00:21:19,990 --> 00:21:17,280
the number speaks for themselves

535
00:21:21,270 --> 00:21:20,000
we inspire students

536
00:21:23,190 --> 00:21:21,280
and we do it

537
00:21:24,390 --> 00:21:23,200
and we will continue to do it ebb and

538
00:21:27,110 --> 00:21:24,400

flow