



# WHS Pipeline

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## DoD BEST PRACTICES

The WHS Planning and Evaluation Office (P&E) sponsors a DoD-wide Quality Management Program website, which includes a database of over 300 best practices. A best practice is a process or method that produces significant improvement in readiness, safety, environment, customer satisfaction, financial savings or cost avoidance and must be transferable to other organizations. Best practices can also be submitted to the website for future use by others.

Click [here](#) to see more.

## WHS PERSONALITIES

On Wednesday, June 30, 2004, WHS Defense Facilities Directorate (DFD) said bon voyage to employee **Shelya White**, whose retirement marked the end of 38 years of government service.

Prior to her time at DFD, Shelya worked at the Federal Labor Relations Authority where she was selected in an agency wide competition for a rigorous three-year Certified Public Manager program. Under the partnership program, Shelya wrote a paper, "Reduction-in-Force – Benefit or Detriment," that later was selected for publication in the International Journal of Public Administration.

Shelya occasionally teaches adult education night classes at Strayer University D.C. campus. Last fall, she painted and sold close to 100 pumpkins, raising over \$1,000 for the Pentagon Memorial Fund. Despite retiring, Shelya will work as a contractor at the Federal Personnel Management Institute in Crystal City, providing staffing services to the Transportation Safety Agency.

"Shelya's leadership and professionalism have been an example to us all. We will miss her personal ethic, but also her friendly, fun personality," says Resource Management Office Director Richie Wright. "We know that she will shine wherever she is. And we have her number, so she will really just be a phone call away!"

Anyone who wants to purchase a copy of the journal in which Shelya's article appears, can email her at [skwpaints@aol.com](mailto:skwpaints@aol.com).



*Secretary Donald Rumsfeld talks to an Afghan girls soccer team while players from the Washington Freedom look on. Photo by Katherine Rhem.*

On June 30, a girls soccer team descended on the River Terrace for a clinic with players from the Washington Freedom professional women's soccer team. But this was no ordinary soccer team. The girls traveled from Kabul, Afghanistan to compete in the 2004 International Children's Games and Cultural Festival in late July. Prior to the Cleveland, Ohio, games, they will participate in a month long leadership conference and sports exchange in Connecticut, sponsored by the Afghan Center. Click [here](#) for the complete story.

## Teamwork Yields Results

**PENREN/C and DFD exemplify WHS teamwork in action**

On June 18, Coakley & Williams Construction Inc., Gaithersburg, Md., was awarded a \$29,924,594 fixed-price-incentive/award fee contract for the design-build of the Pentagon Library and Conference Center. **The joint effort** between the Defense Facilities Directorate (DFD) and the Pentagon Renovation and Construction Program Office (PENREN/C) on this project is illustrative of their common goal to provide the highest quality renovation and construction of new facilities on the Pentagon Reservation. Look for more information in the August issue of [The Renovator](#).

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