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bjbj< This Week at NASA The counter is zero, it has passed closet approach and this asteroid

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is going away, it s on its way out!!) It may have been small, appearing so even in the

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best optical telescopes on Earth, but the flyby of asteroid 2012 DA14 was anything but

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a minor event to astronomers. Never feared as a threat to anyone or anything on or around

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our planet, DA14, about the size of half a football field, did come within 17-thousand

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miles of Earth, about 5-thousand miles closer than many of our satellites in geosynchronous

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orbit. And that gave astronomers and scientists something to see and learn about, relatively

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up close. It will be observed by observatories around the world, and we ll get a lot of good

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information on its spectral type, chemical composition possibly, spectrum of it, and

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the radar data will give us essential information on the shape, size and rotation. During Tuesday

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s State of the Union, President Obama reaffirmed
the Administration s commitment to inspire

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the next generation of innovators and empower
them with the STEM skills needed to take our

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nation into the future. ll reward schools
that develop new partnerships with colleges

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and employers, and create classes that focus
on science, technology, engineering and math

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-- the skills today s employers are looking
for to fill the jobs that are there right

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now and will be there in the future. Watching
the president as a guest of First Lady Michelle

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Obama was Curiosity rover team member, Bobak
Ferdowsi better known in social media circles

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as Mohawk Guy. Watching him work during coverage
of Curiosity s landing on Mars has increased

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STEM cool factor among young Americans. On
the heels of the president s address, NASA

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participated in several White House events
aimed at interesting young minds in science,

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technology and space. Administrator Charlie Bolden was joined by Ferdowsi to connect with

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students at a Tweet-and-Chat session. And NASA Deputy Administrator Lori Garver and

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Ferdowsi spoke at a STEM Q&A with middle and high school students. Being able to make discoveries

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is what exploration is all about, being able to learn things that we have not learned before

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that benefit humanity and society and advance our civilization and NASA is a place from

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the vantage point of space where we can do that. We just did a first drill on Mars within

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the last week, and that s actually kind of the real cool part of this mission, we are

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actually going to get into the history of Mars, not just the surface of Mars, this has

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been, you know that has radiation and weathering and everything else. We are actually going

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to see that preserved Martian history and I think that s when the really cool stuff

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is going to start showing up. Hi I'm Scott
McCloskey, drill systems engineer on the Mars

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Science Laboratory and this is your Curiosity
rover report. Curiosity made history this

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week by being the first rover to ever drill
on another planet. We began our first drilling

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campaign at the site we named John Klein.
John Klein has an area that has a set of flat

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plate rocks that are perfect for the first
use of the drill. We were able to place the

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arm safely and drill vertically down into
the rock to collect as much sample as possible.

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We were very cautious leading up to our
first use of the drill. We started by making

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a very small divot to test the hammering mechanism
in the drill. This worked perfectly so we

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continued on with the making of the mini hole.
The mini hole was 2 centimeters deep and allowed

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us to examine the tailings that the drill
created by boring into the rock. When we looked

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at those we compared the tailings created
by the mini drill to the extensive set of

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test rocks that we drilled here on earth here
at JPL and determine that the we see on mars

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are safe to ingest in the system. After these
drill tests we were all very excited to move

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on to ready to move on to the big event finally
drilling a full hole and collecting sample

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We drilled 6 and a half centimeters down into
the rock and collected sample. After drilling

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the first hole we used the camera at the end
of the arm to take pictures. Here we see two

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holes first on the right is the mini drill
hole (stumble) and in the center of the picture

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we have the full hole. Both of these holes
generated grey tailings (stumble) the grey

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tailings tells us that there s something different
about the inside of this rock than the surface

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of the rock. the drill collected some of this
grey powder and we used it to clean the internal

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surfaces of the drill we also then processed
that sample and will use it to deliver to

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the other instruments. After using this powder
to clean the drill we move it into the scoop

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and take a picture. This allows us to estimate
how much sample the drill actually collected.

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In the coming weeks we'll process this sample
and deliver it to the instruments inside of

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the rover. That's your Curiosity rover report,
check back for more updates. At their latest

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test in Yuma, Arizona, Orion engineers demonstrated
that the spacecraft can land safely if one

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of the crew capsule's three main chutes fails
to inflate during deployment. Before dropping

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the test article from a plane 25,000 feet
above the desert, engineers rigged the parachutes

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so only two would work properly. The results
are significant because Orion's chute system

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will perform like no other landing system
has done before: slow a spacecraft carrying

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humans from a 20-thousand mile-per-hour reentry
into Earth's atmosphere to a speed gentle

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enough for a safe splashdown in the Pacific
Ocean. This was the eighth drop test for Orion

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s chute system. The next is scheduled for
May. Data from NASA's twin Gravity Recovery

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and Climate Experiment, or GRACE satellites
indicates that freshwater reserves in large

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areas of the arid Middle East were rapidly
depleted during the past decade. Scientists

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found that between 2003 and 2009, the Tigris
and Euphrates river basins of Turkey, Syria,

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Iraq and Iran lost 117 million-acre-feet of
the total freshwater stored there. That s

