

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 focus on our leadership and employees.*

Bob Leber elected chairman of the Greater Peninsula Workforce Investment Board

On June 22, **Bob Leber**, (*right*) director of Education and Workforce Development, was elected to a two-year term as chairman of the Greater Peninsula Workforce Investment Board. The board presides over the cities of Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, and Williamsburg, and the counties of Gloucester, James City and York. It is responsible for creating a strategic vision for workforce development in these Greater Peninsula areas and formulating plans and policies to address the needs of employers for skilled, qualified workers and the needs of workers for new skill training programs.



Northrop Grumman Newport News helps sponsor July 4 event

Northrop Grumman Newport News will help in sponsoring an event called "Stars in the Sky" on July 4. The event will be held from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in downtown Newport News on 26th St. and Washington Ave. Among the features of the evening: activities for children, music, food, and fireworks. The event is free and open to the public.



Employees serve in positions for international administrative association

Pat Allen, a 32-year shipyard employee and administrative secretary in E83 Reactor Plant Planning Yard, was recently elected vice president of the Peninsula Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP). As vice president, Allen will be responsible for the chapter's monthly programs and dinner meetings. In addition, JoAnn Panuska, a 39-year shipyard employee and administrative secretary for Director of Aircraft Carrier Engineering Jim Hughes, is serving as president of the IAAP Virginia Division for 2004-2005. The Virginia division is made up of 17 chapters and 10 student chapters. IAAP is an organization for administrative assistants, executive secretaries, office coordinators, information specialists, and related office professionals. Membership in the organization provides such information as using changing technology and enhancing interpersonal skills.



Attend Peninsula Pilots games for free

This week the Peninsula Pilots will take on the Outer Banks Daredevils on June 30 and the Edenton Steamers on July 2. The Spartanburg Stingers come to town on July 5 with a fireworks display at the end. Employee admission is free with a badge and 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.

Reminder: Become a Sea Power ambassador

Northrop Grumman employees are encouraged to be a Sea Power ambassador. This online volunteer program plays an important role in the future of the company and industry. The future strength of the company and nation's shipbuilding industry depends on a renewed commitment to naval shipbuilding. Employees can show their commitment by becoming a Sea Power Ambassador. Click on www.seapowerambassador.org. Click on "Become an Ambassador." Complete the brief form and click on "Register Now." Be an ambassador to help rebuild America's Navy and other sea services.

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

 **Employees graduate from leadership program**

X10 Division Program Administrator **Regina Ross** and E83 Engineering Manager **Susan Sampson** were honored as graduates of the Virginia Peninsula Chamber of Commerce Leadership Institute at a "Class of 2004" commencement ceremony held on June 3 at the Point Plaza Suites and Conference Hotel in Newport News. Ross and Sampson were selected from several Northrop Grumman Newport News applicants to receive company sponsorship to the 2004 program. The Leadership Institute of the Virginia Peninsula, created by the Virginia Peninsula Chamber of Commerce in 1984, is designed to educate, challenge and motivate regional leaders by providing broad exposure to the issues and opportunities facing the Peninsula. Leadership Institute participants take classes that focus on such topics as media and technology, quality of life, and the area's history. Participants must serve on a local board, commission, or committee. Sampson was recently elected to serve a three-year term on the Leadership Institute's Board of Regents and to serve on the 2004-2005 Alumni Board.

Regina Ross



Participants must also complete a community-focused, hands-on class project. The 2004 participants raised more than \$40,000 in cash and in-kind donations to renovate the Ridgway Park located off Mercury Boulevard in Hampton. Northrop Grumman Newport News, an active company sponsor and supporter of the Leadership Institute, contributed to that class project. In addition, Northrop Grumman Newport News Leadership Institute alumni supported the fund-raiser through donations and purchasing Leadership Institute T-shirts celebrating the program's 20-year anniversary. *One of the company values states, "Our people are what make us great" and says, "Our continued success requires us to provide the education and development needed to help our people grow." Read more about this and other company values by clicking on "Our Values" on the home page of Yardnet.*



Susan Sampson

 **Discounts for Busch Gardens Williamsburg for Northrop Grumman employees**

Anheuser-Busch is offering all Northrop Grumman employees a 30 percent discount on Busch Gardens Williamsburg and Water Country USA single day admission tickets purchased during the month of July. The promotion will start July 1 and run through July 31. Tickets purchased during this time by employees may be used throughout the 2004 season. Starting July 1, more information will be available at the following Web site: http://commerce.4adventure.com/store/xt_promotion.asp?code=NG.



