

Local Lockheed Martin Employees Receive Corporation's Highest Honor

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DALLAS/FORT WORTH, Texas, Oct. 31, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- In a ceremony at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C., Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) presented its prestigious NOVA Award to 60 employees from its Aeronautics and Missiles and Fire Control businesses in Fort Worth and Grand Prairie, respectively.

The NOVA Award is the company's highest honor presented annually to individuals and teams who have made outstanding contributions to the corporation's mission and business objectives.

The annual NOVA Awards ceremony was hosted by Lockheed Martin Chief Executive Officer and President Marillyn Hewson on Friday, October 25, to recognize employees for their outstanding achievements. Dallas-Fort Worth-based honorees are:

James A. Arness, a senior engineer from Grapevine, won a special recognition award for Technical Innovation for conceptualizing and developing a process using white-light photogrammetric technology to create a three-dimensional overlay of as-built images of assembled F-35 aircraft for comparison to nominal engineering models. Because of his efforts, the technology and new processes are now used a standard capability for the corporation.

John G. Clark, an open systems and software senior manager from Weatherford, won the individual NOVA for Technical Excellence for his knowledge and expertise in Open Systems Architecture, which includes a philosophy and approach that has been adopted by customers.

The following individuals were recognized for teamwork as part of four teams receiving NOVA awards:

The **Aircraft Modification Team** developed and implemented innovative approaches to modify flight test and production aircraft in support of the F-35 Lightning II program.

Gary L. Cooper, Arlington, aircraft assembler
Donald G. Cox, Granbury, manufacturing engineer
Michael D. Gilley, Cleburne, aircraft assembler
Stephen T. Howes, Willow Park, senior manager
Jeffry R. Inman, Fort Worth, aircraft assembler
William H. Juenger, Fort Worth, aeronautical engineer
Lonnie R. Lyman, Aledo, manufacturing engineer
Jimmie R. Murray Jr., Mansfield, aircraft assembler
David L. Penney, Haslet, manufacturing engineering manager
Chris Lee Skinner, Bowie, aircraft assembler
Scott D. Taylor, Roanoke, manufacturing engineer
Kris L. Thompson, Azle, manufacturing engineer
Michael K. Thompson, Bowie, aircraft assembler
Jeffery Lynn Ware, Weatherford, manufacturing engineer

The **F-22 Physiological Incident Resolution Team** successfully worked with the Life Support System Task Force chartered by the U.S. Air Force to determine the cause of unexplained physiological incidents on the F-22 Raptor fleet. In less than one year, the team uncovered contributory factors, identified a solution, installed an independent oxygen sensor throughout the fleet, and developed and flight-tested an automatic back-up oxygen system.

Patrick A. Batdorf, Fort Worth, aeronautical engineer
Stuart B. Brown, Fort Worth, systems engineer
Kevin Lee Chaples, Fort Worth, program manager
Russell B. Countryman, Keller, technical lead
Geoffrey E. Moore, Benbrook, F-22 team leader

Michael J. Schoop, Fort Worth, aeronautical engineer
David G. Shirley, Benbrook, supply chain manager
Mark A. Turner, Benbrook, crew station engineer

The **Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award Application Core Team** contributed countless hours to develop, package and refine the documentation and visual materials that resulted in Missiles and Fire Control (MFC) being awarded the 2012 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award by the United States Department of Commerce.

Jeffrey A. Hall, Keller, business planning director
Brad W. Walker, Dallas, ESH associate manager
Michael S. Self, Rowlett, ESH manager
Marcus B. Concienne, Dallas, PAC-3 production operations transition manager
Aaron D. Walker, Midlothian, subcontract manager
Marcy L. Boyd, Irving, graphic artist
Connie D. Perry, Arlington, business development manager
Valeri G. West, Arlington, senior manager – talent and organizational capabilities
Elizabeth B. Stark, Arlington, production operations staff

The **Medium Extended Air Defense System (MEADS) Flight Test #1 Team** was recognized for resolving complex integration challenges and demonstrating unwavering resolve in the face of adversity and schedule pressure to achieve 100 percent mission success.

Hector L. Bayona, Grand Prairie, systems engineer
John I. Lipp, Lewisville, systems engineer
Ronald Rippe, Lancaster, systems engineer
Lamar Lunsford, Fort Worth, systems engineer

The **Miniature Munition Team** impressed a vital new customer for MFC and provided the business with a new family of products for the U.S. warfighter by developing solutions through technical excellence and determination. MFC had a need to address a critical warfighting niche, and the Miniature Munition Team pioneered methods that would fill that niche in an extremely lean environment.

Charles P. McCammish, Fort Worth, mechanical engineer
John T. Schofield, Irving, mechanical engineer
Adam C. Miller, Dallas, systems engineer
Lynece Pfledderer, Arlington, systems engineer
Gregory M. Richards, Colleyville, research engineer
Chad N. Chegwidden, Arlington, systems engineer
Bryan D. Pettitt, Grand Prairie, systems engineer

The **Return to Work Business Continuity Team** created a strategic framework to bring employees back to work after a 10-week strike, while taking advantage of opportunities to improve the culture on the production floor. As a result, F-35 Lightning II delivery metrics and labor efficiency continue to improve.

Charles R. Akers, Aledo, director
Charles E. Armstrong, Grand Prairie, multimedia design engineer
Lisa Flinn Early, Fort Worth, human resources business partner
Kyle A. Franklin, Aledo, director
James R. Guehlstorf, Arlington, quality analyst
Steven E. Hirtzel, Aledo, safety engineer
Mark D. Johnson, Arlington, communications
Sandra K. Kenerley, Fort Worth, senior manager
Gary E. La Gray, Grand Prairie, senior manager
Paul T. Lee, Willow Park, senior manager
William N. Radcliffe, Fort Worth, quality engineer
Samuel R. Rodriguez, Fort Worth, quality engineer
Carina M. Rodriguez-Nejtek, Flower Mound, senior system integration analyst
John M. Taylor, Keller, director

The **Security Assessment Team** members set an unprecedented industry standard by achieving 100 percent "Superior" ratings across 13 MFC sites during their 2012 Defense Security Service security assessments; far exceeding industry average of 7 percent Superior ratings granted to over 13,000 cleared facilities.

Stephen C. Williams, Fort Worth, security director
Jane C. Dinkel, North Richland Hills, security manager
James A. Bass Jr., Grand Prairie, facility security manager

The **Security Category Management Team** leveraged a single contract guard supplier solution across the corporation that yielded significant cost savings and increased the quality of contract guards throughout Lockheed Martin. The team's combined work, which resulted in the selection of a single supplier for contract guard services across 74 Lockheed Martin sites, will save the corporation a minimum of \$4.7 million per year over the next five years.

Jeffrey A. Anderson, Waxahachie, senior security manager
Gregory A. Johnson, Fort Worth, senior procurement manager
Matt D. Latham, North Richland Hills, senior security manager

"Our NOVA honorees have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to performance, innovation and integrity," said Hewson. "Our customers are facing incredibly complex challenges, and these talented employees have worked tirelessly to help them rise to those challenges. Our 2013 honorees have set the standard for leadership, technical excellence and performance, and I am proud to work alongside each of them."

The Lockheed Martin NOVA Awards were created in 1995. The name "NOVA" aptly describes the contributions of the winners as the bright stars of the corporation.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security and aerospace company that employs about 116,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration, and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products, and services. The corporation's net sales for 2012 were \$47.2 billion.

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