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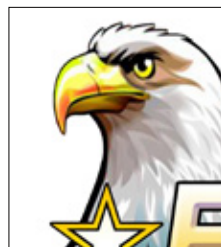
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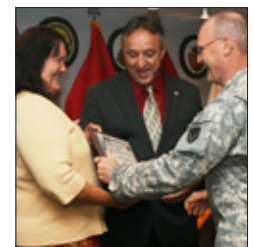
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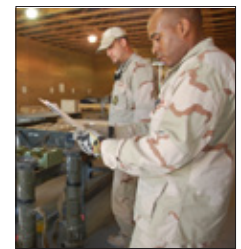
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Proud of the past, confident of the future

Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine
U.S. Army Sustainment Command

Team – As we mark the end of another successful fiscal year, I would like to start by saying thank you to each and every one of you for what you do every day to make Army Sustainment Command the success that it is. All of you play a vital role in an organization dedicated to providing Soldiers and our Army the equipment, services and logistical support they require in a timely and professional manner.

In a couple days, I will pass the colors of Army Sustainment Command and the Rock Island Arsenal to Maj. Gen. Patricia E. McQuiston, who is coming here from the 21st Theater Support Command. She has proven herself to be a thoughtful and professional servant-leader, who will continue to guide this great organization on the next leg of our journey supporting our Army. I would ask each of you to provide her the support and professionalism you have shown me.

I have been honored and humbled to lead this great command over the last couple years. You have taught me much about the business side of the Army. I am continually amazed by the multitude of complex missions that ASC executes to support our Army. You have taken initial concepts for the Directorate of Logistics realignment and Lead Materiel Integrator and turned them into reality. Our nation's Soldiers benefit from your expertise in materiel management, logistics assistance in the field, and the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program (widely known as LOGCAP), to name but a few. You maintain the link to the tactical Army through our superb Army Field Support Brigades. You sustain the nation's Army Prepositioned Stocks strategic reserve and ensure our Soldiers in harm's way have modern and ready equipment to keep them safe. Every Soldier in our Army is touched by what you do every day and I thank you on their behalf.

One final area you may not have heard about is our effort to develop a 2012-2016 Campaign Plan to synchronize key initiatives, objectives and plans



for ASC to achieve our vision of becoming the "Soldier's Storefront for integrated logistics solutions." As part of the process, we have updated our mission statement: "Army Sustainment Command links national logistics capabilities, executes materiel distribution, and provides logistics solutions to enable unit readiness". Our future success is dependent on the participation and teamwork of our workforce. I would ask each of you to familiarize yourself with our plan and bring your experience and expertise to the tasks ahead. The plan focuses on four areas:

- **Mission.** Focused on establishing integrated business systems and support solutions to optimize our effectiveness and efficiency through initiatives such as LMI, DOL Transformation and Leveraging Sustainment Operations in the Continental U.S.
- **Resources & Transformation.** Focused on facilities and equipment, information technology, funding and process improvement to ensure success as we face increasingly constrained resources.
- **Development.** Focused on ASC maintaining an adaptive, competent workforce of problem solvers.
- **Communications.** Focused on implementing knowledge management within the Command and executing strategic communications to relay our messages to our stakeholder audiences.

As I close this final "Fontaine Sends", I would like to once again tell you how honored I have been to be your Commander and what a privilege it has been to serve our nation with such a professional group of Civilians, Soldiers and Contractors. As always, remain vigilant, smart and safe. We need everyone to continue making the ASC as successful as we've been in the past.

You truly make a difference every day to support this great Nation and our Command.

Airborne!
MG Fontaine

Lead Materiel Integrator at 'last tactical mile'

Story and photos by Megan McIntyre
ASC Public Affairs

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – Army Sustainment Command's Distribution Management Center, hosted a working group Sept. 20-22, focusing on the command's newest capability: Lead Materiel Integrator.

Organizers said the purpose of the working group was to determine roles, responsibilities and permissions for LMI and its supporting system, the Decision Support Tool.

LMI is a new method of operating the Army's materiel distribution and redistribution processes. Under this new approach, a single manager will ensure units and their Soldiers have the right equipment in the right condition at the right time and place to accomplish their missions.

Brig. Gen. Brian Layer, ASC deputy commanding general, opened the working group by explaining what participants needed to accomplish during the two-day span.

