

“ *Miracle on the Hudson* ”

Jason's Cradle® plays a vital role in this “Miracle”



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New York CBS

“Most of the responding crews used a rescue tool called **Jason's Cradle**, which the stranded passengers used to climb off the plane and onto the ferries.”



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NEW YORK (CNN)

“Mike Starr, a ferry operations manager, credited a hammock-like maritime rescue tool called a **Jason Cradle** with helping save passengers from the water as quickly as possible.”

WNYC

“Also responding was 20 year-old Brittany Catanzaro, the company's first female captain. Some of the dozens of plane passengers her crew pulled to safety had no life jackets.

CATANZARO: We used our **Jason's cradle**. It hangs off the bow of the boat and it drops into the water and we have the option of hoisting somebody up or they have the option of climbing.”



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Video Link: <http://edition.cnn.com/2009/US/01/16/udson.plane.videos/index.html>

WPIX News

“Some passengers let out cheers when the ferry Thomas Jefferson, piloted by Capt. Vincent Lombardi, pulled up. It was the first of 14 vessels to render aid.

"We had to pull an elderly woman out of a raft in a sling. She was crying. ... People were panicking. They said, 'hurry up, hurry up,'" he said.

But the evacuation was orderly, he added. Lombardi's crew plucked 56 passengers from the jet's wing and life rafts, hoisting some aboard using a device - half sling, half ladder - called a **Jason's Cradle**. Wide-eyed ferry passengers, their evening commute disrupted, helped out, tossing life jackets and ropes to the crash victims below. Catanzaro's boat picked up another 24.”