NDTA Awards / Recognition

Our Chapter and its members continually distinguish themselves within NDTA and the Distribution Community. We proudly recognize the efforts of our members and Chapter as a whole.

2010 National Awards

The final award winners have been announced by NDTA Headquarters and were recognized at the National Forum in Washington, DC on 18-22 Sept 2010.

Congratulations to the 2010 Chapter 82 NDTA Award Winners:

Scott/St. Louis Chapter 82: Category III International Chapter of the Year for the 3rd year in a row!

The Scott-St Louis Chapter creates programs that provide significant value to both the corporate and individual members of the Scott AFB and St Louis logistics communities. Its formula for success includes providing an aggressive, monthly program at no cost to the
individual members, at which senior leaders as keynote speakers address current business and military concerns.

It actively encourages a cross pollination of professional programs through relationships with the St Louis University’s Center for Supply Chain Management Studies and the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association to provide professional growth and understanding. And, it provides significant networking opportunities to foster better professional and business relationships.

This formula has ensured a growing business and individual membership and has seen corporate sponsorship increase by 39% this year. This approach created several annual, joint events, such as the very successful TechNet Mid-America 2009 Conference.

The Chapter raised over $15,000 to fund six scholarships to the local community, in addition to $5,000 donated to the Joseph Center for homeless veterans. All its programs are critical to the life of the organization and have made the Scott-St Louis Chapter deserving of this award.

International Junior Executive Leadership Award

Technical Sergeant Robert F. Karnes II

Technical Sergeant Robert F. Karnes II is a Command Traffic Manager assigned to the Cargo and Traffic Management Policy Branch in Air Mobility Command’s Air Transportation Division where he manages Category A and World Wide Express 4 Contracts which move Department of Defense and Foreign Military Sales cargo internationally by commercial air express transportation. He masterfully manages the $65M Category A Contract inspiring six DOD agencies to use AMC to transport their assets, adding $1.9M in revenue to the Transportation Working Capital Fund. Additionally, as the World Wide Express 4 Program Manager, he validated over $500M in contract requirements resulting in guaranteed time-definite-delivery of over 1.5 million shipments for DOD, Federal, and Military customers. TSgt Karnes took the lead in orchestrating a contingency plan that averted 120K shipment delays in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom when FedEx discontinued service in Iraq. Furthermore, as AMCs Productivity Enhancing Capital Investment Program Manager he ensured the standardization of a Material Packaging Upgrade initiative at 6 installations saving AMC over $2.1M during the project lifecycle. Finally, while deployed for six months to the
322th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, Joint Base Balad, Iraq; he managed 78 Container Control Offices overseeing the movement and accountability of 17K containers valued over $85M. He is a highly respected member of the air transportation community and is truly deserving of this year’s National Defense Transportation Association’s International Junior Executive Award.

International Junior Executive Leadership Award
Ms. Myra Bergman

Ms. Myra Bergman has distinguished herself in the performance of her assigned duties with Lockheed Martin Integrated Systems and Solutions and as a volunteer with the Scott-St. Louis Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association. As a Manager of all subcontractors on the IGC contract, she was responsible for leading and managing a large group of people and contracts for a mission critical software development and sustainment program in direct support of the United States Transportation Command. Over the past three years, Ms. Bergman has demonstrated high levels of leadership, initiative, innovation, commitment, and effectiveness and has amassed a significant list of achievements and demonstrated leadership abilities well beyond what is normally considered as a junior leader – she is a respected leader within both Lockheed Martin and USTRANSCOM. She mentors her teammates to become active in the NDTA such that Lockheed Martin employees are responsible for several key positions within the chapter. She continually supported their efforts as the A-35 Chairperson while supporting the numerous community outreach projects and other scholarship objectives. Ms Bergman is truly deserving of the recognition provided by the awarding of the National Defense Transportation Association’s International Junior Executive Leadership Award.
Distinguished Service Award
Mr. Michael Carnes

Mr. Michael Carnes distinguished himself as a volunteer with the Scott-St. Louis Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association. Mr. Carnes volunteered to assume the Chapter Scholarship Chairman responsibilities when the previous Scholarship Committee chairman was called away for a lengthy deployment. Mr. Carnes immediately took charge of the program, drafting and mailing over 1000 information packages to Universities, Colleges and High Schools in a five state area. He personally recruited and organized a committee to review and score over 70 applications. As a result of his efforts, six deserving students shared in a total of $15,000 in scholarships this year. Mr. Carnes willingness to set-up and assume responsibility for this program is truly commendable, and his leadership and organizational skills were instrumental in the overall success of this valuable program. Mr. Carnes outstanding accomplishments reflect most favorably on the National Defense Transportation Association and he is truly deserving of the National Defense Transportation Association’s Distinguished Service Award.
Distinguished Service Award
Mr. Richard Cobb

