

A VIEW FROM FEW

An organization for opportunity and equality for women in Government



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President's Message *Sandy Eliason*



Greetings! Mother Nature has been very busy with her cycle of altering weather events. I hope you and your families are staying warm and safe from all of the bad weather, which is giving us all sorts of headlines.

Space Coast has been rather busy with preparations for our seminar at the end of the month. I hope you will come on out and participate in the networking and training opportunity we are providing. A lot of work goes into putting on a training program that is both entertaining and thought provoking. We want you to leave knowing that you have experienced a meaningful opportunity.

Come out and be a part of the seminar. See you there!

Let me leave you with this little thought.

*A winner is always part of the answer.
A loser is always part of the problem.*

*A winner always has a plan.
A loser always has an excuse.*

*A winner says: "Let me do it for you."
A loser says: "That is not my job."*

*A winner sees an answer for any problem.
A loser sees a problem for any answer.*

*A winner sees a green near every sandtrap.
A loser sees two sandtraps near every green.*

A winner says: "It may be difficult but it's possible."

A loser says: "It may be possible but it's too difficult."

Author Unknown

Programs *Marlene Satterthwaite*

Here are our upcoming programs and events.

WHAT: FEW ATP Meeting
WHEN: Wednesday - 2/21/07
WHERE: TBD (Notice will be sent out)
TIME: 4:30 pm

WHAT: Annual Training Program
WHEN: February 28 or March 1
WHERE: Holiday Inn, Cocoa Beach
TIME: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

WHAT: Retirees Luncheon
WHEN: Saturday, March 3, 2007
WHERE: Black Tulip, Cocoa Village
TIME: 1:00 p.m.

Food Choices: Chicken Marsala over a bed of fettuccine;
Shrimp Tortellini w/basil cream sauce; NY Strip Steak
w/grilled onions, cheese on a hoagie roll; Dessert:
Choice of Cheesecake, Key Lime Pie or Tiramisu
RSVP: Please RSVP to Sandy Eliason
by February 26, 2007.

Members' dinners are complimentary, guests are \$20

We look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings and value all your inputs that keeps our Chapter running so smoothly.

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Sunshine Committee

Eva Coffman

Happy Birthday!

A special Happy Birthday to the following Chapter member(s)

Eva Coffman	2/2
Robin Allsup	2/4
Debra Dukes	2/7
Sherron Gwaltney	2/8
Delores Abraham	2/11
Becky Fasulo	2/23
Lee Furis	2/28

A Get Well card was sent to Janet Kopenhaver, Eye on Washington, after her recent surgery and a card to Claudette Beggs.

Please notify me, 639-4881 or Becky Fasulo, 867-4436 or (Rebecca.J.Fasulo@nasa.gov) with any information you have on members that have extended illnesses, hospital stays, or news that deserve recognition or congratulations.



COMPUTER-ILLITERATE PARENTS LEAVE THEIR KIDS AT RISK

Submitted by Arden Belt

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to the Nov. 20 letter from the computer-illiterate parents whose sons, 12 and 13, are spending hours "locked in their room" with their computer.

It is time for parents to get educated on the ins and outs of the Internet. I'm a computer tech who has researched Internet safety extensively. Not only do predators stalk the social networking sites and chat rooms, but children can be exposed to cyber-bullying and inappropriate materials as well. Example: One of my friends caught her 15-year-old son watching a 14-year-old girl perform a striptease over a live video chat.

No child should have a computer in the bedroom. It should be located in a common area where there is no privacy. There are numerous organizations like i-Safe (www.isafe.org) and CyberAngels (www.cyberangels.org) available to help out. -- AARON IN ST. LOUIS

DEAR AARON: Thank you for not only lending your expert opinion, but also for mentioning some organizations that can be helpful to parents. The Internet has become a vast hunting ground for predators, and pedophiles frequently find new prey using it. And they are not the only predators out there. As you mentioned regarding the 14-year-old girl, some teens are also looking for sexual conquests.

Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The parents who were told their boys "couldn't be looking at pornography" unless they had a credit card -- which they didn't -- were seriously misinformed.

