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## West Point launches new Transformation Office and Campaign Plan effort

Submitted by West Point Transformation Office

Last October, Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck, U.S. Military Academy at West Point Superintendent, directed the establishment of a West Point business transformation office. Its mission? To “deploy” the Army’s business transformation process at West Point, to include Lean Six Sigma training and oversight, through a combination of education, training and initiatives or “projects” designed to make the entire organization more efficient and effective.

A year later, the scope of the office’s duties has broadened so much that its name has been formally changed to the West Point Transformation Office.

Located in Suite 403, Mahan Hall, the office reports directly to the USMA Chief of Staff Col. Mike Colpo, and works very closely with the G3, the Office of Policy, Planning and Assessment and the Department of Systems Engineering.

“It’s been an exciting year,” according to Lt. Col. John Zsido, the office’s director. “Our expanded mission is to create favorable conditions for the realization of the institution’s strategic vision. We’ll continue to educate and certify personnel in Lean Six Sigma, the Army’s business transformation

methodology, but the work of West Point’s ‘Black Belts’ and ‘Green Belts’ will be more tightly linked to strategy than ever before. We’ll accomplish this by fully integrating business transformation within the West Point Campaign Plan.”

Lieutenant Col. Mike Colarusso, the office’s Campaign Plan Project Officer, explained the Campaign Plan.

“Think of it as a roadmap. At the end of the road is the Superintendent’s vision for West Point. But to get there, there’s got to be an actionable plan,” Colarusso said. “A plan that integrates everything we do across the installation. And most importantly, it has to have performance measures that allow us to continuously assess whether or not we’re truly driving West Point toward the vision. We can’t be guessing which way to turn -- the path to the vision has to be clear. That’s why Lt. Gen. Hagenbeck directed the staff to develop a Campaign Plan.”

“Campaign planning and transformation aren’t unique to West Point,” Zsido explained. “The Army has its campaign plan, with which West Point’s is aligned. Many other Army organizations have done the same. Large complex organizations, whether in the corporate world or academia, have master plans that convert strategic goals into actionable objectives -- a campaign plan.”

“A campaign plan is a process first and a product second,” according to Colarusso. “Ultimately, it’s about providing the leader team with a decision-making and continuous assessment process that yields the quickest results in the shortest time.”

When asked what the office’s biggest challenges have been, Zsido

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### ‘Plebe Parent Weekend’

Cadet 4th Class Spencer Feliciano-Lyons lets his brother, Stoyan Tsvetkov, wear his hat at the Plebe Parent reception area at Crest Hall in Eisenhower Hall Oct. 12. [See related story on page 4.]

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

## 2005 grad killed in Iraq by small arms fire

Compiled by Jim Fox  
Assistant Editor

First Lt. Thomas M. Martin, 27, of San Antonio, died Sunday in Al Busayifi, Iraq, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using small arms fire during combat operations.

Martin, a U.S. Military Academy 2005 graduate, was assigned to C Troop, 1st Squadron, 40th Cavalry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team [Airborne], 25th Infantry Division, Fort Richardson, Alaska.

The cavalry scout officer was assigned to Fort Richardson in June 2006.

He is survived by his parents, retired Sgt. Maj. Edmund F. Martin and CW4 Candice R. Martin of San Antonio and his three sisters Sarah Hood, Laura Martin and Becky Martin.

Memorial services will be held on Fort Richardson Thursday.

Memorial services are also scheduled for Monday at 11 a.m. in San Antonio at the University United Methodist Church.

Graveside services only

are scheduled at the West Point Cemetery Thursday at 10 a.m.



1st Lt. Thomas M. Martin

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## Army to accelerate leader development

By John Harlow

WASHINGTON [Army News Service] -- The U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command recently announced a plan to accelerate leader development at all levels.

"This is not just another 'study' of how to improve leaders in our Army," said Lt. Gen. William Caldwell, the commanding general of the Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth. "It's a focused look of 'how to' accelerate leader development across all cohorts, components and domains in order to meet the increased leadership demands for the long war."

The initiative will increase joint, interagency, intergovernmental and multi-national opportunities across the Army, officials said. It will give Soldiers opportunities to fill slots

in other government agencies, such as the State Department, to expand their knowledge base. It will also allow civilians to fill seats at courses that have normally been reserved for the military.

"We will evolve and implement officer, noncommissioned officer and civilian education systems that acknowledge those increased demands and conduct leader development training in ways that support our expeditionary Army, develop an offensive mindset focused on winning our Nation's wars," Caldwell said.

It is a tough mission to change the culture of learning at all levels of the leadership chain, Caldwell added. Since more than 230,000 Soldiers are deployed or forward-stationed around the world, the undertaking is even more

challenging.

"Our mission is to examine and analyze accelerating leader development programs to grow leaders for the future strategic environment," Caldwell said. "This will revise leader development programs for the 21st Century, synchronize programs with the Army Force Generation Model and ensure policies and procedures are in place to support the recommendations of accelerating the development of leaders."

There are already changes being implemented at all levels of leader development. At the junior officer level, there is a new Basic Officer Leadership Course. BOLC I is the pre-commissioning phase Soldiers take either through the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Officer Candidate School or

Reserve Officer Training Corps.

