Veterans Day, 2005

November 2, 2005

A Proclamation by the President of the United States of America

Americans owe a great debt of gratitude to those who have sacrificed for our liberty and for the security of our Nation. We express deep appreciation to our veterans—the men and women who stepped forward when America needed them, triumphed over brutal enemies, liberated continents, and answered the prayers of millions around the globe.

From the beaches of Normandy and the snows of Korea to the mountains of Afghanistan and the deserts of Iraq, our courageous veterans have sacrificed so that Americans and others could live in freedom. As we mark the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II this year, we remember the millions of veterans who crossed oceans and defeated two of the most ruthless military forces the world has ever known. The freedom that the children and grandchildren of these veterans now enjoy is a monument to their fallen comrades and the generations of patriots who have served our country.

Through their commitment to freedom, America’s veterans have lifted millions of lives and made our country and the world more secure. They have demonstrated to us that freedom is the mightiest force on Earth. We resolve that their sacrifices will always be remembered by a grateful Nation.

With respect for and in recognition of the contributions our service men and women have made to the cause of peace and freedom around the world, the Congress has provided (5 U.S.C. 6103(a)) that November 11 of each year shall be set aside as a legal public holiday to honor veterans.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim November 11, 2005, as Veterans Day and urge all Americans to observe November 6 through November 12, 2005, as National Veterans Awareness Week. I urge all Americans to recognize the valor and sacrifice of our veterans through ceremonies and prayers. I call upon Federal, State, and local officials to display the flag of the United States and to encourage and participate in patriotic activities in their communities. I invite civic and fraternal organizations, places of worship, schools, businesses, unions, and the media to support this national observance with commemorative expressions and programs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this second day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirtieth.

GEORGE W. BUSH
Employees Hear from Dr. John Campbell During the Morning Coffee on November 3

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This Week:

Engineering Building:
Work will include installation of foundation and footers, completion of the storm drain and sanitary drain work and the waterline tapping connection. The masonry and mechanical subcontractors are scheduled to begin work this week.

Project Support Facility:
The fencing is up and the area for the parking lot addition has been prepared. The milling operation for asphalt removal will be completed. Plans are to begin with the sub-base for the parking addition and to begin installation of the curb and gutter along the new parking lot and facility area.

Christmas Craft and Goodies Show

November 9
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Building E-2

Sampling Of Items To Be Offered:
Cross Stitch Pictures
Christmas Baskets, Trees, Wreaths, and Ornaments
Wood And Fabric Crafts
Scarfs, Baked Goods
Eastern Shore Photos
Door Decorations.

Window Swags
Reef Orbs, Table Centerpieces
Lighted Gift Boxes
Items From The Crazy Ladyz
Watercolors and Autographed Books

The Art of Retirement Planning

Wallops employees are invited to attend “The Art of Retirement Planning” brown-bag lunch seminar on November 8 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Building E2 Conference Room.

Take advantage of this free seminar if retirement planning is a concern or if you want to learn an effective retirement strategy. The seminar also will be presented on November 8 from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Hampton Inn in Chincoteague.

Registration forms are available in the Credit Union, Building N-133 or call 1-888-NASA-FCU, ext. 555 to sign up. NASA FCU will provide dessert.

October Was Wet and Mild
by Ted Wilz, Senior Meteorologist

The weather during October remained mild and provided much needed rain to the region. We usually have 2.90 inches of rainfall for the entire month. This year, 2.94 inches fell on one day, October 8. The monthly total was 4.89 inches, nearly 2 inches above our monthly average.

The average monthly temperature was 61.1 degrees, which is just over 3 degrees above normal. No new monthly record high or low temperatures were set last month. A reading of 82 degrees on October 6 was the warmest temperature of the month. The temperature dipped into the 30s on October 27, 28, and 29. A 34 degree reading on the morning of the 29th was the coolest temperature of the month.

On October 24 and 25, a “nor’easter” pushed tides well above normal with a constant onshore flow of very strong winds. The strongest winds of the month occurred on the 24th with peak gusts of 56 mph at Wallops Flight Facility. Although the hurricane season is ending, be aware that “nor’easters” remain a concern.

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