

Thursday, Oct. 17, 2002



## Atlantis to land Friday after 11-day mission



▲ **Mission Update:** After delivering about 1,800 pounds of supplies and experiments to the Space Station, and storing about the same weight of return cargo, Space Shuttle Atlantis undocked yesterday for its traditional fly-around and return to Earth. Atlantis is scheduled to land at KSC Friday at 11:44 a.m. EDT. Good weather is forecast.

▲ **2002 America Recycles Day Federal Poster Contest:** America Recycles Day 2002 is being celebrated Nov. 15. In support, the NASA Environmental Program Branch (TA-C3) is sponsoring a poster contest for kindergarten through 12th grade. Immediate family members of NASA and/or contractor employees are eligible to participate. This year's theme is "Make Every Day America Recycles Day." Entries must be submitted to TA-C3 by Nov. 12. A certificate of participation will be awarded to all entrants. If you are interested in entering this contest, please contact Alice Smith at 867-8454 or e-mail [Alice.Smith-1@ksc.nasa.gov](mailto:Alice.Smith-1@ksc.nasa.gov) for contest details, forms and rules.

◆ **Make A Difference Day, Oct 25 - 26** — Look for the "Make a Difference Day" letter in mail boxes authorizing NASA/KSC employees up to four hours of administrative leave, with supervisors' approval, to help with painting, reading to children, delivering meals to the elderly, etc. This is an opportunity to gather a group of coworkers and give back to the community in which you live, work and play. Projects are closing fast, so hurry and sign up today! Visit the United Way Web site at <http://www.uwbrevard.org/atwork.html>, select the "click here" statement to find the list of projects, review the project list and select a project ID number, return to the previous page

## Employees invited to enter Federal poster contest on recycling

and fill out the electronic registration form, select the "submit" button. For information, contact the United Way Make a Difference Coordinator Shelly Hoffert, 631-2740, or the NASA/KSC point of contact, Celene Morgan, 867-2512.

◆ **Did You Know?** How would you like for your old tires to help your garden grow, or your soda bottles to keep you cozy and warm? When you recycle these items they can be made into soaker hoses, carpeting and fleece jackets. As part of America Recycles Day at KSC, a recycling roundup of items such as overhead transparencies and compact discs (CD's) is being sponsored. These items were chosen because they do not require any additional containers, manpower, contract modifications or logistical planning. For the next few weeks leading up to Nov. 15, please forward all overhead transparencies and outdated, landfill-bound compact discs to Mail Code: TA-C3/Hines. Please note that any CD's containing classified/sensitive information or re-usable software must be handled in accordance with standard procedures for classified documents. CD's that are outdated or no longer needed may be rendered unreadable by deep scratching the data side (the shiny side without the label) with a nail, screwdriver or a similar sharp tool. Please ensure that you score your CD's before forwarding them to us.



After Nov. 15, these recyclable items will be shipped to the nearest recycling/reuse facility in our area. Support not only this recycling initiative, but also make your commitment to recycling by obtaining an America Recycles Day pledge card at [www.americarecyclesday.org](http://www.americarecyclesday.org). Nationally, 6 individuals will be selected from all submitted pledge cards and the winners will receive a recycled-content prize package valued at more than \$2,000. ❖

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Deadlines: 10 a.m. the day before. Send information, comments or questions to:

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