"This week we have two things we need to accomplish: One is something we refer to as the 'last tactical mile,' which is how the Soldier in [a supported] unit will interface with the Decision Support Tool and what that will mean," he said. "The other is the 'last strategic mile,' which is how the policies, authorities and procedures will work at the big Army level."

Layer said most of the work would be consensus and agreement on the processes that have already been tried and tested. "There may be some issues that will be difficult, since we probably will come

up with a question or two we have not thought of before -and we need to get those answered," he said.

Col. Victor Harmon, DMC commander, hosted the LMI side of the working group.

"We are leading the working group to determine the roles, responsibilities, procedures and authorities for LMI," Harmon said. "The goal is once we come out of here, we have a document that has been vetted and approved by all stakeholders."

Col. Randy Rosenberg, division chief for the DMC's Distribution Integration Division, is working the same tasks with the Decision Support Tool.

"The DST is more on the technical aspect of who has permission to read and who has permission to edit. We are going to come up with a consensus on who has what roles, responsibilities, permissions, in regards to the DST, and the mission we are going to be doing here at ASC," Rosenberg said.

Layer asked working group participants to remember LMI is a project meant to serve the entire Army. "This is a team project - no winners, no losers," he said. "We are just trying to get this right so as we move into the future, it works for everybody."

Meeting organizers said the overall goal for this working group, and for the entire LMI process, was to open communication, improve collaboration and eliminate redundancies in materiel management.

"It's a lot of hard work but we've got to move forward," said Rosenberg.



Col. Victor Harmon (center), DMC commander, and Brig. Gen. Brian Layer, ASC deputy commanding general, discuss progress with LMI working group participants.



Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine, ASC commanding general, and Brig. Gen. Brian Layer, ASC deputy commanding general, review presentations from the Sept. 20-22 LMI working group.

DOL transformation on track

Story and Photo by Megan McIntyre
 ASC Public Affairs

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – Army Sustainment Command headquarters hosted a Directorates of Logistics briefing, Sept. 8. Declared “DOL Day,” the event focused on staffing requirements for each section within the DOL Transformation Team.

Brig. Gen. Brian Layer, ASC deputy commanding general, led the discussion among Headquarters ASC DOL Transformation Team members, Army

Field Support Brigade representatives and ASC senior leaders.

Currently, the DOL realignment is in its final stages. Operational control of the DOLs in CONUS, Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico became the responsibility of the Army Field Support Brigades and Battalions Oct. 1, 2010. Operational control of Korea and Japan DOLs was complete Jan. 1 and in Europe April 1. Transfer from the Installation Management Command to ASC will be complete in fiscal year 2013.



Brig. Gen. Brian Layer, ASC deputy commanding general, led the discussions at the Sept. 8 DOL Day.

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Focus on the Future . . .

EAGLE's proposed acquisition strategy in limelight

**Story by Liz Adrian
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The Enhanced Army Global Logistics Enterprise program is another step closer to obtaining formal approval of the acquisition strategy, according to Melanie Johnson, chief of the EAGLE contracting office. The EAGLE team recently briefed Kim D. Denver, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Procurement, and James C. Sutton, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Services.

During the Association of the United States Army annual meeting and symposium, Army Contracting Command - Rock Island Executive Director Michael Hutchison and Army Sustainment Command senior leaders had an opportunity to brief the proposed strategy to Denver and Sutton, as

