Wallops Supports Rocket Camp for National Federation of the Blind

The Wallops Flight Facility was host August 18 and 19 to 12 students participating in the first National Federation of the Blind (NFB) summer rocket camp. During the two days at Wallops the students from across the country participated in the pre and post launch reviews, integrated their experiments with NASA support systems on the rocket, and participated in the launch of their ten and half foot tall rocket. The rocket was launched at 8:33:56 a.m., Aug. 19, and flew to an altitude of 4,902 feet.

Phil Eberspeaker, Chief of the Sounding Rockets Program Office, works with the 12 students participating in the NFB “Rocket On!” camp. The students are integrating their experiments with the rocket in the pad 2 assembly building.

Hoby Wedler, Petaluma, Calif., and Nikkia Singh, Ellicott City, Md., integrate a sensor with the rocket support system. The students flew sensors to measure light, temperature, acceleration and pressure during the rocket flight.

The National Federation of the Blind rocket leaves the launch pad on August 19.
A model inflation test of the Ultra-Long Duration Balloon was conducted August 19 in Dallas. The 48-foot diameter, 200 gore test balloon is a one-sixth scale model of a six million cubic foot balloon schedule for flight this fall from Ft. Sumner, N.M. The purpose of the test was to confirm computer simulations of the balloon shape and stresses at various pressure levels. The test was conducted by Raven Industries, Sulphur Springs, Texas.

**Ultra-Long Duration Balloon Model Inflation Test**

**Property Awareness**

Have you found equipment in your area that does not belong to you? Sometimes equipment is borrowed from other codes and buildings and the paperwork is not submitted at the time of the transaction. After time passes, we often forget about the equipment. The result is lost equipment. Remember, before you loan equipment, consult with your property custodian. Equipment accountability is all of our responsibility.

If you find equipment and need assistance identifying the custodian, please call Regina Waters at extension 1337 with an Equipment Control Number or Serial Number.

Please remember to complete a GSFC 20-70, Property Loan Agreement for Employees, a GSFC 20-72, Removal of Government-Owned Property Request by Contractor Employees (less than 30 days); or for loans of more than 30 days a GSFC 20-4, Transfer/Shipping Document whenever you borrow any equipment.

**Safety Reminder**

The Wallops airport has many areas surrounding our runways where aircraft and airport support vehicles such as fuel trucks, fire trucks, and rescue vehicles operate.

These areas are marked with double yellow lines to restrict unauthorized personnel from entering these potentially hazardous areas. Please be reminded to stay clear of these areas while you are on base.

**Beach Cleanup Scheduled**

The annual beach cleanup of Wallops Island is scheduled for Saturday, September 18. The activity is part of the U.S. Coastal Cleanup. The cleanup begins at 9 a.m., takes about two hours and is open to employees, family and friends.

To register, contact Regina Waters at extension 1337 with an Equipment Control Number or Serial Number.

**Massage Therapy**

Certified Massage Therapists from Massage for Wellness, Salisbury, will be here

When: Wednesday, August 25, 2004
Where: Bldg. E-2 Training Room
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
15 and 30 minute appointments are available.
Payment of $1.00 per minute is required at the time of your appointment.
Call the Health Unit at X1266 to schedule an appointment

**Celebrating Girls Scouts Day**

When: August 28, 2004
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Where: Eastern Shore Community College
Cost: $1.00 per car
All girls aged 4-17 and their families are invited to participate. Activities include: magician, games, basket weaving, jewelry making, various displays (including NASA display), crafts and food.
Hosted by the Girls Scouts of Accomack and Northampton Counties.
For more information, contact Tracy Bohaboj at X1101

**Mercury 13 Luncheon**

WHEN: Thursday, August 26, 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
WHERE: Williamsburg Room
TIME: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

“Addiction Revisited”

Come learn about the concepts of Universal and Core addictions.
Core addictions are: Security, Power and Control, Sensation, and Suffering.
Universal addictions are: Intensity, Perfection, The Addiction to the Need to Know, and The Addiction to Being Fixed on What’s Not Working Rather Than What is Working.

**EAP Lunch & Learn**

Join Tom Northern, EAP counselor
WHEN: Tuesday August 24, 2004
WHERE: Building E-2, Williamsburg Room
TIME: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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WHOA: Martha Ackmann (Author, Editor, Journalist)
WHAT: The Mercury 13: The Untold Story of Thirteen American Women and the Dream of Space Flight
WHEN: Thursday, August 26, 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
WHERE: Williamsburg Room, E-2 Cafeteria Building– Luncheon Catered by WW Catering - $5.00 per person
WHY: WOW FWP will celebrate Women’s Equality Day by honoring the group of female pilots who underwent secret testing in 1961 in anticipation of becoming our country’s first female astronauts.

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Material is classified and tabulated. This information goes to the Center for Marine Conservation, which monitors the health of the U.S. coastline.

To register, contact Marianne Simko at Marianne.F.Simko.1@gsfc.nasa.gov or call X2127 by September 13.