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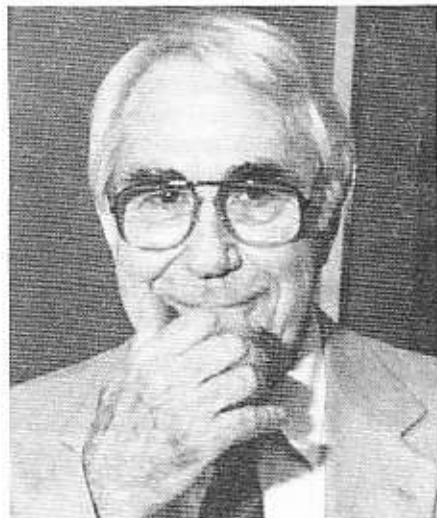
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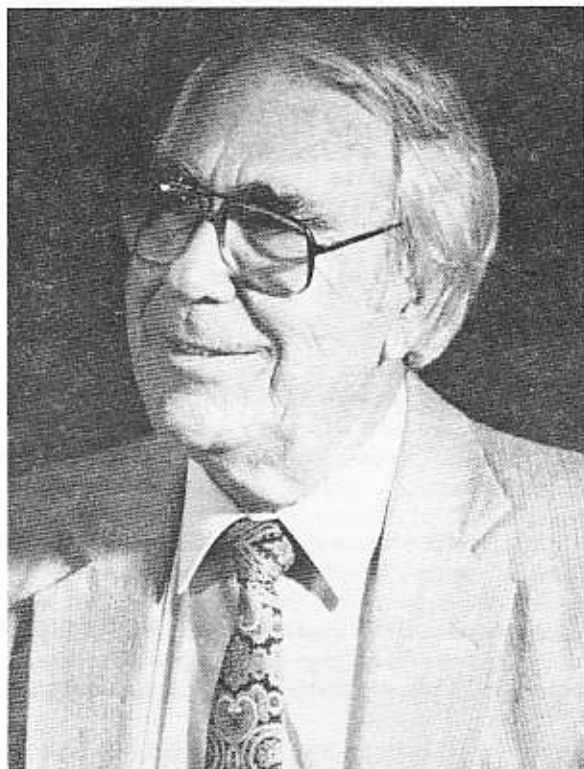
Profile of an Award Winner



By Paul Hurlburt

What's the point? Willard T. Tucker, who was for years the Aerospace Center's "points man" knows, and it's not because he was chief of the division that produced strategic and tactical targets for the Air Force and Navy, although that is not beside the point. It's because he has something to say about *mission*, why we're here, in the fullest sense of the word.

On May 18 at the Airport Marriott Hotel, Tucker received the highest honor given at the DMA Awards ceremony, the DMA Meritorious Civilian Service Award. The award citation called attention to his "outstanding contributions to the DMA mission during a career spanning nearly 40 years." (See page 7.) Two days before he received the award, Will responded to a few questions about his long career, and he made a few points as he did.



Photos
by Jim
Stepanik

never had an unhappy day at this Center; I've enjoyed it all thoroughly. When you've got good people, and you've got an assignment, all you have to do is learn the product requirements and the production processes to get the job done, be aware of any improvements you can make to these production processes in terms of quantity and quality, and have fun. This is what I can say I have done in all honesty."

Laughing off organizational politics, Tucker said, "The key is you don't want to do something that hurts someone, or puts them into a corner, but be able to maneuver in this minefield to eliminate some of the selfish bull you see going on."

At any rate, there seemed to be little time to worry about such things in 1966, when Tucker took charge of the points section, which had recently been transferred to the Missile Support Division. "Although we grew into a division of 250 people, we started out in a section of 28, tasked with getting a critical job done. We had free lance to operate, and we were entitled to deal directly with SAC, TAC, USAFE, the Navy, and intelligence agencies. You'll never have another organization with that kind of latitude."

