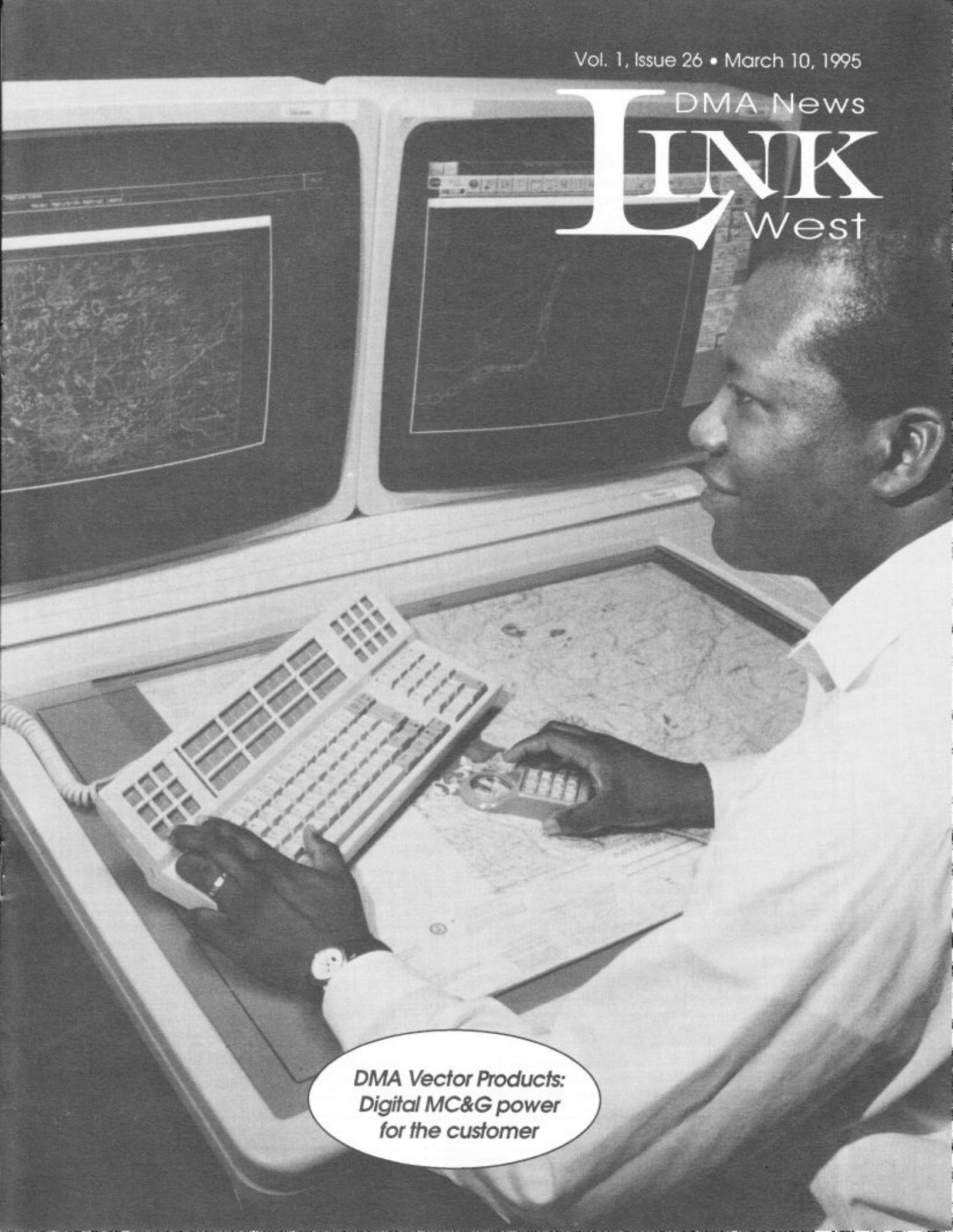


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A black and white photograph of a man in a white shirt sitting at a workstation. He is looking at two computer monitors. The workstation includes a keyboard and a mouse. The man is wearing a watch on his left wrist and a ring on his right hand. The background is dark, and the overall scene is focused on the man's interaction with the computer system.

*DMA Vector Products:
Digital MC&G power
for the customer*

PETROS activated

The British Military Survey's new digital production system, PETROS, has been delivered on time and under budget a milestone signalling "the beginning of a new era of joint U.S./U.K. MC&G cooperation and co-production," according to Lee Sturm, chief of Systems Center's External Development Division (SC/PEX).

