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## Sandhurst 2006

Members of cadet company H1 carry a casualty down Jefferson Road in front of Quarters 100 during the Commandant's Challenge Saturday during the Sandhurst Competition. The challenge required teams to carry two casualties, two ammo cans and two water jugs up from the 'Beat Navy Tunnel' and across a series of obstacles to the end of Jefferson Road where one team member called in a Medevac before competitors could dart across the finish line. The team from the Royal Military College of Canada beat out the other 45 teams for the second year in a row to win the competition. (See story on pages 10-11.)

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## Supe's final command brief

By Eric S. Bartelt  
Assistant Editor

Superintendent Lt. Gen. William J. Lennox Jr., conducted his final superintendent's semi-annual briefing April 27 at Robinson Auditorium.

For five years, Lennox has been updating the West Point staff and faculty, civilians and community members on the progress of West Point. This marked his final presentation before his June retirement.

He reiterated the theme of "producing the leadership of the Army 20 and 30 years from now," as everyone at West Point plays a part in helping mold the cadets into the future of the Army.

Lennox acknowledged the more than 250 staff and faculty that have supported the Global War on Terrorism since 9/11 and have made differences in both Iraq and Afghanistan as well as in the classroom at the U.S. Military Academy.

"(They) bring those lessons learned back from Iraq and Afghanistan to the academy," Lennox said. "Since 9/11, we've done a good job on focusing on cultural education, outreach and improving the military training at the academy."

The superintendent lauded the Academic Individual Advanced Development program that cadets normally participate in during their junior and senior year summers, which applies classroom learning to the real world.

The AIAD program is now 100 percent funded through donor money and has sent 569 cadets out to such places in the United States as working with the New York Police Department, or to Vietnam to build housing, or to Uzbekistan to help with T-80 simulations.

"You want that cultural immersion experience, so that when (the cadets) are lieutenants and head out to a third world country that it wouldn't be the first time

they were in an alien environment," Lennox explained. "These are fabulous experiences that these young people will carry with them into their careers and will make a difference down the road."

Included with the AIAD program was a mention of the Semester Abroad Program that 22 cadets participated in during the fall and two cadets currently are in China this spring.

"It builds relationships," Lennox said. "It gives them better language training and knocks the American dust off their shoes and gives them a little experience where they haven't been before."

The academy had received additional money from the Department of Defense to start hiring more professors and to enhance programs that would send cadets overseas.

"My goal is I would like every single language major to spend a semester abroad and we're working toward that goal," Lennox said.

Lennox touched on current ongoing construction programs including the Jefferson Hall Library, the Anderson Rugby Complex and the Foley Center, an indoor practice facility which will allow spring

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## New maternity leave bill could mean paid leave for feds

Commentary by  
**Karen Rutzick**  
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New parents employed by the federal government can take up to 12 weeks off at the start of their baby's life -- provided they can afford it.

The 12 weeks of congressionally authorized maternity and paternity leave for civil servants is unpaid. But a bill introduced this month in the House by Reps. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., Tom Davis, R-Va. and Steny Hoyer, D-Md., would upgrade that benefit by offering full pay for six of those weeks.

The Federal Employees Paid Parental Leave Act (H.R. 5148) would create a new category of leave, separate from annual or sick leave, for employees after the birth or adoption of a child. The same three representatives first introduced a bill to add the benefit in May 2000.

Extra weeks of paid leave

would relieve employees from having to use their sick or annual leave -- as they can now -- making time off to enjoy burps and bounces a more realistic possibility for some government workers.

"It would just be an additional benefit which would certainly help my members," said Janet Kopenhagen, Washington, D.C., representative for the nonprofit volunteer advocacy group Federally Employed Women. "More importantly, it gives an added incentive to work for the federal government. We all know that the feds are behind in pay, but if you give these extra benefits, we'll be able to attract more workers."

Davis, who chairs the Government Reform Committee, shares Kopenhagen's logic.

"Today's worker is looking for flexible, family-friendly work options," Davis said in statement. "The federal government can't necessarily compete for talent with the private sector on a dollar-for-

dollar basis, but we can make sure we are competitive in quality-of-life issues."

The benefit would come at a cost, though. The Congressional Budget Office estimated that paid parental leave would have cost about \$1 billion between 2001 and 2005.

In November 2001, the Office of Personnel Management, which administers leave policy for federal employees, published a report that concluded the benefit is unnecessary.

"The federal government's leave policies and programs compare favorably with benefits offered by most private sector companies," Doris Hausser, senior policy adviser at OPM, said in a memorandum

accompanying the report. "In addition, human resources directors in federal executive departments and agencies overwhelmingly indicated that an additional paid parental leave benefit would not be a major factor in enhancing their recruitment and retention strategies."

Kopenhagen said FEW members will be lobbying their representatives to support the bill. The women will have companions on the Hill. The National Treasury Employees Union, one of the largest federal labor unions, put its message out shortly after Maloney, Davis and Hoyer introduced the bill.

"NTEU believes that six weeks of paid parental leave for federal

workers is a proposal that is good for federal workers, good for management, good for newborn children and a good example for the private sector," union president Colleen Kelley said in an April 19 letter to House members.

