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### 4th Annual Apprentice Cardboard Boat Regatta Sets Sail this Weekend

### Newport News Sheriff's Deputies will Drop Their Oars to Help the Shriners

Due to Hurricane Irene's unwelcomed visit to Hampton Roads, the Apprentice Cardboard Boat Regatta was forced to reschedule. The **new date** is **Sunday, October 9th** at 10:00 a.m. The regatta benefits the Shriners Hospital.

This will be the first year for the Newport News Sheriff's Office to enter a boat in the event sponsored by Apprentice School student chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME). Each boat is constructed of cardboard, tape, and glue. Competitors race against one another in a spectacle that draws cheers and laughter. "When I heard about the 'Apprentice Cardboard Boat Regatta' I knew my division would want to join in on the fun while helping the Shriners Hospital," said Lt. Kandyce Patrick, Commander of Civil Enforcement. "The team building opportunity is great," she added.

- WHO:** Apprentice School student chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME)
- WHAT:** 4th Annual Apprentice Cardboard Boat Regatta
- WHEN:** **Sunday, October 9th** at 10:00 a.m.
- WHERE:** Newport News Park  
Lee Hall Fishing Center
- BENEFITS:** Shriners Hospitals for Children and the Khedive Shrine Patient Transportation Fund where funds stay local.

Tracey Scudieri, one of the event planners, said "The event is open to the public and for everyone wanting a good laugh. It is definitely going to be a hoot!" She also noted that concessions will be available. Plus -- and most importantly for a fundraiser -- donations are being accepted.

**For more information about the Regatta, contact Tracey Scudieri at (757) 619-4500 or email [CardboardRocks@gmail.com](mailto:CardboardRocks@gmail.com).**

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