

# TEAM RESCUE

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**Jones Beach Air Show**  
**Empire '09 Plus**  
**101 Critical Days**  
**of Summer**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Special Dates:

August 1 - Wing Formation

September 12 - 102nd Rescue Squadron Flying Competition

September 13 - Change of Command / Family Day

September 14 - 106th Rescue Wing Golf Outing

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## August UTA Menu:

### Saturday

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers  
Baked Beans, Steamed Corn  
French Fries

### Sunday

Sausage, Pepper and Onion Hero  
Grilled Cheese  
French Fries

### On the Cover:

**Main:** Members of the 101st, 102nd, and 103rd Rescue Squadrons demonstrated various rescue maneuvers during the Jones Beach Air Show on May 23 and 24. *Photo by Senior Airman Jose Diaz.*

**Inset:** Members of the 106th Medical Group and 106th Security Forces Squadron took part in Empire '09 Plus in Albany, N.Y. on June 6, 2009. *Photo by Staff Sgt. David J. Murphy.*



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# COMMANDER'S COLUMN

## Family

by Colonel Michael F. Canders

Many years ago, when I raised my right hand and swore an oath to become part of our Nation's Armed Forces, my family was there to witness. It was certainly a proud day for me and for them. Many of you have probably had the same experience as your family or friends witnessed your commitment to Nation and State. We raised our right hands but, as you may recall, our families did not. As I reflect back on my own experience, however, I realize that they might as well have. Their commitment particularly during this time of war, is often equal to ours in uniform and I would argue at times, exceeds our commitment. I say "exceeds" because the level of anxiety and anticipation can sometimes be a bit overwhelming when our Wing members are deployed. This has been a common experience over the recent past and our loved ones don't get to be in those overseas locations and understand the "lay of the land". We typically are very busy in our deployed locations so we may not experience their same level of concern. Often the media is not helpful in this regard and may report violence in a particular area of responsibility that may actually be far from where we are serving. Certainly the separation itself adds to the anxiety.

"Family" doesn't just mean blood relatives, and many families are "non-traditional". I consider many of my friends and extended support

system to be my "family" as I am sure many of you do. Our Wing team is very aware of the importance of family as exemplified by the growth and excellence of our Family Readiness Group (FRG). Mrs. Lisa D'Agostino has been providing FRG leadership for the past four years and, with her impressive group of volunteers, makes sure our families are ready to go! They provide a variety of special events throughout

the year including Galaxy Camp for Kids, Wing appreciation breakfast, deployed family luncheons, deployment departures and returns receptions and children's holiday party to name a few.

Perhaps most importantly they facilitate communications between the Wing members and the families. Lisa is always ready to take a call from a family member. She's been there, done that: Lisa is married to Master Sgt. Jim D'Agostino who deployed to Iraq for 179 days while she and her five young children waited for his safe return. Lisa has first hand knowledge of what our Wing families go through during these deployments.

Lisa will be the first to tell you about her volunteers which are most often other Wing families. They take time from their busy schedules to organize and run so many of the aforementioned special events. Come to a FRG event and you will typically see a group of people that are truly excited and ready to support our Wing families. The FRG board members consist

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Colonel Michael F. Canders

of Master Sgt. Fran Giovelli, Mrs. Debbie Kruk, Mrs. Angi Scaglione, Anthony Russo, Master Sgt. John Kennedy, Anna Glod, Constance Gadman and Regina Angerame. There are many more core volunteers that are always on hand to assist with the events as well as the needs of our families. The 106 FRG volunteers define dedication, patriotism and what it is to be a proud American! Our volunteers range from wing members, to spouses and parents of our members. Some volunteers travel as far as Bayville and Huntington to volunteer for an event. It takes a team, and team players, to accomplish what they have done for the sake of their mission. All in all, the 106 FRG mission is to serve our military's strongest unit ... The Family!

In the twenty first century a special call to serve has been answered by you and by your families in equal fashion. Their love and support enables mission readiness. I am personally very grateful for the sacrifice and service of all of our families and I am proud to serve with you and with them.



