

# The Quill

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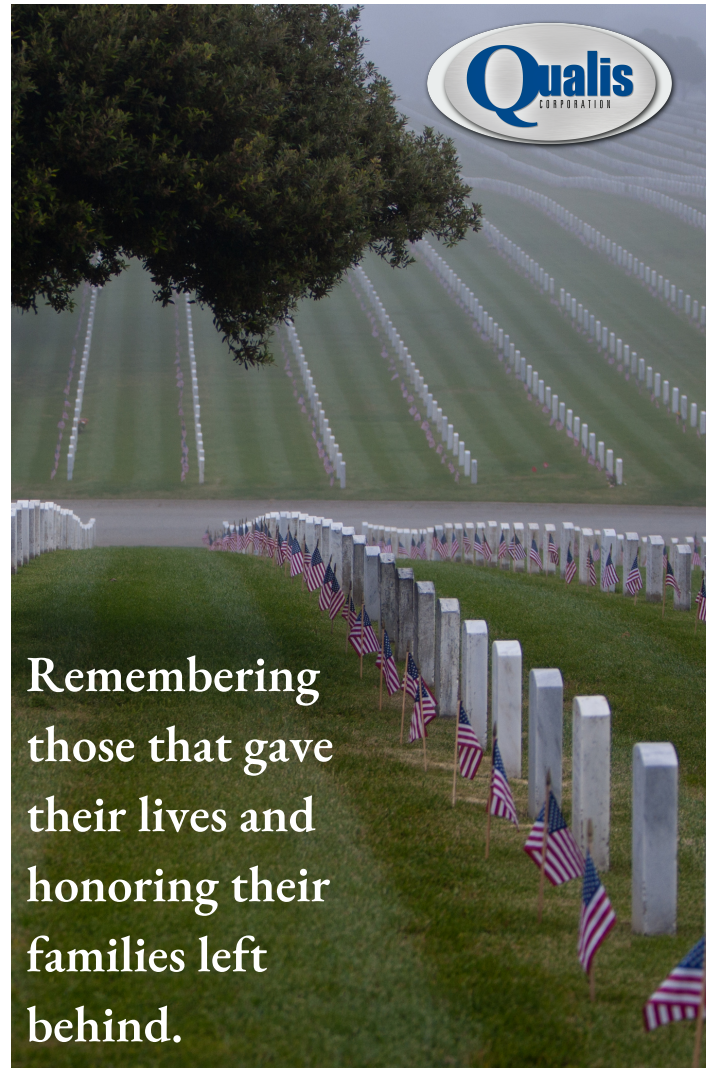


## Leadership Update

By: **Carlos Kingston**  
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As part of the Qualis team, all of you continue to do outstanding work in support of DoD and NASA. As I stated in my last Quill update, please keep up the good (exceptional) work. What you do matters! Why do I say that? I think all of you do important and critically needed work for our Nation that contributes to the United States being and continuing to be a sovereign nation and a leader in Space exploration. That's a big deal! Your work helps our Nation defend its rights and protect the things we all enjoy, the freedoms we enjoy as a nation, as families, and as individuals. Certainly, your work contributes to a lot of neat technology, testing of things, Space capabilities, weapons technology, cyber, business domain, and on and on. But at the end of the day, it's about defending our Nation and the United States continuing to be the world's leader in Space exploration. As our Mission Statement says, **"We apply our highly skilled personnel to advance customer mission success through superior solutions for Defense and Civil programs."** You are a part of that, so take time in your busy days to reflect on what you are a part of and the significant contributions you make. As we come upon Memorial Day, and we are all kicking off our summer with cookouts and pool parties, take time to remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country, and thank you to all of you who have served.



**Remembering  
those that gave  
their lives and  
honoring their  
families left  
behind.**

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feedback!





## Summer Travel

With the return of longer days, warm breezes, picnics, and fireflies, summer is a busy time for travel for both business and pleasure! Whether you are heading out for your next TDY or just some good old R&R, it is important to remember health and safety when traveling.

### What are the airlines doing?

All major U.S. carriers said they would no longer enforce the mask mandate for passengers and crew in the United States, including United, Delta, American, Southwest, Alaska Airlines, JetBlue, and Spirit. However, some international routes might require masks, depending on the rules at the destination.

In most transportation scenarios, you are not required to wear a mask. But remember that the mask mandate didn't just apply to planes and airports. It also applies to trains, ferries, buses, ride-sharing vehicles, taxis, trolleys, and other transportation hubs. So check the local regulations and guidelines when you arrive at your destination.

Be kind, considerate, aware, and prepared! Make the most of your travel destinations! The sunsets are beautiful and should be enjoyed regardless of where or why you are traveling!



Wishing you all safe travels!

**Marilee Foreman**  
Qualis Travel Coordinator



### REMINDER: One Year Left to Get a Real ID

REAL ID is coming in 2023! Are you REAL ID ready? Beginning May 3, 2023, REAL IDs will be required to pass through airport security for all travelers 18 years old and older. The implementation deadline for the REAL ID—which was first slated to go into effect in the fall of 2020—has been extended several times due to the coronavirus pandemic.



JFCC IMD Team Dinner on May 22nd in Colorado Springs, CO.



Qualis Corporation was pleased to serve as a Silver Sponsor for the AIR SPACE AND MISSILE DEFENSE ASSOCIATION - ASDMA annual membership luncheon. Great update from LTG Daniel L Karbler, Commanding General of the US Army Space and Missile Defense Command

**NOTE: Featured Jobs, Referrals, and PRIDE Awards, are located on the Qualis Employee Portal!**

<https://www.qualis-corp.com/employee-portal/login/>



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# INSIDER THREAT

It is a sad reality, but the United States has been betrayed by people holding positions of trust. Arguably, “insiders” have caused more damage than trained, foreign professional intelligence officers working on behalf of their respective governments.

Not every suspicious circumstance or behavior represents a spy in our midst, but every situation needs to be examined to determine whether our nation’s secrets are at risk.

## **DCSA defines insider threat as:**

Acts of commission or omission by an insider who intentionally or unintentionally compromises or potentially compromises DoD’s ability to accomplish its mission. These acts include, but are not limited to, espionage, unauthorized disclosure of information, and any other activity resulting in the loss or degradation of departmental resources or capabilities.

**Spies** have been damaging U.S. national interests since the American Revolution with Benedict Arnold. But many things about today’s world make the opportunity to commit espionage from within even easier:

- Increase in the number of personnel with access to sensitive information
- Ease of transmitting information (e.g., the Internet)
- Growing demand for sensitive information from multiple “customers”



## **How can you help...**

**YOU** and your colleagues are the first line of defense against espionage. Help protect our national security by reporting any suspicious behavior that may be related to a potential compromise of classified information.

**Be aware of the actions of those around you and report suspicious behaviors.**

# CONGRATULATIONS

**Please take a moment to congratulate Ellen Vought and Tim Pitchko! Ellen and Tim completed the Crestcom Bullet Proof Manager training series in April! This is a 12 month course covering 24 different leadership topics.**



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