Under Tucker, the Points Division, now Geopositioning

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Talking Point

DMAAC Is Blessed With Achievers

LAST FRIDAY I had the pleasure of assisting General Durkin in presenting DMA awards to a group of outstanding Aerospace Center employees. It was a proud moment for me as your Director, and I was pleased to recognize some truly remarkable people.

When I joined you last June I said that by any objective measure, the men and women of the Aerospace Center were the best in DMA. This past year at the helm has only confirmed that belief.

THOSE HONORED last week demonstrated initiative, dedication, intelligence and a genuine pride in doing things right. Without diminishing their accomplishments, I can say those recognized are not unique among our work force. We are blessed with many achievers at this Center.

Every day they are working harder--and smarter, assuring that this Agency meets its vital mission. At this critical juncture they are helping us improve our efficiency and making sure we get the full measure from our limited resources.

EVIDENCE OF THIS is in our receipt of three Agency level awards for FY89: the DMA Efficiency/Productivity Award; the DMA Productivity Improvement Award, and the Director's Special Award for Achievement in the DMA Suggestion Program for Most Suggestions Adopted.

Characteristic of employees at the Aerospace Center



By Col.
Marcus J.
Boyle,
Director,
DMA
Aerospace
Center

was our recipient of the Defense Mapping Agency Meritorious Service Award, Mr. Willard Tucker. Mr. Tucker was honored for his many contributions to this Agency spanning 40 years of government service.

Over the years we have been able to find some of the best people in the MC&G and support fields. More importantly, we have not only been able to find them, but we have been able to keep them. Having all that experience translates into a quality work force, the kind of a work force that this Agency needs to meet the difficult challenges that lie ahead.

TODAY THE SPOTLIGHT shines on 1990's DMA Award winners. But I expect to share the stage with many of our other super performers next year ●

Savings Bonds Are Better Than Ever!

As AC Deputy Director Col. Richard W. Stokes Jr. noted in a letter to managers, U.S. Savings Bonds are a better deal than ever. "Thanks to market-based interest rates and significant tax advantages, Savings Bonds continue to be a competitive investment," Colonel Stokes noted. "And, beginning in 1990, the interest on series EE Savings Bond is exempt from federal income tax if you pay tuition and fees at colleges, universities and qualified technical schools during the year you redeem the bonds. This will be a real benefit to all parents facing the costs of higher education."

Before the end of the Savings Bond campaign June 22, campaign manager Craig Hoover (GAC) and his key



U.S. Savings
Bonds
*Main Street
of the
American
Dream*

workers hope to increase participation by 10 percent or more. Participation was at 43 percent of all employees at the start of the campaign.

Although the minimum payroll deduction has gone up, it is only \$5 biweekly for a \$100 bond, which costs \$50. Please note that employees who are now purchasing a \$75 bond at \$3.75 per pay period must increase their allotment or their bonds will be cancelled, effective June 17. The semiannually adjusted interest rate on Savings Bonds is 7.01%, with a guaranteed minimum return of 6% if the bonds are held five years or more.

Now is the time to increase your allotment or start a deduction. See your key worker for details, and get in on the "Main Street of the American Dream": U.S. Savings Bonds!



The FLIP Coordinating committee reviews and plans the content and format of Flight Information Publications produced at DMAAC.

Photo by
Jim Stepanik

FLIP Coordinating Committee Meets at AC

The FLIP Coordinating Committee--representatives of the Army, Navy, Air Force and DMA--gathered here last month for its semiannual meeting to review and plan the content and format of the Flight Information Publications produced at DMAAC.

"It was a productive meeting," said Air Force Lt. Col. Richard E. Sabo, chief of the DMAAC Flight Information Division (PRF). "Many new requirements were discussed that will greatly improve FLIP for the benefit of all DoD users. The committee members enjoyed having the

expertise available here to answer their questions."

The committee chair rotates for the meeting, with the USAF Instrument Flight Center chairing this most recent meeting and the Army Aeronautical Services Office chairing the next one.