In BOLC I, Soldiers learn Warrior Tasks, adaptive leadership development, cultural awareness training techniques and team building, among other tasks.

During BOLC II, lieutenants face a field leadership lab at Fort Benning, Ga., or Fort Sill, Okla.

BOLC III is the Leader Development and Assessment Course, a rigorous 33-day course in which they complete land navigation, weapons training, confidence training and squad drills.

"At the end of the day the mission is to implement officer, noncommissioned officer and civilian education systems that have evolved to acknowledge those increased leader demands," Caldwell said. "By accelerating

Army leader development programs in ways that support our expeditionary Army, we are integrating the complexities of full spectrum operations in an era of persistent conflict."

General William S. Wallace, TRADOC commanding general, originally announced the leadership development initiative, saying the goal is to accelerate and redesign leader development programs at all levels that fully support persistent conflict, an expeditionary Army with an offensive mindset and focus on winning the Nation's wars.

[Editor's Note: Harlow writes for the TRADOC News Service.]

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said that it is pre-conceptions about its mission.

"A natural impulse is to assume 'business' transformation is a poor fit for an Army organization or academic institution because West Point is service-centered rather than manufacturing-centered.

"But 'business' doesn't mean 'manufacturing.' A business is any organization that provides value to a customer," Zsido explained.

"For the Army and West Point, business transformation is about transforming the way we operate, to accomplish faster, higher quality work in the most financially efficient way possible. It's all about continuously improving the organization."

Colpo emphasized the importance of the Campaign Plan.

"It's more critical than ever to have a truly integrative plan



of action. In the last six years, the Army has undergone its most sweeping changes since World War II," Colpo said. "We're fighting against an asymmetric enemy and transforming the Army at the same time is an extremely complex and challenging task. Our Army needs junior leaders who are mentally agile and able to switch gears quickly.

"The contemporary operating environment presents so many disparate missions that we have to

maximize training and education efficiency during a cadet's time here," Colpo added. "To do that as an organization, we must be as flexible, agile and adaptive as we're demanding them [cadets] to be.

"The best way to keep pace with change is to lead it -- that's the role the Superintendent wants to see us fulfill in officer education and training. The Campaign Plan will help us to do that," he concluded.

To learn more about West Point Transformation and the Campaign Plan, visit their AKO Web site at: <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/4642356>.

**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: Medium

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# West Point to hold annual National Conference on Ethics in America

By Kathy Eastwood

The U.S. Military Academy at West Point's main mission is to produce leaders of character and to ensure the words Duty, Honor and Country are ingrained in their minds throughout their military career and through life. One way to reinforce these ideals is to build a social network of students from all over America's universities, colleges, military academies and corporations to discuss the issue of moral and ethical behavior in college and in corporate America.

Since 1986, the West Point Class of 1970 and the Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic have hosted the National Conference on Ethics in America at West Point to bring awareness to undergraduate students about ethical issues in collegiate communities as well as in the professional community.

The goal of the conference is to promote awareness of the need for ethical standards of behavior in colleges, individually and in business. Issues to be discussed include character development, character education and respect issues on campuses and in businesses.

"We expect this year's conference to have 180 college juniors representing 70-80 colleges," said Maj. Devon Blake, Values Education Officer at SCPME. "We invite juniors specifically because they have been at the school for a while and know the issues. They have a little over a year to affect change."

The conference will be held Sunday through Thursday at Eisenhower Hall and will include hand-picked mentors to discuss the

ethical issues college students and professionals are confronted with every day.

Blake said this year's conference plenary speakers include Eric Alexander, a world class skier and mountaineer, who will discuss building character through sports. USMA faculty and staff members will also lead discussions on social responsibility and other issues.

The four plenary sessions, which take place in the Eisenhower Hall Theater are Mon., 10-10:30

a.m. and 12:45-1:15 p.m., and Tues., 8:15-8:45 a.m. and 11-11:30 a.m., and are open to all West Point staff and faculty. Topics and speakers for these sessions are:

■ Speaker #1: Eric Alexander -- "Character through Sports"

■ Speaker #2: Col. Donna Brazil -- "Social Responsibility"

■ Speaker #3: Dana Mead -- "Ethics in Enterprise"

■ Speaker #4: Dan Clark -- "Be the Change You Seek in the World"

The guest speaker for the closing banquet is scheduled to be Martha Raddatz, ABC News Chief White House Correspondent. Raddatz has been the ABC Correspondent since November 2005, according to ABC News, and has been awarded two Emmys, one for her coverage of Kosovo and the other for her coverage of Elian Gonzales.

## Holiday deadlines rapidly approaching for troop support

Submitted by AAFES

DALLAS -- While the holidays may still seem far away, Americans hoping to show their support to deployed troops must be aware of some rapidly approaching deadlines.

According to the Military Postal Service Agency, mail going parcel post must be sent by Nov. 14, while first class mail must be sent by Dec. 10 to arrive by Dec. 25.

In addition to deadlines, several other factors must be considered when sending mail downrange.

For example, each country has

customs regulations that apply to all incoming mail, pertaining to everything from food items to reading materials.

Military units may also have additional restrictions concerning incoming mail.

