

## Town hall meeting

By Eileen Kaczkin  
RCI

The Residential Communities Initiative office and Balfour Beatty Communities are holding the first town hall meeting since Balfour Beatty took over West Point Family Housing from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday in the West Point Club Ballroom.

All housing residents are invited and encouraged to attend.

Refreshments will be served.

The town hall will be televised on the Command Channel (Channels 8 and 23) for those unable to attend.

The call-in number to have questions answered is 446-5504.

## BOV to meet Oct. 24

By Jim Fox  
PAO

The Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy meets at 10 a.m. Oct. 24, in the Superintendent's Conference Room, Bldg. 600, Taylor Hall, West Point.

The board will review and receive updates on academics, accreditation, Residential Communities Initiative and an athletic program update.

The Board of Visitors is appointed under the provision of Section 4355 of Title 10, United States Code.

It is the duty of the board to inquire about the academy's morale and discipline, curriculum, instructions, physical equipment, fiscal affairs and academic methods. The board consists of presidential appointees and members of Congress.

Presidential appointees are Honorable Samuel Lessey Jr., Dr. Charles Younger, John Rainey, William Strong, Blake Hall, and Karen Hughes.

The senators are Honorable Jack Reed, Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison, Honorable Susan Collins and Honorable Mary Landrieu. Representatives are Honorable John McHugh, Honorable Maurice Hinchey, Honorable Todd Tiahrt, Honorable Jim Marshall and Honorable John Hall.



## Homecoming victory

Army quarterback Yearling Chip Bowden scored the winning touchdown in the fourth quarter as the Black Knights beat Eastern Michigan 17-13 Oct. 11 at Michie Stadium. Firstie fullback Collin Mooney ran for a career-high 229 yards lifting Army to its second straight win. Army travels to Buffalo Saturday to add to its two-game winning streak.

JOHN PELLINO/DOIM MMB

## Cadet review for Thayer Award

Submitted by DPTMS

The following parking, traffic and force protection measures will be in effect starting at 4 p.m. today in support of the cadet review to honor former Secretary of Defense Dr. William J. Perry, this year's recipient of the Thayer Award.

The review is scheduled for 5 p.m.

Parking will be allowed in the central post area to include Clinton Lot throughout the day.

Those cars parked in the vicinity

of Clinton or other lots around Trophy Point will be free to exit during the ceremony.

Designated areas in Clinton and Doubleday Lots will be reserved for handicapped and VIP parking only.

Traffic will be free to continue along Cullum Road during the ceremony.

However, large and/or extremely loud vehicles that may detract from the reverence of the review will be stopped or diverted by Military Police personnel at the various

traffic control points before entering the Plain area until the conclusion of the parade.

Traffic control points will be established on Cullum Road near the entrance to the Thayer Hall roof lot entrance, at the Thayer and Mills Road intersection and at the intersection of Stony Lonesome and Washington Roads beginning at 4 p.m.

Questions should be directed to is Joe Senger, Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security at 938-8859.

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# Combined Federal Campaign message

To the West Point community:

“The life of a man consists not in seeing visions and in dreaming dreams, but in active charity and in willing service.”

I chose this fitting quote from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow because it embodies the spirit of the honorable men and women with whom I come to work each day.

My Family and I have the awesome opportunity to work and grow in a community that understands fully what it means to live a life of charity and service.

West Point’s strength is rooted in diverse individuals who come together for the greater good.

Whether it’s the spouses who take on the role of both parents

while they donate their loved ones for months and years in service to the nation, the students and cadets who spend their limited free time mentoring and tutoring our promising youth, the Soldiers who do not flinch when called upon to make the ultimate sacrifice or the many other examples of charity and service, everyone plays a role in improving the lives around us.

It is because of these fine people that Nancy Hannigan and I are honored to be the community representatives for this year’s Combined Federal Campaign.

To represent a community so dedicated to protecting and improving the lives of us all is not a job or additional duty, it is a privilege.

The goal of the CFC, as most well know, is to provide an easy and convenient way for federal employees to donate to any of the thousands of not-for-profit organizations throughout the world.

Last year, in addition to the countless hours of community service, West Point helped raise nearly \$200,000 for local, national and international charities through the CFC.

This year we are shooting for \$250,000 and are certain that even with these tough economic times, West Point will once again rise to the challenge and exceed all expectations.

Each agency on post has their own knowledgeable CFC

representative who will provide the brochures and pledge cards that are used to solicit donations.

Listed in the brochure are more than 22,000 charities and, when flipping through the pages, I am certain that everyone will find at least one charity that has touched their lives or the life of someone they love.

Even our chairman, Newburgh Postmaster Thomas McGuire, shared how CFC charities directly impacted his Family as his wife battled cancer and his son fought for our country as a proud Army Ranger.

Our campaign motto this year is “Be a Star in Someone’s Life,” which, again, I feel is perfectly fitting for a community already full

of stars.

Our campaign began Oct. 6, and will be ending Nov. 14. If you have not been contacted already, please find your agency representative and ask for a brochure and pledge card.

To be in a position to give is a blessing, and to act upon that position, as many do, is a blessing to others. Thank you to everyone in the West Point community for blessing others with your service and donations.

In closing I offer you this proverb: “May your charity increase as much as your wealth.”

Michael Zentz  
Administrative Services Branch,  
Office of the Adjutant General

## Voting Assistance

For 2008 voting assistance questions, call the West Point Voting Assistance NCOIC, Sgt. 1st Class Harold Lang at 938-8450.

For additional information about absentee voting, you can also go to the Federal Voting Assistance Program Web site at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).



## CHANGES TO FLU SHOT SCHEDULE

When: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. through Friday  
Where: Thayer Hall Room 144  
Who: Active Duty (only)

When: 6 a.m.-noon Oct. 24  
Where: Keller Army Community Hospital  
Who: Keller staff, Dentac, WTU and Vetcom

When: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 27, 28, and 30 and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Oct. 29  
Where: Eisenhower Hall Ballroom  
Who: Family members and retirees

When: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 25  
Where: Eisenhower Hall Ballroom at the Employee Health Fair  
Who: Civilian personnel (not contractors) working at West Point

## 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), Capt. Vanara Nevels (ODIA) and Maj. Elizabeth Sicoletti (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 also can call the sexual assault support helpline at (845) 591-7215. West Point Soldiers and civilians needing assistance can call (845) 938-3369.

## Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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

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Difficulty: Hard

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

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# Local and National News

## Customer assessment survey coming Tuesday

Submitted by Customer Management Services Office

Soon customers who live, work or do business on West Point will have an opportunity to provide feedback about all of the post's services.

The Army's Installation Management Command is putting the finishing touches on the Customer Assessment survey that will launch Tuesday.

The Customer Management Services is IMCOM's new program for collecting customer feedback and using the data to evaluate and improve delivery of installation

programs and services.

Most Army installations, including West Point, will see the multi-page, Web-based assessment for the first time when it opens Tuesday at [www.myarmyvoice.org/community2008](http://www.myarmyvoice.org/community2008).

Customers -- Soldiers, Family members, retirees, veterans and civilian employees -- can provide information about the importance of programs and services, as well as a rating as to how well the installation is providing them.

The assessment is divided into two main categories, corporate and constituent, which are accessed from the same Web link that will

be published within the next few weeks.

When customers begin the survey, they will be asked to provide demographic data that will automatically direct them to the appropriate corporate or constituent assessment.

In that way, Family members or retirees, for example, will not be asked to rate services like the Central Issue Facility or the Ammunition Supply Point -- two services used by Soldiers and their commanders.

Within the survey, customers will be asked to rate service performance on a scale of one (very poor) to five (excellent), and importance, also on

a scale of one-five. Data provided by unit commanders, command sergeants major, first sergeants, senior civilians and senior staff will be captured in the corporate portion.

There they will rate the performance of the service and the importance of the service in relation to the accomplishment of their units' missions.

Customers will be able to rate how well the services they receive match expectations. The garrison will use the feedback to improve services, which will improve readiness and retention.

The more customers in each

category who take the 20-30 minutes to complete the assessment, the more accurate and substantial the data collected.

This will provide a baseline for future annual assessments. The data will be returned to the installation in November, where it will be used to identify and document best practices in areas and develop plans for improvement in others.

More information about the October Customer Service Assessments will be provided by the Customer Service Officer, Ed Sutherland. Sutherland can be reached at 938-0627 or via e-mail at [ed.sutherland@us.army.mil](mailto:ed.sutherland@us.army.mil).

## Cadet Chess Club brings home fifth Commander-in-Chief's trophy

By Col. Bryan Goda  
Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

With the departure of now 2nd Lt. David Jacobs (a three-time individual champ and runner up last year) and Bovey Zhu from the Cadet Chess Club, the other service academies were chomping at the bit to end the USMA four-year reign as Commander-in-Chief champs at the 49th Annual Armed Forces Chess Open.

This year's competition, held at the Bethesda Naval Medical Center, consisted of six rounds over the three-day Columbus Day weekend.

