

DAILY PLANET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

Thursday, June 21

2001

Atlantis, mission STS-104 preparing for July 12 launch

The date has been set for no earlier than July 12 for the launch of Space Shuttle Atlantis and Shuttle mission STS-104. Originally planned for launch in June, the mission to deliver and install a pressure chamber for spacewalking astronauts was postponed due to a malfunction of the backup operating system for the newly installed Canadian robot arm.

This is National Lightning Safety Awareness Week

Billy Ray's Grill now open in Bldg. 4663

Mars visible in night sky for next two weeks

Mars will be at its closest point to Earth since 1988, and will be visible to the naked eye anywhere in the world for the next two weeks. Mars should appear brightest Thursday. To get a better view, try looking through an empty toilet paper or paper towel tube to block out excess light. Mars will appear an orange-gold color.

Veterans get taken out to the Stars ball game Saturday

In honor of Korean War veterans, free tickets are available to the Hunstville Stars baseball game Saturday for all veterans and their families. Tickets can be picked up at the Joe Davis Stadium gate beginning at 6 p.m. The patriotic program begins at 6:30.

MESA meets 11:30 a.m. Thurs., Bldg. 4471, room C-105