Finally, all packages and mail must now be addressed to individual servicemembers as required by U.S. Department of Defense regulations.

In order to help facilitate the mailing process and avoid many of the obstacles that come with the traditional care packages, the Army & Air Force Exchange Service created "Gifts from the Homefront," a campaign that allows anyone to make a direct and tangible contribution to military morale with a gift certificate that can be redeemed for nearly anything a specific servicemember wants.

"Gifts from the Homefront" can be sent to deployed troops by logging on to [www.aafes.org](http://www.aafes.org) or calling 877-770-4438.

### Delivery problems?

FOR PV HOME DELIVERY PROBLEMS CONTACT VALERIE MULLANE AT THE POUGHKEEPSIE JOURNAL AT (845) 437-4730 OR BY E-MAIL AT [VMULLANE@POUGHKEE.GANNETT.COM](mailto:VMULLANE@POUGHKEE.GANNETT.COM).

## First Vietnam death to be honored Sunday

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- A graveside wreath-laying ceremony with selected cadets, a West Point Honor Guard and the USMA Band will be held Sunday for the family of Capt. Harry G. Cramer, Jr., USMA Class of 1946, at 2 p.m., at the West Point Cemetery.

The ceremony will commemorate the 50th anniversary of Cramer's death while serving in South Vietnam and will honor him

and his family for his distinguished service to the U. S. Army and the Nation.

The ceremony is open to the public.

This is the first in a series of memorials and events planned for military installations throughout the world by the Department of Defense to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam Conflict.

# Community Features and Photos

## Plebe families reconnect during Plebe Parent Weekend

Story and photos by  
Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

Traditions are common at any college and the U.S. Military Academy at West Point is no different. With the coming of autumn the talk is generally of football, but from Oct. 11 through Sunday, the thoughts were on Plebe Parent Weekend here.

This annual event is always something the fourth class cadets, their parents and friends look forward to as a time to see West Point and their loved ones up close and personal. PPW is a chance for parents to see what their offspring have been up to, where they are living, what they are doing and how they are doing in their classes.

It also means abbreviated classes, tours and open houses.

The plebes could be seen escorting their families to meet with instructors, touring the laundry and uniform factory and taking in the sites, including the annual fall foliage celebration in Highland Falls, N.Y., and watching their sons and daughters in a review -- the only review with just fourth-class cadets.

Loveatta Bamberg said she was very proud of her daughter, Cadet 4th Class Joterrica Williams.

"I'm not too worried about her with everything that is going on," Bamberg said. "My husband is

*"As moms, I think we always worry a little, but I am also proud,"*

Loveatta Bamberg  
mother of  
Cadet 4th Class Joterrica Williams

ex-military and she has previous service."

Williams said she feels great about West Point and is on the Rugby team.

"I got through 'beast' just fine," Williams said. "I went through the U.S. Military Prep School and the reserves. I'm enjoying it here."

Williams is known for her positive attitude according to Maj. Heather Jackson, Math instructor here.

"You can tell she is someone

who has leadership abilities," Jackson said. "She always does a great job and always has a great attitude."

The Locher family enjoyed the perfect fall day watching for their son Cadet 4th Class Ian Miscoe in the parade.

"Ian comes from a military family," said Stacey Locher, Miscoe's mom. "His father retired as a lieutenant colonel and his uncle, Michael Miscoe, is a 1985 USMA grad, who is also retired. As moms,

I think we always worry a little, but I am also proud."

Since PPW is generally the first time family and friends have seen their plebes since either Reception Day or Acceptance Day, there may have been a few tearful goodbyes Sunday. The tears may be short lived if everyone remembers that the holidays will be upon us in a few short weeks and the plebes will again get a short break from the grind to have fun with family and friends.



The newly formed plebe cadet drill team displays their talents to the crowd of family and friends of the Class of 2011 Saturday during the plebe review on the Plain. The Plebe Parent review is the only one made up entirely of plebes.



Math instructor Maj. Heather Jackson [second from right] speaks to Cadet 4th Class Joterrica Williams, her dad Frank Bamberg [left] and her mother Loveatta Bamberg [right] about the plebe's work and great attitude. Cadet 2nd Class Ryan Ochocki looks on.



The honor plaza displaying the Cadet Honor Code is a popular place to take photos of family and friends during Plebe Parent Weekend.

## 2008 West Point Camporee registration open; Western U.S. targeted

By Lt. Col. John M Graham  
Scoutmaster's Council Officer  
Representative

This week marks the opening for the 46th Annual West Point Camporee Registration. The annual event is at Lake Frederick May 9 to 11, 2008.

Boy and Girl Scout organizations interested in attending can apply at [www.usma.edu/USCC/DCA/Clubs/scou/index.html](http://www.usma.edu/USCC/DCA/Clubs/scou/index.html).

"The USCC Scoutmaster's Council cadet club puts on this event to pay back their first leadership organization, the Scouts," said Cadet 4th Class Michael Duffy. "I got my start in scouting and it played a huge part in my decision to come to West Point."

More than 40 percent of every cadet class were involved in Boy or Girl Scouts before coming to West Point.

