

customers aware of, and interested in, the DDC vision of innovative and tailored logistics support. Service schools became interested in learning about DDC and have now made a DDC orientation part of their curriculum – training our military leaders of the future.

“I’m humbled by the cast of previous Hall of Fame inductees that I join,” said Doornink.

She created the DDC identity by instilling three words that described what DDC and distribution was all about: velocity, visibility, and value. “The definition of distribution is the velocity of getting things to war fighters in a timely manner, the visibility of where that action is to the customer and their confidence knowing it’s on its way, and the value to the customer – knowing that ordering from DLA was, and is, the best deal.”

The initiatives spearheaded by Doornink continue to enable DDC to optimize its global distribution system through best practices in supply chain management, provide logistics process improvement change recommendations to balance customer service, cost, readiness, and sustainability ensuring DDC will continue to provide effective support to the war fighter and remain relevant in the ever-changing DOD environment.

The DLA Hall of Fame was established to recognize and honor former members of the DLA team who made significant and enduring contributions to the agency. Membership in the Hall of Fame is open to all former DLA military and civilian personnel regardless of rank or grade.

DDAA’s Dorthard named DDC Employee of the Quarter

Kurt Dorthard, Defense Distribution Depot Anniston, Ala., small arms repair inspector, was named Defense Distribution Center Employee of the Quarter, second quarter, fiscal year 2007.

“Dothard has shown an exceptional work ethic in the Weapons Branch of DDAA,” said Army Lt. Col. Rick Harney, DDAA Commander. His duties include providing expert small arms knowledge to the entire branch on a daily basis.

In the past few months, Dothard has also been assigned to do the Care of Stock in Storage, or COSIS, and visual inspections in two DDAA warehouses each month. This workload represents more than 60 percent of the total COSIS and visual inspection workload at DDAA, and he has completed them each month on time with zero errors, Harney said. DDAA has since hired a crew of inspectors to do the COSIS and visual inspections that Dothard did alone.

“Kurt’s ‘can do’ attitude sets him apart from other folks everyday,” said Harney.

DDSP’s Lightner named DDC Employee of the Quarter

Supply Technician Jay Lightner of Defense Distribution Depot Susquehanna, Pa., was named Defense Distribution Center Employee of the Quarter, second quarter, fiscal year 2007.

Lightner consistently provides superior performance in all assigned duties, exhibiting a professional demeanor and sharp attention to detail, said Alice Crocker, DDSP supervisory traffic management specialist.

In-depth understanding of supply regulations and policies coupled with common sense enable Lightner to resolve diverse problems and independently address many situations, Crocker said.

Lightner’s primary duties involve processing exception data Material Release Orders, or MROs, for the emergency supply operations center for next day or same day delivery. During fiscal year 2007, Lightner has processed approximately 75 percent of all MROs received on Saturday and Sunday, in many cases staying late or responding to call backs during off duty hours to ensure carrier pickup.

In addition, Lightner provides shipment status and readily assists customers with professionalism, skill, tact and diplomacy, Crocker said.

Lightner’s contribution extends throughout the Eastern Distribution Center. His work proudly reflects his personal commitment.

“Jay is highly respected by his co-workers and peers, and sets high standards for others to achieve,” Crocker said.

At noon on a recent Saturday, the DDSP emergency supply operations center began receiving calls regarding a number of requisitions for USS Harry S. Truman.

Nearly all were designated for Mandatory Monday Delivery. But, the ship’s schedule required a Saturday pick up and the ship was able to dispatch a small aircraft to an airport located near DDSP.

Lightner immediately began collecting the parts along with several routine requisitions and consolidated them for shipment. The aircraft arrived a little before 8 p.m., where it was met by DDSP Commander Navy Capt. Jim Naber and Lightner. The parts were then passed off to a satisfied crew.



Navy Capt. Rick Pawlawski, commander of Carrier Air Wing Three, right accepted a shipment for the USS Harry S. Truman that was collected in less than eight hours by Jay Lightner, DDSP supply technician, left.