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Orbiters unharmed, tile shop equipment moves to hangar

▲ Hurricane and Shuttle Update: Equipment from the Thermal Protection System Facility (TPSF), damaged by Hurricane Frances, has been relocated to a hangar and storage facility near the KSC Shuttle Landing Facility (see top photo below). The TPSF is used to manufacture both internal and external insulation products for the Space Shuttle orbiters. The hangar was previously used to house the Space Shuttle Columbia debris.

The Orbiter Processing Facility was not damaged during the hurricane and there was no damage to the Space Shuttle orbiters (below) or to any other flight hardware.

Hurricane preparation materials are being removed from the vehicles and they are ready for normal processing to begin today.

▲ The Cape Canaveral Spaceport Hispanic Heritage Month Luncheon Celebration: KSC will observe Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15 - Oct. 15. The theme is "Hispanic Americans Making a Difference." The Hispanic Employment Program Working Group hosts its 19th annual Hispanic luncheon at the KSC Visitor Complex Debus Conference Center from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 22, featuring delicious Hispanic food and live cultural entertainment. Helping us reflect on the extensive contributions Hispanics have made to KSC, NASA and the nation, the luncheon presents guest speaker Charles A. Gambaro, NASA KSC engineering lead and Combat Engineering Group commander, who recently returned from Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Luncheon tickets are only $15 per person and can be purchased from the following fellow employees: *Joe Tellado*, SSPF/M020, 867-6064; *Luis Moctezuma*, SSPF/3082E, 867-3082E; *Lydia del Rio*, HQ/2223, 867-2575; *Pedro Carrion*, HQ/2250, 867-0845; *Wanda Petty*, HQ/2321B, 867-9165; *Edwin Martinez*, O&C/2015D, 867-1699; *Rosaly Santos-Ebaugh*, O&C/3035, 867-8402; *Ana Fuqua*, O&C/3056D, 867-4768; *Janet Gobaira*, CIF/348, 867-8365; *Henry Bursian*, OSB/5101N, 861-3870; *Nelson Lerma*, OSB/5101F-1, 861-4187; *Pete Rosado*, OSB/5203B, 861-3648; *Lina Rosado*, Center for Space Ed./Rm. 1000, 867-2959/4090; *Gladys Morales*, CCAFS/CCSMO & JBOSC, I Annex Bldg. 225, 476-4906.

You're invited to annual Hispanic luncheon Sept. 22

■ **Environmental, CVD Health —** The monthly health education table will be set up at the Logistics cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 16. The Health Education and Wellness Program staff will display environmental health promotion models and devices and distribute information.

The next Cardiovascular Disease screening is being held 7-9 a.m. ***tomorrow*** in the Occupational Health Facility . The two-page questionnaire (**http://kscboc-forms/KSCForms2/ref/KSC28-1010.itr**) can be downloaded from the SGS home page, filled out online and then printed. Fasting for 12 hours is required before the screening.

■ **Did You Know?** The maximum wind at the surface from Hurricane Frances was 94 mph from the northeast at 6:40 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 5. It was recorded at a weather tower located on the east shore of the Mosquito Lagoon near the Cape Canaveral National Seashore. The highest sustained wind at KSC was 68 mph.

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