# EMPIRE '09 PLUS

Story and Photos by Staff Sgt. David J. Murphy

Members of the 106th Medical Group and 106th Security Forces Squadron joined up with Army and Air National Guard members from around New York state to take part in the Empire '09 Plus exercise on June 6, 2009. The exercise involved a mock terrorist attack wherein the members of the Guard took part in training



*Members of the 106th Security Forces Squadron detain suspected criminals responsible for the simulated terrorist act in a medical tent.*



*Members of different medical groups from the New York Air National Guard worked together with members of the 106th Rescue Wing's medical group in the immediate tent to treat "victims" in dire need of medical attention.*

and certification for their CBRNE (Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear High-Yield Explosives) Enhanced Response Force Package (CERF-P). Guard members had 90 minutes to set up both a decontamination area and medical tents to treat the victims of the mock terrorist attack. Air National Guard medical groups set up two medical tents, one each for victims needing



*Members of the extraction team work together to remove Sgt. First Class Dave Byron, of the Joint Force Headquarters, from the rubble.*

immediate care and for less serious victims.

Air National Guard Medical Groups from the 174th Airlift Wing (AW), 105th AW, 109th AW and 107th Air Refueling Wing worked with the 106th Rescue Wing to provide support for the exercise. The 106th Security Forces Squadron supported the exercise by providing real world and exercise related security.



*After being extracted from the disaster site, "victims" are decontaminated before heading to the medical tents.*



*Staff Sgt. Ernest Penn (left), squad leader for the 105th Military Police Company, speaks to members of the Air National Guard including Senior Airman Rocco Piccolo III (center) of the 106th Medical Group.*



# 101 CRITICAL DAYS OF SUMMER

Story and Photos by Staff Sgt. David J. Murphy

On a sunny May 20, members of the 106th Rescue Wing were treated to a surprise demonstration. During the 101 Critical Days of Summer annual safety presentation held inside the dining facility, a three vehicle accident occurred. The accident, located near the first intersection on base, involved a motorcycle and two SUVs. The people in the two SUVs were injured in the accident while the motorcycle rider died. One of the drivers was intoxicated and the other driver was texting while driving. The motorcycle rider was the only member of the accident who was following the appropriate rules of the

road. The intoxicated driver had minor injuries and was taken away in a police car, the other two victims, whose injuries were worse, left in an ambulance, and the motorcycle driver was taken away in a body bag.

Members of the 106th Rescue Wing went to the scene of the accident to watch members of the Southampton Police Department, the Westhampton Beach Ambulance and the Base Fire department as they attended to the victims. The event was arranged by the 106th Rescue Wing Safety Office and the victims were played by Victoria Alpert, of the Westhampton Beach Ambulance and 106th Rescue Wing members Maj. Scott

Williams and Maj. Michael S. Rutigliano. The event was coordinated as part of the 101 Critical Days of Summer with the main goal of getting "the message out and trying to reduce the mishaps on the roadways," said Senior Master Sgt. Joe Kruk, Ground Safety Officer.



See more photos and video from this event at [www.106rqw.ang.af.mil](http://www.106rqw.ang.af.mil)



**Above:** Members of the Southampton Town Police Department are first on the scene of the mock accident at the 106th Rescue Wing.

**Below:** Members of the Westhampton Beach Ambulance and 106th Rescue Wing Firefighters work together to get one of the "victims" into an ambulance



The only "victim" of the accident was the motorcyclist, who obeyed all moving traffic laws and didn't survive.



Staff Sgt. Jessica Berg, 103rd Rescue Squadron, applies blood and makeup to Maj. Scott Williams, 106th Rescue Wing, before the beginning of the event. Maj. Williams played a drunk driver during the event.

Victoria Alpert, a member of the Westhampton Beach Ambulance, acts as a victim in the mock auto accident on May 20.



## ABU Uniform Results

As a result of a recent Air Force Virtual Uniform Board, several items have been standardized for the utility uniform (ABUs/BDUs):

1. Trousers must be tucked into boots and present a bloused appearance at all times.
2. Tuck in boot laces; excess boot laces may be wrapped around the boot and tucked in. No "Bowtie" boot laces.
3. MAJCOMs authorized to approve wear of black boots with the ABU only in industrial areas IAW 132024Z Feb 09 HQ USAF/A1 Message.
4. Eliminate authority to attach organizational cap to BDU trouser.
5. Upper sleeve pocket approved for fire resistant ABUs authorized for, and worn in only, the AOR.

