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Apprentice SNAME Chapter Gets Recognition

By E06/E24 Chris Guthrie

The Hampton Roads Section of The Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SNAME) held a meeting on September 8, 2005 in building 520 to formally recognize The Apprentice School's student chapter. The event was very informative and was full of speakers from both NGNN and SNAME.

The event started off with a social period to give the SNAME

members time to talk to their peers and start to establish networks within the group. After a half hour of networking and socializing, dinner was served and final preparations for the speakers were made.

Harris Leonard the current chairperson of the Hampton Roads Section of SNAME kicked off the business side of the meeting by recognizing his fellow officers in the Hampton Roads Section. Mr. Leonard said that it was great to see such a strong new chapter form so quickly and then introduced the man who really got the ball rolling with the organization of The Apprentice School's chapter, Dr. Richard Boutwell.


Dr. Boutwell is the Manager of Training Services for NGNN, and organized the formation of The Apprentice School chapter of SNAME. Dr. Boutwell had nothing but praise for the apprentices and the speed with which the chapter was put together and actually started working on projects. With the help and wisdom of Dr. Boutwell, The Apprentice School chapter will grow stronger and gain closer ties with its parent section.

After Dr. Boutwell finished describing the direction of the student chapter he introduced Ron Adams, the student chapter chairperson. Ron came into The Apprentice School as a welder but when the opportunity came up he moved into the advanced program as a design apprentice. Adams said "The Apprentice school has been and always will be about two things: leadership and

opportunity." So when the opportunity to step up as chairman of the student chapter of SNAME came up, he jumped at the chance. After thanking Dr. Boutwell and Dr. Leber, Ron introduced Mr. Danny Hunley, NGNN's Vice President of Trades, Education and Training.


Mr. Hunley talked about his experiences in the shipyard and how his apprenticeship has led him to his current position as an officer in one of the largest defense contractors in the world. His story is a true example of how hard work and dedication can really take you places. After describing some of the future direction of The Apprentice School Mr. Hunley fielded questions from the audience. The audience was very responsive and full of questions. Jim Hughes finally stepped in and brought the meeting to an end.

The meeting was a great opportunity to branch out, network, and get to know experts in different ship production fields. The meeting also left attendees with the feeling that with some hard work and commitment The Apprentice School's chapter of SNAME could become one of the best student chapters in the country.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

TRADES DAY	
NOVEMBER 5	
HOLIDAY DINNER DANCE	
DECEMBER 3	



Pictured above is The Apprentice School Student Chapter of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers

ASSA And Jaycees Team Up For Day of Caring

By X11 Kareem Solomon

On September 9 Kelly Little, Apprentice Jaycees President, and myself worked alongside members of other NGNN organizations to prepare the packages of school supplies gathered during the School Tools Drive sponsored by the United Way. Many of you may have noticed the boxes sitting in The Apprentice School, your shop, or even in the tool rooms throughout the yard. With all the supplies collected we were able to deliver much needed school supplies to places such as the Doris Miller Community Center in Newport News. We worked tirelessly in the morning organizing the packages and the boxes were then loaded

into cars and truck beds to be taken to the locations. With the support of Dr. Leber and Dr. Hughes we were able to help out with this event and show that the ASSA and Apprentice Jaycees are willing contributors to many of NGNN'S charitable activities. The most fulfilling moment of the event was when some of the volunteers surprised Briarfield Elementary School with some left over supplies. The staff was very grateful to receive the supplies and we were all humbled to know that we could bring smiles to faces and help kids get what they needed to be productive students.



ASSA Organizes Successful Events

By X11 Kareem Solomon

Apprentices have been able to take part in some great activities over the past two months. The Apprentice School Student Association organized a Spirit of Norfolk Cruise in early August and a Baltimore trip that allowed us to see the Orioles and the Red Sox play at Oriole Park.

The Spirit of Norfolk Cruise hosted apprentices and faculty along with their guests for an evening of entertainment, food, and dancing. The cruise got underway just before the night sky moved in. As the tables were ushered to the buffet, a song and dance team performed to classics such as the "Copa Cabana". After dinner was over some went up on the open deck to enjoy some refreshments and mingle with other guests. This event has always sold out fast and has been a popular one that the apprentices and faculty enjoy.

