

| July changes [as of 7/31] |                |
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| C FUND                    | - 3.10 percent |
| I FUND                    | - 2.39 percent |
| S FUND                    | - 4.57 percent |

## Potassium Iodine distro Tues., Wed. at Ike Hall

By Eric S. Bartelt  
Sports Editor

A short 10 miles down the Hudson River from West Point is the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant, a source of electrical power and energy.

That source of powerful vitality also comes with great destructive peril if a leak would ever come from one of the reactors at the Indian Point facility.

With that potential cloud hanging over West Point's head, all Soldiers, their Family members, DOD civilians and contractors will get a chance Tuesday and Wednesday to pick up Potassium Iodide tablets.

Potassium Iodide [also known as KI] is a drug approved by the Food and Drug Administration that prevents the human thyroid gland from absorbing radioactive iodine.

"If there were ever a nuclear accident [at Indian Point], iodide radiation would probably leak out of there," said Joseph Pfanzer, West Point Emergency Management director, "and [the KI tablet] is a prophylactic for that type of radiation."

Major Richard Cichy, Keller Army Community Hospital's Chief of Public Health, said it is important to take the KI tablet within four hours of an incident because it will limit the damage that the

radiation can do to a person's thyroid gland.

"The tablet blocks the radioactive uptake in the thyroid ... essentially ... blocking the radioactive fallout from attacking your thyroid," Cichy explained. "You take one dose, one time and that's considered the protective factor. There are limits [to how long the protection lasts], but there are also limits with the fallout.

"There's potential for negative health impact and simply put, extended exposure time leads to extended opportunities for damage," he added. "KI tablets [can] be taken within the first 24 hours, but the optimum [time to take it] is the first three to four hours [after] the incident occurs."

The distribution of the KI tablets is an Orange County initiative with the involvement of Indian Point and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, according to Cichy.

Keller Army Community Hospital will provide the distribution of the tablets at Eisenhower Hall in the ballroom, while U.S. Military Academy's G-3 [Operations] will provide a schedule for each post agency's personnel to pick up the tablets.

"There are two parts that take place in the ballroom and the Ike Hall Auditorium," Pfanzer stated. "The first part in the auditorium is where people go to get an information briefing. They'll see a video, they'll receive medical screening forms that they will have to fill out and then they will go to the ballroom.

"In the ballroom, there will be a medical screening area if they have questions. There will be qualified personnel to answer any medical questions about whether or not they should take the tablets," he added. "There are some complications [with the tablets] that include an allergic reaction due to shellfish, and they should talk to a qualified

See KI DISTRO on page 3



### CFT training -- 'it's a blast'

Cadet 3rd Class Edward Van Cura begins to roll out wire that will connect to a Claymore mine, which was blasted during the live-fire ambush at Range 2 during Cadet Field Training Sunday. Approximately 1,300 cadets have been participating in CFT since late June. CFT adds another notch to the cadets' leadership belts before they graduate from the U.S. Military Academy and go onto careers in the Army. [See related story on pages 8-9.]

ERIC S. BARTELT/PV

## USMA uniform policy changes

Submitted by  
Maj. Jennifer Minus  
Deputy Adjutant General  
USMA

The new USMA Policy Memorandum 16-07, Uniform and Dress Code Policy, goes into effective Aug. 13.

The major difference from USMA PM 16-06 is in paragraph 4.j: "wear of the Army Improved Physical Fitness Uniform [IPFU]

with reflective belt worn at reverse port arms [right shoulder to left hip] is mandatory for all military personnel conducting physical fitness Monday through Friday from 5:30 to 7 a.m. on the level of the Plain between Thayer Gate and the Catholic Chapel.

The reflective belt must also be worn during inclement weather and periods of limited visibility.

The IPFU is required in the Arvin Cadet Physical Development

Center at all times."

All mentions of the Army Class A uniform were also revised to include the Army Service Uniform [ASU] as an acceptable uniform in this updated USMA PM.

The full PM is on the e-mail server in Outlook in PUBLIC FOLDERS/ALL PUBLIC FOLDERS/USMA/INFORMATION SERVICES/. USMA PUBS&FORMS/USMA POLICY MEMOS.

## INSIDE



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### CFT run back, CBT march out to cause traffic issues Mon.

Submitted by Joe Senger  
DPTMS

West Point workforce personnel can expect delays Monday on Route 293 from Camp Buckner

and Route 218 to Washington Gate and along Washington Road to the Quarters 101 intersection from 5:30 a.m. to approximately 6:40 a.m. Personnel entering or exiting West Point are urged to use Stony

or Thayer Gates during the run time frame. Vehicles traveling on Route 218 from Cornwall will be stopped until the cadet formation has entered West Point.

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## FIRE SAFETY: Check the batteries in your smoke detectors

**Commentary and photo by Chris Reed**  
**Asst. Fire Chief of Operations WPF**

Understanding the danger of having a fire in your home is almost unimaginable. The vast devastation and potential for major injuries and/or loss of life make many people think "this will never happen to me!"

You think that fires only happen in other communities, locations or other people's homes. The fact of the matter is, a fire in your own home is a high possibility. Are you prepared to survive the event? Do you have the proper detection for your family to stay alive?

Everyone knows that having smoke detectors in your home is the correct thing to do, but let's really

take a hard look at the downfalls of this concept. Why do we all know the facts but still choose to ignore this vital detection necessity?

Here are some reasons and facts we do not have working smoke detection in our homes today. The National Fire Protection Association reports that the death rate per 100 reported fires is twice as high in homes without working smoke detectors. An estimated 890 lives could be saved each year if all homes had working smoke alarms.

The breakdown of how the smoke detectors are powered are:

- 67 percent battery only
- 15 percent hardwired with battery back-up
- 14 percent hardwire only.

Now let's look at some of the true reasons why the detectors did not work. In more than half of the

reported fires in which the smoke alarms did not operate, batteries were missing or disconnected. Nuisance alarms was the leading reason for disconnected smoke alarms.

Ok, just think about why you personally made your

smoke detector inoperable in your own home. Some of the reasons may have been:

- Low battery beeping and decided to take it out and never put a new one in
- Poor location and it always goes off when you're cooking or cleaning
- Painting of ceilings or walls
- Just moved into your home and never checked the detector to ensure it works.