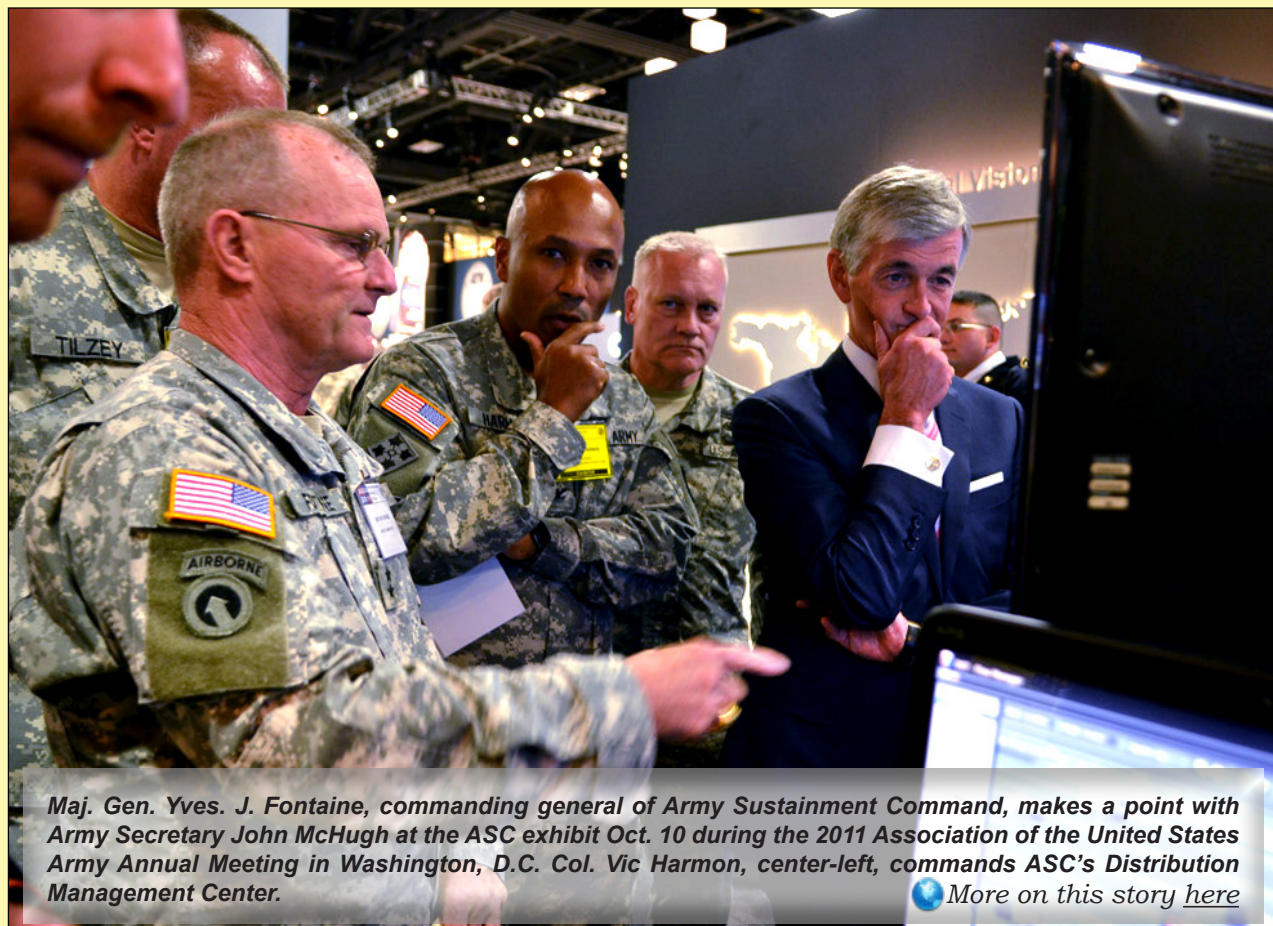
well as John B. Nerger, Executive Deputy to the Commanding General at Army Materiel Command.

The EAGLE team will issue a notice on the EAGLE web site in the near future, outlining the proposed strategy and providing a link to information regarding the National Defense Industrial Association Materiel Enterprise Small Business Conference. Since the planned strategy includes a more expansive role for small business, the intent is for Hutchison and ASC Deputy to the Commander D. Scott Welker to brief the proposed strategy to conference attendees.

The ultimate goal of the EAGLE program is to provide an enterprise solution to Army logistics requirements by consolidating supply, maintenance, and transportation services under one contract with one contractor logistics provider per installation.



Army Secretary visits ASC exhibit



Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine, commanding general of Army Sustainment Command, makes a point with Army Secretary John McHugh at the ASC exhibit Oct. 10 during the 2011 Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. Col. Vic Harmon, center-left, commands ASC's Distribution Management Center.

[More on this story here](#)

Photo by US Army

Resource Management recycling its past

Story and photo by Megan McIntyre
ASC Public Affairs

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – Army Sustainment Command's G8 Resource Management Division is recycling the past in order to keep up with modern technology.