For FEW, paid maternity leave also is an issue that could speak to the younger women in the federal workforce, who the organization would like to recruit as members.

"A lot of our members are more near retirement age so [paid maternity leave] hasn't been on the front burner," Kopenhagen said. "But we've been doing some active recruiting. Everything isn't always about pensions."

### SARP INFO

The members of the Sexual Assault Response and Prevention Team are Col. Jeanette McMahon, Shelley Ariosto (Garrison), Maj. Samantha Breton (USCC), Maj. Kim Kawamoto (ODIA) and Catherine Ruvolo (Dean).

Community members can e-mail McMahon at [Jeanette.McMahon@usma.edu](mailto:Jeanette.McMahon@usma.edu) for advice or to offer any recommendations on the program here.

Cadets can also call the sexual assault support helpline at (845) 591-7215.

West Point Soldiers and civilians needing assistance can call (845) 938-3369.

### 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: Easy

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## News Briefs

### Former Superintendent Koster buried

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- Retired Brig. Gen. Samuel W. Koster was buried at the West Point Cemetery April 28.

The former U.S. Military Academy Superintendent from 1968-1970 died of renal failure at his Annapolis, Md. home Jan. 23.

Koster was born in West Liberty, Iowa Dec. 29, 1919 and graduated from West Point in 1942.

He fought in the infantry in Europe during World War II, rising to lieutenant colonel at the age of 26. He served as a tactical officer at West Point in the late 1940s and during the Korean War directed the Eighth Army's guerrilla warfare operations.

In Vietnam, Koster commanded the Army's largest and northernmost division, Americal.

### USMA Board of Visitors meets Wednesday

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- The Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy will meet Wednesday at Veterans Affairs Conference Room, Senate Russell Building, Washington, D.C. The Board will review and receive updates on the academic, physical and military programs.

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 retired Honorable J.C. Watts, Honorable Samuel Lessey Jr., Rebecca Contreras, Charles Younger, John S. Rainey and William H. Strong. The senators are Jack Reed, Kay Bailey Hutchinson, Susan Collins and Mary Landrieu. Representatives include Maurice Hinchey, Ellen Tauscher, Sue Kelly, John McHugh and Charles H. Taylor.

### C&ME's Welch wins teaching award

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- The American Society for Engineering Education informed Civil and Mechanical Engineering professor Col. Ron Welch April 21 that he had would receive the 2006 ASEE National Outstanding Teaching Award June 21 in Chicago and the ASEE national award banquet.

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sport teams to be more competitive at the beginning of their seasons.

Lennox talked about the rousing success that the Active Duty Service Obligation has been as 333 cadets have taken advantage of adding three years of active duty service to their five-year commitments for a chance to get one of either their branch, post or graduate school. Those cadets most likely would have not received what they wanted because they would have been near the bottom of the order of merit list.

"Forty percent of the graduating class has committed to serving eight years," Lennox said. "It's projected to increase (the amount of cadets continuing in the Army) from 41 to 57 percent serving on active duty after eight years."

An important change for the community this summer may be the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center having summer swim hours available.

"We're currently working to take a look at this summer and see

if we can get a connection between the gym and MWR to get one of the pools open for the summer time," Lennox explained.

Before Lennox gave his farewell, he talked about the future of the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School moving from Fort Monmouth to West Point as a part of the most recent Base Realignment and Closure decision.

"The Prep School is coming. It'll be up here in probably four years. The Army has a small problem when they worked the BRAC issue that they're about \$4 billion overspent," Lennox said. "We had a great study already done on moving the Prep School here and the advantages are going to be tremendous in recruiting alone.

"When you tell someone that you're coming to West Point to the Prep School as opposed to Fort Monmouth and the Prep School, it's going to make a difference," Lennox added.

# Cadet Jorgensen wins 2006 Hollis Award

By Maj. Doug McInvale  
Operations Research Center



Cadet 1st Class Julie Jorgensen won the 10th annual Hollis Award for her work in Social Networks and Terrorism. The Hollis Award is an annual competition co-sponsored by the USMA Department of Mathematical Sciences and the Department of Systems Engineering.

The award is named for the Honorable Walter W. Hollis, long-serving Deputy Under Secretary of the Army for Operations Research, in recognition of his lifetime of distinguished service to the Army and the Nation.

This year's competition featured 65 cadets, comprising 19 project

teams and was the largest field of competitors in the award's 10 year history.

Jorgensen's research titled, "Application of Confidence Intervals to Text-Based Social Network Construction," was hand-picked by Hollis, who visited USMA April 19 to judge the competition.

"I credit my parents for always encouraging me to do my best in school," said Jorgensen, a native

of New Hampshire.

As the winner of the 2006 Hollis Award, she receives a certificate of recognition, an engraved plaque, a cash award, a letter of commendation from the superintendent, an engraved entry on the Hollis Award Plaque displayed in the Dept. of Systems Engineering and an invitation to present at a national conference.

Although there will continue to be a Hollis Award, this year's competition marked the final time that Hollis will preside over it as the Deputy Undersecretary of the Army for Operations Research, a position that he has held since 1980.