What is the Army doing about the smoke detectors in our housing areas? The regulation has changed many times with the development of better codes and better smoke detection systems. As housing units are remodeled or modernized, so should the smoke detection systems to meet the new codes. There are housing units on post that are old and have older smoke detector systems in them, others just have battery-operated smoke detection systems.

It is important to have back-up smoke detection systems in your home. Do not rely on one source

of detection to work 100 percent of the time -- have hardwired and battery back-up, if possible.

The placement of the detector can be vital too. The majority of fire deaths occur at night when people are asleep. The National Fire Alarm Code NFPA 72 says homes must have smoke detectors on every level of the home, including the basement, and outside each sleeping area. New homes are required to have a smoke detector in each sleeping area as well. If you follow this placement concept with any of the smoke detector power sources, you will be safer. Again, the key is to have a smoke detector that is fully operational.

Change the battery in every smoke detector twice a year. An easy way to remember this is to change batteries when the time changes.

The life-cycle of smoke detectors is about five years. Do not rely on old \$10 electronics to last forever.

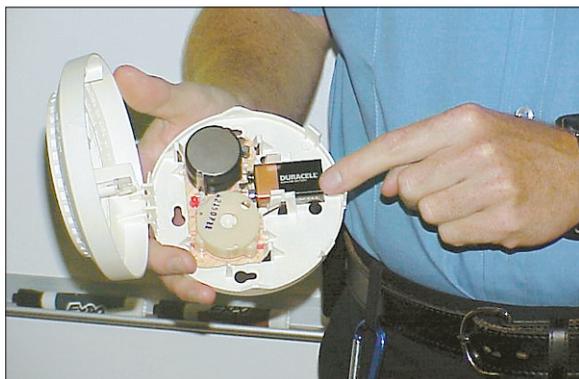
Most families spend more on

their decorative candles than they do to keep their smoke detection systems operational. By the way, candles cause fires in a tremendous number of homes annually.

What should you do if you find that your detection system does not work in your housing unit? Immediately obtain several battery operated detectors. There are no substitutes for smoke detectors.

Contact Family Housing and address the situation. Additionally, each home should be equipped with a few carbon monoxide detectors which can be obtained at Self Help.

Isn't your family worth taking a few extra minutes today to make sure they are all safe?



**Make sure your smoke detector has fresh batteries at least twice a year.**

### Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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|   |   |   | 6 |   | 1 | 4 |   |   |
|   |   |   |   | 6 | 9 | 1 | 4 |   |
|   | 5 |   |   | 1 |   |   | 6 |   |
|   | 4 | 1 | 2 | 8 |   |   |   |   |
|   |   | 2 | 8 |   | 6 |   |   |   |
|   | 7 | 8 |   |   | 3 | 9 |   |   |
|   |   |   | 7 |   |   | 2 |   | 4 |

Rules: Fill in the empty cells with the digits 1-9 so that no

digit appears twice in the same row, column, or 3-by-3 box.

Difficulty: Easy

See Solution on Page 13

## SAPR-P

The members of the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program are Col. Jeanette McMahon, Shelley Ariosto [Garrison], Maj. Maria Burger [USCC], Maj. Kim Kawamoto [ODIA] and Lt. Col. Robbie Williams [Dean]. Community members can e-mail McMahon at [Jeanette.McMahon@usma.edu](mailto:Jeanette.McMahon@usma.edu) for advice or to offer any recommendations on the program here.

Cadets can also call the sexual assault support helpline at [845] 591-7215.

West Point Soldiers and civilians needing assistance can call [845] 938-3369.

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# Local and National News

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medical person.”

The Ballroom will be split up with one side having the medical screening and the other side having the distribution area of the Potassium Iodide tablets. In all, Pfanzelter said, it shouldn't take more than 20 minutes to finish the entire process.

Cichy added that the medical screening portion is very important because, “you'll be asked if you're allergic to shellfish, are you allergic to iodine, do you have any conditions of the thyroid such as hyperthyroidism? That's basically it, because everyone else [medically] is eligible to take this medicine.”

West Point agency personnel each have a two-hour block. Each agency [e.g. -- SJA, MEDDAC, CPAC, etc.] has two hours slotted -- to pick up their KI tablets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tues. and Wed. Then, from 5-7 p.m. each day, there will be a make-up distribution for any personnel or West Point Family members who couldn't pick up their tablets during the earlier hours.

This is the first mass distribution of the KI tablets at West Point since

2003. The lot issued back in 2003 has now expired. The shelf life for the KI tablets is approximately five years.

According to Pfanzelter, incoming personnel can get the tablets at inprocessing or can get the tablets at the KACH Pharmacy if they miss the mass distribution at Ike Hall.

“We'll also have them available, possibly, at the next two or three blood drives. We will have a scheduled period of time where people can come by and get the KI tablets,” Pfanzelter said.

As for the cadets, they will not take part in the Tuesday and Wednesday distribution as they will have their tablets issued by cadet company through the Central Guard Room should an event occur.

Children three years of age and younger will not receive a tablet, as their Potassium Iodide comes in a liquid form. In the event of a nuclear accident, residents of West Point with small children should report to KACH, where they will receive the Potassium Iodide liquid for their children, Cichy said.

One adult member can pick up KI tablets for an entire family, but that is limited to Soldiers and their Family members. Again, others who work on post [either DOD civilians or contractors] can only receive one tablet/one dose for themselves, Pfanzelter said.

Captain Sarah Peris, officer-in-charge of the KI tablet distribution, is in charge of making sure everything runs smoothly and that everyone is at the right place at the right time at Ike Hall.

“I plan to be there as a reference and answer any questions people ask,” Peris said. “I will circulate to make sure everything is running smoothly and that we don't get bunched up.”

If anyone has questions prior to the KI tablet distribution dates, call Pfanzelter at 938-8429.

If someone misses the KI distribution, they can call Pfanzelter or the KACH Pharmacy at 938-

6608 or Occupational Health at 938-5833 during inprocessing.

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The Cadet Basic Training March Out also takes place Monday.

Beginning at 6 a.m. and continuing until 10 a.m., CBT cadets will be conducting a road march from the Washington Hall apron to the Transportation Motor

Pool entrance using Stony, Merritt and Washington Roads.

West Point personnel are reminded to stay alert. The speed limit while passing through marching troops is 5 miles per hour. For more information contact Senger at 938-8859.



# Military munitions study released for public viewing

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- Results from a site inspection for a military munitions response study, part of a Department of Defense-wide program to review locations on and off West Point regarding the potential for unexploded ordnance in areas no longer being used as ranges, has been completed.

