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Discovery launches successfully, with 'six heroes and one legend'

"Liftoff of Discovery with a crew of six astronaut heroes and one American legend." And with that, Space Shuttle Discovery launched into orbit Thursday at 1:19 p.m. CST. Marshall managers — in charge of propulsion for every Space Shuttle launch — expressed a sense of honor and humility at the responsibility to safely return John Glenn, an American hero to space.



'Capitol Steps' visit Marshall from 4-5 p.m. Friday in Morris Auditorium

Experiments exploring new medical treatments begin aboard Discovery

Following the successful launch of Space Shuttle Discovery Thursday, STS-95 crew members began their work in space, which includes many experiments in microgravity research. John Glenn powered-up the BioDyn Bioreactor facility onboard Discovery — starting experiments to explore new medical treatments for cancer and diabetes. The facility will also be used to grow innovative repair tissues for damaged heart muscles, new synthetic bones for transplants and new compounds to prevent the human body from rejecting transplanted tissues. The crew will conduct 54 Marshall-managed Microgravity Research Program experiments.

"Safety is an attitude"

—*Safety slogan submitted by Richard Smith, HEI*

AIAA Defense and Civil Space Conference at VBC continues through Friday