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An Award-Winning Student Newspaper

Setbacks lead to slip in Discovery's launch

By Chip Zadow

Space Technology Editor

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is nearing its return to the manned space program with the arriving launch of the Space Shuttle Discovery. The target date for the launch is set at this time to be no earlier than Aug. 22, but very near that date.

Over the past few weeks, the shuttle program has encountered both setbacks, which led to the adjustment in the launch date, and improvements. The major event was the explosion at the shuttle fuel processing facility in Utah. Only one person was killed in the blast that rocked the entire city. Overall, the disaster will not effect the program to any great extent, but it did hurt the Space Shuttle program's vulnerable image.

Also in the news was the test of the troublesome solid rocket boosters in Utah. Morton Thiokol states that the test at this time appears to show that

the redesigned boosters will be nominal for a launch in the near future.

But there is a "minor" problem with the booster's insulation bond becoming separated. The seal is in between the booster segments and assists in keeping the segments together and free from burnthrough. Much more of the data from the latest test must be analyzed before the booster is given the final passing grade.

In the case of the nozzle boot ring disruption and failure in the booster test held in the early part of this year, there have been no positive explanations to the separation and failure. This anomaly is another contributing factor to the setback in the launch date, although the type of nozzle boot ring that failed in the test will not be used in the launch of Discovery.

The newly designed crew escape system was also recently checked. The telescoping bailout pole will be used. It consists of a nine-foot pole for crew

bailout under controlled conditions at or below 20,000 feet. This is chosen as a safer alternative to the tractor rockets for the emergency escape.

As of this printing, the roll out of Discovery to the launch pad will occur on June 15, the flight readiness firing of the orbiter's main engines will take place on July 10, and the payload will be moved to the launch pad on July 11. NASA spokesman George Diller mentions that these dates are expected to change, but not by more than a few days.

The primary payload for the upcoming shuttle launch, STS-36, will consist of the Tracking and Data Relay Satellite (TDRS). The space program will benefit from the satellite by its capability to expand the region of space that will be covered by its relay of voice, communication, and data. The satellite is set for early Monday morning, and is presently undergoing final testing.

See next weeks Space Technology in the Avion for an exclusive report.

Professor Wang retires after 23 years with ERAU

by Phyllis A. Salmons

Associate Professor of Physics

One of Embury Riddle's most loved and respected professors, Ming Heisen (Ken) Wang, will retire this summer after 23 years of teaching in the Aeronautical Engineering Department. Professor Wang is one of the most fondly remembered faculty members of the department.

One of his former students, Rick Hebert, class of '66 says: "He has become somewhat of a legend among the engineering students, and the rest of Embury Riddle. He once told us during a lecture that in China if a student learns from an instructor, then the student always holds great respect for that instructor. I respect him both as a fine instructor and a wonderful person." One of his colleagues of the Engineering Department said: "When a former engineering student comes back to visit, the first person he or she looks up is Ken Wang."

Ming Heisen was born in Laho, in China's Kiangsu Province. During the Sino-Japanese war in the 1930's, he was forced to leave his

family and flee to the western part of China. After graduating from high school in 1938, Wang entered the Chinese National North-Western College of Engineering and received a Bachelor of Science in Aeronautical Engineering in 1942. He received his Diploma from the Nationalist Chinese Air Force Technical School (advanced class) in 1944 and served in the Chinese Air Force for 18 years.

When World War II was over, he went to Nanking to work in the Wing and Passage Assembly Department of the Chinese National Air Force First Aircraft Manufacturing Plant.

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As an employee of the National Air Force, Wang's position on mainland China was none too secure. When the order came to move to Formosa (also known as Taiwan) in 1950, the Wangs left mainland China, even though it meant leaving behind family, friends, and all their possessions. "Silver dollars we threw on the runway," Wang recalled. "To get as many (people) on the planes as possible, we had to throw everything away, including silver dollars. If you wanted money, you stayed on the runway - if you wanted life, you left on the plane."

Wang first came to the United States in 1953, when he was sent to attend the U.S. Ordnance School in Aberdeen, Md. for several months. Upon his return to Taiwan, he was an instructor at the Taiwan Provincial Institute of Technology in Mathematics. He also continued to serve in the Chinese Air Force until 1962.

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By Richard F. Beaumont

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The computer lab employs computer majors who work anywhere be-

cause of the Physical Plant.

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Skyfest '88 was quite spectacular. With such performances as the Golden Knights, the Ray Ban Gold, and the Thunderbirds, how could it be anything less? And perhaps the most remarkable event was the rare public appearance of the B1 bomber.

