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DSCC installation CFC kickoff is Oct. 19

By Dan Bender

DLA Land and Maritime Public Affairs Office

The Combined Federal Campaign on the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation will kick off Oct. 19 with a celebration in the Building 20 auditorium.

This year's campaign will also feature an opportunity for federal employees to give their time at a local charity during a Community Volunteer Day on Saturday, Oct. 20.

"The Community Volunteer Day was established to help associates connect the dots between giving to CFC and our local charities with the hope that they gain a greater sense of the importance of giving their time and money to some worthy causes," said Deb Perry, chief of the DLA Land and Maritime Executive Programs Office and CFC coordinator for Land and Maritime.

The installation kickoff is a joint partnership between DLA Land and Maritime, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Defense Information Systems Agency, both DLA Human Resources Centers, DLA Training Center and the Navy Recruiting District. They will focus on this year's theme, "Now More Than Ever."

"This year is a campaign from the heart as we focus more on the charities, our community and people in need," Perry said.

The DLA Land and Maritime goal for this year's campaign is \$344,412, a slight decrease from last year's goal; the campaign will run through Nov. 30.

Perry said the start of this year's campaign was pushed back from previous years in deference to the end of the fiscal year and to enable more installation organizations to join as partners.

"The synergy on the installation with everybody participating is real-

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Volunteer Day

Associates can sign up to volunteer at the following charities as part of CFC Community Volunteer Day on Saturday, Oct. 20:

Habitat for Humanity: Fifteen people are needed anytime between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. to help at Habitat's ReStore West to load and unload donations, and price and organize merchandise.

Mid-Ohio Foodbank: Two shifts of 12 people are needed for the Kroger Community Food Pantry to help stock shelves and create emergency meal boxes from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Habitat for Humanity: Eight people are needed to help out at a construction site under supervision of a trained project lead from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (no partial hours) and build a home with Habitat for Humanity.

YWCA Family Center: 12 people are needed to help organize donations from 9 a.m. to noon.

LifeCare Alliance: 50 people are needed to help deliver Meals-on-Wheels from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on a route using your own vehicle.

Faith Mission: 8 volunteers are needed to serve dinner from 5:15-6:15pm

Interested associates should contact their CFC captain, or Deb Perry at 614-692-5018.



DLA PHOTO BY CHUCK MORRIS

Guest speaker Samuel Betances stands behind five local Hispanic high school students who were recognized as 2012 DSCC Outstanding Youth Award winners for their leadership and community service at this year's Hispanic Heritage Month luncheon. From the left are Simon Fernandez of St. Charles Preparatory School, Luis Ventura-Montano of Hilliard Bradley High School, Andrea Martinez of St. Francis DeSales High School, Jose Polanco of Bishop Ready High School and Edgar Villaruel-Cueva of Hilliard Davidson High School. A sixth awardee, Isa Rodriguez of Westerville South High School, could not attend the luncheon.

Defense federal community celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

By Dan Bender

DLA Land and Maritime Public Affairs Office

The impact of today's Hispanic youth on the future was a recurrent theme during this year's defense federal community Hispanic Heritage Month luncheon, from remarks by the guest speaker to the recognition of six local high school Hispanic students for outstanding leadership.

During the luncheon, held Sept. 26 at Whitehall Community Center, guest speaker Samuel Betances noted that 50,000 Hispanic youth in the U.S. turn 18

every year and become eligible to vote.

"It is incomprehensible to me how any political party" could look at that statistic and ignore its impact on the future, Betances said. He pointed out that there will be 15 million Hispanics in the U.S. next year and an estimated 128 million by 2050.

Betances, a college lecturer and motivational speaker who has a doctorate from Harvard University, noted that some modern countries, Japan in particular, are experiencing population declines because of their resistance to immigration and out-

siders.

"If you don't like outsiders, you're going to run out of people," he said. "The United States of America was founded by outsiders who are today's insiders."

In his welcoming remarks, DLA Land and Maritime Commander Navy Rear Adm. (Sel.) David Pimpo noted that "our diversity is truly our strength and I am proud that we as a nation hold diversity in such high regard."

