



## \*\*\* MEDIA ALERT \*\*\*

UNIPHI SPACE AGENCY IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THE THIRD-ANNUAL  
**NATIONAL ASTRONAUT DAY™**

**May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

CELEBRATES HEROIC ASTRONAUTS WITH A MISSION TO INSPIRE ALL TO  
“LEARN, CREATE & EXPLORE”

CAMPAIGN INCLUDES ONLINE, ASTRONAUT-INSPIRED STEAM ACTIVITIES, POSTER,  
PLAYLISTS & CARDS, “ASTRONAUT SIGNATURE” FISHER SPACE PEN™ SERIES, EVENTS WITH  
ASTRONAUTS, AND BENEFITS OVER 20 DIFFERENT CHARITY PARTNERS, INCLUDING ONLINE  
CAMPAIGN IN SUPPORT OF READING IS FUNDAMENTAL



**#WeBelieveInAstronauts | #NationalAstronautDay | #LearnCreateExplore**

**[www.NationalAstronautDay.com](http://www.NationalAstronautDay.com)**

Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018: Today, **uniphi space agency**, a division of **uniphi good LLC**, is proud to announce the third annual *National Astronaut Day*, featuring Astronaut inspired STEAM and Space related activities, events and partners, to take place on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

In keeping with the tradition of other Astronaut and Space related celebrations, May 5<sup>th</sup> was selected for this significant date in history in 1961 when Astronaut Alan Bartlett Shepard Jr. became the First American in

Space, aboard the *Freedom 7* Space capsule. The brief suborbital flight, which lasted approximately 15 minutes and reached a height of 116 miles into the atmosphere, was a milestone achievement. This trailblazing example of heroic bravery and adventurous spirit is this essence of what **National Astronaut Day** is all about.

The 2018 National Astronaut Day campaign includes many ways to participate including;

- Downloadable online STEAM activities for Kids and Families, created and inspired by Astronauts and Space related partners. (\*All activities will go “live” on Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.)
- Customized “National Astronaut Day” Playlist, curated by Astronauts
- Downloadable “National Astronaut Day” “Crew” and “Mission” Patches
- Facebook Live Events with Astronauts and Partners (\*TBA)
- Social Media Campaign and “National Astronaut Day Challenge,” to encourage all to “Learn, Create & Explore” by participating in the online activities, read a book, or support our charity partners - including an online awareness and fundraising campaign in support of Reading Is Fundamental (RIF).
- “Enter to Win” a very special “Astronaut Prize Pack” which includes, a 30 minute Skype with an Astronaut (for your family or school), Signed books by Astronauts including; “A is for Astronaut” by Clayton Anderson, “Endeavour’s Long Journey” by John “Danny” Olivas, “One Orbit” by Leroy Chiao, official National Astronaut Day “Crew” & “Mission” patches, Fisher Space Pen™ from the “Astronaut Signature Series” and an Astronaut screenprint and “Believe In Yourself” poster signed by Astronauts. (\*Contest to go “live” on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>.)

All activities and information may be found at [www.NationalAstronautDay.com](http://www.NationalAstronautDay.com), including a continuing collaboration with Fisher Space Pen Co™ for the “Astronaut Signature Pen” Series. Pens are available for sale online, [www.spacepen.com/astroautsignaturepenseries.aspx](http://www.spacepen.com/astroautsignaturepenseries.aspx), and benefit 20 different charity partners. An online awareness and fundraising campaign, in support of Reading Is Fundamental (RIF), will seek to encourage kids and families to take time on National Astronaut Day to read a book together and participate in the online STEAM related activities.

In addition to online activities, the National Astronaut Day campaign will include “in person”, and Facebook Live, events with Astronauts including:

Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

- Astronaut Clayton Anderson will be speaking to students and signing copies of his book “As for Astronaut: Blasting Through the Alphabet.” This event will be in collaboration with Reading Is Fundamental, the nation’s largest nonprofit organization for children’s literacy, and State Farm as part of a Books for Ownership event to provide books and literacy resources to students at a Washington, DC-area school.

Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

- Facebook Live Schedule and additional events TBA

ALL Space and Astronaut fans are encouraged to celebrate National Astronaut Day on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, by participating in the online activities and posting on social media, using the suggested hashtags #WeBelieveInAstronauts, #NationalAstronautDay, #LearnCreateExplore. Astronauts will be participating on social media with their own examples of personal inspiration, and sharing words of encouragement about the importance for us all to make our own path in our journey to achieve our dreams.

More information and comprehensive National Astronaut Day program press release and materials may be found at [www.NationalAstronautDay.com](http://www.NationalAstronautDay.com).

