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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Oct. 23

Builders Football vs.
Buffalo State College
1:00 p.m.
Apprentice Field

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publication for employees
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Newport News*

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688-4962

 **Key Message:** "We must perform well on our contracts."

✿ Shipyard Awarded Contract for Work on USS Hyman G. Rickover

Northrop Grumman Newport News was awarded a contract for the planning and execution of dry-docking work on the nuclear-powered submarine *USS Hyman G. Rickover* (SSN 709). The contract is valued at \$36.5 million.

"Newport News is pleased to have the opportunity to continue our support of the submarine fleet," said **Irwin F. Edenzon**, sector vice president for Technology Development and Fleet Support. "We want to be in the sub maintenance business and each time we work on a major maintenance availability we get better at it. Our objective is to continuously improve our performance on these contracts and grow our fleet-support business."

The *Rickover* arrived at Newport News on Oct. 1 for approximately five months of maintenance work. Work will include blasting and painting of the submarine's internal and external tanks, removal and overhaul of various system valves, steering and diving gear inspection and repair, repairs to torpedo systems, and inspection and repairs to the sail, pressure and non-pressure hulls. This is the second submarine availability awarded to the Newport News sector in the last two years.

Pictured:
The submarine *USS Hyman G. Rickover* is dwarfed by the *USS Dwight D. Eisenhower's* bow as it approaches the shipyard for five months of maintenance work.



✿ Ethics and Business Conduct Program Poster Contest

The shipyard's Business Conduct Committee is conducting an Ethics and Business Conduct poster contest now through November 15 for all Newport News employees. The purpose of the contest is to increase awareness about proper business conduct and to provide employees an opportunity to participate in creating business conduct communication and training materials. The theme of the contest is "Proper Business Conduct – Taking the High Road," and the poster should tell a story or show an idea of proper business conduct. Cash awards and gift certificates will be awarded to the winning contestants and the honorable mentioned winning contestants. All contestants will be presented with a certificate of appreciation for their participation in the contest. The winning posters will be published and displayed in 2005/2006. Please see the contest rules on the Business Conduct web site below.

Poster Contest Prizes:

First Place = \$1000
Second Place = \$500
Third Place = \$350
Fourth Place = \$250
Honorable Mention = Gift Certificates

<http://yardnet/divisions/humres/o25/busconduct/generalinfo.stm>

Northrop Grumman Names Linda M. Leukhardt Chief Financial Officer for Electronic Systems



Linda M. Leukhardt, Newport News' vice president of Business Management and Chief Financial Officer, has been promoted to the head business and financial position at the Electronic Systems Sector headquartered in Baltimore. In an email to employees, Shipyard President Tom Schievelbein said this new position with the largest of Northrop Grumman's seven sectors is an excellent career move for Linda with many new opportunities. He also praised her contributions to the Newport News team. "Linda has demonstrated a high level of commitment to the ships we build and to the people who build them."

Newport News Knowledge Management Lecture Series Begins

The Newport News Knowledge Management (KM) Council is sponsoring a three part KM lecture series to help those interested to learn a little more about KM. The first in this series will be held on October 11, from 4:00 - 5:00 PM in the Virginia Advanced Shipbuilding and Carrier Integration Center (VASCIC/B905), Room 219, and will feature videotape excerpts of Wes Bush, president of Mission Systems, from a recent corporate KM Summit. Due to limited seating, please call Nancy Dunn at 380-7320 by October 8 if you'd like to attend. Remaining lectures will be announced in the near future.

Northrop Grumman Newport United Way Campaign Begins

The United Way campaign enrollment for shipyard employees is underway now 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



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On-line OFI Initiators Database Effective Immediately

Now employees with access to Yardnet can submit their suggestions electronically using the new OFI Initiators Database. Just go to the OFI Webpage on Yardnet, click on OFI Database, select Write a New OFI, type, save and send. This new database has enhanced functionality which will drastically reduce OFI cycle time. At the click of one button, employee suggestions can be forwarded directly to their supervisors making the entire process almost paperless. Employees without intranet access may continue to print and forward their suggestions via yard mail. For more information contact your department OFI coordinator or call Yasmine Robinson at 380-2428.

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.



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