

# DMAVA HIGHLIGHTS

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Austin Daniel, a Senior Airman with the 177th Fighter Wing, flies with the Raiders Demonstration Team in his Yak-52 demonstration aircraft over Atlantic City, N.J. for the "Thunder Over the Boardwalk Air Show" on Aug. 13, 2014. Daniel, F-16C a Fighting Falcon crew chief, is a traditional Guardsman. See page 2 for the story. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Matt Hecht/Released)



# ANG paves way for flying crew chief

Story by Tech. Sgt. Matt Hecht, 177th Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

Senior Airman Austin Daniel normally works as a crew chief for high performance fighters, but this year he was seen high over the skies of Atlantic City during the 2014 “Thunder Over the Boardwalk” Air Show as a demonstration pilot.

Since Daniel was five years old, he knew he wanted to fly.

“For his fifth birthday, all he wanted was for me to take him up,” said Austin’s father, Jeff Daniel, a former Air Force T-37 instructor pilot. “Once he was up in the air, he was hooked.”

The junior Daniel began his flying career at 14, and at 16 had a base tour at the 177th Fighter Wing.

“That tour was a huge influence,” said Daniel. “I got to talk to a fighter pilot, and I asked him, what do I need to accomplish to do what you do? He told me to enlist in the Air National Guard, and that’s exactly what I did when I graduated high school.”

In 2009 Daniel graduated from Air Force Basic Training as well a technical training to become an F-16 Fighting Falcon crew chief. At the same time, he had already gotten his commercial pilot’s license and began flying with the Raiders Demonstration Team, based out of Lumberton, N.J.

“The Guard is the best opportunity in the military,” said Daniel. “To have so many options, full-time, part-time, it’s so flexible. I was able to work as a crew chief part-time, finish my college degree in aviation flight technology and fly!”

As a member of the Raiders, Daniel relies on skills he learned in the Air National Guard.

“The Air National Guard was my first experience working in such a large organization, and the skills I learned as a crew chief,



**Austin Daniel, a Senior Airman with the 177th Fighter Wing, poses for a selfie before takeoff for the 2014 Thunder Over the Boardwalk air show over Atlantic City, N.J. (Courtesy photo)**

like aircraft systems management, have helped me out immensely as a pilot, and also as a team member,” said Daniel. “Being a crew chief and flying as a demonstration pilot actually have a lot in common; there is a huge amount of trust and comradery in both.”

At 23 years old, Daniels has accumulated an amazing 2,000 flight hours. While flying with the Raiders Demonstration Team as a solo pilot, he flies the Yak-52, a hardy Russian-made training aircraft.

“It’s a great aircraft, very fuel efficient and great in formation flying with basic aerobatic maneuvers,” said Daniel.

Daniel recently achieved one of his goals: being hired by a regional airline as a pilot.

“He started flying with the Yak-52, a very complex aircraft,” said his father Jeff. “It was a unique way to learn how to fly, and it translated well with flying crop dusters and now the airlines.”

“Flying in shows like Thunder Over the Boardwalk here in Atlantic City is exciting,” said Daniel. “I used to be that kid, looking up at planes and getting inspired, and it’s an honor that it’s me up there inspiring kids today. Flying the AC air show feels great, it’s real ‘seat of the pants,’ and it’s a beautiful view!”

For the future, Daniel is still looking to the sky, hoping to one day fly fighters for the Air National Guard.



**Senior Airman Austin Daniel flies his Yak-52 demonstration aircraft during the 2014 Thunder Over the Boardwalk air show over Atlantic City, N.J. on Aug. 13, 2014. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman Amber Powell/Released)**

# JT2DC TRAINS RESERVE WITH DXTRS

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Nicholas Young, NJDMAVA Public Affairs



**Army Reserve Soldiers from the 1103rd Main Support Battalion prepare updates to their unit's operations order during a staff exercise at the New Jersey National Guard's Joint Training and Training Development Center located on Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst on Aug. 12, 2014. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Nicholas Young/Released)**

The Army Reserve's 1103rd Main Support Battalion conducted a staff exercise at the New Jersey National Guard's Joint Training and Training Development Center at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst on August 12, 2014.

The Center's officers and non-commissioned officers coached the Battalion through the military decision making process and provided skilled support staff to assist the 1103rd the "crawl" and "walk" phases of the Army Mission Command Training Strategy.

The 1103rd conducted their training using the newly implemented Division eExercise Training and Readiness System, a part of the Army Low Overhead Training Toolkit, which is designed to

be a robust, efficient, and cost-effective solution for training staff officers and NCO's in conducting full spectrum scenarios involving major combat operations.

The JT2DC's mission is to enhance the National Guard's overall readiness at the lowest possible expense to the government by employing live, virtual, constructive and gaming environments to maintain a ready and deployable force. The JT2DC is available to facilitate joint training for all branches of the military as well as local, state, federal civilian law-enforcement and civil support agencies. For more information, please contact Maj. Robert Yench, Director of Simulations, 609-562-0513.

