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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 2

Builders Football vs.
Salisbury University
Homecoming Game
Apprentice Field
1:00 p.m.



October 4 - 15

Northrop Grumman
Newport News
United Way Campaign

October 11

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

October 12

Bloodmobile
Building 902
8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
For Appts. 902-903 / 8-4792
For Appts. 901-905 / 8-0308
Questions: 0-3011

October 21

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

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✿ Shipyard Employee Linda Kindred Honored for Exceptional Health and Safety Achievements

Northrop Grumman Newport News employee **Linda Kindred** was recently honored by The Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association (VPPPA) for exceptional workplace health and safety achievements as part of the VPPPA Safety & Health Achievement Program.

The VPPPA Safety & Health Achievement Award Program is an opportunity for hourly workers that are non-safety and health professionals to be recognized for their knowledge on health and safety issues as well as their contributions to learn and apply health and safety best practices.

A Newport News employee for more than 31 years, Kindred works as a crane operator in the company's operations division. She also serves as a health and safety team leader, working to continuously improve the safety of employees throughout her department. She has also led numerous safety projects including an eye safety awareness program called "For Your Eyes Only," and she developed and presented a safety training program for employees in her department.

Kindred serves on the company's Employee Communications Advisory Board and is active in the United Steelworkers of America, serving as an elected guide and chairperson of the Benevolence and Community Relations Committee for the union's local chapter, 8888. A resident of Hampton, Va., she has been active in the community, volunteering with the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization for over 25 years, and serving as a court appointed special advocate for youth with the Newport News court system.

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Great Products

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 380-3552 with questions.



**See more award-winning
employees on page 2**

 **Key Value:** "Our people are what make us great."

☛ **Employees Receive Safety Awards from South Tidewater Association of Ship Repairers**

The employees pictured are recent award winners of the South Tidewater Association of Ship Repairers (STASR) of Portsmouth safety suggestion program. The STASR safety suggestion award program allows employees of member companies to submit safety ideas for a cash award. For more information about this program, please visit Yardnet at http://www.isdivisions/humres/o27/STASR/stasr_menu.stm or call Leroy Smith at 688-4901.



(Pictured from left) X11 employees **Joe Bruton** and **Larry Vaughan** recently won a \$250 award for their fall protection and production cost savings idea that will resolve two common problems with safety hoops that guard tank entry openings.



(Pictured from left) O26 Training Instructors **Doug Purcell** and **Stan Reams**, together with **Torrey Weems**, X31, (not pictured) won a \$250 award for their suggestion. Their winning safety idea led to the reduction of hand and wrist injuries by the X31 Electrical Department.

☛ **Kings Dominion Family Fun Day Photos Wanted**

Yardlines wants your "Family Fun" photos! Get that film developed or download those digital images from you and your family at Family Fun Day at Kings Dominion and *Yardlines* will publish them in a future issue. Be sure to identify the people in the photo and include your name, department and phone number as well. Send photos in yard mail by October 22 to: *Yardlines*, Department 029, Building 520-1 or e-mail them to Kelly.barlow@ngc.com.

☛ **Shipyard Employee Dean Johnson Elected American Welding Society Chairman**

Dean Johnson, a supervisor in O37 Welding Engineering, was elected chairman of the American Welding Society (AWS), Tidewater Section for the 2004-2005 term. Johnson replaces past chairman **Lynn Showalter**, who also works in Welding Engineering. The mission of AWS is to provide products and services to members and the industry which will advance the science, technology and application of materials joining. The section's first technical meeting is a "Student Night," scheduled for Thursday, October 7, featuring an expert in the motor sport welding field. Call Sharon Harvey at 380-2393 for details.

☛ **Northrop Grumman Newport United Way Campaign Begins**

Next week marks the start of the United Way campaign enrollment for shipyard employees. It will run from October 4 through October 15. United Way coordinators will begin distribution of enrollment materials this week. An enrollment guide will instruct employees to use the 8-9191 phone line to enroll. Employees are encouraged to participate and enroll as early as possible.

Shipbuilders Caring and Sharing



Supporting the Community, the United Way!

☛ **New Hire Community of Practice Fundraiser**

The New Hire Community of Practice is raising money for breast cancer research by collecting the pink lids from containers of Yoplait yogurt. Yoplait will donate 10 cents for each lid. Lids can be dropped off at one of the following locations: Bldg 161, Floor 2; Bldg 903, Floor 6 (Kitchen); Bldg 901, Floor 1; Bldg 520, Floor 3 (Copy room); Bldg 520, Floor 1 (Payroll). The last collection day is December 10, 2004. For more information, email Han Le Guillory or Brandi Leszcz or visit http://www.yoplait.com/breastcancer_lids.aspx.