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Authorization Act paves way for future endeavors

By Rebecca Regan
Spaceport News

NASA's Kennedy Space Center received some of the direction it needed for the future but the specific budget is still needed, Center Director Bob Cabana told employees Tuesday, a day after President Obama signed the 2010 NASA Authorization Act for the space agency covering 2011.

"It's a three-year plan that allows us to move forward. It provides us the authorization for the new programs. It does not provide the appropriations, or the money," Cabana said. "So, we still have some work to do as far as getting everything paid for as we move forward, but we now have direction and authorization to proceed with the new programs."

This means Kennedy can continue to carry out current missions, such as STS-133 in November and STS-134 in February 2011. It also means the center can continue planning for future programs and projects, such as an additional space



NASA/Jim Grossmann

Kennedy Space Center Director Bob Cabana updates workers following the passage of the NASA 2010 Authorization Act during an All-Hands meeting Oct. 12.

shuttle mission, STS-135, extending the life of the International Space Station to 2020, and building a multipurpose crew vehicle.

NASA's authorized budget also will include the planning and implementation phases to modernize the infrastructure and launch support facilities at Kennedy, expand space operations beyond low Earth orbit and the Commercial Crew Development Program. Funding is also aimed at future science, aeronautics and educational payloads.

"It's different from where we were going, but it's an increase to our budget during some very austere times," Cabana said. "That's a very positive message that Congress and the Administration, president, have

given us, NASA. It says space exploration is important, what you are doing is important for our country and we want to fund you to make that happen."

Goals for Kennedy will be to enhance mission success by increasing launch and processing capabilities, create a robust 21st Century Space Launch Complex by morphing Launch Complex 39 into a multiuser facility, capitalize on the center's research and technology skills, engage and educate future generations, and expand its local business base.

These new goals also will include a reorganization of NASA

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'Transformers' shoot scenes around KSC

A host of cast, crew and several support trucks moved onto Kennedy Space Center last week to film scenes for the latest installment of the Transformers film franchise. The team set up across the street from the Vehicle Assembly Building, turning the Launch Complex 39 Press Site into a temporary Hollywood studio backlot complete with movie stars, wardrobe, props and set dressing.

Dozens of extras were cast from Kennedy's work force to bring another layer of realism to the set of the movie which stars Shia LaBeouf, John Turturro, Frances McDormand and Rosie Huntington-Whiteley.

Director Michael Bay, who directed the previous two "Transformers" films, wanted extras who are actual space workers since they don't have to be directed to act like space workers. Instead, they just do what they do every day at Kennedy.

Kennedy also provides perhaps the most realistic backdrop for any science fiction movie, given its real-life role as the nation's sole launch

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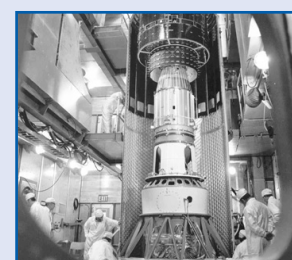
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CFC 2010 campaign kicks off with Tour de KSC Bike Ride

By Linda Herridge
Spaceport News

Kennedy Space Center's 2010 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) begins Oct. 18 and will continue through Nov. 12. NASA civil servants are encouraged to "Share because NASA cares."

"The CFC cabinet chose 'Share because NASA cares' as the campaign slogan this year which reflects the challenging times we are facing and the opportunity for KSC to come together and give back to those in need in our community," said CFC Chair Dicksy Hansen, who is acting associate director of the Education and External Relations Directorate.

Kennedy Center Director Bob Cabana will help kick off the campaign during the Tour de KSC Bike Ride on Sat., Oct. 23,

More online

For more information about the Tour de KSC, visit:
<http://tourdeksc.ksc.nasa.gov/index.htm>
To learn more about "NASA Days of Caring," visit the CFC at:
<http://cfc.ksc.nasa.gov>,
and check future issues of the KSC Daily News.

from 8 a.m. until noon. Tickets for the event are available for \$25 and include a donation to the CFC, a "Tour de KSC 2010" T-shirt and refreshments. Along with Cabana, several other senior managers from NASA and some of the contractor organizations will be riding.

"Each year KSC is one of the largest contributors to the CFC on the Space Coast," Cabana said. Now, more than ever, our generosity is needed. I hope everyone will continue our tradition of giving to our community by making the CFC a part of their overall

charitable giving this year."

