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## **Reflection of the DDR Program at the National Boards**

Submitted by Lt Col Jett Mayhew, National DDR Team Leader

During the National Boards in Orlando this year, many of you came up to say thank you for all that you do for the program. This started me thinking. Sure, I am the DDR Team Leader but it is the team effort that makes the DDR program successful. It is people like:

- Major Lynn Stuart, the Assistant DDR Team Leader, who develops DDR Newsletter and developed and implemented the Tele-Conference Training.
- Lt Col Bonnie Braun, the Middle East Region DDR Coordinator, who stays on top of alerts and assist with implementation of new programs.
- The new DDRA in Maryland Wing, 1LT Walter Murphy, who has embraced the DDR Program and has already reached over 35,000 in the community and still going strong.
- Colorado Wing DDRA, Chaplain Gordon Rourk, who looks for new and innovated ways to promote the program and has reached over 250,000 in his community.
- Wyoming Wing, DDRA Lt Col Susan McDonald, who takes any and every opportunity to talk DDR.
- Idaho Wing DDRA, Lt Col William Colson, whose enthusiasm is fantastic.
- Florida Wing DDRA, Capt Timothy Mederios, who is working with IT folks and NHOQ to making reporting much easier.
- The Wisconsin Wing DDRA, Capt Donna Daniels, who is developing a DDR Video.

The list goes on and on.

Henry Ford once defined teamwork as the following:

Coming together is a beginning.  
Keeping together is progress.  
Working together is success.

If we could get all of our units working together, the success of "Our Citizens Serving Our Communities Above and Beyond" would get CAP the best kept secret out to the public. It would enhance our endeavors to let our communities know that we can be trusted and are working very hard to service their communities.

It is an honor to serve as your DDR Team Leader and be your voice, but the success of the program belongs to the Cadets, Seniors, Cadet Sponsor Members, DDR Administrators, Coordinators, Officers and the parents that are working hard to make our future a better place for the youth of America.

Thank you all for what you do for the DDR Program and Civil Air Patrol.

## Colorado Wing named DDR Wing of the Year, Rourk named National DDRA of the Year



Maj Gen Courter presents DDR Wing of the Year Award to COWG Commander, Col Ed Phelka.

The Colorado Wing Drug Demand Reduction Program distinguished itself in 2007 through steadfast service toward a drug-free America. A total commitment to the DDR mission has resulted in tremendous growth, both in personnel and the number of activities. The number of DDR officers increased from only 16 percent in 2006 to 82 percent in 2007, and the number is still growing in 2008. Training for these new senior and cadet DDR officers was provided throughout the wing under the direction of Chaplain Capt. Gordon Rourk, the wing DDRA, who holds a Master Rating.

Ten new DDROs enrolled in the DDR Specialty Track in 2007. Activities also increased by 60 percent in 2007, with support from more than 325 Civil Air Patrol members from the wing.

More than 60 community service activities were presented to 103,500 attendees, many of them students in elementary, junior high and high schools. Working with other wing directors, DDR presentations on drug awareness were presented at GSAR School, wing staff meetings, SAREXs, Region Chaplain Services Staff College and the wing and region conferences.

The COWG DDR program also increased its visibility and that of the Civil Air Patrol through working relationships established with military Active Duty, Guard and Reserve Air Force units as well as DEA, DARE and community organizations. The wing was invited to present the American flag at several home games of the Colorado Rapids, including on Military Appreciation Day and on Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Day. As a result of CAP support for the Colorado Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Rourk was selected as the CF Volunteer of the Year. The partnership he established with the Denver Channel 9 Health Fair and others allowed the wing to present the DDR and CAP message at 131 Colorado schools.



National DDR Team Leader, Lt Col Jett Mayhew presents the DDRA of the Year Award to Chaplain Gordon Rourk.

### DDR Commercials on the Web

For the last several years, cadets attending the National Honor Guard Academy have created DDR commercials. Cadets are responsible for the promotions including research, selecting appropriate graphics, and music.

Using the commercials is a wonderful way to start a unit meeting or a DDR discussion. You can view and download the commercials created by the Honor Guard Academy using the links below.

