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Dahlgren training center announces domain small activity

Civilian of the Quarter

DAHLGREN, Va. – Center for Surface Combat Systems (CSCS) announced April 28 its Small Activity Civilian of the Quarter (COQ) for the first quarter of 2014.

Carol Kimbrough, training specialist and communications learning standards officer for CSCS Detachment East (Det. East), was honored to be selected.

“I was taken by surprise when I heard that I had been selected,” she said. “I enjoy the day-to-day workload which truly provides a service to the fleet and I’m grateful to receive this award.”

Kimbrough is responsible for managing, editing, maintaining and disseminating both industry partner and government-developed curricula for courses taught at Det. East. She coordinates and conducts pre/post curricula pilot meetings and generates results. As a qualified Master Training Specialist (MTS), she conducts instructor training and performs instructor evaluations.

“I also oversee the detachment’s American Council on Education (ACE) and Training Activity Assessment (TAAP) programs and administer access to CITRIX, a centralized storage area which houses all of the Naval Education and Training Command (NETC) domain Authoring Instructional Materials (AIM) course content,

and Corporate Enterprise Training Activity Resource Systems (CeTARS)," she explained.

Kimbrough served on active duty in the Navy for 24 years. She retired as a senior chief quartermaster in 2006.

"In March 2009, I was raising my right hand for the second time in my life for a position at CSCS Det. East and today, I proudly continue to serve the Navy as a civilian," she added.

According to Cmdr. Tim Riegler, CSCS Det. East's officer-in-charge, since her arrival, Kimbrough has been a consistent example of excellence, including her oversight of the Training Activity Assessment Program (TAAP). The TAAP ensures that Sailors are receiving the training they need to not only support the CSCS mission, but the Navy's as well.

"By administering 19 courses of instruction daily and mentoring and guiding our military and civilian instructors, Ms. Kimbrough ensures that we continue to meet our mission of providing the most effective training to the fleet," he said. "Her recent efforts in the preparation for and execution of our TAAP inspection played a crucial role in our success. Areas under Ms. Kimbrough purview were lauded by the inspection team as 'very well administered and prepared' and resulted in the detachment being referred as 'the best we have seen' by TAAP assessors."

The Center for Surface Combat Systems mission is to develop and deliver surface ship combat systems training to achieve surface warfare superiority. CSCS headquarters' staff oversees 14 learning sites, including CSCS Det. East, and provides almost 70,000 hours of curriculum for close to 700 courses a year to more than 40,000 Sailors. CSCS uses a mix of blended learning comprised of instructor led classes, hands-on labs, simulation and computer-based training.

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