In Sympathy

John T. Wilson (POX), employee relations specialist, died May 10. A veteran with more than 47 years of federal service, he came to the Center in October 1952 as a time, leave and payroll clerk. He was a supervisor in Staffing before assuming his most recent position, which, except for a year in retirement, he held since 1976. He had been working up until the month before his death. The flag next to the Parade Ground was flown at half-staff to honor him May 14.



Mr. Wilson leaves his wife Patricia Ann, two daughters and a son. Interment was in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

Purchase Request Training Offered

'Planning and Preparing a Purchase Request Package" is the subject of training that will be conducted at the Aerospace Center next week by DMA's Consolidated Acquisition Review and Support Office (CARSO).

The training relates to DMA Manual 4245.21, which was written to provide uniform, integrated guidance for DMA program managers and technical-support requisitioners in preparing purchase-request packages.

The classes will be directed toward program managers, as well as technical and acquisition personnel

involved in procurement. Interested DMA personnel should contact their department directors in order to register for the classes, which will be held the morning of May 31 and the morning and afternoon of June 1.

Note of Thanks

Many thanks to all who during my illness prayed for me, came to visit me at the hospital and at home, phoned and sent cards and flowers, and expressed their kindness. Thanks again.

--Nora Petty-Savoy

Correction

Telephone numbers given in the article "When You Travel Outside CONUS," which appeared in the May 11 *Orienter*, were wrong. Employees who plan to travel to Eastern European countries are required to notify the Administrative Personnel Security Branch (SOFA) at 4942 at least 30 days prior to purchase of tickets.

Any questions regarding travel outside the continental U.S. (CONUS) should be directed to SOFA at 4942.



Memorial Day Messages



From the Secretary of Defense

Today, we pay tribute to those members of the Armed Forces who have died in defense of our country.

Each year, our observance of Memorial Day reminds us that the freedom we enjoy as Americans has not come easily. Valiant men and women of many generations have paid the ultimate price to secure it. The rows of white tombstones in our national cemeteries give silent testimony to this fact.

The most fitting tribute we can give these fallen heroes is to reaffirm our devotion to the sacred trust for which they fought. You, the members of our

Armed Forces, can take great pride in the qualities you share with those who have gone before—courage, professionalism and a steadfast commitment to freedom. We take great pride in you.

I join with you, the living guardians of liberty, and millions of other Americans in pledging to guard the legacy of freedom bestowed on us by those we honor today.

Dick Cheney
Dick Cheney
Secretary of Defense

From the Aerospace Center Director

Memorial day evokes many images: flower wreaths on veterans' graves, speeches about fallen comrades, and the flag at half-staff are but a few. All are part of the tapestry of the solemn day on which we remember those Americans who died in battle preserving our heritage of freedom.

The freedoms we enjoy have not come without risk, devotion and sacrifice. Although often taken for granted, they are the envy of the world. On this Memorial Day we remain free. As we remember the men and women we honor today, remember also that freedom is never once secured. It is bought with

consistent, dedicated service, like yours.

I join with you and all members of the Defense Mapping Agency in honoring those who have laid down their lives for our country. It is now for us to continue to defend the cause for which they have died.

Marcus J. Boyle
Marcus J. Boyle
Colonel, USAF
Director



Missing Man

"We Who Came Home Must Never Forget Those Who Could Not," the inscription reads at the base of the Missing Man Memorial outside the Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. The memorial is dedicated to fallen aviators of all the services.

Photo by Jim Stepanik



DMA Director Maj. Gen. Robert F. Durkin talks with award recipients at a luncheon, which preceded the awards ceremony.

Photo by Jim Stepanik

Annual DMA Awards Presented

DMA Director Maj. Gen. Robert F. Durkin presented 25 awards, recognizing 109 employees, in ceremonies at the Airport Marriott Hotel May 18.

DMAAC also received three or-

ganizational awards: the DMA Efficiency/Productivity Award for the component with the highest level of productivity when compared to budget, the Director's Award for Most Adopted Suggestions Per Capita, and the DMA Productivity Improvement Award.