Hollis will retire this summer after 50 years of government service. During his farewell trip,

Hollis visited with cadets and faculty at both the Hollis luncheon in the cadet mess and at a faculty briefing.

"Fifty years is a long time to do anything," Hollis said, reflecting on his years in government service. He also reported, "I think that the state of operations research in the Army today is healthy."

As an expression of appreciation for his decade of participation with the Hollis Award and his lifetime of service the academy, Col. Gary Krahn (Head, Dept. of Math) and Col. Mike McGinnis (Head, Dept. of Systems Engineering), presented Hollis with a bronze cadet bust on behalf of the departments' cadets and faculty. It was a fitting tribute to this Soldier and servant to our Nation.



Cadet 1st Class Julie Jorgensen beat out the largest field of competitors this year to earn the 2006 Hollis Award.

## RCI environmental assessment inspections coming June 12-16

Compiled by Jim Fox  
Editor

The Army Corps of Engineers has contracted with Tetra Tech to perform environmental assessment inspections June 12 to 16 on selected quarters here. The inspections are part of the process, said West Point's RCI Director Michael Colacicco.

"These inspections will give potential partners an idea of the types of unique and varied housing we have here at West Point," he explained. "While these inspections are inconvenient right now, they will ultimately lead to better housing for West Point residents."

The process calls for the

### Pay day loan Web site up

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- A new Web site [www.paydayloaninfo.org](http://www.paydayloaninfo.org) includes basic facts on payday lending, legal status chart, links to research and reports and an extensive Help section for consumers.

The interactive features include a cost calculator that tells you how much you will spend in a year to use payday loans at various \$/\$100, number of loans, size of loan and repayment periods, along with the approximate APR.

Visitors can also click on their state to get specifics for payday loan law terms, links to regulators and complaint forms.

The site will add issue short pieces as in time to address legislation and regulation, enforcement and litigation, customer information and industry news.

contractor to inspect the interiors of 88 housing units and the exteriors of 129 units. The number of units is based on the requirement for the contractor to inspect 5 percent of each unit type plus any one of a kind unit.

Colacicco said they will inspect as many vacant quarters as possible to limit resident inconvenience. Those whose units are selected for inspection will be given a date and a two-hour time block when the quarters must be available for an interior inspection, said Martha Hinote, the DPW customer service representative.

"We are asking all residents whose quarters are on the interior inspection list to notify us

immediately if they will be on leave or in some other situation that would preclude the contractors from entering the unit," Hinote said.

The list of quarters designated to have an interior inspection will be published by mid-May and only truly exceptional circumstances will relieve the resident of the responsibility of the inspection, Colacicco said. However, according to Hinote, the inspections are basically non-intrusive in nature.

"The interior inspections will focus on areas like bathrooms to look for asbestos tile and mold, around HVAC systems and hot water heaters, as well as places where chemicals are generally

stored or mold might thrive like under kitchen sinks, in basement storage areas," she said.

Colacicco said he understands the inspections may need to be tweaked at the last moment.

"We realize there could be last minute emergency situations where interior access will not be possible," he explained. "In that case a similar type of unit will be selected at random and the team will knock on the door requesting entry.

"We know these inspections will be inconvenient and difficult for all residents, but they are an important part of the RCI process," Colacicco added.

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# Orange County Special Olympics here Sat.

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- The U.S. Military Academy will host the 32nd annual Orange County Special Olympics Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. at Shea Stadium. The Olympics will be in honor of Capt. Andrew Houghton, Class of 2001, who was cadet-in-charge of the 2001 Special Olympics, and died Aug. 2004 at Walter Reed Army Medical Center from combat wounds received in Iraq.

This year's Grand Marshal is Brig. Gen. Curtis M. Scaparrotti, commandant of cadets at the U.S. Military Academy, and a member of the Class of 1978.

Approximately 500 Special Olympians will compete in a variety of events that include track and field and aquatics. Each year, hundreds of cadets and members of the community volunteer their time to assist and support this worthy event.

The various events will take place at Crandall Pool, North Athletic Field, Gillis Field House and Shea Stadium.

Members from the Brigade Spirit Team and Army Cheerleaders will participate in the day's events along with a demonstration jump by the Army Black Knights skydiving team.

The event is sponsored by the Behavioral Science and Leadership Club and is open to the public. All attendees are subject to routine security checks and should enter West Point through Thayer or Stony Lonesome Gates. Please bring photo identification. In case of inclement weather, the games will be held inside Gillis Field House.

# Healthwatch: Don't become a target for Lyme disease

Submitted  
By Maj.  
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Ahhhh, spring is here, the sun is shining and the temps are soaring. As you venture outside wearing those newly unpacked shorts, tank top and sandals, be aware there are ticks that have also been patiently waiting for the warm weather.

When you brush up against these little creatures, they immediately latch onto your skin and prepare to dine. They may even leave you an unwanted tip because some of the ticks at West Point and in surrounding areas are infected with microorganisms that can cause Lyme disease, Human Ehrlichiosis, and Babesiosis.