The department, located in building 390, here, is taking its outdated filing system and transforming it into a more useful on-line information center.

Required to maintain a documentary trail of accounting records, the Resource Management Financial Operations Division creates a paper mountain while receiving and accounting for all funds and providing for commitment and obligation accounting of these funds.

Jerry De La Cruz, G8 deputy chief of staff, and Sheila Langfeldt Abbott, assistant deputy chief of staff, are pioneers of this initiative, which began in May 2010 and has a projected completion of February 2012.

The two explained the origin of the project and the benefits the initiative will bring.

"The requirement for additional space within Resource Management, without expanding our footprint, combined with the need to become more paperless, drove this efficiency effort for storing and retrieving voluminous financial documentation," the duo said. "Besides saving floor space and a more durable and secure filing process for existing paper files, we intend to incorporate an e-process to receive, approve, account for and retain new documents."

To accomplish this task, all files are broken down and scanned to an external hard drive. Once scanned, each file is uploaded to SharePoint, an in-

house website which makes for easy file sharing. After this process, a majority of the original paper files are recycled.

"We hope to use this [SharePoint] as a single file source," said De La Cruz.

Jeanne Hammons, budget and accounting technician, led the project with four student hires - Jo-

selyn Gray, Amber Kilgard, Sorya Nees and Ryan VanLanduyt - who worked part-time throughout the year and full-time during the summer school break.

The project also required specialized programming support from G6-Information Management to provide adequate electronic storage space and specialized programming to securely upload, transfer, catalog and view files on the SharePoint site.

"I worked with Vista [International Operations] on the format for the file program on SharePoint," she said. "I wanted it to be similar to what the analysts used with the paper files in order to ease the transition period."

In total, 100 file cabinets of documentation will be transferred to electrons at the end of this project.

"By eliminating paper files, financial management personnel will be able to load required documentation directly into SharePoint instead of printing out and filing manually," said Abbott.

This will be a more efficient way to share data, as well as realize the benefit of savings from reduced cost of purchasing toner, paper and other office supplies, said De La Cruz.

"We are looking forward to this new process and are already enjoying the benefits of this streamlined, faster process," he said. [More on this story here](#)



Amber Kilgard (left) and Joselyn Gray sort and recycle old files after they have been computer-scanned. G8-Resource Management is updating its filing system, transforming it into an on-line resource center.

Field named LAR of the Year

By C.W. Fick, Jr.
ASC Public Affairs

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – An Afghanistan veteran received the 2010 Linda J. Villar Logistics Assistance Representative of the Year Award in a Sept. 26 ceremony at Army Sustainment Command headquarters.

Graydon A. Field, a logistics management specialist, is serving as the Readiness LAR with the brigade logistics support team supporting the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) at Fort Campbell, Ky.

“This award is well-deserved,” said Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine, ASC commanding general. Fontaine went on to laud Field’s choice to keep serving Soldiers as a LAR, following a 27-year Army career.

“Thank you for this opportunity to represent my fellow LARs,” Field said after the presentation. He also thanked the Almighty before turning to his wife, Linda, and thanking her for serving at his side for 33 years.

After the ceremony, Field expressed mixed emotions over the recognition. “I’m honored, of course, but don’t feel that I am the one who should have received the award. Many more folks out there are more deserving than I,” he said.

Field entered the Logistics Assistance Program in 2009, bringing a lifetime of experience and a desire to continue serving Soldiers.

“We have a passion for what we do,” Field said, describing his fellow LARs and members of his BLST.

Maj. Edward Sleeper, 4-101 BLST chief, nominated Field for the award, citing a range of skills and accomplishments.

“Mr. Field is a multi-tasking logistician, able to communicate and operate worldwide,” Sleeper wrote in the nomination.

Field’s ability was tested early and often, including a six-month stint as interim chief of the BLST. Once the new team chief arrived, Field became an expert mentor, Sleeper wrote in the nomination.

With the 4th Brigade Combat Team marked for deployment to Afghanistan, Field was part of the brigade’s mission rehearsal exercise at Fort Polk, La. According to the nomination, Field was commended by the commander of the 406th Army Field Support Brigade for “extensive, organized and mission-focused support ... that led to the IBCT’s successful rotation.”

When the 4th Brigade deployed in August 2010

to Forward Operating Base Sharana, Afghanistan, Field was right there with the Soldiers he supports.

