Space Systems Honors Top Employees of 2003

For the first time, Michoud Operations employees participated in Awards Night recognition for outstanding performance across all of the Space Systems Company. A total of 16 Michoud employees and three teams were honored in ceremonies held in Santa Clara, CA on May 22.


At the Michoud Operations' Awards Night held on May 8, Marshall Byrd, vice president & general manager, thanked honorees for their dedication during a year unlike any other in the organization's 30-plus year history.

Michoud honorees received the Daedalus Award, symbolic of man's triumph over the challenges of flight. Daedalus, a figure in Greek mythology, was said to have discovered the secret of flight.
Space Systems Honorees

Marcus B. Cuillier
Production Operations
For outstanding dedication in the development of backscatter radiography, a Non-Destructive Evaluation technology used for void detection on Thermal Protection Systems closeouts.

Simon J. Davis
Huntsville Technical Operations
For exceptional technical contributions in the coordination, build-up and execution of the Cryopumping Fundamental Understanding test series in support of the Columbia Accident Investigation.

Michael P. Gnaau
Business Development
For exemplary dedication in pursuing technology insertion opportunities for hybrid technology that led to two new programs – the Norwegian Small Sounding Rocket and the FALCON Phase 1 Small Launch Vehicle.

Kevin M. Kolb
Human Resources
For technical ingenuity in developing and implementing a user-friendly web-based system to manage compliance training requirements for Space Systems employees.

James J. Feeley
Program Management & Technical Operations
For unsurpassed integration, administrative management and dedicated service performed in support of the Columbia Accident Investigation Board.

Karen A. Laurant
Materiel Sourcing
For outstanding contract administration of External Tank flight hardware, including the award and delivery of critical hardware in support of Return to Flight.

Vincent P. Morales
Safety & Product Assurance
For exceptional knowledge of Thermal Protection Systems in support of the Columbia Accident Investigation and Return to Flight activities.
LEADERSHIP AWARD

Roy D. Steinbock
Program Management & Technical Operations
For extraordinary contributions in the field of aerodynamics and for exemplary effort in support of wind tunnel testing and aero analyses during the Columbia Accident Investigation.

TEAM AWARDS

Transportation & Handling 2nd Shift Build Process Team
For accomplishing 846 moves with no incidents or accidents in the fourth quarter of 2003. The team scored 99.4% performance to standard and 113% budget performance.

Lonnie L. Harness, Lead
Richard J. Augustin
Stephen L. Bloomer
Steven J. Boudreaux
Allan B. Hayes, Sr.
Cheryl L. Iwanczyk
Craig R. Jenkins
Linda M. Laborde

Gerard E. Logreco
Harry J. Maillet, Jr.
John E. Moore, Sr.
Robert D. Morrison
Michael O. Raybon
David J. Rutherford
Frederick A. Walker
Gary E. Wild
Columbia Accident Investigation Team
For outstanding support, technical analysis and test – leading to the closure of the Columbia Accident Investigation.

Wanda A. Sigur, Lead
Elana C. Blevins
Andrew Bullard
David F. Buras
Daniel R. Callan
Dewey C. Crosby III
Dawn M. Diecidue-Conners
Norman C. Elfer
James J. Feeley
Connie B. Johnson
Janis L. Kidder
Philip A. Kopfinger
Preston D. Landry

Composites Products & Technology Development Team
For the successful development of composite technology never before accomplished, furthering the state-of-the-art in composites.

Donna Y. Knezevich, Lead
David C. Achary
Robert W. Biggs
Carl G. Bouvier
Terry L. Coleman
Kevin W. Ely
Eric M. Enright
William F. Frey
Mark S. Gambino
James R. Garnett
Timothy D. Iwanczyk
J. Jay Layton III
W. Yeung Lee
Michael C. McBain
Mike R. Moreau
Chad E. Purser
F. Wayne Richmond
Randy S. Stevens
Wayne R. Waguespack
Richard J. Wright III

Michoud Operations Honorees

EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARDS

Jack E. Brown
Business Operations
For sustained exemplary adaptation and execution of complex financial systems and reporting, enhanced External Tank inventory controls and expanded NASA Property Management Report submissions.

Glen S. Gilmore
Facilities & Environmental Operations
For exemplary leadership and devotion in promoting safety awareness, corrective actions, safety improvements and the success of the Safety Monitors program.

Lea D. Cahill
Kennedy Space Center Operations
For outstanding support in areas relating to personnel, security and badging, safety and accident reporting and visiting executive assistance, including coordination of the ET Readiness Review.