On paper, Air Force had a rating advantage for the first time in five years.

The CIC competition is a five-person team event where a win

equals one point, a draw is one-half point and a loss equals no points.

After four rounds, it was tied, and after the fifth round, USMA held a slim half-point lead.

The sixth and final round was exciting, with the winner going home with a beautiful trophy and individual medals and the loser going home with nothing.

The cadets maintained their 0.5 lead to win 17.0 to 16.5 for Air Force and 7.5 for Navy.

AFO veterans Firsties Steve Whitham and John McCrone, Cow Stephen Wathen and Yearling Russell Mixon led the way for USMA, but the story of the tournament was newcomer Yearling Kelley Jhong.

Playing in her first tournament since high school, Jhong earned the top female prize, top cadet prize and made the largest contribution for the team win of the CIC competition for a fifth time.



Firstie and Cadet Chess Club cadet-in-charge John McCrone (center) holds the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy the Chess Team won for the fifth consecutive year. Pictured with him (from left) are the rest of the team -- Yearling Kelley Jhong (top female and top cadet prize winner), Firstie Steven Whitham, Yearling Russell Mixon, Cow Stephen Wathen and officer-in-charge, Col. Bryan Goda.

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### Delivery problems?

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# Make a movie - save a life

By Terri Helus  
U.S. Army Combat  
Readiness/Safety Center

FORT RUCKER, Ala. -- With the launch of the Peer-to-Peer Video Competition, the U.S. Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center hopes to harness the power of peer influence to help prevent accidents and save lives.

The competition tagline, "Make a movie - save a life," challenges Soldiers to personalize safety messaging by creating short videos that promote off-duty safety awareness.

The goal is to have Soldiers create safety messages that speak directly to their peers.

Entrants post their video on any social networking site and send a

link to USACRC to submit their video for consideration.

Videos should effectively convey ways to safely conduct off-duty activities and a humorous slant is encouraged.

"So much of what we accomplish in safety is considered boring by most," said USACRC Command Sgt. Maj. Tod Glidewell. "Today's Soldier is tech-savvy and digital communication literate. Peer-to-Peer allows Soldiers to use their creativity to communicate safety information the way they want to hear it."

Peer-to-Peer puts safety into the hands of Soldiers and provides a venue to share tips, lessons learned and best practices.

Most Soldiers have a favorite "there I was" story, and the video

medium will allow them to share the benefit of their experience with an Armywide audience.

"The battle buddy mindset has kept many a Soldier from harm," said Dr. Patricia Le Duc, director of Human Factors Task Force. "This competition capitalizes on the power of peer influence, and extends its reach exponentially through the Web."

The contest runs through March 31, and is open to all military identification card holders including Army Reserve and National Guard Soldiers.

Visit the Peer-to-Peer Video Competition Web page at <https://crc.army.mil/videocompetition/> for promotional materials, official rules and a sample peer safety video.



## Kosciuszko bust unveiled

Tracy Sugg is acknowledged by her father after the two unveiled a bust of Polish Gen. Tadeusz Kosciuszko sculpted by Sugg during a dedication of the bust Oct. 10 at Jefferson Hall. Kosciuszko fought with Americans during the Revolutionary War, was a pioneer in the Army's engineer branch and was asked by George Washington to oversee engineering projects at West Point.

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# Secretary of the Army encourages MilBloggers

By Lindy Kyzer  
Army News Service

LAS VEGAS -- Secretary of the Army Pete Geren and Chief of Public Affairs Maj. Gen. Kevin Bergner participated in a live blogger's roundtable panel at the 2008 MilBlog Conference held recently in conjunction with the Blog World Expo.

The live blogger's roundtable was an inaugural event for the conference, providing military

bloggers with the opportunity to ask questions of Army leadership.

The third annual MilBlog Conference brought together key military bloggers, including active-duty Soldiers, military supporters, civilians and veterans who blog about military issues.

Geren led off the panel by taking questions from bloggers on topics from policy to how he would rate his own Internet savvy.

"I use the Internet a great deal," Geren said. "I use it for research;

I have many Web sites that I go to regularly as a way to research and get news to stay informed. As far as blogging, I can tell you that it's not something that I was very familiar with more than a couple years ago."

Geren went on to say that the rise of bloggers who were able to influence news and make headlines made him take a closer look.

And over the past year, in particular, he has looked for ways to increase the Army's knowledge

of blogs and new media, and has participated in two roundtables with online journalists, in addition to encouraging other leaders within the Army.

Geren acknowledged that the Army's increased awareness of blogs is critical as it looks to reach out to 17-25-year-olds -- "the heart and soul of our Army."

"It's just a recognition that the world changes, and there's probably nothing more dynamic in the world than information technology and communications technology," Geren said. "And the way we communicated 20 years ago is different than 10 years ago, and 10 years ago is different than today, and six months from now is going to be different from today as well. And as an organization, as an institution, we've got to work very hard to keep up."

"We're a national institution -- we've got over 1 million Soldiers, active, Guard and Reserve, over a million dependents, when you consider spouses and kids," he added. "And we have multi-millions of parents out there. And as an institution, it's critical that we reach out and communicate with as many parts of the expanded Army Family as well as the general public as we can."

The secretary also offered that as young people increasingly find their news online, the need to be in that space is crucial to educating and informing the American people.

"We've got to embrace every form of media, and this new medium -- and particularly blogging, for many people -- has replaced traditional media as a way to get news," Geren said. "And not only to get news, but to educate themselves, the back and forth that blogs offer. So I see it as an addition of what we're doing, and a mechanism to reach some people who you don't reach at all through so-called traditional media."

Bergner offered the unique perspective of having participated

in blogger's roundtables as a spokesperson for Multi-National Force-Iraq.

"I found in the course of doing those that I sometimes learned just as much, if not more, from the questions and the perspectives I was offered, as perhaps those who were participating in the roundtables learned from me," Bergner said. "So I really do value the interaction and the opportunity to hear the perspectives of milbloggers in particular."

Bergner offered his perspective on what bloggers bring to the table that makes their perspective so critical.

"It's the personal aspect of what bloggers are able to convey," Bergner said. "No one can do it with the same personal insights, the perspective and the texture that comes with those dialogues. That is what is so meaningful for the American people and so important for the Army because all of us want Soldiers to be able to tell their story like only a Soldier can do."

Bergner also offered a roadmap toward the future, stating that the Army has and will continue to evolve its practices with the growth of new media and online communications.

"We really do have some cultural challenges, and it really is all about getting some new ideas into the Army but also getting some of the old ideas out of the Army," Bergner said. "And that's going to be a bit of a generational challenge."

Bergner went on to say the secretary of the Army and Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. George Casey are just the people to help bring about that cultural change, having already made tremendous progress in the growth and advancement of the Army.

Bergner highlighted the advances the Army has made in just a short time and credited the operational organization of the Army as a great "forcing function."



## Hispanic Heritage Festival

Some attendees of the Hispanic Heritage Festival danced along while Orlando Marin, the last mambo king, performed Oct. 10 at Trophy Point as part of the festival activities. The festival, sponsored by the West Point Equal Employment Opportunity Office in observance of Hispanic Heritage Month, featured music and several types of cuisine including Mexican and Cuban. Marin, of Puerto Rican descent, is originally from Bronx, N.Y., and is an Army veteran who served in Korea after the Korean War. He performed on the Ed Sullivan Show. Other observances include Employment/Education Fair to be held 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 24 at the Post Exchange. Spanish interpreters will be on site to assist where needed. This event is co-sponsored by the EEO and the Hispanic Employment Program.

EMILY TOWER/PV

# Community Features and Photos

## Artist hopes to draw Soldiers and Families stories in comic books

Story and photos  
by Emily Tower

So, you want to be in pictures? Comic book pictures, that is.

No problem for Soldiers and their Families who have a story to tell.

Victor Castro, a former Soldier who now works for West Point's Range Control, is in search of Soldiers and Army Families to star in a series of comic books designed to raise money for the United Service Organizations.

Castro, who has been drawing since he was 6 years old, recently competed in a comic book contest and developed an idea as he thought about what to submit.

"I sat in front of my drafting board and said, 'OK, idea, come to me,'" said Castro, whose dad taught him how to draw.

He thought about some of his favorite superheroes and who in real life would qualify as one.

Soldiers, of course, he thought as he remembered what it was like for him during tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. Castro had many jobs in the Army, including cannon crew member and truck convoy leader -- not to mention unofficial duties as logo and tattoo designer as word of his talent spread -- and is a combat veteran.

Just like many veterans, he has received e-mails containing slideshows and pictures of Soldiers in action designed to stir support. "Wouldn't it be great to make a comic book like the slideshows with real stories," he thought.

Castro has teamed up with another artist who has been collecting stories of wounded Soldiers for a series of comic books.

They have several other artists on board and a tentative publisher has been lined up. Now, all they need are subjects for the series they are calling the "Warrior Chronicles."

Because the point of the comic books is to offer healing to veterans and their Families by telling their stories, those who allow themselves to be portrayed in the comic books will not be paid.

