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What's Happening

at Letterkenny Army Depot



LETTERKENNY ARMY DEPOT HOSTS AMCOM SYMPOSIUM FOCUSED ON OIB MODERNIZATION

By Dorie Heyer

Subject matter experts in various disciplines gathered in person and virtually for the second iteration of the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command Organic Industrial Base Symposium Aug. 2-4 at Letterkenny Army Depot, Pennsylvania.

The symposium, hosted by Letterkenny Army Depot, was focused on aligning the strategic direction of the AMCOM OIB with the Army modernization strategy to ensure that the depots can sustain the multi-domain force of 2035.

Tom Ray, director of the AMCOM Logistics Center Industrial Operations Directorate, further elaborated on the goals and expectations for the three-day event.

"We have experts on-site looking at the depot to see how we can modernize today," Ray said. "This [symposium] provides an opportunity for continuing conversation and collaboration to support modernization efforts."

Col. Ricky L. Allbritton, commander, Letterkenny Army Depot, also provided an overview of how the depot supports modernization efforts.



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"We have a multitude of emerging technologies such as blue-light scanning and 3D printing that we are trying to leverage to provide a direct benefit to the warfighter," Allbritton remarked. "We will continue to acquire technology to expand our ability to support DOD readiness."

Col. Richard Martin, the deputy director for the U.S. Army Materiel Command OIB Modernization Task Force, joined the event virtually to provide updates on the OIB modernization efforts taking place Army-wide.

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT:

KAREN DUBBS & JORDAN DEWALT

Karen Dubbs and Jordan Dewalt were recently selected as LEAD Employees of the Quarter for the 3rd quarter, FY22.

Ms. Dubbs, who works in the Directorate of Industrial Operations as an electroplater, started at the depot in March 2014 and was selected as wage grade Employee of the Quarter for her dedication to duty, ensuring processes and procedures are safe, efficient and effective, and for going above and beyond. "This accomplishment comes from the hard work that my teammates and I perform every day to ensure we have a shop that gets work done safely and efficiently, enabling us to meet our goals and expectations," Dubbs remarked.

Jordan Dewalt works as a program analyst in the Directorate of Industrial Operations and has been at the depot for seven years. He exceeds expectations, performing project manager level tasks and ensuring the success of his project management team. "I share this recognition with all my teammates because each of their individual workmanship is to thank for any success that comes with my name," Dewalt said. "Without them, I would be strung out, unsuccessful and unhappy, but alongside them, I am confident, excited and hungry for more work and challenges."



A Message from the Commander

Team,
Team Letterkenny, as always, thank you for what you do every day at Letterkenny Army Depot! In the past, I spoke of performance to promise (P2P) and congratulated all of you for achieving 99% P2P three months in a row! Although this feat is incredible for any Army depot, you recently went far beyond that by reaching an impressive 99% P2P average for seven consecutive months - an unrivaled accomplishment for our depot. Congratulations to all of you!

Thank you for what you do.
COL Rick Allbritton



MEET THE TEAM

AVENGER VIC-V TEAM

If we looked back a few years ago, the Short and Intermediate Effectors for Layered Defense Project Office tasked and funded Letterkenny Army Depot to build cables, pack components, kit, and store the AN/VIC-5 Vehicular Intercommunication System Modification Work Order. These kits are for the Avenger Air Defense Weapon Systems such as the Air Drop (Airborne Operations), Basic and SLEW-TO-CUE. This effort is a part of the Avenger Modification-Service Life Extension Program, which keeps the weapon system with the most up-to-date technology.

Moving forward to the present time, SHIELD Project Office has funded Team Avenger to implement the integration of the AN/VIC-5 into all systems going through overhaul at the depot and around the world.

The AN/VIC-5 Modification Work Order is specific to the Avenger weapon system. The AN/VIC-5 can accommodate platform requirements and is a flexible approach that allows users to combine system components to provide clear, noise-free communications between crewmembers inside the combat vehicle and externally to dismounted users and combat net radios. Selecting from various standard modules enables system scalability to support vehicle command post operations and tactical operations centers. Fast, safe, secure and reliable communications are essential to mission success on today's battlefield.

The AN/VIC-5 Vehicular Intercommunication System's modification offers the Warfighter a suite of new capabilities. However, none of this would be possible without our incredible employees installing the updates.



I have been singularly impressed by their commitment and dedication, deploying to each combatant command area of responsibility from the Pacific Command to Southern Command, ensuring those who wear the cloth of this great nation receive the latest AN/VIC-5 upgrade. These same folks are some of the most deployed employees at the depot, traveling worldwide to champion unit readiness and provide first-class instruction to units in the field or the classroom. My name is John Ardans, and I am not only a Letterkenny employee, but also an Army veteran. I am more than proud of our depot and its innumerable accomplishments over the last eight decades.

On June 29, the Letterkenny Commander handed out Coins of Excellence to the Avenger VIC-V Team. Congratulations for supporting worldwide efforts for the Avenger Weapon System, and a job well done!