Assisting the general in the presentation were DMAAC Director Col. Marcus J. Boyle and Darryl D. Taylor, chief, DMASC (WG). Master of ceremonies was James G. Mohan, chief, DMAAC Public Affairs.

...Profile of an Award Winner

Continued from page one.

Division II (SDF), developed the "quick-response" production assignment capability that gets an assignment from and a geodetic position to the Joint Strategic Targeting Planning Staff within four to eight hours.

Tucker also had a guiding hand in the development of many other programs known throughout the Aerospace Center and DMA today. With obvious satisfaction, he mentions the names of individuals left and right who tackled some problem under his direction, which resulted in the successful start of a new program. These include establishment of the Productivity Index, now used as an impartial indicator of cartographer performance throughout DMA; introduction of vision training, which has enabled cartographers to improve their visual ability, and simplification of the product requirement involved in producing vertical obstruction data for the

cruise missile, which saved thousands of hours of production time.

"During each of his assignments, Mr. Tucker has taken the most talented individuals and exploited their skills," said officials who nominated him for the DMA Meritorious Civilian Service Award. "He had the foresight to implement changes to the Points Program, which were suggested by employees, the wisdom to use foresters and photogrammetrists to improve collection procedures for vertical obstruction data, and the insight" to expedite and implement the Production Management System in the Mapping and Charting area, through skillful management.

"Mr. Tucker always expects his employees to give 100 percent and he always has managed to establish rapport and camaraderie with his employees while exacting his 100 percent."

The point, says Tucker, is "knowing what you need to do and then finding

the people to do it, and letting them go at it. There is a great reservoir of talent at the Center, so that management at any level can find the people they need to solve any problem."

Tucker, who said he would retire in the near future, looks to the future--our future--with optimism. "LANDSAT," he maintains, "will be the most important accomplishment of the human race because it will have the greatest impact in causing humanity to become civilized. I don't know anything else man has done to make us realize we've got to get rid of this "me first" attitude and cooperate in using the world's resources. The soil, vegetation, minerals, air and water belong to everyone, and the pollution affects everyone. We're going to have to learn to share this earth. I think this satellite will ultimately be seen as the vehicle that will cause the human race to become 'civilized.'"

And so DMA honors the "points man," who has some points of his own.

DMA Outstanding Personnel of the Year

Suzanne E. Barnes (DPIP) received the DMA Outstanding Personnel of the Year Award for "her contributions that resulted in reducing the production (time) standard for



Level 1 Digital Feature Analysis Data in Terrain/Feature Division I by 18 percent." She restructured training to ensure that newly assigned employees could function at a high level of efficiency in a short time frame. She also provided "in-depth" monitoring of production processes, which prevented problems before they occurred.

Scott D. Gabrielson (DPPB)



received the DMA Outstanding Personnel of the Year Award for his leadership in resolving hardware and software problems, which will result in bringing the Feature Extraction Segment of the digital production system to improved final operating capability. "All organizations that utilize the FE/S in production will benefit from his work, as they realize a flow of quality production data to the cartographic data base," officials said.

Donald L. Moore (PPIM) received the DMA Outstanding



Personnel of the Year Award for his expertise and his many achievements in planning and coordinating facility modifications and personnel/equipment relocations to make ready for the digital production system. "In bringing about understanding among all AC elements, he was able to gain their cooperation in planning for these activities, establishing schedules and milestones, and accomplishing them in a timely fashion," officials said.

DMA Outstanding Airmen Of the Year

Captain Anthony L. Scaffidi received the DMA Outstanding Airman of the Year Award in the junior officer category. Cited for expanding AC's quick-response ability, he planned the installation of a digital-imagery transmission system linking AC with HQ SAC and provided skillful management of a new communications system in an exercise.



Master Sergeant Mark A. Green, chief of the Facility Security Division, received the DMA Outstanding Airman of the Year Award in the senior



enlisted category. He was cited for providing leadership for a smooth transition to the automated ID badge system and starting a drive by the Enlisted Council that raised \$2,400 to fight teenage drug abuse.

