



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



Say Cheese! Joint Services Support Calling for Photos for Special Military Family Appreciation Video

Communities around the world in November will observe Military Family Month. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of the Military Families and convey to them the respect and appreciation for the sacrifices they make in support of Service Members around the world. In conjunction with this celebratory month, the National Guard Bureau would like to involve Military Members and their Families to be a part of this special event.

We are graciously asking for your photographs, of you, your Families, Units and teams. Whether it be at a homecoming event from deployment, a Service Member serving abroad, a Service Member and their Family showing off the newest edition to their Family - whatever! We want to recognize you - the Military Family. We will take all submissions and turn them into a video! This video will be highlighted on JSS, in addition, to sharing it on the National Guard's Facebook pages.



We welcome groups too; i.e., USO, Red Cross, WWP; to name a few. Families are defined in many ways, so give us your best shot and say "cheese!"

The requirements are simple:

1. Request at least one person in uniform (PT, Formal, ACUs, Blues-whatever). If they cannot be in uniform, be at a military type event.
2. Must be family oriented. Which means in plain English, keep it clean.
3. Email them to Jennifer Armstrong, Readiness Program Manager at Jennifer.r.armstrong2.civ@mail.mil.

Community Organizations Offering Unique Programs for Service Members and their Families
GREENCARE FOR TROOPS



The group provides free lawn and landscape services for thousands of military families nationwide. Coordinated by the nonprofit Project EverGreen, it connects local green industry professionals with Service Members who are deployed. <http://ProjectEvergreen.com/gcft>; 888-611-2955

OPERATION: LOVE REUNITED

This nonprofit organization offers free professional photography sessions to Military Families and Service Members who are getting ready to deploy, or those who are currently deployed and are coming home. Visit www.OpLove.org/index2a.php

Still Time to Send in Applications for the Teen Council, Deadline is November 1st

The Child and Youth Program is pleased to announce that they are accepting applications for the Teen Council. Follow the links below for the application, Teen Council Charter, the code of conduct, the agreement, as well as the roles and responsibilities for the following positions (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Wing Representatives and General Member). Please take note that we have updated and modified all of the paperwork as well as the roles and responsibilities for each position. Please make sure to read and review all of the attachments.

TEEN COUNCIL PAPERWORK:

- Charter 2013- <http://goo.gl/mfulQS>
- Agreement- <http://goo.gl/FOLgl1>
- Application 2013- <http://goo.gl/TQrvQy>
- Code of Conduct- <http://goo.gl/N9Yb3h>
- President- <http://goo.gl/7PoU5F>
- Vice President- <http://goo.gl/kHGRh8>
- Secretary- <http://goo.gl/QgWabi>
- Treasurer- <http://goo.gl/ymDiK5>
- Wing Representative- <http://goo.gl/ZeipQ4>
- General Member- <http://goo.gl/DBezK6>

NOTE due to the recent changes we have extended the deadline for applications to **1 November 2013.**

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Colleen Casey or Keri O'Neil
Colleen.e.casey.ctr@mail.mil
Keri.j.oneil.ctr@mail.mil

Organizations in the Community Seeking a Chance to Say THANK YOU this Holiday Season

Family Programs has been asked by several organizations if we can help them say **THANK YOU** to our Military Families with Thanksgiving and Holiday treats. PLEASE HELP us to identify Military Families in NY that would be gracious enough to accept these generous gifts, please contact our Family Assistance Coordinator Jeanna Clark. ALSO, 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

to help you have a safe and fun Halloween. To download the free coloring book, visit http://troopers.ny.gov/Publications/Crime_Prevention/halloweencrbk.pdf



MILITARY APPRECIATION and FAMILY DAY

Saturday November 9th / 1pm-3pm

Free Open Skating **Free** Ice Hockey **Free** Sled Hockey **Free** Food Bring your family and friends to try your hand at Ice Hockey, Ice Skating or Sled Hockey

****Equipment will be provided as needed**

2607 Niagara St. Buffalo RSVP trunzofm@gmail.com
716-213-8104

Guard Soldiers and Airmen and their families. To view photos from the event, visit <http://www.flickr.com/photos/nyng/sets/72157636726467116/>



What: The GIs of Comedy Live TV Taping – Task Force: Funny Tour 2013 – Stand up Comics. All Veterans.
Still Serving Their Country. One Joke At a Time.
When: Saturday, Nov. 2, 2013 - Arrival for seating: 1700 hrs, show starts at 1900 hrs.
Why: Filming a TV special for broadcast television as well as distribution by DVD to deployed troops OCONUS. <http://www.gisofcomedy.com>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

INPUT VOLUNTEER HOURS ON JSS <https://www.jointservicessupport.org/Default.aspx>

25 OCT Operation.COM Children of the military meeting WNY VET One-Stop Center 6pm mcparlane@eriemha.org

26 OCT **MILITARY FAMILY FUNDAY** 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. diplomatman2002@yahoo.com

26-27 OCT KUBDOC, KULSE, & SFAT 30/60 Day YR Event Crowne Plaza Suffern NY
<https://www.yellowribbonevents.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?Mode=ReadOnly&Id=0FAE0C93-8262-4233-8396-7A3616859336>

31 OCT HALLOWEEN

2-3 NOV F/1-169 AV 30/60 Day YR Event, Rochester
<https://www.yellowribbonevents.org/Events/EventDetails.aspx?Mode=ReadOnly&Id=5D1606EE-1A2B-43CB-9F5E-DA5AD9FB0ABC>

3 NOV Daylight Saving Time Ends, Fall back 1 hour

6 NOV VETERAN'S DAY LUNCHEON *Turkey dinner with all the fixings* 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 QUESTAR III RENSSELAER EDUCATIONAL CENTER 35 COLLEEN ROAD, TROY, NY 12180 reservations please call 518-273-2264 or rcollins@questar.org

8 NOV Operation.COM Children of the military meeting WNY VET One-Stop Center 6pm mcparlane@eriemha.org

10 NOV Veterans Day 5K to benefit Operation Adopt a Soldier Saratoga Springs www.iaff343.org

11 NOV VETERANS DAY

18-20 NOV The Welcome Home Initiative : Saratoga Springs register: welcomhome@byhiswoundsministry.org

22 NOV Operation.COM Children of the military meeting WNY VET One-Stop Center 6pm mcparlane@eriemha.org



Visit the New York National Guard Job Zone online at <https://dmna.ny.gov/jobs/jobs.php?id=nyng> to see new job postings.

To download the Job Zone App for iPhone visit: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/new-york-national-guard-ob/id651702318?mt=8>

MILITARY SPOUSE CAREER ADVANCEMENT ACCOUNT (MYCAA) This program, funded by the Department of Defense, offers Spouse Tuition Assistance and can provide up to \$4,000 of financial assistance for tuition for Military Spouses. Visit MyCareerSkill.org (click on "Military Spouses")

Job Fairs in 2014

The Transition Assistance Advisor Team-NY will be sitting down with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and looking at where we will schedule job fairs for 2014. If your leadership is interested in "hosting" a job fair at your armory, please contact Robert W. Van Pelt, Transition Assistance Advisor-NY at robert.w.vanpelt.ctr@mail.mil