During the study, conducted by Techlaw, Inc., a DOD

contractor, technicians assessed, surveyed and tested 19 sites. On West Point, Lee Housing and areas north toward Storm King State Park were reviewed. Privately-owned property included land along the east shoreline of the Hudson immediately north of Garrison, an area north of Cold Spring to the Breakneck Ridge Highway Tunnel and land north of

the academy within the boundaries of the Palisades Interstate Park.

The report includes Munitions Response Site Prioritization Protocol worksheets and scores for each of the sites in the study. These scores will be used by the DOD to assign priorities to all of its munitions response sites.

Members of the public can participate in the scoring process

by providing information relevant to the sites to the West Point Environmental Management Division.

Information evaluated in the scoring process includes land uses, ease of access and the number of people with access to the sites.

Complete study results are available for public review at the West Point Post Library, Building

622, Swift Road, from Aug. 10 to Sept. 10.

Please call the library at [845] 938-2974 for hours and to schedule an appointment.

Members of the public with additional questions regarding the findings may contact the Environmental Management Division at [845] 938-3224 or by fax at [845] 938-4588.

## House appropriators approve 3.5 percent military pay raise

By Brittany R. Ballenstedt  
GovExec

A House panel passed a bill granting members of the military a 2008 pay raise of 3.5 percent July 25. This figure is equal to the adjustment already approved by the House for civilian federal

employees.

The House Appropriations Committee approved the raise during the markup of the fiscal 2008 Defense spending bill. The increase would be half a percent higher than that proposed by the Bush administration.

Last month, the full House

approved a 3.5 percent pay increase for civilian federal employees and, earlier this month, the Senate Appropriations Committee followed suit by approving the same figure for civilians.

This approval of the military raise drew praise from federal labor unions, which have been lobbying

for parity between the military and civilians, as well as a raise higher than the president's request.

The National Treasury Employees Union pushed for a 3.5 percent raise, while the American Federation of Government Employees lobbied for 4 percent.

"NTEU will continue its

efforts to turn this bipartisan support into a fair pay raise, amounting to 3.5 percent, for both groups of federal employees, who work side-by-side in defending our homeland and faithfully serving our country," said Colleen Kelley, the union's president.

## Commission urges improvements to servicemembers' care

By John J. Kruzal

WASHINGTON [Army News Service] -- A commission tasked to fix problems with wounded servicemembers' care presented a 29-page proposal to President Bush July 25 that suggests overhauling the disability-rating system and urges more attention be paid to returning Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans suffering from brain injuries.

In the wake of reports that servicemembers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center were receiving sub-par treatment, President Bush created the bipartisan panel in March, citing a "moral obligation" to provide the best possible care to men and women in uniform.

President Bush welcomed the recommendations at the Oval Office, where he received the draft report, calling the analysis an "extensive search" that highlights "important suggestions" for the best government response to the current system's shortcomings.

"We owe a wounded Solider the very best care and the very best benefits and the very easiest-to-understand system," President Bush said.

The nine-member panel outlined six recommendations:

- Create comprehensive health recovery plans and develop a corps of highly trained coordinators to help servicemembers transition back to military duty or civilian life every step of the way.

- Simplify the way disabilities

are determined and make the compensation system less confusing.

- Improve the system for diagnosing and treating post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injuries and work to make servicemembers less vulnerable to these two signature ailments of the war on terror.

- Significantly strengthen support for Families.

- Develop "My eBenefits," a one-stop Web site and information source for servicemembers that combines Defense Department and Veterans Affairs databases.

- Keep Walter Reed staffed with first-rate professionals until it closes in 2011.

"These are bold, innovative recommendations that are doable

and can be acted upon quickly. Our motto is 'Put patients and Families first,'" said Donna Shalala, a former secretary of health and human services and current co-chair of the President's panel.

"The system should work for the patient, instead of the patient working for the system," she added.

Shalala and former Kansas Sen. Bob Dole chair the nine-member commission. Other members include two veterans wounded in Iraq, the wife of an Army staff sergeant wounded in Iraq, the chairman and chief executive officer of a nonprofit group that builds "comfort homes" for Families of hospitalized military personnel and veterans, two leaders in the health care industry and an expert

on veterans affairs and military health care.

"Our injured servicemembers deserve a system that serves their different needs, supports them and their families while they recover and simplifies the delivery of care and services," Dole said. "We will not let these recommendations sit on a shelf. They need to be acted upon now to improve the quality of lives for our brave men and women and their Families."

The final commission report, including reports from subcommittees and survey findings, was made available to the public late last month.

[Editor's Note: Kruzal writes for the American Forces Press Service.]

## Veterans Affairs' suicide hot line [1-800-273-TALK] begins operations

WASHINGTON [Army News Service] -- To ensure veterans with emotional crises have round-the-clock access to trained professionals, the Department of Veterans Affairs has opened a national suicide prevention hot line for veterans.

"Veterans need to know these VA professionals are literally a phone call away," said Secretary of Veterans Affairs Jim Nicholson. "All servicemembers who experience the stresses of combat can have wounds on their minds as well as their bodies. Veterans should see mental-health services as another benefit they have earned, which

the men and women of the VA are honored to provide."

The toll-free hot line number is 1-800-273-TALK [8255]. VA's hot line will be staffed by mental health professionals in Canandaigua, N.Y. They will take toll-free calls from across the country and work closely with local VA mental-health providers to help callers.

To operate the national hot line, VA is partnering with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration of the Department of Health and Human Services.

"The hot line will put veterans in touch -- any time of the day or night, any day of the week, from

anywhere in the country -- with trained, caring professionals who can help," Nicholson added. "This is another example of the VA's commitment to provide world-class health care for our nation's veterans, especially combat veterans newly returned from Iraq and Afghanistan."

The suicide hot line is among several enhancements to mental-health care that Nicholson has announced this year. In mid-July, the department's top mental-health professionals convened here to review the services provided to veterans of the war on terror.

VA is the largest provider of

mental health care in the nation. This year, the department will spend about \$3 billion for mental-health.

More than 9,000 mental-health professionals, backed up

by primary-care physicians and other health professionals in every VA medical center and outpatient clinic, provide mental-health care to about one million veterans each year.