A System Activation Review on Dec. 7, culminated four years of collaboration on PETROS between United States, United Kingdom and contractor staffs. Systems Center assembled "a first-class team of DMA personnel with a broad spectrum of DPS activation experiences," Sturm said.

Beginning in March of last year, a group of 20 DMA employees including four from St. Louis travelled to England for nine months of temporary duty in a London suburb during the engineering review and demo phases of the project. The St. Louisans were Jeff Fox, SC; Sally Gilman, DP; Kay Strebeck, DP; and John Strebeck, PSA.

The DMA deployment team was supported by seasoned U.S. contractor staff and Military Survey personnel who were eager to learn. One high point of this effort, Sturm feels, was "the extraordinary personal and professional U.S./U.K. staff growth that was created and nurtured by this program."

"We have managed great risks, established new policies and resolved difficult technical, security and technology problems effectively," he said. "All who were involved will take away a great sense of personal pride, satisfaction and accomplishment, as well as a unique experience in their DMA careers."

Military Survey personnel were "great hosts" to their visitors, Sturm said. "We wish them all the best."

Penny Chesnut named DMA protocol officer



Chesnut

Penny Chesnut has been selected as DMA protocol officer. She succeeds Carolyn Schwaller, who accepted a position in private industry.

A St. Louis native, Chesnut began her career in 1969 as a secretary at ACIC, the Aerospace Center's predecessor organization. She left government work in 1984, when she became the wife of Air Force Lt. Col. David Chesnut and relocated to Offutt AFB, Neb. She returned to the agency the following year when the couple relocated to Washington, D.C.

During the last ten years her assignments have included work with the Special Program Office for Exploitation Modernization (SPOEM); as a management information specialist at Reston Center; as special assistant to the agency's Deputy Director; and as administrative officer, Plans and Requirements Directorate.

As protocol officer she will administer the agency's program of special events and will oversee conferences hosted by the director, coordinate visits of distinguished U.S. and foreign visitors to the agency, and serve as coordinator on matters of protocol.

She began her new assignment Jan. 23.

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'Vector power' is at hand

by Paul Hurlburt

The power of the computer has been used by DMA to produce many products in the past. The new vector products, with their databases of geographically referenced spatial information plus additional descriptive information, put the power of the computer in the hands of the user.

DMA's new line of vector products on CD-ROM can be used like their paper map counterparts. Just insert the CD-ROM into a system and display the map. But these products provide much more than a map. That's because the part that is seen — the graphic representation of geographic information — is linked to a database that is also available to users.

With vector products, users can query the database and analyze the geographic information inherent in the map in ways that go far beyond the visual observation and manual calculations that may be done using a paper map.

The products allow users, with appropriate software, to do automated route planning, as the information needed to calculate and display the optimal route between two points is contained within the vector product database. In another example, users could query the database for features, such as all two-lane bridges in a five-mile radius, and have the computer locate and count them.

The spatial information, called feature data, is linked to categories of attributes, which describe the feature. For example, a road may be linked to such attributes as "surface type," "name," "number of lanes," and so on. The correct information for each road attribute is stored in the database. All of the information needed to represent the road graphically is also stored in the vector product database as a series of geographically referenced coordinates, or points. When connected, the points appear as a line or "vector."

Attributes available to the user are defined in the product specifications, said Colby Harmon, physical scientist in the DMA System Center's Vector Products Division.

"The attribute information available on vector products currently being produced is virtually the same as what can be determined by looking at a paper map or chart. In the future, vector products will have features and attributes added, which will be drawn from other



Working on vector products at the Aerospace Center are Ron Crawford, DPBD (foreground) and Mike Wever, DPCE. Andre Fuqua, DPCB, is pictured on the cover.

sources. This will provide the user with much more information than the paper products have." Harmon and his co-workers are engaged in defining new attributes for vector products in response to user requirements.

Even with the present number of attributes, users are able to extract new kinds of information with software interfaces that allow them to query the vector product database. Vector products will be usable in a wide variety of equipment, from IBM personal computers to UNIX-based work stations.

As reported earlier in the *DMA News Link*, the Digital Nautical Chart, the first of DMA's vector products to enter production, is already being used by the Coast Guard to manage vessel traffic in New York Harbor. The Navy also plans to use DNC in its Electronic Chart Display and Information System to display a ship's position as determined from Global Positioning System satellite fixes or other navigational methods.

