



# Lowell Library Lines



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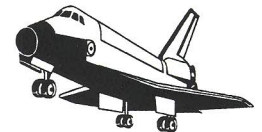
## NASA to Lowell: All Systems Are Go

Soar into outer space on board the Endeavor space shuttle with Astronaut Col. Jerry Ross. Share the fascinating adventure of a mission that is of great importance to the future of space exploration and scientific research in the new millennium, the beginning of the new space station, UNITY.

Through video taken aboard the Endeavor in December of 1998, Col. Ross will narrate this history-making space flight, from launch to the joining of the Russian built Aarya control module and the American made Unity connecting chamber. Col. Ross and Astronaut Jim Newman completed three space walks to accomplish the first leg of the new space station construction. Then touchdown at Kennedy Space Center in Florida, a night landing, and only the 10th time in 17 years of space shuttle flight that astronauts have landed in darkness.

Join Col. Ross in the Little Theater at the Lowell Senior High School on Saturday, September 4, at 2 PM for this breathtaking adventure. The visit is part of a four-day visit to our area by this Crown Point native son. Col. Ross will also visit Oak Hill School students on Friday, September 3, at 10 AM and will be honored as Lowell Labor Day Parade's Grand Marshall on Monday, September 6.

Unity, expected to be completed in 2003 or 2004, will be the world's first international space station. The size of two 747s (approximately 350 ft. long) the station will be home to scientists who can conduct experiments 24 hours a day and will be maned by a crew of six or seven people.



Beginning August 16 an exhibit of Col. Ross's shuttle flights and other NASA memorabilia will be on display in the large case in the library foyer.

### It's Never too Hot to Shop!

Temperatures soared into the 100 degree mark and beyond, but didn't deter shoppers from Lowell's Town Wide Yard Sale on July 22. The streets were jammed with cars going from sale to sale to search for bargains.

The Friends of the Library held their sale at the home of Tom and Kathy Spencer. Table after table of games, toys, appliances, computers, brick-a-brack, tools, and house hold goods were snapped up in the first hours. Friends had ice cold pop ready to keep the shoppers cooled down as well as with hot dogs and chips available to enjoy under a canape. Over \$900 was raised to help the library with needed non-budgeted items. The Friends of the Library wish to express their appreciation to the many library patrons who contributed items for the sale and a special thanks to Neal Wingate for his help after the sale.

The Friends of the Library are an invaluable resource for the library, contributing their time and talents to the library so that it can better serve the community. Nice going Friends!!!

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