Betances told the audience that their presence at the lun-

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POW/MIA speaker recalls the hardships of his captivity

By John Foreman

DLA Land and Maritime Public Affairs Office

"When I looked down the road and saw the American flag I knew it meant freedom," retired Army Air Corps Staff Sgt. Robert C. Schild and World War II prisoner of war said at the annual Defense Supply Center Columbus Prisoner of War/Missing in Action commemoration Sept. 21 in Weapons Park pavilion.

Schild, the guest speaker at this year's observance, spent 16 months in German prison camps during World War II.

The event began with a presentation of the colors by members of the DLA DSCC Police Honor Guard, followed by the singing of the national anthem by Lisa Griffin of DLA Land and Maritime.

After the invocation by Flora Martin from DLA Land and Maritime, DLA

Land and Maritime Commander Navy Rear Adm. (Sel.) David Pimpo provided welcoming remarks and Defense Finance and Accounting Service Columbus site director Martha Smith introduced the guest speaker.

Schild, who originally hales from Attica, Ohio, said he was pleased to be at the ceremony with his wife of 66 years, Carrie, his daughter, Kathy, and son, John.

He then told the story of his imprisonment at the hands of the German Army after the B-24 Liberator bomber he was flying in as a tail gunner was shot down.

"January 21, 1944, was a bad day for me," Schild said. "We had a mission over the coast of France to take out some gun emplacements and we were shot down by German fighters."

"I bailed out and my parachute opened only



DLA PHOTO BY CHUCK MORRIS

POW/MIA commemoration guest speaker Robert Schild receives a memento of appreciation from DLA Land and Maritime Commander Navy Rear Adm. (Sel.) David Pimpo and DFAS Columbus site director Martha Smith following his remarks at the Sept. 21 ceremony. Schild was a prisoner of war for 16 months during World War II after his bomber was shot down by German forces along the coast of France.

five seconds before I hit the ground. So it was pretty close and the Germans captured me on the spot," Schild said.

From there Schild about his imprisonment, during which he was taken to Frankfort, interrogated and

placed in solitary confinement for 10 days. After his interrogation, he was taken by rail in a boxcar to Lithuania to a military prison camp for the next five and a half months.

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DOD PHOTO BY ERIN A. KIRK-CUOMO

Deputy Defense Secretary Ashton B. Carter presents Vice President Joe Biden with a model of an MRAP vehicle after an Oct. 1 ceremony at the Pentagon.

Biden, Carter applaud 'Team MRAP' as production ends

By Karen Parrish
American Forces Press Service

Vice President Joe Biden joined Deputy Defense Secretary Ashton B. Carter at an Oct. 1 Pentagon ceremony marking the end of production of the mine-resistant, ambush-protected vehicle.

There are seven MRAP variants, and nearly 28,000 of the vehicles were produced during the past five years, with

24,059 fielded to Iraq and Afghanistan. Nearly 13,000 of the vehicles remain in use in Afghanistan. The vehicle, with its blast-resistant V-shaped hull, was rushed to production as a better defense against roadside bombs than the up-armored Humvee, and it is credited with saving thousands of lives.

Biden noted the speed of MRAP production and

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Point of View

DLA associate known as longtime contributor to Latino community

By Joseph Altieri
DLA Training Center

Hispanic Heritage Month is a time to reflect and appreciate those who have made exceptional contributions to the Latino community.

John Ramos, a general supply specialist instructor for the Defense Logistics Agency Training Center, has dedicated many years of his personal time making such a contribution.

Ramos helped launch the Columbus chapter of League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) in 2006. LULAC is the nation's largest and oldest civil rights volunteer-based organization, with 900 councils around the United States and Puerto Rico providing a wide range of programs, services and advocacy.

Ramos has served on the organization's executive board as sergeant of arms, treasurer, council president and state

director.

Local DLA associates have served as the backbone of the Columbus LULAC chapter. These associates took the DLA vision of excellence and diversity to heart and put it into practice by serving the community.

Through Ramos' leadership, the chapter has had a strong presence in the community. One example is the joint DLA and LULAC support of the Columbus Reads Program—an initiative to help local students read and learn. DLA LULAC members have volunteered their time tutoring at Broadleigh Elementary School and serving as bilingual interpreters for conferences with Latino parents and teachers.

