

# Inside Wallops

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## **Wallops Employees and Teams Receive Goddard Awards of Excellence**

Congratulations to the following individuals and teams that received awards of excellence in the indicated categories at a ceremony held at Goddard Space Flight Center on July 20.

### **Quality and Process Improvement**

This award recognizes individuals and teams whose contributions enhance the Center's business and work processes and improves the quality of products and services.

#### **Mike Hill**

**"In recognition of your outstanding initiative and innovation to develop and implement three major process improvements which will ensure mission reliability and reduce costs."**

#### **John Valliant**

**"In recognition of your dedication and extended performance during all Range Operations for the 2004-2005 time period, which contributed significantly to mission success and exceeded customer requirements and expectations."**

### **Excellence in Outreach**

This award recognizes individuals and teams who 1) provide innovative products, science, technology, and services to the public, educational institutions, or others who are potential beneficiaries of the expansion of knowledge resulting from NASA/GSFC's mission; or 2) develop and/or expand opportunities that result in the increased involvement of universities, industry, and others in the performance of NASA/GSFC's mission activities; or (3) increase the participation of socially or economically disadvantaged businesses or minority educational institutions.

#### **Donna Hughes**

**"For exemplary service to NASA Wallops Flight Facility's Environmental Program and Outreach Initiatives. Your dedication, integrity, and commitment are in keeping with the highest standards of the Goddard Space Flight Center."**

#### **EQUIS II Educational Outreach Team**

**In recognition of your outstanding contributions to the educational outreach activities conducted as part of the EQUIS II sounding rocket campaign, Kwajalein Atoll, Republic of the Marshall Islands."**

### **Diversity Enhancement**

This award recognizes outstanding contributions to the inclusion and utilization of the diversity of the Center's workforce to better achieve the Center's mission or goals identified in the Center's Diversity Plan; create an organizational culture that incorporates mutual respect, acceptance, teamwork, and productivity; or

facilitate a broader inclusion of ideas and participation of Goddard's diverse workforce in all aspects of the Center's mission.

#### **Terry Ewell**

**"For fostering positive relationships between the Wallops community and our Eastern Shore neighbors through your outstanding work with the FWPC, state educational institutions and Toastmasters International."**

#### **WFF Rocket On Camp Team**

**"For outstanding achievement in creating a highly efficient, flexible and exceedingly hospitable operating system for handling the logistics of the Rocket On Blind Summer Camp for students during their stay at WFF: The Result was Superb!"**

### **Safety Award of Honor**

This award recognizes individuals and teams whose contributions to safety significantly impact the Center's implementation of the NASA mission or mitigate and control risks to personnel, facilities, equipment and operations.

#### **Gregory Smith**

**"In recognition of your outstanding support for the EQUIS II Sounding Rocket Campaign conducted on the island of Roi-Namur, Kwajalein Atoll, Republic of the Marshall Islands."**

### **Outstanding Teamwork**

This award recognizes teams whose teamwork, diversity, mutual accountability and responsibility, together with the commitment and performance of every team member, have resulted in extraordinary specific accomplishments or long-term performance of the team. These awards focus on the success of the team or group process, as well as the products of the team.

#### **WFF CREAM Operations and Antarctic Team**

**"For their unwavering support and dedication in seeing the CREAM balloon craft through launch, flight, termination and recovery. What was planned to be a 15-day flight instead became an outstanding, successful record-breaking 42-day flight."**

### **Customer Service Excellence**

This award recognizes individuals and teams that provide superior services or products to internal or external customers.

#### **Don Langley**

**"In recognition of your diligent and creative efforts which have been demonstrated in a sustained manner with the utmost competence, responsibility, and integrity leading to continued safe and successful conduct of many NASA sounding rocket launches in the last three years."**



## Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke

By Stan Williams, Occupational Safety and Health Office

With the excessive heat and humidity this time of year, serious heat illnesses such as heat exhaustion and heat stroke can occur. If left untreated, heat exhaustion could progress to heat stroke and possible death!

