



DMAVA HIGHLIGHTS

April 5, 2013



NJNG SOLDIERS TRAIN AT JBMDL

Story and photos by 2nd Lt. David Murphy, JBMDL Public Affairs

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. -- Soldiers from the New Jersey National Guard's 2nd Battalion, 113th Infantry Regiment, out of Riverdale, N.J., conducted training March 22-24, at ranges here.

The Soldiers took part in mortar firing training, M16 and M4 rifle qualification and squad live-fire exercises.

"At any given time there is a unit ready to deploy, so this training ensures our readiness for future deployments," said 1st Lt. Roque Rodriguez, the training officer for the 113th Inf.

Distance plays a major factor in determining why the unit trains here as the ranges are located less than 100 miles from Riverdale.

"Traveling to upstate New York or Virginia would cut into the time we have to train because we only have these Soldiers for 48 hours," Rodriguez said. "This is the best place for us and it's the best resource we have."

The executive officer of the 113th Inf., 1st Lt. Patrick Moore, from Fanwood, N.J., is in charge of certifying Soldiers on the squad live-fire range and echoed Rodriguez's remarks.

"We appreciate everything the base does to accommodate us," said Moore. "The range control guys who come out here in the field do their best for us. It's a very professional environment."

The joint base ranges also allow units to tackle multiple aspects of training during a single weekend.

"The ranges here provide us with a wide variety of uses," Rodriguez said. "We're able to execute our individual training, such as weapons qualification, and conduct collective training, such as the squad live-fire certification."

The weekend's training was designed to get the greatest results with the least impact on those involved.

"These Soldiers all have full-time jobs, so we want to maximize their time," Rodriguez said. "If we had to leave the area to train we would need these Soldiers for longer, costing the government more, and potentially inconveniencing employers. By using these ranges we are saving time and money and using that time to actually train."

The unit is also aware of the noise generated by deployment training, specifically from mortar round firing, noise which can impact surrounding areas.

"The noise is an inconvenience, but is necessary to maintain the readiness of the force," Rodriguez said.

Residents may hear more noise than usual coming from the ranges and may experience possible ground shaking during training activities. It is important to note that noise from the ranges may travel farther during overcast weather conditions.

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst works hard to minimize the impact training has on its surrounding communities and is committed to remaining good neighbors.



What's for Lunch?



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Catering



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7 AM to 2:30 PM during work days



WHO: Children of all NJNG AGR and Technicians, contractors & DMAVA employees (between the ages of 8 & 18 years old)

WHAT: The 2013 Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day

WHEN: Thursday, April 25th
0800 – 1600 hours

WHERE: Building 3650 Drill Floor

*POC for this event is SFC Danielle Corbin-Green
@ 609 562 0625*

HIGHLIGHTS



2013 Hiring Our Heroes Job Fair – Camden, NJ
 Susquehanna Bank Center
 1 Harbour Boulevard, Camden, NJ 08103
 April 25, 2013

HIRING FAIR: 11:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

MILITARY TRANSITION WORKSHOP: 8:30 A.M.

This American Legion- and ESGR-sponsored hiring event is being hosted by the Susquehanna Bank Center and conducted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation; Camden County, Board of Freeholders; the Camden County Office of Veterans Affairs; the American Legion Camden County Executive Committee; the Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Training Service (DOL VETS); New Jersey Committee, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR); the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs; the NJ State Parole Board; NJ Department of Labor & Workforce Development; NBC News, and other local partners.

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A workshop for veterans and military that focuses on resume writing, tips for successfully navigating hiring fairs, military skill translation, and interviewing will start at 8:30 A.M.

For registration questions, please contact hiringourheroes@uschamber.com or call 202463-5807.



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 Bordentown National Guard Armory
 1048 Route 206 South, Bordentown, NJ 08505
 THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2013

HIRING FAIR: 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

This Hiring Our Heroes event is sponsored by the New Jersey State Building & Construction Trades Council/Helmets to Hardhats and NJ Committee, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. It is conducted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation; the Department of Labor Veterans Employment & Training Service (DOL VETS); The American Legion; the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; NBC News; NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs; NJ State Parole Board; NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development; and other local partners.

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LIVINGSTON MALL

April *9, 10 & 11

- * Medal Ceremony at 11:00a.m. on Tuesday, April 9
- Kiosk hours 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- 112 Eisenhower Parkway, Livingston, NJ 07039 (Essex County)

CHERRY HILL MALL

June *4, 5 & 6

- * Medal Ceremony at 11:00a.m. on Tuesday, June 4
- Kiosk hours 10 a.m. – 8p.m.
- 200 Route 38, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 (Camden County)



Aeronautical engineering students from Lehigh University stand in front of a 177th Fighter Wing F-16C Fighting Falcon during a base tour on April 3, 2013. (Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Matt Hecht/Released)

FORMER ANG UNIT MEMBER, ASTRONAUT VISITS THE 177TH

Story by Tech. Sgt. Matt Hecht, 177th FW/PA

Aeronautical engineering seniors from Lehigh University, Pa., toured the 177th Fighter Wing compound April 3.

