

The Apprentice Builder School Bulletin

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Kings Dominion

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Christmas party



The bleachers are gone
and getting ready to be
rebuilt for the 2004
season. Make sure to
come see the new
bleachers on September 4th
at 1:00 P.M. for our first
home game with new field



The Apprentice School chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers is still looking for new members. Every apprentice is invited and should attend. It is a great opportunity to learn and get certified by an internally recognized society. We will be holding meetings on the second Wednesday in every month after work at 4:00 in the Apprentice School auditorium. **Please come join us at our next meeting! If you have any questions contact Danny Brookman or David McDade.**

Orioles vs. Yankees Game



Hey builders come out and enjoy America's favorite pastime as the Baltimore Orioles take on the New York Yankees at Camden Yards on September 11. Tickets for the game go on sale July 9th for \$15 a piece and include the bus ride up and back. You can't even buy gas for the trip there for that much. There is a limit of 2 tickets per apprentice and there are only 40 tickets so they're definitely going to go fast! The Apprentice School went last year and had a great time, come join the fun this year.





Relay For Life



The Relay for Life event was held this year on May 14-15 at Darling Stadium. The Apprentice School team had already been in high gear raising money with their fundraising events. Dave Dunn, the Public Relations Chairperson for the ASSA, also Relay for Life team captain, organized the fund raising events that the students participated in. They held car washes, sold the stars hanging in the hall way of the A School, and sold Krispy Kreme Donuts throughout the shipyard to help raise money. The “Purple Potty” was dropped off in front of houses and gave different pay options to have it removed. This was a great fundraising tactic that only targeted people affiliated with the Shipyard or Apprentice School. Imagine waking up in the morning to see a purple toilet sitting on your lawn with a phone number and a price list to have it removed! When the actual event was held on Friday, May 14, the smell of hot dogs and hamburgers cooking filled Darling Stadium by our “Apprentice Grill-masters” as other local businesses used their creative venues to raise money. Participants walked around the track, ate good food, played wiffle ball (at 4a.m.), and hung out all night! Dave said “it was a great event”, “we had a lot of fun”, and he’s already brainstorming ideas for next years event. Relay for Life was able to raise 1.6 million dollars this year, along with our 3 thousand dollar donation, to aid in the fight against cancer. Every year the event grows and raises more money and with your help they can continue in their fight against cancer.

By: Kareem Solomon



Math Quiz

Timmy the butcher is 5’6”, wears a size 8 ½ shoe, and wears a 38-regular suit.
What does he weigh?

Apprentices work on the new Virginia class submarines

Some X11 Apprentices have been putting in long hours in the MOF with the fitting of the Sonar panels on the USS Texas, Hull 657. I should know, I'm one of them! We first began installing them in early May and it is currently in the pre-fitting stage. There are multiple panels consisting of over 100 pieces that must be precisely placed so every piece fits perfectly. The Sonar system is a very important part of the submarine because it serves as the "eyes and ears". As you know, a submarine has no windows so the Navy uses this advanced system for targeting as well as driving. The Texas is at a critical stage of construction, and everyone is hustling to finish jobs before the Texas goes outside in July. This is not meant to single out any one department, but it is meant to inform you on how Apprentices are playing a crucial role in the construction of the Navy's newest and most advanced submarine. Let's keep up the good work Apprentices because we are the ones who will carry this company into the future!

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Homecoming And Executive council Elections

It is that time of the year when football season is around the corner, and when we start to look ahead to next year. Are homecoming game is not until October, but it is time to through your hat into the ring. The applicant must be a **female Apprentice**, sorry guys. Also the ASSA is getting ready to elect the executive council for next year. These positions are president, vice president, treasurer, and secretary; all applicants must be a current ASSA delegate to run. If you are interested in getting involved, and don't fit either of the above categories. We have elections for delegates in the late fall and you should talk with your craft instructor. If you are interested in any of the other positions contact Tony Jones at The Apprentice School.

David McDade

Where are they now Part 3

Knowledge is the key. Let's see what those graduates from 2001 are up to these days.

Craig A Kimmeth X31 Supervisor

I finished my Time in April of 2001. I served as Lead mechanic under Kennedy from April 2001 to January 2003. During this time I was involved in Catapult Installation/Testing, JBD(Jet Blast Deflectors) installation/Testing, Arresting Gear installation/Testing, and miscellaneous deck work like the Photo Lab, Print Shop, and other areas of the USS Nimitz. I was make up supervisor for Kennedy. I went on first 4 day Sea Trials where we completed Electrical Checkout of Catapults and Arresting Gear. I was only ALRE Electrician on Flight Deck Certification of USS Nimitz which was a 9 day sea trial, that certified the flight deck

(catapults, jbd's, and arresting gear). For this work I along with all NNS employees that worked flight deck (all departments) received a Special Letter of Commendation from Roger Eshelman, Vice President of Carrier Overhaul and Nuclear Services on August 10, 2001. I went to the IKE still working for Kennedy on Rip out of Catapults. Due to illnesses/injuries of Mr. Kennedy, I served extensive time as Make up Supervisor on IKE. I went to the Reagan Jan 03 to help David Batdorf. I was promoted to VCS Electrical Supervisor May 1, 2003 working for Mr. Hartwig, and I am in charge of Sonar, LWWAA, Chin Array, Main Ballast Tanks FWD, Torpedo room, and VLS.

At graduation I won Neils Christiansen Award for X31 dept and I won G. Guy Via award for academic excellence in Advanced Program

Barry Surber O19 Cost Estimator

I finished my Design Apprenticeship in May, 2001. At that point I was a Piping Designer in E55 Aircraft Carrier Engineering working JP-5 System Design. I worked on the implementation of the new JP-5 System change for CVN-77. In January, 2003 I transferred to O19 Contracts & Pricing as a Cost Estimator. I am currently part of the 100N Change Cell which was created to improve the process of developing cost estimates for the customer. As in Design, my discipline as an Estimator is Piping.



Apprentice School

2004 Home Football Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Time |
|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Sept. 4 | Dean University | 1:00 PM |
| Sept. 25 | Chowan College | 1:00 PM |
| Oct. 2 | Salisbury University | 1:00 PM |
| Oct. 23 | Buffalo State College | 1:00 PM |
| Oct. 30 | Southern Virginia University | 1:00 PM |

This year the Apprentice School football field will have new bleachers and concession stand. All home games are held at the apprentice field located on 39th street by building 600.

Every year over 13,000 fireworks victims end up in hospitals with over half being children. Many are also people who are just in the wrong place at the wrong time. Sparklers, fountains, pharaoh's serpents, pinwheels, and whirligigs are the only fireworks that you can purchase and legally use in Virginia. Skyrockets, torpedoes, and other exploding or projectile firing fireworks are illegal and could cause you or a loved one bodily harm. Consider the risks and think of the consequences before you buy and use fireworks. Remember, it won't be called a celebration if you end up in the hospital. Enjoy your 4th, be safe!

By: Kareem Solomon

Math Quiz Answer

Timmy the Butcher weighs meat.
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