

Tuesday, June 25, 2002



## Forecasting satellite launched at Vandenberg

▲ **ELV Update:** The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) spacecraft (NOAA-M) was launched successfully yesterday at 2:23 p.m. EDT aboard a Titan II rocket from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. NOAA-M is another in a series of polar-orbiting Earth environmental observation satellites that provide global data to NOAA's short- and long-range weather forecasting systems.

▲ **KSC 2002 Combined Federal Campaign Slogan Contest** — All NASA employees are invited to submit a slogan for the KSC 2002 Combined Federal Campaign, which will be conducted during October 2002. During the period July 8-12, you can enter your slogan at the CFC web site: <http://cfc.ksc.nasa.gov>. Individual entries will be compiled by the CFC cabinet and sent out to all NASA employees for a Centerwide vote. Responses will be reviewed and a winner selected. The employee who submits the winning entry will receive four Maximum Access Passes to the KSC Visitor Complex. Mark your calendar for July 8, and submit that winning entry!

◆ **Sign Up Now For Fall Enrollment at KSC Child Development Center** – The center offers an excellent environment for your child to learn and grow! Qualified, caring teachers offer hands-on activities that prepare children for later years. The center serves children ages six weeks to five years old. Openings are available for the Fall 2002. To inquire about availability, please call Noelle Bee at 867-5437.

◆ **Environmental & Energy Awareness T-Shirts Half Off** — Environmental & Energy Awareness t-shirts are marked down 50 percent and are available in the HQ and OSB Exchange Stores. The t-shirts range from sizes S to

## Enter CFC slogan contest in July for October campaign

XXXL. Buy your t-shirt now to commemorate Environmental and Energy Awareness Week 2002 held in April.

◆ **Reminder:** The Space Coast Chapter of Federally Employed Women (FEW) is sponsoring the 33rd annual National Training Program to be held at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando, July 22-26. The theme of this conference is "Magic and Space – Dreams in Progress." FEW offers professional training programs that provide critical skills for the federal and civilian work forces alike. A trade show runs concurrently with the National Training Program. For more information, visit <http://www.few.org> or contact Clara Anderson, chair for the NTP, at (321) 861-3554. Workshop information and registration forms are available on the Web site.

◆ **Did You Know? You Can Save Water Outdoors. Here are 5 tips:**

1. **Use a broom or sweeper instead of a hose** to clean the garage, driveway or sidewalk.
2. **Let it grow.** Longer grass will reduce the loss of water to evaporation. Mowing too often requires more water.
3. **Reap what you sow—planting and reaping.** Use a layer of organic mulch around plants to reduce evaporation. Plant during spring or fall when watering requirements are lower. Water earlier or later in the day when temperatures are lower. Choose lower maintenance plants.
4. **Adjust sprinklers to keep water on lawns and plants,** not on pavement or people.
5. **Use a hose with a shut-off nozzle,** and when watering your plants or washing your car. Turn it off at the faucet when you're through. Better yet, use a bucket of water and a sponge to wash your car and get better exercise.

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