"We have three major new objectives we have added to this year's camporee -- increase west of the Mississippi participation, invite our first international scout troop and integrate training with

the Army," said Cadet 1st Class Ted Halinski, Club Leader. "The camporee is a recruiting opportunity and Lt. Gen. Hagenbeck has indicated that USMA can do a better job reaching young men and women in the western United States. The camporee can be part of that equation by bringing in scout troops from as far away as Kansas, Nevada and Oregon. Anyone in the *Pointer View*® community with connections out West can pass on our Web site application."

This year also marks the first time the camporee will include participation and support by the New York Army National Guard. The 101st Signal Battalion, under the command of Lt. Col. Thomas Kilmartin, plans to give the camporee exceptional communication support. The battalion commander and staff participated in the first planning meeting last week.

Communications are critical because of the number of scouts at the camporee -- 3,500 -- and the logistical, medical and command

requirements.

"The military reservation provides an exceptional set of communication challenges. The mountains combined with

iron ore deposits means my Soldiers will test their skills in a unique environment," Kilmartin explained. "Further, my leadership also sees the value in mentoring

the cadets on Army National Guard capabilities."



Scouts are taught how to properly perform the Army push up at the 2007 Scout Camporee at Lake Frederick.

PHOTO BY CADET 3RD CLASS NATE SHEEHAN

## Halloween safety tips: How to keep your trick-or-treaters safe

Submitted by the  
West Point Safety Office

All community members want our children to share in a safe and happy Halloween. As a parent, how do you manage the risk and accomplish that objective? The following tips are offered to help parents and children make the most of the Halloween season.

### Costumes

■ Purchase or create costumes that are bright and reflective. Consider adding reflective tape or stripping to costumes and trick-or-treat bags for greater visibility.

■ Make sure that costumes are short enough to prevent tripping.

■ Masks can limit or block eyesight. Consider non-toxic makeup or decorative hats as safer alternatives.

■ Look for and purchase only those costumes and wigs with a label clearly indicating that they are flame resistant.

### Trick-or-Treating

■ The sun will set just before 6 p.m. and the moon will not rise until almost 11 p.m. this year, so expect the evening to be at its darkest during trick-or-treat time. Because of this, make sure all children and their escorts have flashlights with fresh batteries. This will help others to see your trick-or-treaters.

■ Take extra effort to eliminate tripping hazards on your porch and walkway. Check around your home for low tree limbs, support wires or garden hoses that may prove hazardous to young children as they rush from house to house.

■ Plan a specific route with your children and review what behavior is acceptable to you.

■ A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children on their neighborhood rounds.

For older children who will be out without a parent, agree on a specific time when they must return home.

### Decorations

■ Consider fire safety when decorating. Use only battery powered lanterns or chemical light sticks in place of candles in decorations.

■ Do not overload electrical outlets with holiday lighting or special effects.

### Checklist of reminders for trick-or-treaters

■ Only go to homes that have the porch light on.

■ Remain on well-lit streets and always use the sidewalk.

■ Never enter a stranger's home or car for a treat.

■ Always walk, never run across the street and be sure to look both ways before crossing.

■ Only cross the street as a group in established crosswalks.

■ Don't assume the right of way. Just because one car stops does not mean they all will.

■ Never consume food items or drinks that may be offered to you.

■ Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating. Don't eat any if the package is open.

Halloween hazards come in almost as many disguises as there are costumes. By taking the time to manage Halloween's inherent risks, the day can be a safe and memorable event for the children. Be careful, be aware and, most of all, enjoy yourself.

[**Editor's Note:** Keith Katz, Safety Manager joined West Point's Safety Office Monday.]

# Community Leisure

## MWR Blurbs

### Soldier Show Sunday

The U.S. Army Family and MWR Command presents the 2007 Soldier Show Sunday at Ike Hall at 5 p.m.

The event is free and open to the public.

For more info., call 938-6127.

### MWR CFC participants

The following MWR activities are taking part in the Combined Federal Campaign:

- Army Community Service
  - Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers
  - Child Development Services
  - West Point Youth Services
- For a full description of each

activity, see pages 66-67 in the CFC book.

### 2008 Soldier Show

The 2008 Soldier Show is looking for performers and technicians. It is open to all active duty Soldiers. Applications are due Dec. 28.

For more info., go to [www.westpointmwr.com](http://www.westpointmwr.com) or call 938-6127.

### Haunted Hayride Oct. 31

The MWR Haunted Hayride is Oct. 31, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., at Bonneville Cabin, Round Pond Rec Area.

Come in your Halloween

costume and get 1/2 off admission. Open to the West Point, Highland Falls and Fort Montgomery communities. For more info. or to volunteer for this event, call 938-2503.

### Harvest Cruise

Harvest Cruise up the Hudson with the West Point Club Oct. 27, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The boat sets sail promptly at 1:30 p.m.

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon on the Hudson and experience the beauty of the Valley's foliage.

Cash bar, live music and buffet included.

For more information, call 938-5120.

### Ballroom Dance classes

Ballroom Dance classes will be held at Cullum Hall with a six-week session beginning Nov. 5. Classes will meet each Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. The last class is Dec. 10. Register at ITR or call 938-2401.

### Macy's Parade tickets

ITR now has tickets on sale for transportation to Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Nov. 22. For more info., call 938-3601.

