

## SORCE to launch Saturday offshore from Cape Canaveral



▲ **ELV Update:** The launch of the NASA-sponsored Solar Radiation and Climate Experiment (SORCE) spacecraft aboard an Orbital Sciences Corporation (OSC) air-launched Pegasus vehicle (left) is scheduled for deployment

over the Atlantic Ocean from OSC's L-1011 carrier aircraft Saturday, Jan. 25, at 3:14 p.m. EST. The launch begins with the drop of the Pegasus rocket from the L-1011 over the Atlantic Ocean at an altitude of 39,000 feet about 100 miles offshore east-southeast from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla. The launch is expected to be visible from the coast. Spacecraft separation from the Pegasus occurs approximately 10 minutes later. The satellite will orbit the Earth 15 times each day.

### ▲ **KSC Bi-Annual Environmental & Energy Awards Call**

– Employees are once again invited to participate in the 2003 KSC Bi-Annual Environmental & Energy Awareness Awards Call. The award is given in honor of exceptional performance to individuals or teams in making a unique contribution to: the Environmental & Energy Awareness Program, hazardous waste reduction, energy use reduction, pollution prevention, affirmative procurement, chemical substitution, water conservation and enhancing substantial savings recognizing their achievements and/or successful operations in preserving the environment, conserving energy, and reserving natural resources while reaching for the stars. The awards will be presented by the Center Director to contractor and civil service employees. Nominations are due to Barbara Naylor/TA-C3 by close of business Feb. 10. For nomination forms, visit the Web site <http://environmental.ksc.nasa.gov/awardsprograms/environeergv.htm>, or contact Barbara Naylor at 867-8452. The date for the Bi-Annual Awards Ceremony will take place sometime in mid- to late March.



## EEAW seeks award nominees for March ceremony

◆ **Snoopy Awards** -- Astronauts recently gave Snoopy awards to KSC employees. Doug Hurley presented the award to **Bet Eldred**, BA-C. Bob Behnken presented the award to **Judy Damoff**, Boeing. Congratulations to both.

◆ **Making History** -- Time is running out for America's school kids to name two rovers being launched to explore Mars. The NASA "Name the Mars Rovers" contest closes Jan. 31, 2003, so your children still have time to submit the winning entries. The rovers will launch in Spring 2003, and will land on Mars in January 2004. The contest is a collaborative effort between NASA and the LEGO Company. Go to <http://www.nasa.gov/newsinfo/nametherover.html> for details.

◆ **Update Math Skills** -- Florida Space Institute, in conjunction with the University of Central Florida, is now offering an "Introduction to Graduate Mathematics" to all NASA and contractor employees who need to update their math skills. Dr. Stephen Wiechecki Vergara will be teaching, starting Jan. 28. Classes will be held every Tuesday at the Center for Space Education, room ESI-B from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Fee will be \$300 plus book. For more information call Carol, FSC/UCF, 321-452-9904, or e-mail [ccox@mail.ucf.edu](mailto:ccox@mail.ucf.edu).

◆ **Did You Know?** The Spaceport HEW Working Group is sponsoring The Spaceport Health and Wellness Initiative. Learn about weight loss, exercise, nutrition and healthy lifestyles. Lectures Feb. 4, 5 and 6, will be held noon to 1 p.m., in the Training Auditorium. Feb. 4 -- "*Fitness & Obesity*," by Kenneth Cooper, M.D., of the Cooper Institute in Dallas; Feb. 5 -- "*Family Involvement in Health & Fitness*," by Dr. Bertice Berry, award-winning author, lecturer and comedienne; Feb. 6 -- "*Nutrition & Weight Control*," by Page Love, M.S., R.D., of the Gatorade Sports Science Institute.

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