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6th ANNUAL
WOMEN’S DIAMOND AWARDS
and PANEL DISCUSSION

Wednesday, March 5, 2014
10:00 AM
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Ms. Nancy Thomas- Mainor
Division Chief, Army Community Service, Fort Bliss, Texas

Nancy Thomas-Mainor is the Division Chief of Army Community Service at Fort Bliss, whose mission is to provide comprehensive, standardized, coordinated, and responsive services to support soldiers, Army civilians, and families. She directs, implements, oversees, and is a strong advocate for the sixteen family programs that prepare soldiers and family members to thrive in their military lifestyle. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Education, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff, a Master of Arts degree in Management and Leadership, Webster University School of Business and Technology, El Paso, Texas. She is a graduate of Leadership El Paso Class 29, The Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce 2007.


Judge Angie Juarez Barill
346th District Court, El Paso, Texas

Judge Angie Juarez Barill is presently the Judge of the 346th State District Court, a position she has held since November 2004. As a native of El Paso, Judge Juarez Barill graduated from UTEP with a Bachelor of Criminal Justice Degree and received her Law Degree from the Thurgood Marshall School of Law/TSU. Her legal career has taken her in various facets of law from the classroom as an adjunct UTEP professor to an Associate with Christie Berry and Dunbar Law Firm, to an Assistant City Prosecutor with the Municipal Court, to a Sole Practitioner dealing with civil, criminal, juvenile and family cases, to a Municipal Court Judge all the way to her current position. In addition, Judge Juarez Barill has established a Veterans Court in El Paso County. Her notable achievements include, but are not limited to, the following: recognition by the Vietnam Veterans of America Ch.574 (2011), Certificate of Leadership by El Paso Black Democrats (2009), Outstanding Program Award from EPISD Partners in Education Award (2007-present); VIP Volunteer in Education Recognition from EPISD (2007-present), and the Outstanding Achievement from 1st Armored Division/Old Ironside Association 2012.

2014 Diamond Awards Recipients

Debbie Aguilera
Martha Alaniz
Yvonne Almanza
Emily Alonzo
Martina Arriaga
Cheryl Bowman
Vanessa Bretado
Juliana Bustamante
Dalila Chavez
Dr. Carolina Chianelli
Donna Cieslik
Gloria Corona
Ann Curie
Delia Devora
Silvia Dominguez
Mary Helen Fabela
Martha I. Garcia
Ana E. Guerrero
Aimee Harris-Johnson
Kathleen Lopez
Norma Moreno
Nancy Nelson
Maria Guadalupe Noriega
Elvia Pacheco
Dora Perez
Andrea Rico-Elizondo
Susana Rodarte
Laura Rosales
Janine Rudnick
Ana M. Ruiz
Jessie S. Salas
Ana Salazar
Rosa Saldana
Irma Sanchez
Elda Shahabi
Hazel Silva
Clara Topete
Margaret Trimble
Rebecca Vasquez
Rachel Viramontes
~ A U D I T O R I U M ~

11:30 am  Lunch  Super Chef Cuisine
11:55 am  Posting of the Colors  Irving High School ROTC
11:55 am  National Anthem  Jackie Gaines
12:05 pm  Welcome Remarks  Dr. Ernst Roberts, II VP Administration and Financial Operations
12:05 pm  Welcome Remarks and Introduction of Speaker  Olga C. Chavez, M.A., LPC Director, Diversity Programs
12:05 pm  Introduction of Host  Olga C. Chavez, M.A., LPC Director, Diversity Programs
12:05 pm  Keynote Speaker  Colonel Karen H. Carlisle Staff Judge Advocate Fort Bliss, Texas
12:25 pm  Musical Performance  Tamara Sambrano
12:25 pm  Award Presentations  Olga C. Chavez Colonel Karen Carlisle