Touch the wrong key on your new computer and disastrous things happen. Many times I have had to call my son to come over and return my screen to normal. Sometimes the computer will not even let me turn it off! I have two friends who complain about the same problems. In addition, my brother-in-law says he never heard my sister swear until she got her new computer. It seems that the new generation of MACs and PCs are designed chiefly for the technologically elite -- which most of us are not. -- R.H., PROFESSOR EMERITUS, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

DEAR R.H.: If the new generation of MACs and PCs are difficult for intelligent folks to master, then the logical answer is to sign up for computer classes, which are offered by public libraries and some high schools and community colleges. It's either that or instructional CDs, or hiring a computer whiz to give you private lessons.

Children today learn to operate computers from earliest grade school and are completely proficient. If parents are not computer-literate, then they should be sure their computer is in plain view while it's being used by the children. Computers are wonderful tools, but they can also be "open windows" to -- and from -- the outside of your home. It's only common sense to supervise with whom your child is interacting and who has access to your child.

DEAR ABBY: I am 14 and, trust me, those boys probably are looking at pornography. I'd say the odds are about 8-to-1. You don't need a credit card. Sites offer previews, or "free tours" of the site, and other sites are totally free.

Also, no offense to your advice, but the "history" can easily be cleared. I'm 14, and I can clear every site I have visited in a matter of seconds. I'd suggest they install something like Net Nanny on their hard drive and not tell the kids. --
HOPEFULLY HELPFUL, GREENE COUNTY, TENN.

Help with Drug Proofing your kids/grandkids:
<http://www.drugproofyourkids.com/>

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

FEW Annual Training Program (ATP) *Connie Dobrin*

There is exciting news coming from the ATP Committee. All five of our speakers have been selected. The Keynote Speaker is Janie Walters speaking on "Normal is Gone and It Won't be Back (Coping with and Embracing Change). Janie comes highly recommended. Workshop speakers are J. Leigh Moore presenting "Changing the Guard." Nancy J. Lewis will discuss "No More Excuses: Take Charge of your Career." "Dream book and Strong Women, powerful Financial Strategies" will be discussed by a representative from Ameriaquest. Dr. Wanda Bethea will talk on "Discover Your Positive Strengths & Improve Workplace Opportunities." Time will be here before you know it.

Our next team meeting will be Feb 21 at 4:30 pm, place TBD (notice will be sent out). So please feel free to come and join us.

We are also looking for volunteers to introduce speakers, set up rooms for speakers, greet and direct guests and process registrations on February 28, 2007 and March 1, 2007. If you are interested in being a volunteer for one or both days please call Teresa Jean Piastuch at 861-2022 or email at teresa.j.piastuch@nasa.gov."

Membership *Charmel Anderson*

Dues can be paid by cash, check, credit card, or money order. If you plan to pay your dues by credit card, please contact Clara Anderson at 321-867-2087. If you are submitting a check or money order, please make it payable to "FEW" and on the memo line, please state "2007 SCC FEW dues." Please submit your checks to me so that as I receive the money, I can log it on the membership renewal form that I have to submit to FEW National. After I log you into my renewal sheet, I will then forward the checks/money over to our chapter treasurer.

For those that are on the NASA/KSC base, all correspondence can be sent to mailcode: **SA-D1, Attn: Charmel Anderson**. For those that are not on base, please mail dues to:

FEW
P.O. BOX 21201
Attn: FEW Membership
Kennedy Space Center, FL. 32815

Thanks for your support and here's to another great year with FEW!!!

P.S. - If you know of any others that would like to join that are not currently members, please have them submit their dues in the same manner as renewing members would and have them fill out the "New member application" that is attached to the Newsletter.

Differences Between Men and Women

Dressing Up: A woman will dress up to go shopping, water the plants, empty the garbage, answer the phone, read a book, and get the mail. A man will dress up for weddings and funerals.

Natural: Men wake up as good-looking as they went to bed. Women somehow deteriorate during the night.