Plans include the books to be sold in stores, and profits will be used to make the next installment in the series first and the rest will be donated to the USO, Castro said.

The artists will not be receiving money from the book sales, either, except to pay for supplies to make the next book.

The artists aren't doing the project for money, Castro said.

"They enjoy drawing and want to tell Army stories to the public," he said.

Castro said the books offer

an opportunity to portray Soldiers as human, which often is not done in comic books, and to tell the stories from the home front, too.

The comic book series begins with a general officer asking a public affairs officer to collect and archive stories from Soldiers and their Families. Each story is another added to the PAO's file.

Stories are from veterans from many eras and branches of service.

Subjects already include an Iwo Jima veteran and a World War II bomber waist gunner.

And as long as there are Soldiers, there is the possibility for more books.

"That's the great thing about the 'Warrior Chronicles,'" Castro said. "It can never end."

Subjects who are selected to have their stories told in the books have the option of being themselves or having identifying details changed for privacy reasons.

Castro said all sensitive details that violate operational security will be changed.

To have your story considered, contact Castro at [thewarriorchronicles@hotmail.com](mailto:thewarriorchronicles@hotmail.com).

For more information, visit [www.freewebs.com/herosfallen](http://www.freewebs.com/herosfallen).

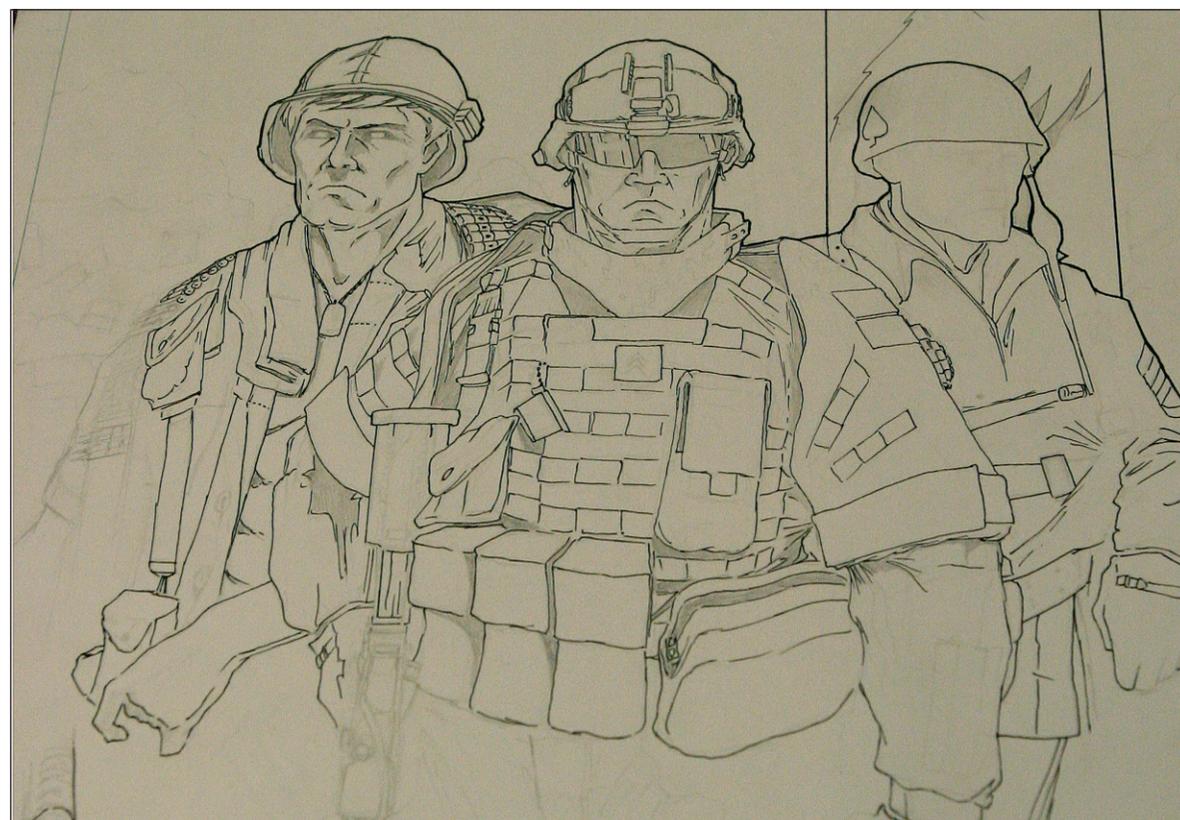
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Victor Castro, of West Point Range Control, is hoping to draw the stories of West Point Soldiers and Families in a new series of comic books.



Victor Castro, of West Point Range Control, is hoping to draw the stories of West Point Soldiers and Families in a new series of comic books. This is Castro's self-portrait and depicts his time in the Army.



Above is one of Castro's drawings of Soldiers. He and other artists will illustrate Soldiers' stories for comic books that will be sold to raise money for the USO.

# Second-graders get hands-on science lesson

Story and photos  
by Emily Tower

Giggles floated around the lab as second-graders took turns slapping a frog.

"Pull his leg," the children said. "Pinch his eye."

The children coaxed each other as they tested the patience of the frog, who sat on his log, shook off a few slaps and offered an occasional "ribbit."

The frog, who doesn't really have a name, lives inside a computer at the U.S. Military Academy's Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. He is used by Maj. Benjamin Ring to teach computer graphics.

While the frog was intended to be a demonstration to the second-graders about how their video games and cartoons are brought to life, he became quite a source of entertainment during the class' Oct. 8 visit to the department.

By moving a cartoon hand on a screen with a computer mouse, the children had the option of either smacking the frog or stretching his skin. As they did, they watched the frog's slimy skin jiggle or saw what it looks like behind his eye as they peeled back his eyelid.

While a tad grotesque, the class learned that each movement of the frog or the hand took someone creating it and coloring it, which is just like what children do when they draw pictures.

And that was only part of the fun.

The class got to drive robots, watch a train whizz around a track and see demonstrations of a robot half as big as them.

"I learned there are all kinds of sensors and what sensors are," second-grader Jill Ingram said about the experience.

The train set was full of sensors. The children learned robots and other machines can take in information with sensors just like humans do with their ears, nose, eyes or fingers.

The demonstrations showed the children how robots are used by Soldiers on the battlefield and by firefighters to help rescue people after disasters.

The whole idea was to "show them what you can do with science," Maj. Matthew Dunlop, one of the EECS's instructors, said.

Seeing how the robots help people in real life hopefully will "get them interested in math and science and engineering at a young age," Maj. Christopher Korpela, also

an EECS instructor, said.

The demonstrations also tie into the students' curriculum. They'll be learning about inventions soon, their teacher, Phyllis Lainis, said. Getting to see some advanced inventions before the lessons begin was a treat, she said.

"One of the wonderful things about being at West Point is ... being able to see things you wouldn't see in a regular elementary school," Lainis said.

By the way, no real frogs were hurt in the making of this learning experience.

**Second graders from West Point Elementary School peek into a camera on a robot driven by a classmate Oct. 8 through Thayer Hall. The children were invited to the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science to see robots and computer graphics to learn about science and math.**

**Jacen Wood, a West Point Elementary School second-grader, learns to manipulate a computer-generated frog with the help of Maj. Benjamin Ring, an instructor in the EECS Dept. (Below)**



**Second graders from West Point Elementary School watch a computer-generated frog during a demonstration in the EECS Dept. Oct. 8. The class was invited to the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science to see robots and computer graphics to learn about science and math.**



## TSP TICKER

OCTOBER weekly changes  
(as of 10/14)

C FUND	- 0.66 percent
I FUND	- 0.91 percent
S FUND	- 0.72 percent

# West Point celebrates Military Appreciation Day

Story and photos  
by Sgt. Vincent Fusco  
PAO

Servicemembers and their Families were treated to fun, food and friendship on Military Appreciation Day Oct. 9.

West Point Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation sponsored the event by holding a cookout and activities at the Round Pond Recreation Area.

From 12:30 -6 p.m., the area was open free of charge to all attendees. The basketball and beach volleyball courts were open for play, as well as the horseshoe areas.

The paddle boats were also available to explore the pond and observe the fall foliage on the hills.

Children had lots to do on their day, too. They let their energy out in the bouncy castles, exercised their creativity at a craft-making table and heard amazing tales at story hour.

At 4 p.m., everyone in attendance was treated to a free cookout complete with

burgers, hot dogs, potato and macaroni salad, and refreshments.

The event provided a much-appreciated respite during the work week for the West Point community.

Sgt. Daniel Quartucci and his wife, Spc. Suzanne Quartucci, both preventative medicine specialists at Spellman Hall, found the event a great time to relax and catch up with friends.

"I enjoy getting out of the office and hanging out with everybody," Suzanne said. "You don't see them every day, so it's nice to be out here."

Daniel and Suzanne have been assigned to West Point for three years, and have attended the post's Military Appreciation Days every year. Each time, they meet new faces and make new connections with people they wouldn't have expected to meet at their place of duty.