Jerry M. Hodge (DSPB) received



the DMA Outstanding Personnel of the Year Award as department manager for the integration of the Data Integration Segment. He developed and implemented a plan for loading digital product data into the DI/S, which was completed early. He also saved \$50,000 in DI/S training costs, officials said. In addition, he completed provisioning plans for the new Developmental Test Facility early, and he helped provide street maps to the Boy Scouts for their food drive.

Robert D. Hodge received the DMA



Outstanding Employee of the Year Award for his leadership as chief of the DMASC Modernization Development Group's Data Extraction Division (MGE). The division is responsible for developing and delivering three of the six major MARK 90 segments. He resolved a major R&D budget issue regarding one segment by managing an internal schedule adjustment without impacting overall program schedules. Another segment was delivered to DMARC on schedule.

Kenneth L. Murphy (FEMES)

received the DMA Outstanding Personnel of the Year Award for his perseverance in meeting tight deadlines. As work leader of the South

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Annex Maintenance Section, he managed 11 site preparation projects that were instrumental in allowing the AS-11 stereoplotters relocation to progress as planned. By foreseeing problems and working on all projects simultaneously, "he kept all of his men working and the projects moving forward," officials said.

Donald W. Wright (SOFA)

received the DMA Outstanding Personnel of the Year Award for achieving "a major impact on security awareness." He developed a



security indoctrination class for employees initially receiving their security clearance, which has been adopted at other DMA components. He was also cited for his efforts in security education for hearing impaired employees and for improvements he initiated in the annual security self-inspection program.

DMA Meritorious Civilian Service Award

Willard T. Tucker, chief of the Digital Programs Branch (PPGD), received the DMA Meritorious Civilian Service Award for outstanding contributions to defense mapping for nearly 40 years. Cited for his "dedication, organizational skills, and devotion to his employees," he pioneered programs to provide missile target data and later vertical obstruction data for the cruise missile. (See page 1.)



From left, Eric L. Schwarz, Susan D. Chambless, and Robert J. Lacey of the DMA Systems Center (WG).



Benjamin B. Lane Award

For Technological Achievement

The Benjamin B. Lane Award for Technological Achievement was presented to the three individuals above, who together designed and developed a low-cost, personal computer work station for the Strategic Air Command, which generates high-quality radar-prediction graphics from standard DMA terrain and feature data. Their project "opens up new vistas for users of DMA data" by demonstrating how fractals can be applied, officials said.

DMA Admin Support Staff Excellence Award

Victoria L. Parson (DPLP) received the DMA Administrative Support Staff Excellence Award for skill in writing software for mini-computers. She converted data bases to a different system, reorganized files, and redesigned reports, saving \$19,531. She was also cited for contributions to a work group involved in conversion to the D/S.



DMA Handicapped Employee of the Year

Synthia S. Cockrell (CMDOB) is DMA's Outstanding Handicapped Employee of the Year. A deaf computer data transcriber who also lacks peripheral vision, she was cited for her enthusiasm for work, ability to concentrate, and outstanding job performance. She was one of 11 disabled employees honored by DoD.



DMA Award for Achievement in EEO

Linda F. Patterson, (DSCBAA), supervisory computer assistant, received the DMA Award for Achievement in EEO. As a recruiting team member, she led the team to visit an inner city college with a high enrollment of minorities. She made numerous special efforts to locate, interview, employ, and promote the disabled.



DMA Award for Achievement in Safety

Ronald S. Blouse (DSGAA) received the DMA Award for Achievement in Safety. Cited for initiative, he developed an employee evacuation and accountability plan as branch safety officer. The plan was briefed at the Director's staff meeting and adopted by offices Center-wide. He also used non-duty time to rent and review films to show at DSG safety meetings.



