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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### September 19

Family Fun Day at Paramount's Kings Dominion  
Tickets are available at all NNS Employees' Credit Union locations. The cost is \$18.50 and includes free parking, exclusive use of the water park from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m., and a Nickelodeon Celebration with some favorite Nickelodeon characters. For more information, call Brenda Roth at 380-3011.

### September 23

Bloodmobile  
Building 103  
7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
For Appts. 8-9191  
Option "9"  
Questions: 0-3011

### September 23

A Toastmasters Club is in the process of forming at the shipyard. A meeting is scheduled for September 23 at VASCIC from 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Visitors and guests are welcome. For information, call Wade Miner at 688-4666.

### October 11

Bloodmobile  
Building 600  
8:00-11:30 a.m.  
Appointments: 8-8939  
Questions: 0-3011

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 *Key Message: We must work collaboratively as a team to meet our big goals.*

### ISO 14001 Internal Audit Schedule for October

Thanks to the hard work of employees, the shipyard was initially certified as meeting the requirements of ISO 14001 last December. ISO 14001 is a certification of an Environmental Management System that requires an organization to manage, measure, improve, and communicate its environmental program in a more systematic way. To ensure the company is prepared for its next ISO 14001 external audit, the Environmental, Health and Safety department will perform an internal audit the week of October 4. Only applicable parts of the standard will be audited, and individuals responsible for those areas will be notified this week.

Employees can refer to the O27 Environmental Health and Safety Yardnet home page or their ISO 14001 green badge cards as a reminder of the shipyard's environmental policy and objectives. The policy is communicated through the acronym SOAR – Stop Pollution, Obey Rules, Always Improve and Reduce Waste.

The external yard-wide certification audit will be performed the week of November 29. Please contact **Hogie Thorn** (688-9247) or **Trevor Manning** (534-4066) with questions.



*"Our People are what make us Great."*

### Shipyard Riggers Help Recover a Pair of Cannons From the USS Monitor



Photo by John Whalen

(Pictured from top left clockwise) National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration representative Jeff Johnston worked with shipyard riggers **Ronnie Faltz, Alexander Redcross, Nick Reeves, and James Mabine** to lift two cannons from the turret of the Civil War ironclad *Monitor* last week. The twin 13-foot-long Dahlgren guns were put in a pair of conservation tanks, where scientists and conservators at The Mariners' Museum will work to restore them. Since the *Monitor* recovery project began, Newport News employees have provided their help and expertise by off-loading artifacts at shipyard piers and docks, constructing conservation tanks and performing topographical ultrasonic inspections and x-rays of the recovered items.

## ☛ **Employee elected to National Executive Board of the National Society of Black Engineers**

Candice M. Dixon, associate engineer in E23 Internal Communications, has been elected to the National Executive Board of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) as the 2004-2005 national vice chairperson. NSBE is the largest student-run organization with over 15,000 members worldwide. Their mission is to increase the number of culturally responsible black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally, and positively impact the community. Dixon, a recent graduate of Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, joined the Newport News family in August 2004.

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Candice Dixon

## ☛ **United Way Campaign Kicks Off**

The United Way's 2004 campaign kick off, called Day of Caring, took place on September 10. Northrop Grumman Newport News employee volunteers reported to the Apprentice School gymnasium for a day of sorting and delivering school supplies that shipyard employees donated during the company's annual School Tools Drive. Shipyard employees donated more than 20,000 items – or a total of 174,252 individual pieces – including crayons, pens, pencils and other miscellaneous materials. Nearly 850 packages were assembled and given to requesting organizations for distribution to less fortunate children.



*Great People - United Way Day of Caring Volunteers*

(Pictured from left) **Row One:** Kathy Kaltenschnee, X51; Annette Saunders, O57; Brenda Meekins, O24; Dave Williams, X51; Becky Worley, X71; Pam Wilson, X88; Tommy Cragg, X10; **Row Two:** Lynn Vance, X51 Ernest Savage, O34; Matt McQuade, X43; Angelo Walton, M33; Jake Hughes, O29; **Row Three:** Gary Guye, X03; Melody Turlington, IIS; Barbara Dodson, IIS; Debbie Whitaker, O51; Shirley Boyd, E24; **Row Four:** Brenda Roth, O18; Eric Coleman, X50.

## ☛ **Employee Discounts**

Employees of Northrop Grumman Newport News can now save money on products and services offered by many businesses in the area. For a complete list of discounts currently available, please visit [www.nn.northropgrumman.com/discounts](http://www.nn.northropgrumman.com/discounts).

## ☛ **Employee Information Phone Line**

The 800 emergency information phone line is available for employees to call to hear a recorded message that warns of impending weather or other emergencies that may affect work at the shipyard. **Call 1-800-995-4318.**

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### **Texas Christening Videos Available**

Visit the Communications office between 7:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. or 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. to check out a video of the Texas christening ceremony held July 31. Call 0-3552 with questions.



### **USS Ronald Reagan Featured on National Geographic Channel**

The National Geographic Channel will broadcast a special program about the *USS Ronald Reagan* called "MEGASTRUCTURES: USS RONALD REAGAN." It will air on Wednesday, September 15, at 9 p.m. on the National Geographic Channel, which is available through digital cable, DirecTV, and DISH Network.