"This is like an organizational day for the entire post," Daniel said. "I would have never talked to (people I've met) here before."



Children make a patriotic eagle craft during Military Appreciation Day at Round Pond Recreation Area Oct. 9. The day was a Family day, with activities including crafts, sports and a cookout sponsored by the West Point Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation. The weather cooperated so that all the outdoor activities could be enjoyed.



Staff Sgt. Richard Caudell, 1st Platoon Leader, West Point Military Police Company, throws horseshoes during Military Appreciation Day at Round Pond Recreation Area Oct. 9.

## Facebook "add friend" Malicious Spam

Submitted by DOIM

There is a new malicious social-engineering spam campaign masquerading as official e-mails sent by the popular Web 2.0 social-networking site, Facebook. The e-mail is spoofed to appear to be from the domain facebookmail.com, an official domain used by Facebook for their outbound e-mails when notifying their users of an event.

It is common for Facebook to send an e-mail to notify their users when another Facebook user adds them as a friend on the social network. However, the spammers included a zip attachment that purports to contain a picture in order to entice the recipient to double-click on it. The attached file is actually a Trojan horse.

A login page to Facebook is included in the body of the e-mail. We have previously alerted on our discovery via our HoneyJax system about a viral Facebook phishing campaign, and thus would not be surprised if the login page presented was merely a fake front to a phishing site.

However, an examination of the HTML form's source code shows that it was indeed passing the user name/password to Facebook itself. This may be to increase the legitimacy of the e-mail to evade reputation-based spam filters.

# Every week is fire prevention week

By Ken Canfield  
Fire Protection Inspector

Your home should be a safe haven. But do you regularly check for home fire hazards? If not, there is a potential for danger.

Since 1922, the National Fire Protection Association has sponsored a fire prevention campaign each October to raise the public's awareness about the importance of fire safety.

The West Point Fire Department joined forces with NFPA during fire prevention week to spread the theme for the 2008 campaign: "It's Fire Prevention Week -- Prevent Home Fires."

By taking this proactive approach, it will allow us to provide you public awareness about the importance of fire safety.

In the United States, more than 2,500 people were killed in nearly 400,000 home fires that fire departments responded to in 2006.

These fires injured 12,500 people and were responsible for almost \$7 billion in direct property damage.

Throughout the year, the West Point community is urged to take steps to protect themselves, Family members and homes by learning about how to prevent home fires.

The West Point Fire Department led a series of public education events Oct. 5-11.

During the fire prevention week, Fire Department personnel visited the West Point Schools, Youth Center, School Age Services and the Child Development Center in order to educate students, staff and the public on the importance of fire safety.

**Get involved!!!** Below is a family fun-orientated quick inspection form to take that proactive approach in preventing home fires.

For more information about fire safety, contact West Point Fire and Emergency Services, Fire Prevention Office at 938-6132/7483/7484.



Sparky the Fire Dog spends time with children from the West Point Elementary School Oct. 6 during Fire Prevention Week. Fire Prevention Week began in 1922 by the National Fire Protection Association, and NFPA has sponsored a campaign every October since to raise the public's awareness about the importance of fire safety. More than 2,500 people were killed in nearly 400,000 home fires in the U.S. in 2006. These fires also injured 12,500 people and were responsible for almost \$7 billion in direct property damage.

PHOTO COURTESY BY WEST POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## My Fire Inspection Checklist

**Become an official Safety Inspector!**  
Make sure your home is safe and inspect for risks. Ask a grown-up for help.

- Electrical cords are in good condition (not damaged).
- Appliances and lights are plugged into separate electrical outlets.
- All smoke alarms work when tested by a grown-up.
- All escape routes are clear of clutter and easily accessible.
- Curtains and other things that can burn are away from the stove top.
- Portable space heaters are off whenever a grown-up leaves the room and goes to sleep.

- The clothes dryer has a clean vent and filter (no lint build-up).
- A grown-up always stays in the kitchen whenever food is cooking on the stove top.
- All extension cords are used safely (not under carpets or across walking areas).
- Portable space heaters are 3 feet away from anything that can burn.
- The furnace has been inspected in the past year.
- The chimney has been inspected and cleaned in the past year.

**If the item on your list is SAFE, color the circle next to it GREEN.**  
**If the item on your list is UNSAFE, color the circle next to it RED.**  
**If you are NOT SURE if item on the list is safe, color the circle YELLOW.**

Check out Sparky the Fire Dog® at [sparky.org](http://sparky.org)  
Sparky® is a trademark of NFPA.

**If any of your circles are YELLOW or RED, ask a grown-up to make it safe.**

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Keller Corner

### Pharmacy Week

Celebrate Pharmacy Week Monday through Oct. 24 by stopping by the Keller Hospital lobby for drug information, giveaways and to speak to KACH pharmacists.

### DEERS

When life changes, you need to update DEERS.

DEERS stands for the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System and it's the key to military benefits.

Re-enlisting, commissioning, separating, retiring or PCSing all require changes to DEERS.

Personal changes such as getting married, having a baby, divorcing, moving or simply getting a new phone number also require changes to DEERS.

Call 938-3746 to make sure you have the proper documentation before visiting the ID Card Section in Bldg. 622 for most DEERS changes.

Simple address changes may be e-mailed to [www.tricare.osd.mil/deers](mailto:www.tricare.osd.mil/deers).

### Childbirth Education

There are childbirth education classes available Nov. 4, 11, 18 and 25.

The four-week sessions are designed to educate expectant parents about the labor and delivery experience at Keller Hospital, which includes postpartum and newborn care and a unit tour.

Please call 938-3210 to sign-up. Classes fill up fast, plan to start by your 30th week of pregnancy.

### Temporary relocation of Preventive Medicine & Wellness Services

Because of the renovation of Bldg. 606, Preventive Medicine & Wellness will be temporarily relocated.

PM&W includes Occupational Health, Public Health Nursing, Industrial Hygiene and Environmental Science.

The temporary location are trailers located in the parking lot at the end of DeRussy Road, former site of Bldg. 720. For more information or directions, call 938-3055 for Occupational Health or 938-2676.

The *West Point Band* presents

**Music at West Point**

Jazz Saxophone Recital:  
Master Sgt. Gary McCourry,  
Sunday, October 19,  
3:00 p.m.,  
Egner Hall Band Bldg.

Bassoon Recital: Master Sgt.  
Chris Eberle, Sunday,  
November 2, 3:00 p.m.,  
Egner Hall Band Bldg.

Concert Band: "Salute to  
Veterans," Sunday,  
November 9, 3:00 p.m.,  
Eisenhower Hall.

Free & Open to the Public  
845-938-2617  
www.westpoint.edu/band

**Command Channel 8/23**

**Oct. 16 - 23**

Thursday-Friday  
8:30 a.m. Army Newswatch  
1 p.m. Army Newswatch  
7 p.m. Army Newswatch

Monday  
8:30 a.m. Army Newswatch  
1 p.m. Army Newswatch  
7 p.m. Army Newswatch

Tuesday  
8:30 a.m. Army Newswatch  
1 p.m. Army Newswatch  
7 p.m. RCI Meeting (Live)

Wednesday-Oct. 23  
8:30 a.m. Army Newswatch  
1 p.m. Army Newswatch  
7 p.m. Army Newswatch

# DPW NOTES

## Annual Building Commandant Training

The Annual Building Commandant Training will be held 1:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesday at

Arnold Auditorium, Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752.

There is another BC Training event from 9-11 a.m. Oct. 29 at the Jewish Chapel, Bldg. 750.

### Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

## Release Time for P-T Conferences

Parent-Teacher conferences for the West Point Elementary and Middle Schools are Oct. 30-31, Jan. 23 and April 17.

Dismissal for Jan. 23 and April 17 for Middle School students is 10:30 a.m. and Elementary School students is 11:15 a.m. The October days are non-attendance days for the students.

## Contact Balfour Beatty for work orders, not DPW

Residents of Balfour Beatty Housing are reminded that the number to call for emergency and routine work orders is 446-3570.

Balfour Beatty Communities is the privatized RCI partner who manages and maintains most on post housing.

The Balfour Beatty maintenance office is located in Bldg. 695 and the management office is located in Bldg. 132 Bartlett Loop.

The management office telephone number is 446-6407.

Please note that DPW service order desk should no longer be called for work orders for residents who live in Balfour Beatty Housing.

Any questions or concerns, please call Eileen Kaczkin at the RCI Office at 938-2500.

CID CASE # 0097-08-CID081-39478



# REWARD

## \$5,000.00



FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE IDENTIFICATION AND SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION OF INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED IN THE THEFT OF U.S. GOVERNMENT PROPERTY THAT HAPPENED AT

**DEPARTMENT OF LOGISTICS, BLDG 913, WEST POINT, NY 10996**

ON OR ABOUT 17 SEP 08, PERSON(S) UNKNOWN ENTERED BLDG 913, WEST POINT, NY 10996 AND STOLE 330 MOTOROLA PORTABLE ASTRO DIGITAL XTS 5000 136-FFB RADIOS, AND 600 BATTERIES.