### Fraud, Waste & Abuse Hotline

To report suspected Fraud, Waste and Abuse, call the Internal Review & Audit Compliance [IRAC] Office Hotline. Reports are confidential and callers do not have to identify themselves, but if they provide names, they can remain anonymous. To report suspected abuse of equipment/supplies accountability, travel/pay and cash accountability, call extension 938-8082. Please provide all pertinent information.

# Community Features and Photos

## SCOUTS RETURN FROM CAMP AQUEHONGA

Submitted by  
Boy Scout Troop 23

West Point's Boy Scout Troop 23 returned from their week-long summer camp July 22, with just one tick, one case of poison ivy and one allergic reaction to fish marring an otherwise perfect week of good weather, exciting outdoor activities and fellowship.

Located in the picturesque woodlands of Sullivan County along the Delaware River, Camp Aquehonga, a part of the Ten Mile River Scout Reservation, celebrates its 80th anniversary this year. Originally designed to serve the

five boroughs of New York City, Ten Mile River now hosts dozens of Scout troops from all over the northeastern United States.

"This is the fifth year in a row that we have camped at Aquehonga," said Col. John Smith, Troop Scoutmaster and Academy Professor in the Department of English. "Every year the camp staff, activities program and physical facilities seem to get better and better."

The 36 scouts who attended earned 80 merit badges in areas including handicrafts, rifle and shotgun shooting, archery, swimming and sailing, nature, and

camping and scoutcraft.

They seldom had a chance to become bored throughout the week, as the camp offered two outdoor movie nights, religious services, a camp-wide cookout and an ice cream social night in addition to the merit badge and Scout skills classes offered every day. Also, they had daily access to the camp's swimming pool with its 30-foot

tall water slide; Half-Moon Lake with its canoes, kayaks, rowboats, sailboats and fishing docks; and the

.22-caliber rifle, 12-gauge shotgun, black powder muzzle loading rifle and archery ranges.



Colonel Russ Lachance, Chemistry and Life Sciences Academy Professor, teaches Scouts of West Point Troop 23 map reading and compass skills before beginning their five-mile hike at Camp Aquehonga last month.

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### ONAP event

**Tuesday**  
**Superintendent's**  
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# Project Discovery ended with a "Bang!"

Story and photo by  
Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

Middle school children involved in the summer Project Discovery program were treated to a demonstration of chemistry July 27 at the West Point Middle School.

Chemists Keith Lewis and Maj. Richard Comitz from the academy's department of Chemistry and Life Sciences displayed all types of dazzling chemical reactions from turning liquid to gas, turning gas into solids, creating 'slime', the properties of dry ice and chemicals that produce explosions and fire.

"Project Discovery is a national Department of Defense program for DODEA students in kindergarten to 8th grade designed for children to act as detectives and discover the mysteries of the Earth and the stars," said teacher Joanne Woodworth. "The children are known as Voyagers who try to solve mysteries by conducting experiments and making observations, which help them to develop basic skills in math and language arts."

Both individual responsibility and teamwork are emphasized, allowing Voyagers to rely both on themselves and on each other as they gathered clues and answered questions posed during the program, Woodworth added.

Project Discovery was developed by the Discovery Channel and is known as the Discovery Channel Mysteries. The

program here was a four-week long enrichment program. The students heard from guest speakers from the Departments of Physics and Physical Education, as well as the final Chemistry visitors.

"We had 41 students and three teachers involved this year," Woodworth said. "The program involved multi-age classes from K-3 and 4-8. We are hoping that there will be more students involved next year."

Lewis and Comitz dazzled many of the children by demonstrating the different reactions involved when mixing two or more substances together.

"Children's interests are kept up when they are involved in experiments," Lewis said. "That's why I have them come up to 'help' me create chemical reactions. It also gives them a 'hands on' experience so they can understand every-day science, as well."

Many of the children, aware that Lewis enjoys making loud noises through explosive chemical reactions, were sometimes a little hesitant when asked to help, since they never knew when something might explode. Others liked the more visual experiments, like the expanding balloons.

"I liked the experiment with dry ice [frozen carbon dioxide] the best," said fifth-grader Andrew Smith. "I love watching that stuff and I can understand much of it because I really like science. I watch the Discovery Channel all the time."



Chemist Keith Lewis [left], protects Shelbie Bell while she ignites a fuse during the culmination of the DODEA's Project Discovery program at the West Point Middle School July 27.

# West Point Tours helps bring USMA to world-wide visitors

**Story and photos by  
Elizabeth Holtan  
PAO Summer Intern**

Brigadier Gen. Sylvanus Thayer provided a foundation for many of the traditions still seen at the U.S. Military Academy, but he most likely didn't foresee the many eager tour groups that are as much a part of the modern West Point as its motto -- "Duty, Honor, Country."

Six-year West Point Tours veteran guide Charlie Lomarere said that he has given tours to groups from around the globe. Sometimes the tour groups are full of Americans, but at times, tourists from such locales as Scotland, and as far away as China, fill his bus to see the world's premier military academy. Last year, international guests from 57 countries visited West Point.

He points out the sights so familiar to cadets and West Point staff and residents -- the Plain, Trophy Point, the Cadet Chapel and Michie Stadium.

But ask the average person on post and they probably couldn't tell you how many horses used to be stationed at West Point [more than 700], how much of the academy's money it took to build the Jewish Chapel [none, it was funded entirely by donations], or why the Old Cadet Chapel has two cornerstones [it was disassembled and moved from Central Area in 1910].

Lomarere, an Air Force veteran, took notice of the Navy man on the tour, relating how those from Army's rival branches love to "reorganize" the meticulously aligned red hymnals in the Cadet Chapel pews.

For both the tourist and the more academy-acquainted, West Point tours can be equally enjoyable. All tours begin and end at the West Point Visitors Center

located in Pershing Center, stop at the Cadet Chapel and in Central Area. They either run one or two hours, depending on the number of stops.

The longer version includes additional stops at the cemetery and the Old Cadet Chapel, where tour groups are shown the remnants of Benedict Arnold's scratched-out name, former USMA professor Robert Weir's mural -- reminiscent of his work on the rotunda in DC -- and the oddity of General Viele's self-designed Egyptian

crypt. It is rumored that the strange script above Viele's tomb can be translated to "Beat Navy," and at West Point, why not?

Guided tours began at the academy in 1976 as part of the United States bicentennial celebration and continue to be the primary way West Point educates its visiting tourists.

West Point Tours, Inc., a contracted company, offers daily public and special group tours. For more information, call the Visitors Center at [845] 938-2638 or visit

West Point Tours online at [www.westpointtours.com](http://www.westpointtours.com).



