

DDC's Finley Receives Packaging Professional Award for 2004 from NIPHLE

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Defense Distribution Center (DDC) Packaging Specialist Larry Finley received the Packaging Professional Award for 2004 from the National Institute of Packaging, Handling and Logistics Engineers (NIPHLE) for his outstanding accomplishments in the field of military packaging.

"Military packaging is an important component of DDC's customer support efforts and overall military readiness, and Mr. Finley's astute knowledge in this area makes him an invaluable member of the DDC Material Processing Support team," said BG Gainey.

Finley began his federal career 35 years ago as an Army Federal

Civil Servant, Packer, in the New Cumberland Army Depot warehouse and now serves as a Packaging Specialist on DDC's Materials Processing Support Team.

During his career, Finley has been part of the development of many tools and resources that have improved DDC's accuracy and efficiency in the area of packaging including the DLA Hazardous Materials-Storage and Handling handbook, the Environmental Reporting Logistics System, and the DoD computer-based training on wood packaging and related policy.

As DDC's subject matter expert on the use and treatment of wood products in packaging,

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Finley is considered the "DDC encyclopedia of packaging information" according to his supervisor, Susan Earle. "Larry has so much experience and knowledge in all aspects of packaging. He's definitely our go-to guy for advice and assistance in this area."

Earlier this year, Finley was also identified by NIPHLE as a Military Packaging Professional in recognition of his commitment to continuing his education in the field of packaging.

Safety awareness awarded at DDJC

Defense Distribution Depot San Joaquin, CA (DDJC) Hazardous Branch Chief Brad Winchell, left, presents Romulo Cabero an On-The-Spot award for his initiative in the area of safety. Cabero took action to

have No Parking signs posted in loading zones, get electrical outlets repaired, and have grooves cut in concrete to improve MHE traction during periods of rainy weather.