The Tour de KSC consists of three different routes, that are 12, 23 or 37 miles long. Participants can ride out to Launch Pad 39A and view space shuttle Discovery. The longest route includes a ride to the Shuttle Landing Facility. Employees may bring up to four guests with them, but a paid registration is required for each rider.

Hansen said last year's inaugural Tour de KSC attracted about 500 bicyclists. This year there could be up to 1,000 riders.

Hansen said she hopes the Tour de KSC event

will raise \$10,000 for the campaign. This year's overall goal is \$475,000, which is a five percent increase from 2009. She also said they hope for at least 75 percent worker participation in the campaign.

Susan McGrath is the CFC and Principal Combined Fund Organization representative and vice president of United Way of Brevard.

She said that the organization, their partners and all of the CFC participating agencies are grateful for federal employees' financial support, particularly during these very challenging times.

For example, McGrath said that 20 percent of Brevard children live below the federal poverty line and more than 50 percent of Brevard seniors live on incomes that fall below 60 percent of the area's

median income.

"This year, more than any in recent history, CFC agencies need the support of anyone willing to help, to make lives better for our neighbors and friends," McGrath said.

The CFC cabinet also is encouraging key motivators in each directorate to share the message of the campaign with workers and coordinate their own mini CFC kick off events.

Hansen said civil servants also will be able to participate in the "NASA Day of Caring," which will allow workers up to four hours of excused leave on one day to donate their time to one of several designated community projects.

Hansen said all contributions will be made utilizing Employee Express and key motivators from each directorate will provide detailed instructions on this process.

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site for astronauts.

The production team filmed for five days beginning Oct. 4 in numerous locations around the center.

Almost all the details of the movie and its plot are top secret, but the "Transformers" series involves machines, usually cars and trucks, turning into huge mechanical robots, some good and some evil.

The leader of the Autobots, a semi-truck named Optimus Prime, was on hand, along with a Camaro called Bumblebee.

The cars took part in the filming of some scenes and were positioned later in the week for center employees and their families to take photos with them at the KSC Visitor Complex.

Although the film is science fiction, it gives NASA a chance to showcase itself to a different audience. The "Transformers" films have worldwide appeal and are summer blockbusters, which means



NASA/Frank Michaux

As a show of appreciation Kennedy employees and their families were invited to see two Transformers characters, Optimus Prime and Bumblebee, in their vehicle form, on display outside of the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex, on Oct. 8.

the NASA logo and its facilities will be shown to moviegoers that may not otherwise be exposed to the space agency.

The production company and NASA signed a Space Act Agreement allowing the filming to take place.

Months in advance of the filming, the "Transformers 3" team scouted dozens of location

around Kennedy and progressively narrowed the list as the shooting schedule evolved.

This film is the latest of a long list of movies that have used Kennedy as a backdrop, including Bay's space shuttle-centric "Armageddon." Recent examples include "Space Cowboys," "Contact," "Apollo 13" and the HBO miniseries "From the Earth to the Moon."

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civil servants and the creation of a Ground Operations Directorate to strengthen Kennedy's institutional base and support multiple programs and projects.

"We've been working very closely with all the directorates to get input to decide how best to reorganize for the future," Cabana said. An additional all-hands is scheduled for October 22, to address in further detail.

"Last Friday, we had 900 of our coworkers leave work here at Kennedy for the last time. That wasn't easy," Cabana said. "But, you know, you talk to folks, and in spite of how difficult it is, they are proud to have been part of what we do on a daily basis. I know it's not going to be easy. But I know we are up to the challenge."

Cabana closed with thanking the work force for its hard work and dedication, especially the space shuttle team.

Safety forum shares info with senior managers

By Linda Herridge
Spaceport News

Davis Layne, executive director of the Voluntary Protection Program Participants' Association (VPPPA), was the guest speaker at Kennedy Space Center's Executive Safety Forum in the Operations and Checkout Building's Mission Briefing Room on Sept. 30.

NASA and contractor directors, safety managers, program managers and presidents attended the safety forum, which is coordinated by the NASA-KSC Institutional Safety and Mission Assurance Division. The purpose of the safety forum is to educate and share relevant safety information with Kennedy's senior management.

