



In a New York Minute

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June 20 , 2014

Recruitment Incentive and Retention Program (RIRP)

The Fall 2014 window for RIRP aka "State TA" applications is now open! Applications will be accepted through 15 AUGUST 2014.

The Recruitment Incentive and Retention Program (RIRP) is a New York State program designed to recruit and retain quality members for the State Military Forces (Army and Air National Guard, and Naval Militia). This competitive program will pay the cost of tuition up to a maximum of \$5,870 per calendar year for eligible qualified applicants. Soldiers who apply by the deadline have an additional 60 days to forward any and all pertinent financial aid documentation to the Education Office. Applications must be submitted electronically to ng.ny.nyarng.list.rirp-ny@mail.mil. **No paper copies, faxes, etc will be accepted.**

Learn more about this important benefit at

[https://www.milsuite.mil/wiki/Portal:NYARNG -
_MNP_Procedural_Guide/MNP-EDU](https://www.milsuite.mil/wiki/Portal:NYARNG_-_MNP_Procedural_Guide/MNP-EDU)

Soldiers can apply for RIRP by filling out the PDF provided in the link

below and e-mailing it to the RIRP email address:

<https://www.us.army.mil/suite/doc/42771438>

****Please note**** RIRP or "State TA" is a separate program from Federal

Tuition Assistance (FTA) which is accessed at

www.goarmyed.com

If you have any questions please email us at

ng.ny.nyarng.list.rirp-ny@mail.mil

3Leaf Group

In the NGB, we understand the many challenges that can face our Soldiers and their Families. Stress, personal relationships, finances and a host of other topics can become a concern. Our new Multimedia Learning Center is designed to help you address areas in your life you would like to improve. We have assembled hundreds of audio books and books here as your "one stop shop" to enable you to learn and grow using whatever tools best fit your lifestyle. Best of all, this lending program is provided **FREE** to you! No rental charges, no late fees, and a postage-paid, pre-addressed return mailer is included with each order. Simply go to the log-in button at top, go to the new user link if it's your first time visiting, enter your shipping information and create your password, and get ready to jump start your life with some of the world's greatest teachers!

<http://www.ngb.3leafgroup.com/Home>

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

ValleyCats



Welcome Home!

**VETERANS
NIGHT**

**Wednesday July 16, 2014 7PM First Pitch
Joseph L. Bruno Stadium**

Free tickets available on a first-come
first-serve basis for Veterans!



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For more information and tickets, please contact:

Leah MacDonald, Albany VA Medical Center, (518) 626-6962

Welcome Home Veterans Night!

Event Date: Wednesday July 16th 2014

Time: 7pm First Pitch

Place: Joseph L. Bruno Stadium

**For more information about this event
please see above.**

**For tickets through the Family Programs
Office please contact.**

Jake Wicks

Latham, NY

518-786-0393

jacob.w.wicks.ctr@mail.mil

Jenn Tabankin

Troy, NY

518-285-5830

**Tickets are limited in supply and are first
come first serve.**

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The Resilience topic for June is Family Fitness: A healthy family relationship consists of support, loyalty, care, commitment and affection.



Military OneSource eNewsletter

No matter where you are or what's on your to-do list this summer, there is plenty of fun ready and waiting for you.

A summer PCS doesn't have to take the place of fun this season. Even when your belongings are boxed up, you can turn a run-of-the-mill PCS into a fun-filled adventure with Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs and rentals.

Moving or not, Morale, Welfare and Recreation wants to make sure that each member of your family is included in the summer fun. Inclusive indoor and outdoor activities give everyone a chance to make the most of summer vacation.

School might be out for the summer, but don't let this break from textbooks and teachers be an excuse to ignore academics. With tips in this month's eNewsletter, you'll discover ways to keep your children engaged and ready for the fast-approaching new school year.

Fun is always an option, even on a tight budget. Take advantage of the financial tips and some no-cost or low-cost options available to military families so that you can enjoy your fun without going overboard.

Dive into the June Military OneSource eNewsletter to discover what kind of fun is in store for you and your family this summer.