Here are a few tips to protect against heat exhaustion and heat stroke

- Learn the signs and symptoms of heat – induced illnesses and how to respond.
- Perform the heaviest work during the coolest part of the day.
- If you must work outside, build up a tolerance to the heat and the work activity slowly.
- Use the buddy system, with people working in pairs

- Drink water, about a cup every 15 to 20 minutes.
- Wear light, loose – fitting, breathable clothing, such as cotton.
- Take frequent, short breaks in cool, shaded areas to allow the body to cool down.
- Avoid eating large meals before working in hot environments.
- Avoid alcohol or beverages with caffeine. These make the body lose water and increase the risk for heat illnesses.

To learn more about heat related illnesses, read the Wallops Healthline article at:

[http://www.wff.nasa.gov/~healthline/wff\\_health.html/heat.htm](http://www.wff.nasa.gov/~healthline/wff_health.html/heat.htm)

## Wallops Shorts

### In the News

Eastern Shore News  
“Blind Students Take Part in NASA Launch”

### Brinton Commended

“I want to let you know how impressed I am by John Brinton’s work on getting funding to principal investigator’s in as expeditious a manner possible. As a procurement person, he probably gets ignored mostly (unless there is a problem), but he deserves recognition for a job well done. Several times (most recently for CHARM), John has gone above and beyond the call of duty to make sure funding got to us when we needed it.

I want to make sure that his good work is recognized as being one of the ‘can-do’ people that make NASA an effective organization.”

--Craig A. Kletzing,  
Professor and Associate Chair  
Department of Physics & Astronomy  
University of Iowa

Note: John Brinton is a Grants Manager in the NASA Sounding Rockets Program Office.

### Mark Your Calendar

Beach Cleanup on Wallops Island  
September 17, 2005

## Obey the Speed Limit



Employees are reminded that the speed limit in the E buildings parking lot is 15 mph. The Executive Safety Council recently received notes of concern about the speed limit being exceeded in this area. Please be considerate of your fellow employees while driving.

## It’s Luau Time!

The MWR Luau will be at the Cropper Center, on Friday, July 29, with Social Hour at 6 p.m., Dinner at 7 p.m., Show/Contest at 8:30 - 11 p.m.

Dinner will be prepared by Mallards Catering of Onancock. An evening filled with an authentic Hawaiian show by Zach Calles and Hawaiian Style. Prepare yourself for the best “hula” contest, limbo, and tacky shirt contest. This event is for 18 years of age and older. The cost of tickets are \$15.00 each for military (active and retired); \$20.00 each for civilians and contractors.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Tammy at x2476.

## EAP Lunch & Learn

Learn how “Your Attitude Determines Your Altitude” with Tom Northern  
When: July 26, 2005  
Time: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Where: Williamsburg Room - Bldg. E2

## Items For Sale

1992 Chevrolet G20 Conversion High Top Van, 350 Motor, AC (front & rear), power steering, windows and door locks, AM/FM radio with CD player, TV, wood grain trim and front and rear cabinets, rear bench seat that can be folded down into a bed. Excellent condition. Call (757) 787-7507 after 6 p.m.

Piano, Wurlitzer Spinnet w/bench, Very Good Condition \$750. Call (410) 957-1583 (leave message)

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## Open House: Support Sought for Parking

Do you know of any students who need a service project in the fall? How about a school or church club or scout group looking for a service project? The Wallops 60th Anniversary Open House Committee is looking for high school age students to support parking during the Open House on Oct. 1. We are hoping to get enough volunteers that will require each group to provide only one or two hours of directing the public to the parking areas.

If you know of a group interested in participating, please contact Keith Koehler at x1579 or [keith.a.koehler@nasa.gov](mailto:keith.a.koehler@nasa.gov).

## New in the Exchange

Copies of Pine Ridge Horse Farms Illustrated Guide to the Wild Pony Auction at Chincoteague written by Richard “Owen” Hooks, EG&G employee in Wallops Environmental Office, is available in the Exchange for \$17.95.