The most common tick-borne disease in the United States is Lyme disease. Human cases

have been reported in 48 states with Connecticut having the highest rate of reported infections, followed by New York. Cases are reported yearly in Orange and surrounding counties as well as West Point.

**Lyme disease** can have serious complications if not treated early. The most noticeable sign of infection is a rash resembling a bull's-eye or solid patch that usually develops between 3 and 32 days after the bite. The rash often expands over time and can last for several weeks. Sometimes, no rash appears, while in other cases, there are multiple rashes. Victims report the rash is not normally itchy or painful. Other symptoms include fever, fatigue, headache, stiff neck,



Female deer tick. CDC PHOTO

muscle aches and joint pain. If you notice these signs or symptoms, consult a health care provider immediately.

**Ehrlichiosis** is transmitted by deer ticks and infects white blood cells and can feature symptoms ranging from very mild to severe. The symptoms include fever, chills, headache, aches and pains in the joints and muscles, loss of appetite, eye pain, nausea and vomiting. They appear within seven to 14 days after exposure and there is usually no rash involved.

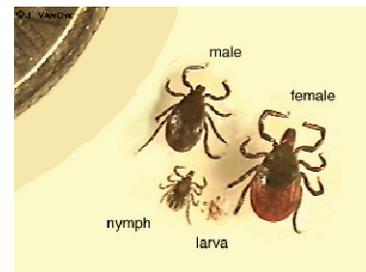
**Babesiosis** is passed on mainly during the summer months by a deer tick in the nymph stage. Symptoms may include fever, chills, muscle aches, fatigue and yellowish skin caused by the breakdown of the cells. They appear anywhere from one to eight weeks after exposure, although some individuals may have no symptoms.

The tick-borne diseases discussed above cannot be transmitted from person-to-person. They are diagnosed with blood tests specific for each disease. Further, they are all curable with the use of antibiotics.

Although not all ticks carry disease, you cannot tell just by looking at a tick whether it is infected. Routine checks and prompt removal are your best protection against infection.

Although these diseases rarely lead to death, all of them can cause considerable pain and discomfort if left untreated. If you have spent time outdoors and you develop any of the symptoms mentioned above, especially during the period from May through early fall, see your healthcare provider immediately.

For more information on preventing tick-borne diseases, go to [www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/lyme](http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvbid/lyme) or [http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/enviro/lyme/be\\_tick\\_free.htm](http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/enviro/lyme/be_tick_free.htm).



Four stages of a tick's lifecycle.



Bull's Eye rash. CDC PHOTOS

**LYME SYMPTOMS:**

**Bull's Eye Rash**  
**Fever**  
**Fatigue**  
**Headache**  
**Stiff neck**  
**Muscle aches**  
**Joint Pain**

If you develop these symptoms, especially after a tick bite, consult a health care provider immediately.

**LYME DISEASE ALERT**

DO A THOROUGH BODY CHECK FOR TICKS AFTER BEING OUTDOORS.

**How To Remove A Tick**



- Using tweezers, grasp tick near the mouth parts, as close to skin as possible.
- Pull tick in a steady, upward motion away from skin.
- DO NOT use kerosene, matches, or petroleum jelly to remove tick.
- Disinfect site with soap and water, rubbing alcohol or hydrogen peroxide.
- Record date and location of tick bite. If rash or flu-like symptoms appear contact your health care provider immediately.

**DISEASE RISK IS REDUCED IF TICK IS REMOVED WITHIN 36 HOURS.**

New York State Department of Health

## PREVENTION TECHNIQUES

### LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT

- Create a "tick-safe zone" around the perimeter of your lawn. A three-foot swath of wood chips works well.
- Clear low brush, vines and leaves yearly. Thin out tree branches that hang over the lawn.
- Cut the grass frequently. Ticks can't survive in sunny, well-clipped lawns.
- Locate mailboxes, sheds, picnic tables, swing sets and other things used by the family in the sun away from the woods.
- To reduce rodent habitats, seal cracks in foundations, screen areas under porches, place woodpiles and bird feeders far from the house and maintain stone walls.
- To inhibit deer from entering your yard, don't plant flowers and shrubs that deer like to eat.
- Never put feed out for wildlife.

### PERSONAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES

- Avoid tick-infested areas where feasible.
- In tick-infested areas, wear light-colored clothing so ticks are easier to see.
- Use an approved insect or tick repellent containing DEET and treat clothing with permethrin. Always follow the package directions and cautions before using, especially when applying to children.
- Wear long pants tucked into shoes, long-sleeved shirts tucked into pants.
- Remove clothes after leaving tick infested areas, wash and dry to eliminate ticks
- Always wear enclosed shoes.
- Carefully check for ticks anytime you have been outdoors. Parents should examine their children's skin carefully. Spot check frequently throughout the day.
- Routinely check pets for ticks.
- As soon as possible, remove ticks that have attached to the skin.

# WPMS names Women's History Month essay winners

Story and photo by  
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In 1981, the U.S. Congress passed a resolution establishing National Women's History Week and in 1987, expanded the week into a month-long celebration for the month of March. The purpose of celebrating Women's History Month is to remind folks of the contributions women have made in society throughout history.