Worldwide coverage for DNC is planned for 1997.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Paul Hurlburt, former editor of *News Link West*, now writes for *News Link East*. This is the first in a series of articles describing DMA's new line of vector products.

NEXT TIME: Vector production in St. Louis.

A New Employee Management Council is *Bridging the gap*

The Aerospace Center Employee-Management Council was chartered in September of this year to form a partnership between management and non-bargaining unit employees to craft solutions to common problems and improve communications.

The impetus for the Council was DMA's response to Vice President Al Gore's Executive Order 12871 which calls for "Labor Management Partnerships," and will serve as an advisory body to the St. Louis production center.

The Council consists of five non-bargaining unit representatives and their alternates. Four members represent production departments of the Aerospace Center; the fifth represents eight of its service organizations. Each is selected by the employees he or she represents. In addition, the Council includes four management representatives selected by the Center's director.

The group meets once a month, or more often if necessary, to discuss issues of concern and suggest solutions to these issues. Currently it is evaluating the existing performance rating appeal process. This process has been analyzed, assessing both its strengths and weaknesses, and improvements have been suggested. A rough draft is being developed which should both streamline the process and provide a free and unbiased end result. The draft may even result in an entirely different format for the appeal process.

The Council's intent is to open up lines of communication between managers and employees. Any individual or group who has issues of concern are encouraged to bring them, along with suggested solutions, to a representative so they may be discussed. The Council needs to hear the voices of the people in order to fulfill its charter.

The Council is chartered as follows:

REPRESENTATION: Membership is comprised of five non-bargaining unit employees and four management representatives who shall serve as equal partners. The five non-bargaining unit employees will be chosen by their respective organizations. The management representatives will be chosen by the Director of the Aerospace Center.

Each employee representative will have an alternate who will fill in for the Council member when he/she

cannot be present at meetings. Alternates may attend all meetings, but will not participate in discussions nor have voting privileges. Council employee representatives will be responsible for keeping their alternates current on issues discussed at meetings they do not attend.

The term of each Council member will be two years, beginning with the date of the appointment. The term of alternates will be determined by their respective organizations.

Responsibility for chairing the meeting shall rotate among all members.

COUNCIL SUPPORT: The Office of Human Resources (HR) will provide an advisor to the Council, and the Center's management will provide a secretary to record topics as they are discussed, and to provide minutes to the Council members.

DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS: Meetings shall be held once a month on a predetermined schedule, or more frequently if they are required. They will be limited to two hours. An agenda shall be provided to each Council member by the Chairman prior to the meeting. Council members will make every effort to attend all meetings.

DISCUSSIONS: The Council will seek solutions to problems and make decisions in a consensual manner.

Discussions will be open and for the purpose of sharing information on issues of concern. The Council will advise the Director of the Aerospace Center on issues brought forward by the Council, as well as issues assigned by the Director.

The following are currently serving as council members and alternates:

Employee representatives: Linda Casetta, SD/4856; Denise Pezold, DP/4565; Mike Truka, MC/4011; Mike White, GG/7831; and Fran Stevens, LO, FE, IG, PI, PP, PS, SH, SO/4595.

Employee alternates: Dean Ferrell, SD/4098; Robert Tyus, DP/4554; David Kasich, MC/4781; Paul Fitzpatrick, GG/2466; and Don Meier, LO, FE, IG, PI, PP, PS, SH, SO/4345

Management representatives: Harold Madison, 4895; Phyllis Farris, 4743; Lt. Col. Jo Ann Martin, 4295; and Curtis Triggs, 4246

Facilitator: Barbara Paulus, HRSF/4292

Secretary: Laurie Hempe, LO/4003

You are invited to contact your respective employee representative with recommendations and topics.

Thanks to Denise Pezold, DMAAC(DPT), EMC Digital Products Department Representative, for this article.—Ed.



A recent session of the EMC

At town hall meetings

Gen. Nuber and his team discuss DMA reinvention

On February 23 and 24, DMA Director Air Force Maj. Gen. Philip W. Nuber and members of his Reinvention Task Force held town meetings with employees of DMA in St. Louis to give more information about the DMA Reinvention Plan, and to answer questions. The visit was part of a series that covered all the major agency locations here and in Washington.

Here is Gen. Nuber's response to some of the most frequently asked questions.

How do you view training?