Kennedy Deputy Center Director Janet Petro opened the forum with a message to "Keep a close lookout for each other. If you see someone that needs extra help please bring it forward. This is still a very difficult time period for a lot of people. We need to be more vigilant. Keep up the good work."

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Davis Layne,
executive director,
Voluntary Protection Program Participants' Association

Layne, who has been with the VPPPA for about five years, was with the Occupational Safety and Health Association (OSHA) for 35 years, and most recently was the deputy assistant secretary.

Layne said when a company or organization becomes a VPP site, there's a culture change that occurs as it relates to workplace safety and health.

"It's very clear that the employees themselves begin to understand that an effective workplace safety and health program is good for them because that means they go home to their friends and families as whole, healthy people," Layne said. "It becomes a change from 'I have to wear my protective

equipment,' to one where they understand the reasoning behind the need to follow safety procedures. Not only is it good for the employer, but it's good for the worker."

"The goal of VPP is really about management commitment and worker involvement," Layne said. "The employees have a voice in workplace safety and health."

Layne said that VPP employers are more competitive and that VPP participation helps create better relations between labor and management as well.

Layne noted that under OSHA's enforcement program, all the employer has to do is follow the rules. But VPP is about continuous improvement.

OSHA standards, in many cases are 30 to 40 years old, and the standards may take years and years to update. Layne said an advantage of VPP is that once a worksite is in the program, they look at hazards and develop techniques to eliminate them in the workplace.

There are about 2,400 VPP participating members across the country. These include General Electric, Georgia-Pacific, Motorola, International Paper and Kennedy Space Center. Nationwide there are about 1 million workers covered under the VPP.

Several Kennedy employers are VPP Star sites, including United Space Alliance, Boeing and Innovative Health Applications.

Layne said he hopes the VPP program will continue to grow in terms of it providing enhanced worker safety and health.

"We hope we will continue to see the program grow and working with our association to provide better and greater opportunities for networking, for safety and health, and safety and health training," Layne said.

National Space Club selects new officers, board of directors

The National Space Club (NSC) Florida Committee officers and board of directors for 2011 were approved at the Sept. 14 meeting with Dr. Stephen Feldman, Astronaut Memorial Foundation (AMF) president, named NSC chair. The board of officers will serve for one year.

"I am pleased to accept this position and look forward to a successful year ahead," Feldman said. "My thanks and appreciation to Mike Maier, the 2009-2010 NSC chair, and his officers for a well-run organization this past year."

Joining Feldman as NSC officers are Space Coast Launch Services' (SCLS) Steve Griffin as vice chair, URS Corp.'s Jim McCarthy as treasurer and Boeing Co.'s Mark Jager as secretary.



NASA/Kim Shifflett

STS-133 crew arrives for TCDT

STS-133 Commander Steve Lindsey speaks to the media gathered for his crew's arrival at Kennedy's Shuttle Landing Facility. From left are Mission Specialists Nicole Stott, Michael Barratt; Pilot Eric Boe and Mission Specialists Tim Kopra and Alvin Drew. The STS-133 crew members are at Kennedy for a practice launch dress rehearsal called the Terminal Countdown Demonstration Test (TCDT) in preparation for their upcoming mission. Space shuttle Discovery and its STS-133 crew will deliver the Permanent Multipurpose Module, packed with supplies and critical spare parts, as well as Robonaut 2, the dexterous humanoid astronaut helper, to the International Space Station. Launch is targeted for Nov. 1 at 4:40 p.m.

Scenes Around Kennedy Space Center



NASA/Jim Grossmann

The rotating service structure (RSS) on Launch Pad 39B is being dismantled as shown here Sept. 30 at Kennedy Space Center. Sand, reinforcing steel and large wooden mats were put down under the RSS to protect the structure's concrete from falling debris during deconstruction. The new lightning protection system, consisting of three lightning towers and a wire catenary system will remain.



NASA/Jack Pfaller

A Gemini-Titan rocket was added to the Rocket Garden at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex on Sept. 22.



NASA/Dimitri Gerondidakis

The STS-133 payload is moved from the rotating service structure on Launch Pad 39A to space shuttle Discovery's payload bay at Kennedy Space Center on Oct. 11. The move paves the way for the Terminal Countdown Demonstration Test (TCDT), which gives the astronauts and teams at Kennedy and Johnson Space Center in Houston a chance to practice launch day tasks. Discovery and its STS-133 crew will deliver the Permanent Multipurpose Module, packed with supplies and critical spare parts, as well as Robonaut 2, the dexterous humanoid astronaut helper, to the International Space Station. Launch is targeted for 4:40 p.m. EDT on Nov. 1.



