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## Closeout work on Discovery brings it closer to launch



◆ **Shuttle Update:** While **Endeavour** is in space, work continues on OV-103 and OV-104. In Orbiter Processing Facility bay 3 this week, workers installed the right-hand orbital maneuvering system pod on **Discovery**.

Forward, mid-body and aft closeout work continues. Checkout of the orbiter's communications system is also under way. **Discovery** is targeted to launch on STS-120 on Oct. 20.

In addition, stacking of the STS-120 solid rocket boosters in the Vehicle Assembly Building is complete, and closeout work is in process.

On **Atlantis**, in Orbiter Processing Facility bay 1, workers are installing new, stronger tiles, known as BRI tiles, around the main landing gear doors. Hydraulic positioning of the body flap and elevons is complete. The main landing gear tires have been installed. Removal and replacement of fuel cell No. 3 due to abnormal voltage readings is under way.

■ **Did You Know?** NASA is providing continuous television and Internet coverage of Space Shuttle **Endeavour's** STS-118 mission to the International Space Station.

NASA Television features live mission events, daily mission status news conferences and 24-hour commentary. NASA TV is webcast at: <http://www.nasa.gov/ntv>.

NASA Web coverage of STS-118 includes current mission information, interactive features, and news conference images, graphics and videos. Mission coverage, including the latest NASA TV schedule, also is available on the main space shuttle Web site: <http://www.nasa.gov/shuttle>.

## Winning diversity slogan theme for September event

◆ **2007 KSC Annual Diversity Event Coming In September:**

"The Einstein Guy," Dr. Arden Bercovitz, will be the honored guest speaker at the fourth annual KSC Diversity Event. In character, he blends an inspirational and practical message, sharing humor, notable insights and lively interaction with his audience. This year's event, themed "Altogether Different," is scheduled from 6:30 to 11 p.m. on Sept. 8 at the Radisson Resort at the Port Pavilion in Cape Canaveral.

The theme was the winning entry in our second annual KSC Diversity Slogan Contest and was submitted by Donna Stubbs, a contract specialist with OP-MS. The annual diversity event recognizes and celebrates the diversity of the KSC work force, including contractors, other government partners and the community.

Tickets are on sale for \$25 per person and can be purchased from the Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity, HQ Room 2327, or from the following individuals:

*Lisa Arnold*, HQ/4th Floor, 867-3333  
*Maxine Daniels*, SSPF/Room 3238X, 867-5976

*Wanda Petty*, HQ/Room 2114B, 867-5188

*Lisa Leger*, OSB1/Room 6301E5, 861-3484

*Sam Gutierrez*, HQ/Room 1422B, 867-4067

*Shari Bianco*, LCC Bldg/4P23A, 861-9316

■ **Be Healthy On Your Feet** — In the RehabWorks lecture series, the topic "A Firm Foundation: Healthy Feet" will be presented from 10 to 11 a.m. on Aug. 23 in HQ/2201.

■ **NASA Science** — Testing components of the James Webb Space Telescope is a 24-hour job in the simulated hyper-cold of space. You can read more about it at the Web site: [http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2007/10aug\\_xrcf.htm?list29875](http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2007/10aug_xrcf.htm?list29875).

■ **Reminder** — The KSC Diabetes Education Series will present a seminar, "Diabetes Update: Insulin Pumps," from 11 a.m. to noon on Aug. 29 in the O&C Mission Briefing Room.

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