## Aviators Baseball Schedule

Game Date	Visitor	Home	Location
Jul 15 2009 7:00PM	Westhampton	North Fork	Mattituck High School
Jul 17 2009 5:00PM	Westhampton	Riverhead	Riverhead High School
Jul 18 2009 5:00PM	Westhampton	Southampton	Stony Brook Southampton
Jul 19 2009 12:00PM	Westhampton	Long Island	NY Tech
Jul 19 2009 3:00PM	Westhampton	Long Island	NY Tech
Jul 21 2009 5:00PM	Westhampton	Southampton	Stony Brook Southampton
Jul 23 2009 7:00PM	Westhampton	North Fork	Cochran Field
Jul 24 2009 5:00PM	Southampton	Westhampton	Hite Field
Jul 25 2009 2:00PM	Long Island	Westhampton	Hite Field
Jul 25 2009 5:00PM	Long Island	Westhampton	Hite Field
Jul 26 2009 5:00PM	North Fork	Westhampton	Hite Field
Jul 28 2009 5:00PM	Riverhead	Westhampton	Hite Field
Jul 30 2009 5:00PM	Sag Harbor	Westhampton	Hite Field

## Alumni News

The Chief Master Sgt. William A. Schiffer Scholarship is once again being offered. Two annual \$500 scholarships will be awarded to a high school senior or college student who is an immediate family member, up to and including grandchildren, of an active or retired member of the 106th or Alumni Association. The application must

demonstrate academic potential and a record of extra-curricular activities. The successful candidate must have already been accepted by an accredited institution. Applicants for this scholarship must submit a one-page essay that will discuss "How I Wish to Further My Education". The essay must be submitted in a sealed envelope to the 106th Alumni Association, 150 Old

Riverhead Road, Westhampton Beach N.Y. 11978, no later than 30 Sep 2009. The winner will be selected and the selection will be announced shortly thereafter.

The next meeting of the board will be on Thursday, 20 Aug 2009, at 1730 hours in the old Wing Conference room, building 250. Any past or present members with military ID are welcome to attend.

### GALAXY CAMP '09 IS HERE!

Register now...40 slots available.

10 August 09 – 14 August 09

0800-1400

Military children only ages 8-13

Junior Counselors ages 15-18

For more information call Lisa D'Agostino @ 723-7133

Or visit our public website: [www.106RQW.ANG.AF.MIL](http://www.106RQW.ANG.AF.MIL)

### 106th Rescue Wing Golf Outing

Monday, 14 September 2009

L.I. National Golf Course, Riverhead

\$59pp/1145 check in/1300 shot gun

golf, cart, range balls, lunch

Contact Capt. Fritz

Work 723-7505 - Cell 631-905-5632





*Lt. Col. Brian J. McNamara*

Roy Campanella was a All-Star catcher for the Brooklyn Dodgers until an automobile accident paralyzed him from the

## Chaplain's Corner

by Lt. Col. Brian J. McNamara

waist down. During his recovery he was inspired by a plaque in the hallway. The plaque read:

"I asked God for strength, that I might achieve, but I was made weak, that I might learn humbly to obey.

I asked for health, that I might do great things, but I was given infirmity, that I might do better things.

I asked for riches, that I might be happy, but I was given poverty, that I might be wise.

I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men, but I was given weakness, that I might feel

the need for God.

I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life, but I was given life, that I might enjoy all things.

I got nothing I asked for - but everything I had hoped for. Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered.

I am, among men, most richly blessed!"

Do you see yourself as "richly blessed"? If not, why not? What is it in your life that prevents you from seeing God's tender mercies that Roy Campanella, the quadriplegic, was able to see?

## Family Readiness Group Breakfast

by Master Sgt. Michael Riccardi Jr.

The Family Readiness Group (FRG) hosted its Annual Member Appreciation Breakfast on Saturday, June 6th. This was their way of saying, "thank you for all that you do" to the members of the 106th Rescue Wing, said Master Sgt. Frances Giovelli, the 106th Services

Squadron Prime Ribs Manager and chairperson for the 106th Family Readiness Group.

