

Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2001

Endeavour to roll to the pad to prepare for STS-108 launch

Employees invited to attend Hall of Fame induction -- discount tickets available



▲ **Mission Update:** Shuttle Endeavour will roll out to Launch Pad 39B this week to undergo final preparations for launch Nov. 29 on mission STS-108. The mission will be the 12th flight to the International Space Station and will carry the Expedition 4 crew to replace Expedition 3.

▲ **Astronauts To Gather To Honor Their Own:** A special Web site has been set up just for NASA employees to purchase discounted tickets for the upcoming Astronaut Hall of Fame induction. A total of 34 space explorers from the Mercury, Gemini, Apollo, Skylab, Apollo-Soyuz and Space Shuttle projects will pay tribute to Robert L. Crippen, Joe H. Engle, Frederick H. "Rick" Hauck and Richard H. Truly who are being inducted into the Astronaut Hall of Fame Nov. 9. Hosting the event is Apollo 13 commander James A. Lovell. Throughout the weekend, Nov. 9-11, the astronauts will meet with the public, answer questions and sign autographs. Visitors also will be entertained by the music of Max Q -- a group of five current shuttle astronaut musicians. For tickets, go to www.ksctickets.com/kscdiscount.html.

◆ **Ribbon Cutting** for the Consolidated Replacement Housing for Pads A and B Hazardous Operations Personnel (Pad SCAPE Base) will be held at 10 a.m., Oct. 30, at the facility J7-1338. Speakers include Center Director Roy Bridges, Director of Spaceport Services Chris Fairey, Director of Shuttle Processing Dave King and United Space Alliance's Vice President & Deputy Program Manager, Florida Operations, William Pickavance. This project provides replacement permanent housing and work areas for hypergolic hazardous operations support person-

nel performing Space Shuttle hypergolic propellants loading and Launch Pad Ground Support Equipment maintenance and operations. Due to the toxic nature of the hypergolic propellants, personnel must use Self Contained Atmospheric Protective Ensemble (SCAPE) clothing. The facility includes areas for SCAPE suit maintenance, storage and servicing as well as staging for SCAPE technicians.

◆ **Reminder:** Slogans for the Environmental & Energy Awareness Week (EEAW) to be held in April 2002 is due by **Oct. 31**. Please e-mail entries to Barbara.Naylor-1@ksc.nasa.gov. For more information, please call Barbara Naylor at 867-8452.

◆ **Technology Commercialization** -- The UCF Engineering Management program is offering engineers an opportunity to pursue technology commercialization through entrepreneurship. This resourceful program for engineers and managers features practical insights, tools, success strategies, business plans and actions that can be applied to any stage of an entrepreneurial or intrapreneurial venture from initial idea to funding, growth and profitability. For more information, please contact Carmo D'Cruz or Carol Cox, University of Central Florida at KSC, 452-9904.

◆ **Did You Know?** The NASA Exchange will sponsor a **Book Fair** beginning Tuesday and Wednesday (Oct. 30-31) in room 1055 of the O&C Building and on Thursday and Friday (Nov. 1-2) in the SSPF cafeteria. The doors open at 9 a.m. and close at 3 p.m. The fair will be back in the HQ cafeteria on Dec. 4-5 and in the MFF cafeteria on Dec. 11-12.★



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