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Utilities holds annual Safety Fair for employees

Utilities employees received extra lessons in safety on May 20th at the Department's 8th Annual Safety Fair. Approximately 200 employees attended this year's fair where they attended safety courses on work zone safety, hand protection, hand tool safety, trenching and confined space safety, and lock out/tag out procedures. In addition to safety courses, vendors were on site to discuss the newest innovations in safety equipment. The Division of Water Distribution's water tap competition team held a "rapid tappin" exhibition to showcase proper water tapping procedures in a fast paced setting. Sentara Health was also on site to perform free health screenings for all employees. Employees gained valuable information regarding their blood sugar, cholesterol and body mass. The Department of Utilities is constantly focused on the safety of all employees. The success of this year's event ensures that Utilities staff is equipped with the tools and knowledge to safely serve the City of Norfolk.



Donna Vogel, City Wellness Coordinator, receives safety equipment information from a vendor.



Amrung Maisuwan has his blood sugar taken by a Sentara representative.



Left to Right: Gregory Jackocks and Danny Williamson perform the rapid tappin demonstration.



Be Prepared!!

Hurricane Season is here. Make sure that you and your family are prepared by creating your disaster supply kit. To find out what your kit should include visit www.ReadyVirginia.gov.

Utilities celebrated Drinking Water Week 2009 with their 1st Annual Poster Contest



Age Group 9-12 Poster Contest Winners from Crossroads Recreation Center with Kristen Lentz and Jennifer Cauldwell

The Department of Utilities kicked off this year's Drinking Water Week celebration with their 1st Annual Poster Contest. Children from Norfolk Recreation Centers were invited to submit posters illustrating "Why Norfolk's Clean Water is Important to Me." Out of the over 50 posters submitted, three winners were chosen:

- Age Group 5-8 Crossroads Recreation Center
- Age Group 9-12 Crossroads Recreation Center
- Age Group 13-17 Norview Community Center

The winning posters were on display at Norfolk City Hall throughout Drinking Water Week. They were also publicized in the *Norfolk Compass*. Each winning recreation center also received a framed plaque to display at their center. The posters now adorn the walls of the Granby Municipal Building, where they are being enjoyed by staff and visitors.

Drinking Water Week is celebrated annually as an opportunity for water service professionals and the communities that they serve to join together to recognize and the importance of drinking water in our daily lives. Norfolk Pure drinking water provides public health protection, support for the economy, fire suppression and quality of life to all Norfolk residents and businesses.

Norfolk Pure Drinking Water meets all EPA Regulations

The Department of Utilities recently distributed its annual Water Quality Report. This report contains information on Norfolk's water sources, the water treatment process, and federal drinking water regulations. Once again in 2008, Norfolk's drinking water met all regulations from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). A copy of this report was mailed to all Norfolk residents and businesses. This report is also available at your local library branch, in the Department of Utilities lobby at 400 Granby Street, and online at www.Norfolk.gov/Utilities.



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