#### Atlantis Flight

[mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq\\_vitalstream\\_com/Atlantis Flight 2008.wmv](mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq_vitalstream_com/Atlantis Flight 2008.wmv)

#### Discovery Flight

[mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq\\_vitalstream\\_com/Discovery Flight 2008.wmv](mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq_vitalstream_com/Discovery Flight 2008.wmv)

#### Eagle Flight

[mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq\\_vitalstream\\_com/Eagle Flight 2008.wmv](mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq_vitalstream_com/Eagle Flight 2008.wmv)

#### Endeavor Flight

[mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq\\_vitalstream\\_com/Endeavor Flight 2008.wmv](mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq_vitalstream_com/Endeavor Flight 2008.wmv)

#### Enterprise Flight

[mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq\\_vitalstream\\_com/Enterprise Flight 2008.wmv](mms://civilairpatrolnhq.wm.internapcdn.net/civilairpatrolnhq_vitalstream_com/Enterprise Flight 2008.wmv)

Creating commercials is also a great way for squadrons and wings to get members involved in DDR. They are simple to create using PowerPoint, videos, and commonly used computer programs. After creating your commercial, send it to [ddr@capnhq.gov](mailto:ddr@capnhq.gov) to get it published on the web!



*You're the Citizens Serving our Communities Above and Beyond*

*And*

*YOU ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE*

## **Fewer Drunk-Driving Fatalities Nationwide**

Submitted by Lt Col Jett Mayhew

### **News Summary**

Drunk-driving fatalities declined 3.7 percent nationally last year, according to a new report from the [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration](#) (NHTSA).

The [Insurance Journal](#) reported Aug. 29 that alcohol-related traffic fatalities also declined in 32 of the 50 U.S. states. However, more motorcyclists died in crashes involving alcohol, NHTSA found, with increases in such deaths reported in 25 states.

An estimated 12,998 people died in alcohol-related crashes last year, down from 13,491 in 2006, NHTSA reported. The figures came from the agency's [Fatality Analysis Reporting System](#) (PDF link).

In an August 28 [press release](#) commenting on the findings, Mothers Against Drunk Driving called on all states to further reduce DUI fatalities by passing legislation mandating alcohol ignition interlocks in the vehicles of all convicted drunk drivers, noting the recent failure of such efforts in California and Texas.

MADD also chided Wisconsin and South Carolina for being the two states that saw an increase in alcohol-related traffic fatalities, citing less effective laws in those states.

### **Red Ribbon Week History**

It was February 7, 1985 at 2:00 p.m. a warm winter afternoon in Guadalajara, Mexico, when U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agent Enrique (Kiki) Camarena locked his badge and revolver in his desk drawer and left to meet his wife for lunch. Kiki unsuspectingly crossed the street to his pickup truck. While unlocking the doors to his vehicle, he was grabbed by five men who shoved him into a beige Volkswagen. One month later, his body was discovered in a shallow grave. Kiki and his informant, Alfredo Zavala Avelar, were savagely and grotesquely murdered.



Enrique Camarena

Kiki joined the DEA in 1974 and asked to be transferred to Guadalajara, Mexico, the center of the drug trafficking empire. While investigating a multi-billion dollar drug scam, he confiscated thousands of pounds of cocaine, and hundreds of thousands of pounds of marijuana. He suspected the drug scam involved officers in the Mexican army, police and government. Kiki was a believer that one person CAN make a difference and he sacrificed his life to prevent drugs from entering the United States.

In 1985, the National Federation of Parents for Drug Free Youth joined with DEA and implemented a Red Ribbon campaign that spread to places as far away as Europe. The National Red Ribbon Week is celebrated every year October 23-31, and is dedicated to Kiki Camarena and all of the people who have been wrongly killed due to the violence of drugs.

Since then, millions of Americans have gotten involved in, and been touched by the Red Ribbon Campaign efforts. No other single drug prevention movement has had such an impact on so many lives.

## Breaking Down The Barriers

Submitted by Capt Timothy R. Medeiros, FLWG DDRA

Have you ever had a problem with the concept that the “drug problem” is isolated to just our youth and as a result senior squadrons have no use for DDR. This is not the case.

How many of these members think nothing of having a drink to unwind after a long day before going to a meeting. I have been told numerous times by squadron commanders that, “my cadets don’t do drugs so your program is not wanted here.” I am sure that I am not the only DDR person who has heard this uninformed viewpoint. The response is tailored to the particular situation. Do you have children or grandchildren of your own? If yes, do you ever take them out to eat where you may have a beer or something stronger to drink? Do they ever yell, squeal, talk loudly, and fool around in the car to the point that you tell them to stop it before you have to stop the car? Even with one drink and the distractions of boisterous young innocent kids, you are under the influence of a drug that can lead to a horrible ending. Now if you add to the mixture any prescribed medication that does not interact well with what you have ingested, you have just boosted the likelihood of that nasty outcome.

