



**Technical Sergeant Paralyn W. McClain
United States Air Force**



Technical Sergeant Paralyn McClain a fifteen year veteran of the United States Air Force and is currently serving as part of the *Why We Serve* speakers program. She has recently returned from an assignment in Iraq and is speaking to groups around the country about her personal experiences serving in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

In March 2007 Technical Sergeant Paralyn McClain returned from a deployment to Afghanistan, where she served as an Intelligence Analyst. TSgt McClain was directly involved in the exchange of crucial and life saving information and managed a country-wide database that reported information gathered from people with direct knowledge of enemy and or terrorist activities.

TSgt McClain is currently serving as an intelligence analyst for the Expeditionary Operations School at the United States Air Force Expeditionary Center, Fort Dix, NJ.

Sergeant McClain entered the Air Force in January 1986. Her first assignment was Offutt Air Force Base, NE where she working in intelligence collections. Next, she was assigned to Osan AB, Korea, in July 1991, in target intelligence. Her final assignment during this stretch of military service was also in target intelligence at Misawa AB, Japan from July 1993 to August 1995 when she separated from the Air Force. McClain reentered the Air Force in December 2000 and was assigned to air operations intelligence at Langley AFB, VA, where she worked until she was reassigned to her current position within the USAF Expeditionary Center in November 2003.