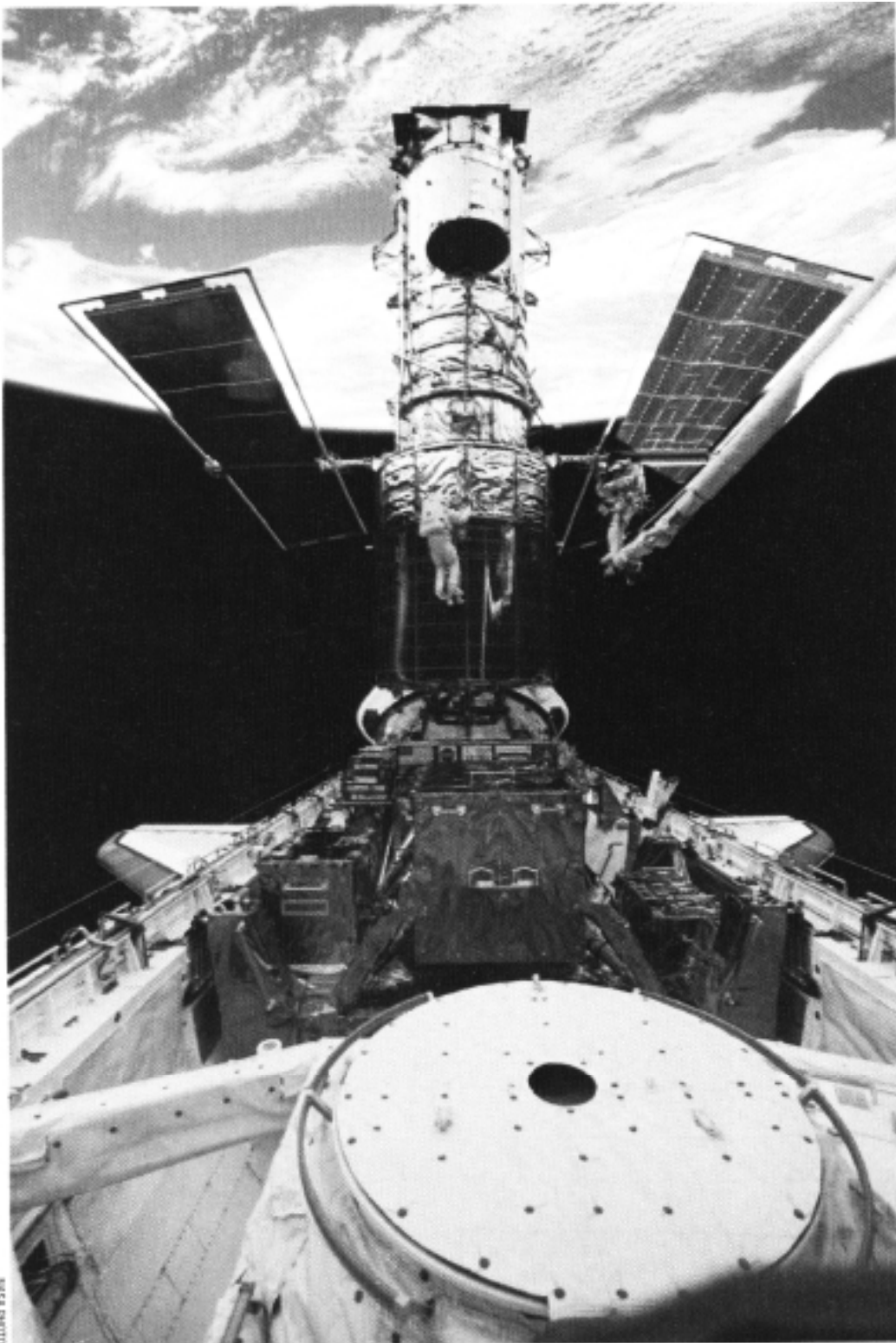


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Col. Mark Lee and the NASA STS-82 crew serviced the Hubble Space Telescope and completed five space walks during the Discovery shuttle mission Feb. 11-21.

Col. Lee, 42, is a member of the American Angus Association. He and his wife and fellow astronaut, Jan Davis, own a farm near Viroqua, Wis., where they raise Angus cattle, corn and trees. This was Col. Lee's fourth shuttle mission since 1989. He acted as payload commander.

"In addition to the satisfaction and thrill I get from working on shuttle missions, it's even more satisfying to see the growing interest people in middle America have in NASA's programs. It's neat to see Angus breeders join that appreciative audience."

Photos courtesy of NASA & Col. Mark Lee

No ordinary day — This wide-angle shot of the Hubble Space Telescope in Discovery's cargo bay, backdropped against Australia, was taken during the fifth space walk, which was added to complete the servicing of the orbiting observatory. Astronauts Mark Lee (on robot arm) and Steven Smith (center) are conducting a survey of the telescope's hand rails.



(Left)
STS-82 on-board view — On Discovery's aft flight deck, the STS-82 astronauts pose for the traditional in-flight crew portrait. Front row (l to r) are: Scott Horowitz, pilot; Kenneth Bowersox, commander; and Steven Hawley, mission specialist. Back row (l to r) are the other mission specialists — Steven Smith, Gregory Harbaugh, Mark Lee and Joseph Tanner.

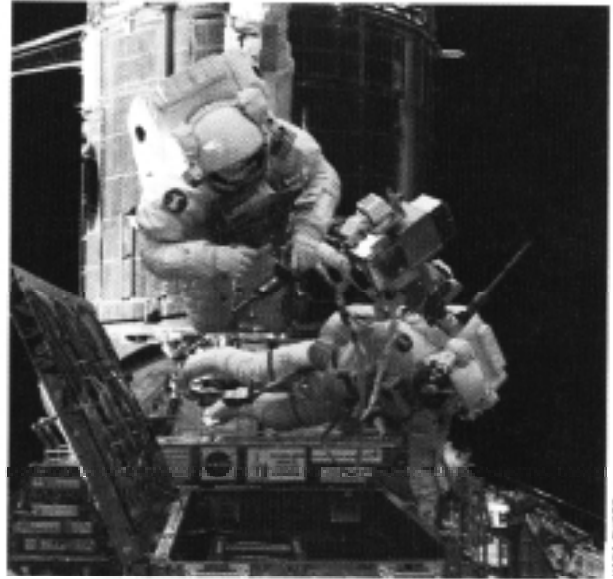
(Below)
Tooling around — Astronauts Lee (with red stripes on space suit legs) and Smith service the Hubble Space Telescope. This photograph was made from inside Discovery's cabin with a 70mm camera lens.

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Suited & psyched up — Col. Mark Lee prepares for one of five STS-82 mission space walks. Lee participated in three, which were conducted to service the Hubble Space Telescope.

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(Left)
A space odyssey - Astronaut Joseph Tanner, STS-82 mission specialist, is backdropped against the Earth's limb and sunburst effect in this creative photo taken by crew mate Gregory Harbaugh. The two were making their second space walk. A checklist of tasks is attached to Tanner's left arm for quick reference.