Verenice Castillo
Military Spouse Advocacy Network, Holloman AFB, New Mexico

Verenice Castillo is the Key Spouse Mentor, 49th Security Forces Squadron and Mentor to the 49th Mission Support Group Key Spouses, Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico. Her duties include providing guidance on Air Force programs and resources to support Air Force families and especially families with members deployed in furtherance of Air and Space Expeditionary Operations objectives. Mrs. Castillo also provides training and mentorship for Key Spouses who assist in the delivery of vital family support for six squadrons assigned to the 49th Mission Support Group. Her efforts to contribute to Air Force families catapulted resiliency efforts for spouses and yielded Strength for Spouses in the fall of 2012. Mrs. Castillo followed up with another homerun effort with the development of Key Spouse Crisis Intervention training which transformed the role of Key Spouses across the Air Force. In 2013, Verenice was declared “Air Force Spouse of the Year” by sponsors of the Armed Forces Insurance and Military Spouse Magazine. Mrs. Castillo’s focus is to care for and support her family and fellow military spouses. Her appreciation, dedication, desire, and the bond that she shares with other military families are her motivation to make a difference in their lives.

Cathie J. Garner
Program Coordinator and Certified Facilitator, Fort Bliss, Texas

Cathie J. Garner has worked for more than thirty years in support of the military. She has a lifelong connection to the military as a civilian employee, former military dependent daughter and spouse. She currently serves as a Program Coordinator and certified Facilitator for Fort Bliss Family & MWR. She has fervently pursued higher learning throughout the years through education and life lessons. Her ultimate goal is the completion of a Master’s degree in Psychology focusing on Organizational Behavior from Colorado Technical University.

Throughout the years, Ms. Garner has owned several businesses in El Paso, Texas and Atlanta, Georgia. She is co-founder of the El Paso Black Chamber of Commerce. She is a motivational speaker, entertainer and event coordinator. As a District Aide for the Office of U.S. Congressman Silvestre Reyes, she was directly involved in the management of the Citizens’ Advisory Panels. Ms. Garner conducts workshops, seminars and other meetings to educate and entertain the Fort Bliss and El Paso community. Ms. Garner is a proud committee member of the EPCC Diversity Program.
Colonel Karen H. Carlisle was commissioned in the United States Army in 1990 upon graduation from Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama. Originally commissioned in the Military Police Corps, she served in Germany and Fort Carson, Colorado before attending Florida State University College of Law under the Funded Legal Education Program, where she received her Juris Doctorate, summa cum laude in 1998. Colonel Carlisle also holds a Masters of Military Law from the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General’s School and a Masters of National Security Strategy from the National War College, National Defense University. Colonel Carlisle is a member of the Florida State Bar and is admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of Florida and the United States Supreme Court.

Colonel Carlisle is currently the Staff Judge Advocate for 1st Armored Division and Fort Bliss. In that capacity, she is the principal legal advisor to the Commanding General, Deputy Commanding Generals, Chief of Staff, the Division Staff, the Garrison Commander and Staff, and technical legal advisor to subordinate commanders. She leads, trains, develops, and mentors more than 150 attorneys, paralegal specialists, and technicians. Her previous assignments include Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Forces Afghanistan; Deputy Chief, Administrative Law, Office of The Judge Advocate General; Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, the Infantry Center and School, Fort Benning, Georgia; Military Personnel Law Attorney, Administrative Law Division, Office of The Judge Advocate General; and Chief, Operational Law, U.S. Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, NC. She has also served as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney, administrative law attorney, trial counsel, and legal assistance attorney.

Colonel Carlisle's awards include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 oak leaf clusters), the Army Commendation Medal (1 oak leaf cluster), Department of the Army Staff Badge and the Parachutist Badge.

Colonel Carlisle is married to Lieutenant Colonel James F. Carlisle and they have two children, Kaitlin (age 19) and James Peter (age 17). Her hobbies include reading and running.

**Past Keynote Speakers and Special Guests**

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