

# CURRENTS

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March 29 – April 2, 2004

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### April 12

Bloodmobile  
Building 600  
8 a.m. – 11 a.m.  
Appointments: Call Bonnie  
Yacconi at 8-8939

### April 17

The Hampton Roads Alumni  
Extension of the National  
Society of Black Engineers 5th  
Annual Professional  
Development Day at Hampton  
University's McGrew Towers  
Conference Center. 8:30 a.m.  
to 5 p.m. Free and open to  
college students and  
professionals in all career  
fields. Registration is requested  
by April 12. Contact: Terri Mills  
at (757) 754-3878 or at  
terriynmills2003@yahoo.com  
to register.

### April 20, April 22

Earth Day events. April 20:  
Seed handout. April 22: A  
cleanup at Christopher Newport  
Park. For more information, go  
to the Environmental, Health  
and Safety Yardnet site.

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**Key message: We must live our company values.**

### Employees spark interest in engineering

In early March, some Northrop Grumman Newport News employees volunteered to join in Womengineers Day, which is geared toward encouraging high school girls to pursue careers in math and science. The event was held at Old Dominion University and Northrop Grumman Newport News was one of the sponsors. Newport News employees led a hands-on activity called "Test Your Shipbuilding Skills." These employees also represented the Society of Women Engineers and the New Hire Community of Practice, which was launched in the summer to give entry level employees a chance to meet new people and learn about the community. The Newport News group helped to generate interest in the engineering fields among local girls by providing information about engineering jobs and about the education needed to pursue fields in math and science. Their efforts exemplify the company's value of integrity, demonstrating, "We fulfill our commitments as responsible citizens, employees and teammates."



From left are Elizabeth Miller, Sharon McInay, Monchello Coleman and Crystal Spence at the Northrop Grumman Newport News exhibit at Womengineers Day.



Pictured to the far right is Elizabeth Spillane working with two eighth-graders in a session called "Test Your Shipbuilding Skills" that Newport News employees organized for Womengineers Day.

### Northrop Grumman Newport News Womengineers participants:

Karen Pool, E64  
Kristie Lundy, E64  
Nakia Williams, E64  
Monica Pringle, E53  
Jane Day, E15  
Leah Colvin, E41  
Monchello Coleman, E43  
Sharon Hollins, M30  
Sharon McInay, E55  
Beth Miller, E44  
Bettina Agnor, E47  
Donnelle Bever, E74  
Alicia D'Aurora, E46  
Elizabeth Spillane, O82  
Ben Partlow, E74

### Employees welcomed to attend Peninsula Fine Arts Center event

The Peninsula Fine Arts Center is welcoming Northrop Grumman Newport News employees to join in dedication ceremonies on April 3 starting at 10 a.m. for an exhibition, called "Aftermath: Images of Ground Zero." The center, which Northrop Grumman Newport News supports, will exhibit 31 large-print color photographs that document recovery after the World Trade Center attack. The dedication ceremonies, including opening day admission to the gallery, are free and open to the public through 5 p.m. Opening day events include remarks by distinguished guests such as Newport News Fire Chief Kenneth Jones, a presentation by the Pipe and Drum Corps, an Honor Guard Presentation of Colors, a patriotic vocal performance by Hilton Elementary School students, and more. Photographed by Joel Meyerowitz, the exhibition will be on display through June 20. For more information, go to [www.pfac-va.org](http://www.pfac-va.org).

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## ✿ Virginia successfully completed torpedo tube testing

*Virginia*, (right) the first of the *Virginia*-class submarines that was christened in August 2003, continues to see successes. In early March, Naval Sea Systems Command announced the submarine successfully completed a test of its torpedo tubes at General Dynamics Electric Boat. The success moves the submarine closer to sea trials, which are scheduled for this spring. Representatives from Electric Boat – Northrop Grumman Newport News' teaming partner – and the U.S. Navy fired three of the dummy torpedoes from each of the submarine's four tubes.

## Great Products



## ✿ Busch Gardens Williamsburg offers "2nd Day on Us" deal to Newport News employees

Busch Gardens Williamsburg is offering Northrop Grumman employees a special online discount that the park describes as a "2nd Day on Us" ticket. Under this deal, a Newport News employee can purchase a one-day ticket from now until May 31, and then receive a second day of fun for free on another day up until August 31. For more information and to purchase a ticket, go to [http://commerce.4adventure.com/store/xt\\_promotion.asp?code=NG](http://commerce.4adventure.com/store/xt_promotion.asp?code=NG). Once at this Web site, click on "Busch Gardens Williamsburg" and scroll down to find the "Busch Gardens Williamsburg '2nd Day on Us' Ticket." At the bottom of that offer, there is a "more information" link that gives details on the deal.

## ✿ Newport News employees receive special discount offer to Gallagher at Chrysler Hall

Northrop Grumman Newport News employees can get a discount of \$5 off of seats for Gallagher's "Wet and Wild" tour at Chrysler Hall April 3 at 8 p.m. Discounted tickets are as low as \$15 per person. For more information on tickets or to book group tickets, call Brooks Hierstein at 757-664-6247 or e-mail him at [brooks.hierstein@norfolk.gov](mailto:brooks.hierstein@norfolk.gov). For individual tickets, go to <http://www.ticketmaster.com/promo/5799> and type in the password: "Wild." For more information about Gallagher, visit [www.gallaghersmash.com](http://www.gallaghersmash.com).



## ✿ Shipyards hosts College Day

The shipyard is hosting a College Day April 28 from 2 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. in building 520 on the sixth floor. College and university counselors as well as other representatives will be available to discuss undergraduate admissions, transfer credits, graduate programs, and information regarding programs of study. Applications, catalogs, summer and fall schedules will also be available. Some colleges will provide registration. In addition, an Apprentice School representative will be there to provide information about the Apprentice School program and the admissions process. The Newport News Shipbuilding Employees Credit Union will provide student loan information.

## ✿ ConSern presents sweepstakes for high school students

Northrop Grumman employees and their family members are now eligible to take advantage of the Wells Fargo ConSern Education Program's newest addition — the CollegeSTEPS Program Scholarship Sweepstakes. This program should not be confused with the ConSern Scholarship Sweepstakes — [http://home.northgrum.com/news\\_stories/r\\_scholarship.html](http://home.northgrum.com/news_stories/r_scholarship.html). Eligible students may enter both scholarship sweepstakes. The CollegeSTEPS Program Scholarship Sweepstakes is designed to prepare high school students for college by offering information and advice on topics like college preparatory exams, saving for college, and scholarship opportunities through a series of electronic postcards. Once students enroll, they're automatically registered for a chance to win one of 100 tuition prizes of \$1,000 each that are awarded to eligible high school seniors in random drawings held throughout each school year. Employees and their family members also can use the ConSern Program's online scholarship search to explore nearly \$5 billion in scholarship opportunities. The ConSern Education Program Benefit is equipped with a suite of flexible, affordable student loans specifically tailored for undergraduate and graduate degrees, technical/professional training and certification, studies at private K-12 schools and academies, and education loan consolidation. Learn more online at [www.consern.com](http://www.consern.com). (Password: SOSLOAN) or call 1-800-767-5626).