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**'Let it Snow,
Let it Snow ...'**

Connor Van Everen (right to left), Tiffany Merkel, Halle Bell, Maddy Willis and Danielle Davila take advantage of a hill in the Gray Ghost Housing area during the first major snow storm of the season Dec. 13 to get some sledding done, since school was cancelled due to the weather.
SGT. 1ST CLASS ROGER JONES/PAO

Force protection and anti-terrorism changes

By Joe Senger
DPTMS, Force Protection Specialist

People entering West Point will notice changes in gate security operations as a result of the Force Protection and Anti-Terrorism assessments that the installation recently experienced.

Everyone is reminded that when entering the installation, all passengers in the vehicle ages 16 years and older must have a valid, government-issued photo identification ready and available for the security guards.

Also, vehicles entering in the "DOD and gov't. ID" lane are subject to search at any time and identification cards are subject to screening utilizing the MOBILISA ID verification system.

All vehicles entering in the

"All others lane" will be searched and identifications will be scanned. Everyone is reminded that the Security Guards are following procedures and that they are here to help ensure West Point remains a safe environment for Soldiers, Families, civilians and visitors.

These, as well as other FP/AT measures, will be instituted across the installation as West Point continues to be proactive on improving its posture in the Global War on Terrorism.

All members of the West Point extended community are the first line of defense against terrorism and need to be aware of their surroundings.

Report any suspicious individuals or acts either on post or in close proximity to West Point to the Military Police Desk at 938-3333 immediately.

General Officer Steering committee completes 10 AFAP issues

By Margaret McKenzie
Army News Service

ALEXANDRIA, Va. -- The General Officer Steering Committee met the week of Dec. 7 as part of the Army Family Action Plan conference. Ten issues were completed, including Family counseling at remote locations, allowing contractors to enroll children in Department of Defense schools and Family-member access to e-learning.

General Richard A. Cody, vice chief of staff of the Army, chaired the GOSC meeting. He stressed the importance of the Army Covenant, which encompasses many of the programs that are briefed and discussed at the AFAP, then reminded participants of Secretary of the Army Pete Geren's and Chief Army Chief of Staff Gen. George Casey's active involvement in all of this.

Senior DOD and Army leaders

reviewed 24 issues. Ten were declared completed and nine were ruled "active" and will continue to be worked until declared completed or unattainable. The AFAP delegates also submitted a list of what they voted as the most important issues currently being addressed.

The 10 completed issues were:

■ **Untimely Finance Transactions:** The Defense Joint Military Pay System processes pay twice a month and up to eight times a month for the Reserve Component. The Defense Finance and Accounting Service implemented a change to its Defense military pay office suite of software that allows the installation finance offices to track timeliness of pay transactions by source activity using the date received in finance.

As of Nov., the performance standards for pay timeliness across the department is 97 percent, a statistic that is monitored by the Personnel and Pay Council

at the Office of the Secretary of Defense level. A Defense Integrated Military Human Resource System is scheduled to be on line in October 2008.

■ **Marriage and Family Counseling Services in Remote Access:** Families can get counseling services through Military OneSource. The military has funded a program to provide therapists to deliver services to Families in remote areas. Between 15-30 percent of Families in post-deployment status require some professional intervention in some type of marriage or Family services.

A plan is in place to add 42 more chaplains, therapists and chaplain's assistants to remote areas for Families. Services are also available from the Department of Veteran's Affairs Re-adjustment Counseling Program.

■ **TRICARE Information for Reserve Components:** TRICARE's

services and information is simplified and will be available through brochures, CD's and briefings.

A 24/7 toll-free line is available to provide information on dental and medical benefits with explanations available in Spanish. This service is in high demand and is considered very successful in providing clearer, more simplified and understandable information for the user.

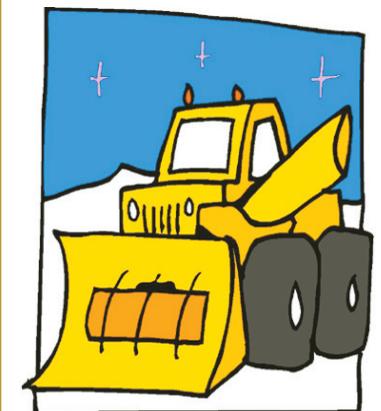
■ **Non-Chargeable Leave for Deployed Soldiers:** In April 2007 the Office of the Secretary of Defense implemented a post deployment/mobilization respite absence program which provides days of non-chargeable administrative absences to Soldiers who mobilize for deployment with a frequency beyond established rotation policy goals.

Rest and Recreation leave increased from 15 days to 18 days for Soldiers deployed for 15 months. This applies to both active

duty and Reserves. For Soldiers who are extending there is a request to have additional R&R authorized for them as well.

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Eat less, burn calories during the holidays

**Commentary by
Maj. Karen E. Fauber
Defense Commissary
Agency Dietitian**

FORT LEE, Va. -- 'Tis the season to eat, and eat and eat. It's that time of year when all the delicious food comes out at parties, the office and at home. With food everywhere and so much to do during the holidays, it can be challenging to control how much we eat and squeeze in a few extra minutes for exercise.

Most people are so busy trying to fit all the activities in during this time of year that we often forget to take time to take care of ourselves. To help you survive the holiday season without too much damage here are some ideas:

Exercise tips:

- Park the car at the back of the parking lot. Walking extra steps burns extra calories, which can really help when you just don't have time to go to the gym.

- Pencil in time on your calendar to walk at least 30 minutes during the day. Break it down to 10-minute sessions to make it fit your schedule.

- Take the stairs instead of the elevator or the escalator. A 150-pound person can burn about 90

calories in 10 minutes by taking the stairs instead of the elevator. Walking down the stairs you can burn about 20 calories in 10 minutes.

- Don't wait for the annual New Year's resolution to decide to exercise. Get a jump on it during the holidays and you'll already have a full steam of workouts under your belt when the calendar flips to 2008.



At the office party:

- Buy fresh fruits and vegetables and prepare your own fruit and vegetable trays. Make a low-calorie dip using low-fat sour cream, taco seasoning, salsa or use a low-fat

ranch dressing. For an easy fruit dip, try vanilla-flavored yogurt mixed with cinnamon. Eating fruits and vegetables first at the party can save you from eating lots of hidden calories in all the other foods.



- Make a holiday punch with sugar-free ginger ale or club soda, light cranberry juice and sherbet.

- Drink water before and during eating as it helps fill you up.

- When shopping, choose lean meats such as turkey, ham, chicken

and roast beef. Use these meats and thinly sliced breads, along with spicy mustard instead of mayo, to make sandwiches. You will save up to 100 calories per sandwich. Add some lettuce and tomato to make a filling, colorful sandwich.

At the end of the day:



- Kick back and relax with a steaming hot cup of caffeine-free tea. It's a wonderful calorie-free,

stress reliever that can sooth nerves, calm the stomach and add healthy antioxidants to your body. By watching what you eat and making the effort to put your body in motion, you are giving yourself the best gift of all -- good health.

For more tips and information on healthy eating or other nutrition topics, visit the DeCA Dietitian at http://www.commissaries.com/healthy_living/dietitian/index.cfm.

SAPR-P

The members of the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program are Col. Jeanette McMahon, Shelley Ariosto [Garrison], Dan Toohey [Victim Advocate], Maj. Maria Burger [USCC], Maj. Kim Kawamoto [ODIA] and Lt. Col. Tasha Williams [Dean].

Community members can e-mail McMahon at 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.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

and best wishes for a prosperous New Year from the Pointer View® Staff.

This is our last issue until January 11, 2008.

Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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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: Hard

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Local and National News

Tuesday SARB meeting reviewed DOD report findings

Compiled by Linda Mastin
Editor

One of the agenda items at the West Point Sexual Assault Review Board meeting, chaired by Commandant of Cadets Brig. Gen. Robert Caslen, held Tuesday were the findings of the Department of Defense 2006-07 Military Service Academy Assessment report released Dec. 7. The report is the first such assessment to combine an evaluation of the academies' new sexual assault prevention and response programs, an evaluation of sexual harassment programs and feedback from cadet and midshipmen focus groups.

DOD officials met with academy personnel, reviewed academy policies and procedures, conducted an extensive data-call for reports and investigative files and held focus groups with cadets and midshipmen. Based on information obtained during site visits, DOD found that the academies' programs fulfilled the requirements of existing DOD policies and directives.

While SARB members were pleased with many of the findings, according to Col. Jeanette McMahon, the U.S. Military Academy's special assistant to the superintendent for human relations, she said the numbers of reported assaults alone don't tell the whole story.

She pointed to broad sexual assault and sexual harassment prevention programs at all three academies designed to ensure every cadet and midshipman understands what sexual harassment and sexual violence is, what to do if they or someone else is victimized and their responsibility as leaders to intervene. When cadets are more aware about what behavior is acceptable and what constitutes sexual assault or harassment and that the victims aren't to blame, they are more willing to report such incidents, she said.

Noting that sexual assault is one of the most underreported crimes nationwide, McMahon added, she's convinced the number of incidents at the academies is actually higher than the annual Defense Department report shows.

An anonymous survey completed at West Point in 2006 revealed that 65 women, or 10 percent of West Point's female cadets, and 10 of its males, experienced a sexual assault.

"So, clearly, we are not getting all the reports that are out there," she said.

Major Maria Burger, special assistant to the commandant, said "Cadets must step up to the plate to be agents for change."

If they do not take ownership of the program, it will never be completely successful, she added.

