

**Elf Frank Myrrh:** Hello again from the North Pole news desk, I'm Elf Frank Myrrh of North Pole Radio News. The crisis in Santa's workshop is changing the work habits and routines in several departments as Santa looks for ways to catch up on the backlog of production at the workshop. Elf Crash Murphy today reports from North Pole Flight Command to explain how things are different there. Crash?

**Elf Crash:** Frank, the normal routine in October for Flight Command usually centers around Santa's Christmas Eve flight plan and gathering information about every area of the world Santa will go and organizing that information for his use on Christmas Eve. But this year, North Pole Flight Command is coordinating the dispatch of dozens of ships of the North Pole Navy and round-the-clock sleigh flights that are all bringing new materials to the North Pole. And don't forget they are also keeping a 24-hour watch on the test flights of Santa's sleigh as well as on the weather that is impacting these multiple operations.

**Elf Frank:** Crash, will Flight Command be working over Halloween as well?

**Elf Crash:** I'm not sure, Frank. We will learn about that in the days and weeks ahead, but I know how these things usually go. Elves support other elves. So when someone opts out of the Halloween party to work, as it appears the workshop is doing, most other elves are going to do the same. I don't know if that changes the North Pole Halloween party at all but I suspect at some point Mrs. Claus is going to have something to say about all this.

**Elf Frank:** Besides Halloween, what added days are elves going to be working at Santa's workshop?

**Elf Crash:** It's seven days a week right now, Frank. Elf Bernard didn't even have to ask. Elves are just coming in around the clock during hours they aren't usually scheduled. They are bringing meals in and doing everything they can. We are making headway because of those efforts but honestly they really do need more stuff to get as productive as the workshop needs to catch up, Frank. This effort is really just getting started.

**Elf Frank:** Will Santa be bringing in elves from other departments to help in the workshop, Crash?

**Elf Crash:** He already is and I'm sure we'll get more detail about that in the days ahead.

**Elf Frank:** Okay, Crash – good answers, as always. From the North Pole News Desk, where it's pretty busy for the end of September, I'm Elf Frank Myrrh of North Pole Radio News reporting for SantaUpdate.com on the Kringle Radio Network.