



(DLA photo by Chuck Morris)

Shari Hutchinson (right), manager of the DLA Land and Maritime Family Advocacy Program, and DFAS Columbus employee Angelique Oberhauser sort through the donated items to be put in "care" packages for deployed warfighters during a Nov. 3 Holiday Care Packaging Project sponsored by the Deployed Family Support Group on the DSCC installation.

## Volunteers complete holiday care packaging project for warfighters

Twenty U.S. warfighters will receive a "care" package for the holidays thanks to the recent efforts of volunteers and donors on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation.

During a Nov. 3 "Holiday Care Packaging Project" event sponsored by the Deployed Family Support Group, 15 volunteers worked from 3 to 6 p.m. to package supplies and treats from home and ship them to loved ones deployed overseas.

Nancy Wade, a DLA Training Center Columbus employee who coordinates the support group, expressed her appreciation to the volunteers for their efforts.

"The packaging effort was a great success and I want to thank all of the volunteers who donated their time and energy after hours to help address, pack and ship care packages to our warfighters," she said.

The volunteers finished 20 boxes with  
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## DLA associates recoup \$1.6 million in overpayments to defense vendor

A group of Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime associates worked together to recoup more than \$1.6 million of taxpayer money after uncovering a pricing error that led to overpayments to a defense contractor.

Michael Tarkett, a division chief in Maritime Supplier Operations at DLA Land and Maritime Philadelphia, said Maritime supply planner Joe Selsky uncovered an overpayment issue in April involving a long-term contract with a large defense contractor. There was an error in the outline agreement involving the unit of issue and the unit price for a gasket (Federal Stock Class 5330) under long-term contract.

The item is used on medium and light tactical vehicles, primarily the High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV). It is used as a seal on the doors to keep sand out of the vehicle, and prevent it from getting in the eyes of the driver and passengers.

Maritime product specialist Brian Potena became involved and provided immediate technical support and researched the issue further.

"It became apparent that the system was automatically creating delivery orders with dollar values thousands of times higher than they should have been for this gasket," Tarkett said. "The vendor shipped material and accepted payment on several of these orders."

He explained that the overpayments were spread across 17 separate orders, and actually two different items on the contract.

"The system was basically charging a 250 foot 'roll' price for each foot on one item, and a 50 foot 'roll' price for each foot on the other," he said.

Tarkett and Integrated Support Team chief Linda Middleman asked for an investigation into the matter and legal counsel Lillian Weiss coordinated the effort with DLA Land and Maritime contracting offi-

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# Former DLA Land and Maritime commander to get second star

Former Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime Commander Army Brig. Gen. Thomas Richardson, who is currently serving as logistics director for U.S. Forces-Iraq, has been selected for promotion to major general.

Richardson relinquished command of DLA Land and Maritime to Army Brig. Gen. Darrell Williams during a Sept. 24 ceremony in Columbus.

At the general's change-of-command ceremony, DLA Director Navy Vice Adm. Alan Thompson called him "the perfect choice to assume the posi-

tion 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," Thompson said of Richardson.

As DLA Land and Maritime's commander, Richardson oversaw the

end-to-end integration of DLA's Land and Maritime supply chains delivering repair parts to all military services. He directed the efforts of more than 3,000 employees at 53 locations worldwide, including 10 detached DLA depot-level repairable and supply, storage and distribution units.

In 2009, DLA Land and Maritime sales exceeded \$5 billion.

Prior to his assignment at DLA Land and Maritime, Richardson was U.S. Pacific Command's director for logistics, engineering and security assistance.



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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Winter gear sought for Broadleigh students

DLA Land and Maritime associates can donate winter clothing items beginning Nov. 26 through Dec. 10 for students at Broadleigh Elementary. Collection boxes will be set up in Building 20 near the elevator lobbies and in the cafeteria.

Items most needed include new coats, hats, ear muffs, socks and gloves.

More information is available by calling Dianne Vehorn at 614-692-6075.

### Culture Council recognizes award winners

The DLA Land and Maritime Culture Council has recognized the following associates who were selected as Associates' Choice Award winners.

The winners for October are Chester Parker of Land Customer Operations, Christy King of Land Supplier Operations, Bobby Mullins of Business Process Support, Gerald Quinn of Maritime Supplier Operations and Ed Stewart of Mar-

itime Customer Operations.

The Associates Choice Award program is a peer recognition program created by the DLA Land and Maritime Culture Council as a way for associates to recognize coworkers who demonstrate at least five of the eight tenets of the DSCC Way.

### Ohio Air Guard unit deploying to Afghanistan

About 30 airmen from the Ohio Air National Guard's 220th Engineering Installation Squadron have mobilized for active duty this month in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

The unit held a call to duty ceremony Nov. 8 at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base.

The 220th has previously deployed unit members to Operations Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

The airmen will provide permanent and robust communications infrastructure to Army forces deployed throughout Afghanistan,



### Product test lab associate wins MWR's television giveaway

During the month of October, the MWR Office on the DSCC installation sponsored an "Explore Our New World" contest to introduce its redesigned website. Patrons searched the site and learned about MWR facilities and programs as well as the new features while looking for a hidden image. Those who found the hidden image got into a drawing for a 32-inch flat screen television. Mark Kruse (left) of the DLA Product Test Lab in Building 11 was the winner. To Kruse's left are Jennifer Russell and Dana Thornberry of MWR Marketing.

## OBITUARIES

### Clarence Ameen Rahman (Bennett) Sr.

Clarence Ameen Rahman (Bennett) Sr., 63, died Nov. 6. Mr. Rahman retired from Defense Distribution Depot Columbus (DDCO) after 30 years of service as the deputy chief of warehousing divisions.

### Charles B. CB Carter

Charles B. CB Carter, 58, died Nov. 13 at OSU East Hospital. Mr. Carter was retired from DCSC.

### Mary Carol (Kendrach) Clevenger

Mary Carol (Kendrach) Clevenger, 62, of Galloway, died Nov. 13 at Mt. Carmel East Hospital in Columbus. Ms. Clevenger was employed at DFAS Columbus as an account technician.

### Norman Cogswell

Norman Cogswell, 90, of Porter, Maine, formerly of Newark, died Oct. 25 at Mercy Hospital in

Portland, Maine. Mr. Cogswell was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a retired lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. Mr. Cogswell worked in the Civil Engineering Division at Newark Air Force Base.

### Sandra Marie "Sandi" Potts

Sandra Marie "Sandi" Potts, 54, died Oct. 26 at Grant Hospital. Ms. Potts was a DLA Information Operations Columbus (J6C) employee.

### Frances L. Scranton

Frances L. Scranton died Nov. 8. Ms. Scranton retired as deputy commander/director of Defense Depot Columbus ("the depot") after a 51-year federal civilian career. She was a 1999 inductee into the DLA Hall of Fame and a 2005 inductee into the DLA Land and Maritime Hall of Fame.