During his tour in Afghanistan, Field said he continued his primary duties, but “with a greater emphasis on assisting the brigade with supply and maintenance issues and the combat environment that affects the theater-provided fleets they fall in on.”

Attending to his own team of LARs offered an “increased challenge with personnel accountability, life support and administrative support for assigned LARs during deployment,” Field noted.

In the nomination, Sleeper pointed out several of Field’s noteworthy accomplishments on the battlefield.



Photo by Megan McIntyre, ASC Public Affairs.

Graydon A. Field, ASC’s 2010 Logistics Assistance Representative of the Year, looks on as his wife, Linda, and ASC Commander Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine share a lighter moment during the Sept. 26 award ceremony at Rock Island Arsenal, Ill.

“Mr. Field researched and worked through the process of acquiring subcomponents of end-items versus ordering the next high assembly for multiple systems. His work got the attention of the Defense Logistics Agency, which responded by providing accurate ordering options ... leading to a dramatic decrease in excess property,” Sleeper wrote

Seeing a need for a database to locate, track and re-issue excess property, Field took action. “Mr. Field’s energy and competence resulted in 5,694 lines of redistributable [repair parts] being built into a local database for AO [area of operations] Sharana maintenance technicians to quickly and accurately obtain parts,” Sleeper wrote. The initiative resulted in making available an estimated

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402nd team picks up pace as Iraq winds down

Story and photo by Pamela J Proper
402nd AFSB Public Affairs Officer

CAMP LIBERTY, Iraq – At the Victory Base Complex in Iraq, a place that is beginning to feel empty, there is one place that is filling up fast, the RPAT yard at Camp Liberty.

The Redistribution Property Assistance Team is working hard for the long haul out of Iraq. Convoy after convoy, container upon container, tactical vehicles and combat equipment get sorted, documented and pushed out as fast as they come in from the forward operating bases around Baghdad.

1st. Lt. Michael Saslo is the officer-in-charge of the RPAT.

“Getting units to turn in their equipment was the challenge. Until recently, they were hanging on to it. Now, we are getting between 25 and 50 vehicles each day and about 300 to 500 other pieces of equipment daily. So now it’s the velocity of turn-in and pushing it out that is the challenge,” said Saslo.

The team is an assembly of Soldiers from the National Guard, Reserve, active duty and civilians all working under the banner of the 402nd Army Field Support Brigade. It receives and ships out a steady stream of rolling stock (vehicles), and non-rolling stock, which is mostly communication and test equipment, power generators and other combat gear.

The team processes a mountain of paperwork in which every number has to be correct or the item cannot be shipped.

Pfc. Charlie Moore is a supply specialist who tends to the paperwork 12 hours daily, seven days a week.

“I am happy to be here in this job. The work is good. It’s interesting and I get a feeling of accomplishment from helping other Soldiers relieve their property so they can go home,” said Moore.

There are seven RPATs in Iraq. The operation at Victory Base Complex is the largest by a wide margin, averaging about 327 vehicle turn-ins and 10,000 other items weekly. And, in the coming weeks this pace is expected to be the norm. [More on this story here](#)



Pfc. Andrew Coffman, 227th Quartermaster Company, inspects a load of heavy equipment that has been turned in to the 402nd Army Field Support Brigade at Camp Liberty, Iraq. The 402nd AFSB operates seven turn-in facilities in Iraq, enabling quick transfer of equipment from departing units back into Army stocks.



Spc. Chakyla Ritter, 227th Quartermaster Co., places the Army Materiel Command label on a container filled with turn-in items prior to shipment. The transfer of property from units back into Army stock is a massive part of Operation New Dawn.

Soldiers, vets and retirees receive honors

Story and photos by Megan McIntyre
ASC Public Affairs

ROCK ISLAND, Ill. – Family, friends, co-workers and distinguished guests gathered Sept. 29 at Rock Island Arsenal's Constitution Square to show appreciation to five Soldiers, past and present, and eleven retiring members of the Arsenal community.

Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine, commanding general of the U.S. Army Sustainment Command, hosted the ceremony and introduced the keynote speaker for the event, ASC Command Sgt. Maj. Stephen D. Blake.