Judy E. Hill
Production Operations
For outstanding performance as a material analyst through the maintenance of accurate and timely supplier reports that resolve problems before production impacts occur.

Michael A. McGrath
Facilities & Environmental Operations
For significant accomplishment as a project engineer in successfully implementing construction and equipment projects for the National Center for Advanced Manufacturing.
James L. Moffett  
*Production Operations*
For exceptional performance in the support of the STS-107 investigation as integration lead for production activities.

Timothy J. Smith  
*Production Operations*
For sustained leadership, dedication and performance to meet Mission Success, safety, projected schedule, cost and quality goals that are essential to overall success in Detail Fabrication.

Bennie R. Ferrell  
*Program Management & Technical Operations*
For outstanding technical excellence in developing requirement specifications and conducting Preliminary and Critical Design Reviews for the Friction Stir Universal Weld System.

Deborah M. Brown  
*Program Management & Technical Operations*
For outstanding management and technical performance in developing and presenting the strategic plan to upgrade core software supporting manufacture of the Space Shuttle External Tank.

Murali Kris  
*Production Operations*
For superior technical excellence in the development and certification of the Friction Stir Welding process, and its early implementation into the production build.

Terry L. Coleman  
*Program Management & Technical Operations*
For exceptional service in composite development operations and performance directly responsible for first-time, full-scale technology events, including the successful test of an unlined composite tank.

Mark T. McCloskey  
*Production Operations*
For exceptional manufacturing engineering contributions to the installation and integration of the Friction Stir Universal Weld System and subsequent Friction Stir Welding hardware demonstrations.

Dewey C. Crosby III  
*Program Management & Technical Operations*
For superior performance in web-based application and interactive compact disk development in support of Space Shuttle External Tank modifications for Return to Flight.
John W. Tonglet  
*Facilities & Environmental Operations*  
For outstanding technical achievement in designing complex foundations and structural steel framing systems for the National Center for Advanced Manufacturing and Return to Flight projects.

Lynda W. Morris  
*Safety & Product Assurance*  
For sustained procurement quality support to the transition and restart activities at aluminum lithium suppliers.

Hassan Boroujerdi  
*Production Operations*  
For technical skill in designing and supporting the implementation of changes to the Spray On Foam Insulation manual spray proportioner for enhanced data acquisition in support of Return to Flight.

Vickie A. Schmersahl  
*Facilities & Environmental Operations*  
For exceptional contributions to maintenance, modifications and improvements of Michoud's buildings and structures, ensuring the Mission Success of External Tank production and site systems.

Gregory Broussard  
*Production Operations*  
For outstanding performance, leadership and attention to detail in automatic spray operations and stiffener installations.

Stuart M. Stine  
*Business Operations*  
For exemplary performance in the development of the Space Shuttle Return to Flight proposal, new business proposals and for departmental leadership on the Composites Tiger Team.

Joseph B. Carbo  
*Production Operations*  
For outstanding performance in External Tank alignment and measurement activities and for completion of External Tank tooling modifications and maintenance.

Randall A. Tassin  
*Program Management & Technical Operations*  
For outstanding leadership on numerous programs, including critical initiatives in Program Management, Technical Operations, Facilities and Resource Management.
James R. Underwood
*Huntsville Technical Operations*
For outstanding contributions in robotic programming to support Space Shuttle Return to Flight test article fabrication and in Friction Stir Weld control system development.

Michael O. Raybon
*Production Operations*
For superior technical support and leadership in erecting External Tank-94 back into Cell A in support of Return to Flight activities.

Rebecca J. Jordan
*Facilities & Environmental Operations*
For leading the development of the Environmental Protection Agency submittal package for continued use of the hydrochlorofluorocarbon-141b blowing agent in critical spacecraft applications.

Kenneth J. Miller
*Facilities & Environmental Operations*
For sustained exemplary schedule and budget performance as lead project engineer on the Construction of Facilities Program supporting External Tank production and site operations projects.

Jules F. Schneider
*Program Management & Technical Operations*
For exceptional planning, organization and leadership resulting in the successful execution of the Next Generation Launch Technology Complex Curvature Friction Stir Weld Risk Reduction Program.

Danny L. Owens
*Safety & Product Assurance*
For outstanding leadership of Quality Control activities in support of the Columbia Accident Investigation and Return to Flight activities.

Alfred Donaldson
*Facilities & Environmental Operations*
For long term commitment and personal dedication in providing computer resources and Internet access to numerous New Orleans area public schools.
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