DMA Award for Most Adopted Suggestions

Ronald D. Camden, photographer in the Precision Photographic Division, received the DMA Award for most adopted suggestions. He received \$276 for three suggestions that will save more than \$2,500 the first year, officials estimate. In one, he suggested installing a voltage regulator in a powerline, eliminating bad splices in filmstrips.



DMAAC Quality Improvement Award

John T. Maschmeyer (DSGAA) received the DMAAC Quality Improvement Award for improving the accuracy of the DoD Gravity Data Base. He developed several computer programs to flag gravity stations that could require more accurate gravity values. This led to more accurate production methods, while achieving substantial cost savings.



DMA Special Act Awards...



In front, from left: Jana Kanoy, Felix Bell, Gary Crowe and Richard Simpson. Middle, from left, Lori Ferguson, Jeffrey Falk, Chris Hamby, Jeffrey Bjarke, John Greenlund and Donald Porter. Back, from left: John Heard, Gary Brown, Jere Cadoret, Richard Hulsey, Lenford Penrod and Charles Forbes. Absent: Richard Levendoski, Linda Buckley and Dan Gwinn.

The DMA Special Act Award was presented to the group of DMAAC and DMASC employees pictured above, who "volunteered to perform extensive TDY to

Huntsville, Ala., in support of the Arc Digitized Raster Graphics program."

Each individual worked extended work hours, odd shifts and weekends, as they performed rigorous testing

and created extensive documentation, officials said. Their efforts led to the successful FY89 production program in the compact disk-read-only memory format.

In front, George McKenzie (left) and Richard Newton. Back, from left, James Marler, Betty Wolf and John Froidl.



From left, Richard Guimbarda, Laura Thompson and Patricia Hudson. Absent: James Abernathy and Kathleen Strebeck



The DMA Special Act Award was presented to the group pictured at left for dedication and skill in planning Facilities Engineering support for the Accounting and Finance consolidation, Kansas City Office closing, and AS-11 and Gerber plotter relocations. "Short construction schedules and critical deadlines required their quick, accurate and undivided attention to carry out FE's role," officials said. "These projects were a true test of their outstanding professional expertise."

The DMA Special Act Award was presented to the group of DMASC employees pictured at left for their efforts in developing specifications "of exceptional quality" for the Digital Chart of the World, a data base containing 30 billion characters that will provide a digital representation of the earth's land area. "As a team, they responded admirably to short time constraints, difficult issues related to cartographic data standards, and challenging procurement issues," officials said.

...DMA Special Act Awards...



In front, from left, Jean Seymour, Sharon Ivens, Jacqueline Bratten and Donald Porter. In back, from left, Larry David, Kevin Nelstead, William Hoskins and Patricia Dempsey. Absent: Donald Agne and Kurt Skinner.

The DMA Special Act Award was presented to the employees of DMASC and DMAAC's Mapping and Charting, and Graphic Arts Departments pictured at left for their "significant contribution" to the success of the ARC Digitized Raster Graphic (ARDG) program. All were involved in developing and/or producing label information for the ADRG program, which provides DMA products on compact disk. Working under a short turnaround requirement to meet ADRG production commitments, the group originated, developed and implemented a method of producing label artwork and textual information, using in-house cartographic and computer resources.



In front, from left, Lillian Schoellhorn, Linda Beck and Sharon Morris. In back, from left, Dr. Jennifer Anderson, Sheree Cannady, Judith Epperson and Staci Ferguson. Absent: Yolanda Cooper, Joan Hayden and Marie Simmons.

The DMA Special Act Award was presented to the employees of the Recruitment and Examining Division (POR) pictured at left for their outstanding efforts in implementing the consolidation of DMA's delegated examining authorities. Under the consolidation, POR was assigned DMA-wide examining responsibilities for cartographer, geodesist, physical scientist, and aeronautical/marine information specialist positions. The group was praised for accomplishing the consolidation "in an exceptionally effective and efficient manner. They met all the milestones established and even began implementation a month ahead of schedule."



