

The *Weekly Dome Report*

Monday, March 4th of 2019 Volume One Space News For You

Dome Calendar

Monday, March 4th

5:00pm - Theatre
Department Rehearsal
Moon is at apogee

Tuesday, March 5th

8:00am - Field Trip
5:00pm - Theatre
Department Rehearsal

Wednesday, March 6th

5:00pm - Theatre
Department Rehearsal
6:30pm - Observatory
Open House
Lunar Cycle: New Moon
Neptune is at
solar conjunction

Thursday, March 7th

6:00pm - Private Event
5:00pm - Theatre
Department Rehearsal

Friday, March 8th

11:00am - Field Trip

Saturday, March 9th

2:00pm - Public Show:
Phantom of the Universe
3:00pm - Public Show:
Wonders of the Universe
Tickets are just \$5!

LAST WEEK IN SPACE

One Step Closer: SpaceX Launches First Crew Vehicle



Image Source: NASA

Emotions ran high for Elon Musk, multi-millionaire businessman and founder of SpaceX, as the Crew Dragon launched for the first time on March 2nd in Cape Canaveral, Florida. Carrying a dummy named Ripley, the Crew Dragon is SpaceX's first spaceship designed to carry astronauts. The successful launch Saturday morning is big step towards Musk's dreams of commercial space travel and expanding human civilization out into the stars.

Success stories have been pouring out of SpaceX since its founding in 2002. It is one of only two companies to have a contract with NASA allowing them to transport astronauts to the International Space Station, and they have revolutionized launches by creating reusable rockets that survive the return trip through Earth's atmosphere.

SpaceX isn't ready to launch astronauts just yet. However, the successful launch and docking of the Crew Dragon means big things for not only for the company, but for the future of space travel.

Read more about [SpaceX](#) and the [Crew Dragon launch](#).

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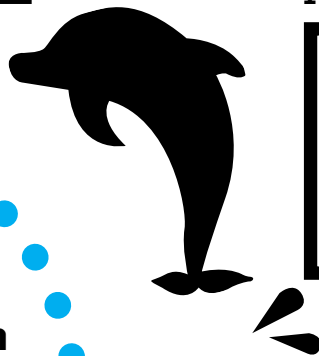
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Space Fact #156

If there was a pool on the moon, swimmers would be able to launch themselves out of the water like dolphins!



See you on Saturday!