Most of the breakfast was donated from local communities and from communities as far away as Bayville and Huntington. "We are lucky to have so many volunteers that

wanted to take part in this very special event along with many of our other events," said Giovelli. For more information on up-coming events of the FRG, visit the public website at [www.106rqw.af.mil](http://www.106rqw.af.mil) then go to the Family Readiness Link.



*Members of the 106th Rescue Wing help themselves to the different choices available for breakfast.*

*Photo by Senior Airman Jose Diaz.*



*Family Readiness Group volunteers pose for a photo during the morning breakfast event.*

*Photo by Senior Airman Jose Diaz.*

# 2009 Jones Beach Air Show

by Capt. Alexander Q. Spencer

Members of the 106th Rescue Wing participated in the 2009 Jones Beach Air Show over Memorial Day Weekend. In addition to flying, the 106th Operations Group, 106th Security Forces Squadron and the 106th Recruiting section also contributed a static display to the show.

The five hour air show also included the US Air Force Thunderbirds and the Canadian Force's Snowbirds. The Snowbirds fly the CT-114 Tutor jet and represent the Canadian Forces in a similar way as the Thunderbirds represent the US Air Force.

According to the Jones Beach Air Show web site, there were 45,000 spectators on Friday, May 22 and 186,000 spectators on Saturday May 23. The Sunday show had the largest attendance despite weather cancelling a portion of the day's events.



*The Canadian Force's Snowbirds fly in formation over the Atlantic Ocean during the Air Show at Jones Beach State Park.*



*Senior Airman Jose Diaz*

*Senior Airman Jose Diaz*

*Pararescuemen from the 103rd Rescue Squadron skydive towards Jones Beach after exiting an HC-130 on May 23.*





Senior Airman Jose Diaz

Background: An HC-130 demonstrates an aerial refueling during the Jones Beach Air Show on May 23.



Senior Airman Jose Diaz

A basketball game was set up next to the recruiters station and children of all ages were encouraged to play.



Senior Airman Jose Diaz

A static display with an HH-60 was set up next to the recruiters and PJ's stations during the Jones Beach Air Show.



Staff Sgt. Marcus Calliste

Recruiters and volunteers were on hand to work with members of the community who came out to attend the Jones Beach Air Show.



See more photos and video from this event at [www.106rqw.af.mil](http://www.106rqw.af.mil).

## Raven Training

by Senior Master Sgt. Matt D. Morgan, Raven #1472

By now everyone has heard that we have two new Phoenix Raven qualified Security Forces members within the 106th Security Forces Squadron (SFS). These are the first members of the 106th SFS to graduate from the Air Mobility Warfare Center's Phoenix Raven Program. Since taking over as the Security Forces Manager last July it has been my goal to establish this vital force protection program. It is one of the first things that my personnel were requesting from me when they found out that I too am a Raven. Our new Training Manager Master Sgt. Gary Calhoun worked hard to secure the slots. That combined with Tech. Sgt. Terry Maler and Staff Sgt. Anthony Legotti giving 150% to graduate this intensive course has gotten our Raven Program off the ground. These members are bringing back a skill set that they can pass on to our squadron, enhancing the overall mission of the 106th SFS. Many of you may not know what it means to be a Raven, so let me try and shed some light on that for you.

The Raven program came into existence after two children stowed away in the wheel well of an unsecured C-141 in Mongolia and an aircraft guarded by host nation forces was damaged at a Senegalese airfield. The Commander of the Air Mobility Command (AMC) determined that although geographic commanders had overall force protection (FP) responsibility in their areas of responsibility, providing adequate FP was problematic in locations without a US military presence. In the aftermath of the bombing of Khobar Towers in 1996 and as a result of other serious events around the world, the former AMC Commander Gen. Walter Kross, and former 436th Airlift Wing commander, directed implementation of the Phoenix Raven Program in February 1997 under the leadership of former AMC Security Forces director and Air Force security forces officer, Col. Lawrence 'Rocky' Lane. Colonel Lane started the Raven program in 1997 and earned him the title Raven #1 after graduating in the first Raven class that same year. Since then, Ravens from within the command and Raven-trained security forces from outside the command, have accompanied over 1,900 AMC missions to international hot spots around the globe.