As we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month 2012, let us also celebrate the many contributions made by DLA associates like John Ramos to make our community stronger and more vibrant.



John Ramos, a general supply specialist instructor for the Defense Logistics Agency Training Center, helped launch the Columbus chapter of League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) in 2006. He has dedicated much personal time in helping the central Ohio Latino community.

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“The Russians started to get close so the Germans decided to move us back to Germany by freighter. About 150 of us were put in a hold of a ship that should only hold about 50 people. We were on that boat for three days with temperatures over 100 degrees. Many of the prisoners got seasick and were vomiting. It was a hectic three days and three nights,” he said.

When they arrived in Germany, the prisoners were marched to a railroad yard where they

were locked in a boxcar as allied bombers bombed the railroad yard. They were lucky they weren't hit by the bombs.

“When we finally got to the next camp, they handcuffed us. We all thought they were going to shoot us, but they didn't,” Schild said. “There were about 9,000 prisoners in this camp and we remained there until Feb. 6, 1945.

“That day they lined us up to march to the next camp but instead we marched for 86 days and about 500 miles in the winter and cold conditions. One night it was 10 degrees below zero. It was really hard, espe-

cially when you didn't get much to eat,” Schild said.

“Finally, our German guards told us one morning that we were going to be released that day. We didn't believe them until we saw an American jeep pull up with an American captain who told us our release would be soon. We marched six more miles until I saw an American flag flying about an eighth of a mile down the road. When I saw the American flag I knew it meant freedom and I got down on my hands and knees and thanked my Lord in prayer,” Schild said.

Schild closed by saying that

when he was repatriated he weighed 110 pounds and his waist was down to 22 inches; the day his aircraft was shot down he weighed 170 pounds. He lost about one third of his body weight during captivity.

After Schild's remarks, the Air Force ROTC cadets from Ohio State's Arnold Air Society Detachment 645 performed the Table of Remembrance ceremony, the DLA DSCC Police Honor Guard delivered a 21-gun salute, and a member of the Columbus Fire and Police Pipes and Drum Corps played “Amazing Grace” to close the ceremony.



DLA PHOTO BY CHUCK MORRIS

Members of the DLA DSCC police color guard present the colors during the national anthem at the beginning of the POW/MIA commemoration ceremony held Sept. 21 at Weapons Park pavilion on the DSCC installation. Members of the color guard are Lt. Kendra Reynolds and officers Jerry Pyle, David Jatich and Mark Jones.

Obituaries

Michael Ronald Cummings

Michael Ronald Cummings, 71, died Sept. 25 at Mount Carmel East Hospital. Mr. Cummings worked for more than 30 years for DLA in Battle Creek, Mich., and Columbus in the data systems field.

Florlyn Rinkov Freedman

Florlyn Rinkov Freedman, 85, of Bexley, died Sept. 27. Ms. Freedman was retired from DSCC after 40 years of service.

Clarence Daniel “Dan” Geese

Clarence Daniel “Dan” Geese, 91, of Leesburg, Ohio, died Sept. 21 at the Adena Medical Center in Greenfield, Ohio. Mr. Geese was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran of World War II and Korea, was a civilian computer analyst for the Department of Defense in Columbus for more than 20 years, and retired as a member of the U. S. Army National Guard.

Philip (Allen) Gibson Sr.

Philip (Allen) Gibson Sr., 59, died Sept. 28. Mr. Gibson was a U.S. Army veteran and retired from DLA as a materials handler at Norfolk Naval Base.

Harry M. Howell

Harry M. Howell, 64, died Sept. 17 in Columbus. Mr. Howell was a U.S. Army veteran and retired from DSCC.

Mary Blum Ludwig

Mary Blum Ludwig, 89, died Sept. 25. Ms. Ludwig was retired from DCSC after 31 years of service and was member of the DSCC Officers Club.

George W. McAlpine

George W. McAlpine, 64, of Newark, died Sept. 18 at Licking Memorial Hospital. Mr. McAlpine was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran of Vietnam and formerly worked in the warehouse at Newark Air Force Base.

Gail L. Milburn

Gail L. Milburn, 76, of Xenia, died Sept. 29 at Miami Valley Hospital. Ms. Milburn retired from DESC in 1996.

