

Program Agenda

Thursday, September 8, 2016

The Crystal City Marriott (1999 Jefferson Davis Highway), Arlington, VA 22202

Registration and Networking: (7:30 – 8:00 a.m.) (Pre-Function area) NLS

Welcome & Leadership Breakfast: (8:00 – 8:30 a.m.) (Potomac Ballroom)

Mistress of Ceremonies: Sulema Salazar, Washington News Anchor Telemundo

Welcome Remarks: Robert E. Bard, President & CEO, LATINA Style, Inc.

Host Remarks: Mr. Apoorva N. Gandhi, Vice President, Multi-Cultural Affairs, Marriott International Inc.

Sponsor's Remarks: Ms. Susie Santana, Assistant Vice President Federal Relations, AT&T

Guest Remarks: Ms. Michele C. Meyer-Shipp, Vice-President and Chief Diversity Officer, Prudential

Honorary Symposium Chair's Remarks: Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL 27)

5 Min break (8:30 – 8:35 am)

Learning Strategies for Success (8:35 – 9:25 a.m.) Corporate Panel (Chesapeake Room)

Focus: Rising to the top is a difficult balancing act. This is the opportunity to learn how successful Latinas have made headway through the challenges of corporate America. Many are the firsts to achieve their positions of influence.

Moderator: Elia Quintana, Director, Corporate Development, HACR

Panelist: Violeta Seidell, Vice President, Program Management, Marriott

Panelist: Daniele Johnson, AVP, Talent Acquisition, Nationwide

Panelist: Yhanira Adan, Assistant Vice President of Process Excellence, (USAA)

Panelist: Lenora Green, Executive Director, Educational Testing Service (ETS)

5 Min break (9:25 – 9:30 am)

Workforce of the future...what to expect and how to be prepare (9:30 – 10:25 a.m.) Intelligence Panel

Focus: The federal government, the intelligence community and the military, are some of the places where the jobs and careers of the future are always in demand. Learn how to prepare yourself to take advantage of these exciting professional opportunities.

Moderator: Patricia Trujillo, Former States Legislator, State of New Mexico (Civ)

Panelist: Gabrielle Middleton, Director, Open Source Center, CIA

Panelist: Carmen Cantor, Director of the Office of Civil Service, Human Resource Management, Department of State

Panelist: Marella I. Ruelas, Supervisor Special Agent, FBI

5 Min break (10:25 – 10:30 am)

Military-to-Civilian Transition..Matching Military Skills & Needs (10:30 – 12:00 a.m.) Military Transition Panel

Focus: The integration of returning military into the civilian workplace is a major initiative for LATINA Style and its partners. The cultural gap that exists between military and corporate entities continues to be a major challenge to our veterans. The importance of mentorship and sponsorship programs in the corporate world.

Moderator: Jose Velazquez, Deputy Administrator for Operations and Regional Management, Department of Labor

Panelist: Johanna Martinez, Military Talent Attraction Manager, AT&T

Panelist: Jim Beamesderfer, Vice President, Veterans Initiatives, Prudential Financial Inc.

Panelist: Michelle Caraballo, Public Affairs and Government Relations, Walmart

Panelist: Veronica Villegas, Global Recruiter Talent Acquisition Team, Verizon

Leadership and Diversity through the eyes of General Officers (12:00 pm. - 1:00 p.m.) General Officer Panel

Focus: Hear our nation's Latinas leaders address the work being accomplished to grow Latinas professional in the military. They will offer guidance and advice on leadership and self-development, and to maximize the visibility of leadership skills. Learn how success and power can positively impact your community and inspire others.

Moderator: LtCol Lina Downing, Comptroller, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, U.S. Marine Corps

Panelist: VADM Sandra Stosz, Deputy Commandant Mission Support, U.S. Coast Guard

Panelist: MG Camille M. Nichols, Director, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office of SECDEF, U.S. Army

Panelist: Maj Gen Linda R. Urrutia-Varhall, Asst. Deputy Chief of Staff Intelligence, U.S. Air Force

Panelist: CAPT Angela Katson, Deputy Director Fields Support Activity, Director of Navy Staff U.S. Navy

Doors Open for Awards Luncheon at 1:10 p.m.

**DISTINGUISHED MILITARY SERVICE AWARDS LUNCHEON
(1:15 p.m to 3:30 p.m.)**

During the Distinguished Military Awards Luncheon, a one of a kind gathering that is a showcase event in Washington, D.C. and, an integral part of Hispanic Heritage month activities, in the Nation's capital. LATINA Style presents a recognition program honoring the accomplishments of women serving in the Armed Forces. The awardees will be honored for their service to our country, leadership, accomplishments, and commitment to building a strong community.

Mistress of Ceremonies

LCDR Katuska Pabon-Beauchamp
U.S. Coast Guard

Presentation of the Colors

Army Color Guard
Army Fife and Drum Team

National Anthem

Gunnery Sergeant Sara Sheffield, U.S. Marine Corps

Invocation

Chaplain (CPT) Al Rivera, CHC, U.S. Army

Introduction Remarks

Mr. Robert E. Bard, President & CEO, LATINA Style, Inc

Welcome Remarks

Mr. Clearance "CJ" Johnson, Department of Defense
Director of Diversity Management and Equal Opportunity

Salute to Fallen Heroes

LCDR Raymond Caro, United States Coast Guard and
Distinguished Meritorious Service Award Recipients

Intro to Feature Speaker

Mr. Robert Bard, President and CEO LATINA Style

Feature Speaker

The Honorable Grace F. Napolitano
House of Representatives

Intro to Keynote Speaker

LCDR Johnny Quezada, USN, Retired LDO

Keynote Speaker

The Honorable Gabriel O. Camarillo
Assistant Secretary of the Air Force
Manpower and Reserve Affairs (M&RA)

Distinguished Meritorious Service Awards Presentation (2:00 pm – 3:30 pm)

United States Army

Sergeant Major Linda Kessinger, United States Army

United States Marine Corps

Staff Sergeant Christina Mota-Aguiar, United States Marine Corps
Ms. Maritza Carillo (Civ), United States Marine Corps

United States Navy

Petty Officer Second Class Evelin-Yanet R. Garcia, United States Navy
Ms. Belia Cook (Civ), United States Navy

United States Air Force

First Lieutenant Karen Rubin-Santos, United States Air Force
Master Sergeant Sonora Vasquez, United States Air Force
Ms. Rosa Marlin, United States Air Force

United States Coast Guard

Lieutenant Katrian Hernandez, United States Coast Guard
Ms. Lushens K. McNamara (Civ), United States Coast Guard

United States National Guard Bureau:

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Darysabel Lopez, United States Army National Guard
Ms. Dania Aponte (Civ), United States Army National Guard

United States Military Academy

Cadet Gabriela Barrera-Gutierrez

United States Naval Academy

Midshipmen First Class Isabel Krause

United States Air Force Academy

Cadet First Class Leslie Perez

United States Coast Guard Academy

Cadet First Class Ruth T. Salvatori

Presentation of President Achievement Award

The Honorable Gabriel O. Camarillo
Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (M&RA)

Closing Remarks

Mr. Robert Bard

Benediction:

Chaplain (CPT) Al Rivera, CHC, U.S. Army

Program Ends
