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Williams takes command of DLA Land and Maritime

By Tony D'Elia
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Public Affairs Office

Army Brig. Gen. Darrell K. Williams became the second commander of Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime in a Sept. 24 change of command ceremony in the Operations Center auditorium.

Defense Logistics Agency Director Navy Vice Adm. Alan Thompson passed the DLA flag to Williams to make the transfer of power official.

Williams comes to Land and Maritime from an assignment as director for Logistics, Engineering and Security assistance at Headquarters, U.S. Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii, the same post Army Brig. Gen. Thomas Richardson held prior to coming to Columbus.

A native of West Palm



(DLA photo by Chuck Morris)

Army Brig. Gen. Darrell K. Williams accepts the DLA flag from DLA Director Navy Vice Adm. Alan Thompson to officially assume command of DLA Land and Maritime during a Sept. 24 change of command ceremony in the Building 20 auditorium. Williams relieved Army Brig. Gen. Thomas Richardson, who has been commanding general of DLA Land and Maritime for the past 13 months.

Beach, Fla., Williams earned a bachelor's degree

in psychology in 1983 from Hampton Institute, Hamp-

ton, Va., and was commissioned a second lieutenant

in Army Quartermaster Corps through the school's ROTC program. Upon completion of the Quartermaster Officer Basic Course in October 1983, Williams began his Army career with an assignment with the 2d Supply and Transportation Battalion, 2d Infantry Division, Korea. He served first as a main supply platoon leader and later as officer in charge of the battalion's forward supply detachment supporting U.S. forces along the Demilitarized Zone.

Williams furthered his education by earning a master's degree from Penn State University in business management, logistics. He is also a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College and the National War College. He was promoted to brigadier general in July 2010.

Thompson noted that the
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POW Doremus reflects on captivity in Vietnam at commemoration

By Dan Bender
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Organization and communication were two keys that helped Navy Capt. Rob Doremus (Ret.) and his fellow prisoners of war maintain a positive attitude during their long captivity in North Vietnam.

Doremus, a central Ohio resident who spent seven and a half years as a POW during the Vietnam War, was the featured speaker during the Sept. 17 POW/MIA commemoration ceremony on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation.

"They were afraid of us," Doremus said of his captors. "They didn't want us to organize; they

didn't want us to communicate, but we found every way we could to communicate."

Doremus said he had no hot water for the entire length his captivity and his fellow captives endured sometimes horrific conditions; also, while the food wasn't terrible, unclean eating utensils often made the captives sick.

"You're going to have a much

better lunch today, I don't care who made it," he said.

He noted that since World War I, more than 200,000 Americans have been listed as a prisoner of war or missing in action. Of that number, more than 125,000 have never been repatriated.

Doremus said America "rolled out the red carpet for us" when

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OBITUARIES

Esther Michaline Boruszewski

Esther Michaline Boruszewski, 74, died Sept. 12. Ms. Boruszewski was retired from DSCC after 25 years of service.

Richard D. Brown

Richard D. Brown, 77, of Circleville, died Sept. 10 at St. Ann's Mt. Carmel Hospital. Mr. Brown was a U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force veteran and was a former employee at Rick-enbacker Air Force Base before retiring from the Department of Veterans Affairs, Chillicothe, Ohio.

Robert E. Denning

Robert E. Denning, 65, of Kettering, died Sept. 13. Mr. Denning was a U.S. Navy veteran, served 18 years in the Ohio Army National Guard and retired from DFAS after 22 years of service.

Ralph Roy Emrich

Ralph Roy Emrich, 88, died Sept. 15 at Mother Angeline McCrory Manor. Mr. Emrich was retired from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Reginald Felder

Reginald Felder, 41, died Sept. 6. Mr. Felder was an associate in the intern program at DLA Land and Maritime.

Ina Mae Hall

Ina Mae Hall, 86, of Lithopolis, died Sept. 20 at her residence. Ms. Hall was retired from printing and reproduction at DCSC.

Zelma M. (Thomas) 'Moochie' Hardie

Zelma M. (Thomas) "Moochie" Hardie, 69, of Dayton died Sept. 16 at Miami Valley Hospital. Ms. Hardie was a former DESC employee.

Marilyn L. Hiles

Marilyn L. Hiles, 85, of

Granville died Sept. 7 at Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus. Ms. Hiles was a former employee for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Columbus.

Cegurna M. Lewis

Cegurna M. Lewis, 83, died Sept. 9 at home. Ms. Lewis was retired from DCSC after 32 years of service.

Edward Mason Low

Edward Mason Low, 77, of Reynoldsburg, died Sept. 9. Mr. Low was retired as a computer systems analyst for the Department of Defense.

William F. Nape

William F. Nape, 79, of Columbus, died Sept. 11 at his home. Mr. Nape was a U.S. Army Reserve veteran and retired from the U.S. Department of Agriculture after 37 years of service.

Jolene Ann Pennington

Jolene Ann Pennington, 65, of Reynoldsburg, died Sept. 7 at home. Ms. Pennington was a former employee of the DLA Systems Automation Center on the DSCC installation.

Yolan T. Vukovitz

Yolan T. Vukovitz, 91, died Sept. 8 at Westminister Thurber. Mr. Vukovitz retired after 32 years at DCSC from the Procurement Division.

Norman Leon Wyndham

Norman Leon Wyndham, 89, died Sept. 6 in Washington Court House, Ohio. Mr. Wyndham was a U.S. Army veteran and was retired from DCSC after 20 years of service.

Wylie VA center has new primary care/chief of medicine chief

The Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center recently welcomed Dr. Edward T. Bope, M.D., to its professional staff.

Bope was appointed Aug. 1 as chief of Primary Care/Chief of Medicine at the center. In this capacity, Bope oversees the delivery of comprehensive, quality primary care services to central Ohio veterans, as well as veterans who seek care in the VA's four community-based outpatient clinics located in Zanesville, Grove City, Newark and Marion.

Prior to joining the VA, Bope practiced at Riverside Methodist Hospital, where he served as the residency director in family medicine since 1979. That program is recognized as being one of the best in the country, having accomplished outstanding match results and test scores. Bope also served as chief of the Medical Education Clinical Operations Council, where he had oversight of all graduate medical education programs at Riverside Methodist Hospital.

He was instrumental in the planning and building of the hospital's large simulation center, and developed training for teams and individual physicians with focus on safety and patient satisfaction. He has published several textbooks in



Dr. Edward T. Bope, M.D., is the new chief of Primary Care/Chief of Medicine at the Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center.

the area of primary care.

A graduate of The Ohio State University College of Medicine, Bope is a diplomate of the American Board of Family Medicine, and holds certificates in Adolescent Medicine and in Hospice and Palliative Care.

NEWS BRIEFS

Culture Academy sessions coming in October

The DLA Land and Maritime Culture Council will be sponsoring a Culture Academy during the month of October.

The purpose of the program is to achieve the highest levels of workforce development by reinforcing shared beliefs, values, practices and behaviors in an open forum that helps associates better understand and live the DLA Land and Maritime Way.

There will be three training sessions. Competitive Edge sessions will be held the week of Oct. 5; Organizational Culture sessions will be held the week of Oct. 12; and Diversity sessions will be held the week of Oct. 18. The deadline to register for one of each session is Sept. 29 through the Learning Management System (LMS). More information is available on Message of the Day or by calling Tanya Johnson at 614-692-2138.