**West Point Tours' Charlie Lomarere speaks to visitors at the West Point Cemetery.**



**Lomarere, an Air Force veteran, has given tours to visitors from as far away as China and Scotland.**

# Laying the Leadership Foundation

## Cadets take charge during Cadet Field Training

Story and photos by  
Eric S. Bartelt  
Sports Editor

Insurgent activity can be heard off in the distance, while a squad of cadets waits patiently to lower the boom on the enemy's position. In an instant, chaos erupts with the explosion of a Claymore mine planted by members of the cadet squad and then the onward push to take a foothold inside the insurgent's position.

The live-fire ambush site during Cadet Field Training tasks cadet companies, approximately 1,300 sophomores, with the mission of setting ambushes to 'kill' insurgent infiltrators within their area.

"The goal of the companies is to set 12 ambushes on the day of execution and 'kill' as many insurgents as they can to prevent them from bringing money, weapons and bad guys into their sector," said Maj. Steven Barry, live-fire Aabush site committee chief.

Cadets spend two days at the live-fire sites, three different live

fire sites in all. Day One consists of troop leading procedures, rehearsals, pre-combat check and inspections, and Day Two is the execution of the live-fire ambush.

"We've improved the scenario from last year where we have [opposition forces] on Day One when [the cadets] recon the objective and they have OPFOR there for them to look at," Barry explained. "They also have many weapon systems employed on the ambush line to include M-16s, M-249 SAWs, AT-4s, M203 [grenade launcher] trainers, training hand grenades, training rounds and live Claymores.

"We stress that the squad leader manages all those weapon systems and that the day prior [to the live-fire] in the train-up phase that the cadets get refreshed on how to use those weapon systems," he added. "Our NCOs validate them and make sure they know what they are doing, so [the cadets] come in with some knowledge. We try to build on that -- it's really building on the training they got in CFT I."

**"MY ROLE IS TO GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO MODEL AFTER AND BASICALLY SHOW THEM WHAT 'RIGHT' IS INITIALLY,"**  
SGT. 1ST CLASS  
ONESIMO SiFUENTES  
230TH INF. REG., 4TH BCT  
FORT POLK, LA.

The Live-Fire Ambush site is unique this year because it is run by the Department of History when most Operation Warrior lanes are run by the Department of Military Instruction. It's exciting for the history instructors to get a chance to set combat-oriented training standards for the cadets instead of being limited to just the classroom environment.

"In the classroom, we're focused on history, but now all of us [six history instructors], who have a background in the active duty Army and have all been on deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, can take that knowledge and apply it to the cadets in the field," said Barry, who deployed twice to the Balkans and once to Iraq during Operation

Iraqi Freedom I with 2nd Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division. "All of us volunteered for this and we're excited to be out here to showcase our other skills to the cadets and mentor them in a different way.

"We'll see 1,300 cadets go through this site, so to be able to touch all of them for 30-to-36 hours is a great opportunity," he added. "We thrive on the contact, whenever we can get it, with the cadets."

The cadets who are involved in CFT have been pushing themselves non-stop since late June, but they know that every little bit of time out in the field counts toward their leadership experience.

"Last summer [Cadet Basic Training] was more about getting into the whole Army experience, but this summer is more about leadership -- getting to the field more because field time is essential, especially if you want to go in infantry or another [combat] arms branch," said Cadet 3rd Class Dominic Lanzillotta.

As the cadets worked through the Live-Fire Ambush site, they found themselves working to the bone doing heavy lifting during their preparation time.

"This site has been a big smoker," said Cadet 3rd Class Michael Allen, who went through the site Saturday and Sunday. "We had a lot of stuff to carry and, basically, had to be prepared for any kind of situation that we might be put in. The Diablo Forces poisoned the water [Saturday], so we had to carry around 12 five-gallon jugs of water with us -- so it was fun."

For the cadets, the training is an important step toward achieving their goal of becoming Army leaders, but just as important as the training is the guidance that is given to them by the Task Force Mountain Guardian members.

"About 90 percent of the Task Force I've come across has been deployed," Lanzillotta explained. "Whenever we have downtime or whenever we're waiting on the firing line, we ask them questions and they have so many stories and experiences to share. We talk to artillery guys, infantry guys, signal guys and they talk to us about everything, so we really get a good



Cadet 3rd Class Rtyler Hess signals to his squad members the direction he wants them to go.

idea of what we're looking at when we're going to pick our branch."

One of the best pieces of advice that Lanzillotta received this summer is when he asked a Task Force NCO, "What do you look for in an officer that comes to your platoon?"

"[I was told] one that will listen to what NCOs have to say because they have the most wealth of knowledge about what goes on," Lanzillotta said. "They've been there longer and know how things are run and how the platoon works, so if you listen to what they tell you instead of going in there and assuming you know everything, then things will go a lot smoother and you'll learn to be a much better leader that way."

One non-commissioned officer who helped in the cadets training this summer is Sgt. 1st Class Onesimo SiFuentes, an infantryman with the 230th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team out of Fort Polk, La.

He provided training at the Live-

Fire Ambush site and individual training for the AT-4 and Claymores. He deployed twice to Afghanistan and the 15-year Army veteran may possibly deploy to Iraq in November.

With his wealth of knowledge and experiences, SiFuentes is keen on imparting all his wisdom to the cadets if they seek it.

"My role is to give them something to model after and basically show them what 'right' is initially, before they get into the military side of the house," SiFuentes said. "Everybody has a technique. Some seem to work while some don't, but no matter what, it gives [the cadets] some type of model to look to and hopefully base their NCOs off of that ... I always say the first impression is always the lasting impression."

While the cadets do make mistakes in the field, as is bound to happen from time-to-time, it's important for them to know that what they are taught is usually based off of others' mistakes.

"Everything that I do I've learned



Cadet 3rd Class Rtyler Hess high crawls to his position at the live-fire ambush site.



Insurgent activity lurks in the distance as a cadet squad bides its time before setting off a Claymore mine to achieve the objective of taking the insurgent stronghold. [Inset photo] Cadet 3rd Class Edward Van Cura carefully sets the Claymore mine before the mine is placed for use during the live-fire ambush at Range 2 during CFT Sunday.

from my mistakes and other peers' mistakes and then I try to improve from that, because nobody's perfect," SiFuentes explained. "As long as you learn from your mistakes, take from that and avoid those mistakes in the future, it should make you a better leader."

