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Run For Jorge is a 5K Run/Walk in memory of Staff Sergeant Jorge M. Oliveira who was killed in action in Afghanistan on 19 October 2011. Home Front Hearts, Inc. in conjunction with the 113th Infantry Officer Association is hosting this event at Riverdale Armory on Saturday, 28 September 2013. The funds raised at this event will be used to start a scholarship fund in memory of SSG Oliveira benefiting the family members and Soldiers of the 113th Infantry Regiment.



Location: Riverdale Armory, Newark-Pompton Turnpike, Riverdale, NJ 07457

Date: 28 September 2013

Registration: 8AM – 9AM

Start Time: 10 AM

To register for the race, make a donation or to download a scholarship application, please visit: www.RunForJorge.org

Documentary about Puerto Rican Soldiers to be Screened at Perth Amboy in Celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month

PERTH AMBOY, N.J. – The Puerto Rican Association for Human Development Inc. (PRAHD) in celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month is hosting a special screening of the documentary film “The Borinqueneers” followed by a discussion with the producer and veterans from the 65th Infantry Regiment.

The screening will take place Saturday, Oct. 5, at 2 p.m., at Perth Amboy High School, 300 Eagle Avenue, Perth Amboy. The event is free of charge but you must call to make reservations due to limited seating.

The hour-long documentary chronicles the history of the 65th Infantry Regiment, the only all-Hispanic unit in the history of the U.S. Army. The Regiment was nicknamed “The Borinqueneers,” a term derived from the Taino Indian word for Puerto Rico meaning “land of the brave lord.”

Narrated by Hector Elizondo, the award-winning film relies on interviews with the Regiment’s veterans and rare archival footage to trace the unique experience of the 65th, culminating in the Korean War and the dramatic events that would threaten its very existence.

Following the screening, a panel discussion with director and producer Noemi Figueroa Soulet; retired U.S. Army Col. Gilberto Villahermosa, a military historian; and 65th Infantry Regiment veterans will be moderated by Steve Aduabato Jr., Ph.D., the Emmy Award-winning Anchor, Thir-

teen/WNET (PBS) and Author, “You Are the Brand.” The discussion will be taped for later broadcast. Also on display will be an archival photo exhibit of the Borinqueneers.


“We are proud to host this important documentary and we are thrilled that the filmmaker and veterans will be attending to discuss the role of the Borinqueneers in U.S. history,” said Yvonne Lopez, the executive director and chief executive officer of PRAHD. “This is a great opportunity for everyone, not just Puerto Ricans, to learn about their heritage and contributions to America.

Figueroa Soulet spent nine years researching the story and locating veterans of the regiment, some of whom have since passed away. In emotional interviews, they describe the experience of fighting together in vivid detail.

“Puerto Ricans occupy a very special place in the history of the U.S. Army,” Figueroa Soulet said. “As a former colony and now a commonwealth, we don’t have the right to vote in U.S. elections, and yet we serve in the military and we can be drafted. It’s a paradox, but for many of the veterans of the 65th, it became an incentive to be even more patriotic, to prove themselves in battle 200 percent.”

For more information,

call 973-345-9837 or email JR Acevedo@Borinqueneers.com or visit www.borinqueneer.com.



FREE SCREENING
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THE BORINQUENEERS
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NARRATED BY HECTOR ELIZONDO • A FILM BY NOEMI FIGUEROA SOULET • CO-PRODUCER/DIRECTOR: RAQUEL ORTIZ

We welcome you to attend the screening of this historic documentary film paying homage to the only all-Hispanic segregated unit in U.S. Army history.

Saturday, October 5, 2013 | 2 p.m.

Location: Perth Amboy High School | 300 Eagle Ave, Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

The Borinqueneers will be presented by the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development, Inc. (PRAHD) in Perth Amboy, NJ. Live taping and interviews with Producer Noemi Figueroa Soulet, 65th Infantry Regiment Veterans, and military historian Col. Gilberto Villahermosa (USA, Ret.). There will Q&A session and an archival photo exhibit.