### Radio City Christmas show

Tickets are now on sale at ITR for the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular, Dec. 3, 4 and 11. Call 938-3601 for more info.

## Keller Corner

### Influenza vaccination

The influenza vaccination will be available to all TRICARE Beneficiaries Nov. 14 and 15 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Eisenhower Hall.

The vaccine will be available to DOD Civilians Nov. 20 at the Employee Health Benefit Fair.

is given by injection. This is the only type of vaccination available to individuals less than two years of age and those ages 50 and over.

Live, attenuated influenza vaccine was licensed in 2003. It contains live but [weakened] influenza virus.

It is sprayed into the nostrils rather than injected into the muscle.

It is recommended for healthy children and adults from 2 through 49 years of age, who are not pregnant.

Individuals ages 2-49 with no contraindications to this vaccine will receive this vaccination so the maximum quantity of injectable vaccine is available for the high

risk individuals not able to receive this type of vaccine.

### KACH closure

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed Nov. 12. The emergency room will remain open.

### Prescription Renewals

Don't wait for your last refill to remember to schedule an appointment with your primary care manager for prescription renewals.

Call the KACH Appointment Center at 938-7992 or 1-800-552-2907 and schedule a routine appointment to discuss prescription renewals before you run out of necessary medications.

### What is High Risk?

High risk individuals for the flu include:

- All children ages 6 months to 59 months
- All persons ages 50 and over

■ Persons ages two to 50 years with chronic medical conditions such as diabetes mellitus or chronic conditions affecting the lungs, heart, kidneys, liver, immune system or blood

■ All women who plan on becoming or will be pregnant during the influenza season

■ Children ages six months to 18 years on chronic aspirin therapy

As in previous years, two types of vaccinations are available:

Inactivated influenza vaccine, sometimes called the "flu shot," has been used for many years and

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## NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

FRIDAY -- STARDUST, PG-13, 7:30 P.M.

SATURDAY -- HAIRSPRAY, PG, 7:30 P.M.

SATURDAY -- SUPERBAD, R, 9:30 P.M.

OCT. 26 -- SUPERBAD, R, 7:30 P.M.

OCT. 27 -- BALLS OF FURY, PG-13, 7:30 P.M.

OCT. 27 -- THE BRAVE ONE, R, 9:30 P.M.

THE THEATER SCHEDULE CAN ALSO BE FOUND AT [WWW.AAFES.COM](http://WWW.AAFES.COM).

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

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Lea Salonga

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# What's Happening

## Living history at Museum

The West Point Museum will host a living history event featuring uniformed re-enactors and military displays and vehicles Saturday during regular museum hours, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., located on the grounds in front of the museum entrance, with some displays also in the public galleries of the museum.

Displays will include a variety of Second World War and later military vehicles, which will be available for public inspection with uniformed interpreters to provide

historical and technical information on each display, provided courtesy of The Duffle Bag Associates.

## PWOC

PWOC is a local chapter of Protestant Women of the Chapel-International, located at West Point.

Two weekly sessions are provided during the academic year: Wednesday mornings from 8:45 to 11 a.m., or Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.

Both sessions meet at the Post Chapel [799 Biddle Loop].

Childcare is provided during the morning sessions.

For more information, contact Robin Meyer at 446-8798.

## Operation Christmas Child

Join the PWOC for an early Christmas celebration to wrap your shoe boxes. Bring your boxes filled with gifts and three dozen of your favorite cookies.

The box wrapping party and cookie exchange will be held in the Post Chapel Basement Sat. at 2 p.m.

Can't attend? No problem, contact Teresa Ridgeway at 859-4266 for drop off/pick up information.

## CAC meeting Monday

The next Community Action Council meeting is Monday beginning at 9:30 a.m., at the Jewish Chapel. The community is welcome.

## USMA book signings

Philip Zimbardo will sign his book *The Lucifer Effect: Understanding How Good People Turn Evil* Oct. 26 from 9:15 to 11 a.m. He will also speak to PL 100 General Psychology students about "The Psychology of Evil: The Lucifer Effect in Action" Oct. 26 from 7:45 to 8:45 p.m., at Robinson Auditorium.

## Moms and Tots

Moms and Tots are hosting "Friendly Monster" storytime Oct. 26 from 10 to 11 a.m., at the Youth Services Building, [Bldg. 500].

Call Allyson Houston, 859-4221 for more information.

## Sacred Heart School party

The Sacred Heart School in Highland Falls will host a family Halloween party Oct. 26 from 6 to 7:45 p.m. The event will not

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feature any excessively gory or scary costumes.

There will be games, prizes, pizza, treats and more. Call 446-2674 for more info.

## WPS picture re-take

West Point Schools picture retake day is Oct. 29.

## Harvest Fest

The West Point Post Chapel is holding its annual Harvest Fest on Halloween night from 6 to 8 p.m., at the West Point Elementary School gymnasium. Come enjoy an alternative to trick or treating with inflatable jumpers and slides, face painting and much more.

Show off your best child-friendly [e.g. -- not scary] costume and enjoy free pizza, popcorn and, of course, lots of candy. Families are asked to donate one bag of

candy at admission. Contact Missy Highley at 446-0504 for more information.