Still, the coordination between the University and the Skyfest committee left much to be desired. The timing was only slightly better than last year's Skyfest. At least this year the bulk of the University population was still in Daytona to participate by that was the only positive aspect of the timing of this year's Skyfest.

First of all, Skyfest was held during finals weekend. The University rescheduled the Saturday afternoon finals to Friday so that Riddle students would be able to enjoy the airshow. However, in rescheduling two details were overlooked. The first is that the University eliminated the study day.

Study day has always provided a bit of a buffer between the last class and the final so that students would have a chance to study without being forced to cram. Yet this year, students found themselves with less than 24 hours to learn the concepts presented in the last class and then prepare for a final which more than likely is cumulative. As a result, many students felt they had to sacrifice sleep for studying which in turn resulted in exam performance that was not as high as it could have been.

The second problem with scheduling exams on Friday was the same one the University had tried to eliminate: distraction. What the University seems to have forgotten is that the aircraft used for static displays have to be flown in and they usually do so the day before Skyfest starts.

The Riddle student is often found gazing at commercial jetliners that take-off and land several times a day. To an outsider, it must seem like mass hysteria when they see the entire campus stopped and staring because an atypical aircraft is at Daytona Beach Regional. Knowing this, it's not too hard to figure out how impossible concentration is when aircraft such as the C-5, the Harrier and the KC-135 are inbound during a final exam.

Surely there is a solution to this dilemma. Perhaps the University could have scheduled some of the finals on Sunday mornings or the Friday that followed finals. Or another solution might have been to allow more of the instructors to exempt students from finals if they are satisfied with their grades and allow the "non-common" finals to be given during class.

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NEW AIRLINE SMOKING POLICY: PROHIBITED EXCEPT...



To the Editor:

As is the case with most institutions and businesses, those associated with ERAU that have gripes and complaints are screaming the loudest. I think "you had your say" would more aptly describe the nature of the complaints I'm referring to (i.e. last issue of the Avion).

As a constant member of the student body who is proud of this school, I would like to stand up and be counted. I get so tired of hearing this school put down because of a few inconveniences that don't suit that minority of students who can't seem to cope with the shock of leaving morning for the first time.

ERAU does have it's problems, but what university of any consequence doesn't? I have attended several universities in the past, and as a currently enrolled student here at ERAU, I would like to say the quality of the faculty, facilities, procedures, maintenance, and even the food, is far above the average.

There are acknowledged shortcomings in some of these areas, but if you take the time to look at what most plant the administration has for the very near future, you'll learn these problems are in the process of being taken care of efficiently and effectively.

Our university isn't perfect by any means, but I think it's about time that the "whispering complainers" out there wake up to the fact that your school or work environment you encounter is going to be somewhat less accommodating than the environment you experienced under someone's wing.

Very Sincerely,
Mark Anthony
Box 2372

To the Editor:

This report is a combined effort of the SOI, Doni, Representative, Varun Nikore, and committee member Joseph Cobb. A brief walk-around inspection was done of Dorms 1 and 2 on Sunday, February 28, 1988. Surveys were also solicited from on-campus residents and recommendations from those surveys were also added.

As compared with previous Doni Reports, many of the problem areas seemed to have been resolved. However, some of the persistent problems should be investigated further and attention brought to them.

Maintenance: While the overall opinion of the students in Dorms 1 and 2 is that the maintenance is doing a satisfactory job, it seems that there are a few areas that do not fit an adequate job. The complaints are, that the basic cleaning jobs are neglected and a sub-standard job is done. Some students complained that the vacuuming was done often enough and the bathrooms were not cleaned thoroughly. Another common complaint was that the maintenance didn't walk long enough after knocking and enter the room while students are still sleeping or getting dressed. These two problem areas are easy to remedy and should be looked into immediately.

Fire Problems: The most complaints have come under this category. As seen to be a general problem in dorm 1 and reaches in Dorm 2. Many students feel that a more permanent solution should be investigated. Part of the problem is the fact that extinguishers is not done on a regular basis. It is only done when the problem is evident. These incidents seem to bother most residents a great deal and a better

solution should be found to resolve this problem.

Laundry Areas: Another problem exists with the laundry areas. The newly opened Dorm 2 lounge has received much criticism because it is too small and not very comfortable. This lounge is often locked and this lounge is open for specified times, and be adhered to by whoever is in charge of the lounge. Some students suggested that because of the small size of the lounge, it should be turned into a recreation room and games be provided. The Dorm 1 main lounge seems to be adequate, however, measures should be taken to make it more "homey". Perhaps new furniture and a rug would help. This lounge is also in immediate need of a new television, as the color often fades on the present one. The second and third floor lounges seem to be in good order except for several missing seat cushions that seem to have been taken and not returned.