On September 24 a charter bus filled with apprentices, faculty, and their guests left The Apprentice School gym headed for Baltimore. The Red Sox visited the Orioles in an attempt to add another victory to their season as they were in a

tight race with the Yankees to win a wildcard position to the playoffs. We arrived around 12:30 p.m. to a buzzing downtown Baltimore where the streets were flooded with Red Sox fans. There was still four hours till the game started so arriving early gave everyone a chance to tour the inner harbor, visit the aquarium, or do whatever they wanted till the game started. Compared to last year, we had great seats. We were sitting behind left field just off the third base line. It seemed as if we were almost sitting on the field right where Manny Ramirez was catching pop-ups hit by the Orioles. I can't wait to go again! As an added bonus, Melvin Mora, Orioles 3B, tied the game with a two run homer that landed in Larry Smith's hands, an X31 apprentice. That had to be the highlight of the whole trip! Actually having an apprentice catch a home run! Though the Orioles lost it was a great game.

It's very likely that these events will occur again next year, so if you want to be part of the fun, make sure you get your tickets early!

Builders On Verge To Winning Season

By X31 Derrick Gilmer

After a hot off-season, the Apprentice Builders returned to the field once again with a new attitude and some winning spirit. In the first game of the season, the football team impressed their fans with a 37-21 victory over NC Wesleyan. This victory showed the abilities of all the players in many respects, most notably that of kicker Hank Schmidt, who was named Atlantic Central Football Conference Rookie of the Week for his performance during the game.

The Builders then stood against Frostburg State University. Sophomore Travis Reid had three touchdown receptions which played a key role with in the team's performance which resulted in the 21-3 win over Frostburg State.

The Builders had lost their next game to Brockport State University. Though they played valiantly, the Builders were beaten 14-7. However,

resilient as ever, they came back and beat Chowan College 28-14, setting a season high in interceptions, and a career high 173 yards passing by junior Robby Goodman. The Builders went on to lose their next three games: a conference match at Salisbury University 77-13, at Ursinus University 14-13, and the Oyster Bowl vs. Wesley College 45-0. Despite these particular setbacks, the Builders still have a 3-4 overall record and are playing some of their best football this season. They have a conference win under their belt as compared to none last year and with three games left in the season they have a chance to finish with a winning record. The last home game will be played November 5 on Trades Day. Come out and support the team and enjoy the Trades Day celebration. For more Builder Football information log on to www.gobuilders.com.

X32 Hails New Queen at Homecoming Game

By X31 Derrick Gilmer

As the sun beat down on the field and the Builders were en route to winning their first ACFC game in school history, the homecoming queen nominees were getting ready to see who would be crowned. The vote was taken on September 9 by the delegates who represent the student body in the Apprentice School Student Association. All of the candidates who participated in the event were deserving of such an honor, however there could be only one young lady to assume the title. This year's court was represented by X18 Shakirah Harrell, X18 Takiyah Bailey, X32 Heather McCalester, X32 Kori Searles, X31 Kesha N. Claiborne, and X31 Sierra Malone. Last year's queen, X31 Linda McMillian, was there to pass out on the field as they were introduced over the loud speaker. All the contestants were stunning in their gowns as the sun illuminated their presence. The winner was announced and X32 Kori Searles learned that she will be this year's queen. Her expression showed that she was very happy to become this year's queen. Congratulations Kori!



Pictured from left to right: X31 Kesha N. Claiborne, X32 Heather McCalester, X18 Takiyah Bailey, X31 Sierra Malone, 2005 Queen X32 Kori Searles, 2004 Queen Linda McMillian, and X18 Shakirah Harrell

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“Blast” from The Past

By X42 Jason Kinney

Joyce Wright, X33 Painting and Insulation Craft Instructor, and her two crews of apprentice and apprentice graduate volunteers (pictured), have been making their mark in history. In early spring 2007, The Mariners’ Museum and its partner, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), will present to America one of it’s greatest Civil War attractions ever: The USS Monitor Center. The event comes 145 years after the famous battle between the USS Monitor and CSS Virginia. Part of its efforts to make this a historical occasion is its partnership with Northrop Grumman Newport News Shipbuilding and The Apprentice School to build a full scale replica of the Monitor. While the greater part of construction and assembly is being accomplished by volunteers on the museum property, the units are being built inside the shipyard.

