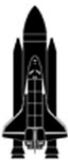


Tuesday, April 2, 2002

Employees invited to mission overview April 2



Environmental & Energy Week 2002 begins April 23



▲ **Mission Update: STS-110 Overview** -- An overview of the upcoming STS-110 mission will be presented on **Tuesday, April 2, 10-10:30 a.m.** at the **Training Auditorium**. All employees are invited to attend.

▲ **Environmental & Energy Awareness Week 2002 Exhibitors:**

During Environmental & Energy Awareness Week 2002 being held on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 23-24, exhibitors will be *Archaeological Consultants, Inc.*; *Boeing Energy Office*; *Boeing Safety, Health, and Environmental Affairs Office*; *Brevard County Natural Resources Management Office*; *Brevard County Regional Stormwater Utility Department*; *Comprehensive Health Services*; *Dynamac Corporation*; *Dynacs*; *Environmental Program Branch*; *Florida Power and Light Company*; *Government Services Administration*; *NASA/Supply, Equipment, Transportation & Center Support Branch*; *Principal Center for NASA Recycling and Affirmative Procurement*; *Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge*; *NASA/PH-J Ground Systems Division*; *NUI/City Gas Company*; *Space Gateway Support/Energy Management Office*; *Space Gateway Support/ Environmental Policy Office*; *USA Energy Office*; and *USA Florida Environmental Management*. The exhibits will begin at 9 a.m. and close at 3 p.m. each day. On April 23 you can find the exhibitors out in front of the HQ Building (tent area) and on April 24 at the VAB Area/Parking Lot E. View the displays, pick up handouts/freebies, interact with specialists, take advantage of some free on-site training courses, visit a Scrub Jay-designated area on KSC, check out the alternative fueled vehicles, guess electric bills for KSC and how much we recycled in 2001, and many more opportunities.

◆ **NASA Science News** -- Some bacteria riding on the Space Shuttle produce more antibiotics than they do on Earth. Researchers aren't sure why ... but they aim to find out. An experiment slated for launch in April could help solve the puzzle. Read the full story at

http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2002/29mar_antibiotics.htm?list550276 .

◆ **Reminder:** As part of the KSC & CCAFS Health Education & Wellness Program, the first brown-bag lunch seminar is being held at the O&C (M7-355) Mission Briefing Room Friday, April 5, at 11:30 a.m.. **This week's topic is Food Safety:** *Learn how to correctly prepare, store, cook, chill, transport, reheat and serve food to avoid acquiring foodborne illnesses at home and at work. Bring your questions to the food inspectors!*

◆ **Did You Know? Ceiling Fans Can Save Energy.** You have probably heard many different opinions on the value of ceiling fans for saving energy. The City of Tallahassee Utilities Department has this to say: *"In mild weather use ceiling fans or oscillating fans instead of the air conditioner. Your central AC will use about 100 times more energy per minute than a ceiling fan at medium speed. But only run fans when you're there to feel the breeze. They don't cool the house or cool a room. They just cool your skin. If you have ceiling fans, run the fans and the AC at the same time, but set the air conditioner a few degrees higher, to 80 or 81 degrees. With a fan's breeze cooling your skin, you will feel as comfortable as you would at 78 degrees with no breeze--and you'll save money. Setting your air conditioner just 2 degrees higher reduces your costs by about 25 percent."* ★

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