Calvin E. Osborn

Calvin E. Osborn, 64 of Newark, died Sept. 27 at his residence. Mr. Osborn was a U.S. Air Force veteran and had worked at Newark Air Force Base.

Briefs

DSCC to celebrate AbilityOne Day

DLA Land and Maritime will celebrate the AbilityOne program Oct. 11 with a special mandatory acquisition functional forum beginning at 9 a.m. in the Building 20 auditorium, followed by an open house in the Buckeye and Cardinal rooms during which representatives from about 20 AbilityOne nonprofit agencies will display sample products and discuss their capabilities.

The keynote speaker for the forum is Army Sgt. (Ret.) David Kendrick, who joined the U.S. Army at the age of 18 and was deployed to Iraq. He was shot by a sniper in both legs with the injury causing permanent damage to his left leg. He was medically discharged from the Army in April 2010 and struggled to find employment before finding a job through an AbilityOne contract with a New York company.

The AbilityOne Program is the largest source of employment, through federal contracts, for individuals who are blind or have other severe disabilities. More information is available at www.AbilityOne.org.

It's A Date

October 2012

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Disability Awareness Month

OCT. 11 – Navy birthday celebration, 1 p.m., Building 20 auditorium

OCT. 12 – American Red Cross blood drive, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Building 20 Pod C basement

OCT. 13 – U.S. Navy's 237th birthday

OCT. 16 – National Boss Day

OCT. 19 – DSCC installation CFC kickoff, 8:30 a.m., Building 20 auditorium

OCT. 20 – Sweetest Day

OCT. 26 – Armed Services Blood Program blood drive, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Building 20 Pod C basement

OCT. 31 – Halloween

November 2012

American Indian Heritage Month

NOV. 1 – All Saints Day

NOV. 4 – Daylight Savings Time ends

NOV. 6 – Election Day

NOV. 9 – American Red Cross blood drive, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Building 20 Pod C basement

NOV. 10 – U.S. Marine Corps 237th birthday

NOV. 11 – Veterans Day

NOV. 12 – Veterans Day holiday

DLA mission briefed at local jobs summit

DLA Land and Maritime representatives participated in a Sept. 17-18 DisAbility Jobs Summit at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

EEO Office manager Charles Palmer and Disability Awareness program manager Paul Allan Gambrell briefed attendees on the DLA mission, its site locations, job opportunities and how to apply for jobs on the federal website.

Sponsored by the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, the purpose of the job fair was to expand and improve the employability of unemployed and underemployed groups. The program was designed to

educate consumers, employers, service providers and rehabilitation professionals.

Palmer and Gambrell participated on two panels, one being “DiversiAbilities in the Workforce: Raising the Profile of What Disability Looks Like in the Ohio's Workforce.”

New vendor to operate DSCC cafeterias Nov. 12

A new contractor will assume control of cafeteria operations in Buildings 20, 21 and 11 on the DSCC installation effective Nov. 12. The new contractor will introduce and implement new programs and menu items during November and December

in preparation for full-service operation in all cafeterias commencing on Jan. 2, 2013. Specific menu changes and details will be announced in late October.

Anyone with questions or concerns regarding this change can contact Javier Rojas at 614-692-4673 or Javier.rojas@dla.mil.

CPR AED classes available

Federal employees on the DSCC installation who would like to become certified in CPR and in the use of an Automated External Defibrillator can register for a class by calling the Health Unit in Building 21 at 614-701-5104.

Class spaces are limited

and associates should check with their supervisor before scheduling to insure they can attend. Those who schedule are expected to attend as a reserved space cannot be refilled at the last minute.

Classes will be held in Building 20, C Pod basement, Room 006 and will be available on the following dates: 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Oct. 23, Nov. 7 and Dec. 4 and 19, or 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Oct. 16 and 23, Nov. 7 and 27 and Dec. 4.

VA awards grant to Veterans Home

The Department of Veterans Affairs is awarding more than \$300,000 for the state of Ohio to renovate the fire alarm system at the Veterans Home in Sandusky.

VA's grant will cover about 65 percent of the estimated \$500,000 cost of the project. In fiscal 2011, VA spent nearly \$6.1 billion in Ohio to serve the state's more than 840,000 veterans.

