



# The New York Minute

## "All the News you Need to Know – In a NY Minute"

October 11, 2013

### **Guardsmen, Veterans & Spouses** **2013 Hiring Our Heroes Veterans Hiring Fair** **October 16, 2013 10am-1pm**

#### **Division of Military and Naval Affairs -Latham**

Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce, Rensselaer County Regional Chamber of Commerce, NYS Department of Labor, the Employer Support of the Guard & Reserve (ESGR), the U.S. Department of Labor Veterans Employment and Training Service (DOL VETS), U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and The American Legion, NBC News, and other local partners.

- Workshop for veterans and other military job seekers that focuses on resume writing, tips for successfully navigating hiring fairs, military skill translation, and interviewing will start at 9:00 a.m.
- To register for the Hiring Our Heroes Employment Workshop, visit <http://www.hohworks.eventbrite.com/>
- Registration questions, [hiringourheroes@uschamber.com](mailto:hiringourheroes@uschamber.com) or call 202-463-5807

#### **Find the latest information related to the federal government shutdown**

<http://www.nationalguard.mil/features/shutdown/default.aspx>

#### **If Government Delays Pay**

USAA Offering No-Interest Loans, <http://goo.gl/pjVo>

If you find your Military Family in need of information or community resource referrals Please contact our **Family Assistance Coordinator** Jeanna Clark 585-783-5310 [jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil) to connect you with your **Regional Family Assistance Specialist**

Students in Active Duty, National Guard and Reserve families have 24/7 access to one-to-one online tutoring and homework help through Tutor.com for U.S. Military Families. This DoD funded program is available at NO COST to all K-12 students in military families. Attend a free webinar to learn more about how Tutor.com works, who the tutors are, the mobile app and how it can help military students get better grades. Not only will this education benefit help improve their grades and test scores, it will also help build their confidence when it comes to school work. For eligibility requirements and to create an account visit [www.tutor.com/military](http://www.tutor.com/military)

Fall Edition of the **Guard En of Youth.**

[http://dmna.ny.gov/family/newsletter/youthletter\\_fall\\_13.pdf](http://dmna.ny.gov/family/newsletter/youthletter_fall_13.pdf)



#### **Partners in Purple 2013**

*October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month*  
**Help Turn New York State Purple!**

On **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>** DMNA is turning **PURPLE** (Ribbons, lights, decorations, clothing....) in support of the Statewide Domestic Violence awareness campaign: **"Shine the Light on Domestic Violence"**

Show your support in bringing an end to domestic violence and "go purple" on the 16<sup>th</sup>!



[http://www.nyfrc-inc.org/run\\_reg.html](http://www.nyfrc-inc.org/run_reg.html)