Cultural Diversity

Muzette Fiander

How Women Bring Peace

Adapted from *Healing and Empowering the Feminine*, by Sylvia Shaindel Senensky (Chiron Publications, 2003).

Simple Solution

Here is a timely reminder of what can happen when women join together in an effort to create peace. Bat Shalom is an organization of Palestinian and Israeli women created in spite of the tremendous opposition to any camaraderie between the two sides.

On May 7, 2002, their director, Terry Greenblatt, gave a speech at the UN. This inspiring excerpt speaks clearly of why women must be involved in the peace process and what we have to contribute. Read it and pass it along to a friend:

You need us, because if the goal is not simply the absence of war, but the creation of a sustainable peace by fostering fundamental societal changes, we are crucial to everyone's security concerns.

You need us, because wars are no longer fought on battlefields. You have brought the war home to us. Many more civilians than soldiers are being killed in ours and other conflicts around the world. The wars are being waged now on our doorsteps and in our living rooms and in our sacred houses and ceremonies of religious worship, and women have a vested interest in keeping families and communities safe.

You need us because we continue to hold human rights and the sanctity of life as paramount values, and unfortunately today, they are too easily being bartered away as either obstacles to security policies or as incongruent with national liberation aspirations.

You need us because we have developed a process and socio-political fluency that keeps authentic and productive dialogue moving forward, even as the violence escalates and both sides continue to terrorize one another. Women's characteristic life experience gives us the potential for two things: a very special kind of intelligence, social intelligence, and a very special kind of courage, social courage. We have developed the courage to cross the lines of difference drawn between us, which are also the

lines drawn inside our heads. And the intelligence to do it safely, without a gun or a bomb, and to do it productively. And most importantly, we are learning to shift our positions, finding ourselves moving towards each other, without tearing up our roots in the process. Even when we are women whose very existence and narrative contradicts each other, we will talk--we will not shoot.

You need us because we women are willing to sit together on the same side of the table and together look at our complex joint history, with the commitment and intention of not getting up until--in respect and reciprocity--we can get up together and begin our new history and fulfill our joint destiny.

Senensky goes on to write:

We need to join together in community grounded in simple truths. Pain is our teacher, not our enemy. Love and compassion for all is our goal. To create a world where people have the opportunity to become wholly who they are is what we are striving for. Women need to reach out to and receive each other, simultaneously keeping our grief and dancing our joy. We need to raise our voices. We need to know what we must say Yes to and what we must say No to, and do it. Singly, collectively, it makes no difference. It is time for each of us to journey to our center to answer the question of who we serve. Time is short. Our planet is failing. Our only choice is to find our voices and live from a place of integrity, love, and fierce compassion.

Recycle your empty toner and inkjet cartridges

Submitted by Marie Argana

How It Works

No Selling. No Buying. No Cost To You.

Recycle for Breast Cancer is a national recycling initiative focused on keeping electronic waste out of our landfills. According to the national environmental research organization INFORM, electronic waste items such as cell phones are laden with hazardous substances called persistent bioaccumulative and toxic



chemicals (PBTs). These chemicals include arsenic, antimony, beryllium, cadmium, copper, lead, nickel and zinc. In the trash these chemicals escape into the air, land and water and accumulate in the fatty tissues of animals and humans. If released in our landfills, these materials could contaminate surrounding soil and groundwater. PBTs are thought to cause damage to the nervous system, reproductive and developmental problems as well as cancer.

Another danger is the brominated flame retardant which is applied to the exterior of cell phones and other electronics. When burned they form dioxins and furans, some of the deadliest PBTs. These items put toxic chemicals into the environment. Studies have shown that there are links between cancer and the chemicals in our environment. RFBC donates all the profits from its recycling efforts to support the fight against breast cancer.

Every company, individual or home business, uses printers, fax machines and copiers. Some companies are still throwing away their used cartridges and cell phones. Now, Recycle for Breast Cancer has made recycling easy for everyone.

Every year thousands of tons of empty cartridges, fuser cores and cell phones are improperly disposed of and end up in our nation's landfills. Recycle For Breast Cancer wishes to recover these items and recycle them in an environmentally responsible manner.