There is nothing more important for me as a supervisor or for your immediate supervisor to do than to ensure that you are trained for the job you're doing, but also, we should be looking to train you for the next job. ... I think what we'll find is that we have the resources to do the kinds of training focused on people to move them through their career path. We should have those resources. If we don't, then we need to fight to get them.

When will the GGI&S come on line?

Let me talk conceptually about GGI&S and testing. We need to get the things like GGI&S in the field right away, not at the 100 percent solution. Let the users use it. Let them be an institutionalized part of the process, and we'll find that the changes most people want are pretty much the same across the commands. And then, after awhile, we say 'okay,' and everyone gets one silver bullet so they can make it do whatever they want it to do.

Can you tell us what team and how many will be associated with the new divisions?

I'm going to leave the "how" part up to those division chiefs — what they believe is necessary in a team, how many people, how many teams, what kinds of teams, how they should operate ... That will come out of the implementation process. It wouldn't be responsive or responsible for anyone involved on the task force to tell



Gen. Nuber talks with St. Louis employees

the division chiefs how they should do their business. We'll talk together and we'll develop some metrics. That part will be worked on.

How do you go about getting one of these new jobs?

There are certain rules and procedures you go through to get a job in the civilian or military world. We're going to follow those procedures, but I don't envision us going out and advertising to the world that I need a member for a customer support team for EUCOM; because the right people for that team are here — the smart people who know what GGI&S means. We will put the word out on how you go about letting us know that you are interested in being a candidate for a job.

Will the reinvention effort have an effect on the consolidation of printing and distribution?

The consolidation of printing and distribution is an ongoing effort, and it continues. The Reinvention Task Force incorporated that initiative into the new organizational structure for DMA.

Is there a way for employees to send in ideas or comments about reinvention?

Yes. I'm really serious: I want you people to come up with the "fill in the blanks." Because you'll know better. The nice thing about me being the "summer hire" is that I'm not wedded to anything that we've been doing. You can send your questions and or ideas to the Reinvention Task Force, or on E-mail to me, and we'll look at them.

DMA announces selections for long term full time training



Eleven employees from St. Louis have been selected for long-term full-time training (LTFTT). Nine of them are pictured here. In the front row, left to right, are Jim Patterson, MCDF; Gary Derikito, GGCC; Barbara Wiley, GGAD; and Jeffrey Bjerke, MCP. Back row, left to right: David Kasich, MCF; Michael McAmis, SDT; Don Christian, SDAA; Ray Farley, DPBF; and Brad Szedlar, DPCE. Not pictured: Jim Sapcoe, DPAA; and Jimmie Erwin, GG.

The Long-Term Full-Time Training Advisory Committee selected 21 DMA employees for attendance at colleges and universities to pursue graduate studies for the 1995-96 academic year. One employee was approved for two years study at the doctor of philosophy level.

Through the LTFTT program, employees obtain the skills and knowledge needed to keep the agency on the cutting edge of technology. Selection is very competitive.

The committee also nominated six employees to participate in the LTFTT Precandidate Program.

The purpose of the Precandidate Program is to allow an additional year for applicants, who show potential to succeed, to prepare for LTFTT qualification. They will receive priority use of tuition assistance funds for the prerequisite courses and will be considered for the 1996-97 academic year pending completion of specified course work, DMA requirements and funding.

Approval of all 27 employees was made by Dr. Kenneth, I. Daugherty, DMA deputy director.

The six Precandidate nominees are HTC's Barbara Bishop, Brian Carson, and Harold Cummings; AC's Julie Camp, and Sara Christian; and RC's Penny Thornton.

DMA Employees Selected for Long-Term Full-Time Training Academic Year 1995-1996

Employee	School	Program
Headquarters		
Valerie Gill	George Washington U.	Human Resources Mgmt
Hydrographic/Topographic Center		
Michael May	University of Maryland	Computer Systems Mgmt
James Griffin	Purdue University	Photogrammetry
Jon Pribicko	Ohio State University	GIS/Engineering
David Stupke	George Mason University	Systems Engineering
George Thomas	Bowie State University	Information Processing
Robert White	George Mason University	Information Sciences
Reston Center		
Douglas Hugo	Purdue University	Photogrammetry
Scott Mooney	Penn State University	Industrial Engineering
Javier Navarro,	George Mason University	Information Sciences
Gregory Peiper	Ohio State University	Geodesy
Aerospace Center		
Jeffrey Bjerke	Washington University	Information Processing
Donald Christian	Washington University	Information Sciences
Gary Derikito	Washington University	Information Sciences
Jimmie Erwin	Washington University	Information Sciences
Raymond Farley	San Diego State University	GIS
David Kasich	So. Illinois University-E	GIS
Michael McAmis	So. Illinois University-E	GIS
Jim Patterson	So. Illinois University-E	GIS
James Sapcoe	Purdue University	Photogrammetry
Brad Szedlar	So. Illinois University-E	GIS
Barbara Wiley	University of Texas/ Purdue University	Orbital Mechanics Geodesy / Ph.D. Candidate

