

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2000

## STS-98 mission in sight; Atlantis mated to stack in VAB, to roll out Dec.11



## Holiday dinner for KSC NASA civil servants planned for Dec. 13



▲ **Shuttle Update:** Atlantis was rolled over to the Vehicle Assembly Building yesterday and lifted into high bay 3 for stacking with the external tank and solid rocket boosters. It is expected to start roll out to Launch Pad 39A Monday, Dec. 11, at 7 a.m. That same day, Endeavour is scheduled to land at the Shuttle Landing Facility at 6:19 p.m. after its 11-day mission to the International Space Station.



▲ **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 again this year on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 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 for our community, and for celebration." The NASA Change Leaders Network (CLN) and the Combined Federal Campaign Victory Committee are jointly sponsoring this event. It is funded by the NASA Exchange Council and free to all KSC NASA Civil Service personnel. Door prizes and entertainment are also planned. Delaware North Park Services will be catering the holiday turkey dinner consisting of tossed salad, roasted sliced turkey with gravy, dressing, mashed potatoes, chef's vegetable selection, rolls & butter, dessert assortment, plus coffee and iced tea. More information for this event can be found at

<http://holidaydinner.ksc.nasa.gov> .

◆ **Bench Press/Pull-Up Contest** -- KSC Fitness Centers present the last competition of the year. The Bench Press/ Pull-Up Contest will take place Dec. 11– Dec. 15 at the KSC Fitness Centers. Men will be required to press/pull 100% of their body weight, women will press/pull 60% of their body weight using the assisted lever for the pull-up contest. The number of repetitions will be combined from each exercise and the top three winners will win a prize! Please call 867-7829 for more information.

\*\* **Employees are invited** to a presentation at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 7, in the Training Auditorium by members of the STS-106 crew. Commander Terrence Wilcutt, Pilot Scott Altman and Mission Specialist Richard Mastracchio will cover results of their mission that included transferring more than three tons of hardware and supplies, installing three batteries inside Zvezda, connecting nine power, data and communications cables between the Zvezda module and the other Russian-built module Zarya, and installing a six-foot-long magnetometer to the Station to serve as a compass showing the Station in respect to the Earth.

\*\* **Reminder:** Employees can view an advance presentation on Wednesday of the Discovery Channel's documentary on the International Space Station. The film will be showing every hour on the hour in the Training Auditorium, beginning at 9 a.m.



◆ **Did You Know?** When decorating for the holidays, office decorations must be limited to tabletop trees, wall wreaths and

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office doors, and all electric lights and devices must be unplugged after working hours.