

Tuesday, March 21, 2000

Space Station ready for STS-101 mission



KSC, CCAFS employees invited to Employee Information Fair



▲ **Mission Update:** Flight controllers for the International Space Station have verified the ISS is ready to support docking by Shuttle Atlantis next month. The STS-101 mission in mid-April will deliver supplies and restore full redundancy to the ISS power system, to support the arrival of the next pressurized module, Zvezda.

▲ **Employees Invited to the FAIR:** Kennedy Space Center and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station invite all employees to attend the annual Employee Information Fair (Free Access to Information and Referrals) being held March 28 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the O&C Bldg. Mission Briefing Room and LCC lobby; and March 30 in the CCAFS Hangar F. The FAIR features more than 50 United Way community service vendors whose services may be able to help employees when needs arise; also employees can enjoy chair massages, sample chiropractic adjustments and win great door prizes. Center Director Roy Bridges and General Pettit will speak on March 28 at 10 a.m. at the Mission Briefing Room and also visit the FAIR at the LCC. They will also speak at 10 a.m. on March 30 at Hangar F. This is the first year the event is being jointly sponsored by KSC/CCAFS. Bus service will be provided between the O&C and the LCC on March 28.

◆ **The Florida Science Olympiad** – Judges are needed for the Florida Science Olympiad, being held March 25 at Cypress Creek High School, Orlando. The event is a middle and high school competition in a variety of science fields. About 20 schools are competing, from Pensacola to Ft. Lauderdale and Miami. Winners of the state competition

go on to compete at the National Science Olympiad, this year being held in Washington State. The following list shows events still requiring judges (the ones with the +’s indicate that a single judge would do both events): **Amphibians and Reptiles; Can’t Judge a Powder by Its Color + Chemistry Lab; Dynamic Planet; Practical Data Gathering + Metric Mastery; Physical Science Lab + Physics Lab; Qualitative Analysis; and Science Clue + Science of Fitness.** For more information on the Florida Science Olympiad, check out the Web site at: <http://www.fso.ocps.k12.fl.us>. Employees interested in being a judge should clear it with their supervisor first, and then contact Mike McKee, director, Florida Science Olympiad, by calling 407-852-3400, ext. 2728, or e-mailing him at mckee@ocps.k12.fl.us or mckee_m@popmail.firn.edu or www.fso.ocps.k12.fl.us

◆ **Did You Know? You Can Win An Opportunity To Drive An Electric Car!** Stop by the Florida Power and Light (FPL) booth during Environmental & Energy Awareness Week, to be held April 18-21, from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., and register for the drawing to win a free drive in Toyota’s electric vehicle, the RAV 4. On April 18, the event will take place in front of the KSC Headquarters Building/Industrial Area; April 19 at the LC-39 Area; April 20 at CCAFS/Hangar F; and on April 21 at PAFB/Hangar 750. Drawings will be held each hour starting around 11 a.m. Registration will require only employees’ name and a phone number where they can be reached if they are one of the winners. Test drives will be awarded for the same day and the winner does not have to be present to win.

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

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