## Defensive driving class

The next Defensive Driving class is scheduled for Nov. 3 in Bldg. 622 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

To register contact ITR at 938-2401/3601.



## Black and Gold awardees

The Black and Gold awardees for the month of October are Sofia Reynolds [left], Kelly Clark, Fred Pugh, Shelly Caslen and Shannon Palmer. Palmer was named the Volunteer of the month for October.

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# Army and Community Sports

## Mickowski takes top spot at Navy dual meet

Story and photo by  
Eric S. Bartelt  
Sports Editor

A breezy, temperate sunny afternoon welcomed Army and Navy cross country runners Oct. 12 as the academy foes faced each other in their annual dual meet.

Navy took team victories in both the men's [23-35] and women's [23-38] races, but Army senior John Mickowski was the top finisher in the men's 8K with a time of 26:23.

Mickowski was disappointed that his team didn't win, but was thrilled with his final surge that took the men's race by 24 seconds.

"My whole strategy the first time up the hill was just to relax and don't worry about anything," Mickowski said. "I was waiting for Navy to make a move ... and the second time [up the hill] I threw in a huge surge and I got the Navy guy [John Kress] to bite ... so he charged up the hill and I backed off there and kept him in range.

"This course is different because you've got to account for the hill," he added. "With most courses, if they are flatter, I like to blast through the first two miles and hang on until the last half [mile] and then try to use my speed. This course, you have to relax those first three miles before you can start making any kind of move."

The course, run at the West Point Golf Course, has two steep hills including the one at the ski slope which makes it hard to gauge one's opposing runners.

"I've never run a course that even compares to this one as far as difficulty," Mickowski explained. "There's nothing worse."

Mickowski has run better timed races this season, but felt that this was his best race of the year, which was his first individual win.

"This was the first week I've backed off my mileage and peaked a little bit," Mickowski said. "So I was ready to run [Oct. 12]. It was probably my best performance so far this year."

Mickowski is a hard worker who paces three-to-five miles on his own before breakfast formation, then runs the required eight-to-10

miles the team covers in practices every other day.

"I try to come down and work my butt off everyday," Mickowski stated. "I try to get the freshmen to do the same thing because that's what the guys did when I was a plebe.

"Every run, they would go out and I would try to keep up with them," the Mukwonago, Wis., native said. "Sometimes, I probably hurt myself more than I should have, but it pays off later on when you're older by killing yourself and busting your butt every day."

Mickowski believes in developing your talent because it won't amount to anything without the miles to build a stronger cardiovascular base.

He performs the 800-meter and the mile run in track. Until his victory against Navy, his best finish, in his eyes, was the victory at the IC4A's two years ago in the mile run.

Army men's cross country and track coach Jerry Quiller sees Mickowski as a runner who has been inconsistent over the years, but may finally be putting his talents together during his senior year.

"He's talented to no end. He has had a good day every time we've raced this year -- as opposed to last year, where he'd run a good race

and then next time he wouldn't have a good race," Quiller said. "In the past, he's been inconsistent to where he would win the conference in the mile [his sophomore year], but wouldn't place against Navy."

"The kid's extremely talented and he's capable of being our next sub-four minute miler," stated Quiller, who believes Mickowski could run for track squads like Colorado, Arkansas or Stanford. "He's been consistently good this year and I would put some marbles on him to do well in the [Patriot League cross country] conference meet Oct. 27 [at Lafayette University]."

Mickowski believes with simple adjustments that Army will get Navy at the conference championships.

"We've got to get a little more speed and not worry so much about mileage anymore," Mickowski said. "We've got to tune our bodies right and get ourselves honed to run fast.

"We've got tons of potential with [junior Jonathan] Anderson, [senior] Rob Squier and a couple of freshmen [to include Alexis Torre-Santiago, who was named Patriot League CC "Rookie of the Week" this season] who are very talented," he added. "If we keep them from hurting themselves, we should be alright."



Senior John Mickowski took the top spot in the Army/Navy dual cross country meet Oct. 12 at the West Point Golf Course with a time of 26:23.

# READY TO ROCK: Trimble and his teammates are ready to bounce back against Georgia Tech

By Eric S. Bartelt  
Sports Editor

Army [3-4] returns to action Saturday after a 47-23 loss to Central Michigan as they face their third ACC opponent of the season, Georgia Tech [4-3], at Bobby Dodd Stadium in Atlanta.

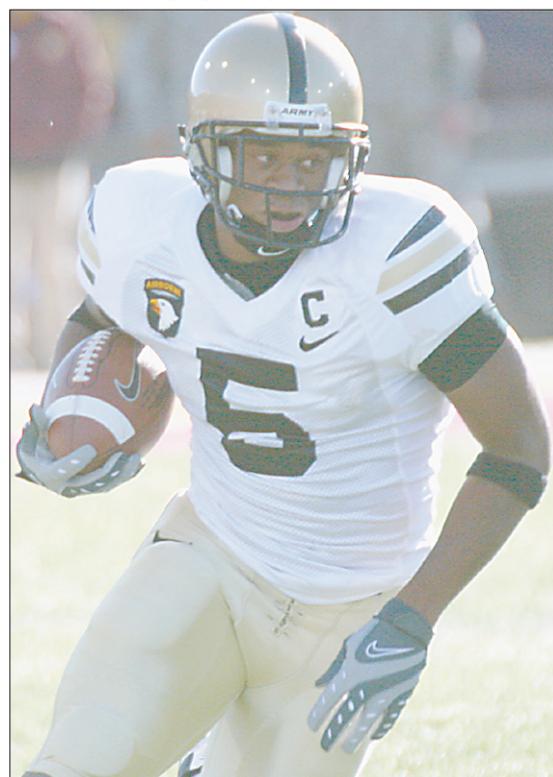
The injury bug struck the defense last week as the Black Knights lost senior outside linebacker Charlie Rockwood, who was fifth on the team in tackles with 42, for the season.