The SARB members were pleased that the report credited the institutions with having done an excellent job institutionalizing policies and procedures to ensure victim care and response. The report indicated cadets clearly understand the difference between restricted and unrestricted reporting, but don't always come forward when an incident occurs to get help or to make a report. Getting beyond the perception of a stigma associated with making a report and coming to grips with what a leader of character should do in that circumstance is where the academy needs to go with regard to making the program truly effective.

The DOD report cites a perception by some West Pointers of "a negative stigma associated with reporting sexual assault." Similarly, it points out that cadets at the Air Force Academy may hesitate to report sexual assault for fear they will experience "retaliation by their command in the form of punishment for collateral misconduct."

Officials say they want to dispel those impressions and agree the best way to encourage more victims to report sexual assaults is to continue building their confidence and trust in the system.

According to Air Force Col. Gail Colvin, vice commandant of cadets at the U.S. Air Force Academy, in Colorado Springs, Colo., "it (the report results) tells me that cadets are coming forward. It shows they have trust in the system and view it as a safe place where they can seek help."

The annual report reveals 40 cases of sexual assault between June 1, 2006, and May 31, 2007: 19 at the Air Force Academy, 16 at West Point and five at the Naval Academy. It defines sexual assault as rape, sodomy, indecent assault or attempts to commit these offenses.

Navy Cmdr. Ricks Polk, the Naval Academy's sexual assault response coordinator, cited two initiatives aimed at breaking down barriers to reporting sexual

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Maj. Maria Burger

misconduct.

The academy offers a variety of ways of reporting to make victims as comfortable as possible with the process, Polk said. They can turn to a peer, specially trained midshipmen called sexual assault victim intervention guides; to a senior enlisted leader or officer serving as a victim's advocate; to a chaplain or counselor; or to their chain of command.

"We think that with all those different avenues of people being able to report, that maybe one of those will be appealing to them (the victims) and that they are ... more likely to report," Polk said.

In addition, a confidential reporting option introduced in 2005 offers victims mental and medical

care and other support without requiring them to get involved in the criminal justice process. Half of the cadets and midshipmen who reported sexual assaults during the 2005-2006 academic year elected this option, according to the DOD report.

Colvin said this option, called "restricted reporting," enables some victims who may feel stigmatized to step forward. "This takes all that off the table," she said.

The report notes that the 20 sexual assault victims who chose "unrestricted" reporting during the report period, agreeing to follow through with the military justice process, also received support and care.

The challenge ahead, Colvin said, is for the academies to continue advancing programs to prevent sexual assault and sexual harassment from happening in the first place. "It's about creating a culture and climate of respect, both

for oneself and others," she said.

This leads to an environment of trust so when incidents do occur, victims are more likely to report them, she said.

The DOD report supports Colvin's assertion. "A command that is seen as fair and balanced in its response to sexual assault is more likely to create an environment that will not deter reporting," it says.

As the academies strive to create that climate, Colvin said she's satisfied they're on the right track.

"The numbers tell me our programs are working ... and that cadets have a deeper trust and are coming forward," she said. "We're trying to attack the issue ... (and) to get more cadets to come forward."

(Editor's Note: Some information for this story came from a Department of Defense release and an Armed Forces Press Service story by Donna Miles.)

Evacuated Soldiers getting immediate combat injury pay

By C. Todd Lopez
Army News Service

WASHINGTON -- When Soldiers are evacuated from a combat zone due to a combat-related injury, they no longer need to wait 30 days to begin receiving their Combat-Related Injury Rehabilitation Pay.

Now, CIP kicks in immediately, ensuring troops continue to receive an additional \$430 dollars a month,

even while they are recovering in a military hospital. The change is more in line with what Congress envisioned when the program was created, said Craig Taylor, Combat Injury Pay program coordinator.

"This will alleviate the hardship of the stopping of the hostile combat pay when a Soldier is medically evacuated from the theater of operation," Taylor said. "Soldiers medically evacuated out of theater up until now had to wait

one to two months to see the CIP in their pay and that is counter to what the Congress intended for the program."

Military members may be entitled to receive special benefits such as hostile fire pay, hazardous duty pay and imminent danger pay while deployed to places such as Iraq or Afghanistan. That pay can add up to \$430 dollars a month.

Military Families often plan their finances around that special

pay continuing for the duration of a deployment. But when a military member is forced to leave the combat zone for medical reasons that pay stops. The CIP is meant to alleviate the hardship caused by that unexpected loss of income.

Active-duty Soldiers who receive CIP will see this benefit annotated on their Leave and Earnings Statement as "Fly Deck Pay." National Guard and Reserve personnel will see it annotated as

"Other Credits" with an explanation in the remarks section.

Soldiers who believe they may be eligible to receive CIP should contact their Warrior Transition Unit chain of command, local Wounded in Action DFAS representative or call 1-800-237-1336.

Additional information about the program can be found at https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/Active/TAGD/TSGLI_CIP_Page/index.htm.

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■ **Terminal leave restrictions for Soldiers in the Physical Disability Evaluation System:** Soldiers will be able to use accrued leave during the PDES process as long as leave periods do not conflict with medical treatment or scheduled PDES boards.

An independent action by the Army Medical Action Plan working group resulted in a change to terminal leave for active and reserve component Wounded Warriors in transition, Soldiers processing through and Soldiers who have completed the PDES. ALARACT 172/2007, dated Aug. 7, 2007 authorizes these Soldiers to take transition leave, formerly called terminal leave.

■ **Equal Compensatory Time for Full-time Non-appropriated Fund Employees:** Effective October, installation commanders have the authority to grant compensatory time for full-time NAF employees.

■ **Department of Defense School Tuition for Contractors and Non-appropriated Fund Employees:** DoD contractor dependents are eligible for space-created, tuition-paying enrollment effective with the school year 2007-2008.

Space, but not the construction or other expansion of facilities, may be created for contractor dependents. Department of Defense Education Activity will offer enrollment to contractor students where DODEA operates an overseas school through one of two contingencies.

DODEA will guarantee enrollment for the contractor students when there is space in schools at the appropriate grade.

Where DODEA schools have reached maximum capacity, the sponsor must first apply to international schools. If the student is unable to gain admittance in a local international school, DODEA

at **Child Development Centers:** This issue addressed a need for video surveillance systems in child and youth facilities as a deterrent measure for child abuse in the facilities.

Surveillance systems are now in all child development centers. In 2003, the surveillance systems were expanded to school age and youth centers. Surveillance systems have been funded and will now be part of the standard designs for all future child and youth facilities.

■ **Family Readiness Support Assistants:** As of Nov. 27, 669 FRSAAs have been hired. Funding has been approved for a total of 1,011 FRSAAs in Active, Guard and Reserve deployable units.

Funding for these positions has been distributed to the Army commands.

The top six critical active issues previously introduced into the AFAP process (as determined by this year's delegates) include:

■ Allow Soldiers with at least 10 years of service to transfer their Montgomery GI Bill benefits to their dependents.

■ Establish a comprehensive integrated rehabilitative program for traumatic brain injury patients at military Medical Centers of Excellence.

■ Provide retroactive Traumatic Service Members' Group Life Insurance compensation to Soldiers with qualifying injuries occurring between Oct. 7, 2001 and Nov.

3, 2005, consistent with Soldiers injured in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

■ Direct all 50 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. territories to grant unemployment compensation to military spouses who leave a job because of a PCS move.

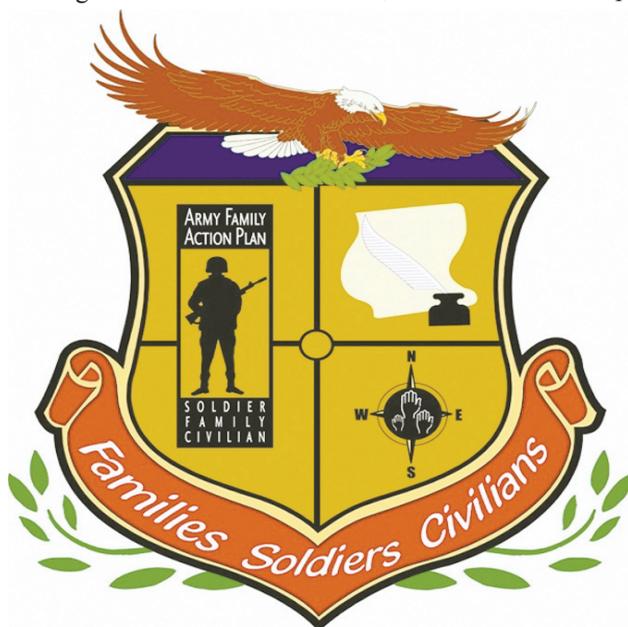
■ Reduce member cost share to 20 percent for dental services not already covered at 100 percent in the TRICARE Dental Program and TRICARE Retiree Dental program. Increase maximum annual benefit for TDP and TRDP to \$1,500.

■ Allow Reserve Component Soldiers and Family members up to one year post-mobilization to identify the need for counseling related to service-connected

problems.

Additionally, the delegates voted on the top five mobilization/deployment and Family readiness strengths, which included the Army Wounded Warrior program (AW2), the Army Family Covenant, Family readiness group support, communication with Families and post-deployment programs for Soldiers and Families.

The top five mobilization/deployment and Family challenges as determined by the delegates were: availability and timeliness of mental health care for Soldiers and Families, frequency of deployments, the stigma of seeking mental health services, inconsistent wounded warrior treatment/tracking and Family readiness group training.



will guarantee enrollment.

■ **Family Member Access to E-learning Programs:** Skillsoft Corporation has made a special reduced rate of \$550 a year to government contractors, military/federal retirees, veterans, spouses and dependents for unlimited use of courseware and books, or \$400 without books.