ANYONE WITH INFORMATION CONCERNING THE THEFT OF PROPERTY OR THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE PERSON(S) INVOLVED SHOULD CONTACT THE MILITARY POLICE AT 845-938-3333 OR CID AT 845-938-7548/4712/3513. ANYONE HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF THE INCIDENT, WHO DOES NOT WISH TO BE IDENTIFIED, WILL BE BRIEFED ON AVAILABLE OPTIONS IN MAINTAINING CONFIDENTIALITY. TERMINATION OF THE REWARD WILL BE 1 OCT 09.

"The payout of cash rewards to military and federal employees for information leading to a conviction is contingent upon exceptional actions regarding the information provided"

The garrison commander will give opening remarks at each of the sessions.

All BCs must attend one of the sessions. For information, please contact DPTMS at 938-4905 or DPW Customer Relations at 938-4407.

## Water Flushing

The water department is conducting its semi-annual fire hydrant flushing during October with the following schedule:

- Central Area, Thayer Road, Washington Road, Wilson Road, Buffalo Soldier Field area, Ruger Road, South Post – week of Oct. 24;
- Lusk, Holleder Center, Michie Stadium, areas south, New Brick, Gray Ghost, Hospital, Laundry, Maintenance and the Mint – week of Oct. 20.

During flushing, high velocities in the water mains may create colored water to flow from the faucets.

Some quarters/buildings might experience low water pressure, which will become normal in about two hours.

For more information, call Greg Jones, Water/Wastewater Treatment Branch at 938-2109.

## Energizing Heating Systems

The following is an update about the heat for those buildings and quarters on the central steam heating system.

The central steam heating system is being energized in the following sequence:

- DPW began energizing the system Oct. 4 from the Power Plant south to Buffalo Soldier Field.
- Much of the post's central steam heating system has been turned on to date.

The last section of post to be energized will be the quarters and buildings from Arvin Gym, north to the Uniform Factory.

This northern portion includes Quarters 100-109; Chapel; Eisenhower Hall; Bldgs. 667, 681 and 685; Gillis Field House; Rifle and Pistol Range; DIA Building, etc.

DPW is currently making emergency repairs to the steam line in front of Arvin Gym, which feeds this entire area.

DPW expects to have the work completed and the line energized by Monday.

Questions can be addressed to Chris Miller, DPW Operations, at 938-0300.

## Erosion Damage Repair -- Sinclair Pond Brook

A DPW contractor is expected to begin work this week to repair storm-related erosion along Sinclair Pond Brook, which is the small stream running between Merritt and Washington Roads, parallel to Sladen Place, next to the Youth Activity Center (Bldg. 500).

It is estimated the project will take three to four weeks to complete, weather permitting.

Since the contractor will be using heavy construction equipment, the area along the stream bank is off limits to all community members during the project.

In addition, the contractor will be temporarily storing the equipment and materials on site in a fenced area.

Parents should supervise their children so that they remain clear of the stream and the construction vehicles performing the work.

For more information, contact Martha Hinote, DPW Customer Relations, at 938-4407.

# What's Happening

## Book Signings

Richard Berry is scheduled to sign copies of his book "A Missing Link in Leadership, The Trial of Lt. Col. Allen West" from 9:15 a.m.-noon today.

West is scheduled to accompany Berry, whose book is about current leadership theories.

The book signings will take place at USMA Bookstore, Thayer Hall, fourth floor.

## Vet Clinic Closure

Because of the post veterinarian's PCS move, appointments are limited until the new vet arrives.

The clinic will have a visiting vet available for appointments from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3 and Nov. 17.

Call the Vet Clinic at 938-3817 for more information.

## Cornwall-on-Hudson Village-wide Yard Sale

Cornwall-on-Hudson is holding a village-wide yard sale from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

They invite their neighbors at West Point to come and shop.

## Basic Motorcycle Rider Course

The West Point Safety Office is offering the basic motorcycle rider course.

Riders must attend both days of the two-day course and complete the course to register a motorcycle at West Point.

The BMRC dates are:

- Saturday and Sunday (Cadet class, others if space available)
- Monday and Tuesday
- Nov. 8-9 (Cadet class, others if space available).

For more information and to sign-up, call the Safety Office at 938-3717.

## Apple Time Fair

The Cornwall Presbyterian Church is holding its 33rd Annual Apple Time Fair from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, rain or shine.

The church is located at 222 Hudson St. in Cornwall-on-Hudson.

The West Point community is invited to come shop for homemade apple pies, baked goods, crafts, holiday items, toys and jewelry.

There also will be children's activities, a food tent and a coffee corner.

Call 534-2903 or visit [www.CornwallPresby.org](http://www.CornwallPresby.org) for more information.

## University of Buffalo Bus Trip

The West Point Parents Club of Western New York is running a round trip bus to Buffalo for the Army versus University of Buffalo football game.

The bus will depart West Point Friday from Daly Field and will return Sunday. The bus is open to West Point community members.

The round trip ticket is \$70.

The Parents Club must fill at least 36 seats in order for the bus to run. If you'd like to ride the bus, please contact Pam Koss at [pnk2183@msn.com](mailto:pnk2183@msn.com).

The game is scheduled during Family weekend at UB, so there are many activities planned.

The Parents Club is sponsoring a tailgate with the West Point Society of Western New York before the game Saturday.

Tailgate details and registration are available at [www.westpointaog.org/NetCommunity/Page.aspx?pid=2888](http://www.westpointaog.org/NetCommunity/Page.aspx?pid=2888).

Cadets may attend the tailgate for free.

## Vehicle Show

Classic, antique and unusual cars; motorcycles; farm machinery and Family fun will be featured in the Orange Library Association's The Big Read 2008 Antique Car and Motorcycle Show from 1-4 p.m. Sunday through Nov. 8 at Thomas Bull Memorial Park's Day Camp Area in Montgomery. Admission is free.

Music, community information, food and more will be presented along with all types of vehicles exhibited by a number of local automobile associations and private owners.

In conjunction with the show, free events and activities highlighting John Steinbeck's "The Grapes of Wrath" are being held at all 17 Orange County public libraries.

For more information, call Annmarie Paoli at 651-7659 or Ginny Neidermier at 778-7621.

## PWOC Spa Day

The Protestant Women of the Chapel are sponsoring a spa day from 8:45-11 a.m. Wednesday at the Post Chapel on Biddle Loop.

During the busy fall season, take a break and bring a girl friend for a morning of pampering and rejuvenation for body and spirit.

## La Leche League meeting

The Highland Falls La Leche League will meet 10 a.m. Wednesday at 534B Winans Road.

The topic of discussion will be "The Baby Arrives: The Family and the Breastfed Baby."

All women interested in breastfeeding and their babies are welcome.

Call Katrina at 446-1398 for more information.

## Moms and Tots storytime

A Moms and Tots storytime is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Oct. 24 at CYS, Bldg. 500.

The theme is friendly monsters, and children will be making a door hanger.

A fall party also is scheduled for Oct. 30. For more information, contact Andrea at 859-4567 or [usmamomsandtots@hotmail.com](mailto:usmamomsandtots@hotmail.com).

## All Saints Day party

The West Point community is invited to attend an All Saints Day party at 7 p.m. Oct. 30 in the rectory and cloister room of the Catholic Chapel.

Children are invited to dress up as a saint. Activities include games and pumpkin carving.

Patrons must bring their own pumpkins and carving tools.

For more information, call Angela or Jack at 859-4805.

## Harvest Night

Harvest Night is scheduled for 4-7 p.m. Oct. 31 at the Post Chapel.

Fresh apple cider, homemade doughnuts, a hay maze, cup cake walk, horse-drawn carriage rides, tunnel of light and more games will be featured.

A costume parade begins at 5 p.m.

For more information, call Eric or Jody at 608-0448 or the Post Chapel at 938-2003.

## Cub Scouts selling popcorn

Cub Scouts from West Point's Pack 23 will be selling popcorn door-to-door throughout the community during the month of October.

This is the pack's only fundraiser for the year. More than one-third of the proceeds go directly to West Point youth.

Call Grant or Elizabeth Crawford at 446-3851 for more information.

## Hispanic-American Heritage Month Fair

The Hispanic Employment Program and West Point EEO present an Employment and Education Fair from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 24 at the Post Exchange.

The event will offer educational updates, interview techniques, ESL-BOCES, League of Latin Americans, cultural enrichment and food for those who attend.

Call 938-4478 or 938-8193 for more information.

## Spookyspectacular Halloween Party

Sacred Heart School of Highland Falls is hosting its Spookyspectacular Halloween Party from 6-8:30 p.m. Oct. 24.

Pizza and other refreshments will be available for purchase. DJ Pat Flynn's Party Time Productions will provide entertainment.

Anyone who donates a cake to the cakewalk will be entered in a drawing for a gift certificate to Spectacular Sweets & Party Supply.