Traveling wall exhibit coming to Pickerington

The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall will be on display at American Legion Post 283 in Pickerington, Ohio, Nov. 10-15. The post's Honor Guard will

host opening ceremonies at 1 p.m. Nov. 10, after which the wall will be open 24 hours a day for viewing.

This will be the wall's only visit to Ohio this year.

The Post is located at 7725 Refugee Road in Pickerington. For more information, call 614-837-0755.

State, federal agencies urge citizen preparedness

September is National Preparedness Month, a nationwide coordinated effort to encourage citizens to be prepared for emergencies. During the month, the Ohio Department of Public Safety will be leading a statewide coordinated campaign with a variety of national, state and local partners.

This year marks the seventh annual National Preparedness Month and its focus is on encouraging citizens to work together to take concrete actions toward emergency preparedness.

The campaign is an initiative of the federal Department of Homeland Security sponsored by FEMA's "Ready" campaign and Citizen Corps. Visit Ready-Ohio's web site at www.ready.ohio.gov for safety and preparedness information on incidents that typically occur in Ohio.

Carter outlines plan to help warfighters, taxpayers

By Lisa Daniel
American Forces Press Service

The Defense Department's \$400 billion-a-year system for buying goods and services is about to undergo major changes designed to save taxpayer money without affecting mission readiness, a senior Pentagon official said Sept. 14.

"We're asking you to do more without more," Ashton B. Carter, undersecretary of defense for acquisition, technology and logistics, said in a memo to his senior acquisitions staff.

Carter later outlined the plan at a news conference with Pentagon reporters. It contains 23 areas of improvement to make the department's procurement offices and defense contractors more efficient.

The procurement changes are the first detailed announcement as part of Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates' initiative, announced last month, to save \$100 billion during the next five years without negatively affecting warfighters.

Under the changes, the department is to mandate affordability in contracts and control cost growth. No longer will major weapons systems have to be cancelled after years in the making and billions of dollars in cost overruns have been spent, Gates said, speaking before Carter at the news conference.

Procurement officers will consider not only what goods and services cost, but what they should cost, Carter explained. An example is the F-35 Lightning II joint strike fighter, for which the cost estimate ballooned from \$50 million in 2002 to \$93 million this year, he said. The contractor later agreed to absorb some costs.

The SSBNX ballistic submarine, the long-range strike system, the Army's Ground Combat System, and the Marine Corps presidential helicopter all are examples of systems that are being procured



(DoD photo by R. D. Ward)

Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates (left) joins Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics Ashton Carter for a Pentagon press briefing Sept. 14 on the critical subject of acquisition reform. Carter outlined 23 specific actions which are designed to move the DoD towards a targeted \$100 billion in acquisition/procurement cost savings during the next five years.

under the new rules, at a cost of about \$200 billion, he said.

Carter used the submarine as an example of the possibility of significant cost savings, saying the new sub's price dropped from \$7 billion to \$5 billion after officials reduced the scope of the design - something he said engineers must do on the front end of projects.

The new system will reward companies that consistently deliver affordable systems on time, and those that share in any necessary cost overruns, he said.

Contractors will now have to produce systems in a specified and shorter time than has been allowed, Carter said. The contract for the F-18 Hornet fighter jet, for example, has been set at five years, allowing for better management and oversight, he said.

"These are the ways you get productivity in an industrial activity," Carter said of the changes.

In other changes, procurement

officers will:

- Eliminate redundancy in warfighter portfolios;
- Give industry incentives to reduce, rather than increase, costs;
- Put processes in place to ensure real competition;
- Require open-system architecture; and
- Increase the role of small businesses.

The changes will require particular attention to contracted services, an area that has grown substantially during the last 10 years to become a \$200 billion annual cost to the department, Carter said. "Half of our costs are for services, and we're performing worse there," he said. "It's grown so large, we simply have to manage it better."

The department also will look inward to its "unproductive bureaucratic processes," Carter said, that waste time and resources and force unnecessary costs on contractors. "We can't leave our-

selves out of this," he said. "We contribute to low productivity in the industry, and we need to step up and take responsibility for it."

Carter called the changes "very reasonable goals" that will ensure warfighters have what they need. "It's entirely possible to find \$100 billion (in savings) in the \$400 billion we spend every year in contracting," he added.

Carter vowed to be "relentless" in the implementation of the goals, which he said are very specific and measurable. He added that he will oversee progress daily and will provide progress reports to Gates monthly.

"To those who hesitate, to those who fear to go down this path, they need to consider the alternative: broken promises, cancelled programs, unpredictability and uncertainty that is bad for industry, erodes taxpayer confidence, and worst of all, results in lost warfighter capabilities," he said.

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CFC focuses on 'difference' donations make in others' lives

By Dan Bender
 DLA Land and Maritime
 Public Affairs Office

Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime associates will have an opportunity to make a difference in someone else's life during the next month by donating to charity through the Combined Federal Campaign.

"It's time for us once again to demonstrate as an organization the big hearts we have," DLA Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McClaugherty said Sept. 14 at the kickoff for this year's CFC. "We have never let the local community down and I don't think we will this year."

McClaugherty pointed out that DLA Land and Maritime associates "are blessed" as government workers.

"We have a safe place to work and we have meaningful jobs and with these jobs comes the paychecks," he said. "Those paychecks provide a tremendous ability to give."



(DLA photo by Rachel Kocin)
 Janie Bailey, president and chief executive officer of Columbus Area Inc., "Gateway to Wellness Services," was the guest speaker at the Sept. 14 CFC kickoff ceremony for DLA Land and Maritime. She discussed her agency's efforts to assist people with mental health issues.

This year's DLA Land and Maritime campaign begins Oct. 1 and ends Oct. 29. The goal for DLA Land and Maritime is \$350,000, a slight increase from last year's goal of \$340,000.

The theme for the Central Ohio and West Virginia CFC

is "The Difference Is You." Pam Franceschi, deputy director at Defense Finance and Accounting Service Columbus and chair of this year's campaign, pointed out in the official Central Ohio and West Virginia CFC video that the theme "encourages us to focus on

what we can do personally to make a difference" in others' lives through charitable donations.

"This is not the only time we give and we need to be sensitive to that," McClaugherty said, noting that some people give to their churches or other charities, "but this is a time when we can make a big impact."

"Let's have the best campaign in the history of this organization." The guest speaker was Janie Bailey, president and chief executive officer of Columbus Area Inc., "Gateway to Wellness Services," which was previously known as Columbus Area Community Mental Health Center Inc.

Her agency is one of more than 1,800 charities from which associates can choose to donate in this year's campaign, she said.

"I appreciate and am humbled to participate in this very worthwhile and humanitarian effort you are about to embark on," she said.

Bailey said her agency provides a variety of services and programs for those who need mental health care and strives to change the stigma often attached to mentally ill people. Last year, her agency served more than 3,000 people, she added.

Yvonne Mattison-Pardon, this year's DLA Land and Maritime CFC Loaned Executive, also spoke briefly. The event ended with a brief training session for campaign captains and keyworkers.

In addition to filling out pledge sheets, DSCC associates will have the opportunity to purchase food and other items at fundraising events throughout the month of October. Money raised at these sales and events goes to the CFC undesignated fund.

For more information about the 2010 CFC, contact DLA Land and Maritime CFC coordinator Joyce Bryant at 614-692-2928 or visit www.dscc.dla.mil/news/events/cfc/.