The Skill Port e-learning site includes over 2,000 courses and 100 certification preparatory exams. Patrons can access information on SkillPort on the Army e-learning portal on Army Knowledge Online.

■ **Audio/Video Surveillance**

Army creates new branch for Logistics officers

By C. Todd Lopez
Army News Service

WASHINGTON -- The Army plans to develop a new corps of multifunctional logisticians with the creation of the new logistics branch.

Today, captains from transportation, quartermaster and ordnance branches must complete the Combined Logistics Captains Career Course or the Reserve-Component Captains Career Course.

Beginning Jan. 1, all officers completing that coursework will gain a new primary military operational specialty, 90A, that indicates their competence in all three logistics areas, said Maj. Gen. Mitchell H. Stevenson, commanding general of the United States Army Combined Arms Support Command.

"In the 21st century, we need logistics officers who are multifunctional -- officers not just focused on particular fields in logistics, but who are competent in all those fields," he said.

By joining the officers of the three logistics regiments into one branch, officers will expand and broaden their abilities to meet the needs of the modular Army, Stevenson said.

"No longer is it enough to be skilled in one particular area," he said. "We have got to be good across the board. And the more senior you get, the more we are going to focus you on enterprise organizations -- where you are thinking not in terms of what is going on in your particular area or operation, but knowing how the entire supply chain works. You'll need to understand the effects of one part of the chain on another

part of the chain."

Stevenson said what the Army is doing with logistics officers is similar to what private industry is doing with its own supply-chain managers.

"The commercial industry is now hiring and training supply-chain managers," he said. "And our logisticians also need to be supply-chain managers. They must understand things like distribution centers, such as what the Defense Logistics Agency runs for all the services and how they impact our ability to support operations in the middle of Northern Iraq."

The Army has chosen to begin development of officers into multifunction logisticians at the grade of captain.

Stevenson said the decision was made to start multifunctional training at the grade of captain because it is at that level where

officers become exposed to units that require them to be much more diverse in their capabilities.

"What we find is that by the time you make full colonel, about 75 percent of the positions in the Army call for multifunctional expertise," he said. "At the grade of captain, that number is already at about 50 percent."

Stevenson said captains from all components of the Army, including the Army National Guard and Army Reserve, will be affected by the creation of the Logistics Branch and the development of multifunction logisticians.

"From the beginning, we knew that whatever we did, we wanted to ensure it applied across the board, because we have one total Army," he said. "Given the way we use the reserve components these days, and plan to into the future, it is important that all officers are

trained and developed the same."

Currently, there are three Army logistics schools: the Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, Va.; the Transportation School at Fort Eustis, Va. and the Ordnance School at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

As part of a directive from the Base Realignment and Closure Commission, all three schools must be consolidated at Fort Lee by 2011. Training for officers in the Logistics Branch will occur there.

While the Army will create the new logistics branch to merge officers in the three existing logistics branches -- transportation, quartermaster and ordnance -- those branches will not be eliminated.

The Army will still have those career fields for our enlisted Soldiers and Warrant Officers. Additionally, lieutenants may continue to enter the Army in one of those three branches.

10-year NCAA self-study begins

By Lt. Col. Bryan Hilferty
Director of Communications

The U.S. Military Academy has embarked on a year-long self-study of its athletic programs as part of winning a renewal of certification from the National Collegiate Athletic Association for compliance with the association's rules.

West Point last won certification in 1997, and the NCAA requires renewal every 10 years.

"Our student-athletes, and the academy as a whole, face an enormous challenge in balancing scholarly and athletic demands," said Superintendent Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck.

"The NCAA recertification helps us relook at how we support the development of these future Army leaders across the Intellectual, Military, Physical, Spiritual, Ethical and Social as well as Physical domains," he continued.

"Re-accreditation involves a comprehensive self-study process," said Col. Lance Betros, Professor and Head of the Department of History, who also serves as the chair of the NCAA Certification Steering Committee.

"We are opening the inner workings of intercollegiate athletics to the entire West Point community, which includes cadets, faculty, staff, administrators and alumni,"

Betros said.

"This iteration of the certification process began in earnest this fall and we should complete the draft self-study report in March, with the final NCAA certification decision made early in 2009."

As required by the NCAA, West Point has formed three subcommittees that will examine athletics here. The subcommittees all include staff, faculty, coaching and cadet athlete representation.

The Governance and Rules Compliance subcommittee is chaired by Col. Robin Swope, the Staff Judge Advocate here.

The Academic Integrity subcommittee is chaired by Col. Mike Meese, Head of the Department of Social Sciences, while the Equity and Student-Athlete Well-being subcommittee is chaired by Lt. Col. Craig Flowers, Director of Cadet Activities.

"I invite anyone with questions to contact me or one of the subcommittee chairpersons," Betros said.

West Point AOG e-mail to switch addresses in mid-Jan. '08

Beginning in mid-January the West Point Association of Graduates will begin to switch over to new e-mail addresses. The current e-mail addresses will still be active until Feb. 1, 2008.

*Old e-mail address -- xy1234@usma.edu (until Feb. 1, 2008)
New e-mail address -- john.doe@wpaog.org.*

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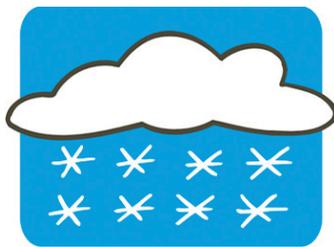
For the 2008 Elections Calendar from the Federal Voting Assistance Program Web site, go to www.fvap.gov/pubs/vag/appendix_i.pdf or call the West Point Voting Assistance NCOIC, Sgt. 1st Class John Castillo at 938-8450.

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West Point Snow Policy - Codes *White* and *Red*

By Eric S. Bartelt
Sports Editor



December 13 brought West Point and the surrounding area its first taste of winter's harshest conditions. With the snow flakes piling up by the truckload and a Code Red called, it's an important time for employees here to know where to go to get West Point's adverse weather information.

The Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security is in its second year of facilitating and coordinating the support of the garrison commander and snow removal operations to ensure the utmost safety for all employees.

DPTMS gathers all the available information provided by the Directorate of Public Works snow operations, the Provost Marshal's office, the New York State Department of Transportation and weather updates by specific weather monitoring sites.

"One of the things we do is monitor the North American (National Oceanic Atmospheric and Administration) site on weather and keep track of it throughout the day," said Joe Colombo, DPTMS's

Chief, Plans and Operations. "But along with the information we gather from NOAA, we also get notification from the Operations Center, Northeast Region on the weather forecast over the next 24-to-72 hours. Thus, our intent is to know what's coming and then facilitate the transmission of that information and disseminate it to the folks who make decisions.

"A conference call among Garrison Commander Col. Daniel Bruno, DPTMS, DPW, PMO, the Public Affairs Office, West Point Schools and the Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation determines the codes we initiate at West Point," Colombo added.

After a brief consultation with the USMA Chief of Staff, Col. Michael Colpo, Bruno makes the final weather call decision IAW USMA Policy 40-03 (Code White,

Code Red), but the conference call staff plays an important role in bringing about his decision.

"Based on the gathered recommendations, we get the garrison commander on the conference call and tell him the situation," Colombo explained. "We give him the situation, for example, that the storm will be hitting at six in the morning and, based on that situation, we will decide whether to initiate a Code White, Code Red or have no change to normal operations."

Every year, snow operations go into effect in early November and continue through April 15. During adverse weather conditions, West Point employees can keep track of West Point's weather status by calling 938-7000 or look for announcements on command channel 8/23, which are both updated by PAO's Joe Cyr; go to the Internet to find Directorate of Emergency Services updates on the USMA Web site (<http://cgi.usma.edu/WeatherConditions/>) or listen to area radio stations (see list below) for updated weather notifications.

For employees who travel from

off-post, DPTMS keeps in close touch with PMO who reaches out to local and state law enforcement and transportation agencies for the updated status of off-post roads leading into West Point.

"We have a number of folks who live on both sides of the (Hudson) River, so we look at those roads. The Provost Marshal knows who to contact to find out the status of the roads," Colombo said. "Based on information from the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, we have a listing of where the West Point workforce lives ... (and based on that) there are about 14 roads that we ask the folks from DOT the status of during adverse weather."

When a big storm happens, it's important for snow operations to immediately begin cleanup. The snow removal plan has five priorities that start with the main roads and main parking lots to the smallest little nook on post.

The important thing, according to Bob Frederick, DPW Operations Center, is for everyone to try to park off the main roads when adverse conditions are approaching.

"We start running into problems along roads where it limits the plows' abilities to get through," Frederick said. "So we ask folks to stick to parking lots. I know there is limited parking in Stony I and there're many parking spaces along the road ... but parking along the road only allows the plow to go down the middle and if your park along the side your car will get piled up with snow."

Frederick also talked about the importance of people knowing the codes before they leave their homes, so if there's a Code Red or Code White in place, they won't be impeding the work of snow operations as DPW does its work.

Frederick also stressed that "when employees who have not previously been designated as key



and essential by their organization come onto post during a Code Red, what they are doing is slowing down the snow removal operations and other critical work like that." Thus, "it makes it harder for people doing their work if others don't follow the guidance from the command".

"People sometimes don't understand why a code is made for X number of hours," he added. "But, the idea is to give DPW a chance to clear out the snow before the rush of traffic. The plows can't do that if there's a line of cars coming into post."

Another key aspect of snow cleanup and safety is the role of designated building commandants.

