

## DDC Security Specialist called to active duty

By Jessica Walter, DDC Command Affairs

“I was shocked. I didn’t think it was real,” said Justin Bullard, Security Specialist at the Defense Distribution Center (DDC) Headquarters in New Cumberland, Pa.

Just five days before Christmas, the former Soldier was notified that he was being called to active duty from the Inactive Ready Reserve.

Thinking at first the letter was a hoax, Bullard dialed the number listed and learned he had just over a month before he had to be in Fort Benning, Ga., for refresher training.

That doesn’t leave much time for Bullard and his wife, Rachel, who moved to Pennsylvania seven months ago, to tie up loose ends. “We’re getting everything in order – finances, taxes, bills.”



SPC Justin Bullard, USA, at Fort Knox, Ky., in 1999.

Bullard and his wife were married in 2004, three years after Justin got out of the Army, so Rachel wasn’t expecting to hear that her husband would be called to active duty. “She wasn’t pleased,” he said.

As the news sank in, the couple became more comfortable with the situation. “I’ll do whatever they need me to do. This is what I signed up for,” he said.

Bullard, 29, left DDC for Fort Benning at the end of January, then went on to Fort Rucker, Ala., where he serves as an Aviation Operations Specialist – approving flight plans, communicating with pilots, issuing weather updates and coordinating with air traffic control.

“This is what I did when I



Bullard has served as a Security Specialist at DDC since June 2005.

was in the Army, and I loved it.” Bullard served in the Army from 1999 to 2001 when he took a Security Specialist position in Washington, D.C. working for the Navy.

Bullard will be on active duty for up to 18 months. He will then return to his present job at DDC, but he will be greatly missed.

“Justin is such an asset to DDC. Not only is he a team player, but he’s intelligent, proactive and customer-focused,” said Sharon Heiner, DDC Security Manager.



DDC Commander BG Mike Lally, USA, paid a surprise visit to Bullard to wish him luck.

## DDRV’s undefeated Green Team leaves competition green with envy

By Lori Spiegel, DDC Command Affairs

The Green Machine recently finished an undefeated season.

The Green Machine is Defense Distribution Center Richmond, Va.’s (DDRV) softball team. The unique name came from the DDRV’s Performance Metrics—11 months being “green” on all Acceptable Performance Levels (APLs). At the onset of the softball season, Ruben Bryant put “Green Machine” on the marquee, and the name has been with the team ever since.

Since the Green Team’s initial win against the Richmond Elks in the first softball game of the season, DDRV has also played against employees in the Intern Program and Defense Distribution Mapping Activity (DDMA).

DDRV also has a basketball team called the Fighting Green Team. Although DDRV has a basketball league, this is their first year participating in the softball league.

“My short stint with the Green Machine Baseball Team was a great deal of fun,” said Supply Systems Analyst Debra Winkler. “I had not played ball since childhood, and I did not think that I still had the moves. The team embraced my lacking skills and my co-workers cheered me and the rest of the team to victory!”

The Green Machine had excellent fan support during



DSCR Commander RDML Mark Heinrich, SC, USN, (standing, left) poses with members of the Green Team (standing, left to right): Andre Holcomb Jr., Gary Coles, Tim Radford, Marlon Langhorne, Michael Pullen, Thomila Hill, Ronald Thompkins, Garry Thomas, Larry Williams, and DDRV Director Jerri Taylor. (Bottom row, left to right): Larry Haynes, Fundador Caraballo Jr., Kenneth Davis, Marlon Walls, Penny Holcomb, and Guy Simmons.