Williams

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average DLA assignment tenure is less than 10 months for Army general officers, and added that he was sorry to see Richardson depart but knew "we had another superb leader waiting in the wings."

"General Williams has had a long and distinguished career, already," Thompson told the audience of local dignitaries, military officers, suppliers, family members and Land and Maritime associates. "He also has the operational savvy, having served two years in Iraq. He is really just the perfect candidate; I didn't have to do much research to realize that the Army was truly sending us their very best."

Williams was accompanied by his daughter, a college sophomore. His wife and son will remain in Hawaii until the end of the current school year so that he can complete his senior year and graduate in the spring.

Of the outgoing commander, Thompson said, "General Richardson brings practical wisdom to everything he does. He's the per-



(DLA photo by Brian Settlage)
 New DLA Land and Maritime Commanding General Army Brig. Gen. Darrell K. Williams talks with former DSCC Operations Support Group director Ron Bayless at a post-ceremony reception in the Building 20 cafeteria.

fect choice to assume the position of running logistics in Iraq. He clearly does what is right and realistic, and what is best for the men and women who serve our nation."

Richardson will become the director of logistics for U.S. Forces-Iraq.

Thompson noted a few of Richardson's accomplishments at Land and Maritime, including a

23 percent reduction of back orders, exemplary support of the Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles and the installation's maintaining of Star status in the Voluntary Protection Program.

He presented Richardson with the Defense Superior Service Medal.

Richardson, the 22nd commander of Defense Supply Center Columbus and the first of DLA Land and Maritime, said of Williams, "DLA Land and Maritime is in great hands with a master logistician and a great leader."

Williams thanked leaders and associates for his reception and said he was honored to be next in a long line of honored commanders.

"At the core of this organization's success has always been its

people. Many commanders have come and gone, and there have been many re-organizations, but the calling card has been its reputation for excellence. I look forward to being a member of this team," he said.

In relinquishing his command, Richardson said, "I can now say that I'm a proud member of the DLA Land and Maritime family. I have been impressed each and every day of the dedication, agility and responsiveness of the workforce and the inspiring leaders of this great machine, as I like to call it. You all make it look very easy."

Richardson also thanked his wife, Marcia.

"I can definitely say that I would not be where I am today without you," he said.

DLA Command Sgt. Maj. Otis Cuffee, the DLA senior enlisted leader, assisted in the flag passing ceremony while the U.S. Army Columbus Recruiting Battalion presented the colors and the U.S. Air Force Band of Flight provided music. Robert Contino served as chaplain.

National Guard wing commander celebrates Air Force birthday

By Dan Bender
 DLA Land and Maritime Public
 Affairs Office

An Ohio Air National Guard unit based in Mansfield will field a completely new Air Force weapon platform beginning next year, according to the speaker at this year's Air Force birthday celebration on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation.

Air Force Col. Gary A. McCue is commander of the Ohio Air National Guard's 179th Airlift Wing (AW). He spoke Sept. 20 in the Building 20 auditorium as part of the celebration of the Air Force's 63rd birthday.

McCue, who became commander of the 179th AW in July, said his unit will deploy the new C-27J Spartan Joint Cargo Aircraft beginning next summer. The first of the new aircraft arrived in Mansfield earlier this month.

The 179th AW recently switched from flying the venerable C-130 Hercules to the C-27J. The change came about as a result of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure action, which had initially recommended that the 179th AW be closed altogether.

"My unit was deployed overseas when we found out we were scheduled to close," McCue said.

As a result of lobbying by local, state and national community and government leaders, the 179th Airlift Wing was saved but given a new mission of flying C-27J Spartans.

"We secured the mission," he said. "This is the first airframe platform fielded solely in the Air National Guard."

The 179th AW is partnering with another unit in Battle Creek, Mich., to prepare for the upcoming deployment next summer. It is



(DLA photos by Chuck Morris)

Helping Air Force Col. Gary McCue (center) cut the cake at the Air Force birthday celebration were the junior airman present, Staff Sgt. Matt Smith (left) and the senior airman present, retiree Ed Morast, president of the Ohio Memorial Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen. McCue was the featured speaker at the Sept. 20 celebration.

competing with another Air National Guard unit in Mississippi to be the official training unit for the C-27J.

"It's very, very challenging what we're up against, but it's exciting," McCue said. "We could have closed; we could have given up, but we didn't."

DLA Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McLaugherty, a retired Air Force colonel, thanked McCue for his remarks.

"It's exciting to know that we have a new weapon system right up the road," he said.

He noted that today's Air Force and Air National Guard reach globally to project American supremacy in air power.

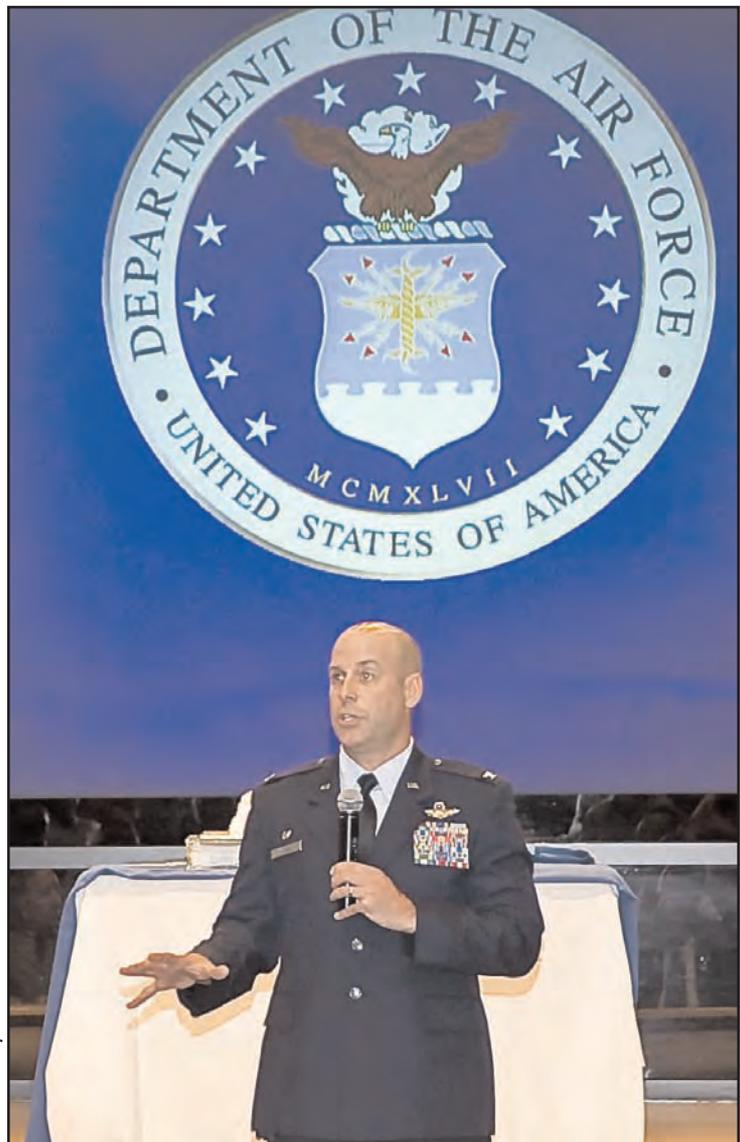
"When mission success is need-

ed, our nation's leaders can turn to the Air Force with confidence," he said.