# Agency employees share process improvement successes

By Dianne Ryder  
DLA Strategic Communications

Defense Logistics Agency employees from across the enterprise gathered in Alexandria, Va., Nov. 1-5 to network and spread the word about reducing wasteful practices through Continuous Process Improvement and Lean Six Sigma at the first DLA CPI practitioners conference, hosted by DLA Strategic Plans and Policy.

DLA Chief of Continuous Process Improvement Tammy Shelton explained the conference was first and foremost a training event for practitioners.

"The idea is that we're giving practitioners information that allows them to perform at a higher level and to set a higher level of confidence to go off and do great things," she said.

Shelton is the delegated CPI "deployment champion" for the agency's operations worldwide.

"Continuous Process Improvement refers to a broad spectrum of tools and methodologies used by organizations to improve the way they operate," she said. "Lean and Six Sigma have the combination of waste reduction, variation reduction and statistical analysis to drive appropriate decisions ... in the way operational processes are managed."

DLA has two levels of Lean Six Sigma practitioners: Green Belts and Black Belts.

"We train (Green Belts) in both Lean and Six Sigma to be able to conduct rapid improvement events and just-in-time improvements," she said. "These are opportunities within organizations to improve the way they're operating a process or running a piece of their business."

Black Belts are trained at an even more intense level of study, with a statistical focus. Not all of the conference attendees are certified "belts," but they are employees



(DLA photo by Tammy Shelton)

*Proponents of Continuous Process Improvement and Lean Six Sigma pose for a group photo at the first DLA CPI practitioners conference, hosted by DLA Strategic Plans and Policy, held Nov. 1-5 in Alexandria, Va.*

who are currently working projects to support DLA, Shelton said.

"There's an opportunity here for these practitioners to make a huge difference in improving the way DLA both operates and provides support to our warfighting customer," she said. "This particular conference is focused on ensuring that folks understand the tools and methodology and are fully prepared to implement these tools in a way that leads to tremendous benefit for our organization."

Among those in attendance were Deb Perry, manager of the DLA Land and Maritime Executive Programs Office, and Adrienne McGeachy and Vern Shaw of the DLA Land and Maritime Continuous Process Improvement Office.

McGeachy said she found the conference beneficial for Black Belts "to become refocused and reenergized" as well.

"It helps us bring all our Black Belts together and gives them a baseline understanding of where the organization is going as a

whole and what DLA Strategic Plans and Policy is doing for us," she said.

McGeachy also touted the event as an opportunity to network with colleagues and discuss new information and shared challenges.

"It allows them to see outside of just their small organization what's going on in CPI. They also get some practical knowledge about project management (and recognizing trends)," she said. "If all sites are having trouble with value stream mapping, then that's what we focus on here. And it gives us more bang for the buck, because we don't have to do it three or four times at each of the different sites."

One of the conference guest speakers, DLA Chief of Staff Fred Baillie, addressed the challenge of CPI acceptance and deployment as he spoke to conference attendees about his early years in the government.

Baillie said practitioners shouldn't be overly zealous about "telling"

people how they can better perform their jobs.

He shared his own cautionary tale about his experience with the DLA Integrated Management Engineering System.

"I came out of (the training) and I was very full of myself," he said. "I was ready to go out and help the people in the warehouse 'do it right.'"

Baillie said he quickly learned that he didn't know enough about the warehouse workers' job to "show" them how to do it better.

He noted that the tools for CPI aren't that different from DIMES or any other process improvement program. However, he added, the bottom line is to help create employee involvement, and that is the critical way CPI tools are very different.

"If we don't want to repeat the sins of the past, this has got to be a culture (of involvement), something that we are in together," he said. "Don't do this to them, do it with them."

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# Acquisition specialist selected Associate of the Month

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

Lu Ann Bocsy, an acquisition specialist in Land Supplier Operations, has been honored as the Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime Associate of the Month for August.

As a contract specialist, Bocsy has worked to award contracts in support of the Mine Resistant Ambush Protected vehicle; in fact, she recently awarded the first long-term MRAP contract. That contract went to Spartan Motors Inc., a company with 1,400 employees located in four states.

In awarding the long-term contract, Bocsy experienced unexpected high demand on many of the NSNs, causing her to spend considerable time and effort to renegotiate terms and conditions of the Spartan contract.

Those negotiations were completed expeditiously and support to the warfighter was greatly enhanced. Bocsy works closely with the contractor community to determine the best overall acquisitions strategy to support specific items - all closely linked to the MRAP program. She tailors her strategy to ensure that proper delivery, price and quality of product is provided to the customer, resulting in quality contract documents that truly satisfy not only military customer needs but facilitate delivery order processing internally within DLA upon award.

Her initial LTC award was for 300 National Stock Numbered items, but through continued negotiations, she added 47 more. En route to this accomplishment, Bocsy had to endure many issues related to MRAP NSNs. Not only has she had to deal with



(DLA photo by Rachel Kocin)

Lu Ann Bocsy, an acquisition specialist in Land Supplier Operations, receives the Associate of the Month award for August from DLA Land and Maritime Deputy Commander James McClaugherty (left) and Milt Lewis, executive director of contracting and acquisition management.

manufacturers new to government acquisition, but there have been added difficulties such as constant changes in part numbers and technical details. At

the same time, she had to deal with a limited amount of available technical, demand and packaging data needed for smooth acquisition. Despite these

land mines, Bocsy and her team have been able to work through the issues.

In her spare time, she teaches horseback riding to special needs children.

# DLA receives kudos for performance on Navy reactor program audits

The Defense Logistics Agency Maritime supply chain recently received high marks for its performance on a series of audits of contracts that support the Navy's high-profile Nuclear Reactors Program.

On Sept. 27-29, the Naval Inventory Control Point Code 87 office, which coordinates logistics for the Navy's Nuclear Reactors Program, commonly referred to as 21N, conducted its bi-annual Individual Repair Parts Ordering Data process (IRPODs) audit.

Out of 60 contract audits, the Navy auditors found only seven contracts with minor deficiencies. None impacted the quality or integrity of the material procured, but instead were documentation issues that were resolved as they were discovered.

During a follow-up outbrief with Milt Lewis, acquisition executive for DLA Land and Maritime, the Navy team stated the 2010 audit was the "best it's ever been in the last 10 years."

Maritime Customer Operations deputy director Debbie Haven said Joey Smith, integrated support team chief for the 21N program in Maritime Supplier Operations, and Bob Barford, a technical and quality analyst in Busi-



(Photo by Navy Lt. Lara Bollinger)

The nuclear-powered Virginia-class attack submarine USS Hawaii (SSN 776) transits Tokyo Bay on the way to Fleet Activities Yokosuka in early September, marking the very first time in the history of the U.S. 7th Fleet that a Virginia-class submarine visited the region. DLA Land and Maritime recently received high marks on audits of its contracts that support the Navy's Nuclear Reactors Program.

ness Process Support who has oversight of the IRPOD process, "are to be commended for their exemplary efforts and professionalism in maintaining this program."