Junior linebacker and special teams ace John Plumstead takes over for Rockwood, but Rockwood will be missed.

"There is no question -- losing Charlie Rockwood is going to be a big deal," said Army head football coach Stan Brock. "He is one of [our] leaders ... we needed his leadership and experience. When you lose that experience it will be huge."

Now that Rockwood is gone, Plumstead has big shoes to fill and Brock is aware that it will be a baptism under fire for the third-year linebacker.

"John Plumstead hasn't had a lot of reps at that linebacker position [strong side]," Brock explained. "[He]'ll be under fire and his education will come quickly. John will have to step up and play."



Senior Jeremy Trimble posted career highs in receptions and yards last week. **JIM FOX/PV**

Plumstead's teammates agree that he has a nasty attitude on the field and will be just fine on game day.

"He doesn't really care who he lines up against. It doesn't faze him," said senior safety Caleb Campbell. "He's ready to butt some heads with some people."

While Georgia Tech doesn't offer too much of a scare through the air, the Yellow Jackets do possess an effective running game led by senior Tashard Choice.

Choice has 840 yards rushing with six touchdowns and is coming off of a 204-yard performance in a 17-14 win against Miami [Fla.].

"They will put [Choice] in the backfield and direct snap to him," Brock said. "It's going to be a challenge defensively. We're going to have to be very disciplined against [the Heisman hopeful]."

To have a chance, Army will have to be less generous with the ball this week, after a seven-turnover debacle against the Chippewas. It will be a tough task against a defense that will be as stout as any the Black Knights have faced all year.

The Yellow Jackets produce great pressure and are currently fifth in the nation in sack average and that will keep sophomore quarterback Carson Williams on his toes all day. However, Williams

was replaced for a period of time last week by senior Kevin Dunn and may have a short leash once again.

"You have to be prepared for whatever gives us the best opportunity to win," Brock said. "If something is not going right, it doesn't matter [who it is] ... if there is somebody we have who is better or will give us a chance to win, we will [make a change]."

Williams completed 18 of 23 passes, but it was three interceptions that killed Army early and often against the Chippewas.



Junior linebacker and special teams ace John Plumstead will have his hands full now that he replaces strong side linebacker Charlie Rockwood, who is gone for the season with a knee injury. **ERIC S. BARTELT/PV**

Brock said that Williams has to be smarter with the ball, but also said he's learning on the job.

"Most kids his age in the NCAA, other than the select few, are red shirting, but he's starting," Brock said. "He's learning a new system and while I'm not trying to make excuses for him, there are things he has to improve. He has to grow and mature more and realize that he can't throw some passes."

"I have 100 percent confidence in him. He's getting better," he added. "He understands our offense and knows what we're trying to do and that gives us an opportunity to win."

Williams had two touchdown passes and Dunn had one TD pass last week with two of those end zone receptions made by "old reliable," senior wide receiver Jeremy Trimble.

Trimble finished the Central Michigan game with 11 receptions for 169 yards, both career highs, and his two touchdowns gave him 12 receiving touchdowns for his career, tying him for fourth with Aaron Alexander.

Trimble's consistency was lauded by his coach, who also said that no one on the offense comes close to him in production.

"Everyone knows he's our go-to-guy, yet he finds a way to get

it done," Brock said. "Everything I have asked of him, he has done with a great attitude. He is a perfect leader for our football team."

Trimble is flattered by everyone's familiarity with his accomplishments, but he gives most of the credit for his success to his teammates. But, he still would like to focus on what's ahead rather than reflect on what he has done thus far, especially from a team goal standpoint.

"We still have five games left and we still can accomplish everything we wanted to do," Trimble said. "It's another challenge [this week], but we're not going to back down."

"We showed we could hang with other top defenses like Boston College and we put up points against them," he added. "So it's going to be a challenge, but we're ready to rock."

At press time Saturday's game, which starts at noon, will not be aired locally, but is available through ESPN's Game Plan subscription package and ESPN360.

The Army game can be heard on the Army Sports Network through WABC 770-AM New York and Sirius Satellite Radio on Channel 122 beginning at 12:10 p.m., with John Minko and Dean Darling as the play-by-play man and color analyst, respectively.

