

University alum retires as Army general

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. (July 25, 2013) – A Lake Superior State University graduate ('78) will retire as a U.S. Army general July 26 at Fort Myer, Va., following 35 years of dedicated service.



In a ceremony July 16 at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., **Maj. Gen. Genaro J. Dellarocco ('74)** relinquished authority over his final command, the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, to Maj. Gen. Peter D. Utley. Dellarocco commanded ATEC for nearly three years.

Surrounded by colleagues, community leaders, friends and family, Dellarocco received the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious service to the Army in a duty of great responsibility. Vice Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. John F. Campbell presided over the ceremony. His remarks reflected the character and accomplishments of Dellarocco, who was well-liked by both his peers and his workforce.



“Words like integrity, leader, supporter and character show the passion, and the love, in the audience here,” he said. “We got it right with Gino. He took this on with vigor and discipline.”

Campbell also noted that Dellarocco took on the challenge of creating a leaner organization resulting in approximately \$900 million in cost savings and avoidance for the command and nearly \$98 million in cost savings and avoidance during Network Integration Evaluations. NIEs are a series of semi-annual, Soldier-led evaluations designed to further integrate and rapidly progress the Army’s tactical network.

Upon graduating from LSSU with a bachelor’s degree in business administration, Dellarocco received a Regular Army commission in the Quartermaster Corps in 1978. He would later earn master’s degrees in material acquisition management (Florida Institute of Technology, 1991); military art and science (Command and General Staff College, 1992); and strategic studies (U.S. Army War College, 2001).

Early in his career, Dellarocco served in various logistics assignments; and, in 1990 he was inducted into the Army Acquisition Corps. Since the 1990s, he has served in various roles in the Army acquisition community from product manager for petroleum and water systems, U.S. Army Tank-Automotive Armaments Command, Warren, Mich.; to deputy commanding general for the System of Systems Integration, U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, Fort Belvoir, Va. Before he arrived at ATEC, he served as the program executive officer for missiles and space at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., where he managed 38 of the Army’s missile systems on behalf of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics).



The U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, headquartered here, plans, integrates, and conducts experiments, developmental testing, independent operational testing, and independent evaluations and assessments to provide essential information to acquisition decision makers and commanders.