Simply put, your cadets, if asked will frequently admit, that they have been placed in a similar situation in which they had no control. They were the innocent “hostages” of their driving family members. How are they to stop the in charge adult from possibly putting their lives in danger? They are powerless to do anything but get into that moving missile and pray they get home unharmed. Even worse, hope someone who has been drinking does not hit them.

As a member of the DDR team, these are the kinds of scenarios that are discussed in a session. When told that the responses will go no further than that session, you may be surprised to find how open these cadets will be with their answers. For the last two years, I have conducted such sessions at my wing conference. As a former cadet, I know a great many of them from when we were peers and they know that I will not go and spill my guts to anyone unless I have their permission after the session and then generally to introduce them to a Chaplain so they can just chat. Each year, the cadets have no problem telling me like it is, and the number of cadets eagerly attending the session keeps increasing. Out of 100 cadets attending the conference each year, the first year we had 44 the second year there were 68. This is a dramatic increase in attendance to a conference session. I doubt any other seminar has had that percentage of attendance or increase in attendance. What does this tell me? DDR is a very important program not only to me but also to the cadets throughout my wing and further.

In closing, I realize that I will continue to get the go away response from some commanders and so will you, but I know that if you can tap into a more personalized situation in your talk with them that you just might find your next DDRO.

## 1005 Served

Article & photo submitted by 1Lt Walter Murphy, MDWG DDRA

Maryland State Fair- 1005 served. No, it’s not a Mickey Dee’s Sign. It’s the number of Maryland community members served substance abuse prevention activities and materials in the Governor’s tent at the Maryland State Fair. They were served by Maryland Wing’s Drug Demand Reduction Program (DDRP), members of Towson Squadron, and Osprey Squadrons.

Walter Murphy, 1Lt CAP, DDR Administrator stated: “It was not a scheduled event. It was just a target of opportunity. One we just couldn’t let slide by.” The Maryland State Fair had approximately 20,000 in attendance on Sunday with 1005 of them going to the CAP DDR table and substance abuse prevention activities. Murphy stated: “The number served could have been higher but we didn’t have enough manpower to handle them. Next year we will have the event scheduled and we will have all the support we need.”

Community members were given the opportunity to participate in “Fatal Vision” goggles activities and receive substance abuse prevention print material from the DEA, US Health & Human Services, Civil Air Patrol, and others. Community members in attendance thanked CAP members often for this service. Not a bad way to spend one’s Sunday.



*C/Major Mowery, C/DDRA MDWG greets attendees at the MD State Fair*

## Osprey, Howard Composite Squadron Members Staff Display at Howard Co. Event

Submitted by Cadet Maj. Wayne Mowery Jr, Cadet Commander  
Osprey Composite Squadron, Maryland Wing



With members of the Osprey and Howard composite squadrons helping out, the Maryland Wing brought its Drug Demand Reduction message to thousands at the first Healthy Howard Day.

Healthy Howard Day, held at Centennial Park in Ellicott City, was hosted by We Support Health, a nonprofit organization in Howard County that promotes healthy lifestyles in the home, school and community.

The event featured more than 57 different displays and featured Civil Air Patrol in the immediate center, nearly acting as a centerpiece for the many activities held throughout the day.

Of the nearly 5,000 people who attended, "we probably saw half of them at the booth," said 1Lt. Walter Murphy, Maryland Wing Drug Demand Reduction administrator.

Helping out were five cadets and one senior member from the Osprey Composite Squadron and two senior members from the Howard unit, who offered their support with just a few days notice to jump-start the activity.

The activity was designed to spread knowledge and understanding about the harmful effects of alcohol and other drugs while increasing the community's public awareness about Civil Air Patrol and the many opportunities it offers members.

The display featured a DDR "Fatal Vision" activity, allowing the public to experience the mind-altering impact of alcohol and other drugs by wearing Fatal Vision Goggles, which simulate those substances' effects.

After participants complete the activity, cadets running the display always made sure to finish with the question, "Now, would you trust yourself driving like this?"

That question drove the message home -- alcohol and driving never mix.

"I couldn't believe how easy it was to engage our audience," said Cadet Captain Casey Watts of the Osprey squadron. "Nearly everyone we asked was willing to try (the Fatal Vision Goggles), and it felt like they understood our message."