"Additional thanks are extended

to the product specialists and acquisition specialists in Maritime Supplier Operations and their supervisors, Chris Zahnow and Jim Duffala, whose job it is to maintain the integrity of the IRPOD program and process

required to support these high visibility items," Haven said.

Haven said the lessons learned from the audit process are being used to improve the Maritime supply chain's current contract processes.

# DLA Land at Aberdeen celebrates full operating capability

By Don Schulze  
DLA Land and Maritime BRAC Office

ABERDEEN, Md. - Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime Commanding General Army Brig. Gen. Darrell Williams presided over a Full Operational Capability ceremony Nov. 10 for DLA Land at Aberdeen.

Remarking that this detachment stand-up has been unlike any other for the BRAC transfer of functions, in that no employees

were transferred from the service, Williams congratulated those involved who helped establish the organization, create the infrastructure, and hire and train all new employees in such a short time frame.

"This detachment is fully operational almost 10 months before anticipated," Williams said. "It was due to the great support they received from Army's Communication and Electronics Command (CECOM) Logistics Readiness Center and the CECOM Contract-

ing Center that they were successful."

CECOM Commander Army Maj. Gen. Randolph Strong commented that the support to the warfighter has been seamless and also thanked the team from DLA Land at Warren who provided experienced contracting support while DLA was growing the team at Aberdeen.

"The support the Warren and now the Aberdeen team provided enabled us to continue to meet our critical mission" he remarked.

Strong also applauded Doug Nevins, director of Procurement Operations for DLA Land at Aberdeen, remarking that "he came early to Aberdeen when he was the only person aboard and took charge of the plan for assuming this mission from day one."

DLA Land at Aberdeen is the third Depot Level Repairable procurement detachment and 10th overall new activity stood up as a result of BRAC Supply and Storage for DLA Land and Maritime.



(Photos by Jim Foard)

Preparing to cut the ceremonial cake are (from left) CECOM Commander Army Maj. Gen. Randolph Strong, CECOM Logistics & Readiness Center director David Sharman, DLA Land at Aberdeen director of Procurement Operations Doug Nevins, CECOM Contracting Command director Edward Elgart, DLA Land and Maritime Contracting and Acquisition Management executive director Milt Lewis, and DLA Land and Maritime Commanding General Army Brig. Gen. Darrell Williams.



DLA Land and Maritime Commanding General Army Brig. Gen. Darrell Williams (standing) speaks to the workforce at a Nov. 10 Full Operational Capability ceremony for DLA Land at Aberdeen. Listening are (from left) CECOM Contracting Command director Edward Elgart, DLA Land and Maritime Contracting and Acquisition Management executive director Milt Lewis and CECOM Commander Army Maj. Gen. Randolph Strong.

## Care packages

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a total weight of about 175 pounds of supplies and treats that are now on their way to deployed family members in Iraq and Afghanistan. Packages were also sent to hospitals and medical centers in support of the Afghanistan Wounded Warrior Program.

Wade also thanked everyone who donated items for the effort.

"Many thanks to all of the people who donated food, books, music, toiletry items, socks and drink mixes that were distributed among the boxes," she said. "I'd also like to thank the scout troops and children who created special Christmas cards and greetings for our soldiers and to all the other individuals who included personal holiday cards and letters - they were all carefully placed within these care packages."

It took 45 minutes at the airport post office to weigh and stamp each

box for a grand total cost of \$284.75 in postage to ship the boxes. Wade thanked members of the Columbus Association of Government Accountants for their efforts to support the care package mailing.

"I hope all of the volunteers and donors will enjoy their holidays this year knowing that they helped to make our troops' holiday season a little brighter too as they protect us all so far away from home," Wade said.

The holiday care packaging event is one of three or four similar events held each year. Anyone who would like to join the Deployed Family Support Group in its efforts can find information on future activities at

[www.dsccmwr.com/family](http://www.dsccmwr.com/family) or on the DLA Land and Maritime Message of the Day.



(DLA photo by Chuck Morris)

Volunteers assemble boxes for shipment to deployed warfighters during a Holiday Care Packaging Project event held Nov. 3 at DFAS Columbus.

# DLA Information Operations personnel look toward future

By Jonathan Stack  
DLA Strategic  
Communications

Defense Logistics Agency Information Operations personnel came together Nov. 2-3 to discuss the future of their organization during a leadership training offsite meeting in Springfield, Va.

"The offsite gave J6 senior leaders from across the enterprise an opportunity to review the director's fiscal year 2011 guidance and establish supporting J6 priorities and direction," said Robert Foster, acting deputy director of DLA Information Operations.

It also ensured everyone in DLA Information Opera-

tions is on one page and moving forward together, he added.

"Day-to-day operations remain job number one," said Ted Case, DLA Information Operations director.

The offsite also allowed the organization's leaders to set goals and expectations for what needs to be accomplished in the next 12 months and brief new DLA Information Operations initiatives and pilot programs, Foster said.

Topics of discussion during the offsite included the organization's strategic and future direction, IO priorities, the enterprise architecture and data initiative, planning for transition to

sustainment, eWorkplace and fiscal 2011 financial status.

Case hit on all the director's focal points during his briefing.

"Workforce development remains a priority, as well as a safe work environment," he said.

Case encouraged employees to use the Voluntary Protection Program and to identify safety and health issues and report them to DLA Installation Services.

He also talked about changes that are coming, including those as a result of the Defense Department's acquisition and logistics efficiencies initiatives, the need for regional support structures and in-sourcing.

Throughout his briefing and during discussions, Case stressed the importance of providing world-class warfighter support.

DLA Human Resources

Director Brad Bunn also spoke during the event.

The keynote speaker of the event was DLA Vice Director Mae DeVincentis, who was the agency's information operations director for eight years.

DeVincentis spoke extensively to the DLA Information Operations leadership about Defense Secretary Robert Gates' drive for efficiency and how it affects the agency. She quoted Gates' intent to put more money in what he referred to as the tooth, warfighters, and take it from the tail, support elements. She emphasized that the tail plays a vital role, but that the department must ensure the tail is both effective and also as efficient as possible.

"DLA is considered part of the tail in the grand scheme of things," DeVincentis said.

A significant portion of the \$100 billion total effi-

ciency-related savings across fiscal 2012-16 is expected to come from the tail, she added.

She described various ways the DLA enterprise is participating in the department's efficiencies efforts and said DLA Director Navy Vice Adm. Alan Thompson is looking to DLA Information Operations to continue to bring him ideas that would deliver some savings to the agency.

After her remarks, DeVincentis presented Case with a first place 2010 Program of the Year plaque for DLA Managers' Internal Control Program, which helps government program managers achieve desired results through effective stewardship of public resources.

