

DAILY PLANET

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NASA to Unveil Super Lightweight External Tank Fri. at Michoud

The Space Shuttle's first, new, super lightweight external fuel tank will roll out Friday during ceremonies at the Michoud Assembly Facility in New Orleans, La. The new external tank is the same size as the one currently used, but about 7,500 pounds lighter. This is significant because each pound removed from the external tank is an additional pound of payload that can be carried into space. The external tank is a Marshall-managed project.

Tickets to Jan. 29 Reception for Sherman Job on Sale From Admin. Officers

Tues. is Last Day to Reserve Seat at MMA BBQ Luncheon, Contact: Jerry Williams, 4-0295

Sen. Shelby's Aerospace and Defense Aide Visiting Marshall Fri.

U.S. Sen. Richard C. Shelby's Aerospace and Defense Aide, Paul Doerrer, is visiting Marshall Friday. In addition to receiving overviews of the microgravity research, space-based laser and space transportation programs, Doerrer will tour the International Space Station Manufacturing and Assembly Facility.

King Unity Breakfast Set for 8 a.m. Mon. at Von Braun Center

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast will be held at 8 a.m. Monday at the Von Braun Center. The cost is \$20 per person. **Contact:** Harold Dickerson at 859-1306.