"The building commandants' coordination to include occupants into their clean-up plan is an imperative aspect and an individual role in helping clear the areas around their respective buildings," Colombo said. "It's also important for them to get the equipment they'll need, including snow shovels and de-icer, from the Self Service Supply Center. They should go get it now while supplies are in abundance."

Adverse Weather Code Definitions:

"WEST POINT IS CODE **WHITE** UNTIL (stated time or all day)." This means that the West Point Snow Policy is in effect until the stated time or all day. Employees who might be prevented from reporting to work or who believe that they might not be able to return home if they come to work, should be granted annual leave, accrued compensatory time or LWOP if they prefer. Employees still need to contact their supervisor for approval. Specific procedures for requesting leave in these circumstances are at the discretion of each Activity.

"WEST POINT IS CODE **RED** UNTIL (stated time or all day)." This announcement means that part of the installation is closed until the announced time, or all day, and employees should not report until that time. Supervisors will excuse absences without charge to leave for all employees affected whether or not leave was previously approved. Employees who do not report for work by the announced time will be charged leave for the remainder of their absence if it was not properly requested and approved. If a code RED is announced during the normal duty day, employees will immediately depart the installation without being charged leave. Employees in emergency positions are expected to report at their normally scheduled time or remain at work. Employees absent on previously approved leave (annual, sick or LWOP) for the entire workday will be charged the appropriate leave for the entire day. No excused absence is authorized.

Snow info

For the latest on West Point weather, call the weather line at 938-7000 or go to the Web site at <http://cgi.usma.edu/WeatherConditions/>.

Employees can also listen for West Point's snow policy status information on the following radio stations:

WBNR	1260 AM
WSPK	104.7 FM
WHUD	100.7 FM
WPDH	101.5 FM
WLNA	1420 AM
WFAS	930 AM
WFRS	103.9 FM
WRRV	92.7 FM
WRRV	96.9 FM
WKIP	1450 AM
WEOK	1390 AM

Community Features and Photos

Winter is finally here: It's time for some ski tips

By Robert DiBenedetto and
Michael McCormick
DMWR

As ski season approaches, it's time to inspect and tune your equipment. Unfortunately, that's only part of the equation. Your body and the other participants on the slope are also major parts of this equation.

Skiing is an intricate balance of skier and equipment working with a variety of environmental conditions and other skiers (or snow boarders) enjoying the same slope.

Ski patrollers at the Victor Constant Ski Slope are very fortunate compared to our counterparts at other ski areas. Most of our patrons are physically fit and demonstrate a willingness to work in unison. This formula reduces the chance of serious injury and promotes "Trail Courtesy." The latter is important, as we all have to ski together.



Here are some simple things to consider that can help ensure a good skiing experience:

■ Is my equipment up to date and in good working order?

Prior to skiing, have your bindings checked by a qualified ski mechanic at the ski slope or any ski shop in the area to ensure they release properly. As we change in height, weight, age and skiing ability, we need to make sure the proper binding adjustments are made to ensure that the bindings release as they are meant to. This can help prevent possible falling injuries.

■ Am I physically able to participate without injury to myself or others?

Always make sure your muscles are stretched and limber. This will enable your body to recover quicker.

■ Do I have the proper clothing or enough to protect me from the elements?

You can always remove clothing if you have it, but you can never overdress when it comes to Mother Nature. Dressing in many thin layers allows for the removal of layers as one gets warmer.

■ Which trail should I ski on once I'm at the ski slope?

You should always ski at your level of skill or comfort. If you're having difficulty managing the slope, find a patroller or ask

someone to find you one. They will assist you with your skiing or, if you are unable to negotiate the terrain, they can get you down the slope using evacuation equipment like a toboggan or snow mobile.

■ Do I know how to use the lift equipment?

Lift operators are there to assist you in 'loading' and 'unloading.' If you have never used lift equipment or are unfamiliar with the process, don't rush. Talk to the lift attendants and they will assist you by slowing or stopping the lift to enable children or adults unfamiliar with the lift's operation to get on the lift safely. This can be done at both the lower lift house and at the upper lift house off-load ramp. Our slope is equipped with "hard line" communication and radios, allowing the lower lift attendant to communicate with the upper lift attendant when chairs may need slowing or someone needs assistance in unloading. (All chairs are numbered for identification.)

■ Are you able to successfully ski the terrain?

Each ski area posts a trail map or provides a printed brochure. Victor Constant's map provides

the location of the main office, ski lodge, trails and their ability ratings, ski lifts, lesson information and other points of interest that may assist you during your outing.

■ Can you ski the existing conditions?

East coast skiing can vary from one extreme to another, from deep powder, hard-packed snow, ice or rocks. Conditions, including type of snow, open trails and temperatures at the ski slope are posted on the MWR Web site, on our telephone information line, at the lower lift house and at the upper ski patrol cabin and are updated daily. If you get cold during the chair ride up, stop in the patrol cabin and warm up.

Slopes can become crowded at any time. Ask yourself if you can ski the slope without injury to yourself or others. If you have concerns about crowds, wait until you are comfortable with conditions before you continue your descent.

Try not to ski alone -- the "Buddy System" is best.

Skiing is a demanding sport, so hydrate frequently, maintain carbohydrate levels and take rest break before you get too tired.

Like our ski equipment, our



skiing skills can get rusty too. Take a lesson every once in a while, as equipment and styles change. Keep up with the changes to maximize your skiing and boarding experiences.

If you are taking medication that may make you drowsy, don't ski. You may not only injure yourself, you may injure others. Should an accident occur, be sure to inform the ski patroller assisting you about the medications you are taking. This is pertinent to the care that you will receive.

While skiing, anticipate that other skiers may not be able to see you. For instance, snow boarders have a predominant foot, meaning they are unable to look over that forward shoulder. Remember -- the downhill skier or boarder has the "right of way."

New York State has rules and regulations for skiing. A complete list of these rules is posted on the left hand side of the lower lift house entrance. Take some time and familiarize yourself with these rules and pass them on to the younger members of your family or group. They are also available on their Web site -- www.skiandrideny.com/article18.html.

The National Ski Patrol Web site also has a list of skier's responsibilities. You should be familiar with this information prior to skiing. Go to www.nsp.org/1/nsp/Safety_Information/YourResponsibilityCode.asp.

Although skiing is a sport with inherent dangers, maintaining your equipment, keeping fit, exercising good judgment and promoting trail courtesy should ensure a positive ski experience for you and your fellow skiers.

For additional information, check www.westpointmwr.com or the Ski Area Info Hotline -- 938-2475.



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USMA CSM Bergman retires after 32 years of service

Story and photo by
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Sports Editor

Frank Sinatra's vocal classic "My Way" crooned through Eisenhower Hall's Crest Hall Monday as a sentimental salute to a great retiring warrior, Command Sgt. Maj. Michael L. Bergman.

While Jan. 11 will mark the final day Bergman spends as a Soldier in the U.S. Army, Monday was the day Bergman got to give his thank you's to those who helped him most through his 32 1/2 years of service to the nation during his retirement ceremony.

A man with a distinguished career to include his honor graduate status at the M-60 Leadership Course and the Drill Sergeant School and distinguished graduate honors at the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Instructors Course, Bergman continued to lead from the front during his tenure as the U.S. Military Academy's command sergeant major from 2004 through 2007.

"From the start, Pvt. Bergman was recognized as a hard charging, driven Soldier, but more than that it was his chain of command that recognized his leadership potential and increased his responsibility

for promotions," said USMA Superintendent Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck. "What they saw beyond his tactical and organizational skills was a genuine concern for the welfare and development of Soldiers, NCOs and junior officers."

Hagenbeck thanked Bergman for his selfless service to West Point, the Army and the nation, and told him he will always mean something special to the academy.

"(You'll) always be our command sergeant major," Hagenbeck said. "(A man with) character that never goes away just because you hang up the uniform ... it's too hard a habit to break and it's been a lifetime passion."

Bergman has a passion that runs deep for not only his job, but most of all, his family. His family demonstrated much the same as, for the first time in about 10 years according to Bergman, all five of his sons were together and this time it was to celebrate their father.

Three of his sons (Michael Jr., Jason and Joshua) are currently serving in the military while his youngest son, Donovan, will join the military once Bergman finishes his final move to North Carolina in January.

Bergman reflected on his time

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Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck

here at the academy with a smile and how it's meant so much to him to have served here as the command sergeant major.

"As I tell other people, I feel a part of the Long Gray Line in a way by having an influence over those cadets who graduate and go out into the Army," Bergman explained. "It's a major impact for the whole Army with what we do here. We're touching the Army because these cadets will influence our Soldiers and take care of our Soldiers and lead them into combat."

"West Point goes back to the start of our military and to be a part of this institution and its history is something special," he added. "It's a part of my life that I will always cherish."

Bergman arrived here July 1, 2004, from his previous assignment as the command sergeant major at the U.S. Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga. The infantryman from Defiance, Ohio, had a whirlwind tour until it all came to a crashing halt in August.

For the past four months, until Dec. 10 when he was finally able to walk without any assistance, everyone who has spent a moment with Bergman noticed him needing the aid of crutches. It was back in August, during marchback, when Bergman went off doing it "his way" to do one more "Hooah" thing -- knowing this could be his last immense outdoor Army event.

He strayed away because he'd always wanted to go to the top of the Victor Constant Ski Slope, and as the event played itself out, he realized he made two mistakes.

"My first mistake was that I decided to go to the top of the ski slope on my own without my Ranger buddy," Bergman said. "The second was the decision to jump off a six-foot ledge. When I jumped it looked like a soft patch of dirt below, and as I was on my way down I started to think that maybe I shouldn't have done this."