In front, from left, Dean Oby, Nancy Ramey, Marvin Staloch and Rand Seppelin. In back, from left: Victor Wuellner, Elroy Preuhs, Steven Piper and Mark Wolf. Absent: George Kroenung.

The DMA Special Act Award was presented to the group of DMASC employees pictured at left for their outstanding efforts in creating software modifications to ensure that security requirements are met in accessing HYPERchannel. The network connects systems within DMAAC and DMAHTC and will soon provide system-to-system communication between the two Centers. "Project personnel quickly evaluated the (security) requirements, deliberated, and selected the best solution possible; then they organized the tasks to complete the project in minimal time," officials said. Due to their "rapid response, a serious impact to production has been avoided."

...DMA Special Act Awards...



From left, Francis Renschen, William Hansen and Ronald Cramer.

Ronald N. Land (SDAP) received the DMA Special Act Award for designing and coding software that greatly facilitates identification of the sources needed to produce a product



and in what stage of production they are required. Because the software enables program managers to plan and manage the production of multiple products so much more efficiently, managers at both DMAAC and DMAHTC now use it, although it was initially designed for internal use, officials said.

The DMA Special Act Award was presented to **Ronald L. Cramer, William L. Hansen and Francis C. Renschen**, all geodesists in the Geosciences Division Production Support Office (DSGP), for establishing an aggressive team

concept for collecting gravity surveys. Through their extensive research and contacts with private sources, they more than doubled the number of surveys collected during FY89. These actions saved DoD \$2.27 million in surveying costs, officials said.



Charles L. McGaugh (left) and **Christine M. Toomey** received the DMA Special Act Award for outstanding performance and dedication in planning and implementing the reorganization of the Mapping and Charting Dept. Their efforts ensured a smooth integration of new production activities, officials said.



Kathryn E. Meder (left) and **JoAnn T. Hemple** received the DMA Special Act Award for outstanding service as creators and leaders of the Office Automation Users Group in the Directorate of Programs, Production and Operations. The group played a vital role in activating DMAAC's first networked office automation system.

Gregory L. Price (DPIA) received the DMA Special Act Award for "demonstrating almost unlimited energy in his efforts to see that the Feature Extraction Segment is a fully functional



and efficient production tool for DMA," officials said. Serving as team leader of an FE/S engineering support group, in addition to his regular duties, he directed the testing and resolution of problems that led to 15 contractor-provided enhancements and provided analyses to DMASC for a key study involving the FE/S.

AC Special Act Award

Don R. Meier (DPMB) received the DMAAC Special Act Award for developing a digital data collection system that eliminates artifacts resulting from computer "scan



noise" and reduces the number of profiles required to produce a one-degree data cell. The system greatly enhances both the output quality and quantity of DTED and TERCOM digital data and is of "exceptional value" to DMA, officials said.

Calendar

JUNE	EVENT	PLACE	RESPONSIBILITY
5	Toastmasters	Lindbergh Room	R. Snider/4956
5	Charter Golf	Normandie Park GC	M. Kelley/524-2340
12	FBA Meeting	Garavelli's Inn at Park	T. Woodward/895-9208
13	ACS	Holiday Inn Southwest	P. Cronin/846-8567
14	Toastmasters	South Annex	H. Galan/8384
19	Charter Golf	Arlington GC	M. Kelley/524-2340
19	Toastmasters	Lindbergh Room	R. Snider/4956
21	ACS/Golf Outing	Tamarack GC	R. Hughes/533-6167
21	FEW Monthly Meeting	2nd Street Dining Hall	M. Miller/4783
21	Bloodmobile	2nd Street & So. Annex	P. Benson/4047
27	NFFE Local 1827	2nd Street Dining Hall	E. Hacker/776-8424
28	Toastmasters	South Annex	H. Galan/8384

Contact Debbie Wenzelburger/4142 NLT 13 June to have your July events listed.