"This is not about an individual, but a J6-wide recognition," DeVincentis said. "I am really proud to present this. ... This is a really big deal."



(J6C photo by J. Spencer Denison)

## Schneck is J6C Employee of Month

*Jennie Schneck (right), an IT specialist, was recently recognized as the J6C Employee of the Month for November. J6C deputy director Susan Van Meter presented the award and certificate to her. Schneck has worked for DLA for 23 years, beginning in 1987 with DLA Systems Automation Center (DSAC) as a computer systems programmer for the Systems Analysis and Program Development Facilities branch. She then worked for the DLA Systems Design Center (DSDC) as a computer programmer in Office of Product Development supporting the MOCAS (Mechanization of Contract Administration Services) AIS. After the disestablishment of DSDC, she worked as a computer specialist under the Technical and Logistics Services Office maintaining mid-tier applications and participating in SAMMS (Standard Automated Materiel Management System) conversion and closeout effort. She is also currently a member of the BSM Sustainment Planning Development team. Outside of work, she enjoys spending time with friends and family in Ohio and Texas. She and her husband have three children.*

# DFAS employee travels to Peru as part of mission group

By Micki J. Young  
DFAS Corporate  
Communications

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Sheila Terry, an employee in the eSolutions division at Defense Finance and Accounting Services Columbus, doesn't just talk about helping people, she's does it. When she heard that her church group started planning a trip to Pachacutec, Peru, a suburb of Lima, she knew wanted to be on board, literally.

On July 24, the 11-member mission team from Parsons Baptist Church, Terry's present church, located on the south side of Columbus, made its way south. The team was made up of two married couples, five teenagers, a youth pastor and a deacon (church official). Terry felt the need to go on the trip to put her religious faith into action, to tell the people of Peru about Jesus.

In all, the group spent three days traveling to and from Peru and spent seven days and nights serving people from their base in the Pachacutec Christian Church before returning to Columbus on Aug. 3.

"We had a Vacation Bible School program for the children, and crafts - beading and sewing - for their moms, and church services each evening," Terry said.

The group didn't have a lot of free time, as they



(Photo courtesy of Sheila Terry)

DFAS Columbus employee Sheila Terry (center) is shown with some of the children of Pachacutec Christian Church who attended the Vacation Bible School her mission team conducted for them.

worked 15-hour days. Her mission team was broken into subgroups to accomplish all their tasks. Supervising craft projects, working with parents, and watching the kids while adults attended services were their main responsibilities.

A typical day there for her was full and eventful.

"We left the hotel at 7:30 a.m., returning at 10:30 at night, about a half hour by bus each way. There were no elevators, and it was very physically challenging, and emotionally challenging because of how impoverished the area was," Terry

said.

The city where they worked, Pachacutec, is only 11 years old and was founded when Lima officials cleared its streets by forcing the homeless out of the city. All of the residents were initially, and some still are, homeless. Pachacutec is a medium-sized city of about 200,000 people. Most people get

around on foot since there is no public transportation.

By contrast, Peru's capital city is much larger with small streets full of traffic.

"Lima is so congested... on one of our last days there, we headed into town to visit a mall, and you could literally touch the hand of the person in the car next to you, if you had

the windows down," Terry said.

The mall they visited was full of artisan crafts, including hand blown glass, alpaca and lama textiles and ivory. Terry bought scarves as Christmas gifts and said she enjoyed haggling with the merchants to get good bargains.

Terry said the mission group was given strict instructions to eat only what was prepared at the church or drink bottled beverages to avoid illness.

Because Peru is in the southern hemisphere, it was winter while her team was there. She said this meant the menu was somewhat limited, but she enjoyed what she was given - a huge mountain of rice and a potato, and two to three starches at each meal. Meat was hamburger mixed with lots of spices.

Terry had to pay her own expenses for the trip. She raised some of the money through donations and funded the remainder out of her own pocket.

Terry reports her group is already planning another trip for July of 2011. Asked if she would go again, she said "in a heartbeat."

## IT'S A DATE

### November 2010

#### American Indian Heritage Month

Nov. 25 - Thanksgiving Day

Nov. 30 - DLA Land and Maritime Supervisors Call, 3 p.m., Building 20 auditorium

### December 2010

#### National Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month

#### Universal Human Rights Month

Dec. 1 - Hanukkah

begins at sundown

Dec. 1 - World AIDS Day

Dec. 7 - Pearl Harbor Day

Dec. 10 - Human Rights Day

Dec. 15 - National Bill of Rights Day

Dec. 16 - DLA Land and Maritime Command Holiday Open House, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Dec. 21 - Winter begins

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day

Dec. 26 - First Day of Kwanzaa

Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve

# Lima Company Marines participate in training to save lives

By Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Nana Dannaappiah  
Marine Forces Reserve

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. - Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class James Rosprim, a corpsman with 3rd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, walked back and forth between patients directing Marines on how to treat the injured.

Five mock casualties were the result of a simulated suicide vehicle bombing at a simulated town, Camp Pendleton, Calif., this summer.

Marines from 1st Platoon, Company K, were challenged with treating the "victims" in a compound while they awaited a helicopter to evacuate the wounded. Also assisting in the exercise were Marines from Columbus-based Lima Company.

"Who's the (certified) CLS (combat lifesaver) over there?" Rosprim asked a group of Marines kneeling beside a victim with a chest wound.

A Marine raised his hand. The corpsman asked for an update on the victim's condition. He was in a stable condition.

The corpsman instructed the six Marines treating the



(Photos by Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Nana Dannaappiah)  
*Staff Sgt. Daniel P. Blackwell from 3rd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division, treats a mock casualty after a simulated suicide attack at Camp Pendleton, Calif., during training this summer. Blackwell and his Marines 1st Platoon, Company L, treated five mock casualties caused by a simulated vehicle explosion while they awaited a helicopter to transport the victims.*

casualty to keep talking to him while they awaited the helicopter's arrival.

"Talking keeps them con-

scious," said the 1st platoon corpsman. "If you can get them to talk, you know they've got an intact air-

way."

The corpsman also wanted updates on the victim's conditions every five minutes, he said.

"One minute they could be conscious, the next, they could be gone," Rosprim said. "You have to constantly assess the situation."

Rosprim noticed there was some shade provided by the buildings in the compound. He ordered the Marines to move the victims out of the sun into the shade.

There were five casualties to move, but only four litters available. The Marine with a chest wound didn't have a litter, but that was no problem.

The corpsman instructed two Marines to grab the victim's legs and two to grab the collar of his flak jacket to lift him up and

move him.

"Since he only has a chest injury, we can use his

gear as a kit to lift him up," said Rosprim. "Keep his back straight so we can move him."

Half an hour had passed since the Marines began treating the victims. They were notified over the radio that the helicopter just landed.