"When I hit, I came straight down and landed on both feet," he added. "But as soon as I hit I knew I busted something."

The result was a broken leg that shattered the lower half of his leg and eventually required five screws to hold it together because the soft patch of dirt that was below him was actually a boulder with dirt covering the surface.

After what he described as his "movie" moment, when he was trying to walk with a tree branch as a crutch, and, when that attempt failed, he finally got help after remembering he had his cell phone with him. But, once emergency services arrived, he did have to deal with some of the needling that went along with such an injury.

"I caught flack for it because they said, 'this is the first broken leg I think we've had on the ski slope in the summer,' as the (medics) were hauling me out," Bergman stated. "I said to them, 'yeah, that dirt skiing is pretty rough, don't try it.'"

But, that is Bergman at his

best. The veteran of Grenada can find light in what many see as a disappointing situation. The injury slowed him down a bit, but he thinks that may have been good for him as it'll ease him into retirement.

However, that time allowed him to take stock in his future and come to grips that it was his time to leave the Army and spend more time with his family.

Bergman had a laundry list of people who influenced and inspired him during his career on the military side, but it was his family that was his true backbone.

One of his fondest memories at the academy happened while his son, Joshua, was finishing up his advance individual training at Aberdeen, Md., and Joshua's wife, who was pregnant, stayed with Bergman and his wife, Donna. His daughter-in-law gave birth to a son, Joshua Jr., at Keller Army Community Hospital last month.

Now, Bergman will look forward to the day he leaves post for the last time as a Soldier to head to St. Pauls, N.C., about 30 minutes outside Fort Bragg and a place he spent 13 years of his military career and where he met his wife. As he looks forward to more fishing and hunting in his post-military life, he won't forget what it has meant to be an enlisted Soldier for three-plus decades and the continuing success of all Soldiers in general that helps the Army thrive.

"I'm continually impressed by the caliber of Soldiers that we have here at West Point and in the Army, and how proficient they are in their MOSs," Bergman said. "Our Soldiers continue to present the military in a good light and as role models for our Armed Forces."

"I have to say they are much smarter now," he added about Soldiers he has seen on NCO/Soldier of the Year boards, "they are better developed and are prepared to go out to be future leaders."



United States Military Academy Command Sgt. Maj. Michel L. Bergman and his wife, Donna, watch a slideshow Monday during Bergman's retirement ceremony in Eisenhower Hall's Crest Hall.

Sustainability not just a vocabulary word to 'Dirt Department'

By Mindy A. Kimball
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Global warming, water woes in Atlanta, toxic metals in children's toys, drought in Darfur, oil at almost \$100 per barrel -- these days one can't open a newspaper or watch the news without hearing about another way that the earth's environment is in danger of irreparable change. The key to preventing events like these in the future is sustainability, and the Department of Geography & Environmental Engineering hammered this point home during the fall semester.

Sustainability basically means managing natural resources and the environment so that we can still reap those resources at or above desirable levels, while the ecosystem is not negatively affected. The end result when a resource is not sustainable is that the resource ceases to exist.

The Army as an institution has long recognized the importance of sustainability in mission planning and execution. Michael Cain, Director of the Army Environmental Policy Institute, came to West Point

in early Dec. to drive this point home to cadets enrolled in EV300, Environmental Science. Cain spoke of the Army's "triple bottom line, plus" of Mission, Community, Environment, plus Economy.

The AEPI recently finished a study on operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. The report concluded that the second most important issue to all security issues directly involves the environment. After personal security, the most effective means of nation building is to provide the local communities with basic environmental needs -- clean water, clean air, waste management and pollution control.

In addition to the local community needs, military units struggle with basic unit operations when it comes to resource management. As an example, Cain said that 70 percent of all trucks on the road in Iraq and Afghanistan are carrying water and fuel. If we can find a way to reduce this by more efficient/clean water supplies and reducing fuel consumption, then we'll have fewer convoys and fewer Soldiers and equipment exposed to danger (and -- by the

way -- it saves money).

Several other guest speakers who presented during the semester drove home the sustainability message. Joan Vandervort, the Army G3's Policy Impact Program Manager, discussed encroachment on the Army's training land with cadets enrolled in EV391A, Land

Use Planning. Encroachment from the expansion of cities adjacent to military posts becomes a major issue for the Army when we have more troops, more training and higher populations. The situation is worsened by implementation of Base Realignment and Closure.

EV391A also heard from Kelly

Pew of the Integrated Training Area Management program. Pew told the cadets about the Sustainable Range Program, and what we have to consider with the environment in order to sustain training.

In November, the cadets of the Environmental & Water Resource Institute club hosted Paul Dolan of Mendocino Wine Company. Dolan, a former Infantry officer, is a winemaker from California known throughout the wine industry for promoting sustainability and environmentally-friendly agricultural practices. His and his partners' winery, Parducci, is the first in the country to go Carbon-Neutral (which means the company calculates its carbon emissions and takes actions to offset those emissions with things like alternative energy projects and investments in projects that remove carbon from the atmosphere). California's governor Arnold Schwarzenegger just awarded Dolan and his partners, Tim and Tom Thornhill, with the Governor's Environmental and Economic Leadership Award in the category of Climate Change.



Cadet 1st Class David Weart presents winemaker and guest lecturer Paul Dolan with an "Eat Drink and Beat Navy" sign after his lecture on sustainability in winemaking in November.

MAJ. MINDY KIMBALL/G&ENE

Dolan shared how many industries can benefit from designing their operations with sustainability in mind. Many wineries are finding that using organic farming practices produce better wines.

Overall the cadets in the "Dirt Department" have been able to use sustainability as a unifying theme in coursework within the program. From Army programs to everyday business practices, sustainability must be a part of every system that wants to see success and mission accomplishment.

Cain of the AEPI reminded cadets that the most important job they have is to be good leaders by convincing every level of the Army to change for the better -- the big idea is that it has to support the mission and it has to save money. "What the boss checks gets done," so leadership is what it will take to move the Army forward on sustainability.

Dolan even equated sustainability principles to leadership and the cadet honor code by saying that a sustainable business should "aspire to do what is right, not just for the bottom line, not just from a legal standpoint, but from a moral and ethical standpoint. It's not only accountable, it's responsible."

A FORT AHEAD

REDUCING THE FOOTPRINT OF THE ARMY

Sustainability—accomplishing today's mission in a way that enables future operations—now governs Army installation operations. Many installations today are putting 25-year sustainability plans into action. Here's a look inside a sustainable post where a generation of Soldiers live and train on an installation designed to last. It's about having the natural resources they need to train, a healthy environment in which to live, and the support of local communities and the American people.

GREEN BUILDING

Golden Knights Headquarters, Fort Bragg, N.C.

ALTERNATIVE ENERGY

Photovoltaic Cells, Yuma Proving Ground, Ariz.

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT

Hazmat, Picatinny Arsenal, Pa.

DECONSTRUCTION, REUSE

WV-ers Chapel, Fort Lewis, Wash.

CANTONMENT AREA

Green installations improve working and living conditions for Soldiers and their families.

- Green buildings save energy and improve worker productivity and comfort
- Deconstruction conserves resources and expensive landfill space
- Porous pavement reduces erosion, runoff and spread of contamination
- Comprehensive outreach keeps families and neighbors involved
- Green family housing saves resources and improves quality of life
- Landscaping using local plants and shrubs reduces water consumption

NATIVE LANDSCAPING

Model Home, Yuma Proving Ground, Ariz.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

Archaeology Day, Fort Hood, Texas

PUBLIC WORKS

Wise management of resources increases productivity and decreases costs.

- Alternative energy and fuels reduce dependence, pollution, costs
- Photovoltaic cells convert sunlight to electricity
- Carpooling, vanpooling and other regional transportation systems reduce emissions and save resources
- Efficiently managing, replacing or reducing use of hazardous materials reduces hazardous waste
- Recycling and green procurement saves valuable materials through removal from the waste stream

HARDENED FACILITIES

Improving a Tank Trail, Fort Bliss, Texas

HYBRID TACTICAL VEHICLES

Future Combat Vehicle Concept

COMPATIBLE USE BUFFER

Buffer Lands, Fort Bragg, N.C.

SUSTAINABLE RANGE MANAGEMENT

Range Restoration, Fort Knox, Ky.

ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING

Soldiers Training, Grafenwoehr, Germany

ALTERNATIVE FUELS

Experimental Hydrogen Station, Fort Belvoir, Mo.

RANGES

Installations ensure future readiness by protecting training areas today.

- Buffers separate training from communities, provide valuable endangered species habitat
- Wise management of natural resources and species keeps training areas viable
- Hardened tank trails reduce erosion
- Ranges managed for recovery provide landscaping that improves realism in training
- Tactical vehicles with hybrid power reduce air pollution and noise

SUSTAINABILITY GOALS

The Army Strategy for the Environment lists six goals for the Army Sustainability Program:

- GOAL: Foster a Sustainability Ethic**
Foster an ethic within the Army that takes us beyond environmental compliance to sustainability.
- GOAL: Strengthen Army Operations**
Strengthen Army operational capability by reducing our environmental footprint through more sustainable practices.
- GOAL: Meet Test, Training, and Mission Requirements**
Meet current and future training, testing and other mission requirements by sustaining land, air and water resources.
- GOAL: Minimize Impacts and Total Ownership Costs**
Minimize impacts and total ownership costs of Army systems, material, facilities and operations by integrating the principles and practices of sustainability.
- GOAL: Enhance Well-Being**
Enhance the well-being of our Soldiers, civilians, families, neighbors and communities through leadership in sustainability.
- GOAL: Drive Innovation**
Use innovative technology and the principles of sustainability to meet user needs and anticipate future Army challenges.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT <http://www.sustainability.army.mil>.

