



**Maj. Marcia A. Potter
United States Air Force**



Maj. Marcia Potter is a seven-year veteran of the United States Air Force and is currently serving as part of the *Why We Serve* speakers program. She recently returned from assignment in Iraq and is speaking to groups around the country about her personal experiences serving in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

In January of 2007 Potter deployed to Iraq with the 332nd Expeditionary Medical Support Group, to Balad Air Base. While deployed, Potter served as the Woman's Health Nurse Practitioner and dealt with a full spectrum of women's health issues within the area of operations (AOR) for service members from each branch, as well as civilian contractors and Department of Defense personnel.

Potter is currently stationed at Dover Air Force Base, DE and is assigned as a family nurse Practitioner with the 436th Medical Operations Squadron. Raised in Clayton, Ohio, Potter graduated from Northmont High School and received a Master's Degree in Nursing from Purdue University. Potter is married and the mother of three.

'I chose to serve because I believe that freedom must be continually protected and cherished,' she said. I believe that of all the blessings I have received, I am honor-bound to give in return. The generations that follow us must be inspired to protect our freedom – this is our duty.'

Potter's decorations include the Air Force Achievement Medal, Iraqi Campaign Medal and Global War on Terror Service Medal.