



## VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED











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#### TICHTICETTS

### ESGR NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR 2014 SECRETARY OF DEFENSE EMPLOYER SUPPORT FREEDOM AWARD

**ARLINGTON, Va.** – Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), a Department of Defense off ce, is now accepting nominations for the 2014 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award. The Freedom Award is the Department of Defense's highest honor presented to civilian employers for exceptional support of their National Guard and Reserve employees. ESGR encourages Guardsmen and Reservists, or family members acting on their behalf, to submit nominations at <a href="https://www.FreedomAward.mil">www.FreedomAward.mil</a> by Jan. 20, 2014.

Guard and Reserve members comprise nearly one-half of the nation's military force, providing essential services to national security and humanitarian efforts at home and abroad. Supportive employers, with their enduring commitment, have helped keep our military strong and our Nation secure.

"Across the Nation, employers have shown noteworthy support to their service member employees and families," said Paul Mock, ESGR National Chair. "Whether on routine duty, responding to natural disasters or serving in a deployed location, employers who encourage military service make it easier to serve. By submitting a Freedom Award nomination, a member of the National Guard or Reserve can acknowledge and thank their employer for the critical role they play in our Nation's defense."

Each year, up to 15 deserving employers are selected as Freedom Award recipients and honored in Washington, D.C. Examples of past recipient support include continued benef ts and healthcare for deployed service members, home maintenance and childcare support and veteran hiring initiatives. Service members who have received exemplary employer support should submit their nominations for the Freedom Award today.

#### **About ESGR and the Freedom Award:**

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, a Department of Defense off ce established in 1972, develops and maintains employer support for Guard and Reserve service. ESGR advocates relevant initiatives, recognizes outstanding support, increases awareness of applicable laws, and resolves conflict between ser-



vice members and employers. Paramount to ESGR's mission is encouraging employment of Guardsmen and Reservists who bring integrity, global perspective and proven leadership to the civilian workforce. On behalf of the Secretary of Defense, ESGR runs the annual Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award program. Created in 1996, the Freedom Award has been presented to 190 employers.

For questions or information on the Freedom Award, please contact Beth Sherman, ESGR Public Affairs, at 571-372-0705 or by email at OSD.ESGR-PA@mail.mil.



Soldiers from the 21st Civil Support Team (Weapons of Mass Destruction) participate in a maritime familiarization training with the Portland Fire Department Maritime Division, Maine, Nov. 5, 2013. (Courtesy photo)



Senior Airman David M. Savino checks the snugness of cargo webbing as Airmen from the 108th Contingency Response Group conduct training in the cargo assembly function at the 108th Wing at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Nov. 2, 2013. Airmen are being trained to prepare cargo for deployment and ensuring that it meets airworthiness standards. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Master Sgt. Mark C. Olsen/Released)

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**



# TRAINING CENTER AT SEA GIRT GETS NEW CO

Maj. William Bono, left, receives the colors of the 2nd Battalion, 254th Combat Arms Regiment, New Jersey Army National Guard from Brig. Gen. Michael L. Cunniff, The Adjutant General, during the change of command ceremony at the National Guard Joint Training Center, Sea Girt, N.J.. Lt. Col. Willie Forman, center, relinquished command after nearly two years at the helm of the training battalion that conducts Off cer Candidate School and other military courses. When not in his ACUs Bono wears the uniform of the Wall Township police. (Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Kryn P. Westhoven, JFHQ-PA)



## MILITARY APPRECIATION

NOVEMBER 10TH - 11TH, 2013



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NOVEMBER 10TH AND
VETERANS DAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, 2013,
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ALL ORDERING DEADLINES ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED

November 20-24, 2013



Opening Night: Wednesday, November 20, 2013 at 7:00 pm TICKETS JUST \$15*						
THURSDAY November 21	FRIDAY November 22		SUNDAY November 24			
		11:00 am 🔷				
		3:00 pm	1:00 pm			
7:00 pm 🔷	7:00 pm 🔷		5:00 pm			
Special pricing only applies to performances highlighted in RFD						