MWR Blurbs

WPGC end of season sale

The West Point Golf Course end of season sale ends today at 5:30 p.m.

Save on equipment, apparel and more.

For more info., call 938-2435.

New Year's Eve Party at WPC

New Years Eve Party at the West Point Club, Dec. 31, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Ring in the New Year with a casual night of fun, food and dancing.

DJ entertainment will be provided by John Sorgente of Indigo.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Fitness Center gift certificates

Just in time for the holidays --The MWR Fitness Center is offering gift certificates for massage, personal training and fitness classes. Stop by the front desk to purchase or call 938-6490.

Mystery Shopper

Become a Mystery Shopper and receive free services at various MWR activities -- it's fun and easy.

To apply, go to www.westpointmwr.com, fill out the application and return it to Elizabeth Harrington, Bldg. 681, room 202.

For more information, call 938-8186.

Upcoming ACS classes

Look out for these upcoming classes at ACS:

■ **Financial Readiness Training** for First Term Soldiers (mandatory for those at first duty station) Jan. 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

■ **Banking Accounts/Checkbook Refresher** Jan. 10, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

■ **Understanding Credit** Jan. 16, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

All classes are held in the ACS classroom, located in Bldg. 622.

Registration is required for all classes, at least one week ahead of the class date.

Call 938-5653/4621 for more information.

Help design the new GC coin

Be a part of West Point history -- design West Point's next Garrison coin. Submission deadline is Jan. 11.

Submit original artwork to

Elizabeth Harrington, Bldg. 681, room 202.

For contest guidelines, go to www.westpointmwr.com and select "special events and attractions."

Crandall Pool closed

Crandall Pool will be closed during MWR swim time from until Jan. 11.

Ski and snowboard lessons

Learn to ski and snowboard. Take lessons at Victor Constant Ski Slope. Sign-ups are ongoing.

For more info., call 938-3726.

Ski tuning & repair Shop

Have you tried the Tuning & Repair Shop at West Point Ski Slope? For more info., call 938-3726.

Soldier Adventure Training

Soldier Adventure Training, ski and snow board lessons, will be held Jan. 24 and Feb. 8 at Victor Constant Ski Slope. For more information call 938-3726 or visit www.westpointmwr.com.

To sign up contact Sgt. Maj. Cal Christensen at 938-7142 or e-mail him at Cal.Christensen@usma.edu.

Transition Workshop

Are you an active duty Officer

or Senior NCO thinking about retiring or separating in the next year or two? Then the ACS Executive Transition Workshop is just for you.

The next ACS EXTAP workshop is being held Jan. 8 to 11, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the West Point Ed Center.

Advance registration required.

The workshop addresses: Managing Life Transitions, Job Search, Selling Yourself, Interviewing Pre-work and Techniques, Salary and Benefit Negotiations, Building a Professional Wardrobe and Networking.

For info., call (845) 248-4719.



Waiting Families Support Group

Katrina Knight (right) and her mom Christine open a present from Santa Saturday at the Waiting Families Support Group holiday celebration. A score of volunteers were on hand to help with the holiday celebration for nearly 80 parents and children. Husband and father Maj. Peter Knight is a Military Training Team member currently deployed to Iraq.

PHOTO BY GALETEA BADGER/ACS

Keller Corner

KACH closure

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closing at noon today and will also be closed Monday, Tuesday as well as Dec. 31 and Jan. 1.

The emergency room will remain open.

Infants and toddlers well visits

Educational & Developmental Intervention Services would like to remind all parents to remember to complete and return the Ages and Stages Questionnaires at their well visits.

It is an important way that EDIS partners with the providers to get maximum information about a child's development during an appointment and should help to encourage parents to discuss any concerns with their provider.

Do we have your correct address and telephone number?

In order to better serve you, please report any address changes or new telephone numbers to the Outpatient Records Office located on the 1st floor or call 938-2561.

Childbirth Preparation Classes

Four Class Series -- Jan. 2, 3, 9 and 10, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., KACH 2nd floor classroom.

If your due date is January, February or early March, this class is for you. Call OBU at 938-3210 to register.

KACH offers weight loss surgery

Bariatric surgery corrects obesity. Are you considered obese? Have you been actively dieting and exercising without losing

weight and without maintaining that weight loss?

There are several procedures that can be done to help a patient lose weight and to keep that weight off.

The most successful of these procedures is called "Gastric Bypass." In this procedure the stomach is made small to limit the amount of food intake and part of the intestine is bypassed to limit caloric absorption.

This procedure has shown to be very effective in weight loss.

Obesity is the most costly and common nutritional problem in the United States. It is close to smoking as a frequent cause of early death.

Obesity is quantified by calculating your body mass index or BMI.

To calculate your BMI, take your weight in pounds divided by your height in inches squared, then

multiply by 703.

Being overweight is classified as a BMI greater than 25. Obesity is defined as a BMI over 30.

If you answered yes to the questions at the top, please make an appointment with your Primary Care Manager to see if you qualify for an evaluation for surgical treatment.

In 2000, the cost of medical problems associated with obesity was more than \$117 billion. Obese people are at increased risk of diabetes, hypertension, hypercholesterolemia, arthritis, coronary artery disease, sleep apnea and venous stasis.

These patients are also at an increased risk of cancer of the breast, colon and endometrium. Weight loss can help decrease the risk of medical disease and death.

If you answered yes to the questions at the top, please make an appointment with your Primary Care Manager to see if you qualify for an evaluation for surgical treatment.

Beneficiary Web Enrollment

TRICARE Prime and Prime Remote beneficiaries can log on to <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/appj/bwe/> to enroll, disenroll, choose

primary care managers (PCM), transfer regions, update personal information, add other health care information and request enrollment cards.

Beneficiary Web Enrollment (BWE) allows Standard beneficiaries to update personal information, add other health care information and enroll in Prime.

Sponsors and family members can access their TRICARE information by using their Common Access Card (CAC), Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) "myPay" Personal Identification Number (PIN) or Family Member Account PIN.

Enrollments and PCM changes are pending until approved and approval may take up to six calendar days.

Beneficiaries can log on to the site to view the status of their account anytime and can cancel pending enrollments and/or PCM changes within 48 hours of initiating the transaction.

Enrollment and PCM services are available at the TRICARE Service Center at 273 Main Street in Highland Falls.

PCM changes can also be requested by calling (888) 874-2273.

Recalled Hib vaccine not in KACH inventory

Submitted by KACH

On Dec. 12 Merck and Co. announced a voluntary recall in the United States for certain lots of Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) Vaccine. This recall is a precautionary measure taken by Merck after routine testing of its manufacturing procedures raised concerns about the sterility of 12 lots of vaccine containing Hib.

NO VACCINE FROM THE AFFECTED LOTS IS PART OF KELLER'S VACCINE INVENTORY. All Hib vaccine in stock at Keller is not impacted by this recall and can still be utilized

for vaccination.

The availability of this vaccine may be limited in the short term due to this recall.

Additional information will follow from the CDC and the manufacturers over the next few days about how this recall may impact availability.

Although none of the 12 lots of vaccine have been found to be contaminated, the company has elected to recall the vaccine from these lots. Approximately 1 million doses of vaccine are being recalled.

Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) is a bacteria that can cause

meningitis, pneumonia and other illnesses. Prior to the introduction of a vaccination, Hib was the leading cause of bacterial meningitis in children age 5 and under in the United States.

The complete Hib vaccination series is given between 2 months and 15 months of age. Children over 5 years old and adults typically do not need this vaccine unless they have certain health conditions.

Additional information regarding the vaccine recall can be found on the CDC Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/recalls/hib-recall-faqs-12-12-07.htm>.

Using TRICARE Dental Program overseas now requires command sponsorship

FALLS CHURCH, Va. --As of Dec. 3, 2007, TRICARE Dental Program enrollees who live overseas must be command sponsored in order to receive the overseas TDP cost-share benefits.

If a TDP enrollee is not command sponsored, he will be responsible for the same cost-shares as beneficiaries living in the United States.

Before this announcement, TRICARE paid cost-shares and other out-of-pocket expenses for many TDP dental services for all TDP enrollees living outside the continental United States. But paying for TDP cost-share benefits

for non-command sponsored family members was inconsistent with other TRICARE programs and Defense Department policy.

In accordance with that policy, non-command sponsored TDP enrollees who receive dental care overseas will now be responsible for these cost-shares as well as any difference between the dentist's charge and dental contractor United Concordia's allowances for treatment.

Determination of a TDP enrollee's command sponsored status is based on their enrollment in either the TRICARE Overseas Program Prime or TRICARE Global

Remote Overseas program as reflected in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS).

Beneficiaries who have questions about this policy can contact United Concordia for more information, at 1-888-418-0466 or oconus@ucci.com.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Routine dental care for Family Members in both CONUS and OCONUS locations should be accomplished using the Tricare Dental Plan. Enrollment is very highly encouraged.