General: The following items are general suggestions to the Department of Housing.

1. Better control and operation of the A/C-unit used in Dorm 1. The heat is often on during hot weather and vice-versa.
2. The grass on the south side of Dorm 1 should be replaced with some type of grass that will not easily disappear with acidic pH.
3. The main landing to the middle part of Dorm 1 is too steep. The metal corner strips should be replaced. The current strips are only half evident and loose and could cause an accident.
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8. Access to condoms, either through RA's or machines should be available to all residents. With the current AIDS situation in the United States (and especially Florida), this would be an advisable move on the Department of Housing.

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Avion Meetings are 5pm on Wednesdays. Come. Make it the Avion again.

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Riddle Road Runners RESEARCH

By Greg Janacek
 The Riddle Road Runners Car Club will be active during the Summer A and B terms. The club promotes interest in motorsports with an emphasis on safety. Past activities include roadtrips to Don Garliti's Drag Racing Museum in Ocala, to the Malibu Grand Prix in Orlando, and participation in Super Cruise America. Club members enjoy various discounts with local merchants and Shop Nite, hosted by Bob's Auto Detail on Ridgewood Ave.
 All students and faculty/staff with an interest in automobiles are invited to attend the next meeting at Mr. Gatti's Pizza Restaurant, located in the Volusia Plaza Mall on May 24 at 1830. Or contact Greg Janacek, Box 1136; phone 426-0067 for more information.

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The program's sponsor, the Office of Aeronautics and Space Technology, Washington, D.C., accented each proposal over a 6-month process that included a broadly-based national peer review followed by an internal NASA review.

NASA plans another competitive round to expand the participation and grow the program over the next few years to about 20 universities. Timing

and rate of growth will depend on budget availability.

This university-based center concept is an integral part of the strategy to rebuild the nation's space technology base.

We are making a special effort to reach out to the university community and make a long-term commitment for space engineering research partnerships between NASA centers and universities.

Windsurf

By Mike Miller
Club Reporter

April 26 marked the 4th regatta in a series sponsored by Windsurfing of Port Orange. From the Embury-Riddle Windsurfing team, Mike Miller and Don Bilkidan placed first and third respectively in a figure-eight slalom course.

Joe "Gomez" Collins and Al Wade participated in the Miami speed trials held at Sunrise Park May 1. Joe and Al reached top speeds of 18.1 and 22.1 mph. Top speed of the day went to John Duke of Orlando at 29 mph.

Congratulations to our new member Sally Walden who placed 4th in last Sunday's Halifax Sailing Association regatta, top finishers for the club were Dan Binkowski and

Mike Miller placing 2nd and 3rd. Special thanks to Bill Dolan for taking photos and participating in his first competition.

Tonight is the start of the Sandy Point summer series. Most of you will be happy to know that the races will be divided into two classes, above and below 7.5m. Free food and beverages will be provided by Sandy Point. Remember every Tuesday night are the continuing wop races off of Dunlawton Ave. Both races began approximately at 8pm.

Memorial weekend the club will be competing in Miami and taking advantage of a little T&A, for more information come to our meeting tomorrow night in the Riddle theater (A109) on 1930. PFW, why? because Mai Tai said so.

Student Alumni Association

By Teresa Anderson
 The SAA would like to welcome you to Summer '88. We're starting to work on ideas for the Summer and Fall and Homecoming.
 Thanks go out to Sabrina, Denise, Wes, Maney, and Teresa for working at the alumni tent during Skyfest. We met lots of alumni, sold some hats and had a nice lunch.
 Recently the SAA was invited to participate in the Space Coast Alumni chapter's kick-off dinner. Sherry, Sabrina, Jennifer, Mike, Wes, and Teresa all attended. President Tallman was the guest speaker and mentioned his impression of our efforts.
 Our next event will be a chance to relax. We'll be having a barbecue in June tentatively the 19th. Sherry will let you know when the date is firm. Remember to bring a prospective member!
 Don't forget our next meeting will be tomorrow-Thursday, May 19 at 4 p.m. in the Alumni Relations Office.

