Wallops Celebrates American Heritage Month During October

**Schedule for Week One**

**Monday, October 3**
Eastern Shore Pioneering Women  
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Bldg. E-2 - Williamsburg Room

**Tuesday, October 4: A Taste of Soul**
Jane Cabarrus: A Heritage to Remember, A Future to Build On  
10:30 - 11 a.m., Bldg. E-2 Training Room

Buy a Soul Food Lunch  
11 a.m. - noon, Bldg. E-2 Training Room

J. Plunkey Branch: R&B Concert  
Noon - 1 p.m., Bldg. E-2 Training Room

Velmar Morris: Buffalo Soldiers  
1-1:30 p.m., Williamsburg Room

**Thursday, October 6**
Wallops Employees: Storytelling  
Noon - 1 p.m., Bldg. E-2 Training Room

Description of Week One events:

**Monday, October 3**
Eastern Shore Pioneering Women  
Panel guests include Lisa Johnson, Assistant Director of Career Services, University of Maryland, Eastern Shore; Dr. Gail Welsh, Associate Professor of Physics and Physics Department Chair, Salisbury University; Dr. Ellen Zinner, Assistant to the President, Salisbury University; and Cela Burge, former Cape Charles Town Manager.

**Tuesday, October 4 - A Taste of Soul**
A Heritage to Remember; A Future to Build On  
Jane Cabarrus carries us back in time and brings us forward with diversity, new perspectives, and strength to help us envision new beginnings.

**Buy a Soul Food Lunch**  
Pigs’ feet, chitterlings, fried or baked chicken, barbeque, turnip greens, potato salad, candied yams, macaroni and cheese

**Rhythm & Blues Concert**
Join in capturing the good, the old and the new R&B sounds with J. Plunkey Branch. J. Plunkey has recorded for the Cosby Show, has opened with several black musicians including B.B. King, Patti LaBelle, Ray Charles and the Pointer Sisters and holds two National Endowments for the Arts’ Jazz Fellowships. Critics proclaim Plunkey is one of the greatest living saxophonists.

**Buffalo Soldiers - Velmar Morris**
Hear the accomplishments and hardships of blacks in times of war from the Buffalo Soldiers of Delmar, Delaware

**Thursday, October 6**
Wallops Employees: Storytelling  
Wallops employees narrate vivid stories that offer a glimpse of their cultures, the way things used to be, and visions of far away places.

Yvonne Nock, NSROC, “More Stories from Seaside”

Audrey Young, NASA Electrical Engineering Branch, “Sharing: A Story about the Life and Culture of an Eastern Shore Born and Raised Woman”


Felipe Arroyo, NASA Electrical Engineering Branch, “From One Island to Another”

Prasad Hanagud, Applied Engineering and Technology Directorate, “The Women in My Life from Two Different Worlds”
**Wallops Director of Education**

Dr. Adena Williams Loston has assumed the position of Director of Education for the Wallops Flight Facility effective September 18, 2005.

Prior to coming to Wallops, Dr. Loston formerly served as Chief Education Officer at NASA Headquarters.

She assumed the role of Associate Administrator for Education on October 28, 2002, and began her career with NASA in September 2002 as the Administrator’s Senior Education Advisor.

She is the mother of one son, Gilbert Williams Loston, III, and looks forward to meeting and working with her new Wallops family.

**Wallops Shorts..........**

**Launches**

A NASA scientific balloon was launched from Ft. Sumner, N.M., on September 20. The 39.57 million cubic foot balloon carried a suite of instruments to measure profiles of over 40 chemical species throughout the stratosphere. Measurements also will be used to provide validation for NASA's AURA satellite. Dr. Geoff Toon of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory is the principal investigator. Total flight time was 22 hours, 27 minutes.

A NASA Improved Orion sounding rocket was launched from White Sands Missile Range on September 29. The flight was a test of an experimental telemetry system for the Naval Air Warfare Center. Michael Winstead was the principal investigator. Bill Payne and Rick Evavold, NASA Sounding Rocket Operations Contract., were the mission managers. Total flight time was 22 hours, 27 minutes.

A second NASA scientific balloon was launched from Ft. Sumner, N.M., on October 1. The 4 million cubic foot balloon carried the Cryogenic Whole-Air Sampler instrument to collect and analyze stratospheric air samples for a variety of trace gases. Trace gas measurements will be used to validate remote sensors on the AURA satellite and continue to define trends related to ozone chemistry in the stratosphere. Dr. Elliot Atlas of the University of Miami was the principal investigator. Total flight time was 5 hours 45 minutes.

**International Luncheon**

The 10th Annual International Luncheon will be held October 13, at 11:30 a.m. in Building F3.

Admission is one covered dish per person of any nationality.

Register by October 5 and have a chance to win a door prize.

Music will be performed by Peter Dundon, founder and director of the Orchestra of the Eastern Shore.

To register, contact Sandra Banks at x2526, Rebecca Beach at x1625, Brenda Dingwall at x1412 or Audrey Young at x1084

**Introductory Overhead Crane Operator Training**

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
October 17 and 18
Building N-159, Room E-208

This course satisfies the requirements of the NASA Standard for Lifting Devices and Equipment, NASA-STD-8719.9, for the operation of electric, manual or air driven overhead cranes and hoists.

Successful completion of this course, along with a crane operator physical examination, which can be obtained at Wallops Health Unit, will lead to a NASA crane operator’s license.

Civil service and contractor employees required to have an overhead crane operator license should attend. Contact Bill Hargrove at x1797 for further information.

**Harvest Festival Tickets**

Two tickets for sale to Wednesday’s Harvest Festival at Sunset Beach, Kiptopeake, Va. $37.50 each. Call Betty Flowers (757) 665-4283.

**For Sale**

2000 Ford Explorer Sport (2-door) 2WD, 6 cyl PW/PL, Cruise, AM/FM/CD, 90K miles $6800 Call Teena after 5 p.m. (757) 336-2477

**60th Anniversary Open House is a Huge Success**

The weather was perfect for the Wallops Open House on Saturday, October 1. Approximately 7,000 people attended; several commented that “it’s the best one ever”.

Thanks to all the employees who contributed their time and/or effort to the success of the event.

The Open House Team worked especially hard to bring together everything from exhibitors to trolleys for transportation.

A very sincere thanks to Team Members: Cheryl Outten, Denise Gramlich, Sonny Hall, Terry Ewell, Mike Barnhill, Rob Hurley, Donna Galeone, Sherry Kleckner, Ed Sudendorf, Kate Fairchild, Rebecca Hudson, Ed Parrott, Jill Jester, Rhonda Paluba, Cindy Sheppard and Brian Sullivan. Without them and the support of their supervisors, the Open House would not have been possible.

Betty Flowers and Keith Koehler Open House Team Co-Chairs

Note: Pictures from the Open House will be in future editions of Inside Wallops

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