The West Point Middle School held a Women's History essay

contest in March and the winners of that contest were announced April 27 at the middle school auditorium here.

"The children were asked to write a 250-word essay on a woman they admired," said fifth-grade teacher, Caimien Steiner. "The three winners chose to write about modern women like Diana, Princess of Wales, Mother Teresa and one wrote about her grandmother, Mary Lou Heissenbittel."

First prize went to Chloe Kelly, who wrote about Heissenbittel. Heissenbittel established the 'Mary

Lou Heissenbittel Residence, a women's shelter for victims of domestic violence in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. She was also the first executive director of Grace Smith House, Inc. from 1981 until her retirement in 1994.

Second prize went to Christine Fossa who wrote about Mother Teresa and third prize went to Chelsea Lachance, who wrote about Diana, Princess of Wales.

Each child received a recognition certificate, fabric book cover, key chain and a superintendent's coin.



The West Point Middle School's Women's History Month essay winners were announced April 27. They are Chelsea Lachance, (left), Christine Fossa and Chloe Kelly. Each wrote about a person they admired.

## USMA celebrates Month of the Military Child

Story and photos by  
Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

The annual luncheon celebration the Month of the Military Child was held Saturday at the Victor Constant Ski Slope here. The event offered horse back riding, a magician, a wild life demonstration and ski lift rides up to the top of the mountain along with plenty of food and fun.

Brian Robinson, a science teacher at Saugerties High School, brought a collection of wildlife to the event.

"These animals are from my private collection and I brought them because many children don't get to see these animals up close," Robinson said.

Robinson brought an eagle owl, an alligator snapping turtle, a falcon, a legless lizard and a corn snake.

There were first time participants as well as some who come to this event every year. It was the first time for youngster Katie Lundquist.

"I've never been to this before, but I like it and I'm having a lot of fun," she said.

Lenora Grant, a civilian employee here for the Directorate of Cadet Activities, said that she enjoyed it last year despite the weather, and wanted to come again.

"I think this is excellent for the kids to be out in the fresh air and enjoy all the activities," Grant said. "My son loves it and you couldn't ask for better weather."

Judging from the large crowd attending, the event was a great success.

"We sold 350 tickets as well as selling a lot of hamburgers and hot dogs," said Kim Tague, director of family child care and support services for the Morale, Welfare and Recreation department here. "We also gave 57 tickets to families

of deployed Soldiers."

Military children often have parents that miss birthdays, holidays and other special occasions due to deployments.

Military children also face uncertainty not only worrying about their parents, but because of having to move every two or three

years, changing schools and having to say goodbye to friends.

The Month of the Military Child was established in April 1986 by then Secretary of Defense, Casper Weinberger, to let military children know they are appreciated and cherished as part of the military family.



Above: Alana Sperling, (foreground), Aidan Palmer, (middle) and Dawson Barchelder enjoy the Star Chamber. Right: Three-year-old Timothy Cho plays with ducks.



# A 30-year celebration of women at West Point

Story and photos by  
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The U.S. Military Academy celebrated 30 years of the integration of women into the Corps of Cadets with the West Point Women's Conference held April 27 through Saturday.

There were 418 participants including roughly 300 USMA graduates attending the first ever conference by any service academy intended to recognize the contributions of its women graduates.

The event started with a memorial service at the Cadet Chapel and then a retreat review in honor of women graduates on the Plain.

"It was really important to me that this was a professional conference in the sense of having sessions that were historically and research based, and run like a professional conference would be run -- not just a party for girls," said retired Col. Kathleen G. Snook, co-chair of the conference organizing committee. "It was also important to me that the academy embraced it as an official celebration and recognized the milestone of

the 30-year integration in that the coverage was about women and it wasn't for women."

To ensure the event lived up to the standards of a professional conference participants heard from three keynote speakers to include Lt. Gen. Franklin Hagenbeck and Brig. Gens. Rebecca Halstead and Anne Macdonald; attended three panel sessions in the focus areas of historical overview, scholarly research and graduates and cadets; and could choose three of 16 break out sessions in the areas of Women Leaders for our Army and Nation, Our Army, Career and Networking and Wellness.



The Class of 1981's Kim Topping, (center), talks to other attendees. Below six grads tell us about where they are now.

A member of the first class to include women at the academy, Macdonald was a guest speaker at a luncheon during the West Point Women's Conference 30-year celebration April 27.

In her speech she noted many of the changes that women have gone through during their journey to become a part of the Long Gray Line.

"The best part is we can look back and laugh," Macdonald said after her speech, "It was 30 years ago. We are better. We are stronger. We are still doing great things and we still can do great things."

Looking back on her career, the now deputy director for the National Military Command Center of the Joint Staff in Washington, D.C., said, "Don't quit. Just keep going."

"For all the things we went through West Point really does develop strong leaders and that is what it is all about," Macdonald added. "When four years are done we've got to be able to say, 'I'm

ready to do the nation's bidding.' That is what it is about."

Before taking her first assignment in the Army as a section leader with the 128th Aviation Company at Camp Page, Korea, Macdonald, one of two females USMA graduates to reach the rank of brigadier general, explained she simply gave it her best to get through the academy, crediting the support from her parents, instructors and the academies faculty for bringing her along during those four years.