Joyce and her team of volunteers have been blasting and coating units of the Monitor replica in the North Yard near Dry Dock 12. While her third shift team has been sandblasting, the first shift finishes any remaining blasting and then paints the units. When finished, the units are sent to the Museum where they are assembled and prepared for the final coat of paint. According to Lead Instructor Al Melton, halfway through the summer Joyce and the team found themselves battling a tough schedule in order to get the

units completed and on the way to the Museum for final assembly. However, by mid-September they were caught-up and ready for more units. “Joyce’s leadership and the apprentice’s team work has really helped this project come together using borrowed equipment and donated materials,” said Melton, “Our X33 apprentices have proved they can get the job done when the heat is on! Their outstanding performance has served as a nice welcome for me as their new Lead Instructor.”

While X33 has played a major role in the construction process, other trades (X11, X18, X32, etc.) and personnel continue to get involved. As the project gains publicity, volunteer apprentices, instructors, trade managers, and other NGNN employees have been giving their time both in the yard and on site at the Mariners Museum. “There are too many people and organizations to name,” says Joyce, “But X33 would like to thank [them all] for the opportunity to be part of history for years to come.” Specifically, Joyce would like to thank: Trades Manager Bennie Steele, XO5 Mark Wilson, Tim Wilkerson, and Ed Card; XO5 Superintendent Ray Bagley and the project at DD12 for all their support; 022 Craft Instructor Danny Engle (and apprentices), XO6 Apprentice Planner William Prescott, X10 Brad Adkins, M34 Wayne Boone, 043 Roy Stutts and staff, Bob Simmerman and

X51/052 support, Danny Brookman, Manager of Education and Workforce Development and Dr. Bob Leber, Director of Education and Workforce Development; As well as the other trades (X11, X18, X32) and personnel and all the members of her team for their hard work and dedication.

If you are interested in helping on weekends or evenings at the Mariners Museum you can contact X33 Craft Instructor Joyce Wright for painting, or 022 Hull Trade Administrator Larry Koeck for other volunteer opportunities. You can also visit the Mariners Museum website dedicated to the Monitor Center project (<http://www.monitorcenter.org>) for more information. Come out and volunteer your time...and be part of history!



Top row (left to right): Franako Smith, Ricky Wilkerson, Al Melton, Donny Taylor, Joyce Wright, and H. Lopez.

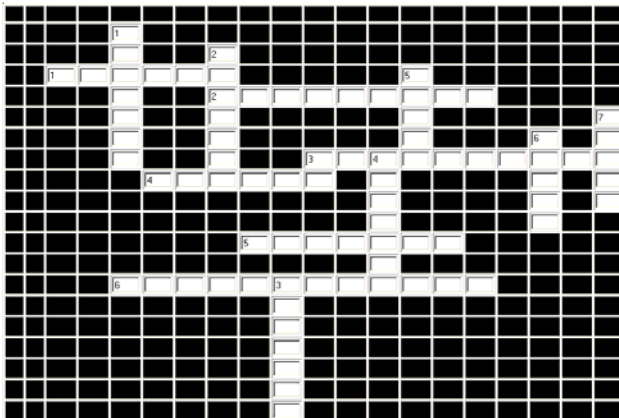
Bottom Row (left to right): Jonathan Clary, Larry Trueheart, Eric Williams, Lawrence Slaughter, Tevon Raikes, Charles Holiday, and Jacob Johnston. Not pictured is Fred Canady

ACROSS

1. Bobbing for apples originated from a day of honor for this Roman Goddess of fruit and trees.
2. A hideously ugly vampire.
3. The Jack O’Lantern is named after _____, a man who tricked the devil in an Irish myth.
4. The main character of Nightmare on Elm Street movies is _____.
5. Before it was halloween it was called _____ by celtic people.
6. Los Dias De Los Muertos is Spanish for _____.

DOWN

1. The walking dead or re-animated corpses.
2. A _____ is a female spirit in Gaelic folklore that haunts the night with a terrible shriek.
3. The first Jack O’Lanterns were carved into _____.
4. The beginnings of halloween came from _____.
5. Halloween has roots in _____ holidays.
6. The star of Friday The 13th movies is _____.
7. Another name for werewolves is _____.