Ravens are a special breed of Security Forces members. We are members who have readily accepted

the responsibility to ensure the success of our force protection mission. We are all volunteers who are ready to deploy at a moment's notice to provide protection for Department of Defense assets around the globe.

Completing Phoenix Raven Training is no easy task. As they say at the AMC Warfare Center, "We simulate nothing." You will be tested like you never have been within Security Forces. You will be punched in the face. You will fight both the instructors and fellow Raven students. I myself walked out of my ASP evaluation with two black eyes. Your day begins with a three to six mile formation run, followed by many hours in the REDMAN Room. It is better known to students and instructors as the International House of Pain. A lot of blood and sweat will be spilled in the IHOP. The PT sessions in the

IHOP, or smoke sessions, consist of various movements. Sets of 150 four count pushups, 300 four count flutter kicks, 500 four count side straddle hops are common place in the IHOP. Simply returning there with public affairs for the photo op sent chills down my spine. You experience full contact Use of Force scenarios that give the Security Forces member an understanding of the Use of Force continuum and its application that is unparalleled in our career field. The training is the best that I have ever received in my Air Force career. The Phoenix Ravens sole training course is conducted by the 421st Ground

Combat Readiness Squadron, Air Mobility Warfare Center Fort Dix, N.J.

The Raven training program is an intensive three-week, 14-hour-a-day course covering such subjects as cross-cultural awareness, legal considerations, embassy operations, airfield survey techniques, explosive ordnance awareness, aircraft searches, and unarmed self-defense techniques. The students receive nearly 130 hours of instructional training during their nearly three weeks of training. There is more than 100 hours of classroom academics along with anti-terrorism training, pressure point control techniques and sections on the collapsible baton and weapons. In addition, the students have to pass a rigorous physical training regimen. Phoenix Raven training is designed to provide security forces members with the skills required for their unique mission and



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# CAREER NEWS/OPPORTUNITIES

## Basic Training and Technical School Graduates

### ***Air Force Combat Dive Course***

Panama City, FL

Airman 1st Class Christopher Petersen

### ***Air Transportation Apprentice***

Lackland AFB, TX

Staff Sgt. Raymond J. Ingua

Staff Sgt. Eric C. Lipinsky

Staff Sgt. Edwin Pelaez

Airman 1st Class Dennis H. Bhola

Airman 1st Class Peter M. Lapiana Jr.