Later Macdonald commanded the 17th Aviation Brigade of the 8th U.S. Army, Korea, and held several joint positions including the one she is in now.



Brig. Gen.  
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Macdonald  
USMA 1980

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Her job is to collect, produce and maintain the Department of Defense's Future Years Defense Program.

Gerton retired from the Army after 20 years of service as an

ordinance officer and operations research analyst with assignments with the 7th and 8th Infantry Divisions and the III Corps.

"West Point begins that development and a military career just continues to grow that skill," she added. "My observation has been that people who have a military background regardless of what they wind up doing are tremendous leaders; they know how to motivate

people, they respect people and are much more effective, and I think that has made a difference for me in a lot of ways especially being a woman."



Terry Gerton  
USMA 1983

Chaplain Cynthia Lindenmeyer is now serving the Corps of Cadets as the 1st Regiment Chaplain here.

Even though her time as a cadet was 16 years ago she says she still gets goose bumps walking into the commandant's office due to an Army/Navy spirit mission gone bad her plebe year, falling through ceiling tiles while breaking into his office.

"He gave us each a little card and we thought it was going to be our forced resignation and all it said was, 'Go Army, Beat Navy!'" Lindenmeyer said.

After graduation she served seven years as a signal officer and was the company commander for Bravo Company, 304th Signal Battalion in Wonju, Korea.

She was ordained in 2000 and came back to the USMA team where she is currently serving.



Cynthia  
Lindenmeyer  
USMA 1990

First Lieutenant Laura Weimer was the cadet deputy brigade commander for the Corps of Cadets, but considers some of her more memorable moments here to be with the Cadet Glee Club, which she became president of in her senior year.

Weimer, a military policeman, spent two months in Germany before she deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom as the executive officer for Headquarters Company of the 95th Military Police Battalion. After six months in Iraq she served as a platoon leader with the 230th Military Police Company.

Prioritizing and time management are the two things Weimer said she learned from her time at West Point.

"I had to choose between my pre-med classes and my job on regimental staff and brigade staff my senior year," said Weimer. "I am trying to do the same kind of thing as when I was trying to decide which way I was going to go in my career."

Currently Weimer is the supply officer for the 95th Military Police Battalion in Mannheim, Germany.



First Lt.  
Laura Weimer  
USMA 2003

the 541st Maintenance Battalion at Fort Riley, Kan.

The academy professor recently had the opportunity to go to Afghanistan to help establish their military academy.

"That was a great experience for me to really be part of something on the ground floor," Brazil said. "We went from zero to an academy in 18 months. To be a part of that and to be a part of them ... was really pretty cool."

Making the decision to come to USMA gave Brazil opportunities that she now realizes she never would have had if she had stuck to her first inclination to be a physical education teacher.

"West Point taught me that I could learn just about anything," she said.



Col.  
Donna Brazil  
USMA 1983

Department of Behavioral Science and Leadership Professor Col. Donna Brazil currently is the course director for the Military Leadership course PL300 here.

She arrived here to teach in BS&L in June 2001 and was selected to be an academy professor in 2003.

Brazil went into the Army as a transportation officer and was the battalion executive officer for

Testing helicopters for Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation is what Cindy M. Doane is doing for a living. When she first arrived at West Point she had never flown in an aircraft, but after her first flight in a UH-1 helicopter during Beast Barracks Doane knew that flying helicopters was for her.

She became one of the first women from the academy to go to flight school.

During her time in the Army, Doane served in Germany for nearly four years as a platoon leader. Then she was assigned to Fort Bragg, N.C., and had the opportunity to do several missions in conjunction with special operators including a

three-month deployment to Central America.

After her company command of A Company, 1-159th Aviation she decided to leave active duty. She was hired on as the first woman to ever fly as a test pilot for Sikorsky in its 80-year history.

"I think the biggest thing, which is more important now than ever as far as my profession is concerned, is the ability to work well with others -- team work," Doane said.



Cindy Doane  
USMA 1990

# Art project celebrates MOTMC

Story and photo by  
Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer



Iona College Pipe and Drum band perform for the record crowds Sunday at the 26th annual West Point Tattoo at Trophy Point. Organizers remarked that it was one of the best and well-attended Tattoos in years.

## West Point hosts 26th annual Tattoo

By Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

Trophy Point Amphitheater here Sunday was the scene of the 26th annual Tattoo featuring more than 20 pipe and drum bands from Conn., Mass., N.J. and N.Y.

“We are seeing more crowds this year than last due to this wonderful weather,” said Chaplin Edson Wood, officer in charge of the cadet pipe and drum band.

Pipes and drums have a long military history dating back to the 17th century with the Royal Scots. Pipers as well as drummers served in regiments, often accompanying the men into battle. Since then, pipe and drum bands have gained popularity and civilian bands now outnumber military bands.

The Cadet Pipe and Drum band performed with their base drum player, Cadet 4th Class Sean Meberg donning a leopard apron, a British tradition stemming from incorporating players from Africa.