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What's Happening

Cadet Chapel service

The traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be held Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Command Channel 8/23

Dec. 21 - Jan. 11

FRIDAY

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

MONDAY -- TUESDAY

NO PROGRAMMING

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
2 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT
6 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
7 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT

DEC. 28

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
9 A.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT
1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
4 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT
8 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT

DEC. 31

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
NOON USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT
1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
2 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT
6 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
7 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT

JAN. 1

NO PROGRAMMING

JAN. 2

8:30 A.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
NOON ARMY NEWSWATCH
1 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
2 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT
6 P.M. ARMY NEWSWATCH
7:30 P.M. USMA BAND
HOLIDAY CONCERT

JAN. 3-5, 7-11

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

Post Exchange holiday hours

Today and Sat. -- 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Sun. -- 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Mon. -- 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Tues. -- CLOSED
Wed. -- 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Thur. -- 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Dec. 28-29 -- 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Dec. 30 -- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Dec. 31 -- 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Jan. 1 -- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Arvin CPDC Holiday hours

Sat. -- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sun. -- 3 to 9 p.m.
Mon. and Tues. -- CLOSED
Wed. through Dec. 29 -- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Dec. 30 -- 1 to 9 p.m.
Dec. 31 -- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 1 -- CLOSED
Jan. 2 to Jan. 5 -- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Jan. 6 -- 1 to 9 p.m.
Jan. 7 -- 5:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Commissary Holiday hours

Sun. -- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Mon. -- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tues. -- CLOSED
Wed. -- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Thurs. -- 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Dec. 28 -- 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Dec. 29 -- 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Dec. 30 and Dec. 31 -- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Jan. 1 -- CLOSED

West Point Visitors Center Holiday schedule

The U.S. Military Academy recently announced the holiday schedule for the Visitor Center,

DPW Notes

Self Help Center Holiday schedule

The DPW Self Help Center is closed Saturday through Wednesday and will also be closed from Dec. 29 through Jan. 2.

For more info., call 938-5310.

Holiday solid waste / recycling collection schedule

Recycling co-mingle that is usually collected on Tues. will be collected Wed., Dec. 26.

Likewise, the recycling co-mingle that would normally be collected Jan. 1, 2008 will be collected Jan. 2, 2008.

Christmas tree recycling

The DPW Solid Waste

At Your Leisure

West Point Tours, Inc., and the West Point Museum.

Open daily from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., the **West Point Visitors Center** will be closed Monday and Tuesday and Jan. 1.

The center will be open half day Dec. 31 with regular business hours resuming Jan. 2.

West Point Tours, Inc. will not provide tours Monday and Tuesday or Jan. 1.

There will be one tour Dec. 31 at 11:15 a.m., weather permitting.

Additional tours have been added for Wed. through Dec. 30 starting at 10 a.m.

The winter tour schedule consisting of two tours, 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., will take effect beginning Jan. 2, weather permitting.

The West Point Museum is open daily from 10:30 a.m. until 4:15 p.m. with the exception of Mon., Tues. and Jan. 1.

Guests are reminded that valid photographic identification is required for all adults wishing to take a guided tour of the academy.

For more information, call (845) 938-2638.

PWOC

Ladies, after you enjoy celebrating Christmas with your family and friends, please join us as we begin new Bible studies Jan. 9 and 10.

We meet at the Post Chapel Wednesday's, from 8:45 to 11:00 a.m. or Thursday's, from 7 to 9 p.m.

What if you could ask the widow of a former Superintendent; the wife of a '62 grad who after a successful Army career, later taught for many

years in the Social Sciences Dept. as a civilian professor; and the wife of another successful Army officer who served as PAO at West Point in the 1990s and now is head of the Business School at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., for advice on negotiating the joys and challenges of an Army wife's life at West Point?

Come to the PWOC Titus 2 Women Program Jan. 16, from 8:45 to 11 a.m. at the Post Chapel, and hear what Grace Graves, Caroline Snider, and Barb Bell have to share about living a successful Christian life as an Army wife at West Point.

Anonymous questions will be collected Jan. 9 at the regular PWOC meeting.

MLK luncheon

The West Point community is invited to the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. observance Jan. 16 from 11:30 a.m. until 12:50 p.m., in the West Point Club Grand Ballroom.

Former NBA player Kevin Johnson is the guest speaker.

Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling 938-7082/2621.

AER scholarship program

The Maj. Gen. James Ursano Scholarship Program is for dependent children of active, retired

and deceased Soldiers.

The program offers scholarships based on financial need, academics and leadership/achievement.

Applications for the 2008-2009 scholarship and the Stateside Spouse Education Assistance Program are available on the AER Web site www.aerhq.org through March 1, 2008.

To be eligible, applicants must maintain a cumulative GPA of a 2.0 on a 4.0 grading scale and be full-time students.

West Point FCU

The Cadet branch of the West Point Federal Credit Union, located in Taylor Hall, Bldg. 600, will be closed during cadet leave beginning Monday until Jan. 4. They will re-open Jan. 7. The Main St., Highland Falls branch will be open for normal hours Mon. through Fri. from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., but will be closed Tues. and Jan. 1.

WPWC

Applications are now available for scholarships and community grants offered by the West Point Women's Club.

Pick up copies at the WPWC shop, ACS, or visit the Web site: www.shopthepoint.com. Applications are due Feb. 29, 2008.

NOW SHOWING in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

THE POST MOVIE THEATER

WILL BE CLOSED THROUGH JAN. 3, 2008.

THE THEATER SCHEDULE CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT WWW.AAFES.COM.

Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

Army and Community Sports

F-4 Frogs win Bde. Team Tennis Open

Story and photos by
Karen Peck
 Head Athletic Trainer/
 Instructor, DPE

The Brigade Open Team Tennis Championships were held at the Lichtenberg Tennis Center Dec. 9-13. The theme of the tournament was the life and legacy of Arthur Ashe. When Ashe was an Army officer, he was stationed at West Point from 1966-68 as assistant coach for the Army Tennis Team.

More importantly, he was an example both on and off the court, known for his outstanding sportsmanship and as an activist for human rights.

The Department of Physical Education has adopted the Champions of Character initiative, to emphasize the opportunity to teach character through sport. This program reinforces the Army Values and provides specific strategies on how to teach these values on the athletic fields.

It was a natural fit to incorporate Ashe's legacy for the Brigade Open Team Tennis Tournament. Ashe is considered by many to be a "champion of character." It was an opportunity for the cadets to learn more about the history of West Point and Ashe's contributions to sport, society and the West Point community.

Past brigade open tournaments have featured singles, doubles and women's events, but for the first time, this semester's event was in a team format. Each team match consisted of two doubles matches and three singles matches.

Over 80 cadets formed 15 teams for the tournament. It was a rare opportunity, as many of the participants were former high school players, excited to dig out their racquets from the trunk room for a week of competition. Their enthusiasm was evident in the unique uniforms, frequent chest bumping and friendly banter with the opponents.

December 9 through 11 saw early round play and the 15 teams quickly became four. In the first semi-final match the F-4 Frogs came out strong against team "Versus" with wins in both doubles matches to go up 2-0. The Frogs then lost the first two singles matches quickly tying the team



The Brigade Champion F-4 Frogs, seniors David Bounds (left) and John Hughes, junior David Ong, (front) and senior Anthony Bulaclac.

score at 2-2. The only match left was No. 3 singles featuring senior "Frog" John Hughes and junior "Versus" Jason Lee.

Lee started quickly and took a 5-2 lead, but Hughes fought back and eventually won the match 8-6. This win put the "Frogs" into the finals.

The second semi-final match was a class struggle. "Steak Sauce Plus 3" was all sophomores, while "The Plebe Legion" represented the freshmen.

"The Plebe Legion" came out strong winning both doubles matches. "Steak Sauce Plus 3" fought hard in singles, but could

not overcome the plebes, eventually losing 4-1.

"The Plebe Legion" took on the "F4 Frogs" in the finals to determine the Brigade Open champions. The finals were quite possibly the best match of the week. Both teams won one doubles match by the identical 8-3 score. "The Legion" then pulled out in front with an 8-4 win at number one singles, while the Frogs countered with an 8-4 win at No. 3 singles.

The deciding match featured junior "Frog" David Ong against freshman "Legion"-naire Ivan Cho. Cho fought off several match points before he succumbed to Ong by a

score of 9-7. Ong won the crucial third match making the F-4 Frogs the Brigade Open Team Tennis Champions.

Members of the winning F-4 Frogs included team captain senior David Bounds, F-4 Company Commander senior Anthony Bulaclac, Hughes, and Ong.

Captain Khanh Diep, an instructor in the Department of Physical Education and a Certified United States Tennis Association Official, roamed the courts throughout the tournament looking for code violations or questionable line calls, but did not assess a single penalty.

Baseball's White named to the NCBWA Preseason All-America

By Bob Beretta
Senior Associate Athletic Dir.
for Athletic Comm.

Preseason honors continue to roll in for Army senior Cole White.

White, who was named to the 2008 Wallace Watch List last week, added another citation when he was selected to the eighth annual National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association Preseason All-America team.