*Photos submitted by C/Maj Wayne Mowery Jr*

*(Top row) Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Shaharazad Purvis of the Osprey Composite Squadron talks with a young visitor at the Drug Demand Reduction booth.*

*(Second row, left) Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Shaharazad Purvis offers support as a youth reels from the effect of the Fatal Vision Goggles during Healthy Howard Days.*

*(Second row, right) Osprey Composite Squadron cadets line up in front of the DDR display -- (from left) Cadet Sr. Master Sgt. Laine Clark, Cadet Tech. Sgt. James Deering, Cadet Capt. Casey Watts and Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Shaharazad Purvis.*

*(Bottom row)*

*Cadet Tech. Sgt. James Deering stands by to help as a member of the public tries out the Fatal Vision Goggles.*

## DDR Field Trip To Washington, D.C.

Submitted By 2d Lt Al Gonzalez

Cadets and senior members of the Raleigh-Wake Composite Squadron, North Carolina Wing, participated in their first annual DDR (Drug Demand Reduction) field trip to the Washington, D.C. area. The trip began on Friday, August 1 and the squadron returned to North Carolina on Sunday, August 3, 2008. Seven cadets, C/2Lt Kyle Zobel, C/SMSGT Seth Hall, C/A1C Tyler Shanley, C/AB Aleksandra Afanasyeva, C/AB Jonathan Bradley, C/AB Mark Broadway, and Cadet Joseph Gallo, and two seniors, the squadron DDR Officer, 2d Lt. Al Gonzalez, and senior member-Sponsor, Mrs. Shanley, were the group members that went to D.C. The group arrived at the Prince William Forest Park, near Quantico, VA, mid-day Friday and checked in at the Camp and cabin assignments were made.

The CAP group attended the Evening Parade at the Marine Barracks, 8<sup>th</sup> and I Streets, Washington, D.C., Friday evening, enjoying concerts by the Marine Corps Band, the Drum and Bugle Corps, seeing the Silent Drill Team perform, and observing the Pass and Review Parade of the Marine Battalion.

Saturday morning was a real delight, with an invitation to visit the Air Force Honor Guard campus at Bolling Air Force Base, touring the Honor Guard School and observing a demonstration by the Drill Team.

Saturday afternoon the group visited the Air and Space Museum, in D.C. Saturday evening training at the camp site was all about DDR and leadership in an open, group session with lots of questions and as many responses.

The cadets and seniors concluded the Air and Space Museum tour, returning on Sunday morning. On the way back to North Carolina, on Sunday afternoon, the cadets and seniors stopped at and enjoyed a memorable visit at the Museum of the Marine Corps in Quantico, VA.



During the ride back to North Carolina and the squadron headquarters the two Senior Cadets conducted another DDR session about peer pressure and using alcohol and other drugs of abuse including cigarettes. The squadron Drug Demand Reduction Officer, 2Lt. Al Gonzalez, who is also the new NC Wing Drug Demand Reduction Administrator, shared that plans are already on the way for the trip next year to be a NC Wing activity.

## Kids Drinking at Home

Submitted by 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Jennifer Smith, MIWG DDRA

Some parents believe that it is 'safer' to give their kids alcohol in a place where they can keep an eye on them. Contrary to this misunderstanding, the earlier an individual begins drinking, the greater his or her risk of developing alcohol-related problems in the future. Moreover, research indicates that the human brain continues to develop into a person's early 20's and that exposure of the developing brain to alcohol may have long-lasting effects on intellectual capabilities and may increase the likelihood of alcohol addiction (Brown, Tapert, Granholm, & Delis, 2000).

When minors within the US use alcohol it is considered to be alcohol abuse. Why? Underage drinkers are more prone to drink unsafe amounts of alcohol in one sitting (binge drinking) and tend to have a higher rate of alcoholism the earlier the age that they start to drink. This can lead to risky behavior, car crashes, and unwanted sexual activity (NIAA, 2006). In addition, teenagers' brains can be negatively affected by alcohol use. Last, alcohol is a leading contributor to injury death, the leading cause of death for persons under age 21 (2006). Another, but less common, reason for this alarming trend is that some parents are more interested in being a friend rather than an authority figure. This is a more difficult issue to address.