**Time** to start planning for the many Community organizations that request assistance to identify Military Families to give a **Gift of Thanks** to over the Holidays. You can be a good friend to your Community and fellow Guard Families. If you know of a Community Organization that is interested in gifting a Military Family over the Holidays anytime between Thanksgiving and New Years Please contact our Family Assistance Coordinator Jeanna Clark [jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil) for help in coordinating contact with a Military Family that will accept their generosity. As well , If you are or know of a Military Family in NY that would be gracious enough to accept these generous gifts, please contact Jeanna [jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:jeanna.c.clark.ctr@mail.mil)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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14 OCT	<b>HEROES AT HOME FREE VETERANS PICNIC</b> 11 am to 2 pm BBQ will be served at 12:30 pm Grafton Lakes State Park <a href="mailto:heroesathomerensco@gmail.com">heroesathomerensco@gmail.com</a>
14 OCT	<b>Abbott Farms Fall Festival!</b> 3275 Cold Springs Road, Baldwinsville, NY 10am-6pm \$5 For All Military ID Card Holders (\$2 savings) \$2 For Dependent Children Under 16 Years,(\$5 savings) <i>Military ID holders must accompany children</i> <a href="http://www.abbottfarms.com">www.abbottfarms.com</a>
14 OCT	<b>Columbus day (FEDERAL HOLIDAY)</b>
19 OCT	<b>Family Readiness Council HOMETOWN HEROES RUN COLONIE</b> <a href="http://www.nyfrc-inc.org/run_reg.html">http://www.nyfrc-inc.org/run_reg.html</a>
19 OCT	<i>The Hot Yoga Spot</i> <b>FREE Class 1:00 PM For Veterans, First Responders &amp; their Adult Family Members</b> Southside Drive Clifton Park <b>ID required</b> <a href="http://www.TheHotYogaSpot.com">www.TheHotYogaSpot.com</a>
19 OCT	Watervliet Arsenal's "Soldiers in Action: A Mega Future Soldier Event." 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM : <a href="mailto:kathleen.j.abeel.civ@mail.mil">kathleen.j.abeel.civ@mail.mil</a>
25 OCT	<b>Operation. COM Children of the military meeting WNY VET One-Stop Center 6pm</b> <a href="mailto:mcparlane@eriemha.org">mcparlane@eriemha.org</a>
26 OCT	<b>MILITARY FAMILY FUN DAY</b> 10-5 Alpin Haus RV Store on Route 5S Amsterdam Open to all Military families & supporters. Sponsored by Mountains to Miracles Veterans, Vet Corps of Johnstown and American Legion Post 701 Amsterdam. <a href="mailto:diplomatman2002@yahoo.com">diplomatman2002@yahoo.com</a>
26-27 OCT	<b>KUBDOC, KULSE, &amp; SFAT 30/60 Day YR Event Crowne Plaza Suffern NY</b> <a href="https://www.yellowribbonevents.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?Mode=ReadOnly&amp;Id=0FAE0C93-8262-4233-8396-7A3616859336">https://www.yellowribbonevents.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?Mode=ReadOnly&amp;Id=0FAE0C93-8262-4233-8396-7A3616859336</a>
31 OCT	<b>HALLOWEEN</b>
2-3 NOV	<b>F/1-169 AV 30/60 Day YR Event, Rochester</b> <a href="https://www.yellowribbonevents.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?Mode=ReadOnly&amp;Id=5D1606EE-1A2B-43CB-9F5E-DA5AD9FB0ABC">https://www.yellowribbonevents.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?Mode=ReadOnly&amp;Id=5D1606EE-1A2B-43CB-9F5E-DA5AD9FB0ABC</a>
6 NOV	<b>VETERAN'S DAY LUNCHEON</b> <i>Turkey dinner with all the fixings</i> 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 QUESTAR III RENSELAEER EDUCATIONAL CENTER 35 COLLEEN ROAD, TROY, NY 12180 <b>reservations please call</b> 518-273-2264 or <a href="mailto:rcollins@questar.org">rcollins@questar.org</a>
8 NOV	<b>Operation. COM Children of the military meeting WNY VET One-Stop Center 6pm</b> <a href="mailto:mcparlane@eriemha.org">mcparlane@eriemha.org</a>
10 NOV	<b>Veterans Day 5K to benefit Operation Adopt a Soldier Saratoga Springs</b> <a href="http://www.iaff343.org">www.iaff343.org</a>
18-20 NOV	<b>The Welcome Home Initiative : Saratoga Springs register:</b> <a href="mailto:welcomhome@byhiswoundsministry.org">welcomhome@byhiswoundsministry.org</a>
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With more than 42 million potential trick-or-treaters knocking on 132 million doors, Halloween can become one of our most expensive holidays. But even if you don't want to spend a lot, there is no need to turn off the lights and pretend you aren't home or try to persuade your kids that sweets are bad news.

**Last-minute candy buying is OK.** There's no reason you can't wait until October 29 or later to stock up. It's not like the stores will run out — and, if they do have a shortage of candy bars, there's no penalty for passing out lollipops instead. Choose store-brand candies or knock-offs.

**Buying bulk = big savings.** Look into buying candy in bulk quantities at warehouse stores such as at a Sam's Club, Costco or BJ's Warehouse.

**Find cheap costumes.** You can [put together a costume on the cheap](#) by visiting a thrift shops. Goodwill, Salvation Army and other thrift shops are overflowing with bargain-priced Halloween costumes, as well as cute containers for kids to carry their candy. Want costumes free? Look for a [costume swap](#). Last year's costume from your neighbor can be your kid's new costume for this year. Or try kids' consignment stores for like-new items. Have some costumes of your own? Trade them in for credit or cash.

**Get treated to dining specials.** Check local casual-dining spots and national chains for Halloween deals.

**Save on spooky decor.** Like most holidays, Halloween is the time of year to check out your local dollar store. You're likely to find decorations, party supplies, masks, and other themed paraphernalia on the cheap. Or you may be able to create scarecrows or other ghoulish scenes from items you have around the house.

**Trick-or-treat safe and cheap.** Many recreation centers and shopping malls offer a controlled, safe environment for trick-or-treating. Kids walk from store to store and when they tucker out, just cart 'em back to the car. Not only can you avoid passing out candy yourself, but if the weather is nasty, you won't have to bundle up or waterproof your fairy princess or mini Iron Man.