‘Technician of the Year’

STCC student honored for work at Barnes Air National Guard Base

Springfield Technical Community College student Daniela Rizzari works at Barnes Air National Guard Base, where she makes sure the men and women at the 104th Fighter Wing are medically ready for any deployment.

As a medie, she conducts vision exams, immunizations, blood draws and other health checks for the pilots, among other duties.

In recognition of her hard work and accomplishments over the past year, Rizzari in January was named Technician of the Year and also won the 2018 Wing level award for excellence.

“I won the Technician of the Year for my medical group, which put me in the running for the Wing award, which I won for my whole base,” said Rizzari, 32, of Springfield, a senior airman at the 104th.

“It made me feel really good. As a medical group, we aren’t a lot of people, so it was a huge honor to have my group be recognized,” said Rizzari, a Liberal Arts Transfer student who has been taking mostly science classes at STCC.

According to a 104th Fighter Wing press release, Rizzari was named Technician of the Year for her dedication to the medical career field, added.

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