They transported the casualties to the landing zone and loaded them onto the helicopter. The sailor and the 1st Platoon Marines had done their part in stabilizing the wounded Marines while they awaited a helicopter to transport the victims to a medical facility with more resources.

The Marines had to work together and call on the classes they received through the four months of their pre-deployment training. This scenario was the final test of their combat lifesaving abilities in their final week of Intermediate Location.

ILOC is four months of training for war using live fire exercises, fire and maneuvering, patrols and other basic infantry operations. Marines train in mountainous terrain similar to Afghanistan and incorporate fabricated Middle Eastern towns, role players, cultural and medical classes.



*Smoke hovers in the air after a simulated explosion at Camp Pendleton during 3rd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division's final week pre-deployment training. The mock explosion caused five simulated casualties. Company L had to treat the mock casualties and transport them to a medical facility by helicopter.*



*Marines from Company L, 3rd Battalion, 25th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Division transport a simulated casualty to a helicopter at Camp Pendleton, Calif. The Marines responded to a simulated suicide attack as part of their final week of training before deploying to Afghanistan.*

# Ohio community comes together to help sailor's son

By MC1(SW/AW) Keith Bryska  
Navy Recruiting District Ohio

NEW LONDON, Ohio - Community members from New London held a luncheon and auction Oct. 16 to raise money and awareness for Navy Counselor First Class Jason Pasenow's son, Landen.

Pasenow's son was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia last year and is currently being treated at UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio.

Pasenow is currently assigned to Navy Recruiting District San Diego, but is on a "humanitarian assignment" at Navy Recruiting District Ohio, located on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation, so he can be closer to his son.

The event was planned and hosted by Tina Vanderhoof of New London.

"I have known the Pasenow family for a very long time and have always found them to be a great and friendly family," said Vanderhoof, who also happens to work with the boy's grandmother, Nancy.

Vanderhoof said she first got involved with raising support for Pasenow's son when he was initially diagnosed with leukemia.

"When we first heard of him being diagnosed, we all felt that we need to help out and support the Pasenow family as a community," she said. "This is a small town, and when someone needs help we all come together to help each other out."

During the event, there were auctions and silent auctions for

donated prizes given by the community, including the Cleveland Indians. Also on hand were retired Navy Master Chief Donald Magnus and his band, "Classic Rewind," to play music for all in attendance.

"I was first contacted by Tina about doing a benefit concert a couple of months ago. At first, I didn't even know it was for one of my former sailor's son until after I committed. But as soon as I heard that it was, it made it even more special," said Magnus, who added that the band was "more than happy to come out and help."

Pasenow was truly honored that the community came together for this event for his son. "It was very special that the community has come out to help and support us," he said. "Our family really appreciates all the love and prayers that we have received."



(Photos by Navy Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Keith Bryska)  
Retired Navy Master Chief Donald Magnus (left) talks with Tina Vanderhoof (second from left), Navy Counselor First Class Jason Pasenow and his wife, Elysia, during a community fund raiser for their son.

"It was a great day for all," Magnus said. "After hearing of the story, then coming up here to see all the people in a small town come out and show their support to one of my shipmates, it made me really happy and humble."

During the event, the community ran a bone marrow donor registration drive for which individuals to sign up.

"It's important for people to remember there are several kids and adults out there that need

bone marrow to survive,' Pasenow said. "The more people that register, the more chances that there might be a match for them."

The Pasenow family thanked everyone who attended for all the help they have received. They reminded everyone that they can still register to be a bone marrow donor by going to [www.marow.org](http://www.marow.org).



Retired Navy Master Chief Donald Magnus pulls out the winning raffle number during a community fundraiser for Navy Counselor First Class Jason Pasenow's son.



Tina Vanderhoof (left) announces the winner of an auction during a community fund raiser for Navy Counselor First Class Jason Pasenow's son. Community members from New London held the luncheon and auction Oct. 16 to raise money and awareness for Pasenow's son.

# Hale visit reinforces importance of customer support for DFAS employees

By Tom Casasanta  
DFAS Corporate  
Communications

Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) Robert F. Hale visited Defense Finance and Accounting Service Columbus in August and received briefings on critical projects and accomplishments currently happening at DFAS Columbus.

For two DFAS Columbus employees, the opportunity to brief Hale on specific projects with which they have been involved reinforced the value of the projects and how they support the warfighter.

"It really reinforced the value of the project I am working on," said Ben Novotny, who serves as the Procure 2 Pay (P2P) project manager in the chief of staff office.

"I know that all we do on a daily basis at DFAS is important, but when you get to update the DoD comptroller, it takes the project to a new level," Novotny added.

Novotny had time to brief Hale on P2P, the progress his team has made and the challenges it has overcome, and the successes of the project as well.

"I think the brief went really well," he said. "He asked a few questions, and seemed really interested in the progress that we are making."

It is not often that a high-

ranking DoD official such as Hale visits DFAS sites. His visit was in conjunction with the Defense Logistics Agency Enterprise Suppliers Conference and Exhibition, at which he was a featured speaker.

During Hale's visit, his interest in DFAS' overall mission was evident.

"The visit and overall experience reinforced how critical our mission is and that we must look beyond our walls at DFAS to bring first-class service and processes to support our customers," Novotny said.

Stacy Mayer, chief of the Army Accounts Payable Maintenance branch, briefed Hale on the Army in Theater project, including the challenges and successes her team's project has had.

"Having the opportunity to share a success story with Mr. Hale related to disbursements made in theater to support the Overseas Contingency Operation was very exciting," Mayer said.

As Mayer briefed Hale, DFAS director Terri McKay, deputy director Richard Gustafson, director of operations Steve Turner, and Columbus director and deputy director Jonathan Witter and Pam Franceschi also listened to the brief.

Throughout her brief, Mayer felt a new sense on inspiration from within.

"His interest, as well as the others, in being informed about the great



(DFAS photos by Tom Casasanta)

DFAS Columbus employees Ben Novotny (above left) and Stacy Mayer (below right) each briefed Robert Hale, Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), during his visit to Columbus. Novotny and Mayer briefed Hale on different DFAS Columbus programs and how they support the warfighter.



things we have going on at Columbus inspired me to continue to think outside of the box when facing challenges within our branch," Mayer said.

For both Novotny and Mayer, Hale's visit gave them a new perspective on the importance of their daily duties.

"As we look forward to

another fiscal year-end closeout, Mr. Hale's visit gave me a higher level perspective of our mission and how we can better support our customers," Mayer said.

## IRS announces Ohio organizations that will receive 2011 VITA grants

By John Crawford  
IRS Media Relations

The Internal Revenue Service announced matching grant awards to five Ohio Volunteer Income Tax Assistance programs.

Among the organizations in Ohio awarded matching grants for 2011 are the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks in Columbus, which received \$45,875; United Way of Central Ohio Inc., which received \$75,000; United Way of Ross County in Chillicothe, which received \$20,650; and Family Economic Success Program Inc. in Canton, which received \$49,200.