Accompanying the students was their professor, Dr. Terry Hart, a former 177th unit member and space shuttle astronaut.

Hart and his students got to check out an F-16C Fighting Falcon static display, and were also given a tour of the engine repair shop and aircrew flight equipment areas.

Hart began his career with the Air Force Reserve, but transitioned to the New Jersey National Guard flying the F-106 in 1973. By 1978 Hart had been accepted into the NASA Astronaut program, and was Ascent and Orbit capsule communicator - the person who communicates directly with the shuttle from Mission Control - for Space Transportation System-1, STS-2, STS-3 and STS-7.

In 1984, Hart flew as a mission specialist on STS-41C Challenger and logged 168 hours in space. That mission was notable for retrieving and repairing the Solar Maximum Satellite, as well as flying with Cinema 360 and IMAX Camera Systems.

Hart retired in 1990 from the Air National Guard as a lieutenant colonel and has been a professor of aeronautical engineering for seven years at Lehigh University, his alma mater.

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MILITARY APPRECIATION NIGHT

APR 26 7:00pm

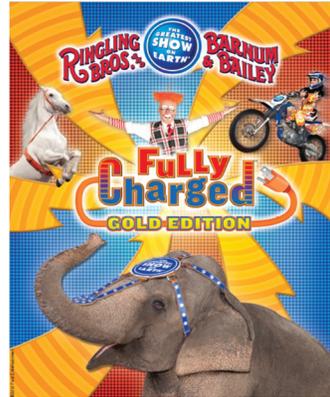
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JB McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

"Safety Flash"



Motorcycle Awareness

Warm weather is right around the corner so it is time to refresh our memories on some things to get ready to ride. Be safe while you ride and have a great riding season.

Before You Ride: Read the owner's manual, as it will give you many specifics that you will find helpful in understanding and maintaining your bike.

- Check the tires – these are the most important parts of your bike. Check the surface of the tires for cuts and foreign objects. Check the tire pressure with a good gauge. Avoid gauges at gas stations as often they've been overused and may not be accurate.
- Check the controls – cables are strong and rarely break, but check for kinks or stiffness.
- Check your lights, turn signals, horn, and mirrors.
- Check the oil, fuel, and if your bike is liquid-cooled, the coolant levels.
- If your motorcycle has a chain-drive to the rear wheel, make sure that the chain is properly tensioned and in good shape.
- Make sure that the side stand and center stand fold up and stay up. Check your brakes as you roll off to make sure they work.

On the Road: A good reminder for safe riding in traffic:

- Search around you for potential hazards.
- Evaluate any possible hazards, such as railroad tracks, turning cars, etc.
- Execute the proper action to avoid the hazard.
- Make sure other drivers see you by keeping your headlights on (even during the day), wearing bright clothes, and always signaling your intentions.

- Don't be shy about using your horn to make someone aware of your presence or to make them aware of what they are doing (dozing, drifting, getting too close, etc.)
- Position your bike where it can be seen. Don't put yourself behind a large truck or in a vehicle's blind spot.
- Make sure you can see others and that they can see you, as much as possible. Keep your eyes moving. If they are locked on one thing, you may not notice a potential hazard. Never let your eyes focus on an object for more than two seconds.
- When you're riding in traffic, at speeds under 40 mph, keep a two-second gap between you and the car in front of you. When you're out on the open road, at higher speeds, the gap should be three to four seconds or more, depending on your speed.
- Intersections are particularly dangerous. Always check for traffic coming from the side and from behind. Make sure no one is tailgating.
- Be smart while passing:
 - o You should be two (or more) seconds behind the vehicle you want to pass.
 - o Always make sure you turn and check your blind spot with your head.
- Some new guidelines while night riding:
 - o Dusk is actually the most dangerous time to ride, when people's eyes are adjusting from daylight to headlights.
 - o The distance between you and the vehicle in front of you becomes even more important as it gets darker.
 - o Wear a clear face shield without scratches. A scratch can create light refractions that might confuse you.

Motorcycle courses begin 9 April 2013. Please visit <https://afm.wpafb.af.mil/communityviews/home.aspx?Filter=25912> to register.

Playground Safety

Despite cold temperatures, children still spend time outside on playgrounds swinging, climbing, and just having fun. Now that spring is here and temperatures are on the rise, the use of playgrounds will increase as well as the potential of playground injuries. Each year, more than 200,000 kids are treated in hospital ERs for playground-related injuries. **Many of these incidents could have been prevented with proper supervision.** You can make the playground entertaining and safe for your kids by checking equipment for potential hazards and following some simple safety guidelines:

- Supervise your child
- Tour the playground
- Inspect the surface
- Separate children of different ages
- Watch for overcrowding
- Watch for low-height objects
- Watch for loose clothing
- Watch for tripping hazards

Playgrounds offer outdoor entertainment for children of all ages. Teaching kids how to play safely is important; if they know the rules of the playground, they're less likely to get hurt.

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