The ceremony also included a traditional cake cutting. McCue was assisted by the junior airman present, Staff Sgt. Matt Smith and the senior airman present, retiree Ed Morast, president of the Ohio Memorial Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen.

Also recognized at the beginning of the celebration were special guests including Whitehall Mayor John Wolfe, Col. Dave Winters, commander of the Ohio Civil Air Patrol, members of the Ohio Memorial Chapter of the Tuskegee

Airmen and Central Ohio USO members.



Air Force Col. Gary McCue, commander of the Ohio Air National Guard's 179th Airlift Wing in Mansfield, Ohio, discusses his unit's new mission of flying C-27J Spartan joint cargo aircraft during the Sept. 20 Air Force birthday celebration on the DSCC installation.



DLA Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McLaugherty (right), a retired Air Force colonel, presents a memento of appreciation to Air Force birthday celebration speaker Air Force Col. Gary McCue following his remarks to the audience. On the left is DLA Land and Maritime Chief of Staff Air Force Col. Dan Hicks.

Training for staff is high priority for new DSCC fire chief

By Tony D'Elia
DLA Land and Maritime
Public Affairs Office

Ken Pence hopes that no one ever has to call 911, but when they do he wants all associates to know that there are qualified and talented firefighters ready to help.

Pence has been fire chief for just the last six months for Defense Supply Center Columbus Fire and Emergency Services. Coming from the Army's Fort Lee in Virginia, where he served the last five years as deputy fire chief, Pence sees a lot of challenges ahead for him and his staff.

"It's not just firefighting anymore," the 43-year-old chief said. "Firefighting is changing constantly. Our guys could be fighting a building fire and five min-

utes later they could be handling a medical emergency."

Continued training is high on the new chief's priority list and he would like to see completion of a training tower on the installation for his department. Training on such a structure would sharpen his staff's rescue skills under the adage that, "How you train is how you fight."

DSCC firefighters are not only called upon to serve as firefighters, they are skilled and trained as paramedics, technical rescuers, hazardous material responders, and as instructors of life safety fire prevention techniques.

They also participate in mass casualty planning, training and life safety inspections. All this takes a lot of training and constant re-training to main-

tain the staff's unique skill proficiency levels.

"They can't predict. They can only prepare," Pence said of his 37 personnel who staff the fire department, fire prevention branch, emergency dispatch center and installation emergency planning section. "Your emergency starts when it happens and it ends when we get there."

Pence comes from a Navy family. Although he was born in Hawaii, he claims San Diego, Calif., as his hometown. He enlisted in the Army in 1985 and ironically, his first assignment took him back to Hawaii. That's where he began his firefighting career. Since then he has earned his paramedic certification and applied science degrees in both fire science and emergency medical services technology.

The chief, who resides in Canal Winchester with his wife and two daughters, ages 12 and 14, urges associates to be fire safe at home, too.

"Have an evacuation plan. Use smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors, and if you have any question, don't hesitate to call us, we are here for you," he said.



(DLA photo by Tony D'Elia)

Ken Pence has been the fire chief on the DSCC installation for about six months, arriving from Fort Lee, Va. Training and maintaining readiness are among his priorities for his staff.

IT'S A DATE

September 2010

Hispanic Heritage Month

Sept. 30 - DLA Land and Maritime Culture Council Talent Showcase, 11:30 a.m., Building 20 auditorium

October 2010

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Disability Awareness Month

National Red Ribbon Campaign

Oct. 1 - DLA Land and Maritime Combined Federal Campaign begins

Oct. 6 - Hispanic Heritage Month program,

10 a.m., Building 20 Buckeye Room

Oct. 11 - Columbus Day observance

Oct. 13 - U.S. Navy's 235th birthday

Oct. 15 - American Red Cross Blood Drive, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Building 20 basement, C6 South

Oct. 15 - National Boss Day

Oct. 16 - Sweetest Day

Oct. 19 - DLA Director's Call, 1 p.m., Building 20 auditorium

Oct. 29 - Armed Services Blood Program Blood drive, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Building 20 basement, C6 South

Oct. 31 - Halloween

Oct. 31 - DSCC Combined Federal Campaign ends

Raytheon visit ushers in new era of strategic alliances

By John Foreman
 DLA Land and Maritime
 Public Affairs

An Aug. 26 visit in Columbus between senior leaders of the Defense Logistics Agency and executives of Raytheon Corporation set the stage for enhancing and advancing the strategic alliance between DLA and Raytheon.

Chaired by DLA Land and Maritime Commanding General Army Brig. Gen. Thomas Richardson, the meeting initiated efforts to identify and develop future strategic alliances with the DLA enterprise.

The strategic alliance between Raytheon and DLA was first chartered in March 2004 by then DLA Director Vice Adm. Keith Lippert and Raytheon vice president for contracts John Harris.

The alliance was developed to improve customer support, quality program management and integra-

tion, procurement activities and engineering to improve support to the warfighter.

The original alliance set up a center of excellence at Raytheon to measure and improve the acquisition process, improve communications, enhance stakeholder relationships and the stakeholders' mission capability.

Before the alliance, DLA historically had a difficult time dealing with Raytheon on consumable items where quantities were low and demands were sporadic. In addition, a lot of these items were considered "large spends," said Donna Ramsey of DLA Land and Maritime.

The 2004 alliance improved the relationship by tracking these items. It expedited procurement issues and improved the business relationship.

For the last six years, the Raytheon center of excellence continued to monitor and enhance efforts in these areas and studied



(Raytheon photo)

Raytheon's Firefinder radar system is an example of a weapon system the new Raytheon/DLA strategic support alliance will enhance. The system automatically locates enemy mortars, artillery and rocket launchers allowing for pinpoint counterattack fire.

ways to provide avenues for new and enhanced alliance efforts.

The recent meeting followed the DLA Enterprise Suppliers Conference and was focused on Raytheon's study with the theme of "One DLA and One Raytheon." The meeting was attended by enterprise senior leaders such as Yvette Burke, executive director, Contracting and Acquisition Management at DLA Aviation, Milton Lewis, executive director, Contracting and Acquisition Management at DLA Land and Maritime, and members of the DLA procurement community.

During the meeting, the new enhancements were discussed, reviewed and exchanged and a decision was made to reset the alliance for new mutual opportunities.

"The relationship between DLA and Raytheon is critical for our warfighters. This new 'One DLA and One Raytheon' mindset between the two organizations will help improve support we are providing our military over the long term," Lewis

said. "We really appreciate the spirit of cooperation and teamwork that senior leaders from Raytheon have made."

"We value our partnership with DLA and we are committed to providing the warfighter with high-quality products," said Keith Cooper, director of logistics services for Raytheon Technical Services Company.

Recent Base Realignment and Closure decisions have a major influence with the alliance reset. Due to BRAC decisions, DLA now deals with more than just consumables. DLA now purchases Depot Level Repairables which encompass a lot of Raytheon parts. In fiscal 2009, this entailed more than \$438 million.

"Redefining or resetting our strategic alliance is a shift in the way Raytheon and DLA will partner in the future. It is an exciting and defining moment for both organizations," Lewis said.