Approaching retirement himself, Blake gave what he said was one of his last speeches as a top noncommissioned officer, extending his personal appreciation and admiration to the awardees and retirees.

"There are 16 individuals who deserve to be recognized, who deserve a moment of our time," said Blake.

Staff Sgt. Robert Wilkins, 2011 ASC Noncommissioned Officer of the Year "Best Warrior" and Spc. Calvin Williams, 2011 ASC Soldier of

soles off their feet," said Blake. "If you're going to be a warrior and a winner, you're going to earn it, and I'm telling you these two fine, outstanding warriors - they have earned it."

Following the awards presentation, Fontaine and Blake honored and recognized veterans for their dedicated service. "Today we will pause to honor three legacy warriors, men who stood the line so we might continue to be free," said Blake.

James W. Landhauser, World War II Veteran, 3903rd Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron; Sam Kupresin, Korean War Veteran, 14th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division; and Frank Arguello, Vietnam War Veteran, Company H (Ranger), 75th Infantry Regiment (Airborne), were presented with tokens of appreciation.

Six Department of the Army civilians and five Soldiers received decorations and gratitude, marking their retirement.

The retirees: Connie Moore, Acquisition & Continuous Improvement Office, Field Support; Kathrina Olson, G3 COIC senior plans analyst; Judith Marxen, G3 training manager; Jesse Ivy, team

leader, Resource Integration, G8; Brenda Jones, logistics management specialist; Roger Fritz, division chief, G6; Lt. Col. Craig Schwartz, chief, supply division, Distribution Management Center; Chief Warrant Officer 3 Byron Sanders, G1 officer strength manager/human resources technician; Sgt. 1st Class Joshua L. Lamb, ASC Responsible RESET Task Force NCOIC; Sgt. 1st Class Leslie Wright, G3 training operations NCO; and Staff Sgt. Teresa L. Ortega, ASC Responsible RESET Task Force NCO – have all served with distinction, said Blake.

The event concluded with a retreat ceremony including lowering the American flag and a cannon salute, signifying the end of the duty day.

"What a wonderful tradition," said Blake. "A celebration of service, as we honor these great families who have faithfully and selflessly served us and our nation. It has been an honor to serve with you."



Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine, ASC commanding general, presents Korean War veteran Sam Kupresin with a token of appreciation for his military service.

the Year "Best Warrior", were recognized for their outstanding performance in this year's NCO and Soldier of the Year competitions, held June 27-30.

"These are two simple awards for an extremely tough competition: five days and five nights of no sleep, back-busting, road marching, taking the

401st key to ammo sweep in Afghanistan

Story and Photo by Summer Barkley
401st AFSB Public Affairs Officer

BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan – Teams of experts from Joint Munitions Command elements across the United States and personnel already in-theater began Operation Ammunition Clean Sweep in early August to inspect explosives safety and ammunition ranging from bullets to bombs.

The operation is a collaboration among many elements including U.S. Forces Afghanistan, Joint Sustainment Command-Afghanistan, Army Materiel Command's Joint Munitions Command, Defense Ammunition Center's U.S. Army Technical Center for Explosives Safety, Army Sustainment Command, Combined Joint Task Force 1, 401st Army Field Support Brigade and 101st Sustainment Brigade with the goal of assessing needs and providing the technical expertise and manpower to ensure safe and serviceable munitions are in the hands of Soldiers and that the munitions are stored as safely as possible until needed by the maneuver units.

“Our goal was to help them [the units] assess what is needed to improve and give them the physical assistance they need,” said Capt. Marjorie J. Samples, 101st SBDE munitions management officer-in-charge. “Our way to accomplish that was to synchronize all efforts from every organization and put together the teams that would go out there and provide the physical labor, the technical expertise and the assistance each site needs.”

“Operation Ammo Clean Sweep is a CJOA-A [combined joint operations area -- Afghanistan] enabler that not only facilitates the warfighters' freedom to act, but enhances their force protection as well,” said Col. Michel M. Russell, 401st AFSB commander.

Operation Ammunition Clean Sweep pulled together experts in explosives safety and Quality Assurance Specialists (Ammunition Surveillance) personnel and 15 Soldiers from the 1138th Transportation Company, Missouri National Guard, 142nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion and put them into seven-person Combat Theater Ammunition Assistance teams to fan out to sites across Regional Command East and Regional Command South sites, Samples said. She added that the 142nd Soldiers were not ammunition soldiers but received 30 days of training from the 592nd Ordnance Company, Montana Army Reserve.

