

Thursday, December 2, 1999

Endeavour cargo loaded, the orbiter is ready for rollover to VAB



NASA KSC employees invited to traditional holiday dinner



▲ **Shuttle/Payload Update:** With the Shuttle Radar Topography Mission cargo safely stored in Endeavour's payload bay (above), the bay doors were closed Tuesday before the orbiter's scheduled rolover to the VAB today for stacking. The Shuttle is targeted for rollout to Launch Pad 39A on Tuesday, Dec. 7. The launch of Space Shuttle Endeavour on mission STS-99 is scheduled for Jan. 13, 2000, at 1:11 p.m.

▲ **Traditional Holiday Dinner for KSC NASA Civil Servants** – All NASA Civil Service personnel at Kennedy Space Center can enjoy a traditional holiday dinner and celebration this year on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at KARS I from noon to 3 p.m. Center Director Roy Bridges, in his invitation letter, said, "As we approach the holidays with another successful year at KSC, I find it fitting to say thank you for a job well done and to thank you for the community

support you have shown through your Combined Federal Campaign contributions. It truly is a time for caring and sharing, and celebration." The NASA Kennedy Space Center Management Association and the Combined Federal Campaign Victory Committee are jointly sponsoring this event, which is free to all KSC NASA Civil Service personnel. Door prizes and entertainment are also planned. The Doubletree Oceanfront Hotel will be catering the holiday turkey dinner consisting of tossed salad, roasted sliced turkey with gravy, dressing, mashed potatoes, chef's vegetables, rolls & butter, chef's dessert to include mousse, cakes, and pies, plus coffee and iced tea.

◆ **Last Book Fair For 1999** – The NASA Exchange is sponsoring a Book Fair in the Headquarters Building cafeteria on Dec. 2 - 3. The doors will open at 9 a.m. and close at 3 p.m. For more information, please contact Ron Dubovecky at Ron.Dubovecky-1@ksc.nasa.gov

◆ **Did You Know?** There are two NASA-Federal Employee sponsored blood drives scheduled for December 1999. The Central Florida Blood Bank Bloodmobile will be accepting donations from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Dec. 6, in the Headquarters Building Courtyard, and on Dec. 7, in front of the LCC Building. If you would like to schedule a time to give blood, please sign one of the Blood Drive scheduling sheets located in HQ's Room 1210 or e-mail your requested time, location, and phone number to Rhonda Martinez at Rhonda.Martinez-1@ksc.nasa.gov. For more information, please send an e-mail to Chris.Hinds-1@ksc.nasa.gov

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