These items not only take up valuable space but waste priceless resources too. It is the goal of this program to collect these items and recycle them while donating its proceeds to support the fight against breast cancer and keep these items out of our landfills.

As a participant, you collect these items, box and prepare them for shipping and we will send you a prepaid shipping label. There is no cost to you for shipping.

This is an ongoing program. Please visit the following website for more information - <http://www.recycleforbreastcancer.org>

An old Chinese proverb says...

If you are patient in one moment of anger, you will avoid one hundred days of sorrow.

Government News & Legislation

Arden Belt



House Supports National Mentoring Month

On January 22, the House approved a resolution (H. Res. 29) supporting the designation of January 2007 as "National Mentoring Month."

Stalking Awareness Resolution Approved by Senate

On January 26, the Senate approved a resolution (S. Res. 24) designating January 2007 as "National Stalking Awareness Month."

Economic and Social Costs of Child Poverty Subject of House Committee Hearing

On January 24, the House Ways and Means Committee held a hearing to discuss the economic and societal costs of childhood poverty. The committee heard testimony from experts in economics and public health, and child advocates, about the direct and indirect costs of poverty, including reduced economic growth, increased crime, lower life expectancy, and educational achievement gaps.

Bills Introduced

Upcoming Floor Action:

This week, the Senate is expected to complete its consideration of legislation (H.R. 2) to raise the minimum wage.

Upcoming Mark-Up:

On January 31, the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee will mark up draft legislation, the Genetic Nondiscrimination Information Act (as-yet-unnumbered).

Upcoming Hearings:

On January 30, the House Education and Labor Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions will hold a hearing, "Protecting Workers from Genetic Discrimination."

On January 31, the Joint Economic Committee will hold a hearing, "Ensuring Our Economic Future by Promoting Middle-Class Prosperity."

On January 31, the Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee will hold a hearing on the roles of federal food assistance programs in family economic security and nutrition.

On January 31, the House Education and Labor Committee will hold a hearing, "Strengthening America's Middle Class: Evaluating the Economic Squeeze on America's Families."

On January 31, the House Ways and Means Committee will hold a hearing on the economic challenges facing middle-class families.

On February 1, the Senate Finance Committee will hold a hearing, "The Future of CHIP [Children's Health Insurance Program], Improving the Health of America's Children."

Please make note of new email addresses for some of our recent retirees:

Connie Dobrin Mike-Connie@OleanderPointe.com
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 Maxie Johnson cjmjohnson@earthlink.net
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NASA NEWS

Submitted by Vickie Hall

THEMIS LAUNCH

Themis, the goddess of justice, wisdom and good counsel, the guardian of oaths in Greek mythology, represents the THEMIS mission. NASA's Time History of Events and Macroscale Interactions during Substorms (THEMIS) 2-year mission consists of five identical probes that will track these violent colorful eruptions of auroras near the North Pole. **Launch Date:** February 15, 2007; **Official Launch Time:** 6:08 - 6:26 p.m.

Community Outreach

Sandra Gettter



Just a note to remind you that Friday, February 16th will be delivery day for Baxley Manor. Remember these folks are on food stamps and any help that you can give monetarily or otherwise will be greatly appreciated. The monetary contributions that you make are used to buy food and personal items for these residents. My mail code is NE-E8. Thanks so much for making a difference!!

Although Aneta continues to coordinate from off center and is present at each delivery, I am coordinating the contribution for Baxley Manor here on Center with the help of some other very kind ladies. Valarie Franklin in O&C 1020, Sandy Eliason in LCC 4P23, Jan Hall in the Logistics Building 2610A, and

Carol Moore HQ 3490 can take your contributions and items. I am in EDL 203 and can coordinate a pick up from you if you call or email me.