## Sports calendar

Oct. 19 - Oct. 28

### Corps Squad

- FRIDAY -- HOCKEY VS. RPI, TATE RINK, 7:05 P.M.  
 SATURDAY -- RIFLE VS. AKRON, TRONSRUE, 9 A.M.  
 SATURDAY -- MSOC VS. LAFAYETTE, CLINTON FIELD, 1 P.M.  
 SATURDAY - WSOC VS. HOLY CROSS, CLINTON FIELD, 3:30 P.M.  
 SATURDAY -- VB VS. NAVY @ ANNAPOLIS, 7 P.M.  
 TUESDAY -- MSOC VS. NJIT, CLINTON FIELD, 7 P.M.  
 OCT. 26 -- WSOC VS. NAVY, ANNAPOLIS, 7 P.M.  
 OCT. 27 -- WBB VS. SETON HALL [SCRIMMAGE], CHRISTL ARENA, 11 A.M.  
 OCT. 27 -- M&W SWIM/DIVE VS. UMASS., CRANDALL POOL, 2 P.M.  
 OCT. 27 -- VB VS. HOLY CROSS, GILLIS FIELD HOUSE, 2 P.M.

### Club

- SATURDAY -- RUGBY VS. YALE, ANDERSON, 1 P.M.  
 SUNDAY -- SKEET & TRAP TEAM VS. MOUNT PLEASANT GUN CLUB, RANGE 10, 10 A.M.  
 OCT. 27 -- JUDO CLINIC, ARVIN ANNEX, BLDG. 673, 9 A.M.  
 OCT. 28 -- JUDO CLINIC, ARVIN ANNEX, BLDG. 673, 8 A.M.  
 OCT. 28 -- SKEET & TRAP TEAM VS. UNION LEAGUE CLUB, RANGE 10, 10 A.M.  
 OCT. 28 -- MEN'S TEAM HANDBALL VS. NYC & NE FREEZE TH CLUBS, ARVIN GYM, 2ND FLOOR, 1 P.M.  
 OCT. 28 -- FENCING EXHIBITION VS. E'COLE POLYTECHNIQUE, ARVIN GYM, 2ND FLOOR, 1 P.M.



Senior forward Bryce Hollweg and the rest of the Army Black Knights will open their home hockey schedule tonight against RPI at 7:05 p.m at Tate Tink. Great seats are still available. **ERIC S. BARTELT/PV**

The game will also be audio streamed only, via Army Knight Vision at [www.goARMYsports.com](http://www.goARMYsports.com).

## Black Hawks capture soccer tournament

By Maj. Doug Crandall  
Dean's XO

Our community's under-12 travel soccer team ventured to York, Maine, over Columbus Day weekend and returned to New York as the 2007 Harvest Cup Champions.

The West Point Black Hawks won the first tournament title in recent history by a post travel soccer team, dismantling squads from Kennebunk [8-0] and York [5-1], and then squeaking past a tough Marshwood travel team in the championship game, winning 3-2 in penalty kicks after being tied 2-2 in regulation.

Playing against teams made up exclusively of 11- and 12-year-old boys, West Point dominated its first two games.

This domination is noteworthy because the Black Hawks' roster included three girls [Amanda Cushen, Olivia Manous and Lindsey Evers], three 10-year-old boys [Jason Crandall, Braden Evers and Davis Fleming] and an eight-year-old boy [Brock Cross] who played along with the age-proper Jake McRae, John Crandall and Blake Cross.

"Some of the players from the other teams were laughing at us because we had girls on our team and they said that we 'kicked slowly,'" Jason Crandall observed. "We were ready to prove them wrong."

Prove them wrong they did -- outscoring the competition 13-1 in the opening two games.

The offense was propelled by the solid attacking of McRae, who scored three goals in the first two games. The nearly impenetrable defense was anchored by the

brilliant play of Cushen, at sweeper; the intimidating toughness of Manous at right fullback; and the aggressive goalkeeping of Lindsey Evers. By the end of the tournament's first day, no one was laughing at West Point's girls.

Blake Cross, a seventh-grader at West Point Middle School, whose soccer experience includes a Northern California Championship during his family's time in Monterrey, notched two goals in the final game to keep the Black Hawks hopes alive.

Marshwood lead the Black Hawks 2-1 going into the second half. Needing a replacement at goalkeeper, West Point turned to Jason Crandall, who shut down their opponent with several spectacular saves, including a last-minute, over-the-head catch that had the crowd cheering.

West Point became frustrated as it failed to finish a number of point-blank scoring opportunities in the second half. Finally, with 10 minutes left in the game, John Crandall scooted down the left end line and found Blake Cross in the middle for the tying goal.

After two five-minute overtime periods, the Black Hawks once again turned to Cross during the penalty kicks, who slipped a strong shot into the left corner to put West Point in the lead.

The teams were eventually tied at two in penalty kicks with one kick remaining for each team. Jason Crandall stepped out from the goalkeeper position and put his team up 3-2 with a well-placed shot to the left side.

Jason then capped the action by saving Marshwood's final penalty kick and securing a Black Hawk victory and tournament championship.

"I am going to remember our victory for the rest of my life," Jason Crandall said.

The trophy is on display at the West Point Youth Center [Bldg. 500].

**[Editor's Note:** The team renamed itself the Black Hawks this year in honor of Capt. Jimmy Adamowski [USMA '95], who was the first West Point graduate to die in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Adamowski was captain of the Army soccer team and a Black Hawk helicopter pilot.]