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Ms. Jummy Olabanji, Anchor, ABC7/WJLA-TV

WELCOME

MG Dee Ann McWilliams, USA (Ret)

REMARKS

Mr. Fred Wacker, Chief Operating Officer and Director, The Home Depot Foundation

LTG Mike McDuffie, USA (Ret), Vice President, Microsoft Corporation

MG Marcia Anderson, Assistant Chief, Army Reserve

GEN Gordon Sullivan, USA (Ret), President AUSA

PRESENTATION OF INDUCTEES

14TH ARMY BAND (WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS)

Presented by: MG Patricia Hickerson, USA (Ret)

Accepted by: CW5 Jeanne Y. Pace, USA

SILVER STAR RECIPIENTS

Presented by: GEN Richard A. Cody, USA (Ret)

Accepted by: SMA Kenneth Preston, USA (Ret)

FEMALE FIRST CSM MICHELE JONES, USAR (RET)

Presented by: CSM Cindy Pritchett, USA (Ret)

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS SERVED IN ARMY

Presented by: Mr. Wacker and MG McWilliams, USA (Ret)

Accepted by: U.S. Representative Tammy Duckworth

U.S. Representative Tulsi Gabbard

CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS SUPPORTING ARMY WOMEN

Presented by: Mr. Wacker and MG McWilliams, USA (Ret)

U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal

U.S. Senator Barbara Boxer*

U.S. Senator Susan Collins

U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar

U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill*

U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen*

U.S. Senator Jon Tester*

U.S. Senator Kelly Ayotte*

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand*

U.S. Representative Dan Benishek*

U.S. Representative Susan Davis

U.S. Representative Chris Gibson*

U.S. Representative Mike Michaud

U.S. Representative Chellie Pingree

U.S. Representative Loretta Sanchez*

U.S. Representative Jackie Speier

U.S. Representative Turner*

U.S. Representative Tsongas*

U.S. Representative Tim Walz

*Attending as of 14 February 2014

REMARKS

BG Gary Profit, USAR (Ret), Senior Director, Military Programs, Walmart

CLOSING REMARKS

MG Dee Ann McWilliams, USA (Ret)



PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Listed Alphabetically

MAJOR GENERAL MARCIA ANDERSON, USAR

MAJOR GENERAL MARCIA ANDERSON, USAR is the Assistant Chief, Army Reserve. Major General Marcia Anderson was the first African American woman to wear the rank of two stars. As a citizen-soldier, her civilian job is a clerk for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Wisconsin. She holds advanced degrees from United States Army War College, and a Juris Doctor degree from Rutgers University School of Law.

GENERAL RICHARD A. CODY, USA (RET)

GENERAL RICHARD A. CODY, USA (Ret) is a Corporate Senior Vice President and Officer for L-3 Communications Corporation. He graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point, the Command and General Staff College and the Army War College.

MAJOR GENERAL PATRICIA HICKERSON, USA (RET)

MAJOR GENERAL PATRICIA HICKERSON, USA (Ret) recently retired as the Army Strategic Account Manager for CH2M HILL, a global leader in full-service engineering, construction, and operations. MG Hickerson earned a master's of music degree in flute performance from Converse College in South Carolina. Her military education includes United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the National War College. MG Hickerson commanded the 14th Army Band (Women's Army Corps) from Jan 1970-Dec 1972.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL MIKE MCDUFFIE, USA (RET)

LIEUTENANT GENERAL MIKE MCDUFFIE, USA (Ret) joined Microsoft Corporation in February 2006 as the Vice President of U.S. Public Sector Services. He served 31 years in the Army. He has a master's of science in Logistics Management from Florida Institute of Technology.

MAJOR GENERAL DEE ANN MCWILLIAMS, USA (RET)

MAJOR GENERAL DEE ANN MCWILLIAMS, USA (Ret) is President of the Army Women's Foundation. She retired from the U.S. Army in 2003. MG McWilliams holds degrees from Lon Morris College and Stephen F. Austin University. Additionally, she graduated from Texas Woman's University and the National War College.



MS. JUMMY OLABANJI

MS. JUMMY OLABANJI is an Emmy award-winning reporter and anchor who joined ABC7/WJLA-TV and News Channel 8 in 2011. She currently anchors Good Morning Washington and ABC7 News at Noon. Jummy holds a bachelor's degree in Communication from Virginia Tech and a master's degree in Communication and Leadership from Gonzaga University.

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR CYNTHIA PRITCHETT, USA (RET)

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR CYNTHIA PRITCHETT, USA (Ret) joined the Near East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies in February 2010. She served more than 36 years in the Army. CSM Pritchett earned a Bachelor of Science in Administration and Management from Excelsior College, Albany, New York. She is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in International Relations from Troy University.

BRIGADIER GENERAL GARY M. PROFIT, USAR (RET)

BRIGADIER GENERAL GARY M. PROFIT, USAR (Ret) is currently Senior Director of Military Programs, Walmart. He served 31 years in the Army Reserves. He holds Master of Business Administration from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and a Master of Science in National Security and Strategic Studies from the College of Naval Warfare, Naval War College.

