



KSC Countdown Thursday, September 30, 1999

Payload Updates: A reinforcing clamp has been placed on **the SRTM** freon line and the payload is in the transportation canister, ready for transfer to the launch pad. Processing for the **Hubble** mission continues and is expected to be ready for payload canister installation by mid-October; **the U.S. Lab**, in the SSPF, will have nine avionics racks installed next week. The HST servicing mission, STS-103, is the next scheduled launch, anticipated no earlier than Nov. 19.

This year's Kickoff Rally for the **Combined Federal Campaign** will be held in the Personnel Training Auditorium, Friday, Oct. 1, at 9 a.m. All NASA employees are invited to attend to learn more about the Campaign. Guest speakers at the rally will include Brenda Harris, executive director, Exchange Club Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse (Yellow Umbrella), and Rob Raines, president, United Way of Brevard. All CFC contributors will be eligible to win a prize in a drawing to be held during each of the four weeks of the campaign, as well as being entered for the grand prize drawing at the conclusion of the campaign. Prizes are expected to include gift certificates to the NASA Exchange; KSC Visitor Complex Tours, IMAX Movies and KSC Bus Tours; as well as passes to local area theme parks. The earlier in the campaign an employee makes a contribution, the more opportunities they will have to be selected for one of the excellent prizes.

The 2nd Annual Partners in Education and Research Conference on Oct. 5-7 at the Radisson Resort in Cape Canaveral, Fla., is being hosted by NASA Kennedy Space Center. The conference is designed to exchange information regarding emerging technologies that are of increasing importance to KSC and to discuss high-quality education programs that have demonstrated success in fostering an improved education environment. Registration information, session descriptions and program updates are available at the conference Web site at **Error! Bookmark not defined..**

The KSC2000 Web Page is Online! On Aug. 31, Center Director Roy Bridges announced the formation of the "KSC 2000 Team" which will submit to the Executive Management Team a set of recommendations and an implementation plan for improving KSC's organizational and management structure. To keep employees informed of the team's progress, a special web page has been created to provide the most comprehensive source of information regarding KSC 2000 efforts. The Web site can be found at **Error! Bookmark not defined..** This page will evolve and expand as necessary to ensure the free flow of timely and pertinent information to all concerned.

Did You Know? It's 5 weeks until Open House! The theme, "Space Partners Opening the Gateway to the Future," reflects the participation of CCAS and the Naval Ordnance Test Unit. KSC and CCAS employees and their guests will be admitted through Gates 2B, 2C, 3 and 4 at KSC and Gate 1 at CCAS. **Mark the date, Nov. 6, on your calendar.**