Here is the list...suggestions

Needed Items

Food Items

Small cans of vegetables & fruits
 Jell-O & pudding snacks
 Graham crackers, Saltine crackers
 Any meat or meal in a can with the flip top lid...
 Lunch meats, tuna, Spam, chicken, Vienna sausage, ham, deviled ham, Sardines, beef stew

Personal Items

Paper products: Q-tips, facial tissue & toilet tissue (packages of 4 rolls)
 Toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash
 Hand lotion, hair spray, mousse or gel, comb/brush
 Razor, Nail files, clippers, Socks, stockings, earrings
 Reading material such as books or magazines

Thanks again for your support of this worthy cause.

Interesting Tidbits

Submitted by Marlene Satterthwaite

Turn the Clock Back to the Year 1906

This will boggle your mind, I know it did mine! The year is 1906. One hundred years ago! What a difference a century makes! Here are some of the U.S. statistics for the Year 1906 :

The average life expectancy in the U.S. was 47 years.

Only 14 percent of the homes in the U.S. had a bathtub. Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone. A three-minute telephone call from Denver to New York City cost eleven dollars. There were only 8,000 cars in the U.S., and only 144 miles of paved roads. The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.

Alabama, Mississippi, Iowa, and Tennessee were each more heavily populated than California. With a mere 1.4 million people, California was only the 21st most populous state in the Union.

The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower!

The average wage in the U.S. was 22 cents per hour.

The average U.S. worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year. A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year, a dentist 2,500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year, and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.

More than 95 percent of all births in the U.S. took place at home.

Ninety percent of all U.S. doctors had no college education. Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and by the government as "substandard."

Sugar cost four cents a pound.
Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.
Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.

Most women only washed their hair once a month and used borax or egg yolks for shampoo.

Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering the country for any reason.

The five leading causes of death in the U.S.:

1. Pneumonia and Influenza
2. Tuberculosis
3. Diarrhea
4. Heart disease
5. Stroke

The American flag had 45 stars. Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Hawaii and Alaska hadn't been admitted to the Union yet.

The population of Las Vegas, Nevada, was only 30 !!!

Crossword puzzles, canned beer and iced tea hadn't been invented yet.

There was no Mother's Day nor Father's Day.

Two out of every ten U.S. adults couldn't read or write. (Not sure we have improved on this one.) Only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.

Marijuana, heroin and morphine were all available over the counter at the local corner drugstores! Back then pharmacists! said, "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach and bowels

and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health."

Eighteen percent of households in the U.S. had at least one full-time servant or domestic help.

AND

There were about 230 reported murders in the entire U.S.

Thought of the day

Not one shred of evidence supports the notion that life is serious.



For Your Health

Submitted by Vickie Hall

Make the 2007 Cervical Cancer Commitment and Help us to Share Information That Can Save Lives. It's that simple!

Please visit: www.makethecommitment.org

An email from the Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation and the Step Up Women's Network, with support from Merck & Co, Inc.:

Dear Vickie,

Last year you helped the "Make the Connection" campaign educate millions of women about cervical cancer and its cause, the human papillomavirus (HPV), and about the importance of cervical cancer screening. Thank You! Now that you have made the connection, we want you to "Make the Commitment" to talk with your healthcare professional about ways to prevent cervical cancer, including screening.

Making the cervical cancer commitment right now is simple; just visit www.makethecommitment.org and make the commitment to talk to your healthcare professionals about ways to prevent cervical cancer. Once you make the commitment, you will receive a free limited edition "Make the Commitment" bracelet in the mail (while supplies last). You'll also be automatically entered into a sweepstakes to win an exclusive "Make the Commitment" necklace designed by campaign

spokeswoman, and co-host of The Learning Channel's "What Not to Wear", Stacy London.

For 2007, Merck will again donate \$1.00 (up to \$100,000) to the Cancer Research and Prevention Foundation in recognition of your cervical cancer commitment. **So please spread the word by sharing this email with your friends.** Make YOUR cervical cancer Commitment today at www.makethecommitment.org.

Thank you,
www.makethecommitment.org

Support Our Troops Submitted by Becky Fasulo

Officials at Walter Reed Army Medical Center are seeking donations for wounded troops who are forced to leave behind personal belongings when medically evacuated from war zones.