“The 15 Soldiers were incredibly motivated and learned as much as they could,” Samples said. “They worked closely with the QASAS and the

592nd Ordnance Soldiers to learn what their responsibilities as ammo handlers would be during the mission.”

Voelcker said the QASAS are looking at ammunition to inventory it by NSN and lot number, inspect it to determine serviceability, determine what ammunition is excess to the theater and what is restricted from use. He said the goal is to have only serviceable and suitable ammunition left.

“A percentage of the ammunition inspected has



Robert A. Redmond and Larry S. Kofoid, ammunition inspectors, and Matthew M. Hawver, Quality Assurance Specialist (Ammunition Surveillance), prepare to inventory recalled munitions while Gregory T. Rolan, QASAS, reads off serial numbers.

been found to be unserviceable,” he said. “I see that as a good thing. We can find bad ammunition and cull it out for disposal or retrograde.”

The ammunition inspection portion of Operation Ammo Clean Sweep is producing a secondary benefit according to Kyle Voelcker, Joint Munitions Command Senior Command Representative. A centralized data base that will help to rapidly identify ammunition by location and facilitate isolating ammunition that has been recalled or restricted is also being developed as a result of the teams' work.

Explosives safety is the second component of Operation Ammunition Clean Sweep Voelcker said and noted that it is farther along than the ammunition inspection component.

“They are looking outward to determine blast arcs, develop courses of action and issue Certificates of Risk Assessment to commanders,” Voelcker added.

The explosive safety teams relay their findings to United States Forces Afghanistan engineers for consideration in laying out forward operating bases and combat outposts said Ronald W. Thornhill, explosives safety specialist, USFOR-A Safety Office.

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“We are looking to minimize building critical assets within blast arcs,” he added. “Bottom line: We want leadership to know the risks before expending funds for construction.”

Samples said the value of the CTTA teams is that “they are helping [the maneuver units] sort through their unserviceable ammunition, palletizing unserviceable munitions and preparing them for retrograde; assessing how they can improve their storage space and submitting the engineer work requests necessary to have the brigade or division fix the storage sites.

“This effort has highlighted unserviceable ammunition that was stored for use and also found and corrected improper storage of ammunition and explosives,” said Thomas A. Enricco, QASAS, USFOR-A, J-4 Munitions. “All these are examples of unnecessary risk to our Servicemen. The team continues to make positive impacts on this inherently dangerous requirement.”

“They’re getting great things done in the battle spaces,” Voelcker said. “We’re proud of what they’re doing.”

Operation Ammunition Clean Sweep has the attention of many people in theater and beyond with results being forwarded to multiple chains of command.

“Maj. Gen. Timothy P. McHale, USFOR-A Deputy Commanding General-Support, and I have been closely monitoring the progress and positive impact this operation is having throughout the CJOA-A,” said Marine Col. Walter T. Anderson, USFOR-A J-4. “The importance of this operation has senior leadership support both here and in the USA.”

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\$1.5 million in repair parts.

Field was active as a guest speaker at the Defense Acquisition University on the issues, challenges and opportunities during fielding of initial production models of the MaxxPro Dash DXM MRAP vehicle.

According to Sleeper, ensuring effective, integrated support is among Field’s skills. “Mr. Field was the lead IBCT maintenance process instructor for more than 75 field service representatives on FOB Sharana, Afghanistan. His ability to provide the Army Materiel Command partners a concise process for the IBCT’s priorities shaped the standards for ... equipment maintenance.”

Speaking for himself, Field listed a number of goals his BLST aims to achieve.

“Working up our chain of command to Logistics Assistance Program managers at Army Sustainment Command and, through them, to Army Materiel Command, we can deliver the might of the Materiel Enterprise,” Field remarked.

“Our BLST is the face of the Materiel Enterprise for the Soldiers of the 4th Brigade. We strive to ensure the brigade understands what the BLST and assigned LARs can do for them,” Field said. “We’re building trust and confidence within the brigade as to the value of technical LARs and logistical support the BLST brings to the fight.”