Veterans Integrated Service Network 10 is headquartered in Cincinnati. VA also operates five major medical centers in Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Dayton, 31 outpatient clinics, eight Vet Centers, and two national cemeteries across the state.

Land and Maritime associate recognized for work on items used in space applications

By Mislin A. Perez-Fernandez

DLA Columbus EEO Hispanic Employment Program Public Affairs Liaison

DLA Land and Maritime associate Alan Barone was recognized for his continuous efforts towards quality improvement in the space microelectronics industry at the Space Parts Working Group conference in California.

Barone is an engineer in the Electronic Devices Branch in the Operations Support Group's Sourcing and Qualification Division.

This award was in appreciation for Barone's efforts to represent the reliability interests and concerns of the government space user community. It was coordinated, signed and presented by the U.S. Air Force Space and Missile Systems Center, National Reconnaissance Office and National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

"Since this recognition came directly from our military and government space end custom-

ers, I consider this award the most prestigious and personally heart felt award among many that I have received in my 29 years of service," Barone said. "I have always considered the reliability of our military and space electronics devices to be our most important goal and I have worked my entire career to achieve the highest reliability possible."

This is the first time that a DLA employee received an award during the SPWG conference. During the award ceremony, David Davis from the Space and Missile Systems Center praised Barone's persistence in representing the government and space community's best interests.

The SPWG Conference was sponsored by the Aerospace Corp. in cooperation with the Space and Missile Systems Center. In its 41st year, SPWG is an unclassified, international forum for disseminating information to the aerospace industry and for resolving problems with high-

reliability electronic parts for space applications.

This event included presentations from suppliers, prime system manufacturers, and government agencies, including the Air Force, NASA, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, and Air Force Research Laboratory. It was attended by more than 250 government and industry representatives.

Barone is also a candidate with two other engineers for a group DLA Top Ten award for work on proving correlation between internal gas analysis and hermeticity testing.

Members of the DLA Land and Maritime Hispanic Employment Program said they are proud of Barone's accomplishments and his outstanding job for DLA Land and Maritime.

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Honored Sept. 21 by the American Red Cross Central Ohio Blood Services Region 25, DSCC Installation blood drive coordinator Kara Mettille (right) and alternate LaNelle Williams (left) pose with Red Cross honorary chairperson Cabot Rea, Channel 4 TV news anchor. The installation received a first-place award in the City/County/Federal Government category at the "Annual Life Sharing Challenge Recognition Luncheon." During the past year, for blood drives ending June 30, the installation donated 485 units of blood, including 35 apheresis and five double red cell units. DSCC was highlighted because of its special focus in partnering with the American Red Cross to continue to assist with blood collection efforts. DSCC's next blood drive is Friday, Oct. 12.

Red Cross, Armed Services Blood Program again splitting DSCC blood drives

The Environmental, Safety and Occupational Health Office has released the blood drive schedule for fiscal 2013 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. 20, Dec. 18 and July 2, 2013, which are Tuesdays.

The blood drives are open to all installation employees, military, retirees (military and civilian), installation tenants and base contractors. Blood drives are "closed" to the general public. Appointments are preferred and given priority. Walk-ins are accepted, but may have to wait.

Appointments to donate at a Red Cross blood drive can be scheduled by calling 614-251-1451 or 1-800-RED-CROSS, or online at www.redcrossblood.org.

Appointment for the Armed Services Blood Program should

DSCC Blood Donor Schedule (FY 2013)

Oct. 12	ARC
Oct. 26	ASBP
Nov. 9	ARC
Nov. 20	ASBP
Dec. 7	ARC
Dec. 18	ASBP
Jan. 4	ASBP
Jan. 18	ARC
Feb. 1	ASBP
Feb. 15	ARC
March 1	ASBP
March 15	ARC
March 29	ASBP
April 12	ARC
April 26	ASBP
May 10	ASBP
May 24	ARC
June 7	ASBP
June 21	ARC
July 2	ASBP
July 19	ASBP
Aug. 2	ARC
Aug. 16	ASBP
Aug. 30	ARC
Sept. 13	ASBP
Sept. 27	ARC

ARC = American Red Cross

ASBP = Armed Services Blood Program

be scheduled online through Wright-Patterson Air Force Base at 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.