DMA Paper Work Reduction Awards



In front, from left, Margaret Van Deven, Darlene Cripps, JoAnn Hemple, Captain Anthony Scafidi, Mary Sullivan and Kerry Hogan. Middle, from left, Nancy Klein, Marie Dean, Beverly Leiendecker, Dona McGlynn, Robert Stuckstede and Holmes Boroughl. Back, from left, Melton Van Vickie, Captain Robert Linscott, William Koch, Larry Stephens and Lt. Col. Daniel Snyder. Absent: Charles Chapman, Richard Guimbarda and Captain Jimmy Jones.

The DMA Award for Achievement in Paper Work Reduction was presented to the group pictured, who played key roles in implementing the Aerospace Center's first networked office automation

system. The prototype system links about 100 work stations in four buildings, offering initial capability and future potential for a fully automated and networked administrative, clerical, and secretarial support system.

"This group of talented individuals from DMAAC and DMASC worked diligently, primarily with in-house resources, to put the Center in step with state-of-the-art office automation technology," officials said.

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In front, from left, Edwin Rychner, Jeffrey Bjerke and Ruth Ann Micka. In back, from left, Eileen Sinnwell, Jerry Jackson, Mary Miller and John Gardiner.

The DMA Award for Achievement in Paper Work Reduction was presented to the group of Data Services Dept. employees pictured above, who developed and/or implemented an automated daily labor card program within DS.

Officials said the group "demonstrated initiative and dedication in accomplishing the assigned tasks"

involved in the automation effort, which eliminated the use of 26,000 punch cards per year. The program allowed terminal entry of all labor expenditures and the electronic transfer of this data to a central site.

The group built the necessary software for the program, set up the required data bases, and trained co-workers to operate the system.

Sports

Steve Mrotek Leads Run Club To Victory

DMA teams won first and second place in the Anheuser-Busch South Side Corporate Challenge 5K race on May 10. DMA Run Club President Steve Mrotek finished first overall, with a time of 16:13; he was closely followed by many of his teammates, who swamped the opposition.

Steve had instructed team members to run the Soulard course together, in order to finish as a "Blue Wave" (because of the distinctive turquoise DMA team singlet). What he didn't mention is that he expected the Blue Wave to move as a group at Mach 2.

The first DMA team, made up of Mrotek, Gary Lorenz and Dave Talburt, finished first, second and third respectively, paving the way for the second DMA team (and second overall) of Kevin Howard, Mike McAmis and Marty Staples. Third place was won by a Ralston Purina team, with a team from Anheuser-Busch fourth.

In other events, Steve Mrotek won first place in both the two-mile (held at 8 a.m.) and five-mile (held at 8:15 a.m.) races at Lemay Days May 12. Jim Takach won first place in the "heavyweight division" (a new category for large runners) at the Horse Radish Festival in Collinsville, Ill.

--Dave Talburt



Relaxing after the race, from left, Kevin Howard, Bob Miller and Gary Lorenz.

ATTENTION, walloggers, joggers, bicyclers and fitness exercisers! The Employee Assistance Office has arranged for Sarah Beams, athletic trainer of St. Luke's Hospital Institute for Health Education, to discuss "Sport Shoes and Injuries" at 11:15 a.m. June 7 in conference room 1 of Building 89004 and June 8 in training room 1A-1 of Building 35.



Photo by Jim Stepanik

LIVING PROOF that safety belts save lives, Richard Guimbarda (SC/OG) buckles up one more time as he prepares to leave a Center parking lot. Two years ago, while on vacation, Richard and his wife were rear-ended by an out-of-control 18-wheeler. "There was absolutely nothing left of the car," Richard comments. "If we hadn't been wearing our belts, we probably wouldn't be around today."



AC To Take Part In "Buckle Up America!"

In recognition of "Buckle Up, America!" Week, Safety will survey vehicles entering the Center. Drivers "caught" wearing their seat belt will be awarded a litter bag. Look for the promotional table in the lobby of Building 36 and outside the dining hall at South Annex. Info on child restraints, passive restraint systems, and air bags. And buckle up!

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