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January 6 – 10, 2003

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 13

Bloodmobile Mobile Unit,
B600, 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Call 8-8939 for appointment

January 13

St. Leo University
Registration at the shipyard
2 p.m. – 5 p.m.
B500/2

January 14

Bloodmobile Mobile Unit
8 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Appointments:
B902 & 903 call 8-4792
B901 & 905 call 8-0308

January 15

Averett University
Information
session/registration at the
shipyard
3 p.m. – 5 p.m.
B500/2

January 15

Norfolk Admirals vs.
Syracuse Crunch 7:15 p.m.
Norfolk Admirals special
discount for Northrop
Grumman Newport News
employees. Show company
ID at the Norfolk Scope box
office or any Ticketmaster
outlet and get \$2 off all
seats

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✿ USS Dwight D. Eisenhower celebration

About 1,000 Northrop Grumman Newport News employees and 1,000 Navy sailors celebrated the undocking of the *USS Dwight D. Eisenhower* during a cake-cutting ceremony held on Hangar Bay 1 of the aircraft carrier December 18. On December 15, the carrier moved from the dry dock to the outfitting berth. That happened one month ahead of schedule, marking an exceptional teaming effort.



Pictured above: Jeffery Spivey (left) and James Sanford (middle) of X18 with X18 Foreman Larry Parks (right)

Pictured left to right: Ted Stewart, construction manager topside, Tim Racz, program director, Command Master Chief Jim Meier, and Capt. Mark McNally, commanding officer of the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower



Photos by Stu Gilman

✿ Northrop Grumman Newport News manager to speak at Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers conference

Alma Martinez Fallon, manager of planning and manufacturing engineering for the Structural Fabrication and Assembly Division at Northrop Grumman Newport News, will represent Northrop Grumman at a Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers January 8-11 conference in New Orleans. She will participate in executive panels entitled "What can students and professionals do to excel in their careers?" and "Top Executives' Secrets to Success." Also representing the company will be Arnie Moore, vice president at Ship Systems. There will be more than 200 attendees at this session. Fallon will speak at the society's gala banquet, the conference's signature event, on behalf of Northrop Grumman and as the incoming Society of Women Engineers president. She will address Northrop Grumman's support for the society, students and education activities.



✿ Company of the year

A January 6 issue of *Forbes* named Northrop Grumman "Company of the Year" and features some photos of Northrop Grumman Newport News.

✿ TRW acquired

December marked the announcement of Northrop Grumman welcoming TRW to its team. The acquisition of TRW makes Northrop Grumman the nation's second-largest defense contractor. Go to Yardnet to view the Day One letter from Kent Kresa, chairman and chief executive officer, and Ronald D. Sugar, president and chief operating officer.

✿ W-2 name and address verification

Employees should review their names and addresses on pay stubs for accuracy. The name printed on pay stubs should appear exactly as it does on social security cards. To correct any discrepancies, complete a change of status form which may be done at the Employment Office. In addition, if an employee claimed exempt for tax year 2002 and wishes to claim exempt for 2003, the employee must complete a new W-4 card no later than February 10, 2003.

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☛ Employee volunteers

Northrop Grumman Newport News employees help make great ships, and they help make up great communities. Community Relations wants to know more about employees who provide exceptional volunteer efforts to the community and who volunteer to serve on local community boards. Employees who have a story to tell about their charitable work should send a message to mccall_sl@nns.com.

☛ OFI annual year-end celebration

Northrop Grumman Newport News employees celebrated successes of the Opportunity for Improvement program during a year-end event held December 17, 2002. A goal for 2002 was to increase employee participation in the program by 10 percent. "You knocked the socks off that goal," said the event's keynote speaker Bob Hardison, director, Quality and Technical Services. Employee participation jumped 59 percent. Nearly \$9 million in verified savings were realized through November 30, 2002 from 21 OFIs. The OFI event highlighted both yearly and quarterly-award winners. "It's impacting our bottom line and we're having great results," said Yasmine Robinson of the OFI program. "You are doing a great job."

Top 10 OFI Initiators for 2002 (Top 10 employees submitting the most OFIs for the year)

David Dea (M42), Willie Hayes (M42), Mike Doyle (E35), Rick Burgos (E81), Harry Saulman (M42), Kevin McLane (X18), Bill Griffin (O43), Pat Brown (X43), James Brandau (O31), Tripp Keesee (X18), Kenny Quinn (M42), Todd Pobiak (E83)

Top Level III OFIs for 2002 (Level III cash awards are disbursed quarterly to initiators whose OFIs have been approved, implemented and savings have been realized to be equal to or exceed \$100,000 within a 12-month period.) **Danny Braswell (M30), Leonard Harper (X42), Perry House (X42), Peter Maxwell (X73), Bobby Smith (X72), Kevin Woodman (X73)**

Top OFI of the Year

X42 -- \$1,616,052

Top OFI Coordinator for 2002

Crystal Holloman (E85), department submitted 208 OFIs

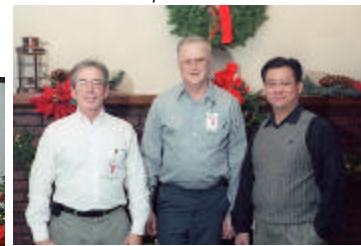
Fourth-quarter Level III Awards

John Childers (O51), Neal Edwards (X43), Michael Center (O49), Ann Pharr (O16), Christopher Clad (E45), Kraig Cole (E45), Ralph Ellis (E45), Eric Griffith (E45), Jerry Laughrun (E45), Bruce Price (E45), Crayton Price (E45), James Salavejus (E45), David Smith (O88), William Sprouse (E45), Jerry Urguhart (E45), Richard Wood (E45), Don Frederick (O41), Richard Kutchen (O41), Kevin Mann (O41), Kenneth Myers (E82), Curtis Armstrong (O41), Margaret Brown (O41), Stephen Clark (O41), Trina Garrett (O41), Frederick Harms (O41), Donald Harris (O41), Steve Hubbard (O41), Don McDaniel (O41)

Fourth-quarter Level II Quarterly Drawing Winner (At the end of each quarter, all names that appear on suggestions implemented during the quarter are placed in a quarterly drawing and awarded a \$500 Visa Gift Card compliments of the Northrop Grumman Newport News OFI program.)

Frank Wanderer (M42)

Below are some photos from the event:



Photos by Jim Hemeon