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DMAVA HIGHLIGHTS



FEBRUARY 28, 2013



“I Do”

Story and photos by Staff Sgt. Armando Vasquez

Dressed in his dark suit and looking into his wife’s eyes, Raymond Governale said, “I do!” when Rev. Jan W Koczera asked him if he would continue to have Barbara as his wife and continue to live in this marriage?

And with those words, Raymond, on his 10th wedding anniversary renewed his wedding vows to his wife at the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park, Feb. 23.

Surrounded by family and friends, the couple celebrated their anniversary and their wedding vows renewal.

“We met more than 40 years ago,” said Raymond, a World War II Navy veteran. “When my first wife passed away, we reunited and got married.”

Barbara said that they met 46-years ago at an Italian restaurant. “He came to my table and told me he was going to play a song in the juke-box for me.”

That song: “I’ll Take Care of Your Cares” became their wedding song when they got married ten years ago. And as they renewed their vows and exchanged wedding rings, they again promised to take care of each other.



February 23, 2013



P R O M O T I O N S



Army Col. John Petrera is pinned his new rank by his spouse during a promotion ceremony Feb. 24, 2013, at the New Jersey National Guard's Joint Force Headquarters in Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. (Army National Guard photo by Spc. Robert Neill/Released)

P R O M O T I O N S



Army Lt. Col. Bryant Albert is pinned his new rank by his spouse during a promotion ceremony Feb. 24, 2013, at the New Jersey National Guard's Joint Force Headquarters in Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. (Army National Guard photo by Spc. Robert Neill/Released)



2013 Hiring Our Heroes – Lawrenceville, NJ
STUDENT RECREATION CENTER – RIDER UNIVERSITY
 2083 Lawrenceville Road
 Lawrenceville, NJ 08648
 March 21, 2013
 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Join us Thursday, March 21, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for a job fair for veteran job seekers, active duty military, members of the National Guard and reserve components, and military spouses at the Rider University's Student Recreation Center. This event will be FREE for both employers and job seekers. From 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., this event will be open to the public.

EMPLOYERS Must register for FREE at HOH.Greatjob.net	JOB SEEKERS Register for FREE at HOH.Greatjob.net to guarantee admission. Walk-ins welcome but space not guaranteed.
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This veteran career fair and military expo is sponsored by Rider University and the American Legion and conducted by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; New Jersey Committee, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR); the Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Training Service (DOL VETS); the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; NBC News, and other local partners.

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March 14, 2013

FROM 11:00 A.M. UNTIL 3:00 P.M.

Lincoln Financial Field

1020 PATTISON AVENUE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA



- ◆ Job Opportunities - Companies are hiring!
- ◆ Continuing-Education Opportunities
- ◆ Business-Ownership Opportunities



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 For details and directions, visit <https://events.recruitmilitary.com>

2013 VETERANS JOB AND GI BILL FAIR

JOBS BENEFITS EDUCATION AND RETRAINING FOR VETERANS



Monday, March 18, 2013
 10 am - 2 pm

The Paul Robeson Campus Center
 Rutgers-Newark: 350 Martin Luther King Blvd. Newark, NJ 07102
 Co-Sponsored by Rutgers Newark, Rutgers University and the Rutgers Student Veterans Organization

Job Fair Registration Open To:

- ★ Employers looking to hire veterans
- ★ Colleges accepting the GI Bill
- ★ The VA and other Government Benefits
- ★ Non Profits and other agencies providing assistance to Veterans

Employers take advantage of the new Veteran Tax Credit

★ Up to \$9,600 in tax credits per veteran hired ★

Registration includes one six foot table, two chairs, and two lunches.

cost: \$500.00 or free for event sponsors
 Fee includes: Table, chairs, breakfast (for 2) and free parking



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For More Information Contact Alexander Manis at (973) 802-1614 or visit us online at www.gigofund.org



VETERANS

Turn your military experience and other skills into business success with our 'How to Start a Business' workshop



When: Saturday, March 9, 2013
 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Where: Plainfield Senior and Veterans Center, 400 East Front Street, Plainfield, NJ

Cost: FREE
 Refreshments will be served at 10 am

TOPICS

- Assessing your business idea
- Creating a business plan
- Obtaining financial resource information
- Establishing business goals

This event will begin with a presentation on Veterans Benefits by the VFW Memorial Post 7474

This event is open to all current and former service members as well as their spouses, partners and family members.



Hosted by: The New Jersey Veterans Business Outreach Center and The New Jersey Small Business Development Center at Kean



For more information and to register, please contact the New Jersey Veterans Business Outreach Center at (973) 353-3430 or email info@njvetbiz.com



The NJ Veterans Business Outreach Center and the NJ Small Business Development Centers are funded in part through a cooperative agreement with the U. S. Small Business Administration.





Command Sgt. Maj. Earnest Williams Jr., is promoted to his current rank by the Adjutant General of New Jersey, Brig. Gen. Michael L. Cunniff, at a promotion ceremony Feb. 22, 2013, at the New Jersey National Guard's Joint Force Headquarters in Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. (Army National Guard photo by Spc. Robert Neill/Released)

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS Veterans Outreach Campaign

MONMOUTH MALL

March *19, 20 & 21

- * Medal Ceremony at 11:00a.m. on Tuesday, March 19
Kiosk hours 10 a.m. – 8p.m.
180 Route 35 South, Eatontown, NJ 07724
(Monmouth County)

LIVINGSTON MALL

April *9, 10 & 11

- * Medal Ceremony at 11:00a.m. on Tuesday, April 9
Kiosk hours 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.
112 Eisenhower Parkway, Livingston, NJ 07039
(Essex County)

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