References: Brown, S.A., Tapert, S.F., Granholm, E., & Delis, D.C. (2000). Neurocognitive functioning of adolescents: Effects of protracted alcohol use. /Alcohol Clin Exp Results/, (2),164-71, San Diego, CA: University of California. NIAAA (2006). Initiative on underage drinking. Retrieved on June 26, 2008 at: <http://www.niaaa.nih.gov>.

## National Night Out

Submitted by Major Linda Eldredge, PAO  
Coastal Patrol Base 21, Beaufort, NC

The 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of local law enforcement's National Night Out program was celebrated in Havelock, NC, on 5 August 2008, with CAP invited to be part of its static display of Emergency Services vehicles.

Majors Fred and Linda Eldredge of Coastal Patrol Base 21 set up the corporate van next to the Craven County Mobile Command Center vehicle, located in Walter B. Jones Park, for the event. They included a display of CAP information brochures and various EPIRBS recovered in searches.



Photo by Majors Fred & Linda Eldredge

Because Drug Demand Reduction awareness is also a big part of NNO, it afforded a great opportunity to promote Red Ribbon Week in Oct. Contact was made with MCAS Cherry Point's Drug Demand Reduction Specialist to coordinate a joint effort at the local middle schools for that event.

In spite of the high heat and humidity, another aspect of CAP was revealed, showing to all those present that we are involved in making a difference in a number of areas.

Thanks to Major David Bratton, CPB21 Safety Officer, and Deputy Chief of Havelock PD, for issuing the invitation to participate.

## Fund Raising In Your Unit Is Easy!

Submitted by Marie Neese and Jett Mayhew

Fundraising for Civil Air Patrol units at all levels is just a few online clicks away, thanks to CAP's new partnership with Fundlink to build a CAP Virtual Shopping Mall that allows users to benefit specific units in CAP.

By accessing <http://cap.fundlinkllc.com>, customers can shop at more than 1,000 different stores, including some of the nation's largest retailers, such as Wal-Mart, Target, Best Buy, Home Depot and more. You can also access the site from the donations page at [www.gocivilairpatrol.com](http://www.gocivilairpatrol.com)

Every time a customer makes a purchase, the retailer will donate a portion of the proceeds – from 2 percent to 15 percent – to the unit the user chooses, from a local squadron to wing or region headquarters. Customers can also choose to donate directly to CAP National Headquarters.

Anyone can shop from the site, and no registration or login is required. The user selects a unit from the list of beneficiaries when a store is clicked on. Donations will be sent directly to National Headquarters, along with a breakdown of squadrons and amounts. The money will then be sent to each wing on a quarterly basis for further disbursement.

"This innovative approach allows our members nationwide to support CAP locally or nationally at the same time they're making convenient, everyday purchases online," said Don Rowland, CAP executive director. Through CAP's online mall, he said, "the organization and its members benefit -- first and foremost."

With the holidays coming up why not shop on line and earn money for your unit. It's easy, affordable and profitable for your unit. Tell your neighbors, relatives and friends.

Remember the link is <http://cap.fundlinkllc.com> start now to help raise money for your unit. CAP NHQ, all Region and Wing HQs, Groups, and composite, cadet, and senior squadrons and flights are eligible. Units are updated on a quarterly basis by MDV.

## Red Ribbon Quiz

Try your hand at this Red Ribbon quiz, then check your answers by following the link below. (Hint: Read the Red Ribbon [History](#) on page 3 first.) The answers are on the bottom of this page:

1. Whose death triggered the Red Ribbon Campaign?
2. When is Red Ribbon Week celebrated?
3. Which city in Mexico was known as the center of a drug trafficking empire?
4. How can I show my commitment to being drug free?
5. What was Enrique's nickname?
6. For what agency did Enrique work?
7. What belief did Enrique have that inspired the Red Ribbon Campaign?
8. Where can I get more information or help about alcohol or drugs?
9. What are 10 things you can do or say if someone offers you drugs?

## RED RIBBON WEEK BY THE MILE

Red Ribbon Week starts Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> and ends Oct 31<sup>st</sup>. As advertised, the unit that covers the most miles with Red Ribbons wins the DDR Red Ribbon contest.

### **THE UNIT WITH THE MOST MILEAGE COVERED WILL RECEIVE A DDR GARMENT BAG FOR EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATES.**

OK, now that you are excited about this new an upcoming event, how should I do this. Below are some suggestions on how to get started.