No gory or excessively scary costumes please. Don't miss this Family-friendly event.

## Security Briefing

The West Point Installation Security Office is hosting a briefing covering foreign travel and will include speakers Steve Stokilo, USMA G3 International Affairs; Brent Matthews, Dean International

Affairs; Renee Caldwell, Official Passports/Visas; Hulen Willis, HHC Human Resources; Capt. Michael Sapp, Intelligence Officer; and John Cronin, Security Office.

The briefing will include guidance on leave versus TDY OCONUS travel, pre-travel requirements, official passports versus tourist passports, AIADs, country clearance requests and lessons learned.

The briefing is scheduled for 10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m. Oct. 30 in Rm. 341 of Thayer Hall.

This is not a mandatory briefing and is offered to educate and answer questions about requirements for personnel, including cadets, faculty and staff traveling OCONUS for either leave or official duty.

All personnel are invited, including any cadets who might find this information useful when organizing OCONUS trips, official or unofficial.

## Memorial Run/Walk

The public is invited to participate in a memorial run/walk being held Nov. 9 at PNC Bank Arts Center off Garden State Parkway in Holmdel, N.J., in honor of 1st Lt. Dennis Zilinski, U.S. Military Academy class of 2004, who was killed in Iraq in 2005.

Register by Oct. 31 to get reduced registration fees or register at the event.

Proceeds are donated to various programs important to Zilinski.

Registration forms and more information can be found at [www.runwithdennis.org](http://www.runwithdennis.org).

## Highland Falls Farmers Market

The Vision-sponsored Farmers Market in Highland Falls, located in the Municipal Parking Lot across from Sacred Heart Church on Main Street, is open 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 26.

## NCO Induction Ceremony

West Point will conduct its quarterly NCO Induction Ceremony at 3 p.m. Oct. 29 in Crest Hall at Eisenhower Hall.

Guest speaker for the event is State Sen. William J. Larkin Jr., R-New Windsor.

The NCO Induction Ceremony is a tradition that dates back to the late 1980s. The ceremony celebrates the newly promoted sergeants joining the ranks of the professional noncommissioned officer corps.

It recognizes the transition of a sergeant from "just one of the guys or gals" to a noncommissioned officer.

The community is invited.

## West Point Class of 1929 Gallery

The West Point Class of 1929 Gallery is presenting an exhibition by Newburgh watercolor realist artist Mary E. Whitehill through Nov. 9.

Located on Eisenhower Hall's

fifth floor, the Gallery is open weekdays from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and before all Eisenhower Hall Theatre performances. For more information, call 938-6772.

## West Point Club Breakfast

A Family-style breakfast takes place 9 a.m.-1 p.m. every Sunday at the West Point Club.

Treat your Family to Sunday breakfast without breaking the bank. Children 6 years old and younger eat for free. For more information, call 938-5120.

## Surgeon General of the Army to speak

Surgeon General of the Army and Commanding General of Army Medical Command Lt. Gen. Eric B. Schoemaker is scheduled to speak to the plebe class of PL100 from 7:45-8:45 p.m. Nov. 6 in Robinson Auditorium, Thayer Hall.

He will speak about his leadership as the newly appointed surgeon general in the wake of the Walter Reed Army Medical Center scandal as part of the West Point Distinguished Lecture Series.

Faculty, staff and others in the West Point Community are invited to attend.

## Pancake Breakfast

A Veterans Day pancake breakfast is scheduled for 7:30 a.m.-noon Nov. 16 at the Highland Falls Fire Department.

The breakfast, which will be served buffet style, will feature pancakes, french toast, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, coffee, tea and hot chocolate.

Children younger than 5 eat for free. For more information, call 446-2040.

## Ike Hall Shows

- Monty Python's "Spamalot," Saturday, 8 p.m.

- "Nonsense" starring Sally Struthers, Oct. 26, 3 p.m.

## Story correction from the Oct. 9 Pointer View

from the page 2 commentary is the information about the X-marks on windows in New Orleans was described as a way to determine if anyone had died in a home.

It was brought to our attention by a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers worker that the "Xs" were painted on all abandoned/vacant buildings by quick response teams, whose sole purpose was to make speedy entries into every building and leave coded messages behind for follow up teams, who had assorted roles, one of which was body recovery.

# FMWR Blurbs

## Literary Tavern Tour

Join ITR Saturday for the Literary Tavern Tour of New York City. The bus leaves West Point at 10 a.m. and returns at 5 p.m. This trip is for adults only.

For more information, call 938-3601.

## Post Library Fall Story Hour

The West Point Post Library's fall story hour is currently ongoing.

The sessions will be held at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Daily sessions are open to all West Point community children ages 3-5.

Pre-registration is required each week. For more information, call 938-2974.

## Spin-a-Thon

Join the FMWR Fitness Instructors for a two-hour Spin-a-Thon Saturday.

Bring a friend and come ride from 8-10 a.m.

The class is free. All fitness levels are welcome. Bikes are limited. Please sign up at the front desk of the FMWR Fitness Center. For more information, contact 938-6490.

## U.S. Army Soldier Show

The 2008 U.S. Army Soldier Show comes to Eisenhower Hall at 5 p.m. Sunday. The show is free to the general public.

The show is scheduled to feature West Point physics instructor Maj. Diana Loucks and 1st Lt. David Drew, USMA class of 2006.

Reserved seating for Warrior Transition Unit Soldiers and Families of deployed Soldiers is available. For more information, call 938-6497.

## Newcomers' Orientation and Bus Tour

USAG Newcomers' Orientation and Bus Tour is from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday at Army Community Service, Bldg. 622.

It is open to Soldiers, civilian employees and Family members.

Call 938-5839 for more information and to register.

## Sealed bid sale

FMWR Services Division is holding a sealed bid sale Oct. 21-23. Two items are for sale: a 1991 and a 1993 Dodge pickup truck both sold as is.

For more information, call 938-4915.

## Haunted Hayride

The Haunted Hayride at the Bonneville Cabin at Round Pond is from 6:30-9 p.m. Oct. 30.

Childrens' activities and refreshments are available. Come in a Halloween costume and get half off admission. For more information, call 938-2503.

## Hockey Program

West Point Sports Office Staff and Faculty Hockey Program has begun.

Sessions are 9-10:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 7-8:30 p.m. Sundays.

For more information call 938-3066.

## CYSS SKIES

Child, Youth and School Services SKIES Instructional Program Registration for Session 2 is ongoing.

Check the CYSS Web site for flyers at [www.westpointmwr.com](http://www.westpointmwr.com) or call 938-3727/8893 for more information.

## Child Care Co-op

The child care co-op at the FMWR Fitness Center is open from 8:45-11:15 a.m. Monday-Friday in accordance with the West Point Elementary School calendar to parents with FMWR Fitness Center and CDC/CYSS privileges.

Parents must complete a brief VCCUS Training administered by the CDC, and children must be registered with CDC/CYSS.

For more information, call 446-5140.

## Krafts 4 Kids

Krafts 4 Kids takes place 10 a.m.-noon Saturdays at the Craft Shop, Bldg. 648.

To pre-register or for more information, call 938-4812.

## Hunting Lottery

The hunting lottery for opening day rifle season starts at 6 p.m. Nov. 6 at the Ski Lodge and is for all active duty military, retired military, DOD civilians and their Families.

You must bring New York state and West Point hunting licenses to the lottery.

To register, call Round Pond at 938-2503.

## Italian Dining

Family-style Italian dining is scheduled for 6-10 p.m. Nov. 7 at the West Point Club.

Platters serve up to four. For more information, call 938-5120.

## Employment Readiness Program

The Employment Readiness Program offers weekly job listings to military Family members living on West Point and in the surrounding community.

This is a free service. To list your available openings with the Employment Readiness Program, please e-mail [amyjo.johnson@usma.edu](mailto:amyjo.johnson@usma.edu).

## ITR Trips

Register now with ITR for a trip to see the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Nov. 27.

Tickets are also now on sale at ITR for Radio City's Christmas Spectacular.

Performance dates are Dec. 1 and Dec. 8. Both shows are at 5 p.m. Call 938-3601 for more information.

## CYSS Babysitting Classes

West Point Child, Youth and School Services is offering babysitting classes at ITR, Bldg. 695.

The classes run from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 30-31 for ages 12 and older. To register, call 938-3921.

## CYSS Coaches Needed

CYSS Sports is currently looking for volunteer coaches in the following sports for the fall/winter seasons: soccer -- all levels and ages, peewee hockey and wrestling.

For more information about volunteering, call 938-8896.

## Combined Federal Campaign

The West Point Combined Federal Campaign runs through Nov. 14.

To make a contribution to FMWR, please use these codes:

ACS – 73037, BOSS – 70022, CDC – 25121, SFAC – 18445, CYYS – 70117.

## Army Family Team Building

Volunteers are needed for the Army Family Team Building program.

Opportunities are available for AFTB instructors and master trainers. Call 938-5654 for more information.