<http://www.militaryonesource.mil/enewsletter>

NY ARMY Nation Guard StrongBonds UPCOMING EVENTS

REGISTER NOW at

www.strongbonds.org

(Under National Guard, Couples or Families Events)

Married Couples Weekend June 20-22

Location of Event will be

The Country Inn and Suites located in Olean, NY

For more information contact: SGM Roy Sayward,
roy.c.sayward.mil@mail.mil or the facilitator

Chaplain Matthew Laun @

matthew.m.laun.mil@mail.mil

What is the Strong Bonds program?

The Strong Bonds mission is to increase Soldier and Family readiness through relationship education and skills training.. The "get away" provides an emotionally safe and secure training environment in which to address the effect of military lifestyle stressors.

The Strong Bonds Program Covers the Cost of the Hotel for Two Nights (Friday and Saturday) and Covers Three Meals over the Weekend (Breakfast, Lunch and Breakfast). Child Care is provided for Couples and Family Events. The Strong Bonds Program does not cover the Cost of travel associated to attend the event.

You're Invited to
Operation Salute: 2014
Saturday
July 19

At the Syracuse Nationals, NYS Fair Grounds
Special admission for OEF/OIF/OND Veterans between 9am and 12 noon

Pre-Registration is Required by July 7, 2014
A Limited number of tickets are available.
Call (315) 425-4426 today!

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Visit the VA tent
for information
and giveaways!

SAVE THE DATE!

Military Appreciation Day September 7th 2014
105th AW Newburgh, NY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

23-27 June	RTA/ASIST/ACE-SI Training, Camp Smith
28-29 June	27 th Fin Co 30/60 Yellow Ribbon Event, NYC john.a.ross3.mil@mail.mil

Operation P.A.T.H. = Parents and Teens Hanging Lake Placid Olympic Venues ♦ July 30, 2014
Patriot Hills of NY



It's an opportunity for combat Veterans and their Teenage Children to spend quality, uninterrupted time together having fun and enjoying the Lake Placid Olympic Venues. Sponsored by Patriot Hills of NY the trip is free of charge to all participants

Included: Transportation, Breakfast snack, Lunch, Dinner and a VIP Olympic Pass Who: Veterans with Teenage Children

Where: Lake Placid, NY and the Olympic Venues

When: Wednesday, July 30, 2014

Bus leaves from Sam's Club parking lot in Latham Farms, Latham NY @ 7:00 am returning by 9:30 pm

Interested: Contact Patriot Hills of NY for information by emailing:

Operationpath@nycap.rr.com
www.patriothills.org



GREAT ESCAPE SEASON PASS
MWR now has Season Passes & FREE Season parking. Passes are \$60.00 per person. For information, contact Melissa Ryder at 518-266-4829
Melissa.a.ryder4.naf@mail.mil
Park opens 23 May 2014

Did you know That New York National Guard Job Zone has an app for your android or iPhone? To find it go to the app store on your phone and search New York National Guard Job Zone.
<http://dmna.ny.gov/jobs/>



Operation Purple Healing Adventures!
Free Family Retreats

Where: NORTHBAY ADVENTURE NORTH EAST, MD

WHEN: AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2014

APPLY NOW AT
WWW.MILITARYFAMILY.ORG

Operation Purple Healing Adventures combines family-focused activities and outdoor exploration to help families rediscover fun and togetherness after an injury. Open to active duty, medically retired, National Guard, and Reserve families from all ranks and Services.

NEW YORK NATIONAL GUARD MEET & GREET



Buffalo Bills Head Coach
DOUG MARRONE

At Clear Path for Veterans for a "meet and greet" with community supporters. Autographs and photographs are available and will benefit our Clear Path programs.
(one per person please)

Date: Saturday, June 21, 2014
Time: 10:00am-12:00pm
Cost: \$10 donation

Visit www.ClearPathForVets.com or call 315.687.3300 for more information.
1223 Salt Springs Road • Chittenango, NY 13037

Clear Path for Veterans