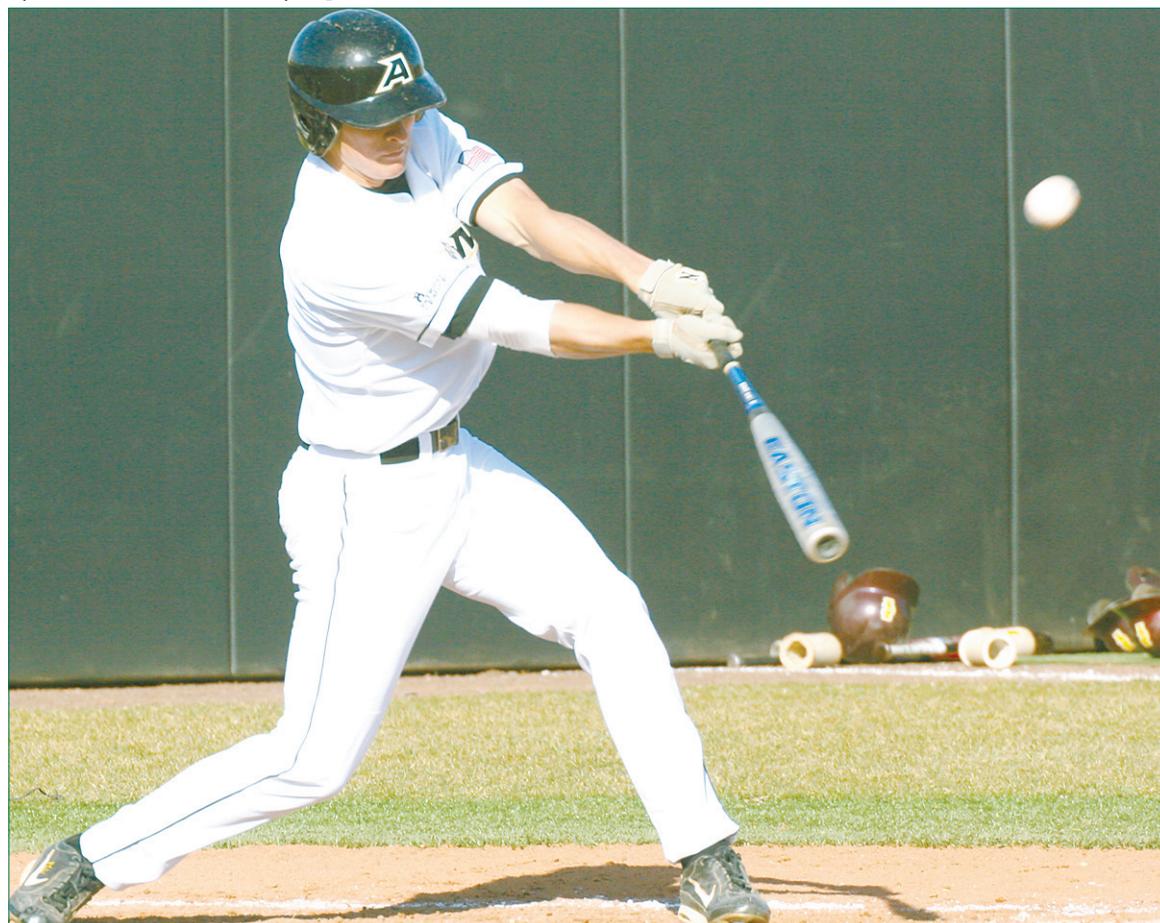
A standout right fielder as well as one of the Patriot League's top starting pitchers, White became only the third player in Army baseball history to earn preseason All-America honors when he was named to the NCBWA Preseason All-America Third Team as a utility specialist.

White joins former Army teammates Milan Dinga and Nick Hill as the only West Pointers to earn preseason All-America honors. Dinga was chosen for the honor last winter, while Hill was

selected during the 2005 and 2006 campaigns.

A dual-position standout who earned Patriot League Player of the Year honors last spring, White was selected to the Patriot League's first team all-star squad in right field and second team as a starting pitcher. The Midland, Texas (Midland H.S.), native has been recognized at three different positions by the Patriot League during the course of his career. In addition to last year's citations, he earned second-team plaudits in the outfield in 2004 and first-team recognition at first base in 2005. White has garnered all-league status on the pitcher's mound during each of his three seasons in the Black, Gold and Gray, earning first-team laurels in 2004 and second-team honors each of the past two seasons. He is the first player in Patriot League history to earn all-league honors at two different positions, three consecutive years.

White captured the Patriot League batting title with a .408



Army senior right fielder and starting pitcher Cole White in action during the 2007 season.

ERIC BARTELT/PV

average in 2007, and finished first among league leaders in total bases

(103) and slugging percentage (.575), and second in base hits (73), walks (24) and on-base percentage (.481). He placed third in doubles (12) and fourth in stolen bases (16).

A consistent run-producer in the middle of Army's batting order since his arrival at the academy as a freshman, White will enter his senior campaign ranked fourth on Army's career home runs list with 19 round-trippers. He stands seven homers shy of the career standard of 26 established by Mike Scioletti from 1995 to 1998. He also ranks fifth on Army's career total bases chart (279) and sixth in batting average (.355). White owned a team-best 23 multiple-hit showings last spring and authored a 13-game hitting streak late in the year.

In picking up his first Patriot League batting title, White enjoyed a 39-point cushion on the second-place finisher. His .408 batting average ranked fifth on Army's single-season chart.

In addition to his prowess at the plate, White ranks sixth on Army's career pitching winning percentage chart at .704, boasting a three-year mark of 19-8. He also rates tied for fifth in career pitching victories. As a freshman, White became the first starting pitcher in Army history to win his first seven mound decisions. He finished 7-3 with a 3.49 ERA last season.

White established an academy record by not allowing an earned run in 25.0 consecutive innings a year ago. Included in the span was a magnificent five-hit, nine-inning shutout of Navy. He fanned a career-best 12 and did not walk a batter in that 1-0 extra-inning victory for the Black Knights.

White heads a youthful Army team that could feature as many as four positional starters when the Black Knights open their 2008 season against Oral Roberts in San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 22.

Army has earned three Patriot League Tournament berths in the last four years, winning consecutive league championships in 2004 and 2005.

Intramural Basketball Standings

Unit "Nighttime" Intramurals as of Monday

TEAMS	W - L
1. MEDDAC	5 - 1
1. STEWART MARINES	5 - 1
3. STAFF & FACULTY	3 - 2
4. 105TH ANG	1 - 4
5. MPs	0 - 6

Staff & Faculty "Noontime" Intramurals as of Tuesday

NORTH DIVISION		W - L	CENTRAL DIVISION		W - L	SOUTH DIVISION		W - L
1. CME/DSE	10	- 2	1. MATH 1	6	- 3	1. USCC/BTD	8	- 1
2. DAD/ODIA	6	- 4	2. DLAW/SJA	7	- 4	2. USMA BAND	6	- 3
3. NSSB/DEAN	6	- 5	3. SOC. SCI.	6	- 4	3. MATH 2	5	- 4
4. DMI	5	- 5	4. PHYS/CHEM	5	- 4	4. DFL/GENE	3	- 6
5. DPW	3	- 8	5. ENGLISH	3	- 7	5. HISTORY	0	- 8
6. MEDDAC	3	- 9	6. DPE	3	- 8			

**WBBs Enright,
Anthony garner
PL weekly
honors**

CENTER VALLEY, Pa. -- Senior guard Cara Enright and freshman forward Erin Anthony were both honored by the Patriot League Monday, as the Army women's basketball team swept the conference's weekly awards.

Enright was named the Baden "Player of the Week," while Anthony's double-double against Rider Dec. 12 resulted in her first "Rookie of the Week" honor.

The Black Knights are in the midst of a 17-day break from action. At 5-5 on the season, Army heads to Connecticut for a pair of games before the New Year.

Army is set to visit Central Connecticut State Dec. 29 before taking on its second nationally ranked opponent in less than a month in No. 2 UConn on New Years Eve at the Hartford Civic Center.

**MBBs Nelson,
Hedgecock
sweep PL
weekly awards**

CENTER VALLEY, Pa. -- Army men's basketball players sophomore Marcus Nelson and freshman Nathan Hedgecock have been named the Patriot League Player of the Week and Rookie of the Week, respectively, for their efforts in Army's 66-63 win against Florida Gulf Coast Dec. 13. It is the first time either player has earned a weekly award from the conference.

Nelson was the Black Knights' leading scorer against the Eagles with a career-high 14 points. Hedgecock tallied five points in only seven minutes of action against the Eagles.

The Black Knights swept both awards for only the third time in league history. It is the first time Army players have earned the two accolades in the same week since J.P. Spatola (rookie) and Chris Spatola (player) were honored Jan. 29, 2001.

The Black Knights are in the midst of a nine-day break for term-ending exams. Army is back in action Saturday when it hosts Dartmouth at 1 p.m. in the third game of its five-game homestand.

Sports calendar

Dec. 14 - Jan. 13

SATURDAY -- MBB vs. DARTMOUTH, CHRISTL ARENA, 1 P.M.
 DEC. 29 -- HOCKEY vs. CONN., (IN STORRS, CONN.), 7:15 P.M.
 DEC. 30 -- HOCKEY vs. BROWN OR FERRIS ST., (IN STORRS, CONN.), 4 OR 7:15 P.M.
 DEC. 31 -- WBB vs. CONN., (IN HARTFORD, CONN.), NOON.
 JAN. 2 -- MBB vs. BROWN, CHRISTL ARENA, 7 P.M.
 JAN. 5 -- MBB vs. PORTLAND, CHRISTL ARENA, 1 P.M.
 JAN. 5 -- WBB vs. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY, CHRISTL ARENA, 3:15 P.M.
 JAN. 5 -- HOCKEY vs. UNION, TATE RINK, 7:05 P.M.
 JAN. 9 -- WBB vs. WAGNER, CHRISTL ARENA, 7 P.M.
 JAN. 11 -- M&W INDOOR TRACK, (HEP./PENT.), GILLIS FIELD HOUSE, NOON.
 JAN. 12 -- M&W INDOOR TRACK, GILLIS FIELD HOUSE, (HEP./PENT.), 9 A.M., OTHER EVENTS BEGIN AT 11 A.M.
 JAN. 12 -- WBB vs. COLGATE, CHRISTL ARENA, 1 P.M.
 JAN. 13 -- WRESTLING vs. RUTGERS, CHRISTL ARENA, 4 P.M., vs. MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY, 6 P.M.