## Fitness Instructors Needed

Les Mills Body Combat instructors are needed.

Contact the FMWR Fitness Center at 938-6490 for more information.

## CDC Football Child Care

The West Point Child Development Center is offering child care for Army home football games for a fee. For more information, call 938-3921.

## NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

**Friday -- Traitor, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday -- Babylon A.D., PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday -- The House Bunny, PG-13, 9:30 p.m.**

**Oct. 24 -- Pineapple Express, R, 7:30 p.m.**

**Oct. 25 -- Tyler Perry's The Family That Preys, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

**Oct. 25 -- The Women, PG-13, 9:30 p.m.**

THE THEATER OPENS 20 MINUTES BEFORE START TIME. FOOD AND DRINKS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE THEATER.

THE THEATER SCHEDULE ALSO CAN BE FOUND AT

[WWW.AAFES.COM](http://WWW.AAFES.COM)

# Army and Community Sports

## Hess' abilities, leadership help rifle to strong start

By Eric S. Bartelt

Firstie Wesley Hess has spent his collegiate rifle career working in the shadows of great Army shooters.

In his first three years, he was overshadowed by Chris Abalo and a solid 2008 class of firsties who won the 2005 NCAA National Championship as plebes, and now Yearling Stephen Scherer is the team's big gun after a tremendous plebe year that saw him achieve every shooter's dream, a trip to the Olympics.

Playing second fiddle hasn't deterred him from being at his best after achieving All-American status his yearling year in air rifle, and starting off the 2008-09 season strong after a broken leg cut his cow season short.

Hess and Scherer led Army to a 5760-5690 win over Air Force Oct. 11 to kick start the Black Knights to a 3-1 record.

Hess tied his collegiate air rifle career mark of 592 against the Falcons, which he achieved the day before versus Nebraska.

The team's only firstie and captain has been a sharpshooter this season, and much of his focus has been on the leadership of this team that lost four firsties.

"The guys and girls on the team look up to me and look to me to give them that leadership and guidance," Hess said. "I try to keep things (running smoothly) among everybody and look for training events to make sure everyone is improving. I see it as an opportunity to help rebuild this team after losing four strong seniors from last year, and hopefully I will leave the team stronger from where we started this year because they will only be losing one senior."

Hess has tunnel vision this year after his goals of reaching All-American for a second straight year and helping the team win a national championship came up short after an awkward fall on an icy patch last winter ended his season with a broken leg.

Army won its first Great American Rifle Conference title last year, but Hess didn't get a chance to participate in that great moment.

"I sadly missed out on that last year with my season-ending injury in February," Hess explained. "It was disappointing because I really wanted to contribute, and I felt I missed out on that opportunity, but the team pulled together and picked up the slack and that was big."

In the face of a young, inexperienced squad, the tandem of Hess and Scherer is formidable to still lead the team in both the air rifle and smallbore disciplines.

Hess, who is much stronger in air rifle, has been working hard on his deficiencies in smallbore to help the team in its overall score.

"My strength is in air rifle, but as of late, my main focus has been smallbore during practice because that's where I, personally, have to pick up the slack because the team has been scoring low at smallbore."

Smallbore offers a different feel than air rifle because of the variability of positions used (standing, prone and kneeling) compared to one (standing) in air rifle.

Hess has been shooting since the age of 7 when he started out with BB guns and air rifles at home in Humble, Texas, and didn't start shooting smallbore until college, but Army head coach Ron Wigger commends Hess' work ethic to better himself at smallbore.

"I really need to see progress from him in smallbore, and he's been working really hard in training where he is in fact spending more time at smallbore and knows it's important to be strong in both," Wigger said. "I need to have a big year from him because we don't have the depth that we had in the past five years."

Wigger, who said last year's team was probably the best team he ever coached even though they fell short of the national championship, unlike his 2005 team, is coaching his youngest team since he started coaching here in 2000.

It may be tough initially, not having the high-end talent to place in the lineup, but at the same time, he appreciates the chance to coach this group to better themselves at shooting.

"I look at it as a new challenge and is quite similar to when I first started coaching here," Wigger said. "It's an opportunity to build the program again. Our depth isn't quite there and with my coaching background, I enjoy the chance to develop shooters and see them develop and grow into a successful team."

"Last year's team didn't require a whole lot of coaching from a technical aspect because there wasn't more I could teach Chris Abalo, Brian Kern, David Amiot and Scherer because they were already at a super technical level, although I worked with them on the mental aspect of the game, which is very important in our sport," Wigger added. "There wasn't more I could do to improve their ability, but this year's group is a different story. It's a chance to help them with their fundamentals and help them grow."

The team will need some young shooters to step up fast to maintain the team's Top 4 national status, which it has achieved in each of the last five years.

For the first time in three years there are women competing on the team, and two of the plebes, Kira Brown and Sara Lehman, have already scored well in a couple of



**Firstie Wesley Hess has started the season strong by achieving a collegiate career mark in air rifle with a 592 in back-to-back days last weekend versus Nebraska and Air Force to lead the team to an early 3-1 season record.**

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the matches, which has impressed Wigger.

"It has been a surprise that they performed that well in matches already," Wigger said. "I was a little surprised, but I hope it's a season of surprises, and I hope every week there are new kids in the mix."

"We need a couple of new kids to step up and also need Stephen (Scherer) and Wes (Hess) to be solid every week, every match," he added. "We don't have room for error this year."

So far so good -- as the team has jumped out to a 3-1 record and faces West Virginia, the preseason second-place choice in GARC.

Facing a team such as West Virginia will be a good barometer for this year's Army team to know where they stand against the most talented conference foes.

"All our conference matches are huge and getting a feel for those teams is important," said Hess, who hopes to be an engineer officer after he graduates. "The (West Virginia match) will play a huge factor in how we prepare for the conference championships next semester because the more conference wins we get, the better our outlook will be and the more confidence we will have."

Wigger's goals may not be as

lofty as the past few seasons that produced a national championship or a GARC title, but he is invigorated to work with this group because they are willing to learn.

"It's a chance for me to influence them and to get back to 2005, a team that wasn't as talented on paper but developed into a champion and that's the biggest thrill in coaching," Wigger said, "which is taking a group that's not expected to be a champion and making them champions. It takes a commitment and everyone working hard, and this team so far has impressed me by their commitment and desire to win."

# Washington lifts Army to 1-0 win

By Mady Salvani  
Athletic Communications

Plebe Dymon Washington's goal with 5:53 left in the second overtime lifted the Army's women's soccer team to a 1-0 defeat of reigning Patriot League regular-season champion Bucknell Sunday in Lewisburg, Pa.

The game winner was the second straight for Washington after notching the lone goal in a 1-0 defeat of Colgate Oct. 10.

Picked sixth in the league's preseason poll, the Black Knights (10-4 overall) are 3-0 in league play after beating two of the top three preseason favorites in the Bison (second) and Raiders (third) last weekend in stretching their win streak to five straight with the last four by shutout.

Army remains tied with Navy (11-3-1, 3-0 PL) for first place in the league standings.

Army snapped Bucknell's four-game series win streak to boost its lead to 13-10-1 in the rivalry, while the Bison slipped to 1-2 in the league and 7-5-2 overall.

Washington notched her team leading seventh goal of the season when she settled a pass from Firstie co-captain Sarah Goss at a steep angle, then beat goalkeeper Kathryn Sutton one-on-one in the 104th minute for her third game winner of the season.

Because of her stellar play Washington was named Army

Athletic Association "Athlete of the Week" and Patriot League "Rookie of the Week" Monday. Washington's seven goals are the most scored by an Army plebe since Delaney Brown and Leigh Kosco tallied eight as freshmen in 2002.

Army goalkeeper Yearling Alex Lostetter made three of her seven stops in overtime in recording her fourth straight shutout and sixth overall to boost her career total to 11.

It was an evenly played first half with Bucknell getting off seven shots to Army's six with four and three, respectively, on goal.

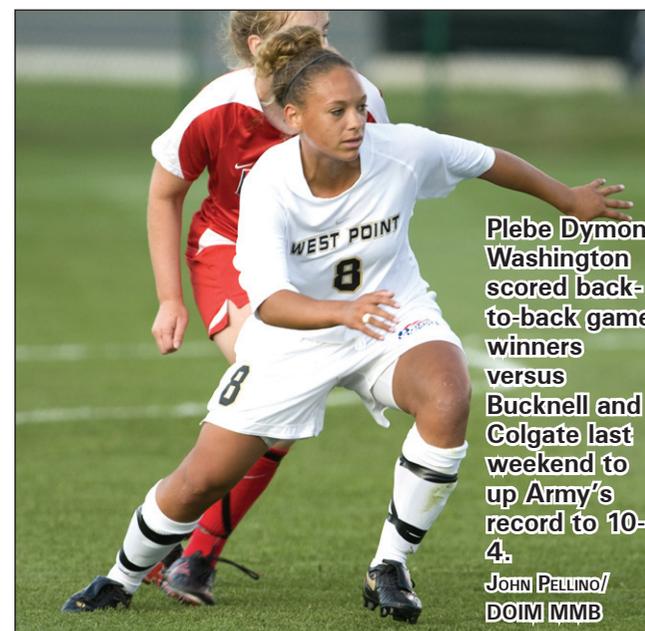
The Bison held a 7-1 shot advantage in the second half, but neither keeper was called upon to make a save. Army outshot its host 3-1 in the deciding second overtime.

