

Thursday, June 1, 2000

## TDRS undergoes preps for launch June 29



## Atlantis in OPF -- will be orbiter on next mission in September

▲ **ELV Update:** After its arrival at KSC on Friday, May 26, the TDRS (Tracking and Data Relay Satellite) was transported to the SAEF-2 building where it is undergoing electrical testing (right) through Friday, June 2. Propellant loading is scheduled to begin Wednesday, June 7.



TDRS is scheduled to launch on an Atlas IIA rocket from Cape Canaveral on June 29.



▲ **Shuttle Update:** Atlantis is in Orbiter Processing Facility bay 3 undergoing post-flight inspections and routine vehicle safing. The orbiter is scheduled to fly back to back missions to the International Space Station with STS-106, targeted for launch Sept. 8.

◆ **Teachers Needed:** The Space Coast campus of Webster University is looking for individuals with a master's degree or a Ph.D. to teach computer science classes and information management classes one night a week or Saturdays. E-mail resume to [spct@webster.edu](mailto:spct@webster.edu). Applications to enroll at Webster University are accepted at any time. The next term begins Aug. 11. The school offers nine graduate programs, including M.B.A., Computer Science/Distribution Systems and Human Resources Management; non-credit & one-credit seminars in Intro. to C++, Intermed. C++, and Advanced C++ program-

ming language. Academic advisers are available to assist in selecting a graduate program that fits your goals. For information, please call 449-4500 or visit the Web site: [www.webster.edu/spacecoast](http://www.webster.edu/spacecoast).

◆ **KSC Amateur Astronomy Group --** The KSC Amateur Astronomy Group will be holding its next meeting at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, June 1, in the O&C Bldg., room 3000, on the east end of the 3rd floor. All KSC NASA and Contractor employees are welcome. The "Star Party" will be held on Friday, June 2, at the Shiloh viewing site 5 miles north of Haulover Canal, beginning at dark. Employees' families and friends are welcome -- badges are not required. This is a good place to learn about and try out different telescopes and equipment, but you don't need to own a telescope for viewing that night. Members are always happy to answer questions. Please contact Craig Baker at 867-7584 for details or questions and directions to the Star Party site. Also see the Web site at: <http://www.4saleusa.net/kscaa>

◆ **Did You Know?** KSC Fitness Centers are offering **Desktop Yoga** again due to its popular response earlier this year. The new sessions will be held from 11 a.m. to noon June 27 in the OSB, room 4308, and June 28 in Headquarters, room 1479. Learn easy breathing techniques and yoga exercises that can be done at the desk to help relieve aches and pains associated with working at a computer or sitting at a desk for long periods. Call 867-7829 to sign up.

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Deadlines: 10 a.m. the day before. Send information, comments or questions to:

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