



In a New York Minute



"All the News you Need to Know – in a Minute"

A Weekly Update for New York National Guard Service Members & Families

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STILL NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER

STRONG BONDS WEEKEND FOR MARRIED COUPLES

January 21-22 Thayer Hotel in beautiful West Point.
POC SSG Cousineau maurice.cousineau@us.army.mil
To Register: Click Here- [Strong Bonds West Point](#)



"Endure and Grow" - a new online training experience from the U.S. Small Business Administration for National Guard members and families that have, want, or need to grow their business.

<http://whitman.syr.edu/endureandgrow/>



NYNG Employment Program Job Opportunities

<http://dmna.state.ny.us/jobs/jobs.php?id=nyng>

Want to help fellow Service Members find jobs?

Take the [NY National Guard Job Survey](#) (AKO login required)

The Military Child Education Coalition Living in the New Normal training

LINN is a two-day institute outlining specific community resources, deployment information, and practical strategies for encouraging resilience in all children.

Open to educators, counselors and professionals serving military children.

Date: January 18th and 19th, 2012

West Seneca, NY

www.MilitaryChild.org click the Upcoming Trainings

SAVE THE DATE REMINDER

We are pleased to share dates for our upcoming regional FRG trainings:

- Latham March 3, 2012
- WNY March 10, 2012
- NYC/Long Island March 24, 2012
- Syracuse March 31, 2012

NY NG FAMILY PROGRAMS Joint Volunteer and Youth Workshop/Awards ceremony 13-14 April 2012. Details and registration information in future issues of "In a NY Minute"

Check the Scorecard status of your FRG

<http://dmna.state.ny.us/family/FRGSCORECARD.pdf>

Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) is the Army's grassroots program designed to capture and articulate issues from all demographics of the military (Soldiers, Retirees and Family members) to improve their quality of life. The AFAP process has changed legislation, created programs, implemented new staffing and changed equipment to make our Soldiers safer.

Please take the time to think about issues that affect the quality life of our NY Army NG Soldiers, Retirees and Family members. Issues fall into the following categories: *Force Support * Medical & Dental *Volunteers *Employment *Entitlements * Consumer Services* Housing * Leadership *Youth.

AFAP will be hosting focus groups to address the issues. The focus group attendees will brainstorm issues, and prioritize the top 3 issues. The goal is to formalize at least two issues for further consideration.

Focus group dates:

- 1) 19 January - NYC
- 2) 9 February - Niagara Falls
- 3) 15 March – Latham
- 4) 29 March - Syracuse

If you have issues you would like to submit to a focus group or are interested in more information please contact: Kelly Oram; kelly.m.oram@us.army.mil



<http://www.vets4warriors.com/>

EVENTS CALENDAR

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JAN 18-19	Military Child Education Coalition Living in the New Normal West Seneca POC; Colleen Casey colleen.e.casey@us.army.mil Keri O'Neil keri.j.oneil.ctr@us.army.mil
JAN 21-22	Strong Bonds, Married Soldiers West Point POC CH Olsen, eric.w.olsen2@us.army.mil
JAN 23-24	MCEC Living in the New Normal training White Plains POC; Colleen Casey colleen.e.casey@us.army.mil
JAN 28-29	105th MP Co. & Family 30 Day Reintegration Event Rochester POC Yellow Ribbon Team yellowribbonny@ng.army.mil 1-866-876-3276
FEB 25-26	105th MP Co. - 60-Day Reintegration Event – Syracuse POC Yellow Ribbon Team yellowribbonny@ng.army.mil 1-866-876-3276
March 3	FRG regional Training –LATHAM POC Stephanie Duell stephanie.duell@us.army.mil
March 10	FRG regional Training – Western NY POC Bonnie Deiter bonnie.deiter@us.army.mil
March 11	F Co/1-169th AV – Pre-Mob Yellow Ribbon Event – Rochester NY POC Yellow Ribbon Team yellowribbonny@ng.army.mil 1-866-876-3276
March 24	FRG regional Training – NYC Long Island POC Laraine Figliuolo laraine.figliuolo@us.army.mil
March 31	FRG regional Training - Syracuse POC Kelly Oram kelly.m.oram@us.army.mil

ONGOING DEAL\$ & DI\$COUNT\$

Busch Garden Entertainment www.herosalute.com/states/index.html

Disney World Armed Forces Salute www.shadesofgreen.org/salute.htm or www.disney.com

Bronx Zoo and New York Aquarium <http://www.bronxzoo.com/> / www.nyaquarium.com

Beaches Resort Salute Our troops <http://www.beaches.com/military>

Six Flags Great Escape <http://www.sixflagsgreatescapelodge.com/plan-your-stay/specials-packages/november/>

United States Tennis Association FREE one-year junior memberships to Military kids. POC sheppard@usta.com