



Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services Articles of Interest: 5-18 November 2016

RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

1. Carter Announces New Recruiting, ROTC Links to Force of the Future

(1 Nov) DoD News, Defense Media Activity, By Cheryl Pellerin

Defense Secretary Ash Carter today announced new efforts to expand military recruiting and to reinvigorate the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, or ROTC, program on college campuses to attract a broader segment of young people into military and public service.

EMPLOYMENT & INTEGRATION

- 2. <u>Flag Officer Announcement.</u> Secretary of Defense Ash Carter announced today that the president has made the following nomination: Navy Rear Adm. (lower half) Mary M. Jackson for appointment to the rank of vice admiral and assignment as commander, Navy Installations Command, Washington, District of Columbia. Jackson is currently serving as commander, Navy Region Southeast, Jacksonville, Florida.
- 3. Flag Officer Assignment. The Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus and Chief of Naval Operations Adm. John M. Richardson announced today the following assignment: Rear Adm. (lower half) Babette Bolivar will be assigned as commander, Navy Region Southeast, Jacksonville, Florida. Bolivar is currently serving as U.S. Pacific Command Representative, Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Palau; commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Marianas; and commander, Joint Region Marianas, Guam.
- 4. Marine Corps drill instructors will be watched more closely after Parris Island scandal

(3 Nov) Marine Corps Times, By Sam Fellman

The Marine Corps is adding more supervisors to boot camp in the wake of explosive allegations that abuse may have contributed to a recruit's suicide at the service's most storied training ground.

5. Second recruit dies at Parris Island, third major incident this year

(5 Nov) Marine Corps Times, By Jeff Schogol

The Marine Corps' East Coast training depot at Parris Island, South Carolina, has been rocked by the death of another recruit, the third major incident there this year.

6. Congress May Not Require Women to Register for Draft

(8 Nov) Military.com, By Richard Sick

While U.S. Defense Department officials have made clear it has no problem with requiring women to register for the draft, lawmakers in Congress appear poised to dodge the issue in the upcoming battle over the defense policy bill.

7. DoD Recommits to Today's Military, Force of Future on Veterans Day

(11 Nov) DoD News, Defense Media Activity, By By Terri Moon Cronk

All women in uniform will be able to realize their full potential, Carter said, adding it's important because, "while we had previously benefitted from the skills and perspectives of women ... they had long been only allowed to serve in limited roles or had limitations put on their opportunities simply because of their gender. While that was bad talent management, it also wasn't right. That's why we ended it."

8. Will Donald Trump's Pentagon reverse Obama's women-in-combat rules?

(13 Nov) Military Times, By Andrew Tilghman

The Obama administration's historic decision to open military combat jobs to women, a process well underway for nearly a year, could be reviewed or even reversed as President-elect Donald Trump and his Republican Party take control of Washington in January.

WELL-BEING & TREATMENT

9. Survey: Women troops feel undervalued and unappreciated

(14 Nov) Military Times, By Leo Shane III

Female troops and veterans want the public to know their military service is much more than just discussion of sexual assault in the ranks, according to a new survey released Monday.

SERVICEWOMEN IN THE NEWS

10. R.I. National Guard: Woman named to senior enlisted position at Narragansett camp

(6 Nov) Providence Journal, By Linda Borg

Sgt. Maj. Deborah P. Storm became the highest-ranking noncommissioned officer in the Rhode Island National Guard during a change of responsibility ceremony Sunday at Camp Varnum.

11. Face of Defense: Cancer Survivor Tells Her Story

(9 Nov) Pennant 7th Bomb Wing, By Air Force Senior Airman Kedesha

As the Wing Resiliency Day facilitator at Osan Air Base, Korea, Air Force Maj. Shamekia Toliver trained airmen on how to handle tough situations and bounce back from them. She was preparing for one of the most exciting assignments of her career - becoming the deputy commander of the 51st Civil Engineer Squadron. Instead, she would soon be tested on the same training she provided; causing her to have a new perspective on what it really means to be a resilient airman.

12. Face of Defense: Army Officer Supports Fort Lee Community

(15 Nov) U.S. Army Garrison Fort Lee, By Terrance Bell

For Army 1st Lt. Amber Shipmon, an assignment to Fort Lee, Virginia, was not just a return to the familiar, but an opportunity to continue some unfinished business.