## Change of Responsibility at Sea Girt



**Command Sgt. Maj. Robert R. Huster, Jr., right, receives the colors of the Recruiting and Retention Battalion, during a Change of Responsibility ceremony at the Sea Girt armory Aug. 9, 2014. Lewis replaced Command Sgt. Maj. Michael R. Cormier. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Capt. David Sanders/Released)**



**Command Sgt. Maj. Scott C. Lewis, center, receives the colors of the 254th Regiment (Combat Arms), during a Change of Responsibility ceremony at the Sea Girt armory Aug. 9, 2014. Lewis replaced Command Sgt. Maj. Hermenegildo Devarie Jr. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Capt. David Sanders/Released)**

# 'Bossman' finally thanks Soldier

By Staff Sgt. Wayne Woolley, DMAVA Public Affairs

It took 62 years, but the Sailor finally got to thank the Soldier who helped save his transport ship from sinking in a typhoon during the Korean War.

The reunion over the telephone between Ray Galloway and Robert H. Yancey was made possible because of an interview Yancey gave the New Jersey National Guard Militia Museum's Carol Fowler as part of her ongoing Oral History Project.

Galloway's daughter found the interview online and it allowed the North Carolina man to finally connect with the man who called him "Bossman" on the night he helped Yancey save the ship.

It all started on an October night in 1951 when a typhoon struck and stranded Galloway's transport ship. Yancey, fresh from a fierce combat tour with the Army's 24th Infantry Regiment, was a passenger on the ship.

The typhoon had turned the ship into a chaotic scene. The ship had become grounded on a coral reef off the coast of Japan. The wind had blown off doors and water was pouring into the vessel. It was going down.

Yancey turned to the closest Sailor and looked at the officer and said: "Bossman, if we don't do something, we ain't getting home." Although Yancey was a Soldier, he'd had experience on ships in distress. The Philadelphia native had served as a Sailor during World War II.

Galloway agreed with Yancey's suggestion that the crew unbolt the tables and use them as barriers to staunch the flow of water from the damaged doors. It worked. Three days later the crew was rescued.

The men went their separate ways. Yancey stayed in the



Robert H. Yancey, right, poses with a captured North Korean flag during the Korean War. (Courtesy photo)

Army, ultimately serving in Vietnam before retiring. He earned several advanced degrees and worked as a teacher in the state prison system. He also became a tireless veterans advocate, serving as the New Jersey Commander of Disabled American Veterans.

For years, his name sat on a piece of paper on Ray Galloway's desk. The retired Naval officer had grudgingly given up his search for Yancey years ago. Then Galloway's daughter found that scrap of paper and asked to hear the story behind it.

An internet search and contact with Fowler was all it took. Galloway made the call. Yancey answered.

## DMAVA VETERANS OUTREACH CAMPAIGN



SEPT. 16, 2014: MEDAL CEREMONY & OUTREACH EVENT  
American Legion Post #129 – Toms River (11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

2025 Church Road, Toms River, New Jersey 08753  
DMAVA will have a veteran service officer present to help  
and assist any veteran

NOV. 6, 2014: VETERANS' OUTREACH FORUM  
Salem Community College (9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)  
Davidow Hall Gymnasium  
460 Hollywood Avenue, Carney's Point, NJ 08069  
DMAVA will have a veteran service officer present to help  
and assist any veteran

# 2014 ADA Reunion to be held at Sea Girt



Nike missile family on display at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., circa 1960s. From left, MIM-14 Nike Hercules, MIM-23 Hawk (front), MGM-29 Sergeant (back), LIM-49 Spartan, MGM-31 Pershing, MGM-18 Lacrosse, MIM-3 Nike Ajax. (United States Army photo)

In commemoration of the 40th anniversary of the Air Defense Artillery deactivation, the 2014 ADA Reunion Picnic/Luncheon will be held Sept. 5, 2014, at the National Guard Training Center at Sea Girt, N.J.

For more information, contact retired Col. Larry S. Stroud at LSSSR@prodigy.net. The cutoff date is Aug. 28, 2014.

Air Defense Artillery, comprised 265 Nike Ajax and Nike Hercules missile bases scattered across the United States.

In North Jersey, bases were located in towns such as Middletown, Holmdel, Franklin Lakes and Wayne were part of the New York Defense Area. In South Jersey, batteries in Lumberton, Marlton, Berlin and others were responsible for the Philadelphia Defense Area. A Nike Hercules memorial site is located at Sandy Hook, N.J..

Nike Hercules was included in Strategic Arms Limitation Talks Agreement 1 as an anti-ballistic missile. After the treaty was signed, most Nike sites were deactivated by April 1974.



