

# A CWA member who makes a difference

# CloseUp



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## **How did you learn about CWA?**

A CWA member and I began talking at a voting precinct in the early '80s. I discovered a mutual alarm over societal changes impacting the family. She invited me to a CWA meeting and I was ecstatic to learn we were one in faith and values. I love CWA because it serves the Lord according to His Word.

## **Did you make some life changes as a CWA member?**

The Lord opened my eyes to see that being a wife and mother was one of life's greatest callings. My position as a commanding officer of a Navy recruiting district failed to impress my 9-year-old son, who was failing second grade for the second time! He was so unhappy and kept asking, "Mom? When are you coming home?"


I realized that he needed me far more than the Navy did. I turned down a promotion opportunity to the rank of captain, submitted my retirement papers and came home. I believe that move saved my son's future.

## **What are your thoughts on women in the military?**

Perhaps women could have been utilized in wider job roles than in the past, but today's feminist goal is to make all things equal. This is a dangerous concept to men and women on the battlefield. I joined the Navy in the '60s to see the world and was most privileged to do so. Back then, boot camp and officer training segregated women from men. Our uniforms were feminine. We slept in separate barracks and were trained as ladies for administrative support roles, not combat. The sex scandals of the '80s were unheard of, as were the continued problems of illegitimacy and single parenthood.

Radical feminists in Congress and the Department of Defense ignore common-sense use of women and place them, and men, in great danger. Higher injuries among women during training are covered up and ignored. Instead of equal treatment we have special treatment. Men resent that and have, until recently, fled military service in droves.

## **As a Prayer/Action Chapter Leader, what are your passions?**

I feel the Lord has given me a unique opportunity to warn people about the lies of feminism and homosexuality. My passion is to work within the community and political process to educate through speeches, letters to the editor, etc., that the goal of humanism is to remove God from our culture. If that happens, we destroy the family—the very basis for civilization! 

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