

A free public presentation for the broad Colorado Springs community.

Thursday, May 3rd, 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Shove Chapel on the Colorado College campus
1010 N. Nevada Avenue, Colorado Springs

**Loyalty, Reason and Action:
Lessons Learned from the Repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell (DADT)**

Abstract: The 1950 guidebook for military officers titled "*The Armed Forces Officer*" states "the nature of loyalty requires that (the commissioned officer) will use his force toward the righting of those things which reason convinces him are going wrong." How does one "right the wrongs" without compromising one's Oath? Col. Gary Packard will share his personal journey, experiences as a writer on the DoD study of the DADT repeal, to include a summary of the process and major findings, and lessons he learned along the way to walk the walk on difficult social issues with integrity.

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Featured presenter: Col. Gary Packard, Permanent Professor and Head of the Department of Behavioral Sciences & Leadership at the USAFA. A USAFA graduate, he has served our nation in the Air Force for close to 30 years, over ten years of that as an instructor at the Academy. Col Packard will present on this topic for about 45 min, as he has done at various campuses. There should be close to an hour for Q&A with the audience.

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