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SPORTS

2005 - 2006 MENS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

2005 - 2006 WOMENS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

NOV

18-19	at Alvernia College (Pa.) Tipoff	
21	at Cabrini College	6:00
26	MARYLAND BIBLE COLLEGE	2:00

DEC

1-3	at Lee Fullmer Invitational (Redlands, Calif.)	
9-10	at Rowan University Invitational	
14	at Averett University	7:00
16	at Virginia Wesleyan College	7:00

JAN

3	at Concord College	6:00
6-7	GREAT SHIPS NEW YEARS INVITATIONAL	
6	Salisbury vs. Chowan, 5:30 p.m.	
7	College of Misericordia vs. Apprentice School, 7:30 p.m.	
7	College of Misericordia vs. Chowan, 1 p.m.	
7	Salisbury Univ. vs. Apprentice School, 3 p.m.	
11	at Lincoln University	6:00
14	ATLANTIC COLLEGE	4:00
18	CHOWAN COLLEGE	7:00
26-27	at Mountain State (WV) Coal Classic	

FEB

4	SOUTHERN VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY	4:00
10	at Florida Gulf Coast University	7:30
11	at Johnson & Wales University	3:00
14	at Chowan College	7:00
18	at Southern Virginia University	4:00
22	at Columbia Union College	8:00

MAR

at USCAA Nationals Tulsa, Okla.

Grammar Quiz

I don't expect to be home until after _____(1) call until then. I was late for my _____(2) I ran out of gas. When you go to the store, this is what you will need _____(3) eggs, milk, shampoo, and paper. Don't forget that tomorrow you'll need to speak to _____(4) about the newsletter.

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| 1. A) 6:30, don't
B) 6:30; don't
C) 6:30 (don't | 3. A) to buy,
B) to buy-
C) to buy: |
| 2. A) class; because
B) class because,
C) class because | 4. A) Cathy -she's Jon's secretary-
B) Cathy, she's Jon's secretary,
C) Cathy, she's Jon's secretary |

Across

- Pomona
- Nosferatu
- StingyJack
- Freddy
- Samhain
- Day of the dead

Down

- Zombies
- Banshee
- Turnips
- Ireland
- Pagan
- Jason
- Liken



NOV

18-19	GREAT SHIPS INVITATIONAL	
22	N.C. CENTRAL UNIVERSITY	6:00
28	at Chowan College	6:00

DEC

1	GREENSBORO COLLEGE	TBD
4	PEACE COLLEGE	2:00
6	UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON	6:00
9-10	at Elizabethtown College Tournament	
16-17	at Alma College (Mich.) Tournament	
22	SIENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY	6:00

JAN

5	at Mary Baldwin College	7:00
7	at Greensboro College	2:00
14	LINCOLN UNIVERSITY	2:00
21	ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE	6:00
25	at Averett University	7:00
29	at Lincoln University	2:00

FEB

4	SOUTHERN VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY	2:00
6	at Meredith College	6:00
11	at Wesley College	3:00
12	at Columbia Union College	2:00
14	CHOWAN COLLEGE	5:00
18	at Southern Virginia University	2:00
21	MEREDITH COLLEGE	6:00

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2005 - 2006 WRESTLING SCHEDULE

NOV

4	at University of Central Florida Tri-Match	Orlando, FLA
5	at University of Central Florida Open	Orlando, FLA
11-12	at UNC Pembroke Open	Pembroke, NC
16	Dual at UNC Pembroke	Pembroke, N.C.
19	at East Stroudsburg Open	E. Stroudsburg, PA

DEC

3	at Maryville Duals	Maryville, TN
7	Dual v. Southern Virginia Univ.	6:30 p.m.
10	at UMBC Duals	Baltimore, MD
19	at Desert Duals	Las Vegas, Nev.

JAN

7	at Virginia Division I State Tournament	Harrisonburg, VA
13-14	at Virginia Duals	Hampton Coliseum
21	at Albright College Quad	Reading, PA

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26th ANNUAL BUILDER INVITATIONAL

FEB

4-5	at Doug Cherry Invitational	Easton, PA
7	at Campbell University Tri-Match	Buies Creek, N.C.
18	at NCWA Mid-Atlantic Conference	Newport News, Va.

MAR

2-5	at NCWA Nationals	Allendale, MI.
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