“It’s the base drummer that wears the skins,” Wood said. “Some will wear a bear skin, including the head and the feet.”

The West Point Cadet Pipe and Drum band began in 1974 and performs at parades, dining-ins, and class reunions and has trained in Scotland and Ireland. The

**Cadet 4th Class Sean Meberg, base drummer, display the ‘leopard’ skin apron, a British tradition**



denoting African players. The most common animal skins are the leopard, tiger and bear skins. The bear skin is generally worn with head and feet attached.

West Point Middle School art teacher Gary Jacketti enlisted his students in a project celebrating the Month of the Military Child that was unveiled in the hallway of the middle school April 28th here.

“This was the brain child of two students, seventh-graders John Sweeney and Melissa Wells,” said Gary Jacketti, art teacher at the middle school.

The project is a map in vivid blue indicating the oceans and white land masses with colored pins indicating where our military are located.

“I thought a flat map would look better than a globe,” said Wells. “We

put boots and globes on the ceiling.”

Sweeney and Christina Fossa said a few words on the pros and cons of being a military child.

“On the good side, we get to meet lots of new people but the bad side is that we are always moving and have to leave our friends,” Fossa said.



West Point Middle School students A.J. Astroth, (left), and David Demko show off the mural they helped make.

# Back to Back: RMC Paladins win Sandhurst

Story and photos by  
Spc. Benjamin Gruver  
Staff Writer

Fists in the air and shouts of elation rushed from the steps in front of the Cadet Mess Hall Saturday evening as the Canadians took a hold of the Reginald E. Johnson Memorial Plaque to win the 39th Sandhurst Competition.

The team from the Royal Military College of Canada was proclaimed the winner for the second year in a row defeating 45 other teams including the Royal Military Academy of Sandhurst's Blue Team by 18 points by totaling 790 points on the day.

The highest scoring U.S. Military Academy Company was the B-4 Buffaloes for the second year in a row with 758 points and third place overall. The E-4 Highlanders also fared well for the

second year in a row as well as the second highest USMA cadet team, and took fifth place overall with 726 points, just 2 points shy of the RMAS Red Team.

The day proved to be a good day overall for USMA's 4th Regiment, who won the Sandhurst Trophy for the third year in a row, which is awarded to the regiment with the highest company average.

The best service academy on the day, aside from USMA, was the U.S. Air Force Academy with 716 points good for seventh. Texas A&M was the best of six competing ROTC teams with 686 points and ended just inside the top 10 overall at ninth place.

The competition, which is meant to test team's fitness, teamwork and leadership through a set of military tasks, had some secretive changes added in at the last second.

"The biggest surprise was ...

at the river crossing," said Cadet 1st Class Scott Harr, who claims his team had the best time at the river crossing in the whole brigade prior to Sandhurst. "We got there and it wasn't a river crossing it was the DMI 6 challenge with more of a leadership reaction course type thing. We were totally surprised by that and it caught us off guard, but we still did pretty well."

Teams arrived at the site expecting to do the river crossing, but were diverted, explained Cadet 2nd Class Patrick Dullano, the assistant cadet in charge of the DMI 6 Challenge. The squad leader for each team was given instructions on the leadership reaction course and the team had 10 minutes to complete it.

The challenge itself was a simulated River Crossing Site that consisted of a series of river beds and marshes that the cadets had to cross without touching them, given only a few wooden planks, a drum, some rope and some ammunition cans. Points were deducted for touching the boundaries or the

river itself.

"We scored 5 points," Harr said, "which doesn't sound good, but most people we saw were scoring negative points on that, so we actually felt pretty good about that."

According to Dullano, the Department of Military Instruction kept the changes a secret until the last minute, not giving out the orders to change the site until the night before and throughout the competition the site continued its secrecy by not allowing outside spectators to watch in case word got out to other teams who had not yet competed.

"I've heard a few teams say, 'oh lets just forget about it,' but a few teams actually figured it out," Dullano said.

Ultimately, the whole point to the changes to Site 6 in the competition was to test leadership ability.

"For about 25 years this competition has tested primarily on the bumper sticker three things: leadership, teamwork and fitness,"

said British Army Maj. Gregor Hewitt, the British Liaison officer in DMI in charge of the Sandhurst competition. "But in reality, the competition only tested two and that was teamwork and fitness because the entire decision making was done before the course. This year, while on the surface it remains the same competition, underneath the waters there are some significant changes -- this being one of them -- in order to address that balance and test leadership. That primarily is what this has been about."

In making these changes Hewitt understands that the junior leader of today is not going to know 90 percent of the solution he or she is faced with. According to Hewitt a junior leader will have to assess the situation, come up with a plan, execute the plan and continue to evaluate as things happen to make the plan a success.

"I think today's competition probably addresses that kind of set of circumstances better than probably previously," Hewitt said. "I think it is a better competition, and I think the guys who have gone through this will see there have been other dynamics at present this year than there have been in previous years."



A cadet from the Company H-1 Sandhurst team gives it all she's got while carrying ammo cans to the finish of the Commandant's Challenge.



