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Seeking ideas for landing systems to return humans to the Moon ...

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Showcasing our aeronautics research efforts ...

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And the science connection to Apollo 11's splashdown ... a few of the stories to tell

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you about – This Week at NASA!

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We're looking for ideas from American companies on a human landing system for our Artemis

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program, which aims to put the first woman and next man on the Moon by 2024.

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Although internal studies point to a three-stage landing system to safely transport astronauts

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between the Moon and our lunar Gateway, we're interested in alternative approaches that

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can accomplish the same long-term goals of global lunar access and reusability.

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Our Artemis missions will use what we learn on the Moon to prepare for human missions

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to Mars.

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We joined the Experimental Aircraft Association's
AirVenture Oshkosh 2019 event, with forums

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and exhibits showcasing the latest technologies
in aeronautics research.

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History was also on display – with an overview
of the space race during Project Apollo.

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The event also included updates on a wide
range of current and future NASA science and

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space exploration programs.

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Our 50th anniversary celebration of Apollo
11 continued this week with a special edition

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of NASA Science Live on July 23 – taking
viewers onboard the USS Hornet aircraft carrier

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that recovered the Apollo 11 capsule after
splashdown.

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Splashdown marked the conclusion of the crew's
mission, but it was just the beginning for

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the science brought back from the Moon.

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This episode focused on what we learned from the Apollo missions, what we're still uncovering

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today and what we hope to discover with future Artemis missions to the Moon.

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"It's our honor to have you on board and we just hope that we're keeping the innovative

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spirit alive that you all sparked ..."

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On July 24, the date Apollo 11 splashed down fifty years ago, Michael Collins, the mission's

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command module pilot, spoke to the crew aboard the International Space Station from our Johnson

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Space Center, in Houston.

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"Those Apollo people who are still around – we salute you.

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We didn't realize we'd spawned an operation of such complexity when we were doing it a

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few years back, but bless you and have a good one."

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The space station is a multinational research lab and technology test bed where we're

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learning human health and other research vital to our exploration future.

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On July 25, our commercial partner, SpaceX launched its Dragon cargo spacecraft to the

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International Space Station aboard a Falcon 9 rocket from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station

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in Florida.

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The Dragon is delivering supplies, equipment and science investigations to the orbital

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outpost as part of the company's 18th resupply mission for NASA.

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Chris Kraft, NASA's first flight director, passed away on July 22.

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Kraft created the concept of NASA's Mission Control and led the human spaceflight program

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from Project Mercury through Apollo 12.

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After becoming director of our Johnson Space

Center, he continued playing a vital role

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in the success of the final Apollo missions
through the first flights of the space shuttle.

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His concept of mission operations is still
in daily use by the International Space Station

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mission control team.

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Chris Kraft was 95 years old.

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