NASA/Jim Grossmann

This view of a crawler-transporter after moving NASA's new mobile launcher (ML) support structure from a construction site, north of the Vehicle Assembly Building (VAB), to the mobile launcher east park site on Oct. 1, is from the roof of the VAB at Kennedy Space Center.

Learning is fun at the Child Development Center



NASA/Jack Pfaller

Retired teacher and child author, Jan Salmon reads a book she wrote called "The Halloween Mistake," to the children at Kennedy's Child Development Center on Oct. 7. A resident of Merritt Island, Salmon also signed several copies for the students.



NASA/Frank Michaux

Sparky the Fire Dog, a fire prevention mascot at Kennedy Space Center, visits with the children at the Child Development Center on Oct. 8. Sparky gave each student a firefighter helmet and shared the potential dangers of fire.



NASA/Jack Pfaller

The Royal Canadian Air Force Snowbird pilots flew their jets in tight formation over Kennedy Space Center on Oct. 7.

Deaf, former university president addresses DAAWG event

By Linda Herridge
Spaceport News

During Kennedy Space Center's 2010 National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) event, Oct. 8, guest speaker Dr. I. King Jordan, said the focus should always be on what people with disabilities can do, rather than what they can't do. Jordan, who became Gallaudet University's first deaf president in 1988, spoke and signed during the event, hosted by the center's Disability Awareness and Action Working Group (DAAWG).

Kelvin Manning, acting associate director for Business Operations, welcomed everyone to the event.

"This year during a ceremony July 26 on the South Lawn of the White House, celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the president signed an Executive Order that will establish the Federal Government as a

"For a lot of us we celebrate it every day. Let's keep the emphasis on ability."

Dr. I. King Jordan,
former Gallaudet University President

model employer of individuals with disabilities... Why? Because: Talent has no boundaries" which is this year's theme" Manning said.

Gallaudet, in Washington, D.C., was established in 1864. It is the world's only university with all programs and services designed specifically for students who are deaf and hard of hearing.

Kennedy's Chief Financial Officer and DAAWG Executive Advisor Susan Kroskey also welcomed workers to the NDEAM event.

"I would like to thank everyone for joining us today as we recognize the enrich-



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Retired Gallaudet University President Dr. I. King Jordan, who is deaf, speaks and signs during his presentation at Kennedy Space Center's 2010 National Disability Employment Awareness Month event, Oct. 8.



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Kennedy workers speak with representatives and visit booths from local organizations, including the Brevard Achievement Center, Canine Assistants, Center for Autism, Central Brevard MS Self-Help Group, Hearing Loss Association, KSC's Occupational Health Facility and Visioneers at an event hosted by the center's Disability Awareness and Action Working Group (DAAWG).

ment of our diverse culture from employees with disabilities," Kroskey said. "It's about overcoming obstacles. It's about focusing on our abilities. It's about valuing diversity in and outside the workplace."

Jordan said it's important that we celebrate disability awareness each year.

"For a lot of us we celebrate it every day. Let's keep the emphasis on ability," Jordan said. "No person with a disability should be limited in their desire to work."

He said the American Disabilities Act of 1990 brought about several advances, including the ability of the deaf to use the telephone.

"We're a big community and it's important that we

become a part of that awareness," Jordan said. "If we can get people to stop thinking about what people with disabilities can't do and get them to think about what we can do, we will all go far."

"I'm disabled. So what," Jordan said. "I've had a lot of success just because someone gave me the opportunity. Out there, and here, there are people with disabilities who will have a lot of success if we give them the opportunity."

Jordan also reminisced about his first visit to Kennedy in 1990 to view the launch of space shuttle Discovery on the STS-31 mission, which carried the Hubble Space Telescope.

Nicole DeVesco and

Andi Meyer are co-chairpersons of the DAAWG and also co-chaired the NDEAM event. Committee members are Cindy Gooden, Barbara McCormack and Annie Williams.

