



## DACOWITS: Articles of Interest

### WELLNESS

#### [Rape victims need to take 'personal responsibility' for drinking too much](#)

(3 Sept.) *The Raw Story*, By David Edwards

"...former George Washington University President argued that women should be 'trained not to drink in excess'..."

#### [Everett Base Leader Reassigned During Sexual-Assault Inquiry](#)

(8 Sept.) *Everett Herald*, By Rikki King

"The commanding officer of Naval Station Everett has been reassigned while the military investigates an allegation of sexual assault, the Navy said Monday."

#### [Report Faults Military Sex-Offender Tracking](#)

(8 Sept.) *San Diego Union Tribune*, By Greg Moran

"The Defense Department doesn't know how many registered sex offenders have access to military bases and lacks a department wide sex offender registry, a new report says."

### ASSIGNMENTS

#### [How one female officer won over her skeptical combat-arms Marines](#)

(24 Aug.) *Marine Times*, By Joshua Stewart

"When 1st Lt. Amanda Mathew showed up to take command in December, she became the first woman to lead a deployed combat arms platoon. The young officer was riding on the forefront of a wave of changes..."

#### [Why Women Do Not Belong in the U.S. Infantry](#)

(Sept. 2014) *Marine Corps Gazette*, By Capt Lauren F. Serrano

Marine infantry isn't broken, it doesn't need to be "fixed."

#### [The Women of West Point](#)

(4 Sept.) *New York Times*

Few collegians work as hard as the U.S. Military Academy's 786 female cadets. "We're all trying to accomplish very similar goals, regardless of gender," states Lindsey Danilack, Class of 2014 and Brigade Commander.

#### [Women in the military are hurt by the bigotry of the low expectations, so help them by holding them to standards of excellence](#)

(4 Sept.) *Foreign Policy*, By Thomas E. Ricks

"I was struck by the similarities between the way in which [low-income, urban communities] students are viewed by educators and the way women are viewed in the Army."

#### [Marking 50 years of drill sergeants at Fort Jackson](#)

(6 Sept.) *The State*, By Jeff Wilkinson

"[Drill Sgt. Danielle] Brooks recently left her post training recruits to become the newest teacher of drill sergeants in the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School at Fort Jackson, which will celebrate 50 years of the drill sergeant program on Friday."

#### [Is it time for a female SMMC? The Marines to watch](#)

(8 Sept.) *Marine Corps Times*, By Hope Hodge Seck

"The past two years have seen some significant new steps for female enlisted leaders."

**General Officer Announcements.** Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel announced today that the president has made the following nomination: Air Force Brig. Gen. VeraLinn Jamieson for appointment to the rank of major general. Jamieson is currently serving as director of intelligence, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia.

**U.S. Navy, Marines Need More Women: Navy Secretary**

(10 Sept.) Reuters, By Lewis Krauskopf and Andrea Shalal

“U.S. Navy Secretary Ray Mabus said more women should be serving in the Navy and Marine Corps, and plans to take action to boost their presence in those military branches.”

**Rank and File Sororicide: How Female Marine Officers Hurt The Corps By Thinking Like Men**

(11 Sept.) *Task and Purpose*, By Matthew W. Morgan

“Gender discrimination in the military is not bold. It is poor leadership. And it should never be rewarded.”

**EXTRA**

**Ex-Air Force instructor in prison for sex assault dies**

(3 Sept.) *USA Today*, By Stephen Losey and Brian Everstine

“A former military training instructor who was serving 20 years at Fort Leavenworth for raping, sexually assaulting or having improper contact with 10 former trainees has died of an apparent suicide...”

**5 women named to Japan's Cabinet, tying past high**

(3 Sept.) *eKantipur*

“Japan has a vast pool of talented, well-educated women, but they are far under-represented in positions of power in government and corporations. Women make up 10 percent of parliament and just 3.9 percent of board members of listed Japanese companies, versus 12 percent at U.S. corporations and 18 percent in France.”

**Troops walk runway at N.Y. fashion show**

(4 Sept.) *CBS News*

“At a New York fashion show Wednesday night, the ladies strutting down the runway weren't supermodels -- but some people might call them role models.”

**Ask Women to Run for Office to Lead and Change Our Communities**

(5 Sept.) *Huffington Post*, By Erin Vilardi

“We want to create a tidal wave of new women leaders who will fight for equality at every level of government across the country.”

**1st Lt. in contest to launch with private Mars mission**

(7 Sept.) *Army Times*, By Kevin Lilley

“When it comes to post-service plans, 1st Lt. Heidi Beemer has a clearer picture than most: She's going to win a global contest, get launched into space, become one of the first humans to land on Mars, and stay there.”

**Face of Defense: Mother, Daughter Strengthen Bond in Kuwait**

(9 Sept.) *DoD News*, By Army 1st Lt. Isra Pananon and Army Staff Sgt. Laura Treangen

“This mother-and-daughter duo has served in the same Army Reserve medical unit since April 2010...”

**Transgenders In The Military Exist**

(9 Sept.) *SOFREP*, By Brandon Webb

“A short time ago in America, if you were a woman or African-American you didn't have the same personal liberties as a white male living in America...now we're closing out more good people that want to volunteer their service because of the current discrimination against the transgender community.”

**8 Female Leaders On How To Overcome What's Holding Women Back**

(10 Sept.) *Fast Company*, By Vivian Giang

“The future of women in leadership may lie somewhere between *Leaning In* and *Opting Out*...a critical look at what's really holding [women] back on the road to a more equitable version of the American workplace.”

**Inside online world of the women of ISIS**

(10 Sept.) *CNN*, By Atika Shubert and Bharati Naik

“It's not the first time for women in a jihadist conflict. But it is the first time they have been recruited in such large numbers. One group estimates that up to 15% of ISIS' foreign recruits are women.”