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THIS WEEK @ NASA

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Highlighting an upcoming Earth-observing mission

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The science on the next resupply mission to the space station ...

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And testing a new material to help future spacecraft land on distant worlds ... a few

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of the stories to tell you about – This Week at NASA!

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We launched a new interactive website highlighting Landsat 9.

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The joint NASA and U.S. Geological Survey satellite mission is targeted for launch Sept.

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16 from California's Vandenberg Space Force Base.

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Landsat 9 will continue the program's critical role in monitoring, understanding, and managing

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land resources – such as agricultural crops, water, and forests – needed to sustain human

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life.

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For more details, visit nasa.gov/landsat9.

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The next SpaceX resupply mission to the International Space Station will carry a variety of NASA

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science investigations, including a study on preventing and treating bone density loss,

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an investigation aimed at detecting and mitigating vision disorders, and a new robotic arm demonstration

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that has potential uses on Earth, including for disaster relief.

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The mission is currently targeted for launch Aug. 28 from our Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

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The team working on the "umbrella-like" Adaptable, Deployable, Entry and Placement Technology

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or ADEPT heat shield design to deliver science payloads on future missions to Mars and beyond

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is testing out a new material called Spiderweave.

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It is a woven fabric they think will improve the integrity of the heat shield and make

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it safer for larger vehicles to safely pass

through the atmospheres of more distant locations.

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On Aug. 19, we observed the 100th birthday
of late Star Trek creator Gene Roddenberry

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with a panel discussion about the ground-breaking
show's legacy of inspiration, hope, and

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diversity.

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His son, Rod Rodenberry moderated the panel,
which included Star Trek actor, and activist

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George Takei, as well as members of NASA's
diverse workforce.

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Opening remarks for the event were provided
by NASA Administrator Bill Nelson.

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It also featured a 1976 recording in which
Gene Roddenberry talked about the impact he

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hoped the show would have on diversity and
inclusion.

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"The whole show was an attempt to say that
humanity will reach maturity and wisdom on

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the day that it begins, not just to tolerate,
but to take a special delight in differences

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in ideas and differences in life forms.”

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We transmitted Roddenberry’s recorded remarks into space through the agency’s Deep Space

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Network as the panel discussion was happening.

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Astronomers have spotted a group of young stars and star-forming gas clouds sticking

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out of one of our Milky Way galaxy’s spiral arms like a splinter from a piece of lumber.

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This previously unrecognized feature of the galaxy’s Sagittarius Arm stretches some

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3,000 light-years and was found with help from NASA’s Spitzer Space Telescope prior

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to its retirement in January 2020.

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We invited you to join us in celebrating National Aviation Day on Aug. 19 by using the hashtag

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#NationalAviationDay to share your celebrations online.

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The annual observance also falls on the birthday of Orville Wright, the very first pilot of

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an airplane.

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Every U.S. aircraft and air traffic control facility uses NASA-developed technology.

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Learn more about our groundbreaking aeronautics research at nasa.gov/flight.