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almost as much H2O as in the Dead Sea. Researchers
say about 60 percent of the loss was groundwater

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pumped from underground reservoirs. Political
tensions in the area limit how much ground-based

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data can be collected, so satellite data from
GRACE and other Earth-observing spacecraft

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are essential to monitoring our home planet's water systems. NASA Ames recently started

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a new partnership with the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to study air pollution

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in the San Francisco Bay region. Using a specially equipped aircraft called the Alpha Jet Atmospheric

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Experiment or AJAX, the project will sample ozone and greenhouse gas levels at altitudes

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as low as 1,000 feet. The study hopes to better understand how clean air over the Pacific

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Ocean moves into northern California and how pollution emissions develop and move on a

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broad scale. The goal is to help Air District planners and meteorologists better forecast

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and simulate air pollution in the San Francisco Bay Area. Between 2017 and 2019 NASA and other

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partners plan to launch satellites that are designed to study air quality, so projects

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like this Bay Area study will help scientists to make more refined measurements in the future.

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The AJAX project is also working with other partners to gather data in support of other

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air quality projects in California and the nearby Pacific region. The Robotic Refueling

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Mission successfully completed a first-of-its-kind demonstration on the International Space Station.

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Engineers at the Goddard Space Flight Center oversaw the operations as controllers at the

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Johnson Space Center remotely commanded the station's robotic arm called Dextre to transfer

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simulated fuel into a specially designed practice box. It s an important step in proving the

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feasibility of using robots to refuel satellites in space. Robotics can do things that humans

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can t do in terms of precision, control holding a spot for six hours while engineers on the

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ground debate out what to do. We can t ask a human to do that. NASA will continue development

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of technology to enable robots to refuel satellites on orbit even those not designed to be serviced,

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with additional tests throughout the year.
NASA Astronaut Serena Aunon, a 1997 graduate

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of George Washington University's School of
Engineering and Applied Science, was back

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at GW to share her path to the astronaut corps
with those considering following in her footsteps.

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You have to make sure that you have good team
dynamics. That you know how to be both a leader

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and a follower, that you work well across
multiple cultures. Because on the International

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Space Station we have astronauts from Russia,
obviously the United States, Canada, Europe

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and Japan. Aunon, who holds an electrical
engineering degree from GW, is also an experienced

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NASA Flight Surgeon, and currently serves
as the medical/education branch chief for

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the Astronaut Office. Aunon was one of 14
people selected by NASA in 2009 for the agency

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s 20th astronaut class. My name is Terry Edmonds.
I'm a senior advisor and speechwriter for

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Charlie Bolden and Lori Garver and I've been here at NASA for about a year-and-a-half.

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At an early age I just fell in love with literature and writing and poetry. We didn't have a lot

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of money but one thing that my mother made sure we had was a series of classic books.

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Growing up I never imagined that the trajectory of my life would take me to the places that

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I've been and becoming the first African-American to write speeches for an American president

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is definitely a source of pride. You have produced some of our nation's finest leaders.

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He was the first President to deliver a commencement address, I believe at an HBCU, Historically

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Black College and University, which happened to be my Alma Mater, Morgan State University.

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Unbeknownst to me I did not write it into the speech he pointed me out. And on a very

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personal note, my fine assistant Terry Edmonds, Class of 1972 the first African-American ever

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to serve as a speechwriter for the President of the United States. And that was quite a

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moment of pride and, yeah, satisfaction. I would advise anyone who's trying to go into

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speechwriting to write for somebody or for some cause or for some issue that you actually

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believe in. I feel like I really, you know hit the jackpot when I came to NASA. When

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the opportunity presented itself, everybody kept telling me, hey man, that's a cool place.

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That's the coolest place to go. It's a great place, great leadership, great camaraderie.

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It's very challenging work that we do here. I believe that we should have workplaces that,

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quote/unquote look like America. America is becoming more diverse and the talents of all

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of our people are going to be necessary if we're going to move forward in the twenty-first

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century. February 18, 1977: NASA's first space shuttle orbiter, Enterprise, conducted its

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first flight test at the Dryden Flight Research Center. Constructed without an engine, the

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craft was mounted atop a Boeing 747 Shuttle Carrier Aircraft to measure structural loads,

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ground handling and other capabilities prior to atmospheric flight. While Enterprise never

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flew in space, its series of approach and landing tests that year proved the orbiter

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could fly in the atmosphere and land like a glider. Enterprise was named for the starship

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on the popular television series of that time Star Trek. Today, you can see Enterprise on

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display at New York City's Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum Complex. 3-2-1 And February

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20th is the fifty-first anniversary of John Glenn's historic flight aboard Friendship

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7. Glenn became the first American to orbit the Earth, circling the globe three times.

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As he passed over Perth, Western Australia, residents there turned on house lights and

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street lights, earning Perth the nickname,
The City of Light . Despite some tense moments

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near the end of the 4 hour- 55 minute Mercury
mission, when flight controllers could not

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determine if its heat shield was intact, the
capsule returned to Earth safely. Glenn was

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celebrated as a national hero and given a
ticker-tape parade in New York City. And that

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stories, or to follow us on YouTube, UStream

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