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ARCHULETTA, KEITH E., GS-11
 COOK, JERRY A., GS-12
 CORNMAN, JUNE L., GS-11
 GIUSTO, PAUL D., GS-11
 GOODIN, GERALD A., GS-11
 HANEWINKEL FOX, SHARON, GS-9
 HAVECKER, JOHN F., GS-12
 JENKINS., JAN J., GS-6
 KLASKIN, JOHN N., GD-11
 MANGO, IRENE E., GS-7
 McNEELEY, MICHAEL K., GS-9
 MORRISON, DIANA S., GS-7
 PHILLIPS, DAVID W., GS-11
 RANDOLPH, JIMMIE C., WG-6
 RUSAN, DEBORAH, GS-7
 SIMMONS, EMORY C., GS-11
 STAKER, RANDALL, GS-13
 STEVENS, FRANCES H., GS-7
 WAKEFIELD, RAYMOND E., GS-12
 WERTENBERGER, CARLA M., GS-11
 WINKLER, MARK E., GS-9
 ZAVADIL, WILLIAM P., GS-12

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40 YEARS

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35 YEARS

GOEHLICH, RICHARD F., MCBE

30 YEARS

REINHARDT, CONNIE R., CMCAR
 MIHLEISEN, CARL J., DPB
 NAGEL, RANDALL R., DPAH
 DeVAULT, DARRELL D., MCAC
 SCHAFFER, LADONNA L., MCAK

25 YEARS

HYNES, GEORGE W., FEMTH
 LeFAVE, GARY C., FEMTC
 HORVATH, JOSEPH C., JR., MCAB
 PERRONE, JOHN L., MCAA
 BETTS, JOHN E., SDRA

20 YEARS

JOHNSON, RICHARD H., DPBA
 MADDUX, DANNY G., EIWS
 BABB, WALTER M., III, GGB
 DUEMLER, DONALD J., HRSDD
 WOODS, BEVERLY A., MCEEA
 PICARELLI, ETHEL J., RC(RSOB)
 MURPHY, MARILYN A., SDFD
 WHEAT, STEPHEN L., SDFG
 HUDDLESTON, DAVID W., TSSC

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 BELLENGER, JAMES R., EIWS
 BREHMER, MICHAEL R., HRSP
 BROWN, JAMES H. III, TSSPA
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 CLAWSON, JAMES W. JR., TSSDA
 COLLISTER, SUSAN J., TSSC
 COOPER, CHARLES R., TSSTA
 CORKERY, PATRICK J., EIWS
 CRITTENDEN, SHERRY L., TSSG
 DITTRICH, DENISE, TSSHD
 DONNELL, SAM A., TSSSB
 DUNSWORTH, WILLIAM L., TSSHB
 FANK, EDWARD J., JR., TSSHB
 GILLESPIE, LAURA J., TSST
 GILLIHAN, JOHN A. SR., EIWS
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 GREENQUIST, GREGORY J., TSSPA
 HURST, JAMES B., TSSTA
 HUX, STEPHEN B., EIWS
 IRWIN, LEO T., TSSPA
 JACKS, GARY S., TSSC
 JONES, LEONARD D., TSSHD
 KENNISTON, GAYLE A., MS
 KLUNK, WILLIAM J., TSSHC
 KOHNE, LYNN L., CMRA
 KROENUNG, GEORGE M., TSSSA
 LECHNER, MARY C., TSSS
 LLOYD, SCOTT D., TSSSA
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 LUTZ, PATRICK B., TSSTA
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 SKELTON, JUDY D., HRSD
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OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE

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OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE/QUALITY STEP INCREASE

