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“Here’s some of the stories trending This Week at NASA!”

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After an almost five-year journey to Jupiter, NASA's Juno spacecraft successfully settled

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into orbit around our solar system’s largest planet on July 4 – giving Juno team members

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yet another reason to celebrate on America’s birthday.

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“(Applause and cheering) ... All stations on Juno Coord, we have the tone for burn cutoff

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on Delta V. (unintelligible), Juno – welcome to Jupiter.”

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In a scenario reminiscent of the Curiosity rover’s triumphant arrival on Mars, Juno

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became the latest NASA spacecraft to pull off a tricky series of maneuvers to safely

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arrive at a distant planet.

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“NASA did it again ... (applause) ... that says it all to me. And I am so happy to be

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part of the team that did that.”

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The orbital insertion required Juno to change direction, increase its rotation rate to help

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stabilize itself and decrease its speed by more than 1,200 miles per hour.

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“A mission of this complexity – to accomplish tonight is just truly amazing.”

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“The more you know about the mission, you know just how tricky this was, and to have

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it be flawless – I mean, I really can’t put it into words.”

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Over the next few months, Juno’s mission and science teams will perform final testing

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on the spacecraft’s subsystems and science instruments and even collect some preliminary

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science data. The principal goal of the mission is to understand the origin and evolution

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of Jupiter – which will advance our understanding about the role giant planets like Jupiter

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might play in the formation of a solar system
– including our own.

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On July 6 Eastern time, a Soyuz spacecraft
launched from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan

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toward the International Space Station. Onboard
-- NASA Astronaut Kate Rubins and her Expedition

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48/49 crewmates Anatoly Ivanishin of the Russian
space agency Roscosmos and Takuya Onishi of

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the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency. The
crew members are scheduled to arrive and enter

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the space station July 9. They'll spend
about four months contributing to more than

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250 experiments in fields such as biology,
Earth science, human research, physical sciences

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and technology development.

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NASA's Stennis Space Center hosted a celebration
of space exploration June 29-July 3 in New

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Orleans, in conjunction with the 2016 Essence
Festival. NASA Week included stage presentations

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by NASA Administrator Charlie Bolden and astronaut

Victor Glover, and a wide range of other free

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activities for visitors to learn about NASA's
Journey to Mars, the solar system and beyond,

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the International Space Station, the economic
significance of NASA, the agency's Earth

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science missions, and NASA-sponsored education
initiatives.

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On July 7, NASA's Armstrong Flight Research
Center invited media to preview the Atmospheric

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Tomography (ATom) mission that will study
greenhouse gases and other particles and gases

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in the atmosphere. On July 28, NASA's DC-8
flying laboratory will make a there-and-back

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trip over the tropics between Palmdale, California
and the equator, before heading out for a

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26-day journey on July 31. That leg of the
mission will cover from the North Pole to

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New Zealand, over to the tip of South America,
and north to the Arctic. Data from the mission

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will complement satellite observations of

ozone, carbon dioxide and other major atmospheric

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gases. ATom will make detailed measurements of atmospheric chemistry that are difficult

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or impossible to make from space. Reducing concentrations of these gases could help slow

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global warming and improve air quality.

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And that's what's up this week @NASA ...