DSCC blood donor program coordinator Kara Mettille can be reached at 614-692-3964.

The campaign on the DSCC installation is part of the overall Central Ohio and West Virginia CFC, which covers federal agencies in 30 counties

in central and southeast Ohio, along with three counties in West Virginia.

Anyone who would like more information can call Perry at 614-692-5018.

MRAP

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fielding since 2007 was the result of a joint effort involving defense, industry and Congress. During that effort, the members of "team MRAP," he said, showed "remarkable leadership."

"[It's] not easy to push something this big through this system this fast," the vice president said.

The MRAP team included numerous Defense Logistics Agency associates, including a number of DLA Land and Maritime associates who were part of the Joint Program

Office that supported MRAP procurement and sustainment efforts.

Biden said the nation's leaders, while they have many obligations, have only one "truly sacred obligation": to equip and protect those who fight the nation's wars, and to care for those who come home from those wars.

Carter, who also spoke at the ceremony, noted that at peak production more than 1,000 MRAPs – each weighing between 26,000 and 56,000 pounds – arrived in Iraq or Afghanistan each month. The deputy secretary, who served

under former Defense Secretary Robert Gates as undersecretary of defense for acquisition, technology and logistics, read a message from the former secretary.

The MRAP team, Gates wrote, "implemented the largest defense procurement program to go from decision to full industrial production in less than a year since World War II."

The members of that team, Gates continued, can look back on their MRAP work and know "that your work truly saved the lives and limbs of many men and women in uniform."

DSCC INSTALLATION HOLIDAY BALL

**DECEMBER 7
6 P.M. – MIDNIGHT**
THE ALADDIN SHRINE CENTER

For all personnel assigned to the DSCC Installation and family members 21 and older

MENU
Entrées: Lemon Chicken or Sliced Top Sirloin Beef, sides and dessert. Cash Bar.
See full menu at www.dsccmwr.com/holiday-ball.

TICKETS
\$45 per person Tickets are non-refundable
Tickets available now through **Nov 28** at the ITR Office
Also available:
Cafe 21 ~ Nov 8 during lunch
Cafe 11 ~ Nov 15 during lunch

DRESS Military Service Dress/Civilian Semi-formal

More information at dsccmwr.com/holiday-ball * Event Details: 2-1221 * Ticket Details: 2-1111

CFC

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ly great," Perry said. "All of the agencies have been more than willing to work together, which is great because this is the first time we've tried to do anything like this."

Federal employees on the DSCC installation can sign up to volunteer on a first-come basis at any of the five charities listed. (See sidebar for list of charities.)

"If we have more volunteers than charities, we will try to have another Volunteer Day during the campaign," Perry explained.

Hispanic Employment Program honors associates for awards received in past year

By Mislin A. Perez-Fernandez

DLA Columbus EEO Hispanic Employment Program Public Affairs Liaison

As part of the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration, the DLA Land and Maritime EEO Hispanic Employment Program honored local Hispanic associates who were recognized for their work for the Defense Logistics Agency, or in the Hispanic community in the past year.

Those recognized included John O. Ramos, an instructor for DLA Human Resources Services and a U.S. Navy retiree who was recently honored with the Latino Military of Distinction Award by the Ohio Latino Affairs Commission.

The commission will present its annual Governor's Distinguished Hispanic Awards Oct. 12 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Columbus.

The purpose of the event is to recognize and honor individuals and organizations who have demonstrated outstanding achievements in professional or community service endeavors, and who serve as role models for the growing Hispanic community in Ohio.

Ramos is the third Defense Logistics Agency employee to receive a Governor's Distinguished Hispanic Award since the awards program began in 2010. The previous winners were retiree Felix Huertas in 2010 and Tamara D. Gonzales, a DLA corporate intern.

"It was a great honor to win 2011 Ohio Latino Military Service of Distinction Award. This award is close to my heart and it is my wish to honor those who honored me by serving with the highest level of professionalism and sincere commitment to my community," Gonzales said.

Gonzales, a quality assurance

specialist in Maritime Supplier Operations and a master sergeant in the Ohio Air National Guard, is featured on the cover of the 2012 Who's Who in Latino Columbus publication, which recognizes more than 100 outstanding professional and talented Latinos.

