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# Press Release

On May 5, 2010 Detective Michael Palmentieri of the Egg Harbor Township Police Department took place in the "Open Your Eyes and Jump" program at the Lakehurst Naval Air Station. Detective Palmentieri tandem jumped with



members of the United States Army Golden Knights Parachute Team. Palmentieri was chosen to take part in the program after he was entered into a contest to participate by First Sergeant Robbins an Army National Guard recruiter based in Northfield. This program is used as a reward for those individuals who include the Army National Guard in community events which in turn helps with their recruiting. Detective Palmentieri has

included the National Guard in yearly events such as DARE Day, which is a fun and educational day at the end of the DARE program.

Palmentieri stated that he was one of 15 individuals who jumped that day. The day included a ceremony, the jump and lunch for the participants and their families. Palmentieri stated the experience was exciting, thrilling and he would do it again in a heartbeat. The program is conducted nationwide. To read about Detective Palmentieri's and others, experiences visit the event website at [www.nancesosa.files.wordpress.com](http://www.nancesosa.files.wordpress.com).

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