

senior contracting authority at the Army Materiel Command. Coworkers at all levels describe her as energetic, inquisitive and accessible, employing a management style that is informal and inclusive.

“To be recognized by dignitaries outside [the Department of Defense] and by the president is both uplifting and humbling,” shared Mrs. Flavin. “Though the award has my name on it, in a larger sense it truly belongs to everyone in DCMA. No one receives this kind of honor without benefiting from the support and contributions of many others along the way.”

Outside the office, Mrs. Flavin is an avid gardener, fisherman and craftsperson. Of late, she has taken a keen interest in interior decorating and quilting. She and her husband, Mark, spend as much time together as their busy schedules permit, keeping up with their extended and scattered family and traveling, often to places off the beaten path.

Presidential Rank Award winners are chosen through a rigorous selection process that includes nomination by an agency director, evaluation by a board of non-government notables and approval by the President. The award was established in the early 1980s. Mrs. Flavin will receive the award at a forthcoming ceremony at the Pentagon.

## Change of Command at DCMA International

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**D**DCMA International's change of command and retirement ceremonies were held May 20, 2005, at the Navy Memorial in Washington, D.C. Navy Capt. Michael P. Tryon relinquished command of DCMA International to Navy Capt. Walter H. Melton.

years of service with the Navy. He had been commander of DCMA International since 2002.

Army Lt. Col. Frank Steinbugl served as master of ceremonies, and Army Lt. Col. Reginald Terry gave the invocation and benediction. Air Force Maj. Gen. Darryl A. Scott, DCMA director, gave opening remarks for the day's events. Also speaking were Capt. Melton, Capt. Tryon and Capt. Tryon's brother, Brig. Gen. Richard T. Tryon of the Marine Corps Recruiting Depot (Eastern Region).

Capt. Tryon was also honored at the event on the occasion of his retirement after 28



**(Left)** Navy Capt. Michael P. Tryon, former DCMA International commander (left), and his brother Marine Corps Brig. Gen. Richard T. Tryon. (DCMA staff photo)  
**(Above)** Navy Capt. Walter H. Melton (center) accepts command of DCMA International from Maj. Gen. Scott (left) as Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Dariusz Baczewski (2<sup>nd</sup> from left), Brig. Gen. Tryon (2<sup>nd</sup> from right) and Capt. Tryon (right) look on. (DCMA staff photo)