The Internal Revenue Service has awarded more than \$11 million in matching grants nationwide to support its Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program.

Under the VITA Grant Program, the IRS awarded matching grants to 177 organizations nationwide that will offer free tax preparation services during the 2011 filing season.

"These funds will enhance the VITA program and the work of volunteer tax preparers who provide an invaluable service to millions of taxpayers each year," said Richard Byrd Jr., the IRS Wage and Investment Operating Division Commis-

sioner.

- The funds will be used to:
- Enable VITA programs to extend services to underserved populations and hardest to reach areas, both urban and non-urban;
  - Increase the capacity to file returns electronically;
  - Heighten quality control and improve the accuracy of returns prepared by the VITA sites; and
  - Enhance training of volunteers

There was a strong response to the 2011 VITA grant program with 374 organizations submitting applications requesting more than \$33 million in matching funds.

VITA partners are organizations

that provide free federal tax return preparation and electronic filing to low and moderate income individuals. For tax year 2010, individuals and families with an adjusted gross income of \$49,000 or lower are eligible for assistance.

The VITA program has enjoyed tremendous support since it was created in 1969. For example, more than 3 million tax returns were prepared at more than 12,000 locations during the 2010 filing season by volunteers working under either the VITA program or the Tax Counseling for the Elderly, another volunteer program sponsored by IRS.

# Local Army Reserve unit in midst of one-year deployment

By Army Master Sgt. Dave Johnson  
412th Civil Affairs  
Battalion, Whitehall, Ohio

WHITEHALL, Ohio - Members of the U.S. Army Reserve 412th Civil Affairs Battalion's headquarters company may be in Iraq, but their families can support each other back home.

The 412th Civil Affairs Battalion (Airborne) in Building 2 on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation conducted a send-off ceremony July 10 for the deployment. The ceremony was held in the Building 20 auditorium on the DSCC installation.

The soldiers departed after the festivities for Fort Dix, N.J., for an additional six weeks of rigorous training. After that, the 412th soldiers deployed to Iraq at the end of August.

Col. Mike Mishoe from the 360th Civil Affairs Brigade, based at Fort Jackson, S.C., assisted the new 412th commander, Lt. Col. Richard Brown, and Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Kloha, with the ceremony.

Many soldiers from 412th's other companies attended to say good-bye to their fellow soldiers,



(Photos by Valerie Minor)  
Family members shake the hands of (from right) Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Kloha, Col. Mike Mishoe of the 360th Civil Affairs Brigade, Lt. Col. Rich Brown and deploying battalion commander Lt. Col. David Volkman after a July 10 send-off ceremony for members of the Army Reserve 412th Civil Affairs Battalion. In the front is executive officer Maj. Paul Sanders' wife.

who they will not see until late 2011.

Civil affairs soldiers are acclimated to deployments, and the Army promotes strong bonds by training together. These ties promote unit and individual cohesiveness.

Unity surfaces among

family members, as well.

The 412th has an active family readiness group for its companies and battalion. Relatives who stay behind build new friendships that begin during Family Readiness Group functions such as the send-off ceremony.



Maj. Mike Smith, the full-time operations officer for 412th Civil Affairs Battalion, shakes Lt. Col. Rich Brown's hand during a send-off ceremony for the 412th in the Building 20 auditorium on the DSCC installation. Smith is holding his two-year-old daughter. Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Kloha is in the background.

"The hope is that a meaningful ceremony starts this ball rolling but in the 412th we continue to try to provide ongoing opportunities (meetings, battle buddy lunches, newsletters, emails, phone tree calls, etc.) for these bonds to occur, and strengthen, throughout the difficult period," said

Melody Volkman, the Family Readiness Group leader for the battalion and wife of deployed commander, Lt. Col. David Volkman.

Sgt. Eric Johnson of the 412th, as well as volunteer FRG leaders and members, provide family members the support needed during another deployment for the 412th.

## Land and Maritime discusses aviation equipment at meeting

DLA Land and Maritime was the scene Oct. 27-28 for a Line of Balance meeting to discuss how to improve support for the aviation ground power unit and another piece of aviation ground support equipment, the generic aircraft nitrogen generator. The purpose of the meeting was to synchronize the program requirements and forecasting, and to provide status on program production. At a previous meeting, 250 NIINs were identified as significantly under-forecasted, or just disconnected from the customer's requirements. Today, there are less than 20, according to Air Force Capt. Robert LoMonaco (second from left at table), DLA Land, Demand Planning Branch chief.



(DLA photo by Rachel Kocin)

# VA Wylie Center celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

This year's Hispanic American Heritage Month was celebrated at the Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center from Sept. 15 through Oct. 15. The theme was "Heritage Diversity, Integrity and Honor: The Renewed Hope of America," with the main goal to honor veterans and create awareness and diversity.

During an Oct. 13 celebration, the Wylie Center hosted Maria Buch Castillo, a computer specialist and Hispanic Employment Manager for Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime, to speak to employees and veterans.

Claudio Garcia-Castro, one of the Wylie Center's active duty Army patients who has served in a combat zone, also spoke. He shared stories of his military career and of his life as a Mexican immigrant who arrived in America at age six with his family. He explained that his

family was following its dream of freedom and independence. He spoke highly about the Veterans Health Administration and his satisfaction with the care he has received.

In addition to educational speakers, a Hispanic American Heritage Month celebration was held for all employees and veterans, with a record number of participants attending. Judging was held for the tastiest Latin American dessert, and 2010 Miss Ohio Becky Minger made an appearance and presented veterans with a certificate of appreciation for their service to our country.

The celebration was organized by Ana Bugay, R.N., and her committee members Dr. Robert Buell, M.D., Leo Castillo, R.N., Carlo Dixon, Elsa Vargas-Hopson, Darlene William-Glason, Traci Washington, Ladessa Madison and Tom Ullom.



(VA photos by Tom Ullom)

*Claudio Garcia-Castro, an active duty Army patient at the Wylie Center who has served in a combat zone, speaks at the center's Oct. 13 Hispanic Heritage Month celebration. He shared stories of his military career and of his life as a Mexican immigrant who arrived in America at age six with his family.*



*Dr. Lilian Thome, M.D. (left), director of the Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center, observes as food is set out for a Hispanic Heritage Month celebration at the center.*



*Maria Buch Castillo, a J6C computer specialist and Hispanic Employment Manager for Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime, spoke at the Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center's Hispanic Heritage Month celebration.*

## FEW executive VP speaks at Diversity Day celebration

### From Federally Employed Women

A local nationally recognized speaker for Federally Employed Women was the keynote speaker for the Diversity Day Celebration Sept. 16 at the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Chicago.

