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Northern Strike 2016



Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder, Michigan National Guard Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Gregory Vadnais, and Northern Strike 2016 exercise director Lt. Col. Raymond Stemitz, talk with one of the coordinating trainers at the Combined Arms Collective Training Facility located at the Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center in Grayling, Aug. 10, 2016. The CACTF is a full-scale training village that masterfully creates realistic training scenarios including fire rescue, search and clear, tunnel evasion, and many, many others to improve skills for a variety of military and civilian law enforcement occupations, fire, search and rescue, and related security-building situations. Story continued on pages 3 and 4. (Michigan National Guard photo by Sgt. Brandon Ames/Released)

NS16 by the Numbers

Sgt. Jim Bennett

- 6: Michigan Army National Guard MK-2 Bridge Boats were deployed to Lake Margrethe
- 12: Number of Marines who parachuted into Lake Margrethe
- 68 in 72 hours: Number of cases treated at the Camp Grayling Troop Medical Clinic, according to Sgt. 1st. Class Haviland
- 78 and rising: Temperature on main post CGJMTC
- 4,400+ and \$4billion: number of people injured each year and economic losses due to electrical hazards, according to the America Burn Association



Marine Regiment Rehearse Assault on Lake Margrethe

Sgt. 1st. Class Helen Miller

Marines from 25th Marine Regiment rehearse amphibious assault operations on Lake Margrethe in Camp Grayling, Michigan, during exercise Northern Strike 16, while boats from the Michigan National Guard, Sault Ste. Marie-based 1437th Engineers, secure the training area on Aug. 11, 2016. The amphibious training being conducted on the lake marks a first for Camp Grayling and the Michigan National Guard. (Michigan National Guard photos by Sgt. First Class Helen Miller/Released)



From the FOBs



Above: Pfc Wyatt Frank, of Delta Company, 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment based out of Grand Ledge, Mich., explains his maintenance procedures for the UH-60 "Blackhawk" helicopter to the Secretary of the Army, Eric Fanning. (Michigan National Guard photo by Spc. Alan Prince/Released)

To the right: Andy Dominianni from news Channel 3WWMT sits down for an interview with Secretary of the Army, Eric Fanning. (Michigan National Guard photo by Spc. Alan Prince/Released)



A Marine from Company C, 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Reconnaissance out of San Antonio, Texas conducts a free fall jump from an Air Force C-130 aircraft. The jumps are part of Exercise Northern Strike, a multi-agency operation showcasing the numerous capabilities of the training center. (Michigan National Guard photo by Spc. Alan Prince /Released)



A Marine from Company C, 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Reconnaissance out of San Antonio, Texas carries his parachute and equipment after completing a 13,000 foot jump from an Air Force C-130 aircraft. The jump was part of the multi-agency Exercise Northern Strike at Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center. (Michigan National Guard photo by Spc. Alan Prince /Released)

Governor Snyder visits Northern Strike 2016

Sgt. Brandon Ames

LANSING, Mich.--Michigan Governor Rick Snyder flew north from Lansing on Wednesday, to the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center, in Alpena, and to the Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center, in Grayling, Aug. 10, 2016, to observe military capability-building in action during exercise Northern Strike 2016.



Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder is greeted by the Adjutant General of the Michigan National Guard, Maj. Gen. Gregory Vadnais, to begin a tour of training exercises being conducted during Northern Strike 2016 at the Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center in Grayling, and the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center in Alpena, Aug. 10, 2016. (Michigan National Guard photo by Sgt. Brandon Ames/Released)

"The Michigan training grounds for military members, law enforcement, and other security-related groups at Camp Grayling and Alpena CRTC are, without a doubt, the best in the country," said Snyder. "I've met men and women from all over the world here today, working together to improve their skills and better protect life, land and liberty. The work that went into planning exercise Northern Strike 2016 is evident in the value military members say they are getting from their time spent here. I am confident that anyone who witnessed these focused men and women at work would feel safer and confident about the security of our state and nation, global security is truly the key to peace."