

DAILY PLANET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

Friday, January 30

1998

Alex McCool Celebrates 50 Years of Civil Service

Alex McCool, manager of the Marshall Shuttle Projects Office, is celebrating his 50th anniversary as a civil service employee Friday. Alex began his professional career in 1948 with the Corps of Engineers in Mississippi. He came to Huntsville in 1954 to join the rocket research and development team at Redstone Arsenal. In July 1960, he transferred to NASA when the Development Operations Division of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency became the nucleus for the Marshall Center.



Alex McCool

Open Season for Thrift Savings Plan Ends Fri.

Marshall's Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) open season ends on Friday, January 30. Employees have until 5 p.m. on Friday to make contributions to their TSP accounts for the year. Contributions made after this deadline will be processed for the following year.

Marshall Experiments Under Way Aboard Mir as STS-89 Wraps Up

Marshall-managed experiments, including the X-ray detector test, protein crystal growth, cell growth, and Astroculture™ plant growth, are well under way aboard Mir. The Endeavour crew, which undocked from the Russian space station Thursday, is scheduled to land at 5:35 p.m. Saturday at Kennedy Space Center.

NASA 3 Aircraft Due Back From Maintenance Mid-Feb.

Marshall's aircraft, NASA 3, is expected to be back in service by mid-February. The aircraft has been undergoing minor corrosion repair and repainting. Commercial transportation should be used until repairs are completed.

Monday is Deadline to Buy Tickets for Rothenberg Fish Fry

Tickets for the Rothenberg Fish Fry, Monday, February 2, are available for purchase through the end of the day on Monday, January 30. Tickets are \$5 per person and include a complimentary fish fry. For more information, call 256-867-5555.