Ramsey noted that the Raytheon leadership is fully in accord with these efforts because a lot of Raytheon cage codes are involved with this reset. There are 24 cage codes representing Raytheon sites in 12 states

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(J6C photo by J. Spencer Denison)

Tindall selected J6C Employee of the Month for September

Carol Tindall (right) was named J6C's Employee of the Month for September. J6C Director Susan VanMeter recently presented the award. Tindall is a project analyst within the J6C Business Services Branch providing project tracking and analysis support to several project managers who manage EBS software development and local infrastructure technology projects. Besides providing project support, Tindall recently was instrumental in the successful completion of a project management process improvement event and served as the Green Belt facilitator. She has been a federal employee for 36 years.

Mentoring program associates expand contacts during mixer

From the DLA Land and Maritime Human Performance Division

Associates in the Level I and Level II mentoring programs met together Aug. 30 for the first time in program history to kick off what hopes to be a new tradition for both programs - The Level I and II Mentoring Mixer. The mixer focused on the core competency and importance of networking.

The event was organized and led by mentees Emelie Deslauriers, Elizabeth DeBolt and Amanda Johnson from Level I and Angela Wood and Travis Fugate from Level II.

The purpose of the mixer was to give Level I and Level II mentors and mentees a chance to network with associates throughout Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime. Prior to the first activity at the mixer, the audience was reminded of the importance of networking and how it allows a person to make connections that can advance and enhance their current career.

Mentors and mentees participated in two networking activities during the event.

The first activity was called "Speed Networking." Mentors and mentees were strategically seated in rows where another participant was seated directly in front of them. Participants on the outside rows were instructed to remain seated the entire time. Participants on the inside rows were directed to move to their right after each two-minute speed networking round.

Mentors and mentees had a fun, fast-paced opportunity to meet others and spark new networking matches and relationships at DLA.

There were several positive results from the networking activity. Participants expanded their networks by passing out business cards to individuals that they really made connections with. They also learned what others do

outside of their own disciplines while exchanging useful and helpful knowledge about DLA. Finally, connections were created that could lead to mentoring opportunities in the future, as well as provide guidance after the mentoring program has been completed. These connections were continued as the event moved into the lunch portion of the Networking Mixer.

After lunch, participants returned to the Buckeye Room with the "networking matches" found during the first activity. Additionally, several mentors from both Level I and II volunteered to be stationed around the room to provide continued mixing and networking.

Mentors and mentees who did not find a "match" had an opportunity to sit with mentors from either level and discuss job roles, opportunities and other topics over lunch.

The event began with comments from Corporate Intern Program chief Robert Boggs, who stressed the importance of networking to the mentors and mentees and that networking is a great tool for human development and performance enhancement.

Boggs also affirmed that networking is an excellent way to build relationships, and he encouraged all the mentors and mentees to develop an action plan for relationship building.

He also emphasized that associates should develop their action plan for rela-

tionship building by (1) bringing their unique self, (2) being the change that they want to see in the world, (3) associating with positive people, (4) spending time with friends and family, (5) being mentors to and being mentored by others, (6) being a positive politician, listening - knowledge speaks, but wisdom listens, and final-

ly, (7) networking all the time.

Boggs concluded his speech by recommending two books by Keith Ferrazzi with regards to networking and relationships: *Never Eat Alone: And Other Secrets to Success, One Relationship at a Time* and *Who's Got Your Back: The Breakthrough Program to Build Deep, Trusting Rela-*

tionships That Create Success-and Won't Let You Fail.

The organizers thanked all who participated and volunteered their time and expressed appreciation to program managers Alessia Payne (Level I) and Lisa Waldron (Level II) for their continued support during the planning and execution of the mixer.



(DLA photos by Rachel Kocin)

Above, Mentees and mentors are participate in the speed networking activity during mentoring mixer held Aug. 30 in the Building 20 Buckeye Room. The event gave Level I and Level II mentors and mentees a chance to network with associates throughout Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime. Below, members of the Networking Mixer planning committee were (from left) Travis Fugate, Lisa Waldron, Angela Wood, Elizabeth Debolt, Alessia Payne and Emelie Deslauriers. Not pictured is Amanda Johnson.





(Photos by Marshall Fukuki)

Navy Cmdr. Donald Tyer (right) receives the DLA flag from DLA Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McClaugherty during an Aug. 27 change of command ceremony at DLA Maritime Pearl Harbor. Tyer became commander of DLA Maritime Pearl Harbor, taking over from outgoing commander Navy Cmdr. Roberto Magallano (left).

Tyer assumes command of DLA Maritime Pearl Harbor

By Dan Bender
 DLA Land and Maritime Public Affairs Office

Navy Cmdr. Donald Tyer became the commander of Defense Logistics Agency Maritime Pearl Harbor during an Aug. 27 change of command ceremony.

DLA Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McClaugherty presided over the ceremony, which was held in the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Auditorium.

Tyer, a North Carolina native, didn't have to travel far to assume the reins at DLA Maritime Pearl Harbor; he arrived from a tour at the U.S. Pacific Command working in the Logistics, Engineering and Security Assistance Directorate (J4).



Navy Cmdr. Donald Tyer smiles during an Aug. 27 change of command ceremony during which he became commander of DLA Maritime Pearl Harbor.

Tyer said he feels "extremely fortunate" to be entrusted with the responsibility in running DLA's Maritime support detachment at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard.

"DLA Maritime Pearl Harbor is involved with many facets of transition in a demanding environment," he said. "We will maintain our motto of 'One Team, One Focus' and strive to maintain and improve our excellent service to the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard."

He replaces Navy Cmdr. Roberto Magallano, who departed to be base supply officer at the Fleet Industrial Supply Center Yokosuka site at Diego Garcia.

McClaugherty noted that as DLA Maritime Pearl Harbor's first commander, Magallano was "the glue" behind all the transfer actions that occurred in bringing the detachment into the DLA family in April.

"Without his guidance and expertise, the transfer would not have gone as smoothly as it did, especially when it occurred thousands of miles away from Columbus, Ohio," McClaugherty said.

McClaugherty also said Tyer will be an asset to DLA as commander.

"His record is impressive and displays his strong abilities and an affinity to meet mission and customer requirements in a timely and precise manner," he said.

Red Cross, Armed Services Blood Program sharing installation drives

The Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health Office has released the blood drive schedule for fiscal 2011 on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation.

The blood drives are on pay day Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. for Red Cross drives and 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for Armed Services Blood Program drives in the basement of Building 20, Pod C, Room 006 (the former location of the central mailroom). The only exceptions are Nov. 9 and 23 and Dec. 21, which are Tuesdays.

Appointments to donate at a Red Cross blood drive can be scheduled by

calling 614-251-1451 or online at www.redcrossblood.org.

Appointment for the Armed Services Blood Program should be scheduled online through Wright-Patterson Air Force Base at <https://www.militarydonor.com>. The calendar program will send an email immediately and then a reminder one week before the appointment. More information about the ASBP is available by calling 937-257-0580.

The blood donor program coordinator for the DSCC installation is Kara Mettelle. She can be reached at 614-692-3964.