### ***Aircrew Flight Equip Apprentice***

Sheppard AFB, TX

Staff Sgt. Jose F. DelaRosa

### ***Basic Military Training, USAF***

Lackland AFB, TX

Airman 1st Class Leonard Alvarez

Airman 1st Class Michael A. Cserenyi

Airman 1st Class Michael J. Desz

Airman 1st Class Brandon M. Guarrasi

Airman 1st Class Steven A. Jones

Airman 1st Class Michael R. Lalonde

Airman 1st Class Matthew Weingarten

Airman 1st Class Robert Witters

### ***Combat Rescue Officer, Adv. SERE***

Fairchild AFB, WA

1st Lt. Ronnie S. Maloney

### ***Commissioned Officer Training***

#### ***Course for Air Force Reserve***

Maxwell AFB, AL

Capt. Walter S. Curtice

Capt. Dimitris Kilimitzoglou

### ***Fuels Apprentice***

Sheppard AFB, TX

Staff Sgt. Theodore J. Sarrica

### ***Health Services Administration***

Sheppard AFB, TX

1st Lt. Mark Wilborn

### ***Knowledge Operations Management***

Keesler AFB, MS

Airman 1st Class Tyra N. Harris

### ***Major Command Airman***

#### ***Leadership School***

Charleston AFB, SC

Senior Airman Kevin R. Keller

Senior Airman Nicholas P. Meyer

Senior Airman Andres M. Velasquez

### ***Material Management Apprentice***

Lackland AFB, TX

Airman 1st Class Patrick J. Williamson

### ***Mission Pilot Initial Qualification***

Kirtland AFB, NM

Maj. Scott Minas

### ***Operations Intelligence Apprentice***

Goodfellow AFB, TX

Senior Airman Sean Griffin

### ***Pavements and Construction Equipment Operator Apprentice part I***

Ft. Leonard Wood, MO

Tech. Sgt. Chakka O. Baptiste

Staff Sgt. Alex Chi

Airman 1st Class Sadiki Drayton

Airman 1st Class Sergey Klebleyev

### ***Phoenix Raven Qualification Course***

Ft. Dix, NJ

Tech. Sgt. Terry R. Maler

Staff Sgt. Anthony J. Legotti

### ***UH-60 Helicopter Repairer***

Fort Eustis, VA

Airman 1st Class Dennis W. March

### ***Vehicle Maintenance and Equipment Apprentice***

Port Hueneme, CA

Master Sgt. John L. Mirando III

## Recent Promotions

Master Sgt. Thomas G. Connell

Tech. Sgt. Jonathan D. Dinoto

Tech. Sgt. Joseph N. Graziano

Tech Sgt. Andrea H. Scott

Tech. Sgt. Jessica H. Berg

Staff Sgt. Phillip J. Dwyer

Staff Sgt. Kemroy L. McLeggon

Staff Sgt. Christina Perrone

## New Members

Joel Camacho

Mark Rodriguez

Robert Siebelts

Prim Deblois

Tyler Boyer

Keith Gibiser

Michael Harris

## Recent Reenlistments

Chief Master Sgt. James Bellissimo

Chief Master Sgt. Pamela A. Malatestinic

Chief Master Sgt. Robert B. Marks

Master Sgt. Richard F. Defelice

Master Sgt. Blanca J. Dobbins

Tech. Sgt. Peter J. Bernet

Tech. Sgt. Patrick T. Kearney

Tech. Sgt. Malcolm M. Timoney

Staff Sgt. Daniel P. Cardineau

Staff Sgt. Raymond M. Gallo

Staff Sgt. Adam R. Shene

Staff Sgt. Crystal L. Larose

Senior Airman Eric V. Auletta

Senior Airman Brian D. Smith

Senior Airman Gilbert Perez

## Community College of the Air Force Graduates

### ***A.A.S. Allied Health Sciences***

Tech. Sgt. Mark Erickson

### ***A.A.S. Information Management***

Staff Sgt. Raymond Ingua

### ***A.A.S. Weather Technology***

Senior Airman Gregory Glover

# WING PHOTOS



See more photos from this event at:  
[www.106rgw.ang.af.mil](http://www.106rgw.ang.af.mil)



**Above:** Members of Lima company come back to America after being deployed to Afghanistan on May 13, 2009. From left to right: SrA Chris Clay, SrA Richard Berni, SSgt Shawn Denton, TSgt Brian Cavanagh, TSgt Eric Cohen, A1C Paul Cange.

Staff Sgt. David J. Murphy

**Left:** Senior Airman James J. Bavaro, 106th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, receives a moment of appreciation for his service and safe return from deployment during a Mets/Phillies game at Citi Field in Flushing, N.Y. on June 11, 2009. Senior Airman Bavaro returned from his Afghanistan deployment in early May and was joined at the game by three of his friends, Dave Shearer, Phil Ebel and Brendan Primus.

**Center left:** On behalf of the MTA Transit Veterans Association, Senior Master Sgt. Steve Krajewski (left) and SSgt Thomas Dewey of the 106th Logistics Readiness Squadron, accepted an appreciation plaque from NYS Governor David Patterson during this year's Memorial Day ceremonies which were held on the USS Intrepid - Air, Sea and Space Museum.

The appreciation plaque recognized the MTA Transit Veterans Association, which Senior Master Sgt. Krajewski co-founded in 2008. Currently the Transit Association includes 350 veterans who are employed by the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and its' agencies.



Progress on the new Guardian Angel building complex proceeds on June 16.



Lisa Pozgay, the Remote Designee in Civilian Personnel, was selected for the 2008 Air National Guard Civilian Personnel Specialist of the Year for the 106th Mission Support Flight, now known as the 106th Force Support Squadron and received the award from 106th Mission Support Group Commander, Lt. Col. Mary Ann Cline, at an awards ceremony on June 18, 2009.

