

DDTP open house forges relationships

By Scott Woosley

Defense Distribution Depot Tobyhanna, Pa., hosted a two-day open house for its regional partners July 19 and 20.

The goal of the open house for DDTP was to establish long-term working relationships with their partners on their installation and to enhance the existing relationships between the organizations.

“The event went over well,” said Lt. Col. Michael Talley, DDTP’s commanding officer. “We received positive feedback, including many recommendations that we schedule similar events periodically to encourage dialogue and partnerships.”

More than 50 customers, partners, staff members and multi-service program and item managers participated in the two-day event. Attendees included Army Col. Ron Alberto, commander of Tobyhanna Army Depot, and Pennsylvania Army National Guard Col. Brian Leonhard, commander of the 213th Area Support Group. Representatives of U.S. Army Communications Electronics Command and the Ogden Air Logistics Center also attended.

The event included command perspective presentations by DDTP and TYAD and tours of the industrial complex. There was also a ribbon-cutting ceremony for DDTP’s newly-renovated radiation storage facility. Other topics discussed include the Defense Logistics Agency’s and Defense Distribution Center’s strategic plan, Tobyhanna’s Base Realignment and Closure implementation strategy through fiscal year 2011, and select special processes.



Marine Corps BGen Peter Talleri, center, commander of the Defense Distribution Center, presented a DDC Certificate of Appreciation and commander’s coin to Pennsylvania Army National Guard Col. Brian Leonhard, right, commander of the 213th Area Support Group. Also attending was Army Lt. Col. Michael Talley, left, commander of Defense Distribution Depot Tobyhanna, Pa.



Marine Corps BGen Peter Talleri, sixth from left, Defense Distribution Center commander, Army Lt. Col. Michael Talley, fifth from right, commander of Defense Distribution Depot Tobyhanna, Pa., and staff members from DDTP, prepare to cut the ribbon officially opening the newly renovated radiation storage facility July 19.

Pacific Fleet logistics officer visits DDDK

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Navy Rear Adm. Patricia E. Wolfe visited Defense Distribution Depot Korea earlier this year to receive an update on the history and capabilities of DDDK and the Defense Distribution Center.

It was the first visit to the Korean region for Wolfe who holds several positions including commander, Naval Logistics Forces Korea. Her visit included a tour of DDDK’s facilities. Wolfe was in the region for Exercise Key Resolve, but took advantage of the opportunity to become familiar with DDDK.

“This was a great opportunity for us to showcase our operations here,” said Pete Halseth, deputy commander, DDDK. “Admiral Wolfe was impressed with our professional operation, workforce and facilities.”

According to Halseth, Wolfe was also impressed with several of DDDK’s recycling and money-saving initiatives. DDDK has instituted a program that reuses blocking and bracing material that previously had been disposed of after one use. Consolidating and returning air pallets, along with the associated straps and netting, is another project DDDK has instituted that saves money.

Halseth also touted DDDK’s safety record to Wolfe. “We’ve done all of this



Pete Halseth, left, deputy commander of Defense Distribution Depot Korea, explains DDDK’s operations to Navy Rear Adm. Patricia Wolfe, right. Wolfe, commander of Naval Logistics Forces Korea, was on the peninsula for Exercise Key Resolve and took the opportunity to become familiar with DDDK’s facilities and services.

without a lost-time accident since DDDK’s activation in January of 2005,” Halseth added.