Many of the troops "arrive with nothing," said officials from the hospital's Family Assistance Center. Because of the speed with which the most serious wounded are evacuated from Iraq or Afghanistan, their belongings are often left behind and don't catch up.

So the center is looking for everything from shoes, gloves and winter jackets to postage stamps, prepaid phone cards and razors.

The Family Assistance Center requests that no cash or used items be donated. Among some of the more specialized needs are weightlifting gloves (for use by wheelchair patients); trousers with snaps or zips along the legs; umbrellas; and prepaid gas or grocery cards.

The center also helps patients file claims for personal belongings that were left behind during a medical evacuation. Loss or damage to items can be reimbursed through the system.

Donations can be sent to:

Walter Reed Army Medical Center
Medical Family Assistance Center
Bldg. 2, 3rd Floor, Room 3E01
6900 Georgia Ave, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20307-5001

More information on the donation programs and the medical center can be found at:
<http://wramc.army.mil/Soldiers/MedFac1/index2.htm>

Trivia Question

Where is the world's longest underwater railroad tunnel?

- A. Japan
- B. English Channel
- C. China
- D. Australia

Answer can be found on last page of Newsletter.

Scholarship Information *Aneta Ott*

Martha Lyle Scholarship - The Southeast Region is now accepting applications for the Martha Lyle Scholarship to attend the SE Regional Training Program, March 15-16, 2007 in Louisville, Kentucky.

This scholarship was established in honor and memory of Martha Lyle who was a life time member of FEW, served at various positions at the Oak Ridge Chapter level (including President), and was Regional Manager for the Southeast Region in 1984-1986. Martha ran for National President in 1991 but had been diagnosed with breast cancer at that time. She was defeated by Jean Christiansen. After a valiant fight with continued dedication to FEW, Martha passed away later in 1991 and left a legacy of leadership and devotion to the Oak Ridge Chapter, the Southeast Region, and FEW as an organization.

Each year the Southeast Region presents a scholarship for actual expenses up to \$1,000 to attend the Regional Training Program. Applicants for this scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- Be a member of FEW for at least 2 years
- Be an active member participating in meetings and programs
- During the past 2 years, served as an officer, committee chair or active member

- Be involved in self-improvement and community activities
- Support the goals of FEW and FWP
- Not a member of the current RTP host chapter

Jane Eitel Scholarship - Each year the Space Coast Chapter will present a scholarship to attend the Southeast Regional Training Program (RTP). The Chapter Treasurer will forward the registration fee to the host chapter and make arrangements to pay the hotel room based on double occupancy, discounted (or whatever is said in the criteria for NTP) transportation and food cost equal to the government per diem rate.

The Space Coast Chapter President will provide the family of Jane Eitel the winner's name and address the first year that the scholarship is awarded.

CRITERIA:

Applicants for the Space Coast Chapter Jane Eitel Scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- Be a member of FEW – Space Coast Chapter for more than six months.
- Be an active member participating in meetings and programs.
- Be involved in self-improvement (education, workshops, seminars, training, etc.) and community activities.
- Support the goals of FEW and FWPWG.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Application form is attached. Local duplication is encouraged.
- Complete the application form and attach a 100 to 200-word essay on how membership in FEW has influenced you. This essay should address all of the above criteria.
- Application postmark will be determined by Awards Chair (Immediate Past President) depending on the scheduled dates for the RTP and allowing ample time for Awards Committee (Past Presidents Task Force) to review all applications.

The Martha Lyle Scholarship is due to the following by the **first of March**: Beverly S. Schultz, 912 Miles Ct. Knoxville, TN 37923, Mary Hammond, 1369 Waterston Dr. Evans, GA 30809, Lela Williams, P. O. Box 337, Ft. Knox, KY 40121. For the Jane Eitel Scholarship,

please remit to Aneta Ott, 5855 Broad Acres St. Merritt Island.

