

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 24

Bloodmobile

Unit East of Building 103

7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

For appointments, call 8-9191, option 9. Questions: 0-3011.

July 12

Bloodmobile

Building 600

8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

For appointments, call 8-8939.

July 13

Bloodmobile

8 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Building 902

For appointments, 902 and 903 employees should call 8-4792 and 901-905 employees should call 8-0308.

July 22

Bloodmobile

Building 103

7:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

For appointments, call 8-9191, option 9. Questions: 0-3011.

July 26

Florida Tech will visit the shipyard from 2 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. in building 500/2 Training Conference Room to register students and provide information.

September 19

Family Fun Day at Paramount's Kings Dominion. Be on the lookout for more details soon.

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 **Key message:** *We must secure work for our future.*

✿ **Contract awarded for USS George Washington pre-arrival work**

Northrop Grumman Newport News will do work on *USS George Washington (right)*, under a \$35.6 million contract award announced June 21. Newport News will continue pre-arrival tasks, which includes scheduling; engineering and design work; material procurement; shop pre-fabrication; ship checks; and personnel training to support the Dry Dock Planned Incremental Availability. The availability is scheduled for

2005 at the shipyard. This contract is a modification to an existing contract awarded last December. "This is the first time *George Washington* has been back at Newport News since we delivered her in 1992," said **Bob Gunter**, senior vice president of the Aircraft Carrier Program. "Work has been underway for several months. We're looking forward to the ship's arrival and the successful execution of the project." *USS George Washington (CVN 73)* is the sixth nuclear-powered *Nimitz*-class aircraft carrier built by Northrop Grumman Newport News. It was launched in 1990 and delivered to the Navy in 1992.



U.S. Navy photo

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

✿ **Northrop Grumman Newport News subsidiary part of new safety pact**

Northrop Grumman Newport News subsidiary Continental Maritime of San Diego (*right*) recently joined with other Port of San Diego Ship Repair Association members to sign an agreement with the California Department of Occupational Safety and Health

Administration (CalOSHA) to enhance employee health and safety. The Port of San Diego Ship Repair Association members involved include Continental Maritime, National Steel and Shipbuilding, Southwest Marine, and Pacific Ship Repair & Fabrication. The agreement's goal is to establish model workplaces for safety and health. Under it, CalOSHA agrees to support the companies with technical advice and employee training. The partnership illustrates that the association companies and their employees along with CalOSHA view safety as paramount. Those that signed the pact hope that this first-of-its-kind partnership will prompt other industries to create similar strategic partnerships with CalOSHA. *One of the company values on people states, "We provide a safe and satisfying work environment." Learn more about the company values by clicking on "Our Values" on Yardnet.*



✿ Enterprise crew recognizes veteran employee

X72 Propulsion Supervisor **Dave Williams** recently received recognition from *USS Enterprise* (CVN 65) crew members for more than 40 years of service to the *Enterprise* as both a civilian and a sailor. Williams has been involved with *Enterprise* since being a part of the carrier's commissioning crew. He served on *Enterprise* in 1961 and stayed with the ship until 1964 when he left the Navy. He later joined Newport News and worked on the carrier as a shipfitter. In 1980, he returned to military service, enlisting in the Naval Reserves. He retired as chief in 1998. Williams has served as propulsion supervisor on *Enterprise* almost every time the shipyard worked on the carrier. He is pictured with Command Master Chief Mike Oldknow receiving a commemorative plaque from the *USS Enterprise* Chief's Mess.



✿ Shipyard maintains ISO 9001 certification

The ISO 9001 audit by ABS Quality Evaluations of the Northrop Grumman Newport News quality management system was a success. The audit resulted in no major findings and the audit team recommended continuation of the ISO 9001 certification. The ABS-QE ISO 9001 audit report is available on the QA and QID sites on Yardnet under ISO 9000.

✿ Construction superintendent named to national engineering board

CVN 21 Program Hull Structure Construction Superintendent **Alma Martinez Fallon** was recently elected for a three-year term on the national board of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Her term begins July 1, 2005. ASME is a 120,000-member professional organization focused on technical, educational and research issues of the engineering and technology community.

✿ Three Peninsula Pilots games this week; free to employees

The Peninsula Pilots will be playing three games this week. The team will play against the Edenton Steamers June 23 and June 26, and against the Outer Banks Daredevils June 25. Employees with a badge are admitted free. Tickets for family members are half price. Enjoy an evening of baseball at War Memorial Stadium, 1889 W. Pembroke Ave. in Hampton. All games begin at 7:05 p.m.



✿ ConSern introduces sweepstakes to win Palm handheld

Through Northrop Grumman's partnership with Wells Fargo, employees and their family members are now eligible for the Student Loan Palm Sweepstakes Program. Here's how it works: New and repeat Wells Fargo borrowers who apply and are initially approved for a private student loan via the Internet through Sept. 30, 2004, and return the loan documentation required for final approval, will automatically be entered for a chance to win one of the 500 Palm Zire Handhelds. With the Palm Zire device, students can effectively organize their schedules by storing events, appointments, and names and phone numbers all in one easy-to-access place. For additional information about this offer, visit <http://wfefs.wellsfargo.com/jump/studentpalm.html>. As always, employees can visit www.consern.com (password: SOSLOAN) or call 800-767-5626 to receive helpful information on financing a college education.

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And A Solid Student Loan