

## DDC Personnel Receive Defense Meritorious Service Medal

CDR Ted Olson, SC, USN, was recognized with the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for his accomplishments as the Deputy for the Distribution Operations Division of Defense Distribution Depot Susquehanna, PA (DDSP) where he led a workforce of 1800 in an operation that handled nearly 15 million lines of workload. He also oversaw the development of a training program for new employees that were hired to support unprecedented mission requirements in direct support

of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

CDR Kevin Carrier, SC, USN, served as the Director of the Production Division at Defense Distribution Depot Norfolk, VA (DDNV) where he earned the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for his exceptional accomplishments in the areas of personnel training, physical distribution and inventory accountability. His leadership and initiative lead to improvements in DDNV's fleet support and operating efficiency.

LT Tarail Vernon, SC, USN, received the Defense Meritorious Service Medal in recognition of his outstanding dedication to fleet support by managing a highly complex physical distribution organization responsible for local delivery at DDNV.

LT James Wong, SC, USN, was awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for his accomplishments as Military Liaison Officer at Defense Distribution Depot San Diego, CA (DDDC) where his dedication, ingenuity and professional

expertise contributed to the accurate distribution of \$5.4 million worth of materiel to support the Warfighter.

MSgt Jimmy Dorsey, USMC, earned the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for his superb accomplishments as Senior Enlisted Advisor at DDSP where his leadership resulted in a new material release order pick record of 25,700. MSgt Dorsey also deployed to Kuwait prior to Operation Iraqi Freedom to begin the distribution of prepositioned materiel to support the Warfighter.

## DDAG's Bazile Wins 1st Place in Rodeo

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*DDAG Commander Maj Mark Campaigne, USMC, congratulates Bazile on his victory as the Forklift Rodeo champ.*

He took a deep breath and said one more prayer as he tightened the rope in his hand one final time. As the gate opened, the snarling bull ran to the middle of ring, kicking up dust,

trying to free himself of his rider.

Well . . . it really wasn't that kind of rodeo.

It went a little more like this: He turned the key and the hum of the Hyster forklift's engine

filled the air as he looked over the obstacle course of narrow, winding pathways and tight 90 degree turns.

Representing Defense Distribution Depot Albany, GA (DDAG), Hazardous Certifier Bruno Bazile competed against representatives from other Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany activities in a Forklift Rodeo designed to promote forklift

safety and showcase driving skills and safety knowledge.

In the end, Bazile's 27 years of experience gave him the edge over his competitors, and he took home the winner's plaque for the Forklift Rodeo. "I'm just glad to win and show that DDAG has the best forklift operation," said Bazile who completed the course more than a minute faster than the runner up.



*Bazile carefully navigates the obstacle course.*