- Contact your local florist to get a donation of red ribbons
  - Contact Wal-Mart
  - Contact local craft store
  - Contact local drug store
  - Get your parents involved
  - Connect with other nearby units you could cover the whole state and everyone get involved
- REMEMBER MILEAGE COUNTS
- Contact the Welcome Centers in your area

This could be the biggest event your wing has to advertise Civil Air Patrol and to emphasis the publics trust that CAP is making a difference in the community.

#### Answers to Quiz

1. Enrique Camarena
2. From October 23 - 31 every year
3. Guadalajara, Mexico
4. By wearing a red ribbon during Red Ribbon Week and being drug free all year long
5. Kiki
6. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)
7. One person can make a difference
8. Call the toll-free Alcohol & Drug Hotline
9. Give a reason: I don't drink.  
Broken record: No thanks, no thanks, no thanks.  
Change the subject: I have to go to practice.  
Use humor: Sorry, I have a date with a super model.  
Suggest something different to do: Hey, let's go to a movie.  
Give them a compliment: I like your jacket. Where did you get it?  
State the facts: I don't like being out of control.  
Cold shoulder: Ignore the person.  
Avoid the situation: If you know they use, find other friends.  
Walk away.

## The Peril of Pretty Plants

Submitted by Capt Timothy R. Medeiros, FLWG DDRA

I bet you would never guess a trip to your local garden store could be the point of purchase for LEGAL highs. Yup, any Home Depot, Lowe's, Walmart, or similar store has for sale plants that will produce psychotropic affects when chewed, smoked, eaten, or otherwise ingested.

The most often heard of is salvia, you know the spiked spears of lavenderish white colored bell shaped flowers that are frequently seen in flowerbeds throughout the country. Well this seemingly innocuous flower has a powerful effect on the central nervous system. Its primary action is that of a k-pied receptor agonist or hallucinogenic properties. Though not generally considered to produce addiction, the effects of this herb are startling to the body. Onset of the high is nearly immediate and may last up to 1 ½ hours, but the greatest effect is in the first 10 minutes producing such altered senses as an increased feeling of insight and improved mood or calmness to uncontrolled laughter or overlapping realities, like the perception of being in more than one location at the same time.

In 2006, Brett's Law was enacted in Delaware, after a salvia-induced depression caused Brett Chidester, age 17, to commit suicide. It is now classified as a Schedule I controlled substance there. The legal status of salvia in other states is slowly being questioned by authorities and is generally not considered as important as the deaths of more than 1700 college students in the U.S. each year as a result of alcohol related injuries.

Salvia in this country is not regulated under the Controlled Substances Act and only three states, Delaware, Louisiana, Michigan, and Missouri have passed their own laws. Several others, including Alabama, Alaska, California, Florida, Iowa, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Texas have proposed legislation against the plant. Many of these proposals have failed or been stalled when they come before committee review.

There is a wide dichotomy between the states as to how to treat this, also. The four states to have a law on the books, imposed the strictest classification Schedule I. On the other hand, Maine merely restricts the age of the purchaser to over 18. Oklahoma has wording in their bill that states it must be enhanced, concentrated, or altered in some way. Tennessee has a provision for the natural plant form and will classify it as a Class A misdemeanor, but will allow the possession, planting, cultivation and harvesting of salvia for landscaping or decorative purposes.

If there is such a vast chasm of opinions about a mind-altering substance, how can anyone protect another? By word of mouth. Go talk to anyone who will listen. Store managers, landscapers, homeowners, anyone and keep talking. The more who know.....the better.

## DDR BY THE NUMBERS

Duty Position as Reported in E-Services

Specialty Track Enrollment by Level

Region	DDRC	DDRA	C/DDRA	DDRO	C/DDRO	Total	Region	None	Tech	Senior	Master	Total
GLR	1	5	0	37	1	44	GLR	10	3	1	0	14
MER	1	10	3	79	26	119	MER	33	7	1	3	44
NCR	1	4	0	34	1	40	NCR	15	8	1	0	24
NER	1	7	1	60	3	72	NER	31	7	3	1	42
PCR	1	4	1	47	3	56	PCR	12	2	0	0	14
RMR	1	5	1	42	2	51	RMR	18	5	1	3	27
SER	0	4	1	42	3	50	SER	21	6	1	1	29
SWR	1	5	0	41	4	51	SWR	16	7	0	1	24
							NHQ	0	0	3	2	5
Total	7	44	7	382	43	483	Total	156	45	11	11	225