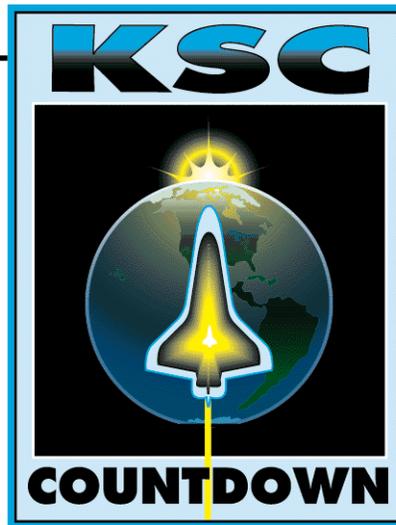


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New state quarter debuts at KSC April 7



NASA TV carries live mission briefing on Gravity Probe B

▲ **Florida quarter launches from KSC:** NASA Administrator Sean O'Keefe joins Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and U.S. Mint Director Henrietta Holsman Fore at 9:30 a.m. April 7 to launch Florida's official state quarter. The ceremony is at the KSC Visitor Complex. The Florida quarter design, "Gateway to Discovery," depicts Florida's past with a Spanish galleon and the state's future with a Space Shuttle. The design was selected via a three-week public Internet voting process. The event is free and open to the public, but tickets are required. Tickets are available at Chamber of Commerce offices throughout Florida, participating credit unions and banks. For information about tickets, contact the Visitor Complex at 449-4444.



▲ **Live press briefing on Gravity Probe B Mission:** NASA experts will discuss the Gravity Probe B (GP-B) launch, spacecraft and mission objectives at 1 p.m. Friday, April 2. The briefing will cover the origins, experimental methods, technology, mission operations and science of GP-B. The mission will test two important predictions of Albert Einstein's general theory of relativity. The 18-month mission is scheduled for launch at 1:09 p.m. April 17 from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., on board a Boeing Delta II launch vehicle.

◆ **Environmental & Energy Awareness planning meeting April 9** – If you would like to participate in planning activities for the 2004 EEAW celebration of Earth Day, join the team at 1 p.m. April 9 in the O&C Building/Room 1055. Your help and new ideas will make this year another success! If you cannot make the meeting and would still like to participate, call Barbara Naylor at 867-8452 or John Ryan at 867-8413.

◆ **SWE awards scholarships** – The Society of Women Engineers awarded two scholarships this year due to the generosity of United Space Alliance and KSC's SWE members. The USA scholarship was presented to Jessica Caesar from Rockledge High School, who will be attending Florida State University pursuing a degree in environmental engineering. The Member Scholarship was presented to Adrienne Wilhelm from Spruce Creek High School. Adrienne plans to attend Stetson University pursuing a degree in math. One or more scholarships are awarded annually to graduating high school women residing and schooling in the counties of Brevard, Indian River and Volusia who select majors in engineering, mathematics and/or computer science. For more information, visit the Space Coast SWE Web site at www.swe-sc.org or contact Donna Ware at donna.ware@lmco.com

◆ **Where does KSC's water go?** When you flush the toilet at KSC or CCAFS, where does the water go? It goes to the CCAFS Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility located at the north end of Scrub Jay Road. Approximately 600,000 gallons of wastewater per day, collected from KSC and CCAFS, are treated beyond regulatory requirements and then discharged to the surficial aquifer via percolation ponds. You can take a one-hour guided tour (1-2 p.m.) of this exceptional facility during Environmental and Energy Awareness Week April 21 and 22. Departure will be from the EEAW Welcome Table. Permission from supervisors is needed and space is limited. To participate, contact Diane Ely at 867-1083 by April 16.

◆ **Did You Know?** The next topic in the KSC Fitness Centers "Changing Weighs" nutrition lecture series is *Psychology of Overeating and Eating Normally*, at 11 a.m. on April 14 in the O&C Mission Briefing Room.