

Shuttle ends snag-free trip

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Endeavour sailed through a clear sky and landed at Kennedy Space Center on Sunday with seven astronauts and their animal brood, ending the first shuttle flight devoted to Japanese research.

"Congratulations on a highly successful and historic mission," Mission Control's Ken Reightler told the astronauts once they were back on Earth.

The five-man, two-woman crew made history simply because of who they are: the first married couple in space, first black woman in space and first Japanese to fly on a U.S. spaceship.

They achieved another space first during the eight-day labora-

tory research mission with the fertilization and hatching of frog eggs. The resulting tadpoles are the first creatures, other than insects, to be conceived and developed in weightlessness.

"This one will go down as an outstanding mission: perfect liftoff, perfect landing and all of the science working," NASA scientist Thora Halstead said after watching Endeavour come home.

NASA's newest shuttle landed on the concrete runway at Kennedy at 8:53 a.m. EDT.

Endeavour logged 3.3 million miles during its journey, which began Sept. 12, and circled Earth 127 times. It was NASA's 50th shuttle flight but only the second flight of Endeavour.

French vote lukewarm 'oui' on Maastricht referendum

PARIS (AP) — French voters Sunday narrowly approved a treaty aimed at turning Western Europe into a political and economic superpower, but the close vote tempered the elation of its supporters.

The outcome of the bitterly contested referendum failed to dispel fears of further chaos on international financial markets. It also reflected deep political divisions in France, where unpopular President Francois Mitterrand had staked his prestige on approval.

The treaty is designed to unite the 12-nation European Community in economic, foreign and defense policies and a single currency by 1999. The debate over the treaty's provisions caused French voters to worry whether they would lose their cherished sovereignty and threw European financial markets into turmoil last week.

Fears that Germany would dominate the new EC were also a factor in French uneasiness about the treaty.

With all votes counted — except from two overseas territories — treaty supporters led 50.95 percent to 49.05 percent, or 13,081,935 votes to 12,596,124.

Professionals and big-city residents

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*— Mitterrand
French president*

generally said “yes,” while farmers and laborers leaned toward “no.”

Capitals and financial markets had anxiously watched the referendum, whose impact would likely be felt when trading floors reopen Monday.

The referendum on the Maastricht treaty, drafted in December in the Dutch town by that name, was widely viewed as having more international ramifications than any election in French history, although it did not threaten the EC itself.

The EC continues to function and will eliminate barriers to trade and movement of people among the 12 nations Jan. 1.

Mitterrand, who learned earlier this month he has prostate cancer, said in a nationally broadcast address, “We have just lived through one of the

most important days in the history of our country.”

He thanked treaty backers, saying they had put France's future ahead of partisan interests. Conservative leaders who, like the Socialist president, had campaigned for the treaty said the result should not be viewed as a mandate for Mitterrand.

“I breathed a sign of relief,” Italian Prime Minister Giuliano Amato said in an interview on Italian television. “If the French electorate hadn't voted yes, then four decades of work probably would have fallen to pieces with irreparable damage.”

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl said that while the approval margin was narrow, “the French referendum will give new impetus to the European unification process.”

His foreign minister, Klaus Kinkel, welcomed the news as “a very decisive step forward for Europe.” He said national identities will need to be taken into account, but that the treaty should not be rewritten.

“It's a victory for Europe,” said Education and Culture Minister Jack Lang.

“It's a pseudo-success — a mediocre yes,” said far-right leader Jean-Marie Le Pen, who opposed the treaty.

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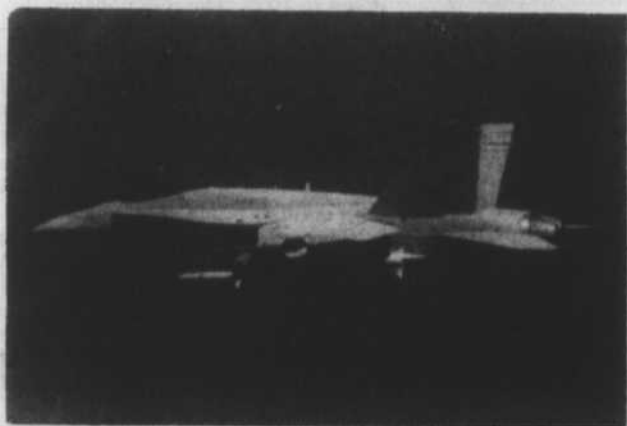
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Recycling advisory board approved

By Kathryn Borman
Staff Reporter

The Chancellor's Committee for Campus Recycling and Waste Management will have some help cleaning up the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

During its Friday meeting, the committee unanimously approved the formation of an advisory committee to work with the new recycling coordinator.

Members of the chancellor's committee proposed that members of the new committee represent different areas and entities at UNL, including students and faculty from the environmental studies and environmental planning majors.

Bud Dassenbrock, director of landscape services and chairman of the committee, also suggested represen-

tation from groups that are the greatest producers of waste on campus, as well as those that are most involved in implementing recycling policies, such as the business and finance office.

Student involvement also is a priority.

In other business, the committee approved making the proposed recycling coordinator's job full time, reducing the likelihood of the coordinator working jointly with other city or state offices. The coordinator would report to Jack Goebel, vice chancellor of business and finance, who UNL Chancellor Graham Spanier has asked to formulate the campuswide recycling program.

Committee members also suggested a wide range of priorities for the new program, including avoiding and reducing waste, education and the purchase of recyclable products.

A model for the campuswide recycling program was proposed by committee member Peter Spalding, an associate professor of dentistry, who also serves on the recycling advisory committee at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

UNMC's program involves an operations committee made up of three to five members, including the recycling coordinator, and a larger advisory committee that works with the operations committee to generate and evaluate ideas, Spalding said.

Based on the UNMC program, Spalding suggested a number of activities that could be started immediately by UNL: purchasing more recycled products, using a foam densifier to condense and recycle plastic foam products, recycling aluminum cans and educating students and faculty.

Safety

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Raising awareness means educating both men and women, she said, by encouraging women not to hesitate to report a sexual assault, even if the assailant is a date or a boyfriend, and making sure men know exactly what constitutes sexual assault.

"Sometimes (male attackers) don't think they've done anything wrong," Yardley said.

Police want to ensure that if victims do not want to report the crime, both they and their assailants know they can get counseling through the university.

"One of the reasons (this is a priority) is it is so devastating," Yardley

said. "A lot of times it ruins their college career. Offenders may face jail time and be thrown out of college. Victims have their trust in people destroyed."

The most common campus crimes, however, are against property, not people, Yardley said. These often are petty thefts from cars, residence hall rooms or of bicycles.

From Aug. 24 to Sept 14 this year, police received reports of 30 thefts from buildings, 16 thefts from cars and one stolen vehicle.

To help combat such crimes, information tables will be set up at Broyhill Plaza from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. today. Students can buy bicycle licenses and high-quality bike locks at the tables.

"The problem now is people are buying \$500 bicycles and getting \$5

to \$10 chains which can easily be cut," Yardley said. Bicycle licenses, which cost \$1, allow recovered bicycles to be returned to their former owner and are required by city ordinance.

Safety Week also includes a series of panel discussions every day from Tuesday through Friday. The discussions will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Nebraska Union, and local safety experts will preside over them. Discussion topics include sexual assault, personal safety and alcohol.

The final panel session will be an open platform for students' safety concerns.

The week's events also will include campus safety tours starting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the union.

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