Special Pricing: \$25

Regular Ticket Prices: Rinkside \$80 ● Gold Circle \$50 ● \$30 ● \$20

A \$3.50 per ticket facility fee will apply. Deadline to order: Thursday, November 14, 2013 @ 12:00 PM EST

November 26-December 1, 2013



East Rutherford, NJ

Opening Night: Tuesday, November 26, 2013 at 7:00 pm TICKETS JUST \$15*						
WEDNES- DAY November 27	THURSDAY November 28	FRIDAY November 29	SATURDAY November 30	SUNDAY December 1		
11:00 am	11:00 am	11:00 am	11:00 am			
		3:00 pm	3:00 pm			
7:00 pm ◆	7-	7:00 pm ◆	7:00 pm ◆	7:30 pm		
Special pricing only applies to performances highlighted in RED 🔷						

Special Pricing: \$30
Regular Ticket Prices:
Rinkside \$85 • Gold Circle \$60 • \$35 • \$25

A \$1 per ticket facility fee will apply.

Deadline to order: Thursday, November 21, 2013 @ 12:00 PM EST

\*Offer does not apply to Opening night, Rinkside, Gold Circle, \$25 or \$20 seats. A \$5 per order processing fee will apply.

No double discounts. **Children ages 2 and older require a ticket. NO REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES - ALL SALES ARE FINAL.** Tickets subject to availability. This flyer is NOT a coupon and <u>CANNOT</u> be redeemed at the box office. You must contact Joanne Towne to take advantage of this offer.

### PATRIOT CONNECTIONS

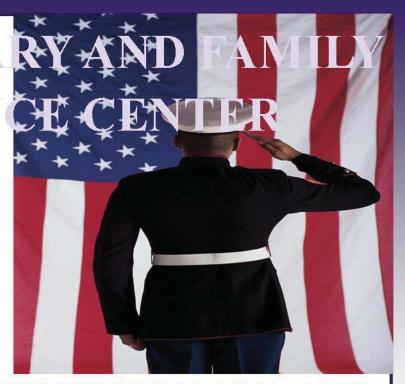
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### MILITARY COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR



November 13, 2013

1048 US Highway 206

Bordentown, NJ 08505

3:00-8:00 PM

Recreation

Education



**Mental Health** 

Medical

**Pet Therapy** 

**Disaster Preparedness** 

**Financial** 

Housing

**Raffle Drawings** 

**Transition** 

**HealthCare** 

**Veteran Resources** 

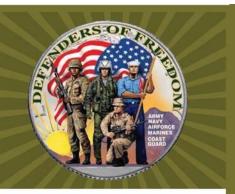
Employment FREE RESOURCES Dental



**Special Needs** ID Cards(DEERS/RAPIDS) Child & Youth

Enjoy light refreshments as you meet the Staff and Resources in attendance.

# GIVE THANKS MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY! SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16TH







- S4 Army, Navy store
- HD Wiley Dale Corvino
- Shoei Police and HJC Luis Ortega
- Maxum Cigars
- Bell and Roland Sands Marc Grossman
- Door prizes!
- H-D Survival Strap
- Leather Patch Adam Yuzuk Buy/bring a patch, get it sewn on here!

Stratman Harley's Heros Collectible T-shirt all proceeds from T-shirt sales goes to the DAV

- Jerzey Tattoo Bruce Walker
- Donate \$10 or more and spin the BCH-D Prize Wheel!





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#### Door prizes donated by:

- · VF Gene Caponigro
- · Survival Strap- Michele Brown
- Jerzey Tattoo Bruce Walker
- HD Wiley Dale Corvino



Sign our banner and send a message to our troops! First 200 to sign get a limited edition sticker!



Proceeds from the day go to the NJ National Guard Child & Youth Program





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