

Former Commander of DDDC nominated for appointment to Rear Admiral

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Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld announced that the President of the United States has nominated CAPT Kathleen M. Dussault, SC, USN, to the rank of Rear Admiral (lower half).

RDML (Sel) Dussault served as the Commander of the Defense Distribution Depot San Diego, Calif. (DDDC), from May 2001 to March 2003. During her tenure at DDDC, RDML (Sel) Dussault was instrumental in the planning and execution of the Material Processing Center (MPC) concept, providing greater efficiencies in supply chain support to the Warfighter.

The success of the DDDC MPC became the template for other MPCs throughout the Defense Distribution Center (DDC) command.

She is currently serving as Deputy Executive Director of J33 at DLA headquarters in Fort Belvoir, Va.

Over the course of her career, RDML (Sel) Dussault has achieved the highest levels of certification in Acquisition and Financial Management as well as Joint Professional Military Education. Her decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Navy Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal with gold star, and various unit citations, campaign medals and service medals.



Rear Admiral (Select) Kathleen M. Dussault.

DDC names Bennett, Kessler and Walls Employee of the Quarter

Supply Specialist William Bennett, Defense Distribution Depot Anniston, Ala. (DDAA), Woodworker Supervisor, Faron L. Kessler, Defense Distribution Depot Oklahoma, Okla. (DDOO), and Materials Handler Leader Andrew Walls, Defense Distribution Depot Europe (DDDE), were named Employee of the Quarter for the third quarter of fiscal year 2006.

According to DDAA's Lemuel King, Bennett is a "top performer" in every sense of the word and never ceases to amaze all with his ability to produce when challenged and under pressure.

Bennett is by nature a quiet, determined man, who seeks to always give his best, while trying to bring out the best in others. He leads with a quiet confidence and his "never say die" attitude is infectious to all who meet him, King said.

Bennett is a multi-talented individual, who wears many hats and has the exceptional ability to multi-task without missing a beat. He is the DDAA point of contact for Care of Supplies in Storage (COSIS)/Stock Screening Actions, the Critical Safety Item Program, the Swarm Readiness Training and he is the DDAA Cyclic/COSIS

Visual Inspection Monitor. This is in addition to his primary duties as General Supply Specialist and Quality Control Monitor, King said.

Bennett works with other DDAA COSIS inspectors to ensure timely completion of the monthly COSIS workload of more than 300 lines per month. As a direct result of his efforts, DDAA has maintained a 100 percent completion rate for the past six months. Bennett has also helped DDAA recover storage space by forwarding 129 national stock numbers (NSNs) consisting of 4,052 containerized items ranging from 13 to 576 cubic feet each, to the U.S. Army Tank, Automotive, and Armaments Command (TACOM). Additionally, Bennett's efforts have identified and sought disposition instructions on \$23,289,030 of dormant stock, while seeking to return over 154,884 cubic feet of critically needed storage space.

Woodworker Supervisor Faron L. Kessler of Defense Distribution Depot Oklahoma, Okla. (DDOO), has also been recognized for his performance.

Kessler exhibits exemplary performance with his strong but fair supervisory style, said DDOO Preservation, Packaging, Packing, and Marking, PPP&M, Supervisor Norma Welch.

Kessler's ability to motivate personnel results in his section consistently meeting all performance levels, Welch said. Production in his section has increased by 15 percent

DDYJ's Gagnon awarded Joint Service Commendation Medal

Defense Distribution Depot Yokosuka, Japan (DDYJ), Commanding Officer CDR Will A. Clarke, SC, USN (left), presents LT Chad Gagnon, USN, with the Joint Service Commendation Medal in recognition of his outstanding performance at DDYJ.

The award covers LT Gagnon's positions as the Material Processing Center Officer where he supervised deliveries of supplies to ships, and Deputy Warehousing Director where he managed the storage and issue of controlled and sensitive materiel.

LT Gagnon was also awarded the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal for the many community events he organized and participated in while fostering friendship with the DDYJ's host nation, Japan.