Biloxi Blues - review

By Kelly Young
 Neil Simon has written a series of plays which are now being produced on the big screen. *Biloxi Blues* is the second story among of three from among this series. While all of Simon's stories follow a boy's quest to be an actor through his life's journey, *Biloxi Blues* is a cratically written play with moral integrity. The story is set in 1945 and is about a young man who joins the Army and goes off to basic training in Biloxi, Alabama. The plot

develops and evolves as the young man faces many trials and heart warming experiences on the road to full maturity. The movie itself is not as much about the grueling training but more about the friendships that are founded between people who have to rely on team work to survive. I don't want to give the entire story away but the comedy is laughable, the love is sweet, and the moral is good. *Biloxi Blues* is good movie to see to start the summer semester off on a light note.

NASA offers contest for students to name the new space shuttle

By Chip Zadow
Space Technology Editor
 NASA has announced a contest to name the newest Space Shuttle Orbiter. The new Orbiter, to come off the assembly line at Rockwell International in Calif., is expected to be completed by April 1991.
 The same *Challenger* has been retired and is not acceptable for the contest. This is to recognize the crew that was lost during the 31st accident.
 The contest was initiated and authorized by Congress, and is only open to school children. The orbiter, designated OV-105, is expected to have a name that decends from an exploratory or research sea vessel.

and agency will receive awards in March 1989, and the final winner will be selected in May 1989.

The \$1.3 billion contract became effective in Aug., 1987 and was prompted to get the space program back to full strength after the loss of the *Challenger*. The construction is taking place at Rockwell's facility in Downey, Calif., while final assembly and check out will take place in Palmdale, Calif. Rockwell expects that the work will bring in a peak employment of 2,000 employees.

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Manned U.S./Soviet Mars trip not desirable, says State Department

Associated Press
BOSTON — The United States should cooperate with the Soviet Union to explore the surface of Mars and set up a space training center in Australia, but steer clear of joint manned missions to other planets, a State Department official says.

Michael Ahearne, acting U.S. deputy assistant secretary for space and technology affairs, told a space writers' conference Monday the United States should commit itself to joint crews and flights with the Soviets because "politics drives programs and not the other way around."

procedures and hardware for space rescue.

Last year, the United States and the Soviet Union agreed to cooperate on 16 projects to space science.

"The agenda in front of us is so dazzling but so expensive that we may be frustrated in trying to realize it on our own," Michael said.

Panelists called for the United States to step up cooperation with Canada, Japan and its European allies in all space fields, including a 40-year effort to build a joint space station and the commercial development of space.

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"You're starting to tie the entire space program together in a long-range process," said Alan Ludwig, director

of program support and special projects at NASA. "Maybe you thought that's where we were all going, but I don't think so."

Long-term projects in NASA's \$1.15 billion budget request for fiscal 1989 include developing hardware for a space station to be built by 1992, increasing the number of space shuttle flights after trips resume in August, continuing space science programs in astronomy and planetary research and the \$100 million Pathfinder project to develop technology for a Mars mission.

"The longer you wait to push away advanced technology as an advantage, the longer it will be to establish these goals... and we'll watch the Russians go and do it," Ludwig said, calling for Congress to approve the funding request.

Professor Sean Solomon of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Earth, atmospheric and planetary sciences departments said the government needs a commitment to space and science programs to attract students to the field.

"The crisis in the planetary sciences didn't begin with the Challenger accident. It was there to begin with," Solomon said. "It hasn't been two years but it's 10 years since the planetary science expedition by the United States was launched."

INTELSAT V planned launch by ArianeSpace from French Guiana

By Chris Lagroff
Special to The Avon
 An INTELSAT V satellite was planned for launch early this morning from French Guiana by the ArianeSpace group. At present time, the Ariane Flight 23 launch was still in the countdown stages.

The launch is from the Ariane Launch Site at the Guiana Space Center, near Kourou, French Guiana.

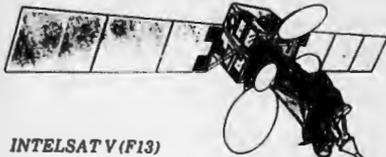
A near-gostationary positioning will move the craft to final altitude of 35,786km at 307 degrees East, at about 17 hours after launch on the fourth apogee. Its speed will be stabilized to 11,060km per hour.

The entire mission will be completed at about 75 hours after the 4,000 megawatting when the solar panels will be deployed.

The ARIANE 2

An ARIANE 2 launch vehicle was used to insert the payload. The vehicle's use was due to its reliability to the payload requirements (the INTELSAT V has a lift-off

The three windows for the launch ranged from 11:43pm to 1:14am, and were approximately 17 minutes each with about 30 minutes between them. The launch was to make place the earliest possible window considering weather conditions.



INTELSAT V (F13)

Recent improvements in U.S.-Soviet ties may not survive the 1990s if the historically cyclical nature of superpower relations holds true, he said. A manned mission to Mars could take 20 years to carry out.