Arlena Fitch-Gordon, a Defense Industrial Security Clearance Office associate and FEW's national executive vice president, spoke on the theme for the day, which was "Diversity: Together We



*Arlena Fitch-Gordon*

one of FEW's four focus areas.

Make a Great Picture".

She told the audience she was excited, motivated and inspired to participate in the event because "diversity" is

She began by commending participants for their efforts to focus on the importance of diversity in the workplace.

She then noted that the NRC was being recognized for the second straight year as a "Best Place to Work," in part because of its focus on diversity.

"Diversity is all about achieving results," Fitch-Gordon said. "To have been chosen as a 'Best Place to Work' is indeed achieving diversity results.

"Continuing to have programs

such as this one will go a long way in respecting the differences of others and appreciating your similarities. Remember that people bring into their workforce their personal background, beliefs, systems and values," she added.

Fitch-Gordon pointed out that "diversity" is not EEO, which became the law by the passing of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, or affirmative action, which is government-initiated to comply with the law and is derived as a means

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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.  
Today's clue: S equals U

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Previous solution: "I'M A VERY RELIGIOUS PERSON  
... I DEFINITELY FEEL I DO HAVE GOD IN MY COR-  
NER." - CHUCK NORRIS

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(DLA photos by Tony D'Elia)

The new baler is loaded with plastic bottles. The baler reduces the bales so that what took four trips with a truck now takes only one trip. Last year, the DSCC installation recycled about 2,400 pounds of plastic bottles.

## DSCC installation gets new baler for more efficient recycling process

By Tony D'Elia  
[DLA Land and Maritime](#)  
[Public Affairs Office](#)

The Defense Supply Center Columbus installation recently acquired a \$21,000 recycling baler absolutely free of charge.

Made in Sweden, the Ornak 9020 is just what the doctor ordered for baling loads of used plastic bottles and aluminum cans for transport to the recycling company.

"This will reduce the number trips we'll have to make with the truck," said Bob Thompson, who works with the recycling office of Morale, Welfare and Recreation. Last year, DSCC recycled about 2,400 pounds of plastic bottles.

"All of our proceeds go to Quality of Life programs," MWR business manager Patric McGuane said.

DLA Disposition Services was the source of the new equipment. A DES-C associate saw the baler on the DSCC installation sitting in an outdoor storage area. Dispo-



MWR business manager Patric McGuane (left) watches as Bob Thompson is about to throw the switch to compress aluminum cans for recycling. The Morale, Welfare and Recreation recycling office recently obtained the baler free of charge from DLA Disposition Services.

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## DSCC BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS

# DSCC 3-man league standings

| Team                | Points Won-Lost | Team             | Points Won-Lost |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Hustle & Flow       | 31-4            | Crown Sports Bar | 17-18           |
| Bust 'Em            | 27-8            | WWJD             | 17-18           |
| Strike 3            | 26-9            | Somebody         | 16-9            |
| Night Shift         | 24-11           | Tailgaters       | 16-19           |
| Snap Crackle Pop    | 22-13           | Sm Med Lg        | 14-21           |
| N.T.R.              | 22-13           | 3 Stooges        | 13-22           |
| Blues Brothers      | 22-13           | Three Aces       | 13-22           |
| Bob Hart's Pro Shop | 21-14           | Mixers           | 12-23           |
| Pinbusters          | 21-14           | T.N.T.           | 12-23           |
| Two + One           | 21-14           | Land Rollers     | 12-23           |
| Originals           | 20-15           | The Brier Patch  | 10-25           |
| Going Postal        | 20-15           | X-Men            | 10-25           |
| GRE-3               | 20-15           | Hackers 3        | 6-29            |
| Playboys            | 19-16           |                  |                 |

**Top scores through week of Nov. 4 (Week 5 of 24)**

**Team Scratch Game:** 1. Snap Crackle Pop (745); 2. Originals (718); 3. N.T.R. (706)  
**Team Scratch Series:** 1. Snap Crackle Pop (2,077); 2. N.T.R. (1,947); 3. Originals (1,922)  
**Scratch Game:** 1. Ray Griffith (289); 2. Nathan Cox (279); 3. Jimmy Martinez (278)  
**Scratch Series:** 1. Ray Griffith (772); 2. Jimmy Martinez (748); 3. Nathan Cox (743)  
**Handicap Game:** 1. Jimmy Tollerson (303); 2. Melvin Hicks (301) 3. Chuck Arata (301)  
**Handicap Series:** 1. Chuck Arata (815); 2. Ray Griffith (801); 3. Dan Hayden (799)

# Ladies Night Out Trio standings

| Team               | Points Won-Lost | Team             | Points Won-Lost |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| EZ Credit          | 16-4            | The Rivals       | 9-11            |
| Twins Plus One     | 15.5-4.5        | Late Comers      | 9-11            |
| Easy Does It       | 12-8            | 2 Sassy          | 9-11            |
| Young Divas        | 11-9            | 3WB              | 8-12            |
| Triple 3ers        | 10-10           | 2 Seniors & Babe | 7.5-12.5        |
| Faithful 3         | 10-10           | Classic Trio     | 5-15            |
| Bob Hart's Bowlers | 9-11            |                  |                 |

**Top scores for week of Nov. 4 (Week 5 of 24)**

**Team Scratch Game:** 1. Easy Does It (571); 2. 3WB (519); 3. The Rivals (499)  
**Team Scratch Series:** 1. Easy Does It (1,559); 2. 3WB (1,497); 3. Twins Plus One (1,374)  
**Team Handicap Game:** 1. Easy Does It (668); 2. The Rivals (652); 3. Young Divas (632)  
**Team Handicap Series:** 1. Easy Does It (1,944); 2. EZ Credit (1,802); 3. The Rivals (1,802)  
**Scratch Game:** 1. Elaine Stevens (222); 2. Delores Dickey (202); 3. Faye Beckett (198)  
**Scratch Series:** 1. Elaine Stevens (592); 2. Missy Collinsworth (554); 3. Jimmie Wattley (549)  
**Handicap Game:** 1. Barbara Cox (254); 2. Karen Kuhn (242); 3. Jimmie Wattley (241)  
**Handicap Series:** 1. Jimmie Wattley (692); 2. Karen Kuhn (668); 3. Betty Nichols (651)

## Diversity Day

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to redress past discriminatory practices.

She then asked the audience to shout out words that were reflective of diversity, such as integrity, respect, etc.

"This was really fun because it led into seeing who could come up with different words to make a great picture," she said after the response.

Fitch-Gordon then requested that everyone pause for a moment and conduct some personal introspection.

"There are some questions that we need to ask ourselves," she said. "What are our

biases/assumptions? Where do they come from? How do they affect us as we work with others? What actions will we take to set them aside when working with others?"

Fitch-Gordon closed her presentation by sharing some challeng-

ing thoughts that were provided to FEW's national board of directors by FEW national president Sue Webster.