Francisco Bermudez, a customer account specialist in Maritime Customer Operations, was honored for his selection as his directorate's Employee of the Month for November 2011.

According to his nomination, Bermudez consistently provides superior service, frequently going above and beyond to ensure his customer's issues are resolved quickly and effectively.

Photographer Laura SanMiguel-Fearing was honored for being selected Associate of the Month for June for DLA Installation Support at Columbus. She was recognized for her creativity, innovation and organizational skills.

Frances R. Quinones, an affirmative employment manager for the DLA Land and Maritime Equal Employment Opportunity Office, was recognized in May by the Federal Executive Association of Columbus and Central Ohio with an "Outstanding Equal Employment Opportunity Award." Other Hispanic associates recognized at the 35th FEA awards luncheon included Navy Nuclear Reactors Program Team members Lucianette Maldonado, Yirha Torres-Cruz, Ian Vega-Gilormini and Evelyn Steward, and Tire Successor Initiative Team member Gerardo Davila.

The HEP Committee was also nominated for the FEA Community Service Honor Award for its contributions to the community such as the "Have a Hear Campaign" that collects gently used coats and gift cards for nonprofit



DLA PHOTOS

Top, Hispanic associates working on various DLA Land and Maritime teams who were recognized at the FEA Excellence in Government Service awards luncheon in May were (from left) Evelyn Steward, Liza S. Gerardo, Frances R. Quinones, Lucianette Maldonado, Maria B. Castillo, Shaelene Seda Vargas, Mislin A. Perez-Fernandez and Angela McCoy.

Above left, DLA Land and Maritime Hispanic associates who have been recognized for job performance in the past year include Francisco Bermudez (seated left), a customer account specialist in Maritime Customer Operations, Tamara Gonzales (seated right), a quality assurance specialist in Maritime Supplier Operations, Frances R. Quinones (standing left), an affirmative employment manager for the EEO Office, and Laura SanMiguel-Fearing, a photographer for DLA Installation Support at Columbus. Above right is John Ramos.

organizations and local schools, assisting with orientation and parent/teacher conferences in Columbus Public Schools by providing bilingual volunteers to interpret for Spanish speaking parents or guardians, and helping recruit Hispanic employees by informing the local Hispanic community and contacting individuals at colleges and universities.

The HEP invites all DLA associates to participate in a "flash mentoring" being organized as part of the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration. This mentoring session will be held Oct. 10 from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Building 20 Buckeye Room. During this event, each mentee will have an opportunity to meet and listen to three mentors. They will be able to ask questions about

their development and personal growth in a more informal setting. The mentors will be Ben Roberts, Johana Maisonave, Army Maj. Alfonso P. Edwards, Robert Boggs, Linda K. Johnson and Hoa Ta.

For more information, call HEP manager Maria Buch Castillo at 614-692-9704, or HEP coordinator Shaelene Seda Vargas at 614-692-3134.

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cheon was important as a way to honor the youth being recognized as leaders of the future.

In recognizing the

six local Hispanic high school students with DSCC Outstanding Youth Awards, DLA Land and Maritime Equal Employment Opportunity Office manager Charles Palmer said the winners had been nominated by their

schools based on their leadership skills and service to their communities.

The winning youths were, in alphabetical order, Simon Fernandez of St. Charles Preparatory School, Andrea Martinez of St. Francis

DeSales High School, Jose Polanco of Bishop Ready High School, Isa Rodriguez of Westerville South High School, Luis Ventura-Montano of Hilliard Bradley High School and Edgar Villaruel-Cueva of Hilliard Davidson High School.

Palmer and DLA Land and Maritime Hispanic Employment Program manager Maria Buch Castillo also recognized members of the DLA and DFAS Columbus HEP committees for their contributions to their respective HEPs.

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Maritime quality assurance specialist selected Supervisor of the Month

By Dan Bender

DLA Land and Maritime Public Affairs Office

An associate in Maritime Supplier Operations who supervises quality assurance specialists has been recognized as the DLA Land and Maritime Supervisor of the Month for July.

