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## Atlantis cleaned to Hubble standards



### ◆ Shuttle Update:

The space shuttle main engine carrier panel installations were completed Tuesday on space

shuttle Atlantis, slated to fly the STS-125 mission to NASA's Hubble Space Telescope. Cleaning of the orbiter's mid-body to support the highly sensitive Hubble instruments will continue throughout the week. Closure of the payload bay doors is planned for Saturday. Atlantis is targeted for launch Oct. 8.

◆ **Oshkosh Air Show:** NASA's 50th anniversary celebration continues with special recognition at EAA AirVenture 2008, the United States' biggest annual air show, held in Oshkosh, Wis., July 28 - Aug. 3.

One of the Experimental Aircraft Association activities commemorating five decades of NASA's aerospace achievements will be an appearance by NASA Administrator Michael Griffin.

Griffin's passion for flight is not just job-related. He's a pilot, who holds a flight instructor certificate with instrument and multi-engine ratings. Griffin is scheduled to speak at 12:30 p.m. EDT July 29, in Forum Pavilion 6 on the grounds of Wittman Regional Airport.

Visitors will be able to hear from other current and former NASA employees during the seven-day event. NASA will have a special anniversary display in the EAA AirVenture Museum and a traveling exhibit.

For more information about NASA's 50th anniversary, visit <http://www.nasa.gov/50th/home/index.html>

■ **T-shirt Orders** — T-shirts commemorating NASA's 50th Anniversary are available again. Please visit <http://www.tcbspecialties.com/nasa50th.html> for prices or to place an order. The deadline is Aug. 1. The T-shirts will be available for pick up around the second week in September or can be delivered to your home address for a shipping fee. Contact Sandrine Rouillard at 867-1715 for additional information.

■ **Cafeteria Web Site** — The Lackmann Café Menu Web site has a new address. Menus and specials will continue to be advertised on the site. Please change the link in your browser's favorites' list to <http://cafeteria.ksc.nasa.gov>. Questions should be directed to M. Legg at 867-9328.

■ **KEA-24: Fiber Optics** — Glenn Perez and Tony Pego will present "Lessons Learned from Implementing Fiber-Optic Cabling in Spacecraft,"

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today from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the KSC Training Auditorium. New tools and techniques that have been developed and implemented in this unique spacecraft processing and launching environment of fiber optics will be presented.

Questions and comments may be sent to [KSC-Engineering-Academy@mail.nasa.gov](mailto:KSC-Engineering-Academy@mail.nasa.gov). Visit <http://kea.ksc.nasa.gov> for details.

■ **Administrative Professionals** — All administrative support personnel are invited to attend the monthly meeting of the Central Brevard Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals, the IAAP, on Aug. 12 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott, 3425 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach.

Guests are welcome. Dinner is \$12 and is optional. Reservations can be made online until Aug. 8, at <http://www.iaapcentralbrevard.homesite.com>.

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