DSCC Blood Donor Schedule (FY 2011)

Oct. 15	ARC
Oct. 29	ASBP
Nov. 9	ASBP
Nov. 23	ARC
Dec. 10	ASBP
Dec. 21	ARC
Jan. 7	ASBP
Jan. 21	ASBP
Feb. 4	ARC
Feb. 18	ASBP
March 4	ARC
March 18	ASBP
April 1	ARC
April 15	ARC
April 29	ASBP
May 13	ARC
May 27	ASBP
June 10	ARC
June 24	ASBP
July 8	ARC
July 22	ASBP
Aug. 5	ARC
Aug. 19	ASBP
Sept. 2	ARC
Sept. 16	ASBP
Sept. 30	ASBP

ARC = American Red Cross

ASBP = Armed Services Blood Program

New system at DLA Maritime Puget Sound helps workers

By Julianne Schmidt
DLA Maritime Puget Sound

An automated system located at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard is lightening the load for Defense Logistics Agency workers there.

The Material Automated Rack System (MARS) is located at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility Building 857, Shop 17 Sheet Metal Fabrication in Bremerton.

It is a fully automated system that is capable of performing highly intricate cuts and designs required by the shipyard. Loading materials into racks, programming work, and the actual cutting are controlled by an integrated computer with two terminals.

The MARS has the capability to perform tasks non-stop or until material stowed in its integrated racks is exhausted while utilizing a powerful preci-



(Photo courtesy of DLA Maritime Puget Sound)

The Material Automated Rack System (MARS) at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility Building is used to make anything the shipyard or a ship needs that requires precision sheet metal fabrication.

sion laser that enables cuts as small as a needle.

DLA Maritime Puget Sound employee Mike Wright said the system is used to make "anything

and everything out of sheet metal."

"The shop makes a lot of ventilation, lockers, label plates, smaller-gauged structural components,

etc.," he said. "Anything the shipyard or a ship needs that requires sheet metal fabrication will most likely start at this system."

The Defense Logistics Agency and PSNS and IMF

benefit from MARS being automated and more ergonomic.

In the past, the metal sheets, some weighing more than 200 pounds, were stowed and issued one at a time from lean-to racks by hand. Each stow and issue was a manual function for which DLA Maritime Puget Sound material handlers had to use body force and stock pickers.

Loading metal sheets by fork truck eliminates this procedure and reduces injuries due to strain. It also reduces the number of times material is physically handled.

The material in the MARS is ready for issue 24 hours a day. The MARS is a much faster system, which drastically speeds up the process from acquiring materials to final product. The computer controlled laser, with its fine cutting abilities, reduces material waste as it makes cuts more precisely. These precise cuts are a

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(DLA photo by Rachel Kocin)

Land Customer Ops Marine receives DLA award

Marine Corps Gunnery Sgt. Donald Pastorcich (right) receives a DLA Meritorious Service Award from DLA Land and Maritime Land Customer Operations director Army Col. Jeff Vieira for his work as a universal customer account specialist while deployed to Kuwait and Afghanistan from October to March in support of operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Pastorcich's efforts included expediting the acquisition and delivery of material for more than 60 MRAP vehicle stock numbers, which led to the fulfillment of more than 300 backorders that were preventing MRAPs from operating and protecting soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines from harm. He was a finalist for the Central Ohio Serviceperson of the Year Award at this year's Armed Forces Day luncheon for his work overseas and as a customer account specialist in Land Customer Operations, along with his involvement in numerous community and charity organizations.

Raytheon

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and Great Britain.

Areas under review for expansion under the new alliance are for DLA to investigate ways to expand a 14-day window on PACE, improve award rates and times, prevent solicitation of items already on long term contract, and address decreased Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity procurements.

For Raytheon, areas to review are the improvement of quotation response times on price pending, request for price and request for quotations, the improvement of long delivery times, the price differences from different Raytheon divisions versus the long term contract, and administrative lead time and production lead time improvements.

The center of excellence at Raytheon will monitor and record the developments with realistic expectations and a com-

mon understanding of processes and responsibilities for both organizations.

One example of a weapon system that the reset alliance between the two organizations will enhance is the Firefinder radar system. The Firefinder is a medium range weapon locating radar that automatically locates enemy mortars, artillery and rocket launchers, allowing for pinpoint counter fire. Additional large Raytheon weapon system examples supported by DLA are the F-18 Hornet and the Patriot missile system.

For the future, the new alliance will also be looking for more Raytheon items that are not on long-term contracts to add them to a contract to streamline operations.

The goal is to recognize savings for both organizations while improving support to the warfighter.

Superhero emerges to win humorous speech contest

By Dan Bender
 DLA Land and Maritime
 Public Affairs Office

Superman himself showed up Sept. 8 at Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime to win the annual Toastmasters Club's annual humorous speech contest.

Actually, "Superman" was DLA Land and Maritime BRAC Office chief Don Schulze, replete with red cape under his suit coat and a famous "S" logo shirt under his dress shirt.

Schulze won the contest with his five-minute speech about his boyhood love of super heroes, including Superman and Batman and Robin, and how he wanted to grow up to be a superhero.

Although that didn't happen, Schulze noted that he does enjoy his current work to support the nation's warfighters, who he said "are our true heroes."

Other Humorous Speech contest participants included Land Customer Operations associate Edwin Robinson, who talked about the funny things his young granddaughter says, and Maritime Supplier Operations associate Tom Collins, who talked about humorous aspects of birds and his enjoyment of birdwatching.



(DLA photos by Rachel Kocin)
 DLA Land and Maritime BRAC Office chief Don Schulze (right) receives the trophy for winning the DSCC Toastmasters Club's annual Humorous Speech contest from contest chair Sean Delorenzo. Schulze talked about his boyhood love of superheroes.

The day's other winner was Maritime Customer Operations associate Karen Bernard, who won the Table Topics contest with a short story involving her run-in with a hog on her family's farm as a child.

In the Table Topics contest, each contestant receives the same question and has to provide a one-to two-minute response on the spot. The question was "Describe a time when something funny happened in your life."

The other two contestants

were Collins, who talked about a time when he accidentally sprayed himself in the face with a water hose, and Land Supplier Operations associate Mike O'Rourke, who mentioned that humor is around us all the time and that we need to learn how to laugh at ourselves.

"We had a lot of great speeches today," contest chair and club member Sean Delorenzo said after the contest was finished.

He said the two winners would represent the DSCC



Maritime Customer Operations associate Karen Bernard receives a trophy for winning the Table Topics contest from contest chair Sean Delorenzo at the Toastmasters Club's Sept. 8 speech contest meeting.

Toastmasters Club at a Sept. 18 speech contest involving a number of other clubs from central Ohio.

The chief judge for the contests was Gene Ebert, while other judges were Andrea Askew, Frank Chi, Joe Hrabek, Karl Hinch and Pat Shields. The timers were Carl Dello-Stritto and Eloise Prentiss and the ballot counters were Toye Thomas and John Chenault.

The goal of Toastmasters is to help associates develop their communication and leadership skills.

The DSCC Toastmasters Club 3500 AGOISSI (A Group of Individuals Seeking Self Improvement) meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

Since its founding in 1924, Toastmasters International has helped four million men and women develop their public speaking skills and become confident communicators at work and at home. Headquartered in southern California, the organization has about 200,000 members and 9,300 clubs in 80 countries.



Contestants in the Toastmasters Humorous Speech contest were (from left) DLA Land and Maritime associates Edwin Robinson, Don Schulze and Tom Collins.



In addition to Karen Bernard, other participants in the Table Topics contest were DLA Land and Maritime associates Tom Collins (left) and Mike O'Rourke.