ANHEUSER-BUSCH ADVENTURE PARKS

 **Sentara Mobile Mammography Van to visit shipyard**

The Sentara Mobile Mammography Van will return to Northrop Grumman Newport News this year for employees and spouses. The schedule for mammography screenings follows:

- * July 26 at the 41st Street parking lot (at Washington Ave.) from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- * July 27 at the building 902 (old Sears building) parking lot from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- * August 18 at the building 902 (old Sears building) parking lot from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- * August 19 at the 41st Street parking lot (at Washington Ave.) from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Screenings are by appointment only. Call 1-800-SENTARA for an appointment. SENTARA will file with your insurance company. Employees must follow normal time charging practices for this personal appointment.



What's new at Northrop Grumman?

Northrop Grumman Newport News is one of seven sectors of the Northrop Grumman Corporation. Here is some of the recent top news at the other Northrop Grumman sectors.

✿ **Electronic Systems**

Wedgetail performs on first flight

Boeing's 737 aircraft for Australia's Project Wedgetail, an airborne early warning and control (AEW&C) program, made a successful first flight May 20. The AEW&C system features Electronic Systems' multi-role electronically scanned array (MESA) antenna with integrated friend or foe identification capabilities. The MESA antenna is an innovative aperture that provides 360-degree azimuth scanning with no mechanical rotation. Attached to the top aft section of the fuselage, it consists of an advanced composite structure that supports side-emitting electronic manifold arrays and a "top hat" end-fire array.

✿ **Information Technology**

DHS awards wireless geospatial contract to IT

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) awarded Information Technology a contract consisting of three projects that will engineer interoperable wireless geospatial solutions. IT will develop and implement a situational awareness capability that provides location information enabled by secure wireless connectivity. Geospatial data — used to identify the location and characteristics of natural or constructed features and boundaries on Earth — allows the DHS to have command and control and situational awareness through secure wireless connections.

✿ **Mission Systems**

Northrop Grumman earns contractor award

Northrop Grumman was named "TASS Contractor of the Year" for 2003 by the U.S. Air Force Electronic Systems Center at Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass. TASS (Tactical Automated Security System) protects tactical Air Force locations worldwide. The program is part of the Integrated Security Solutions (ISS) business unit at Mission Systems. ISS develops the system software and acquires, stages, ships and integrates the TASS system.

✿ **Integrated Systems**

Sector Delivers Key Avionics System Early

Integrated Systems has demonstrated its critical role in the development of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter by achieving two significant program milestones: starting assembly of the aircraft's center fuselage, and delivering a key avionics system to F-35 prime contractor Lockheed Martin two weeks ahead of schedule. As a principal subcontractor, Northrop Grumman is responsible for producing more than 25 percent of the F-35 weapons system. The company's contribution ranges from integrating a major section of the aircraft's structure to producing key subsystems such as communications and avionics, and developing software for mission planning.

✿ **Ship Systems**

USS Pinckney joins Pacific Fleet

Over Memorial Day weekend, the U.S. Navy commissioned the Aegis guided missile destroyer, *USS Pinckney* (DDG 91). *Pinckney* honors Navy Cook First Class William Pinckney, recipient of the Navy Cross for his courageous rescue of a fellow crewmember onboard the *USS Enterprise* during the Battle of the Santa Cruz Islands in 1942. The commissioning took place in Port Hueneme, Calif. The ship is the 19th *Arleigh Burke* class destroyer built by Ship Systems, and the 10th ship to honor an African American.

✿ **Space Technology**

Sector earns prestigious recognition

Space Technology was awarded NASA Goddard Space Flight Center's prestigious Contractor Excellence Award in the large business product category. The award was presented at the 20th Annual Goddard Space Flight Center Quality Symposium in Greenbelt, Md. Applicants for the Contractor Excellence Award must submit evidence of contract performance, customer satisfaction, meeting schedules, controlling costs, quality and productivity improvements, management commitment to continuous improvement, human resource utilization and strategic planning, and long-term research and development.