

Tuesday, April 23, 2002



Orbiters being prepped for launches in May, July, August

STS-109 crew to visit KSC for mission talk



▲ **Shuttle Update:** Following Friday's landing, Atlantis was towed to the OPF to begin deservicing and recycle operations for its next mission, STS-112, in August. On Monday, Endeavour rolled over to the VAB. Next week it will move to the pad for launch of STS-111 in late May. Columbia is in the OPF preparing for a July launch on STS-107.

▲ **Mark Your Calendars:** The STS-109 Crew will be at KSC on Friday, May 3, to talk with employees about their mission. Their presentation will be held in the KSC Training Auditorium from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Employees are encouraged to attend.

◆ **Middens, Mounds, Canals And Castles: A Look at KSC Before The Space Age** — Joan Deming, co-principal and vice president of Archaeological Consultants, Inc., in Sarasota, Fla., will focus on the results of a multi-year archaeological survey of the KSC. The first people to occupy the KSC area arrived several thousands of years ago.. After the last aboriginal populations vanished from the area, early American settlers made their homes where the Indians once lived. Hidden in remote places not far from where man was launched into space, archaeologists have uncovered the sites of homesteads and commercial enterprises, as well as the remains of an old fort and canal. After the presentation, join Joan for a hands-on look at some of the "stones and bones" discovered during her investigations. You can hear Joan's presentation during Environmental & Energy Awareness Week at 10:15 a.m. April 24 in the VAB Area/Parking Lot E.

◆ **Joint SWE/ASCE Section Meeting** — A joint meeting with the Society of Women Engineers - Space Coast Section (SWE-SC) and the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) will be held 5:30 p.m. May 9 at the Ocean Lounge, 2nd floor of the NCO Club, at Patrick AFB. Topics are "Conflict Resolution - What Style are You?" presented by Jayne Proesel of Webster University, and "Workstation Micro Breaks - Stress Relief for Working Women" by Mary Kirkland, KSC Rehabworks. Cost is \$19 per person and dinner. **RSVPs are due by COB May 3** to Connie McFadden. E-mail all responses to connie.l.mcfadden@boeing.com AND jefcon4@msn.com. Please call Connie at 867-5221 if you have any questions.

◆ **Win A Helicopter Ride Touring The Merritt Island Wildlife Refuge** — Visit the Wetlands table at the Environmental & Energy Awareness Week event being held April 23 - 24 and play the Wetlands Dart Game to place your name in a drawing to win a free helicopter ride with Fish and Wildlife personnel touring the Merritt Island Wildlife Refuge. Four winners will be selected, two each day. The helicopter ride will be conducted with the coordination of the winners' schedule and FWS personnel. For more information, please call John Shaffer, 867-8448.

◆ **Did You Know?** All motorists are reminded to yield the right-of-way to **pedestrians** crossing the roadway in a marked crosswalk, when the pedestrian is on the half of the roadway the vehicle is traveling on, or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely as to be in danger. Additionally, motorist need to be aware of **bicycle** traffic especially in the industrial area. Please drive responsibly!★

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