Staff Sgt. David J. Murphy

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**Above:** Members of the 106th Rescue Wing came out to Sylvan Avenue Elementary School, in Bayport, N.Y., to help promote Flag Day on June 15, 2009. Senior Master Sgt. Harold L. Erickson, Senior Master Sgt. Roy A. Malatesnic and Staff Sgt. Tim Li, of the 106th Communications along with Tech Sgt Mark C. Erickson, 106th Medical Group, conducted the Flag Day ceremony for the school.



Photograph courtesy of the National Museum of the United States Air Force



Staff Sgt. David J. Murphy

by Master Sgt. Michael Riccardi

The 106th Security Forces family welcomes its newest member Savannah Legotti, born to Anthony and Sandra Legotti. Savannah is their second child, the first being their son Anthony Jr.

Anthony was away for Security Forces, Phoenix Raven training when Savannah was born. After returning, Anthony was soon redeployed. It has been tough on them said Tech. Sgt. Terry R. Maler, of the 106th Security Forces Squadron, close friend of Legotti, Raven-training classmate and Godfather to Savannah. According to Maler, Sandra Legotti is the perfect military wife because she is so supportive of Anthony and of the mission here at the 106th Rescue Wing.

Besides being away from the family, the Raven training itself was very tough, said Maler. The three weeks of Raven training was comparable to his six months at the New York State Police Academy said Maler.

*Nuclear-tipped missiles were housed at the BOMARC base on Old Country Road in Westhampton from 1959 until 1964. BOMARC stands for Boeing (BO) and the University of Michigan Aeronautical Research Center (MARC)*

# RECRUITER NEWS

## Need Cash? Got Recruits?

Become a member of our G-RAP Team

The G-RAP program was designed for drill status individuals and retirees who voluntarily apply to serve as part-time Recruiter Assistants (RA). The G-RAP program is not open to AGRs or Technicians, however, they can receive time-off awards for recruits they bring into the Wing. Recruiter Assistants will be paid for non-prior and prior service enlisted accessions. To become a Recruiter Assistant log onto [www.guardrecruitingassistant.com](http://www.guardrecruitingassistant.com) and follow the prompts. You will go through a brief acceptance and training program



leading to your RA certification. Once certified you will be able to refer qualified applicants to 106<sup>th</sup> recruiters leading to payment. As a Recruiter Assistant you will receive \$1,000 for any non-prior enlistment and another \$1,000 upon shipment to Basic Military Training. For prior service enlistments you will receive \$1,000 after enlistment and another \$1,000 upon recruits completion of third drill. For more information contact the recruiting office at (631) 723-7458.

\$\$\$ 106<sup>th</sup> Airman have earned \$198,000 dollars to date! \$\$\$

### DO YOU NEED \$4000?

Air National Guard Recruiting Assistants, can now earn \$4000 dollars for enlisting a prior or non-prior officer to join the 106<sup>th</sup> Rescue Wing. Recruiting Assistants still continue to earn \$2,000 for each enlisted member that enlists and reports to Basic Training or for each prior service member who completes a 90 day affiliation with the unit. Additionally, AGR members will earn 3 days of leave and Technicians will earn 27 hours of leave for each qualified recruit.

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Mrs. Sally Cassella (631)723-7339

THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES IN **MECHANICS** AND **ELECTRONICS** CALL A RECRUITER FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION

### FALL SEMESTER '09

#### NYS EDUCATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM

sign up NO LATER THAN 02 AUG 2009  
PLEASE DO NOT WAIT TILL LAST MINUTE

Bring completed applications to  
Master Sgt. Kennedy,  
Retention Office Manager, Ext. 7454

Please Join us for

#### The 106th Rescue Wing's Family Day

Sunday, September 13, 2009: 1100 - 1600

Food, Drinks and Entertainment

Games and Attractions

Members are free

Tickets for Dependents will be \$2 each

POC for tickets are:

CMSgt Leis (631) 723-7381

email: [marcelle.leis@ang.af.mil](mailto:marcelle.leis@ang.af.mil)

CMSgt Manno (631)723-7413

email: [diana.manno@ang.af.mil](mailto:diana.manno@ang.af.mil)

### ON-SITE COMMISSARY SALE

**When:** August 8th & 9th, 2009  
1000-1600 hrs.

**Where:** NY Army National Guard  
201 Schaefer Drive  
Ronkonkoma, N.Y. 11779

**MUST HAVE MILITARY ID  
TO GAIN ACCESS**

Questions regarding items please contact:  
Mrs. Laraine Figliuolo  
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builds on the basic security force skills.