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 MOORE, LAWRENCE J., TSSC
 WILLIAMS, DEBORAH A., MS

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 BOEHM, MICHAEL O., TSSI
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 COLEMAN, CAROLYN R., PED
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 USSELMAN, ROBERT H., TSSIA

WEBER, WANDA L., TSSIA
 WILLIS, CHERYL L., TSSTA
 WUELLNER, VICTOR E., TSSC

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 CLEVENSTINE, ROBERT H. II, PPI
 EHRET, LINDA M., PPC
 ENGRAM, MARY F., RSB
 FITZGIBBONS, SHIRLEY A., RP
 HALL, KATHRYN MARIE, RSOB
 HIGGINBOTHAM, MICHAEL L., EIWS
 MADDUX, DANNY G., EIWS
 NEEDHAM, UOHN E., DPPA
 PASCOE, CHRISTINA., RSOB
 PATTERSON, LINDA F., RSOB
 PICARELLI, ETHEL J., RSOB
 SABO, THERESA G., HRSDD
 SCHWARZ, ERIC L., EIWS
 SPDRT, ROBERT H., RSB
 STEPHENS, VIRGINIA A., DOS
 TAPPELLA, JAMES L., PPCC
 TOLLE, GEORGIA L., RSOB

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 CLARKE, FREDERICK H., TSSHB
 CREEL, THOMAS F. JR., GGCA
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Humor holds promise:

On March 14, Karyn Buxman will explain why

Karyn Buxman wants DMA workers to "Try Humor—for a Change."

Ms. Buxman will present a program on that subject at the Aerospace Center on Tuesday, March 14, as part of the annual observance of Women's History Month.

Correctly used, humor is a powerful form of communication, she maintains. She notes that "Workers that can share a laugh develop rapport."

Make a promise to yourself to hear Karyn Buxman on March 14, 8:30 to 10:30, in the Dining Hall. For additional information contact Margy Spezia, Federal Women's Program Manager, at 34034.

Mammography van visits

The Mallinckrodt Mammography Mobile Unit of Barnes Hospital will be at DMAAC on Thursday, March 23rd beginning at 8 a.m. Screening is by appointment only.

For a breast cancer mammogram, dial DOCTORS; (362-8677 or 1-800-392-0936). The cost is \$70 and can be billed directly to the insurance carrier if desired. Results can be reported directly to the patient or to both the personal physician and the patient.

—Pat Harmon, R.N.

Tennis, anyone?

The 1995 season of the DMAAC Tennis League begins soon.

The league is open to all active and retired DMA employees and spouses. Matches will be played on Tuesdays from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at Tower Grove Park.

The April 13 date will be an open session, at which time rosters and scheduled will be distributed. Drinks and snacks will be provided.

Those interested should contact Bill Pittman, SDFD/L-54/34133, for a membership form, which must be returned by March 31.

'I never in my life expected to see anything like *that!*'

Mary Zander, who coordinates the Fitness Program for DMA in St. Louis, was driving home, east bound on Interstate 44, when she noticed a small plane directly overhead, and much too low.

"I thought he might be taking pictures," she said. "Then I realized he was having some kind of problem."

The plane had taken off an hour earlier from Parks Air Field in Cahokia, and moments before Mary caught sight of it, the student pilot had notified the airport he was in trouble.

As Mary approached the Grand Avenue overpass, she remembers "I got as far over to the right as I could. There was a lot of traffic."

Meantime the plane, a small Cessna, banked right and then right again. "He looked like he was trying to find an empty space on the highway to land, but there wasn't any."

Then she saw the plane nose over suddenly, right into the top of a building just north of the highway.

Fortunately the building was vacant, and its flat roof, which was

penetrated, apparently helped cushion the shock.



Spectators, including Mary, wondered how anyone could have survived, but fortunately all three occupants—the pilot and two passengers—did. They were rescued and rushed to local

hospitals.

Afterwards, Mary's brother, a pilot for Delta Air Lines, asked her, "Have you ever seen anything like that?"

"I told him, 'No!'," she says, and adds, "If I *were* a pilot, and had witnessed something like that, I think I might have trouble getting back into my plane."

Bowling News By Pat Wiese

The Bears came on strong the last few weeks of the first half of the season to win. Following behind them in the standings are Defcon-4, Two of Hearts, Real McCoys, Hot Shots, Alley Slugs, Tom's Cats, Roller Coasters, Mean Anomalys, Brooklyns, Balls on Nine, Strike-breakers, We Four, and Purple Turkeys.

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