David Barman was recognized by DLA Land and Maritime Commander Navy Rear Adm. (Sel.) David Pimpo at an Aug. 30 Supervisors Call in the Building 20 auditorium.

Barman, who has worked for the Defense Logistics Agency for nearly 29 years, supervises a team of 12 associates who manage electronic items such as connectors, cables and wires, and relay switches.

The associates on his team work to make sure the items they manage meet all technical and quality requirements.

“What used to be the technical and quality roles have been combined into the quality assurance specialist job, so it’s almost like supervising two functions,” he said.

Barman said one of his goals as a supervisor is to make sure his team members have the tools they need to be productive and succeed.

“I want to help give them the freedom to shine,” he said.

Seeing his team members succeed is an enjoyable aspect of his job, Barman said, noting that two former members of his team have been promoted into new jobs.

“That’s one of the most satisfying things is seeing someone on your team succeeding and moving up in their career,” he said.

His supervisor, Rocky Sunday, said Barman is a committed and dedicated leader who provides direction and purpose in achieving organizational metrics while incorporating DLA’s best practices.

“Dave promotes communication, cooperation and respect throughout his team, allowing him to gain commitment and trust,” Sunday stated.

He pointed out that Barman places a high priority on supporting the warfighter.

“He is very committed and passionate about satisfying the needs of the warfighter,” Sunday

stated. “He believes that DLA’s top priority is the warfighter for all those engaged in wartime operations activities.”

Sunday also lauded Barman for his willingness to step up as an acting team chief while Sunday was detailed to the Business Process Support directorate for four months, and for his work when assigned to develop product specialist metrics and processing time frames.

“He believes that effective supply chain management is critical in supporting our military forces all over the world,” Sunday said.

Barman has an associate degree in electronics from Terra Technical College in Fremont, Ohio.

When he’s not at work,



DLA PHOTO BY CHUCK MORRIS

David Barman, a supervisory quality assurance specialist in Maritime Supplier Operations, receives the Supervisor of the Month award memento for July from DLA Land and Maritime Commander Navy Rear Adm. (Sel.) David Pimpo during an Aug. 30 Supervisors Call.

the Pickerington resident enjoys watching road racing, attending car shows with his 1972 Chev-

let Chevelle and reading books about the founding of our nation and current events.

Dowd visits Columbus to review operations

By John Foreman

DLA Land and Maritime Public Affairs

Army Maj. Gen. Kenneth Dowd, new DLA Director of Operations (DLA J-3), made a special trip to DLA Land and Maritime and the Defense Supply Center Columbus installation Sept. 27 to orient himself with the operations of the Land and Maritime supply chains.

Dowd received a series of briefings during his visit including a command briefing and organizational overviews of the Land Customer and Sup-

plier chains. He also received a tour of the DLA Product Test Center and learned about its mission and operations.

During his briefing in the Building 20 command conference room, Dowd was briefed on the leadership structure of DLA Land and Maritime, locations of Land and Maritime personnel and detachments, critical operational initiatives and statistics, and demand and customer operations as well as OPORD 12-04 missions and “Big Ideas” successes.

“I just returned from the

theater with five years in CENTCOM and two years down in Kuwait and Afghanistan,” Dowd said. “What this organization has done for the theater is really impressive, and the sailors, soldiers, airmen, Marines and civilians out there feel your push.”

“I know the DLA team here is leaning forward and I’m here to help,” he added.

He thanked the DLA Land and Maritime workforce for its support of the armed forces and the nation.

“I’m really impressed with

what the DLA team here is doing,” he said.

During his visit, Dowd presented coins to DLA Land and Maritime associates Scotty Achatz, Kevin Zantt, Don Lushbaugh, Chrissy Schall, Bret Griffin, John Elavsky, Marizela Marin-Giraud, Greg Vaughn, Marien Corps Gunnery Sgt. Donald Pastorcich and Maj. Anita Trepanier for their outstanding efforts in support of the warfighter.

He was also presented a memento of his visit before departing.



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Army Maj. Gen. Kenneth Dowd, the new DLA Director of Operations (DLA J-3), is greeted on his arrival to DSCC by DLA Land and Maritime Commander Navy Rear Adm. (Sel.) David Pimpo during Dowd’s orientation visit.