To RSVP call (973) 345-9837 or email JR Acevedo@borinqueneers.com.
Visit us at www.borinqueneers.com or www.prahd.org for more information.

****Seating is Limited****

Screening Host:
Steve Aduabato, Ph.D.
Emmy Award-winning Anchor, Thirteen/WNET (PBS)



Open invitation to Veterans suffering from TBI

The Brain Injured and Stroke Support Group of St. Lawrence Rehabilitation Center in Lawrenceville, N.J., would like to invite all Veterans and their families to join them.

The support group meets the first Wednesday of each month between 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., at the Center’s cafeteria. Join them for interesting and pertinent presentations followed by separate small group sessions to support Brain Injured, Stroke Survivors and their Caregivers.

Peggy DiTommaso, of the Brain Injury Association of New Jersey, will be speaking about “Adjusting to Brain Injury” at the

Oct. 2 meeting. DiTommaso will discuss the changes that occur after brain injury and how you and your family and/or caregiver can adjust to these changes. In addition, she will address the grieving that survivors experience after a brain injury - a topic not often dealt with - and how to cope with it. Furthermore, DiTommaso will present coping strategies that will help you as you move forward.

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Friday November 1, 2013

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. ~ Games start at 7:00 p.m.
National Guard Unit, 101 Eggerts Crossing Road Lawrence N.J.

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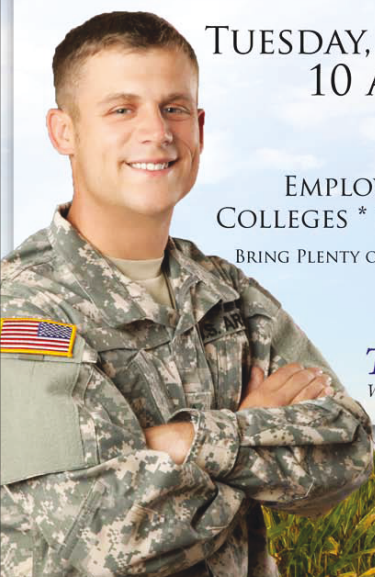
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9am- 2pm**

**1 Johnson & Johnson Plz
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Instant Decision Day will be held on Wednesday, October 9th from 1-5 in the Education Center located at 3829 School House Rd, Room 303. Appointments are available between 9 am and 6 pm.

Requirements for Transfer Students:

Please complete application prior to your appointment (online at admissions.rutgers.edu) and bring in all college transcripts (official or unofficial) from all institutions you attended.

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Save The Date!



You are invited to participate in a special **Wellness Expo and Rally** for **female** veterans and current service members



Military & Veterans Initiative

Tuesday
October 22, 2013
9 am - 4 pm



Rutgers Cook Campus Center
59 Biel Road
New Brunswick, NJ 08901
Parking available in lots 99B & 99C

Women veterans and service members will rally together to:

- Gain information on self-care and empowerment
- Learn about viable training and employment pathways
- Discuss and create a peer mentoring program

The following workshops will be offered:

- Emotional and Sexual Health
- Healthy Cooking and Lifestyle Strategies
- Professional Image Consulting
- Mind/Body Awareness (organizational Feng Shui)
- Intimate Partner Violence/MST/PTS

Keynote Speaker • Giveaways • Chair Massages
Continental Breakfast & Lunch

Easter Seals New Jersey's Military & Veterans Services Women's Initiative. It is our duty and purpose to recognize, document and honor the accomplishments and sacrifices offered in defense of our nation by heroines and patriots of years past, present, and days to come. This program is in partnership with Easter Seals, Inc. and the Dixon Center for Military and Veterans Community Services.

Easter Seals New Jersey | 25 Kennedy Blvd, Suite 600 | E. Brunswick NJ 08816 | eastersealsnj.org

This **FREE** event is open to **FEMALE** Service Members and Veterans

★ RSVP Required ★
by **Friday, October 11, 2013**

Please RSVP online @ <http://goo.gl/lzhpzm>

If you are unable to access the online RSVP form, please email mvscoordinator@nj.easterseals.com



Reflections on "The Invisible War" —Military Sexual Trauma

Wednesday, November 6, 2013 • 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Campus Center Event Room

Registration begins at 4:00 p.m.; program begins promptly at 4:30 p.m.