"If that is the case, does it make sense to make a moon base or a Mars mission the central part of U.S.-Soviet space ties?" Michael said in a panel discussion at the 50th Annual Aviation-Space Writers Association Conference.

But he said the two countries could cooperate to send a rover to bring back samples of Mars' surface, build an instructional center to study the physical requirements of living in space, regulate space debris and establish

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Soviet nuclear powered spy satellite will fall to back to Earth this summer

Associated Press
WASHINGTON — The Soviets have lost control of a nuclear-powered military spy satellite, experts said Friday it will shower the Earth with radioactive debris.

The satellite, Kosmos 1900, "has been in a steadily decaying orbit for the last month. If nothing is done to correct its orbit, it will decay and re-enter the Earth's atmosphere," said Maj. Alex Mondrago, a spokesman for the U.S. Space Command, in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Thus, the official Soviet news agency, reported that

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The plane again circles and gives the opportunity for another jumper to show off his stuff. This time the skydiver opens up his canopy after free-fall and then cuts it away after a few seconds of flight. A second, or backup canopy, is deployed and the jumper is again in a state of controlled descent.

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mass of 1999kg). It has a useful load of 2175kg, as opposed to the ARIANE 1's load of 1850kg, or the ARIANE 3's load of 2700kg.

ArianeSpace is also producing an ARIANE 4 version, with payload capacity of 4200kg. The first launch of this version is scheduled for next month.

The second stage uses the Viking V engine burning liquid V engines using 145 tons of a liquid propellant mixture. It produces 2700kN of lift-off thrust.

The third stage uses the Viking V engine burning 34 tons of the same mixture. It is gimbal-mounted with two axes of freedom, giving pitch and yaw control. Roll control is provided by auxiliary jet foils. It produces 785kN of thrust in a vacuum.

The ARIANE 2 is 49m long and weighs 220 tons at lift-off. It burns 10.7 tons of liquid hydrogen and oxygen. The third stage engine is also gimbal-mounted providing similar axis control.

Mission specifications
 The first and second stages lift the payload up to a perigee altitude of 463km. At four and a half minutes after launch, the third stage will insert the satellite up to an altitude of 35,784km.

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Astronaut selection now a bi-annual process

NASA announced plans to conduct astronaut candidate selections on a 2-year cycle and has scheduled the next class of candidates for 1990. Previously, NASA has selected astronaut candidates as needed, with selections the last 10 years occurring in 1978, 1980, 1984, 1985 and 1987.

The 2-year process will moderate the demand on resources required for candidate selection and training while maintaining the manpower levels necessary to meet mission requirements.

The next selection cycle will begin July 1, 1989, the cutoff date for applications. Applications received after

that will be eligible for consideration in the next cycle. Nominations will be submitted by the military services at the same time. After 6 months of screening, medical evaluation and interviews, selections will be announced in January 1990 and candidates will report to the Johnson Space Center in July.

The selection process will begin again in July 1991 with the cutoff for applications to be considered in the 1992 selection. The number of selections made every 2 years will be based on projected requirements.

"NASA will continue to accept and review applications from the general public on an ongoing basis. Applications for the Astronaut Candidate Program must be citizens of the United States."

Air Force releases Stealth bomber and announces first flight this summer

The Secretary of the Air Force announced today that the first flight of the Advanced Technology Bomber, or B-2, is currently scheduled for this fall. On its maiden flight, the B-2 will launch from its final assembly facility at Air Force Plant 42 in Palmdale, Calif., and land at the Air Force Flight Test Center at Edwards AFB, Calif., where flight testing will be conducted.

The initial flight of the B-2 will highlight the return of the flying wing design to military aviation.

The Secretary of the Air Force Edward C. "Tex" Aldridge, Jr., said, "The first flight of the B-2, which has enjoyed bipartisan Congressional support from its inception, will represent a dramatic leap forward in technology and the achievement of a major milestone in our Nation's Strategic

Modernization Program."

The President's decision and the Congressional support to develop and procure 132 B-2's with an initial operational capability in the early 1990's following the deployment of 100 B-1B's, was based on the need to redress the strategic imbalance between the United States and the Soviets. While the acquisition of 132

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likely to fall in the ocean or in a sparsely populated area.

"We will know the date a few weeks before, but we won't know the exact time or general area until a few hours before," Johnson said. The orbit of Kosmos 1900 covers the Earth between 65 degrees south and north latitudes, excluding only Antarctica in the south and a swath in the north bounded by the inhabited areas of Alaska, Greenland, Scandinavia and Siberia.