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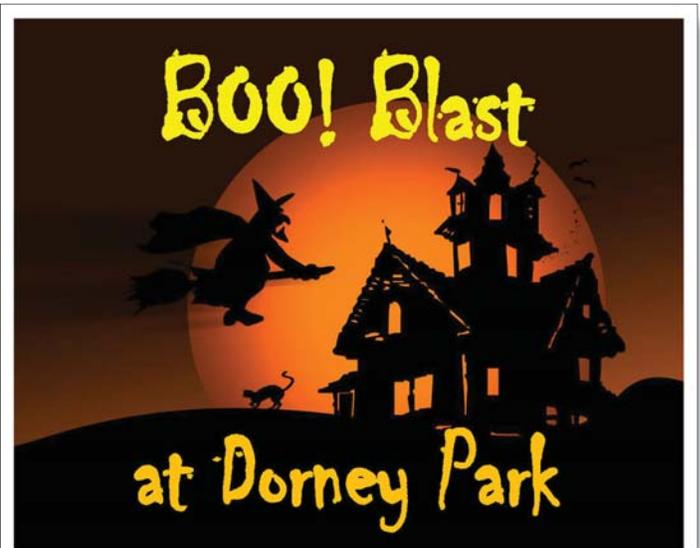
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JTDC Association is sponsoring Halloween Fun for Soldiers and their families Saturday October 18<sup>th</sup> 2014.

**Activities include:** Mask Making, Pumpkin Painting, Halloween shows with the Peanuts Gang, Children's rides, Scavenger hunts, and Petting Zoo.

Ticket cost is: **\$40.00**

per person (includes children 2 and above)

Parking Fee: \$15.00 per vehicle / Paid at Park

Ticket price also includes a 2 hour unlimited buffet: Hamburgers/Hot Dogs, Fixin's Bar, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Potato Chips and Cold Beverages.

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US Family Health Care, a Tricare Prime option, is holding information sessions for servicemembers and families at various locations. Call 1-800-241-4848 option 3 or visit [www.usfhp.net](http://www.usfhp.net) for more information.

### **MOUNT LAUREL, N.J.**

Mount Laurel Library  
Sept. 12 (4 – 6:45 p.m. hourly)  
100 Walt Whitman Avenue  
Mount Laurel, N.J. 08054  
Contact: Josephine Grey  
(347) 501-2308

### **EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP, N.J.**

177TH Fighter Wing  
Sept. 18 (12 – 4 p.m. hourly)  
400 Langley Road  
Bldg 229  
Egg Harbor Twp, N.J. 08234  
Contact: Josephine Grey  
(347) 501-2308

### **LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J.**

NJDMAVA building  
Aug. 19; Sept. 9, 23  
11 a.m. – 4 p.m. (hourly)  
1st Floor/IASD Section  
101 Eggerts Crossing Road  
Lawrenceville, N.J. 08648  
Contact: Josephine Grey  
(347) 501-2308

### **FORT DIX, N.J.**

Housing Community Center  
Sept. 15 (12 – 4 p.m. hourly)  
Building 1134 Hemlock Street  
Ft. Dix, N.J.  
Contact: Josephine Grey  
(347) 501-2308

### **COLTS NECK, N.J.**

Naval Weapons Station Earle  
Sept. 18 (3 – 7 p.m.)  
201 Highway 34 South  
Building C29  
Colts Neck, N.J. 07722  
Contact: Pam Kwiat  
(646) 341-2545

### **MCGUIRE AIR FORCE BASE, N.J.**

McGuire Library  
Sept. 8 (3 – 7 p.m. hourly)  
2603 Tuskegee Airmen Ave  
McGuire AFB, N.J. 08641  
Contact: Pam Kwiat  
(646) 341-2545

### **McGuire Housing**

Aug. 22; Sept. 25  
10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (hourly)  
Jim Saxton Community Center  
3811 South Boiling Street  
McGuire AFB, N.J. 08641  
Contact: Pam Kwiat  
(646) 341-2545

### **108th Wing Airmen & Family Readiness Office**

Sept. 17 (1 – 7 p.m.)  
3327 Charles Blvd  
McGuire AFB, N.J. 08641  
Contact: Pam Kwiat  
(646) 341-2545

### **BROWNS MILLS, N.J.**

Pemberton Community Library  
Sept. 22 (12 – 4 p.m.)  
16 Broadway Street  
Browns Mills, N.J. 08015  
Contact: Pam Kwiat  
(646) 341-2545

### **TOMS RIVER, N.J.**

New Jersey National Guard Armory  
Aug. 18 (10 a.m. – 4 p.m.)  
Sept. 4 (3 – 7 p.m.)  
1200 Whitesville Road  
Toms River, N.J. 08753  
Contact: Pam Kwiat  
(646) 341-2545

### **JERSEY CITY**

New Jersey National Guard Armory  
Aug. 21, 28; Sept. 4, 11  
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. (hourly)  
678 Montgomery St.  
Jersey City, N.J. 07306  
Contact: Darrel Hutchinson  
(646) 354-0126

### **PICATINNY ARSENAL**

Army Community Service Building  
Aug. 19 (10 a.m. – 12 p.m.), 26 (1 – 3 p.m.)  
Building 119  
Dover, N.J. 07806  
Contact: Darrel Hutchinson  
(646) 354-0126

### **BLACKWOOD, N.J.**

Camden County Veterans Affairs  
Aug. 25; Sept. 8, 15, 22  
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. (hourly)  
3 Collier Dr. Lakeland Complex  
Blackwood, N.J. 08012  
Contact: Wil Acosta  
(646) 300-1312

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