“I’m the Readiness LAR, but in a sense, all of us in the 4-101st BLST – and the entire Materiel Enterprise – have one mission: ensure the materiel readiness of operating forces,” Field said.

“To me,” Field concluded, “the honor of receiving the Villar Award is sharing it with all my brothers and sisters out there serving Soldiers.”

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APS watercraft set sail in Japan

An Army water craft gets underway at Yokohama North Dock, Japan, during the recent Exercise Pacific Reach – 11. The landing craft – utility is part of a pre-positioned fleet of Army watercraft managed by Army Sustainment Command and its 403rd Army Field Support Brigade.

Photo by US Army



ASC Soldier's 'volun-cation' aids disabled campers

By Liz Adrian
ASC Public Affairs

Rock Island, Ill. - From the moment a Soldier files a vacation leave request, most look forward to time with family or friends, a beach vacation, or some other fun or relaxation. Few would volunteer their time off to work hard for perfect strangers.

Count Army Sustainment Command's own Chief Warrant Officer 4 Serena Jordan among the few.

Jordan, ASC's Asset Visibility Branch chief, spent a week this summer at Camp Ronald McDonald at Eagle Lake, Calif., which serves campers with physical, emotional and developmental disabilities. She volunteered as a food service worker, responsible for the dietary needs and restrictions for 18 campers on special diets.

Throughout her 17 years in the Army, Jordan has maintained an interest in healthy living. "I've always been interested in nutrition and fitness. I said I need to finish my duty as a property book officer and before I retire, I think working in the dietetic field is what I want to do."

In addition to her Army service, Jordan is also in the process of completing her undergraduate degree in dietetics through the distance learning program at the University of Alabama. As a part of her study, she became aware of learning opportunities through the American Dietetic Association's blog board. She heard about the Camp Ronald McDonald opportunity on the ADA board.

"My instructors always encourage getting dietetic practice, testing the water so to speak, so I can apply what I've learned in my coursework," said Jordan. "On my summer vacations, when I can get them, I like to volunteer."

Jordan said the days were long and filled with many chores. "My day started at 7 a.m. and I went until 7:30 pm," said Jordan. "My duties included preparation, cooking and serving of meals and when I wasn't doing that I had dishwashing duties - so I went back to doing grunt work. Also, there were five interns and I helped them prep food for the next day."

While food preparation may sound like a walk

in the park to some, Jordan had to tap into her wealth of knowledge to address a variety of needs - anti-choking, anti-diarrheal and vegetarian diets to name a few.

"I had one camper that ate the same meal for breakfast, lunch and dinner and another camper whose parents brought in the meals which I prepared and cooked for him," said Jordan.

Keeping all of the campers and their needs straight is a challenge that Jordan rose to and excelled at, according to a letter that camp director Vicky Flaig wrote to Jordan's Army boss.

"Logistically and technically she handled the job with ease and exception," wrote Flaig. "I worked closely with Serena and watched her adapt to the position and all of its responsibilities."

This is no surprise to Jordan's supervisor, Allen Sims, chief of the Accountability Division at ASC. Sims said that Jordan's "openness and strong desire to do right," are the main reasons why she was recognized by the camp director.

"I was impressed that Chief Jordan would use her time and money to do this. It says a lot about the kind of person - and Soldier - she is," said Sims. "I believe this command should be proud of her efforts and kindness, which reflect great credit upon her and the United States Army."

While Jordan was fully immersed in dietetic duties during her time at Camp Ronald McDonald at Eagle Lake, she is no novice to volunteering. While stationed at Fort Hood, Texas, Jordan, a Billy Blanks-certified Tae Bo instructor, offered her time to teach the martial art through that installation's Morale, Welfare and Recreation office.

Jordan encourages anyone with enough drive to consider volunteering their time to help others. "If it's in you, do it," said Jordan. "Keep in mind that if this is what you want to do, then you've got to pour your heart into it."

As for the future, Jordan's goal is to become an Army Dietitian. She plans on applying to the Army Medical Department (AMEDD) as a Dietitian during her last semester of undergraduate work. [More on this story here](#)



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Chief Warrant Officer 4 Serena Jordan, Asset Visibility Branch chief at Army Sustainment Command, spent part of her summer as a kitchen volunteer at Camp Ronald McDonald at Eagle Lake, Calif.