Johnson and Oberg said the satellite is believed to have a system to eject the reactor core so that it would burn up rather than reach Earth. But that safety system did not activate after the Soviet loss, counter with Kosmos 1900, between April 10 and April 14, Johnson said in an interview.

"You could get that system up on a fail-safe system" to eject as soon as the satellite stopped working," he said, "but it would have activated shortly after the malfunction."

Neither "Tass" nor the U.S. Space Command spokesman described the mission of Kosmos 1900, but Oberg and Johnson said it was a RORSAT, an English-language designation which stands for Radar Ocean Reconnaissance Satellite. They are used to monitor the movement of U.S. warships.

Two other Soviet RORSATs have fallen to earth.

In January 1978, Kosmos 954, powered by 110 pounds of uranium, re-entered the atmosphere and

spread radioactive debris across Canada. The class was then redesigned to allow the reactor to be jettisoned so that it would not have the protection of the satellite body as it re-entered the atmosphere and thus would be more likely to burn up.

One of the newly designed RORSATs, Kosmos 1402, dropped from orbit on Jan. 25, 1983 over the Indian Ocean, and no radioactive debris is known to have fallen to Earth.

In the case of Kosmos 1402, said Johnson, "the core was ejected very shortly after the malfunction," in contrast to the current situation.

A top Soviet space scientist, Rostislav Sagdeyev, told a news conference in Washington that Kosmos 1900 was designed so that the radioactive material would vaporize and remain in orbit. But he said he had been in the United States for several weeks and did not have fresh information on Kosmos 1900.

Sagdeyev, who is director of the Soviet Space Research Institute and an advisor to Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev, was appearing with the private Federation of American Scientists to urge a ban on nuclear reactors in orbit.

Sagdeyev and Frank von Hippel of the American federation said that the proposal was aimed largely at crippling the U.S. "Star Wars" program, which many scientists say would use nuclear reactors to power lasers and other exotic weapons to knock down intercontinental ballistic missiles.

Sagdeyev said the only knowledge he had of the RORSAT program came from what he read in

Western publications.

The Tass announcement, made available by the agency's office in Washington, said that "the artificial earth satellite Kosmos 1900, with a nuclear power plant aboard, was launched Dec. 12, 1987."

"According to competent Soviet organizations, radio contact with the satellite was lost in April 1989. The satellite is continuing in its intended flight, and the main service systems are functioning according to the program."

"The satellite will fly in orbit until August-September 1989, after which it will cease to exist. The satellite Kosmos 1900 has systems insuring radiation safety on completion of the flight," Tass said.

The Soviets have launched about 50 RORSATs. Two of them have fallen to earth. Kosmos 1900 is on the way down, while Kosmos 1824 remains in low orbit. The remainder have been boosted into higher orbits where there is less danger they will fall, according to Oberg and Johnson.

Oberg and Johnson said the Soviets apparently have developed a new type of ocean reconnaissance satellite, a follow-on to RORSAT, one that uses radar rather than nuclear power.

The development of a RORSAT replacement that does not rely on nuclear power would explain the Soviet decision to call for a ban on reactors in orbit.

"They are willing to give up something they are about the scrap in return for something we have not built," said Oberg.

NASA selects nine universities to conduct space research

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NASA announced the selection of nine universities to conduct long-term research in promising areas of space engineering and technology.

This year's selection of University Space Engineering Research Centers includes new opportunities for university specialization such as Mars mission technologies, extraterrestrial materials, in-space construction and large space-based observatories.

The university-based centers are eligible to receive up to \$500,000 for the first year and may grow to over \$1 million a year for a minimum of four years. The centers support NASA's goal to broaden the nation's engineering capability to meet the critical needs of the civilian space program.

The Centers are:
The University of Arizona, Center for the Utilization of Local Planetary Resources;
The University of Cincinnati, Health Monitoring, Technology, Center for

- Space Propulsion Systems;
 - University of Colorado, Boulder, Center for Space Construction;
 - The University of Idaho, Very Large Scale Integrated Hardware Architecture Center for Space Research;
 - Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Center for Space Engineering Research Focused on Controlled Structures Technology;
 - The University of Michigan, Center for Near-Millimeter Wave Communication and Sensing Technology;
 - North Carolina State University at Raleigh and North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Mars Mission Research Center;
 - The Pennsylvania State University, Center for Space Propulsion Engineering;
 - Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Intelligent Robotic Systems for Space Exploration.
- The nine centers were selected from 115 proposals submitted last November to NASA in response to the agency's program announcement. See RESEARCH, page 3

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STEALTH — Skyfest draws record crowds

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B-2 bombers were originally estimated to cost \$36.6 billion (FY81), the Air Force is reevaluating cost estimates for the program as a result of current and projected fiscal constraints. When that process is completed later this year, the Air Force will release those updated figures. The acquisition of the B-2 means one capability to effectively penetrate Soviet defenses well into the 21st century.

