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WAPAKONETA – On July 16, 1969 at 9:32 a.m., the world’s most powerful rocket, the Saturn V, launched from the NASA Kennedy Space Center to initiate the Apollo 11 mission. Fifty years later, the Wapakoneta the museum that bears the name of the first person to walk on the moon will commemorate this historic achievement by launching rockets during their Launch Day event.

The Armstrong Air & Space Museum, 500 Apollo Drive Wapakoneta, OH, will launch several rockets on site directly at 9:32am to commemorate this significant event. This includes model rockets, water rockets, stomp rockets, and more! Visitors are invited to watch, join in, and countdown with the museum staff just as spectators did in Orlando, Florida in 1969. Afterwards, rocket activities will take place both inside and outside the museum. Guests are invited to participate in all activities to learn more about rockets and their propulsion systems.

The July 16 Launch Day countdown begins at 9:15 a.m.; guests are invited to start gathering in the viewing area in preparation of the 9:32 a.m. multi-rocket launch. The museum will be open immediately following the launch and events and activities continue until 4:00 p.m.

With the multi-rocket launch, the Armstrong Air & Space Museum is joining the U.S. Space & Rocket Center and others around the globe in attempting to break the world record of most rocket launches of all kinds in a 24-hour period.

The public is invited to attend this event. Activities within the museum require admission payment: Adults-\$10, Seniors-\$9, Veterans-\$8, Children (12 and under)-\$4, Children (5 and under)-Free, Active Military-Free, OHC and AASMA Members-Free. The Armstrong Air & Space Museum will be open to visitors from 9:32 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

About Armstrong Air & Space Museum

The Armstrong Air & Space Museum stands as a repository of Ohio’s aeronautical history and a monument to Ohio’s contribution to aviation and space exploration from the early pioneer days through the space shuttle era. See a moon rock, two full-sized aircraft flown by Neil Armstrong, the Gemini VIII space capsule, two of Neil Armstrong’s spacesuits, artifacts from the Apollo 11 mission and more. The Armstrong Air & Space Museum is a site of the Ohio History Connection. The Armstrong Air & Space Museum Association maintains and operates the museum.