



# NJDMAVA HIGHLIGHTS

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### READINESS & MODERNIZATION

#### 108th Wing flies Army National Guard troops on orientation flight



Photos by Master Sgt. Matt Hecht, New Jersey Air National Guard Public Affairs

U.S. Army Soldiers with the 1-150th Assault Helicopter Battalion flew with members of the 108th Wing during a KC-135R Stratotanker orientation flight, which included refueling 177th Fighter Wing fighter aircraft April 21.

<https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjzLHht>

### VETERANS SERVICES

#### Ferrari honored for service to Army Guard, Veterans Haven South



Photos by Sgt. 1st Class Devlin Drew, 444th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Veteran's Haven South Superintendent and retired U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Steven Ferrari was honored for his service during a hail and farewell in Winslow, N.J., April 21.

<https://www.facebook.com/NJDMAVA/posts/366326745519417>

## READINESS & MODERNIZATION

### Leaders break ground for Lakehurst Readiness Center



Photos by Pfc. Michael Hayes, 444th MPAD

U.S. Rep. Chris Smith and Brig. Gen. Lisa J. Hou, the Adjutant General of New Jersey, broke ground on the National Guard Readiness Center at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst during a ceremony April 22.

<https://www.facebook.com/NJNationalGuard/posts/5056841737705095>

## READINESS

### 177th EOD, USSOUTHCOM Partner with Ecuadorian Army



Photos by Lt. Col. Allison Stephens, National Guard Bureau Public Affairs

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. David Bernal, 177th Explosive Ordnance Disposal, recently traveled to Ecuador as part of a team of Air National Guard, active duty Air Force, and civilian personnel from U.S. Southern Command to observe, train, and equip a battalion of demining soldiers.

<https://www.facebook.com/177thFW/posts/5356533821024119>

<https://www.123aw.af.mil/News/Article-Display/Article/2996201/ecuadorian-armys-demining-effort-gets-new-updated-equipment/fbclid/ecuadorian-armys-demining-effort-gets-new-updated-equipment/>

## PEOPLE

### Honorary commanders visit 108th Wing



Photos from 108th Wing Public Affairs

The 108th Wing welcomed honorary group and squadron commanders for a tour of the unit at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst April 21. Participating community members join the Wing for a year to promote better understanding of the wing's operations.

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## PEOPLE/READINESS

### NJ's Best Warriors outrun, outshoot the competition



Photos by Sgt. 1st Class Wayne Woolley, Staff Sgt. Diana Rossi, and Spc. Francis DeLeon, 444th MPAD; Master Sgt. Matt Hecht, NJANG/JFHQ; and Mark Olsen, NJDMAVA

Staff Sgt. Kyle Morrison, Recruiting and Retention Battalion, and Spc. Robert Glocker, 1-114 Infantry Battalion are slated to represent the New Jersey Army National Guard at Region 1 Best Warrior Competition, Niantic, Connecticut, May 10-13.

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## HISTORY

### This Day in History: Civil War submarine finds new berth



Video by Carol Fowler, National Guard Militia Museum of New Jersey

Two years ago, the Intelligent Whale moved to its new home at the National Guard Training Center in Sea Girt, New Jersey.

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/BnNGwjLso3BM8hSr5>

<https://www.facebook.com/ngmmnj/posts/5129434320411906>

## DEVELOPMENT & REFORM

### Class 53 distributes food donations with Fulfill



Photos by Youth Challenge Academy

New Jersey Challenge Youth Academy Cadets spent an afternoon last week volunteering at Fulfill in Neptune, New Jersey.

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## READINESS

### Funeral Honors program Soldiers graduate Level One course



Photos by Master Sgt. Matt Hecht, NJANG/JFHQ

New Jersey Army National Guard Soldiers graduated from the Level One Military Funeral Honors Course at the armory in Bordentown, New Jersey, April 19.

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## DEVELOPMENT AND REFORM

### Invitation: Quarterly Women's Open Forum planned April 29

Brigadier General Lisa J. Hou, D.O., the Adjutant General and Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, will host a quarterly conversational group focused on challenges confronted by women in the Department and the New Jersey National Guard. All personnel, regardless of gender, are welcome to attend and participate in civilian attire. General Hou's goal for the group is to empower and encourage women to achieve their highest potential in the organization. The first meeting is slated 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Bordentown Armory, Annex B, 1048 US-206, Fieldsboro, NJ 08505 Apr. 29. Light refreshments will be provided. The meeting's locations are planned to change quarterly. RSVP by emailing [sarah.b.bernal.mil@army.mil](mailto:sarah.b.bernal.mil@army.mil), [agneta.murnan.2@us.af.mil](mailto:agneta.murnan.2@us.af.mil), and [amelia.c.thatcher.mil@army.mil](mailto:amelia.c.thatcher.mil@army.mil).