"Military sexual trauma" or MST is the term used by the Department of Veterans Affairs to refer to experiences of sexual assault or repeated, threatening acts of sexual harassment. MST can be defined as psychological trauma resulting from physical assault of a sexual nature or sexual harassment which occurred while the Veteran was serving on active duty.

Join us for a viewing of the film *The Invisible War* and interactive panel discussion on Military Sexual Trauma.

★ Learn how to identify the signs and symptoms of Rape Trauma Syndrome and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

★ Identify the role of the healthcare provider in threatening the MST survivor

★ Identify community resources to support MST survivors

Cost: \$35 (\$30 before 10/16); Stockton Students \$12.00 (Includes light dinner)

To register for this event visit: www.stockton.edu/csconferences

For questions contact: Continuing Studies

By email: continuingstudies@stockton.edu or by calling 609.652.4227

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**US FAMILY
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US Family Health Care, a Tricare Prime option providing a civilian based managed care network, will be holding Question and Answer sessions to provide information for servicemembers and families.

Joint Military and Family Assistance Center

1048 US Highway 206, Bordentown

September 26

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

JB-MDL McGuire Library

2603 Tuskegee Airmen Ave, JB-MDL

September 23

11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pemberton Community Library

Brownmills, NJ 08015

September 30

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mount Laurel Library

100 Walt Whitman Ave, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

September 20

12 to 4 p.m.

Camden County Veterans Affairs

3 Collier Dr., Lakeland Complex, Blackwood, NJ 08012

September 23 and 30

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Blackwood Armed Forces Reserve Center

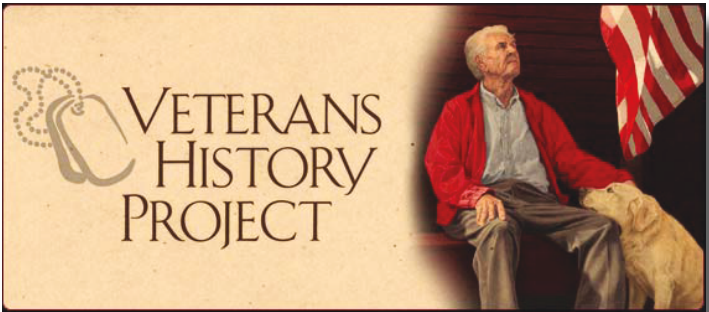
*****RETIREE APPRECIATION DAY*****

390 Woodbury-Turnersville Road, Blackwood, NJ 08012

September 25

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Call 1-800-241-4848 option 3 or visit www.usfhp.net for more information.



Center for U.S. War Veterans' Oral Histories

The National Guard Militia Museum of New Jersey is the home of the Center for U.S. War Veterans' Oral History Project. It is the Center's mission to collect and preserve the memories of veterans through recorded oral history interviews.

This initiative hopes to collect the memoirs of living veterans, as well as artifacts, letters, photographs and mementos from their war experiences. These memories are recorded and housed at the Militia Museum in Sea Girt, N.J. Future visitors, from school groups to retired veterans, will have the opportunity to access this Oral History collection.

The interviews are recorded on videotape and DVD formats and housed at the museum's Sea Girt location, where they are accessible to researchers and scholars. As part of its program of providing historical information to the public, the museum is posting summaries of interviews on the following website: <http://www.nj.gov/military/museum/oralhistory.html>.

To date, the Center's collection contains more than 400 interviews of veterans of all branches of service from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom and other American military campaigns.

The Center for U. S. War Veterans' Oral History Program is an official partner of the Library of Congress Veterans' History Project at Washington, D.C. A record of each interview is filed with that organization. Each interviewed veteran receives a copy of his or her recording in their choice of VHS or DVD format for personal use.

To complete the Oral History Project biographical questionnaire form, please click here: <http://www.nj.gov/military/museum/oralhistoryform.html>.

For further information on access to this collection, or to participate in the program, please visit or contact Carol Fowler at the Museum in Sea Girt at 732-974-5966.

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