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Chief Warrant Off cer 2 Alexander M. Mulqueen assists New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home Vineland resident Constance Holden at the Home's bowling alley during the New Jersey National Guard Counterdrug Task Force's annual visit to the Home in Vineland, N.J., Nov. 12, 2014. NJNG CDTF Soldiers and Airmen have been visiting the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Homes in Menlo, Paramus and Vineland as part of their veteran outreach program for the last six years. (U.S. Air National Guard Photo by Master Sgt. Mark C. Olsen/Released)

GUARD FAMILIES SEE FIRES IN ACTION

By Sgt. Bill Addison, 444th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

Patricia Marcoux was apprehensive when her son joined the New Jersey Army National Guard more than a year ago.

That apprehension swelled to pride and conf dence Sunday, after seeing her son, Pfc. Jake Marcoux, and his team f re a 105mm howitzer cannon directly at a tank at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.

"It gives me a great sense of pride and a great sense of comfort," she said. "I couldn't be prouder of my boy that he's doing something so incredible."

It was all part of the 112th Fires Battalion's family day, a chance for families to come out to the ranges and see what their Soldier does while away at drill, annual training or even possibly while deployed.

"I think it is extremely important for us to share with our loved ones what we do on drill," said Lt. Col Robert Hughes, 112th Fires Battalion commander. "Until you actually hear and see artillery live f re, it really is indescribable."

More than 100 family members converged on the range complex of JB-MDL to witness their Soldiers in action. They saw more than just the unit's guns in action. They had a chance to learn the history of the f eld artillery and see how



many moving parts come together to put steel on target said Hughes.

Patricia Marcoux also saw the teamwork and professionalism of our citizen Soldiers in action.

"We come from a big sports family and Jake never played sports," she said. "It's amazing to see here he's very secure and part of a team."

For her son, 21-year-old Jake, it also served as a reminder of just how interesting his part-time job as an artilleryman is.

"I reminds us that the mundane things we do to get ready to f re is actually really cool," he said. "People want to see this, people watch movies for this."





STATE HONORS VETERANS

Left to right: U.S. Rep. Jon Runyan, N.J. 3rd District; New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, Brig. Gen Michael L. Cunniff, The Adjutant General of New Jersey, and Raymond Zawacki, Deputy Commissioner for Veterans Affairs, New Jersey Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, render honors after interring the ashes of 4,546 American f ags as the State observed Veterans Day at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Wrightstown, N.J., Nov. 11, 2014. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Master Sgt. Mark C. Olsen/Released)

MILITARY MONORED



Photo left: F-16 Fighting Falcons from the 177th Fighter Wing fy overhead as servicemembers from each branch of the military sing the National Anthem at MetLife Stadium on Nov. 9, 2014. The National Football League honored military members as part of their Salute to Service event. (U.S. National Guard photo by Airman 1st Class Amber Powell/Released) Photo below: Soldiers from the New Jersey Army National Guard's 50th Infantry Brigade Combat Team participated in the pre-game ceremonies at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., Nov. 9, 2014. (U.S. Army National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Nick Young/ Released)



Around the State



Thirty-nine New Jersey National Guard Soldiers and Airmen attended the National Guard Technician Personnel Management Course at the Joint Training and Training Development Center at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Oct. 23, 2014. The course provides indepth instruction on all aspects of supervisory responsibility of full time force personnel management as well as updates and educates the NJNG's supervisory workforce on the Human Resource Off ce's current policies, procedures and resources to facilitate effective personnel management. (Courtesy photo)



Brig. Gen. Michael L. Cunniff, left, The Adjutant General, swears in Col. Charles Demery, center, and Lt. Col. Paul Rumberger as new Inspectors General at Joint Military Family Assistance Center, Bordentowun, N.J., Nov. 10, 2014. (U.S. Army National Guard Photo by Chief Warrant Off cer 3 Patrick Daugherty/Released)



Airmen from the 108th Wing joined service members from Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst for a special live broadcast of ESPN's "First Take" hosted by Stephen A. Smith, Skip Bayless and Cari Champion. The "Salute the Troops" broadcast in honor of Veterans Day was set in the VR-64, U.S. Navy hangar. The show was aired live on ESPN2 at 10 a.m. EST and was replayed throughout the day. (U.S. Air National Guard Photo by Tech. Sgt. Carl Clegg/Released)



Approximately 175 Airmen from Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J. marched in New York City's annual Veterans Day parade on Nov. 11, 2014. The Airmen spanned the enlisted and off cer ranks and included Active, Reserve and Guard members from the 87th ABW, 514th AMW, 305th AMW, 108th Wing and the U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center. The parade, organized in New York since 1929, has over 25, 000 participants and runs for approximately f ve hours on 5th Avenue from 26th Street north to 52nd Street. (U.S. Air National Guard Photo by Tech. Sgt. Carl Clegg/Released)



Change of Command

Soldiers of Alpha Company of the New Jersey Army National Guard's 2-113th Infantry render honors during their change-ofcommand ceremony while deployed in Southwest Asia in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The deployed New Jersey Soldiers make up Task Force Archangel and are providing security at a U.S. Naval facility. (Courtesy photo/Released)





THE STOCKTON COLLEGE Veteran Job Fair

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- Program Details
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UPCOMING INFORMATION SESSIONS

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177th Fighter Wing 400 Langley Road Bldg 229 Egg Harbor Twp, N.J. 08234 Nov. 20 and Dec. 9: 12 - 4 p.m. (hourly) Contact: Josephine Grey, (347) 501-2308

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DMAVA VETERANS OUTREACH CAMPAIGN



Nov. 14 & 15: "Stand Down" Morristown National Guard Armory (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.) 430 Western Ave., Morristown, NJ, 07960

Nov. 14: Veteran Job Fair at Stockton College

Campus Center Event Room (9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.) 101 Vera King Farris Drive, Galloway, NJ 08205

Nov. 20: Regional Veterans Resource & Opportunity Fair First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens (10 a.m. – 2 p.m.) 771 Somerset St., Somerset, NJ 08873 DEC. 10: DMAVA Medal Ceremony "ANMAC" VFW Post #6253 – Berlin (11 a.m.) Hosted by Vietnam Veterans of America Southern New Jersey Chapter #1068 34 Chestnut Ave., Berlin, NJ 08009

Jan. 13 & 14, 2015: DMAVA "Veterans Outreach Campaign" Quaker Bridge Mall (10 a.m. – 8 p.m.) 150 Quaker Bridge Mall, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

DMAVA WILL HAVE A VSO PRESENT AT EACH EVENT TO HELP AND ASSIST ANY VETERAN



School donates to Vets Haven

Superintendent of Veteran's Haven North, Sean P. VanLew Sr, center, accepts a ceremonial check for \$740 from the faculty and students of Hunterdon Preparatory School located in Annandale, N.J., Nov. 5, 2014. The faculty and students held a "Hawk Walk-a thon" to raise money for the Veteran's facility to assist them in their mission. The group also collected donations from the facility's wish list to provide needed items to the facility. (Courtesy photo)