The HQ AMC Director of Security Forces is the focal point for all Phoenix Raven operations supporting AMC airlift operations. On behalf of the AMC/SF Director, a Phoenix Raven Program Manager serves within the staff as the interface between the headquarters' staff and the units. In addition to the Raven Program Manager, the AMC/SF Contingency Branch coordinates with other major commands, and Air Reserve Component Security Forces to ensure Raven-trained personnel are available at overseas en route locations to support AMC missions unexpectedly diverted.

AMC has over 200, active-duty Raven trained security forces members assigned at bases nationwide. A small portion of the trained force is maintained at Charleston AFB, Dover AFB, Travis AFB, McChord AFB and McGuire AFB and at limited bases within the European and Pacific Theaters. Besides the active-duty corps, the AFRC and ANG community also maintain Raven trained personnel to support their significant contribution to the airlift missions throughout the world.

Next to my son being born, the proudest day of my life was attaining my Raven patch and receiving my Raven number (#1472). When you receive that number you know that it is yours for all time. My challenge coin with my Raven number is displayed proudly on my son's night stand. When you separate from the service that number stays with you, as I am sure our newest Ravens Tech. Sgt. Maler (Raven #1779) and Staff Sgt. Legotti (Raven #1777) can attest. To a Security Forces member it means attaining a goal that very few within our career field can achieve. With an approximate 20 % wash out rate, those that have the intestinal fortitude to graduate take great pride in their accomplishment and in the Raven Program. To the squadron it means the opportunity to support the flying mission. To the Mission Support Group it means SFS members that are better prepared to support the Wing. To the Wing it means enhancement of Force Protection of Air Force Assets both home station and deployed. To the Air Force it means a total commitment to Global Force Protection.

## 106 RQW Newly Commissioned Officer Vacancy Announcements

<b>Physician Assistant</b>	106th Rescue Wing	Nationwide	Open Until Filled
<b>Chaplain</b>	106th Rescue Wing	Nationwide	Open Until Filled

*Please contact: Master Sgt. Dickie Lochren (631) 723-7339*

## Full Time Vacancy Announcements

*To apply see: <http://www.dmn.state.ny.us/jobs/jobs.php>*

### ***Congratulations! The following scored over 90% on their end of course exams during the last month:***

Maj. Mark R. Wernersbach	Air Command and Staff College	90%
Master Sgt. James M. Storan	Senior NCO Academy	94%
Tech. Sgt. Julius Nelson	Bioenvironmental Journeyman	91%
Staff Sgt. Anthony P. Kirincic	Service Craftsman	91%
Staff Sgt. Nino H. Pesce	Security Forces Journeyman	91%
Staff Sgt. Scott W. Walsh	Security Forces Journeyman	91%
Senior Airman Erica V. Auletta	Security Forces Journeyman	95%

### **Tests will be administered by Base Training as follows:**

Thu 16 Jul 1300	Thu 23 Jul 1300	Wed 29 Jul 1300	Sun 02 Aug 1230	Thu 06 Aug 1300
Tue 11 Aug 0900	Thu 20 Aug 1300	Wed 26 Aug 1300		

**Testing for the UTA will be on Sunday only.**

**To test, members must schedule through their unit training manager, be in uniform, have their ID card, and be at base training 10 minutes prior to start time. Please No food or drink, cell phones, beepers or pagers. No notes or study materials are authorized in the test room. Pencils, calculator (if authorized), and scratch paper will be provided — members are not to bring their own.**



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On May 25, in Southampton, N.Y., Southampton Mayor Mark Epley gave Staff Sgt. Jennifer White, 106th SFS, a proclamation recognizing her for her service in the Air National Guard. The event was part of a larger Memorial Day service and Staff Sgt. White was singled out because she was born and raised in Southampton.

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