

## DDGM's Brown receives NDTA Distinguished Service Award Transportation Officer revives local chapter

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During the National Defense Transportation Association (NDTA) annual forum in September, Defense Distribution Depot Guam (DDGM) Transportation Officer Jerry Brown was honored with the NDTA Distinguished Service Award.

As president of his local NDTA chapter, Brown worked tirelessly to boost membership. When he began, the chapter only had three members. Through collaboration with other Department of Defense transportation professionals, commercial business partners, and the local government, the chapter now boasts membership in excess of 70.

"Jerry has worked extremely hard to revive the Guam chapter," said CDR Bill Nash, SC, USN, DDGM Commander.

According to Brown, the increase in membership was due to professional networking and the cooperation of the local government. "One person tells two and the growth has been exponential ever since."



NDTA Chairman and CEO (also President and Chairman of American Roll-On Roll-Off Carriers) Raymond Eberling (left) presents the NDTA Distinguished Service Award to Brown for "giving unselfishly of his time and talent toward the growth and development of the National Defense Transportation Association."

## DDC's McCarthy recognized by NIPHLE



Linda McCarthy was recently recognized by the National Institute of Packaging Handling and Logistics Engineers (NIPHLE) for her work with the Navy on the Computer Based Training Performance Oriented Packaging, or CBT POP, design.

## SSgt Balkuvvar-Smith named DDC NCO of the Quarter

Staff Sergeant Sevin Balkuvvar-Smith, USAF, Defense Distribution Mapping Activity (DDMA) Map Support Office-Germany (MSO-Germany) was named Defense Distribution Center (DDC) Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) of the Quarter, fourth quarter, fiscal year 2006.

"Her work ethic and positive attitude are beyond reproach," said CDR John Pearson, SC, USN, DDMA Commander. "She has proven to be one of the best people on our team. She's continuously shown her commitment to Air Force core values in the quality and professionalism of her work. SSgt Balkuvvar-Smith is not only a superior performer and an NCO, but by far one of our best young leaders."

During this quarter, SSgt Balkuvvar-Smith rapidly replaced expired map inventory for MSO-Bahrain, Richmond, and 277 customers. She bench-marked the Report of Discrepancy Program for all MSOs to follow. She expertly re-warehoused 384 low flying chart line items, reducing bin locations by more than 600. She also expedited delivery of more than 14,000 maps in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.