GENERAL GORDON R. SULLIVAN, USA (RET)

GENERAL GORDON R. SULLIVAN, USA (Ret) is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Association of the United States Army. General Sullivan retired from the Army after more than 36 years of service. He culminated his service in uniform as the 32nd Chief of Staff, the senior general officer in the Army and a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

MR. FRED WACKER

MR. FRED WACKER currently serves as Director and Chief Operating Officer at The Home Depot Foundation. With decades of experience working in the affordable housing sector, Mr. Wacker was instrumental in developing The Home Depot Foundation's five-year \$80 million commitment to ensuring every veteran has a safe place to call home. He has a Masters in Education from Ohio University and is a certified Urban Lender.



14TH ARMY BAND (WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS)

14TH ARMY BAND (WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS) was America's last all-female military band. The other military branches fielded all-female bands, but the WAC Band survived longer than any other. Over four decades (1948 to 1976), the WAC Band offered a woman the rare chance to have a career as a professional musician. The standards were very high for WAC Band members. They were not only elite musicians, they were representatives of the United States Army. Their audiences were diverse — they marched out recruits for morning drills; they performed for enthusiastic audiences in small town America; and they played for presidents.

U.S. ARMY CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 5 JEANNE Y. PACE will accept the Hall of Fame Induction Award on behalf of the 14th Army Band (Women's Army Corps). CW5 Pace currently serves as the commander and band master of the 1st Cavalry Division Band. CW5 Pace is the longest serving female in the Army. She is the only woman from the Women's Army Corps Band and Women's Army Corps left on active duty.

FEMALE SILVER STAR RECIPIENTS

The Silver Star, officially referred to as the Silver Star Medal by all of the United States Armed Forces, is the third highest military decoration for valor that can be awarded to any person serving in any capacity with the United States Armed Forces. The medal is awarded for gallantry in action against an enemy of the United States.

1LT MARY ROBERTS, Army Nurse Corps 56th Evacuation Hospital

2LT ELAINE ROE, Army Nurse Corps 33d Field Hospital

2LT RITA VIRGINIA ROURKE, Army Nurse 33d Field Hospital

2LT ELLEN AINSWORTH, Army Nurse 56th Evacuation Hospital

SGT LEIGH ANN HESTER, RAVEN 42B, 671th Military Police Company,
503d Military Police Battalion, 18th Military Police Brigade

SGT MONICA L BROWN, Combat Medic with the 4th Squadron,
73d Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82d Airborne Division

The 13TH SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE ARMY, KENNETH O. PRESTON, will accept the Hall of Fame Induction Award on behalf of the Female Silver Star Recipients.



FEMALE FIRST INDUCTEE

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR MICHELE S. JONES, USAR (RET)

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR MICHELE S. JONES, USAR (Ret) is the Director of External Veterans/Military Affairs and Community Outreach for the Office of the U.S. President Barak Obama. CSM Jones was the first woman in the United States Army Reserve to reach the position of command sergeant major. She was the first female non-commissioned officer to serve in the highest enlisted position of a component of the U.S. Army, active or reserve, and was at one time the highest-ranking African-American female enlisted person in any branch of the United States military, as well as the highest-ranking enlisted African American in the Army Reserve.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION ARMY WOMEN SERVING IN CONGRESS

CONGRESSWOMAN TAMMY DUCKWORTH

CONGRESSWOMAN TAMMY DUCKWORTH is an Iraq War Veteran and represents the 8th Congressional District in Illinois. A former Blackhawk helicopter pilot for the Illinois Army National Guard, she was one of the first Army women to fly combat missions during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Duckworth was awarded a Purple Heart for her combat injuries. She continues to drill as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Illinois Army National Guard. She is an ardent advocate for our Nation's service members and their families.

CONGRESSWOMAN TULSI GABBARD

CONGRESSWOMAN TULSI GABBARD represents Hawai'i's 2nd Congressional District and serves as a Captain in the Hawai'i National Guard. She was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal during Operation Iraqi Freedom, was the first female Distinguished Honor Graduate at Fort McClellan's Officer Candidate School, and was the first woman to ever receive an award of appreciation from the Kuwaiti military on her second overseas tour. Tulsi is one of the first two female combat veterans to ever serve as a member of the U.S. Congress.



ABOUT THE U.S. ARMY WOMEN'S FOUNDATION

The U.S. Army Women's Foundation (AWF) is the premier center for educational excellence, the national network for today's Army women, and a dynamic advocate for preserving and sharing the history of Army women. The mission of the U.S. Army Women's Foundation is to honor and preserve the service of women in the Army. As our nation participates in Women's History Month in March 2014, the U.S. Army Women's Foundation commemorates and celebrates the service, accomplishments, and sacrifices of Army women by hosting an annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Summit. These events place the AWF at the forefront of the issues and opportunities impacting U.S. Army women in advancing stability, peace, and prosperity around the world. Event participants interact and partner with an elite cadre of senior military leaders, corporate leaders, opinion leaders, and policy makers.

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