POW/MIA

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he was released in February 1973 during Operation Homecoming. "They treated us better than most of the other Vietnam veterans," he said.

Following his release, Doremus served on active duty as commanding officer of three separate commands in Navy recruiting and training of Naval Reservists until his retirement in 1986 after 31 years of service. He is a 1999 inductee in the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame.

In introducing Doremus, Rebecca Beck, director of accounting operations at Defense Finance and Accounting Service Columbus, thanked the former POWs in attendance.

"You are a testament to the strength and character of the American people," she said.

In his opening remarks, Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McClagherty said the ceremony signifies the



Navy Capt. Rob Doremus (Ret.) talks about some of his experiences as a prisoner of war in north Vietnam for more than seven years during the Sept. 17 POW/MIA commemoration ceremony on the DSCC installation. Listening on the left is DLA Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McClagherty.

(DLA photos by Chuck Morris)

country's commitment to its POW/MIAs that they

will not be forgotten.

"We will make a determined effort to bring all our soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines home from battle, alive or dead, and to return, recover and repatriate our nation's war heroes," he said. "Finding our missing is an obligation we owe to those who serve and to their families

- past, present and future."

McClagherty said "the sun never sets on the POW/MIA recovery mission."

"No matter what time it is here in Columbus, somewhere in the world, someone is working to find out what happened to missing Americans and to

bring them home," he said.

Emcee Army Master Sgt. Bob Mullins (Ret.) asked the POWs in attendance to stand and be recognized by the audience at the beginning of the ceremony.

"We applaud you and thank you for the sacrifice you made for our country," he said.

The Ohio State University Air Force ROTC Arnold Air Society Detachment 645 performed the symbolic "Table of Remembrance," while members of VFW #3761 provided the 21-rifle salute for the ceremony.

DLA Land and Maritime associate

Annette Peaks sang the national anthem, DFAS Columbus employee Derek Brown sang "God Bless America," and the Columbus Police and Fire Pipes and Drums performed "Amazing Grace." DLA Land and Maritime chaplain liaison and Army Maj. Dan Law (Ret.) gave the invocation.



A color guard from VFW #1388 in Buckeye Lake, Ohio, presents the colors at the beginning of the POW/MIA ceremony on the DSCC installation. The ceremony was held in the Weapons Park pavilion.



Members of the Ohio State University Air Force ROTC Arnold Air Society Detachment 645 perform the symbolic "Table of Remembrance" ceremony during the POW/MIA commemoration.

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- 1 Audition tapes
- 6 Lather
- 10 Fly catchers
- 14 Fix to suit
- 15 Loafing
- 16 Lyre cousin
- 17 Eavesdropped (2 wds.)
- 19 Chills
- 20 Be my guest!
- 21 Rathskeller fare
- 22 Minotaur's island
- 23 "The — of the Lake"
- 24 Mr. Hitchcock
- 25 Round object
- 28 Dilly
- 30 Veld grazer
- 31 Does biology lab
- 35 — lang syne
- 36 Brief appearance
- 37 Hideous giant
- 39 Got ripe
- 41 Darts about
- 42 Holm and Fleming
- 43 Veggy sponges
- 44 Involuntary movement
- 48 Serve the coffee
- 49 Adds to staff
- 50 Wear the crown
- 52 Car grill cover
- 55 Purpose
- 56 Worked out (2 wds.)
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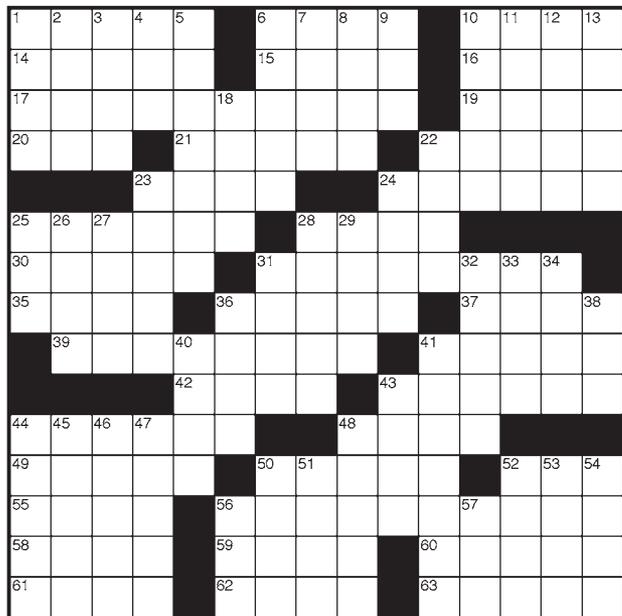


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- 13 Hasten
- 18 Art-class model
- 22 Gumshoe's find
- 23 McEnroe foe
- 24 What is more
- 25 Narwhal home
- 26 Purple shade
- 27 — and hearty
- 28 Rickey fruits
- 29 Pre-owned
- 31 Break of day
- 32 Do a salon job
- 33 Happy-hour letters
- 34 Mlle. in Barcelona
- 36 Persuade
- 38 Hairpin curve
- 40 Untruths
- 41 Run aground
- 43 Theater box
- 44 Horned animal
- 45 Diving duck
- 46 Jacques, in song
- 47 Goes first
- 48 Conduits
- 50 Hayseed
- 51 Give off, as rays
- 52 Mold-ripened cheese
- 53 Granite or quartz
- 54 Aardvark's diet
- 56 Fireworks noise
- 57 — been robbed!

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- 2 Falco of "The Sopranos"
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CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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Previous solution: "DIVIDE EACH DIFFICULTY INTO AS MANY PARTS AS IS FEASIBLE AND NECESSARY TO RESOLVE IT." - RENE DESCARTES

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SPORTS AND LEISURE



(DLA photo by Jeff Bills)

DES team wins FEA golf tournament

Holding the rotating trophy for winning this year's Federal Executive Association of Columbus and Central Ohio golf tournament are members of the DLA Installation Support at Columbus team (from left) Jim Homce, John Yinger and Todd Sadler. Team member Kenny Youn was not present for the photo. The first-place team had a score of 12 under par (58). Finishing in second place at 10 under par (60) was a team from the HUD Columbus Field Office comprised of Tom Leach, Ken Hamilton, Barry Roberts and Rob Milburn. In third place at nine under par (61) was a team from DISA comprised of Rob Reed, Eric Frazier, Keith Mooney and Brent Storm. This was the 9th annual FEA tournament, organized by Eagle Eye Golf Course pro Jeff Bills and Barry Roberts of HUD. A total of 11 teams participated this year, nearly double last year's field of six teams. The teams represented DFAS Columbus, DLA Human Resources Center, DISA, DLA Installation Support, the U.S. Department of Labor, DLA Land and Maritime, HUD, the U.S. Postal Service and VA.

MWR Office unveils revamped website

By Michelle J. Young
DFAS Corporate Communications

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation Office on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation is re-launching its website, www.dsccmwr.com, in late September to increase communication and interaction with its military and civilian customers.

The revamped website will attempt to provide up-to-the-minute information and allow customers direct access to key MWR staff members. A new "Meet the Manager" section will let customers e-mail MWR Facility and program managers, including those at the Eagle Eye Golf Course, Fitness Center and the Information Ticketing and

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(DLA photo)

MWR marketing manager Jennifer Russell (left) and marketing assistant Dana Thornbury will be celebrating the re-launch of its website, www.dsccmwr.com, in order to increase communication and interaction with its military and civilian customers.