The Air Force has previously announced that Whiteman AFB, Mo., would be the initial operating base for the B-2. Initial construction to support the aircraft's buildup at Whiteman AFB is scheduled to begin later this year. In addition, the selection of the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, Oklahoma City, Okla., was announced in February as the primary depot facility for the B-2.

The first flight of the B-2 this fall will represent a major achievement in an aggressive and highly successful development program.

By Martin F. Smith
Staff Reporter
More than 50,000 people attended the fifth annual Daytonas Beach Skyfest show on Saturday and Sunday, April 16 and 17. Skyfest '68 featured an unusual number of unique acts including over 60 different types of military aircraft. The A-10 Thunderbolt II, F-4 Phantom, F-15 Eagle, F-16 Fighting Falcon, F-105 Starfighter, P-3 Orion, AV-8B Harrier and a variety of rotorcraft were among the aircraft featured in the largest display of military aircraft in the southeast U.S.

The highlight of Saturday's show was a rare appearance of the B-1 bomber. The B-1 made two low speed passes in the landing configuration before departing with a high speed fly-by. Witnesses stated that the B-1 suffered an engine failure during the high speed pass. The B-1 is supposed to replace the aging B-52 bomber, which was produced in 1957. Production of the B-1 was canceled by the Carter administration, but revived by Ronald Reagan.

Another point of the show was Bob Hoover's aerobatics. The maneuver he performed might be considered a real yawner for anyone flying an aerobatic airplane such as the Pitts Special, or the P-16 Falcon, but Hoover performed some truly amazing feats in two business transport aircraft.
Hoover's first appearance featured a Strike Commander. The aircraft is

the piston version of the same aircraft recently acquired by the Daytona Beach campus for executive travel. Hoover's aircraft has normal production models with no modifications for the aerobatics he performs.
Crowds cheered as Hoover demonstrated a stall recovery at 500 feet above the runway, first with both engines and then with one shut down. He demonstrated the stall characteristics of the aircraft by diving to the maximum allowable airspeed and then pulling the aircraft up to a 90 degree nose high attitude over the show airfield.
Hoover then pushed the nose over, passing through level until the nose was pointed nearly straight down and then recovered gracefully. Hoover's (inside the Strike Commander involved shutting both engines down while flying downward over the runway and maneuvering to land directly into a stop at the corner of the show without restarting the engine. Hoover then performed a series of equally impressive aerobatics in a Sabliner business jet.

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cepted a position as Associate Professor of Physics at the Taiwan Provincial Taipei Institute of Technology. He worked there for one year before returning to the United States in 1962.

Initially, he worked as a Civil Engineer designing tunnels for the New York City subway system while attending graduate classes at night at the City College of New York. He was granted a scholarship at West Virginia University where in 1964 he completed a Master of Science in Aeronautical Engineering.
Meanwhile, Mrs. Wang and the couple's children were still living in Formosa. "She insisted that I find a job first before bringing them here."

In the 23 years, he has seen Embry Riddle become a world renowned university with a current enrollment of over 13,000 students (including Pre-sec and International Campuses).

He taught numerous courses in the Aeronautical Engineering Program including Statics, Solid Mechanics, Strength of Materials, Aerodynamics, Aircraft Structures Fluid Mechanics and Applied Differential.
He served as the Department Chairman of the Engineering Department for two years and as a member of the Curriculum committee for 12 years. He served in the Faculty Council, Tenure Committee and as an advisor of Aeronautical Engineering majors.

the quality of instruction as evidenced by an Award of Appreciation given to Professor Wang in 1974 by the Aeronautical Engineering Foreign Students and by the recognition as Outstanding Faculty in the Aeronautical Engineering Department three times in the past two years.

Professor Wang has been named in Who's Who in American Education and Leaders in American Science (1968-69) and Who's Who in the South and Southwest (1969-71).
Professor Wang was honored by the University when he was named Professor Emeritus earlier this year. He will therefore always be considered a Professor at Embry Riddle.
Former students appreciate the enthusiasm and humor Professor Wang

thing about his retirement is that future students will not have the opportunity to have him as a professor.