The CFT cadets had an exciting summer as Lanzillotta reminisced about Fort Knox and a chance to

drive tanks.

Allen was exhilarated to shoot everything from mortars to .50-caliber machine guns.

But, for them, there's still one more obstacle in front of them this coming weekend.

"I can't quit thinking about the three nights that we have in the field coming up," Allen said. "But, it'll all be worth it in the end."

Being worth it in the end is the way Barry sees it as well, since he started planning the Live-Fire Ambush site in November 2006 and has now spent, with his instructors, between 350-to-400 manhours setting up and running the lane throughout the summer.

"It's a substantial investment to plan the mission, to request ranges and plan for supplies. It's

quite intense as far as trying to do it," Barry stated. "It's the first time we've run a lane like this, so the learning curve for us is [steeper]."

"We started in the fall. We came out in the wintertime to recon the site and walk the lanes," Barry added. "We now see the fruits of our labor and there may have been a lot of time involved with this, but it's all paying off now."



A 3rd Class cadet checks the location of her squad mate as they move toward their objective at the live-fire ambush site at Range 2 Sunday.

## What's Happening

### Crandall Pool closed

Crandall Pool in the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center will be closed until Sept. 5.

Delafield and Round Ponds are open.

Call 938-5158 for more info.

### PWOC

Summer playground fun sponsored by the Protestant Women of the Chapel is Wed. at the Gray Ghost playground. Everyone is welcome. We will meet from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Look for the balloons and bring water and sunblock for your children.

### Upcoming Triathlons

The 3rd annual Kid's Triathlon is Aug. 18 and the 18th Annual

West Point Triathlon is Aug. 19 at Camp Buckner. Register for both at [active.com](http://active.com).

### Catholic religious education

If you are new to West Point or an old-timer who has not yet registered or re-registered your children for Catholic religious education, please do so today.

Registration forms can be found in the Rectory of Most Holy Trinity, in the rear of the Chapel and in the Religious Education Office located in the Cloister room of the Chapel.

Opening day is Sept. 9. MHT offers religious education classes for children 4 years old through adult.

Classes K-Adult are held

Sunday mornings on the 3rd floor of Thayer Hall and the 4-year-old class is held in the Cloister room of the Chapel.

For more info., contact Cindy Ragsdale, 938-8761, [Cynthia.ragsdale@usma.edu](mailto:Cynthia.ragsdale@usma.edu).

### FAST classes in Sept.

The West Point Army Education Center will be offering a Functional Academic Skills Training class for qualified Soldiers from Sept. 4 until Sept. 25.

The classes will meet from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call DSN 688-3464/938-3464 or stop by the Ed. Center to speak to a counselor.

### Anthony Severo 5K Run/Walk

The 2nd Annual Cadet Anthony Severo 5K Run/Walk will be held Sept. 30 at the Parkland High School Cross Country Course in Allentown, Pa. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. and the race begins at 11 a.m. All proceeds

will benefit Students Against Destructive Decisions and the Parkland Wrestling Scholar Athlete scholarship fund.

For more information contact Larry Severo [610] 398-3296 or e-mail [severoe@aol.com](mailto:severoe@aol.com).

### Eisenhower Hall Theatre schedule for 2007-2008

DENNIS MILLER -- SEPT. 15

LA BOHÈME

WASHINGTON NATIONAL OPERA

SIMULCAST [No ADMISSION CHARGE!]

SEPT. 23

THE GREAT CHINA ACROBATS

SEPT. 30

AL JARREAU -- NOV. 3

ANNIE -- DEC. 8

THE VANGUARD JAZZ ORCHESTRA

JAN. 12, 2008

SOPIA FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA

MARTIN PANTELEEV, CONDUCTOR

TERRENCE WILSON, PIANO

FEB. 3

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THE SONGS AND THE STORIES

STARRING CARY HOFFMAN

MARCH 1

THE PRODUCERS -- APRIL 5

BALLET HISPANICO -- APRIL 12

RING OF FIRE -- APRIL 20

For more info., go to [www.ikehall.com](http://www.ikehall.com).

# DPW Notes

## Scheduled Electrical outage in Central Area

An electrical outage is scheduled for Wednesday from 2 to 4 p.m. to allow the Jefferson Hall construction contractor to perform required work in the manholes providing service to the new building.

The outage will affect the following buildings/quarters: Bldg. 745, Washington Hall; Bldg. 750, Jewish Chapel; Bldg. 751, Pershing Barracks; Bldg. 752, Mahan Hall; Bldg. 756, Bradley Barracks; and Bldg. 604, Central Power Plant; Quarters 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107 and 109.

All personnel should plan for this outage and secure electronic equipment and computers prior to the outage.

For info., contact DPW's Larry

Kirwan, 938-6441.

## Blasting in Lusk Area

A DPW contractor will be blasting in Lusk Area beginning on or about Wednesday in preparation for the relocation of sanitary sewer lines prior to the construction of the new Athletic Director's Quarters.

This portion of the project is expected to be completed on or about Aug. 24.

Phase II of the project will follow, which is the relocation of electrical lines performed by the DPW electric shop personnel. The preliminary relocation of the sanitary sewer and electrical lines must be completed before the actual construction of the building can begin.

For info., contact DPW's Richard Lark, 938-6787.

## Lee Road paving

Beginning on or about Aug. 13 until approximately Oct. 30, a DPW contractor will be repaving Lee Road.

Work includes the replacement of curbs and selected sections of the sidewalk; replacement of asphalt driveway aprons, catch basins and the road.

During the construction parking on Lee Road will be limited during duty hours. Travel along Lee Road will be slow and controlled by flagmen as required. Due to uneven pavement in the area, walkers and joggers should use special care along Lee Road or avoid the area

entirely.

All personnel should expect construction activity and delays in the area.

For info., contact DPW's Richard Lark, 938-6787.

## Survey work in AFH

Surveyors will be installing permanent markers along housing areas for RCI boundaries.

Work is expected to continue through September.

For more info., call the RCI office at 938-2500/6239.

## Washington Gate construction

A DPW contractor began installing a concrete pad Thursday for the guard shack to provide

electrical power to the shack.

To accomplish this work the roadway and sidewalk will be excavated and conduits installed and the area will then need to be restored and seeded.

During this work, one-lane traffic will be maintained with a flagman to control traffic flow.

At the conclusion of each work day, steel plates will be placed so that vehicles may use both traffic lanes.

