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Center for Information Dominance Announces Civilians of the Year

PENSACOLA, Fla. -- The Center for Information Dominance (CID) in Pensacola announced April 16 its selection of the senior and mid-grade Civilians of the Year (COY) for 2014.

Selected as the senior COY was James Carragher, information technology (IT) training assistant program manager assigned to CID headquarters. The mid-grade COY is Robert Williams, supervisor of training technicians for student management assigned to CID Unit Corry Station (CIDUCS).

"I am truly humbled by this selection," said Carragher. "It is an honor to be selected as COY. The leadership and mentorship at CID is truly empowering - and that makes all the difference in this job."

Carragher is charged with validating CID's IT training mission requirements as well as assessing program risks, impacts and mitigation strategies for 103 IT courses with a student throughput delivering 8,000 graduates annually.

According to Carragher, many key factors resulted in his selection as COY for the CID domain.

"My lovely bride of 33 years - Mayumi Carragher - inspires me daily to be a better person," he said. "I must also highlight the unparalleled team work of the CID domain

staff as part of my success. In each and every task, the professionals within the extended CID organization provided proactive support and were integral to the successful implementation of a myriad of training transitions, training capability updates, and new training projects that I participated in this past year."

As the mid-grade COY, Williams said this award gives him significant satisfaction because it represents a team effort.

"Without working as a team, this recognition would never have happened," said Williams. "This is an enormous honor and I am very appreciative that our leadership has recognized me and my team for all of the hard work and dedication to duty that we have performed on a day-to-day basis."

Commanding Officer of CID, Capt. Maureen Fox, noted that both Carragher and Williams demonstrated high performance standards, selfless contributions and inspirational leadership, making their selection easy for the selection committee.

"Both of these COYs have consistently shown unwavering professionalism, demonstrated insight and enhanced process improvements during 2014," said Fox. "They have positively influenced the progress, implementation and execution of CID's cyber training mission."

CID, based at Corry Station in Pensacola, Fla., is the Navy's learning center that leads, manages and delivers Navy and joint forces training in information operations, information warfare, information technology, cryptology and intelligence.

With nearly 1,300 military, civilian and contract staff members, CID oversees the development and administration of 226 courses at four commands, two detachments, and 12 learning sites throughout the United States and Japan. CID provides training for approximately 24,000 members of the U.S. Armed Services and allied forces each year.

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