

Tuesday, Nov. 26, 2002



TDRS-J on the pad at CCAFS for launch Dec. 4

Endeavour crew preparing for three spacewalks to grow Space Station



▲ **ELV Update:** The TDRS-J spacecraft went to the pad yesterday for mating to the Lockheed Martin Atlas IIA launch vehicle. Launch from pad 36-A is scheduled for Dec. 4 between 9:42 and 10:22 p.m. EST. TDRS-J will help replenish the current constellation of geosynchronous TDRS satellites. The TDRS System is the primary source of space-to-ground voice, data and telemetry for the Shuttle.

▲ **Mission Update:** At press time the seven-member crew was preparing to dock to the International Space Station Monday at 4:26 p.m. EST. After the 11-day mission and three spacewalks to install the P1 truss, Endeavour is expected to land at KSC Dec. 4 with the returning Expedition 5 crew.

◆ **Retail Sale At Ransom Road Bldg. (M6-1671)** – The sale consists of computer systems at \$75. *Inspection Date/Time:* Tuesday, Dec. 10, from 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. *Sale Date/Time:* Wednesday, Dec. 11, from 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. For additional information, please call the Sales information line at 867-7605 or visit the web site: <http://surplus.ksc.nasa.gov>.

◆ **Reminder: International Space Research Park Scoping Meeting - December 3** -- The Environmental Program Office (EPO) invites KSC employees to an International Space Research Scoping Meeting at 11 a.m., Dec. 3, in the KSC Training Auditorium. NASA is proposing entering into an agreement with the State of Florida, through the Florida Space Authority, to develop an International Space Research Park (ISRP) on KSC. The

goal of the park is to provide an opportunity for appropriate commercial, research and educational interests to develop new, state-of-the-art facilities to promote the expanded use of space. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) addressing the impacts of the proposed development on two alternative sites on KSC is being prepared and will be discussed. Employees are invited to attend this meeting, bringing concerns, issues and questions. Check out what KSC is planning on proposing. A web site has been established for the ISRP, <http://researchpark.ksc.nasa.gov> (select the Environmental link), for your information and use. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mario Busacca, 867-8456, or Barbara Naylor, 867-8452.

◆ **Influenza Immunizations – Have You Had Your Flu Shot Yet?** You can be protected from the most likely causes of epidemic flu by being vaccinated. Influenza immunization is especially important to those people with known heart, lung, or kidney problems, diabetes, anemia or a reduced body resistance to infection. Employees can visit the KSC clinics as follows:

- **Occupational Health Facility**, (KSC Industrial Area) Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- **Launch Area Clinic**, (KSC LC-39 Area, MFF Facility) Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. – 3 p.m.

◆ **Did You Know?** Due to the Thanksgiving holiday this week, *KSC Countdown* will not be published Thursday. Look for it again on Dec. 3. The KSC Fitness Centers will be closed Nov. 28-29, as well as the Launch Area Clinic and the Occupational Health Facility. However, the KSC Visitor Center Clinic will be open from 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. on those days. 

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Deadlines: 10 a.m. Mondays & Wednesdays. Send information, comments or questions to:

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