The community should expect delays during the work day. The project is expected to take eight work days to complete, weather permitting.

Drivers are encouraged to avoid the area during the construction period.

# Command Channel 8/23

Aug. 3 - 10

### FRIDAY

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 1:30 P.M. KI PILLS AND YOU  
 6 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 6:30 P.M. KI PILLS AND YOU  
 7 P.M. 4TH OF JULY BAND CONCERT

### MONDAY

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 9 A.M. KI PILLS AND YOU  
 1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 1:30 P.M. KI PILLS AND YOU  
 6 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 6:30 P.M. KI PILLS AND YOU

### TUESDAY

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 10 A.M. KI PILLS AND YOU  
 1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 2 P.M. KI PILLS AND YOU  
 5 P.M. KI PILLS AND YOU  
 6 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH

### WEDNESDAY

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
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 1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
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### THURSDAY - AUG. 10

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH  
 6 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH

# Keller Corner

## KACH closures

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed today, Aug. 30 and Sept. 3. This is a change.

The hospital is open Aug. 31.

The emergency room will remain open.

## Blood Drive Aug. 20-23

Hudson Valley Blood Services will conduct a Blood Drive Aug. 20 to 23 at Eisenhower Hall, 4th Floor Ballroom from noon to 7 p.m. Aug. 20 to 22 and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 23.

For an appointment to donate whole blood, please call Mary Mandia at 938-2583 [BLUD].

Apheresis services will be available for those individuals who wish to donate platelets.

Apheresis donors will be seen by appointment only and may call [914] 760-3177, or e-mail [LDUFFY@NYBLOODCENTER.ORG](mailto:LDUFFY@NYBLOODCENTER.ORG) to book an appointment.

Individuals who wish to register with the C.W. Bill Young/DOD Bone Marrow Donor Program will be able to do so at the times of the drive.

Picture ID is mandatory for whole blood and apheresis donations.

## KI distribution Tues., Wed.

As an emergency preparedness measure, Keller Army Community Hospital will be distributing Potassium Iodine tablets at Eisenhower Hall Tues. and Wed. from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. to all West Point residents and workers.

Check with your supervisor for your directorate's reporting times.

This is a voluntary distribution.

For more information call Master Sgt. John Jones at 938-7393 or Joe Pfanzelter at 938-8429.

## Childbirth Preparation Classes

[Four-week series] Tuesdays

6 to 8 p.m. starting Sept. 4 and Oct. 30 in KACH's second floor classroom.

Call OBU at 938-3210 to register.

## Referral Assistance

Need help or have questions about a referral? Please call 938-5373 and a referral specialist will be happy to assist you.

## Appointments

If you are unable to make a scheduled appointment, please inform the clinic immediately so that the appointment can be offered to another beneficiary.

## DEERS registration

It's important to register newborns and adoptees in DEERS to establish TRICARE eligibility

## West Point Schools' schedules

### Elementary School – Pre-Kindergarten

In order to better accommodate your busy schedules, we ask that you call the school office and schedule your child's Pre-Kindergarten screening according to the schedule below. Please call 938-2313/3827/2997.

Aug. 17 -- Last Name: **A – D**

Aug. 20 -- Last Name: **E – H**

Aug. 21 -- Last Name: **I – L**

Aug. 22 -- Last Name: **M – P**

Aug. 23 -- Last Name: **Q – U**

Aug. 24 -- Last Name: **V – Z**

Aug. 17 to Aug. 24, All day Individual student screening.

Please remember to call the school office and schedule your child's screening time, according to the schedule in the table above.

Aug. 29, there will be **one-hour** preschool session's offered at 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. and from noon to 1 p.m.

Aug. 30, regular morning and afternoon preschool sessions will begin.

for essential well-baby and pediatric health care.

## U. S. Military Academy Band West Point, New York

### Music Under the Stars

Jazz Knights with guest bassist **Lynn Seaton**, August 5, 7:30 p.m. (Inclement site Eisenhower Hall).

Concert Band and **The American Belles**, *Down Memory Lane with the Andrews Sisters*, August 12, 7:30 p.m.

Concert Band, *Dancing Under the Stars*, August 19, 7:30 p.m.

Trophy Point Amphitheatre

**Free and Open to the Public**

See schedule at [www.usma.edu/band](http://www.usma.edu/band) or call 845-938-2617

# MWR Blurbs

## Bike Rodeo Sat.

The annual Bike Rodeo is Aug. 4 in the West Point Post Exchange parking lot from 10 a.m. to Noon.

This free event is open to all children who reside at West Point and Highland Falls.

Meet McGruff the Crime Dog and learn about bike safety and security. The rain date is Aug. 11.

Call 938-3312 for more info.

## Round Pond Hog Wild party

The Round Pond Hog Wild party is Aug. 11 from Noon to 9 p.m. at Round Pond Recreation Area.

There will be fun for the whole family, including a pig roast, live music, a bonfire and kid's activities all day. For more info., and ticket pricing, call 938-2503/6127.

## BOSS Poker tournament

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers is holding a Poker tournament Aug. 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the Buffalo Soldier Pavilion.

There will be a first place trophy. Refreshments will be provided by BOSS.

Call 938-6127 to register.

## Best Ball tournament Aug. 18

Registration now open for the four-person team best-ball tournament, Aug. 18 at the West Point Golf Course. Open to all players, 8 a.m. shotgun start.

The tournament is limited to 30 teams on a first come, first served basis. Players can sign up as a four-person team or individually. Registration ends Aug. 16 at dusk.

For more info., call 938-2435.

## Volunteers needed

Twenty to 25 volunteers are needed to help Keller Army Community Hospital conduct a mass casualty exercise Aug. 30. Volunteers are needed to role play as victims from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. with a pre-exercise walk through on

Aug. 28 from 5 to 5:30 p.m.

If interested contact Joe Pfanztler at [845] 938-8429 by Aug. 23.

## USMA 5k/10k, Kids Fun Run

Registration is now open for the 2007 USMA 5k/10k and Kids Fun Run Aug. 25.

## ACSD

The Annual Army Family Action Plan Conference is scheduled for Oct. 23-24 at the West Point Club. The Teen AFAP Conference will be held Oct. 20 at the Youth Center.

AFAP offers an opportunity to speak out and provide ideas on how to improve the well-being of the Total Army Family.

AFAP Planning Committee seeks individuals interested in serving as delegates, facilitators, recorders and issue support staff.

