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A milestone test for our Artemis Program ...

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An update on our Commercial Lunar Payload Services project ...

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And more honors for a NASA icon ... a few of the stories to tell you about – This

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Week at NASA!

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During a July 2 test at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida, we successfully

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demonstrated the launch abort system for our Orion spacecraft can safely pull astronauts

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away from a speeding rocket in case of an emergency during launch.

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The test, called Ascent Abort-2, is another milestone in the agency's preparation for

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Artemis missions to the Moon that will lead to astronaut missions to Mars.

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Orion is part of NASA's backbone for deep space exploration that – along with our

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Space Launch System rocket and Gateway – will land the first woman and next man on the Moon

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by 2024.

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We have selected twelve new science and technology payloads that will help us study the Moon

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and explore more of its surface as part of our Artemis lunar program.

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The selected investigations will go to the Moon on future flights through our Commercial

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Lunar Payload Services or CLPS project.

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CLPS allows rapid acquisition of lunar delivery services for payloads like these that advance

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capabilities for science, exploration, or commercial development of the Moon.

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For more about Artemis, CLPS and other elements of our Moon to Mars effort go to nasa.gov/moontomars.

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On July 2, our Administrator Jim Bridenstine, U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito, U.S. Representative

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David McKinley, and others attended a ceremony to rename and dedicate our Independent Verification

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and Validation, or IV&V Facility in West Virginia
in honor of legendary NASA mathematician Katherine

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Johnson.

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The West Virginia native, who attended graduate
school at nearby West Virginia University,

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worked for NASA as a human computer – where
she calculated spacecraft trajectories for

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some of our earliest and most historic missions.

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The IV&V facility was originally founded in
1993 to contribute to the safety and success

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of our highest-profile missions.

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Also on July 2, we worked with the Exploratorium
in San Francisco to provide live views, on

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nasa.gov, of the total solar eclipse only
visible directly in parts of Chile and Argentina.

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The programming also featured updates from
our Parker Solar Probe and Magnetospheric

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Multiscale missions.

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Studying the Sun during total solar eclipses helps us better understand solar radiation

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– which can affect space weather near Earth, astronauts in space, and materials used to

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build spacecraft.

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Similar data will be important in planning our return of astronauts to the Moon in 2024

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and eventual crewed missions to Mars.

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A new view from our Hubble Space Telescope of super-massive star, Eta Carinae, shows

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the star's hot, expanding gases glowing in red, white and blue – like Fourth of July

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fireworks from space.

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The star's slow-motion fireworks actually started 170 years ago when it went through

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a massive outburst called the Great Eruption.

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This made it the second-brightest star visible
in the sky for over a decade – so bright

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that, for a time, it even became an important
navigational star for mariners in the southern

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That's what's up this week @NASA ...