(Photo courtesy of Hispanic Employment Program)

Hispanic associates at DLA Land and Maritime recently welcomed new Hispanic interns to the workforce. Pictured are (front row from left) Felipe Medina Cintrón, Martín Hernández López, John Ramos, Angel González and Marizela Marín-Giraud; (second row from left) Shaelene Seda Vargas, Ana Victoria Cardona, Hispanic Employment Program coordinator Ana Paez-Vallejo, Waleska Rodríguez Díaz, Cheryl Carrasquillo, Hispanic Employment Program manager María Buch Castillo, Yirha Torres-Cruz, Mariflor De La Cruz Villalba, Mislín A. Pérez-Fernández, Freddie J. Vázquez, Armando Gonzáles-Ruberte, Maramcel Rivera and Itziar Igartua-Vázquez; and (back row from left) Mario Alonso, Gerardo Dávila, Marina Matos, Gabriel Santiago, Francisco Bermúdez, Natalya Radik, Ian Vega, Edgardo Felix, Iván Badillo, Francisco Cruz, José Arvelo, John Nazario and Heriberto Chacón Jr.

Discussion, display part of Hispanic Heritage Month observation

By Mislín Aslín Pérez-Fernández
DLA Land and Maritime Hispanic Employment Program

The Hispanic Employment Program (HEP) is proud to invite all Defense Logistics Agency associates to join in the celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

During this month, the past, present and future influence of Hispanic Americans is recognized in our nation and society. Individuals and families who arrived from Spain and Latin American countries have and continue to make a positive impact in their communities.

This year's theme is "Heritage, Diversity, Integrity and Honor: The Renewed Hope of America (Herencia, Diversidad, Integridad y Honor: La renovada esperanza de América)."

The HEP display, created by Mariflor De La Cruz Villalba and

Curtis Payne, is a visual representation of each word in the theme: Heritage -family/Hispanic traditions, Diversity - DLA civilian workforce, Integrity - One DLA, and Honor - the warfighter. The display is located in the cabinets outside the Building 20 cafeteria.

The HEP is coordinating other activities in conjunction with Hispanic Heritage Month. One of them is a panel discussion that will include four women from the local community as well as Charles Palmer, the DLA Land and Maritime Equal Employment Opportunity manager, and Derek Saunders, account specialist, DLA Human Resources Center. This event is scheduled for Oct. 6 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Building 20 Buckeye Room.

The local Hispanic panelists will present a response to a pre-submitted question relative to their unique perspective of the local Hispanic community. They are

Guadalupe Velázquez (Mexican-Cuban descent), New American coordinator for Columbus Mayor Michael Coleman; Lilleana Calderon-Cavanaugh (Costa Rican descent), director of the Ohio Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs; Victoria Nunes (Venezuelan descent), community affairs marketing specialist for Fifth Third Bank and secretary of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Columbus; and Cristina Villacinda-Farr (Venezuelan descent), president/CEO of Empleos and Employment Inc.

Audience members will be able to participate in the discussion with their own questions as well as to taste Latin coffee and snacks.

The observation of Hispanic Heritage Month started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson, and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to a 30-

day period starting Sept. 15 and ending Oct. 15.

The day of Sept. 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on Sept. 16 and Sept. 18, respectively. Columbus Day, or Día de la Raza, which is Oct. 12, falls within this 30-day period.

Today, there are more Hispanics in the United States than there are in Spain. Mexico and Colombia are the only nations with larger Hispanic populations than the U.S. In 1970, there were 9.6 million Hispanics in the U.S., according to the Census Bureau. By 2000, the number of Hispanics had grown to 35.5 million, or 12 1/2 percent of the total U.S. population. In 2006, the Bureau

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New website

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Reservations office, with questions or feedback.

MWR marketing manager Jennifer Russell envisions the site as "a one-stop shop" for associates on the installation.

"We'll provide information about MWR events and programs, along with important base-wide information like closures, announcements and weather warnings," she said. "We support the entire installation - associates, tenants and contractors, so we encourage everybody to participate in the new site."

Users will be able to search for all facility events and MWR managers will have the ability to update content live to the minute, so information is always fresh.

This spring, MWR developed new Facebook and Twitter pages to support the website. Since starting the initiative in May, there are more than 200 users on Facebook who "like" the page.

In addition to the technology updates, the MWR Office, in conjunction with the Civilian Welfare Council, has been involved in plenty of summer programming this year. Some of the popular events this summer have included Free Golf Week, discounted Ohio State Fair tickets and MWR Live Lunches. The Live Lunches were a new program in which associates could enjoy live music and discounted lunches at the Weapons Park pavilion. Because of the success of the two Live Lunches, the MWR Office is already planning more for next summer.

Marketing assistant Dana Thornbury joined the MWR Marketing Department in March and has been a key contributor to the new online marketing efforts, including assisting with the development of the new website, and developing the Facebook and Twitter pages, along with supporting general marketing.

MARS

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financial benefit, as more of the metal sheet is used.

The MARS is equipped with its own self feeding 48-slot racking system that houses sheets of metal not to exceed 5-feet by 10-feet or 4,000 pounds per slot. Sheets of metal are loaded onto steel skids by DLA Maritime Puget Sound material handlers with a forklift and located with the racking system portion of MARS.

The DLA material handlers then update the sheet metal specifications in the MARS database. Information includes type, size and quantity of sheets located specifically on any of the 48 racks on one database terminal. This database terminal maintains an accurate account of material as identified by the DLA material handlers.

As the shop requests materials via the second database terminal, the material is automatically pulled from location and placed on the cutter. Cuts are made according to mechanic specifications. The remaining sheets are automatically returned to the racking system and inventory is calculated based on the Shop 17 mechanics' material request. MARS maintains an accurate account of material inventory.

Hispanic

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estimated the Hispanic population at 44.3 million, 15 percent of the total. During a single year, from July 1, 2005, to July 1, 2006, the Hispanic population added 1.4 million people, accounting for half of the total increase in population during that period. By the year 2050, the Census Bureau predicts, Hispanics will represent one-fourth of the U.S. population. Here at DLA Land and Maritime, the total workforce in 2010 is 2,401 (1,315 male and 1,086 female), of which 55 (31 male and 24 female) are Hispanic or Latino.

In the proclamation for the National Hispanic Heritage Month, President Barack Obama mentions that Hispanics are leaders in all aspects of our national life, from the Supreme Court and halls of Congress to boardrooms and Main Streets. Across America, Hispanics protect neighborhoods as police officers and first responders, guide young people as teachers and mentors, and boost economic growth as business owners and operators. As members of the armed forces, heroic Hispanic men and women have also fought and died to defend the liberties and security of the United States in every war since the American Revolution.

National Hispanic Heritage Month is a special time to raise public awareness for the accomplishments of Hispanic Americans. María Buch Castillo and John Nazario are featured as "Outstanding Hispanic Associates" in the current issue of DLA Logpoints. In addition, the Sept. 15 issue of the Voice featured an article about DLA Land and Maritime associate Frances

Quiñones and her work as the DLA Area Representative at DLA Support Team-Kosovo, Camp Bondsteel.

For more information, call HEP manager María Buch Castillo at 614-69-9704 or HEP coordinator Ana Paez-Vallejo at 614-692-7347.

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