Call 938-4621 or stop by the ACS Center, Bldg. 622 to become involved.

## Arts & Crafts

Classes are ongoing at the West Point Arts & Crafts Shop.

Call for more information, 938-4812.

## Vendors needed



## Yard of the Month winners

The August Yard of the Month winners gathered at the quarters of the Gray Ghost area winner the Sgt. 1st Class John Kaasch family Tuesday. Winners in attendance [pictured from left] were the Lt. Col. Douglas Herrmann family [Stony II]; the Col. William Suchan family [Lee]; the Spc. Carol Albino family [Biddle Loop]; the Maj. Christopher Hurlburt family [Old Brick]; and the Kaasch family [Gray Ghost]. Winners not pictured include, the Master Sgt. Edwin Gargas family [Stony II]; the Maj. Scott Crino family [Lee]; the Stan Brock family [Lusk]; the Maj. Michael Harvey family [New Brick]; the Sgt. Kevin Stokes family [Stony I] and the Maj. Tom Morell family [Stony I].

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

## NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

Friday -- **Evan Almighty, PG, 7:30 p.m.**

Saturday -- **Ratatouille, G, 7:30 p.m.**

Aug. 10 -- **Live Free or Die Hard, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

Aug. 11 -- **1408, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

Aug. 17 -- **License to Wed, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

Aug. 18 -- **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

Aug. 24 -- **Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

The theater schedule can also be found at [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com).

### Solution to Weekly Sudoku

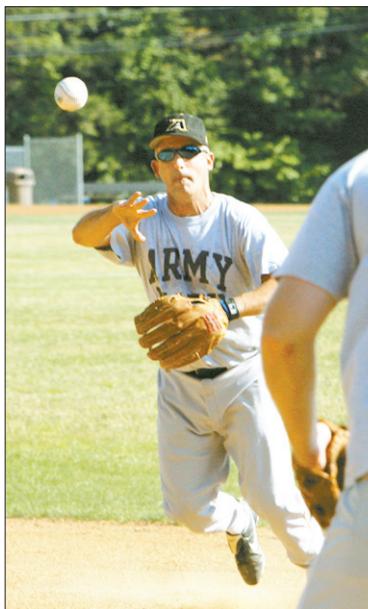
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# Army and Community Sports

## Math takes South, to meet Marines for Post title

Story and photos by  
Eric S. Bartelt  
Sports Editor

Number one seeded Math swept No. 3 seed Dean/DOL two games to none to take the South Division Playoff Championship Tuesday and will now face North Division



Math second baseman John Picciuto throws out a runner Tuesday.

champion Stewart Marines for the West Point Post Softball Championship Monday.

Math snatched two one-run heart-stoppers with a 15-14 nine-inning victory in game one and then completed their sweep with an 11-10 win in game two.

Game one was a back-and-forth battle where Dean/DOL jumped out to a 7-2 lead by the fourth inning aided by a couple of RBI doubles by right-centerfielder Jerry Selby and left-centerfielder John Cage.

Math started to claw back in the bottom half of the fourth with back-to-back doubles by rightfielder Alex Heidenberg and second baseman John Picciuto to close the gap to 7-4.

Then Math exploded for six runs in the fifth inning led by right-centerfielder Pete Charbonneau's two-run single to take a 10-7 lead.

Both teams exchanged runs in the sixth, including Math's second home run of the game [Charbonneau hit a homer in the first inning] when first baseman John Roginski smashed a shot to make it 11-8.

Dean/DOL stormed back with five runs to take a 13-11



DOL first baseman John Mandia hustles to the bag in Game 1.

advantage in the top of the seventh in a rally that was highlighted by extra-hitter Tim Wright's two-run single to give his team the lead. Math would come back to tie the game at 13 with leadoff doubles by Charbonneau and rightfielder James Dzwonchyk that would force extra innings.

After a scoreless eighth inning, Dean/DOL temporarily took a 14-13 lead in the ninth, but Math eventually tied the game and then loaded the bases before pitcher Michael Jaye hit the game-winning single.

In game two, Math tried to bury Dean/DOL early by scoring eight runs in the first two innings



Dean/DOL pitcher Joe Landry kept his team in the game during game two by pitching a scoreless final two innings and hitting a single in the bottom of the seventh. However, his team came up short losing 11-10.

to take the 8-0 lead. Math shortstop Steven Horton led the onslaught See MATH on page 15

## OHS girls crew wins at Empire State Games

Story and photo by  
Mark Tatro  
OHS crew coach

The O'Neill High School crew team practices on the Hudson River alongside the Army crew team in the spring. Practice paid off for the O'Neill Crew girls four crew when they won a gold medal at the Empire State Games July 27 at Glen Island, N.Y.



O'Neill High School girls four crew won the gold medal July 27 at the Empire State Games in Glen Island, N.Y.

Not only did they win gold, but their time of 8:11 was the fastest of all 10 boats that raced down the 2,000 meter course. Four of the five girls in the boat live at West Point. Also, the girls were pushed off from the dock at Glen Island to row up to the starting line by Army crew coach Peter Hanlon, Ph.D. and Associate Professor

in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. He helped coach the girls' team this spring and drove down to Glen Island to wish them well.

The boat's stroke is Rosa Kemp, who hails from Putnam Valley. The West Point rowers were Lauren Mumford, Kate Sweeney and Rosemary Betros. The coxswain was West Point's Katherine Mucke.



Math shortstop Steven Horton had three hits in game two, including a home run.

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with a home run to give his team the commanding lead.

Each team exchanged three-run innings to make it 11-3 before Dean/DOL came on strong with a six-run bottom of the fifth inning. Dean/DOL's big inning was highlighted by a bases-clearing double by Cage.

Dean/DOL pitcher Joe Landry kept Math off the scoreboard for the last two innings to give his squad one last shot to tie the score in the bottom of the seventh.

With one out, second baseman John Vanvynck and Landry hit back-to-back singles and then Wright hit a sacrifice fly to get the score to 11-10. But, it was not meant to be as Math held off Dean/DOL to preserve the victory with the final two outs as D/D extra hitter John Mandia lined out to Picciuto for the final out of the game.

Now, Math will face Stewart Marines for the post championship Monday after the North Division #3 seed Marines took the three-game North Division Playoff Championship series July 24 over #4 seed Directorate of Intercollegiate Athletics by the scores of 17-7, 6-7, 5-4.