Following Jordan's presentation, workers were invited to talk with representatives and visit booths from Brevard Achievement Center, Brevard Drop In Center, Bridges, Canine Assistants, Center for Autism and Central Brevard MS Self-Help Group, Early Steps Program, Families Exploring Down Syndrome, Hearing Loss Association, KSC's Occupational Health Facility, Rehab works, Tourette Syndrome Association and Visioneers.

Remembering Our Heritage

GOES 'one of NASA's great accomplishments'

By Kay Grinter
Reference Librarian

“Nothing stands out in my memory about the GOES-A operations,” mused NASA alum Don Sheppard, the division head for Spacecraft and Support Operations in Kennedy Space Center’s Unmanned Launch Operations for the first Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite. “Maybe that in itself says something.”

GOES-A also was referred to as SMS-C, for Synchronous Meteorological Satellite-C, the third NASA-developed spacecraft in a series for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The series included two operational prototypes and one operational spacecraft. The first prototype, launched in May 1974, was the first meteorological satellite ever to be placed in synchronous orbit.

“Things were going like clockwork, indicating that NASA, the Delta launch vehicle, and the spacecraft and ground support people were really good at their jobs,” Sheppard recalled. “When one of our managers was asked ‘How do you do it?’ he replied ‘Hire the best people you can find and stay out of their way.’”

SMS-C became GOES-1 after launch Oct. 16, 1975, from Launch Pad 17B on Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. It was the 26th geostationary mission utilizing a Delta rocket since the first one was achieved in 1963.

“I believe this was one of NASA’s great accomplishments,” Sheppard said. “Satellites orbiting the earth at the same rate that the Earth turns appear stationary above the Earth and are ideal for weather studies and communications and so much more, including even the Internet.”

GOES-1 was placed in geosynchronous orbit directly above the equator, over the Indian Ocean, to gather data for the Global Atmospheric Research Program (GARP). The satellite was moved to replace SMS-2 over the Pacific when GOES-3 was launched.

The spacecraft itself was a



NASA file/1975

Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite A (GOES-A) is encapsulated inside its payload fairing aboard a Delta rocket at Complex 17 on Oct. 14, 1975. GOES-A was launched by Kennedy Space Center for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

650-pound cylinder, its sides covered by 15,000 solar cells that provided the power for the craft, along with nickel cadmium batteries. A single triangular magnetometer unit was located on the top of the craft. The spacecraft was spin-stabilized and rotated at 100 revolutions per minute.

These successful spacecraft provided systematic, continuous observations of weather patterns and obtained both day and night imagery on Earth’s weather from the Visible/Infrared Spin Scan Radiometer (VISSR) aboard. VISSR was a scanning instrument that formed images of Earth’s surface and cloud cover for transmission to regional data-user stations for use in weather prediction and forecasting and also for monitoring the space environment.

The satellite had the capability to continuously monitor cataclysmic weather events such as hurricanes

and typhoons, relay meteorological data from more than 10,000 surface locations into a central processing center for incorporation into numerical weather prediction models, and to perform facsimile transmission of processed images and weather maps to WEFAX field stations. In addition, a Space Environment Monitor (SEM) and Data Collection System (DCS) similar to those on the NOAA polar orbiters were installed.

On Dec. 1, 1978, responsibility for GOES-1 was turned over to the European Space Agency (ESA). In December 1979, it was returned to the control of NOAA. When GOES-5 experienced a failure on July 30, 1984, GOES-6 was moved east, and GOES-1 was reactivated by NOAA to provide visible imaging capability over the western United States. The repositioned satellite failed on Feb. 3, 1985.

GOES spacecraft continue to be a staple in the NOAA weather fleet.

GOES-P was the latest launch in the current GOES-N/O/P series.

Thomas Wrublewski, the NOAA GOES-N series technical acquisition manager in the NOAA Liaison Office at NASA’s Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland, said, “On March 4, GOES-P was launched by Boeing and United Launch Alliance and became GOES-15 once on orbit. The NASA Mission Operations Support Team spent the next six months checking it out and handed it over to NOAA on Aug. 30.”

“Since the launch of GOES-1, NOAA has been providing imagery of the earth 24/7 that we have become very accustomed to seeing on nightly news broadcasts,” Wrublewski said. “We take great pride in providing satellites that help us plan our daily lives and commerce activities by providing data and broadcast services to the NOAA National Weather Service and others. The first seven GOES satellites were spin-stabilized and spent most of their time not looking at Earth.”

