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UMCDF kidney donor receives President's Life Saving Award



Jerod Bingaman (right), a supervisor at the UMCDF, displays the Washington Group International President's Life Saving Award he received for donating a kidney to fellow employee Ken Chapin (left). Chapin, an environmental compliance specialist, received the kidney in August and made a brief appearance at the site for the award presentation.

"Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile"
— Albert Einstein

Jerod Bingaman took this quote to heart when he stepped up to donate one of his kidneys to save a co-worker's life.

Jerod barely knew his co-worker Ken Chapin when he volunteered his kidney. Ken, an environmental specialist, was born with only one functioning kidney.

Over the past two years, Ken has collected an impressive amount of scars and bruises on his left arm from three-times-a-week kidney dialysis treatments. The life-changing transplant was conducted Aug. 11. The actual procedure took nearly six hours for each patient.

Because of Jerod going above and beyond the call of duty, his heroic efforts were celebrated when he received the Washington Group "Life Saver" award during a presentation on Nov. 2. Jerod received an award plaque memorializing his gift of life and a wrist watch created specifically for the award by Washington Group President Stephen Hanks.

UMCDF Highlights

- UMCDF employees have worked 123 days without a lost-time accident.
- The 100,000th munition stockpiled at Umatilla was processed during 8-inch projectile processing on Monday, Nov. 6.
- The plant surpassed the 800 tons of chemical agent destroyed milestone on Sunday, Nov. 5.

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing

(Nov. 2 - 7, 2006)

Total number 8-inch GB-filled projectiles processed this period	1,615
Total number 8-inch GB-filled projectiles processed to date	6,576
Percentage of total GB projectiles processed to date	10.7
Total pounds of GB chemical agent destroyed this period	27,895
Nominal tons of GB chemical agent destroyed to date	804.33
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	21.64

UMCDF Milestones

- **Sept. 28, 2006:** Began GB M426 8-inch projectile campaign.
- **Aug. 9, 2006:** Completed GB M55 rocket campaign.

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