Both application forms can be found on our website at <http://www.ksc.nasa.gov/groups/few/>



Member Spotlight *Charmel Anderson*

My name is Charmel "Charmin" Anderson and I have been a member of the SCC of FEW for 2 years. I am a native of Florida and was born in Bradenton, FL. I am also an only child. I am a Quality engineer within the Launch Services SMA Division at Kennedy Space Center. Prior to working for NASA, I attended Florida A&M University in Tallahassee, FL. where I obtained my B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering. I have been employed at NASA/KSC for approx. 2 years and 6 months. As an engineer for LS SMA, my work is focused on the manufacturing and integration activities associated with the Expendable Launch Vehicle program. Since the start of my career here at NASA/KSC, I have received a "Certificate of Completion" for the Accelerated Training Program (ATP), an "On the Spot Award," A "Peer Award" from my directorate (SA), a "Time Off Award," and a "Performance Award." Additionally, I was nominated by my peers to receive the Society of Women Engineer's (SWE) "Distinguished New Woman Engineer of the Year."

On a more personal note, I am engaged and will be getting married on March 17, 2007 in Orlando, FL. I enjoy playing basketball, volleyball, and softball and love to perform volunteer and mentoring activities. In addition to being a member of the SCC of FEW (where I serve as the Membership Vice Preseident within SCC), I am a member of NASA/KSC's Black Employee Strategy Team (BEST), the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) SPACE, and am a member of the Iota Pi Omega chapter of the national Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. My main aspiration in life is to be the best that I possibly can be and have fun while doing it. I would love to be an inspiration to others in the process!

Way to go Charmel, we're certainly glad to have you as a part of our Team!

**Got an IDEA?? --
Looking for some NEW Program Topics**

Do you have any topic suggestions or contact information - presenter names/phone numbers for

future FEW SPACE COAST PROGRAM MEETINGS. Long-Term Care, Investing for Women, Diversity, Cap-Wiz, etc. are a few that have been suggested.

Please send your suggestions to Marlene Satterthwaite @ Marlene.E.Satterthwaite@nasa.gov

Calendar of Events

February

- 15 THEMIS Launch
- 21 ATP Meeting, place TBD
- 27 Stuff folders for Seminar Holiday Inn, CB
- 28 ATP – Day 1

March

- 1 ATP – Day 2
- 3 Retirees Luncheon, Black Tulip, Cocoa Village
- 10 KSC All-American Picnic at KARS Park
- 16 STS-117 Launch



**Newsletter
Vickie Hall**

This monthly publication is a means of sharing information and ideas with members and friends. Please send your news articles or items of interest for this Newsletter to Vickie Hall, IT-D1, or e-mail at Vickie.C.Hall@nasa.gov. If you are interested in joining this vital organization, a Membership Application is attached.

FEW's Mission Statement

Federally Employed Women (FEW) is a membership organization working for the elimination of sexual harassment and the advancement of women in government. This will be accomplished by:

- encouraging diversity and equity in the workplace
- enhancing career opportunities for women

- establishing and maintaining relationships with organizations to advocate the fair application of EEO and personnel laws, policies, procedures, and practices
- improving the quality of life for women by influencing Congressional and Administration actions
- committing to achieve and maintain a unified and diverse membership; and
- providing opportunities for professional growth through leadership development, education, mentoring, and networking.

The FEW mission and purpose statement was revised to recognize that the mission of an organization is its driving force, and that FEW's mission needed to be consistent with the needs of federal women today on into the 21st century.

**SPACE COAST CHAPTER, FEW
2006- 2008
Officers and Committees**

Chapter

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- VP for Membership
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- Sunshine
- Historian
- Webmaster

- Sandy Eliason
- Marlene Satterthwaite
- Chamel Anderson
- Johanna Velasquez
- Barbara Powell
- Jean Grenville
- Dawn Partlow
- Becky Fasulo
- Muzette Fiander
- Arden Belt
- Connie Dobrin
- Clara Anderson
- Aneta Ott
- Vickie Hall
- Carolyn Burnham
- Martha Carroll
- Sandra Getter
- Eva Coffman
- Ana Contreras
- Debbie Ward

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- Compliance

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National

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- Bylaws & Resolutions

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A. Japan - The Seikan, built in 1985, is 54 km versus the English Channel's 50 km.