In reflecting upon his teaching career at ERAU, Professor Wang said: "My affection and fond memories will always remain here. I want to express my deep appreciation and thanks to all the people at ERAU with whom I have had the pleasure of working, past and present, as well as my dearest colleagues and staff whose memories will be with me the rest of my life."

After retirement, Professor Wang and his wife will move to Atlanta where they plan to alternate relaxing and traveling. One day he hopes to write a book about aircraft structures and become involved in the important business.

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cepted a position as Associate Professor of Physics at the Taiwan Provincial Taipei Institute of Technology. He worked there for one year before returning to the United States in 1962.

Initially, he worked as a Civil Engineer designing tunnels for the New York City subway system while attending graduate classes at night at the City College of New York. He was granted a scholarship at West Virginia University where in 1964 he completed a Master of Science in Aeronautical Engineering.
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In the 23 years, he has seen Embry Riddle become a world renowned university with a current enrollment of over 13,000 students (including Pre-sec and International Campuses).

He taught numerous courses in the Aeronautical Engineering Program including Statics, Solid Mechanics, Strength of Materials, Aerodynamics, Aircraft Structures Fluid Mechanics and Applied Differential.
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the quality of instruction as evidenced by an Award of Appreciation given to Professor Wang in 1974 by the Aeronautical Engineering Foreign Students and by the recognition as Outstanding Faculty in the Aeronautical Engineering Department three times in the past two years.

Professor Wang has been named in Who's Who in American Education and Leaders in American Science (1968-69) and Who's Who in the South and Southwest (1969-71).
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thing about his retirement is that future students will not have the opportunity to have him as a professor.

In reflecting upon his teaching career at ERAU, Professor Wang said: "My affection and fond memories will always remain here. I want to express my deep appreciation and thanks to all the people at ERAU with whom I have had the pleasure of working, past and present, as well as my dearest colleagues and staff whose memories will be with me the rest of my life."

After retirement, Professor Wang and his wife will move to Atlanta where they plan to alternate relaxing and traveling. One day he hopes to write a book about aircraft structures and become involved in the important business.

To Professor Wang: The University faculty, students, staff, administrators and alumni wish you the best of luck and a long, healthy, happy, and prosperous retirement! We will miss you more than you will ever know!

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Experience Plus

The Counseling Center is looking for "non-traditional" students who are interested in getting together with other such students to join their group called "Experiences + here at ERAU. A "non-traditional" student is defined as someone who initially entered college after a break of four years or more from academic studies. The purpose of this group is to form a supportive social network as well as to discuss issues that affect the non-traditional student. If you are interested, please leave a copy of your work/class schedule with them in the Counseling Center (located in the University Center) by Friday, May 19 so that they can decide a time for the group's first summer get-together.

Contact Lynn Norris or Patty Ruddy in the Counseling Center at 239-6035 for further information.

Seminars to Increase your studying effectiveness

Begin your semester right by sharpening your study skills. The Counseling Center will be facilitating three sessions so that everyone has an opportunity to work up to their academic potential. Through these informal sessions you will have an opportunity to receive valuable information and share ideas with other students.

If you are unable to attend the sessions at the time offered, please call 239-6035 and let us know that you are interested and where you are free or drop by the Counseling Center located in the University Center.

Please contact the Counseling Center and sign up one week prior to the seminar you want to attend.

Test Taking Tips

Tuesday, May 24 - 1330-1500 in the Faculty/Staff Lounge, second floor of the University Center. This seminar will help you to learn ways to prepare for tests, combat anxiety, and take exams efficiently.

Self Management and Motivation

Tuesday, May 31 - 1330-1500 in the Faculty/Staff Lounge, second floor of the University Center. Learn how to manage your time so that you can relax without guilt. Also learn how to get going when you get up and go has got up and went.

Lecture Note Taking

Tuesday, June 7 - 1330-1500 in the Faculty/Staff Lounge, second floor of the University Center. Get information on how to efficiently take legible, helpful lecture notes.

"Kick a Habit"

The Counseling Center will be holding a program to help you rid yourself of bad habits such as smoking, over-eating, phobias, procrastination, tardiness, worrying or unhealthy relationships. The group will meet weekly for four two-hour sessions, during the weeks of May 23-June 13. Group size is limited. Interested persons need to make a reservation in the Counseling Center during the week of May 16-19.

Attention August Graduates

If you are interested in running for Senior Class President or Vice President, please schedule an appointment to meet with Laurin Rankin, Senior Class Advisor, by Tuesday, May 31, 1988. Please contact the Student Activities Office at 239-6039 or stop by. The office is located in the University Center lobby.

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