**2018 National Astronaut Day Images:**

**National Astronaut Day “Crew” & “Mission” Patch Designs:**

“Crew” Patch designed exclusively by Tim Gagnon, “The Patch Guy.” [www.kscartist.com](http://www.kscartist.com)

“Mission” Patch designed exclusively by Nate at Astro95 Media, [www.astro95media.com](http://www.astro95media.com)



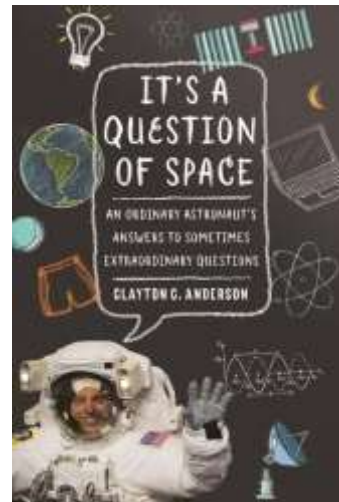
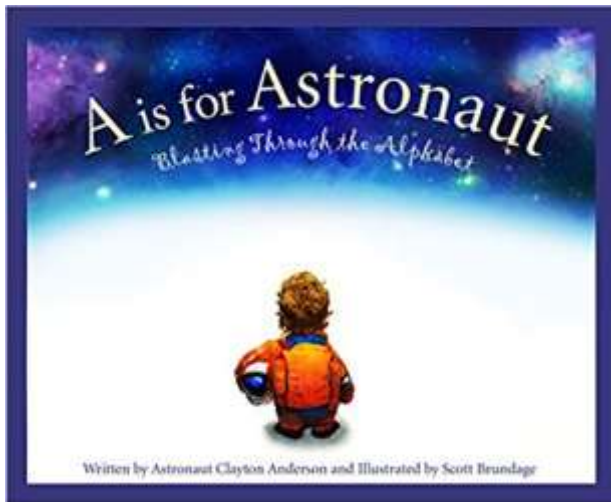
**Astronaut Inspired “Believe In Yourself” Poster:**

Created exclusively for National Astronaut Day by Designer and Illustrator, Greg Paprocki. [www.gregpaprocki.com](http://www.gregpaprocki.com)



**Featured Book Projects:**

*A is for Astronaut: Blasting Through the Alphabet* and *It's a Question of Space: An Ordinary Astronaut's Answers to Sometimes Extraordinary Questions* by Astronaut Clayton Anderson. [www.AstronautClayAnderson.com](http://www.AstronautClayAnderson.com)



*Endeavour's Long Journey* (English & Spanish) by Astronaut John "Danny" Olivas. [www.AstronautDannyOlivas.com](http://www.AstronautDannyOlivas.com)



*One Orbit* by Astronaut Leroy Chiao. [www.AstronautLeroyChiao.com](http://www.AstronautLeroyChiao.com)



### **About uniphi space agency:**

**uniphi space agency™**, a division of **uniphi good LLC™**, is honored to be the exclusive management agency for a diverse range of former Astronauts. Their stories and experiences lend to some of the world's most compelling book projects, speaking engagements, and collaborations. Subjects include STEM/STEAM topics, innovation, motivation, technology, perseverance, education, engineering, safety, adventure, risk, strategy, "anything is possible," and lessons from space as related to here on Earth. The sky is limitless. There are infinite possibilities for everyone to follow their dreams!

Our goal is to help celebrate and share the stories and experiences of our Astronaut clients by differentiating between each individual's specific experience and point of view, aligned with key strategic opportunities, to help motivate and inspire future generations of Astronauts to come. #WeBelieveInAstronauts | [www.uniphispaceagency.com](http://www.uniphispaceagency.com)

### **2018 National Astronaut Day Collaborators:**

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[www.creategreatthings.com](http://www.creategreatthings.com)

**Fisher Space Pen Co.™** - Paul C. Fisher first patented the AG7 "anti-gravity" pen in 1966. After 2 years of rigorous testing, NASA approved and selected the Fisher Space Pen for use on all manned space flights. It was first used on the Apollo 7 in 1968. In 1969 it was used as a tool to help save the Apollo 11 mission. Recently NASA has shifted from the AG7 space pen to the CH4 space pen as their standard writing instrument in space. [www.spacepen.com](http://www.spacepen.com)

**Higher Orbits** - Higher Orbits is a non-profit with the mission of promoting Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM); along with leadership, teamwork, and communication through the use of spaceflight. Mankind's journey into space serves as an ideal launch-pad to excite students of all ages about STEM, STEAM, Leadership and working to fulfill their dreams and ambitions. Higher Orbits uses a variety of programs and partnerships with other organizations to achieve these goals. [www.higherorbits.org](http://www.higherorbits.org)

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**Reading Is Fundamental** - Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) is committed to a literate America by inspiring a passion for reading among all children, providing quality content to create impact, and engaging communities in the solution to give every child the fundamentals for success. As the nation's largest nonprofit organization for children's literacy, RIF has provided more than 415 million books to 40 million kids in all 50 states, inspiring generations to read, learn and grow. [www.RIF.org](http://www.RIF.org)

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