These thoughts come from Steve L. Robbins, Ph.D., author of the book *What If?*

What if...The world isn't as we think it is?

What if...we were humble enough to admit our mistakes and courageous enough to correct them?

What if...we more often did as we aspire to do?

What if...we could listen more and judge less?

What if...we could be more flexible and adaptable?

What if...every day we told someone that we value him or her?

Wouldn't this make every agency "The Best Place to Work?"

At the conclusion of the program, NRC senior leaders presented a "Coin of Excellence" to Fitch-Gordon.

## Recycling

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sition Services, the old DRMO, disposes of excess property received from the military services.

All materials recycled on the DSCC installation are materials that won't be going into landfills. Even the plastic bags used to collect the materials are

recycled.

DLA saves the tipping charge, and paper, cardboard and plastic manufacturers save energy by not having to process new raw materials.

The proceeds from recycling go towards Quality of Life enhancements.

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- Only federal employees and military personnel in central Ohio are eligible for free ads.
- Ads must not exceed 20 words.
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- A maximum of three ads per issue will be accepted from one employee. Ads will run for no more than three issues, after which ads must be resubmitted. Please notify the Public Affairs Office if advertised items are sold.
- Only free animal ads will be accepted.
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- Ads promoting a business will not be accepted.
- Ads for firearms, antiques, collectibles or hobby related items will not be accepted.
- Privately-owned tickets, sold through the free ads, must show ticket price and may not exceed the face value of the ticket.
- Ads must be submitted by COB on the Monday of the week preceding the publication date of The Voice. No revisions or cancellations will be accepted after that Monday's deadline.
- Ads will appear on the Voice Web site and may also appear on the publisher's Web site.

Your cooperation is needed in order to continue to offer free ads in The Columbus Federal Voice. The publisher reserves the right to edit and/or reject ads which do not conform to the intent of the Free Ad Policy, which is to provide federal employees and military personnel who work within the distribution area of The Columbus Federal Voice an opportunity to advertise personal property in which other employees or military personnel may be interested.

## Overpayments

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cer Esther Hayden.

As a result of these efforts and the investigation, the vendor acknowledged the errors and submitted a check to the government in the amount of \$1,608,944.68 for overpayments plus interest.

Tarkett said the company voluntarily cooper-

ated with the investigation and admitted no guilt. The company attributed the mistake to an automated invoicing system.

"This was a great example of stewardship excellence in which DLA associates worked together to save taxpayer money," he said.



(DoD photo)

A group of DLA Land and Maritime associates worked together to recoup more than \$1.6 million of taxpayer money after uncovering a pricing error that led to overpayments to a defense contractor for door seal gaskets used on High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicles, like this up-armored M1114 Humvee.

# Expanded opportunities available through Social Security program

By John LaMotte  
Social Security Public  
Affairs Specialist

President Obama has called for greater transparency in government. In response, Social Security has released its Open Government plan, which can be accessed online at [www.socialsecurity.gov/open](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/open).

The plan reflects Social Security's commitment to expand opportunities for citizen participation and collaboration, and make open government more sustainable at Social Security. The agency is particularly proud of three flagship initiatives: a Spanish-Language Retirement Estimator, an Online Service Enhancement Initiative and an Online Life-Expectancy Calculator. These three initiatives support the agency's mission, goals and objectives, and showcase the value of open government principles.

"I applaud President Obama's commitment to opening the federal government to the people it serves and I am especially proud of the three flagship initiatives we have chosen to implement by the end of this year," said Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner of Social Security.

Social Security's Spanish-language Retirement Estimator will be the federal government's first non-English interactive Internet application - a tool that furthers transparency by offering the Spanish-speaking public an opportunity to get instant, personalized estimates of future retirement benefits. Last year, more than three million people used the English-language version of this popular online service available at [www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator).

As part of its Online Service Enhancement initiative, Social Security will unveil a

new service-channeling tool that will help people more easily find the information and services they seek on the agency's web site, [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov). A key feature will be the opportunity to go online to schedule an in-office appointment for those who are unable to use the agency's online services to conduct all of their business.

The agency also is developing an Online Life-Expectancy Calculator - a simple, but important tool to assist the public with retirement planning. Many people substantially underestimate their life expectancy.

This new online service will add a measure of accuracy to retirement planning by providing average life expectancies at different ages based on the person's gender and date of birth, and drawing on assumptions provided in the annual Social Security Trustees' report.

"I look forward to continuing to translate the values of open government into lasting improvements in the way the agency makes decisions, solves problems, and addresses its challenges," Astrue said.

"Social Security's flagship initiatives will improve our services and further break down barriers between the American people and their government."

# CLASSIFIED ADS



**STUFF**

Furniture

**Chest - Honey Oak** 4-drawer chest, bedroom dresser, \$65; oak finish rocking glider chair w/ottoman, navy, 614-693-1148 or 614-270-8954.

Furniture

**Dining Room Set** - Table, six chairs, china cabinet and lighted glass hutch from Whites Furniture, paid \$2,000 new, asking \$550, 614-855-5285 or 614-692-1821.

**Entertainment Center** - Solid Cherry, 84x40x21 with two lighted piers, 72x22x18, holds 32" TV, \$800 OBO, 614-392-1087 or 614-692-6081.

**Living Room** - Micro suede neutral color sofa, \$400; two matching chairs, \$100 ea., all three for \$500 OBO, brown recliner, \$80, 614-392-1087 or 614-692-6081.

**Pool Table** - Sale or trade, 8 ft. slate pool table, solid oak, distinctively carved design, burgundy felt, \$600 or trade for nice seven ft. table, 614-855-5285 or 614-692-1821.

Furniture

**Tables** - Solid Cherry coffee table and two end tables, \$200, 614-392-1087 or 614-692-6081.

**Waterbed** - California King Wave waterbed mattress, \$75; \$150 w/headboard, heater and frame, pictures available, 937-828-0167.

Misc for Sale

**Baby Items** - Baby Pack and Play, Baby stroller, high chair, clean, EC, \$150 for all three, call 614-403-6811 daytime.

**Coat/Jerseys** - 5x leather coat, \$50; 5x Kobe Bryant jersey, \$20; xl Tony Romo jersey, ticketed \$115, selling for \$50, 614-693-8432.

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Misc for Sale

**Storm Doors** - Two white storm doors with screens; one 36x80, one 32x80, both with framing and hardware, \$10 ea., 740-323-4055.

**Suzuki** - 2007 King Quad, 450cc, one owner, 550 miles, full auto trans., push button 4x4 w/lock diffs., 4-wheel indep. Susp., new battery, great condition, black, \$4,100 OBO, 614-949-6854.

**Yamaha** - 2003 Kodiak quad 450cc 4x4, 400 miles, full auto trans., push button 4x4 w/lock diffs., warn winch, great condition, green, \$3,200 OBO, 614-949-6854.

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**Sonya Hayes and Family, J8C**

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