Mr. Richard Cobb distinguished himself as volunteer with the Scott-St. Louis Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association. Mr. Cobb volunteered to assume the responsibility at the Chairman of the Chapter’s golf tournament Committee. The annual golf tournament is the major fund-raising event of the chapter and 100 percent of the proceeds are used to support annual scholarships for deserving students. As the Committee Chairman, Mr. Cobb’s leadership was clearly and continually evident throughout all aspects of the planning, preparation and execution. He developed and executed a highly focused publicity and corporate outreach program that enabled our Chapter to maintain our outstanding support during a tough economy. Through his infectious enthusiasm, energy and astute management he formed a cohesive team of volunteers and focused them on a plan to not only meet, but exceed the goals of previous tournaments. His contributions as Golf Committee chairperson ensured continuity in preparation and conduct of an annual event of vital importance to the Chapter’s Scholarship program, and he is truly deserving of the recognition provided by the awarding of the National Defense Transportation Association’s Distinguished Service Award.
Mr. Daniel Harrier distinguished himself in the performance of his assigned duties with SAIC and as a volunteer with the Scott-St. Louis Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association. As a member of the AT21 team and Top 100 data gathering effort, and as the Webmaster for the Chapter Website, Mr. Harrier successfully balanced the demands of a professional career with his Chapter activities and achieved outstanding results in every aspect of his responsibilities. As the Webmaster for our Chapter website, Mr Harrier was relentless in his redesign, updating and customer feedback regarding the improvement of our Chapter Webpage. Mr Harrier’s efforts in making our webpage relevant to our users has been accomplished by his genuine care and concern supporting the Chapter Board of Directors and our various chairperson’s activities, and ensuring their information was continually updated on our webpage. Mr Harrier’s leadership, vision and personal initiative is truly inspirational and his energy is infectious throughout the chapter. He is truly deserving of the recognition provided by the awarding of the National Defense Transportation Association’s Distinguished Service Award.

Distinguished Service Award
Ms. Michelle Sabin
Ms. Michelle Sabin distinguished herself in the performance of her assigned duties with Tapestry Solutions Corporation and as a volunteer with the Scott-St. Louis Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association. As a Market Analyst for Tapestry's Mid-West Office and as the Chairperson for the Chapter Community Outreach Committee, Ms. Sabin successfully balanced the demands of a professional career with her Chapter activities and she achieved outstanding results in every aspect of her professional and Chapter responsibilities. As the Chairperson for Community Outreach, Ms Sabin was relentless in her research, investigation, and personal interviews to ensure our Chapter identified and supported critical needs throughout our local community. Focusing on veterans support organizations, Ms Sabin developed and presented a business plan to provide funding to furnish a TV/Recreation room for a homeless veterans facility in East St. Louis, and she assisted the director with organizing the grand opening of the facility and acquiring a guest speaker for the event. She also organized and directed the collection of food, clothing, and other needed items for the facility. Ms Sabin's leadership, vision and personal initiative is truly inspirational and her energy is infectious throughout the chapter. She is truly deserving of the recognition provided by the awarding of the National Defense Transportation Association's Distinguished Service Award.

Mr. Brad Schuster has distinguished himself by exemplary performance in his capacity as both a Senior Business Process Analyst for Dynamics Research Corporation and as the Vice President for Industry for the Scott-St. Louis Chapter of the National Defense Transportation Association. Through his limitless energy and vision, he helped to rapidly transform and evolve our organization and significantly enhanced every facet of our Chapter, but most notably are his incredible contributions to our Corporate Sponsorship Program. His engagement of and support to current and prospective sponsors was clearly outstanding. He published an unprecedented on-line sponsor survey; he drafted a first-ever marketing slick advertising benefits and return on investment of Chapter sponsorship by corporations; he conceptualized and then drove development of our new on-line credit-card-based payment system; he improved the visibility of our sponsors by ensuring all Chapter sponsors get recognized at least once a year. Brad's comprehensive contributions to our organization are truly exceptional and he is most deserving of the National Defense Transportation Association's Distinguished Service Award for 2010.