

### Depot emergency personnel honored for assistance



A crew of depot firefighters/EMTs were honored Wednesday for their assistance in responding to a serious motor vehicle accident on Feb. 3.

The crew was called out to help with the wreck on Westland Road near the depot that involved two vehicles, one of them driven by UMCDf engineer Dave Lorenzen, who was seriously injured. The depot fire crew assisted Hermiston Fire and Emergency personnel, which had responded first to the scene.

Pictured above, from left, are: U.S. Army Site Project Manager Mike Strong, firefighters/EMTs Mike Bozeman, Scott Conklin, Billy Treat, John Jones and Chris Jung, and depot Commander Lt. Col. Kris Perkins.

### Kids make Soldier feel 'like a superhero'



Cpl. Deirdre Ethington of Richland, Wash., is on the downhill side of her deployment to Iraq after nearly a year in country. The daughter of UMCDf Training Specialist Paul Ethington is an administrative specialist with the Washington Army National Guard's 1161st Transportation Company.

She recently participated in a video teleconference (VTC) with about 50 fifth graders from Greenvale Elementary in Upper Brookville, N.Y. Maj. Jeffrey Cutler, the combat service support automations officer and Freedom Calls Center manager with the 96th Sustainment Brigade, 13th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), said the VTCs help students appreciate the sacrifices soldiers are making and give the soldiers a boost.

"These VTCs were definitely morale builders for both the Soldiers and for the remote audience," he said. "How can you not feel good when an auditorium full of supporters are praising and cheering you and calling you a hero?"

Cpl. Ethington agreed. "I felt like a superhero to these kids ... I thought the students had put a lot of thought into their questions and they were so eager to ask them; it was cute," she said. "It felt really nice to be reminded of the continuous support that we have from our fellow Americans. I hope that the children were able to see that Soldiers come from all different backgrounds and can be female too."

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### UMCDf Highlights

- It has been 1,321 days, or more than 6 million work hours, since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCDf (July 7, 2006).

### Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (Feb. 11 - 17, 2010)

Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period	11
Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	193
Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	7.3
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period	21
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date	99
Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period	16,508
Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date	323,499
Pounds of total agent destroyed to date <i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>	3,089,681
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004) <i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i>	218,170
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	1,539.61
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	41.42

*\*Recipient ton containers are byproducts of mustard disposal and were not a part of the original stockpile.*

### UMCD/UMCDf Milestones

- **June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- **June 4, 2009:** First HD ton containers transported from depot storage to disposal plant.
- **Nov. 5, 2008:** Completed VX munitions campaign.
- **Oct. 26, 2007:** Began VX munitions campaign.
- **July 8, 2007:** Completed GB munitions campaign.
- **Sept. 7, 2004:** Began GB munitions campaign.

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