Beginning with GOES-8, the satellites were 3-axis-stabilized and looked at the Earth fulltime.

“With GOES-13, the ability to locate severe storms and other large-scale events, like forest fires and hurricanes, improved to a two-kilometer location accuracy,” Wrublewski said. “While the basic mission of providing the familiar weather patterns imagery has remained the same for 35 years, there have been steady evolutionary improvements in the quality of that imagery and our abilities to do atmospheric and sea surface-temperature measurements and monitoring of the near-Earth space environment.”

Next up is the GOES-R series, which will feature improved spacecraft and instrument technologies, resulting in more timely and accurate weather forecasts, and improved support for the detection and observations of meteorological phenomena directly affecting public safety, protection of property, and ultimately, economic health and development. The first launch in the program is planned for 2015.

NASA Employees of the Month: October



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Employees of the month for October are, from left, Daniel Clark, International Space Station and Spacecraft Processing Directorate; Mary Remley, Center Operations; Les Boatright, Engineering Directorate; Pamela Mullenix, Engineering Directorate; Mark Bonvallat, Safety and Mission Assurance Directorate; Brett Perkins, Launch Vehicle Processing Directorate; and Carlos Garcia, Constellation Project Office. Not pictured are, Joshua Green, Chief Financial Office; Brian Burns, Information Technology and Communications Services; Marco Pochy, Procurement Office; Eric Haddox, Launch Services Program; and Michelle Green (Employee of the Quarter) Space Transportation Planning Office.

Looking up and ahead . . .

Targeted for Oct. 19	Launch/CCAFS: Delta IV Heavy, NROL-32; TBD
Targeted for Nov. 1	Launch/KSC: Discovery, STS-133; 4:40 p.m. EDT
No Earlier Than Nov. 8	Launch/CCAFS: SpaceX Falcon 9, COTS-1; Launch Window 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. EST
Targeted for February	Launch/CCAFS: Atlas V, GPS IIF-2; TBD
Targeted for Jan. 22, 2011	Launch/CCAFS: Atlas V, SBIRS GEO-1; TBD
Feb. 23, 2011	Launch/VAFB: Taurus, Glory; 5:10 a.m. EST
Targeted for Feb. 27, 2011	Launch/KSC: Endeavour, STS-134; 3:38 p.m. EST
No Earlier Than April 14	Launch/CCAFS: SpaceX Falcon 9, Dragon C2; TBD
No Earlier Than June 6	Launch/CCAFS: SpaceX Falcon 9, Dragon C3; TBD
Aug. 5, 2011	Launch/CCAFS: Atlas V, Juno; Launch Window 11:54 a.m. to 12:24 p.m. EDT
Aug. 15, 2011	Launch/ Kwajalein Atoll, Reagan Test Site: Pegasus, NuSTAR; TBD
Sept. 8, 2011	Launch/CCAFS: Delta II Heavy, GRAIL; TBD
Sept. 23, 2011	Launch/VAFS: Delta II, NPP; TBD
To Be Determined	Launch/VAFB: Delta II, Aquarius / SAC-D Satellite; TBD
No Earlier Than Nov. 25, 2011	Launch/CCAFS: Atlas V, Mars Science Laboratory; TBD

WORD ON THE STREET

Hundreds of Kennedy Space Center employees, their families and visitors had the opportunity to check out 'Transformers' Optimus Prime and Bumblebee on Oct. 8 at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex. We asked them if they would like to see more movies and television shows filmed at Kennedy? And if so, what would they like to see filmed?



"Yes. Anything with Jason Statham. A sequel to 'The Expendables,' or maybe an episode of 'Sons of Anarchy.'"

Tyler Locke,
of Titusville



"Yes. It brings a lot of awareness to KSC and the community. 'Men In Black,' because I want to meet Will Smith."

Patty Hepburn,
with NASA



"Of course. An episode of 'Big Bang Theory.' And of course, a 'Men in Black' sequel. We should do an 'Armageddon 2.'"

Dori Swift,
with United Space Alliance



"Yes. Anything with Vin Diesel in it. Maybe a 'Fast and Furious' sequel. They could use the Shuttle Landing Facility."

Kimberly Angelillo,
with ASRC Aerospace Corp.



"Yes. Anything with John Travolta. A 'Porky's' reunion would be neat since it was filmed down south."

Anna Locke,
domestic engineer from Titusville



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