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March 2022 Newsletter

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President's Corner



COL (RET)
Princess Facen

Welcome to the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia Chapter of the National Association of Black Military Women (NABMW) website. It is my absolute honor to serve as the Chapters First President. Our Chapter was Chartered on 27 February 2021 at the height of the Covid-19 epidemic, with 42 members. The overarching mission of the organization is to seek out, tell and record the history of Black Military Women. This is a major focus for the association because there has been so little written or documented about the African American Women contribution in our armed services throughout history. Our goal is to capture and contribute more to service the needs of our female veterans in health and wellness, in conjunction with servicing the needs of the homeless, providing focused educational programs for our youth, seniors and underserved population.

Elected Officers



President, COL (RET) Princess Facen;
Treasurer, MAJ (RET) Sharon Rogers
Drummer; Public Relations, LTC (RET)
Cathy Troutman; Membership Services,
LTC (RET) Jacqueline Nichols

Not Pictured: VP, MAJ (RET) Teresa Polk;
Historian, COL/SES (RET) Lucretia
McClenney;
Chaplain, COL (RET) Angelene
Hemingway

Spotlight for March 2022



BG Clara Adams-Ender (RET), widow to Dr. Heinz Ender, was commissioned a Second Lieutenant on 29 February 1961. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from NC Agricultural and Technical State University and a Master of Science in Nursing from University of Minnesota. Honors and publications include: Published memoir entitled My Rise to the Stars: How a Sharecropper's Daughter Became an Army General; Clara and Heinz have one adult son: Dr. S. Ingo Ender of Annapolis, MD.



BG Bettye Hill Simmons (RET) achieved many accomplishments during her senior leadership years at the helm of the Corps. She managed a substantial downsizing in actual numbers of Army nurses while striving to mitigate the impact on mission accomplishment. She strengthened relationships and unified goals of the AMEDD nursing team—the medics, vocational, and professional nurses. She presided over a transformation of clinical specialties, creating an emergency nurse program and consolidating all nurse practitioners into a single, more utilitarian, generalist role—the family nurse practitioner.

In the news



COL/SES (RET) Lucretia McClenney: On March 9, 2022 President Joe Biden announced key nominees. Lucretia McClenney is a nominee for Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission, Department of Veterans Affairs

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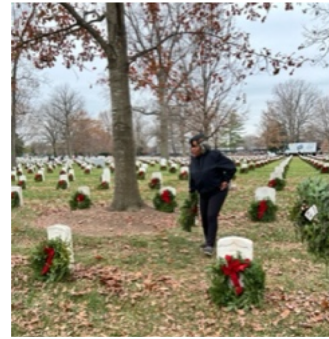
March 2022 Community Activity



Prepared care packages for The Harriet Tubman Women's Shelter and the VA Homeless and Resource Center—both in Washington, DC.



December 2021: Wreath Across America



November 2021 Veterans Day Celebration



Wreath for the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

May 2021: Memorial Day