Army almost pulled out the game five minutes into the first overtime when Plebe Julia Stallards's shot was tipped off the crossbar by Sutton.

Two minutes later, Lostetter was called on for back-to-back stops within a 33-second span to force the game into the final overtime.

"We played very good possession in the first half," said head coach Gene Ventriglia, "but we appeared a little fatigued the final 15 minutes of the second half. We regrouped and played well in the overtime and had great scoring opportunities.

"It was a great weekend with two big league wins, and we are sitting pretty," added the lone coach in the history of the program who will retire at the conclusion of the season.



Plebe Dymon Washington scored back-to-back game winners versus Bucknell and Colgate last weekend to up Army's record to 10-4.  
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All three of Army's league wins are shutouts as the Black Knights have outscored their opponents 4-0.

The Black Knights close out their four-game league road slate at Holy Cross Saturday.

# Cadet Boxing brings the smoke

Story and photo by Sgt. Vincent Fusco  
PAO

The U.S. Corps of Cadets held their first boxing smoker in Central Area Oct. 10. Cadets, faculty and staff were treated to a night of fights, food and fun mere feet from the cadet barracks.

It was sponsored in part by the Brigade Tactical Department, Department of Physical Education and Cadet Activities, and planned for the cadets to rally spirit for the current national boxing champions and their alma mater over homecoming weekend.

"This really was to inspire the cadets to come together in Esprit de Corps," said Col. Greg Daniels, Master of the Sword.

The smoker was proposed by Col. Michael McKearn, brigade tactical officer. Its goal was to take the excitement of boxing out of the relatively small Arvin Gymnasium boxing rooms and into the expansive cadet area, the crossroads of USCC.

"I really wanted to take an opportunity before the football game to showcase the cadets," McKearn said. "They're hardworking and have a great reputation."

The result was a huge party complete with barbecue, other food and refreshments, a cadet rock band and company mascots showing round cards between rounds.

"You put all of that together and we can show the cadets we appreciate them and have a good time," McKearn said. "What could be better for a Friday night on an alumni weekend?"

The boxing smoker has been a traditional event in the U.S. Army to bring together Soldiers of a unit in a warrior activity, Daniels said.

The cadet leadership also saw the traded punches as a positive demonstration of the Warrior Ethos.

"It's a great way to bring the corps together in camaraderie," said First Captain Benjamin Amsler, Company A-4. "It's not anybody ganging up on anyone. It's a good team-building effort."

The event proved to be a useful tool for boxing coach Ray Barone to use in assessing how his fighters will perform in competing for this year's national championship.

"Without (Coach Barone's) leadership, we wouldn't have the national championship and the program we have," McKearn said.

Amsler thanked the staff on the Corps' behalf for bringing together the logistics and event setup necessary to create the exciting event.

"They care so much for the cadets," Amsler said. "They're willing to put in some extra work on a Friday night (to make

this happen)."

The chorus of cheers for the cadets' favorite fighters was all the staff needed to hear to know that the smoker was a great success.

"I think they were very fired up," Daniels said. "It's going to be pretty popular."

In the wake of the night's excitement, the cadet leadership



Plebe Andrew Manglicmot, right, Company F-1, throws a left jab at Yearling Kyle Kiriyaama, Company H-1, at the boxing smoker in the cadet barracks area Oct. 10.

hopes arena events such as this will continue for future weekends.

"This is a great thing for the cadets," Amsler said. "We had a great turnout, everybody's motivated and it's going to carry into tomorrow."

**Corps**

**Sports calendar Oct. 16-26**

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY -- SWIMMING AND DIVING VS. SYRACUSE & MARIST, CRANDALL POOL, 4 P.M. (17TH) AND 10 A.M. (18TH).

FRIDAY -- RIFLE VS. MISSISSIPPI, TRONS RUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER, 3 P.M.

FRIDAY -- VOLLEYBALL VS. LEHIGH, GILLIS FIELD HOUSE, 7 P.M.

FRIDAY -- WOMEN'S SOCCER @ HOLY CROSS, WORCESTER, MASS., 7 P.M.

SATURDAY -- MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY @ NAVY, ANNAPOLIS, MD., (MEN'S) 10:30 A.M. AND (WOMEN'S) 11 A.M.

SATURDAY -- RIFLE VS. WEST VIRGINIA, TRONS RUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER, 9 A.M.

SATURDAY -- MEN'S SOCCER @ LAFAYETTE, EASTON, PA., 1 P.M.

SATURDAY -- FOOTBALL @ BUFFALO, AMHERST, 3:30 P.M. (TWC CH 6)

SATURDAY -- VOLLEYBALL VS. LAFAYETTE, GILLIS FIELD HOUSE, 4 P.M.

SATURDAY -- HOCKEY VS. MERRIMACK, TATE RINK, 7:05 P.M.

OCT. 24 -- SPRINT FOOTBALL VS. CORNELL, MICHIE STADIUM, 4 P.M.

OCT. 24 -- MEN'S SOCCER VS. LEHIGH, CLINTON FIELD, 4 P.M.

OCT. 24 -- WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. NAVY, CLINTON FIELD, 7 P.M.

OCT. 24 AND 25 -- HOCKEY @ CONNECTICUT, STORRS, CONN., 7:05 P.M. BOTH NIGHTS.

OCT. 24 -- VOLLEYBALL @ AMERICAN, WASHINGTON D.C., 7 P.M.

OCT. 25 -- FOOTBALL VS. LOUISIANA

TECH, MICHIE STADIUM, 1:06 P.M. (ESPN360.COM)

OCT. 25 -- SWIMMING AND DIVING @ MASSACHUSETTS, AMHERST, MASS., 2 P.M.

OCT. 25 -- VOLLEYBALL @ NAVY, ANNAPOLIS, MD., 8 P.M.

OCT. 26 -- WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. AMERICAN, CLINTON FIELD, 1 P.M.

**Club**

FRIDAY -- BOXING, FRIDAY NIGHT FIGHTS, NORTH BOXING ROOM (ARVIN GYM), 4:30 P.M.

SATURDAY -- WOMEN'S ARMY RUGBY VS. MASSACHUSETTS, ANDERSON RUGBY COMPLEX, 6 P.M.

SATURDAY -- MEN'S RUGBY VS. NORTHEASTERN, ANDERSON RUGBY COMPLEX, NOON.

**CLUB RESULTS**



• **Women's Army Rugby:** WAR (above) traveled to Boston Sunday to face Northeastern University. The Army First XV women handily defeated Northeastern 64-0.

Army tries for the game came from Yearling Rachel Cabigting, four; Plebe Jessica Sexauer, two; Cow Marissa Readinger; Plebe Barbara Lodwick; Firstie Nicole Myers and Yearling Ashley Miller had one each.

With the First XV leading 64-0 by halftime, both coaches agreed to call the official league match at that point and let Northeastern's First XV play Army's Second XV.

WAR's Second XV was impressive against a much larger Northeastern team scoring 33 points. Army won 33-5.

Army's Second XV tries came from Plebe Katie Miller, two; Cows Krystle Harrell and Alli Hamel and Yearling Leeann Johnson had one each.

• **Inline Hockey:** The West Point Inline Hockey Team traveled to Philadelphia last weekend to participate in an exhibition for the upcoming Eastern Collegiate Roller Hockey Association season. The team compiled a 1-1-1 record over the weekend versus other Division I and JCO Division Teams.

West Point defeated Hofstra 9-4 in their first game, tied Connecticut 5-5 in their second game and lost 7-1 against an experienced Suffolk County team to finish out the weekend.

With promising play from five plebes in their first collegiate inline games, the team looks to improve on last year's 16-15-1 record. Inline Hockey travels to Williamsport, Pa., this weekend to open its 2008-09 season.

**Flag Football Standings**

\*Standings through Friday

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1. ODIA	7 - 0 - 0
2. STEWART MAR. #2	5 - 3 - 0
3. MEDDAC	5 - 4 - 0
4. MPs	4 - 4 - 0
5. STEWART MAR. #1	2 - 4 - 1
6. USCC/BTD	2 - 5 - 1
7. 105TH ANG	2 - 7 - 0

**Ultimate Frisbee Playoffs**

\*Playoffs through Friday

- First round playoff matches:  
 Oct. 7 -- CME 15, C&LS 3.  
 Oct. 9 -- English 12, System Engineers 7.  
 Oct. 9 -- DFL/GENE 15, Physics 7.  
 Oct. 9 -- Social Science 15, BS&L 2.  
 Oct. 10 -- DMI 15, MEDDAC 0.