



Shuttle launch window moves to May 22

▲ **Shuttle Update:** At a press conference Wednesday NASA's Space Shuttle Program managers announced a new launch window beginning May 22 through June 3 and provided the status of preparations for the Shuttle's Return to Flight.

▲ **ISS Update:** On April 19, one of the payloads for mission STS-114, the External Stowage Platform-2 (ESP-2), was installed in the payload canister. Other payloads, such as the Lightweight MPESS Carrier, will soon join it for transfer April 28 to Launch Pad 39B and installation in Discovery's payload bay.



■ **NASA Science** — NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope has spotted what may be the dusty spray of asteroids banging together in a belt that orbits a star like our sun. The discovery offers astronomers a rare glimpse at a distant star system that resembles our home, and may represent a significant step toward

learning if and where other Earths form. If confirmed, the new asteroid belt would be the first detected around a star about the same age and size as our sun.

The star, called HD69830, is located 41 light-years away from Earth. There are two other known distant asteroid belts, but they circle younger, more massive stars. For more information, go to the Web site <http://www.spitzer.caltech.edu/spitzer/>.

■ **Camp Kennedy Space Center (KSC)** offers children an out-of-this-world experience to explore space as never before this summer. Regular tuition is \$280 per child per session. There is a 10 percent discount for badged employees and contractors of KSC, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Patrick Air Force Base and retired KSC personnel.

This year's activities focus on NASA's Deep Impact mission. Campers will become "engineers" to learn more about the Deep Impact comet blaster by designing and building their own version of the impactor spacecraft and performing a test flight of their design.

Camp KSC is designed for children entering second through ninth grade. Five-day sessions are held weekly, from June 6 through



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August 12. Camp KSC is based at the Astronaut Hall of Fame. Summer day camp hours are from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with extended early drop-off and late pick-up hours available.

Campers receive a complimentary KSC Visitor Complex 12-month pass, lunches and afternoon snacks, official Camp KSC T-shirt, four complimentary admission tickets to the Astronaut Hall of Fame, Camp KSC graduation ceremony and certificate of completion. For more information and registration details, call 321-449-4444 or visit the Web site www.KennedySpaceCenter.com.

■ **Reminder** — Today at the Vehicle Assembly Building parking lot near the MFF, the Honda FCX Fuel Cell vehicle is on display from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. See tomorrow's technology being driven today. Talk with the engineers from Honda.

Test rides of the Honda FCX will be available on Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Parking Lot F at the Visitor Complex.

■ **Did You Know?** The fourth nutrition workshop for the Nutrition Education for Workers at the Spaceport (N.E.W.S.) program is being held at 11:30 a.m. April 27 in the OSB, room 6320. The topic is *Child and Adolescent Nutrition*. Contact Kris Calderon, KSC/CCAFS Health Education administrator, at 867-3414 for more information. ❖