An H-4 team member places a plank over a simulated river bed at the DMI 6 Challenge site, which replaced the River Crossing Site at the last minute to test the team's leadership ability.



The Virginia Tech ROTC squad pushes through the 46 competitors, which also included the Virginia Military Institute and teams from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

# for second straight year



An A-2 team member pulls guard duty at the Medical Site. The Spartans earned 40 out of 60 points at site, one of nine sites along the trail during the Sandhurst competition Saturday.



A cadet from Company H-2 darts across the Grenade Site where two competitors from each team must throw three grenades each for a possible 60 points.



With their team members over the Ranger Wall. The group was one of six ROTC teams out of 10 that participated. The group included three foreign military academy teams, a team from the U.S. Military Academy Prep and teams from the U.S. Coast Guard, Air Force and Naval academies.



Members of the Royal Military College of Canada compete at the Grenade Site Saturday. RMC received 20 points at the site to add to their 790 points overall to win the competition.



## MAY MWR COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Visit MWR online at [www.usma.edu/mwr](http://www.usma.edu/mwr)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>ACS, bldg. 622 • 938-4621 AEC, bldg. 683 • 938-3762 Arts &amp; Crafts, bldg. 648 • 938-4812 Auto Crafts, bldg. 648 • 938-2074 BSP/BOSS, bldg. 628 • 938-6497 Bowling Ctr., bldg. 622 • 938-2140 CDC, bldg. 1207 • 938-4798/4523 CDS, bldg. 1207 • 938-2092/2035 Community Rec Div • 938-2401 Delafield Pond • 938-5139/5158 Fitness Center, bldg. 683 • 938-6490 Golf Course • 938-2435/2327 Hollender Center • 938-4236</p>	<p>ITR, bldg. 695 • 938-3601/2401 AVC, bldg. 2104 • 938-3655 Morgan Farm, bldg. 2036 • 938-3926 Outdoor Rec • 938-2503 Post Library, bldg. 622 • 938-2974 Round Pond • 938-2503/3860 School-Age Services, bldg. 1207 • 938-8530 West Point Club, bldg. 603 • 938-5120, 446-5506 Ski Lodge • 938-3726/3727 Youth Services, bldg. 500 • 938-3727 Veterinary Clinic, bldg. 630 • 938-3817 <b>PLEASE NOTE:</b> For more information, contact the office listed for each activity.</p>		<p><b>West Point Bowling Center</b> <b>Open Bowling:</b> Sun.-1300-1800 Mon. 1600-2100 Tue. Closed Wed. &amp; Thur. 1130-1900 Fri. 1130-2300 Sat. 0900-2300 <b>Galactic Bowling:</b> Every Fri. &amp; Sat. 1700-2300 <b>Home of Lil' Skeeters BBQ &amp; Primo's Pizza</b></p>	<p><b>5</b>  <b>Open Bowling, 1130-2300, Galactic Bowling, 1700-2300 every Friday at the WP Bowling Center</b> <b>YS Team Job Shop &amp; Technology Time, Customer Service, 1800-1900</b> <b>Scout Jamboree, Lake Frederick (Mar. 5-7)</b></p>	<p><b>6</b> <b>Youth Bowling, 0900-1130, Galactic Bowling, 1700-2300 every Saturday at the WP Bowling Center</b> <b>Historical Cafes &amp; Taverns in NYC, ITR, 1000-1700</b></p>	
<p><b>7</b> <b>Dollar Night, 1800-2100 every Sunday at the WP Bowling Center</b></p>	<p><b>8</b>  <b>Burnin' Up for Summer Fitness Challenge weigh in begins, MWR Fitness Center (May 8 - May 20)</b> <b>Video Teleconference w/ Your Deployed Soldier, ACS, 0800-1630</b> <b>Wee Ones Play Group, ACS, 0930-1100</b></p>	<p><b>9</b> <b>Volunteer Advisory Mtg., 1300, Volunteer Related Issues in Risk Management, 1130, AVC</b></p> <b>Volunteer Services</b> <b>Preparation Briefing, ACS, 1400-1500</b>	<p><b>10</b>  <b>Financial Readiness Training for 1st term Soldiers, ACS, 0830-1200</b> <b>Bronx Zoo/Botanic Garden, ITR, 0900</b> <b>From Hearts to Dollars-Volunteers into Paid Employees, ACS, 0830-1030</b></p>	<p><b>11</b> <b>Targeting Stress, ACS, 1130-1300</b> <b>Dinner in Little Italy/Chinatown, ITR, 1700-2300</b></p> <b>Total Army Sponsorship Training, 0930, ACS</b>	<p><b>12</b> <b>Targeting Stress, 1130, Financial Readiness Training for 1st Term Soldiers, 0830, ACS</b></p> <b>Stress Management</b>	<p><b>13</b>  <b>Morgan Farm Open House, 1000-1400</b> <b>Registration Begins for Summer Riding Camp, Morgan Farm, 1000-1400</b></p>
<p><b>14</b> <b>Mother's Day Brunch, WP Club, Seatings at 1100 &amp; 1300</b></p>	<p><b>15</b> <b>Golf Course Closed for Outside Event</b> <b>Wee Ones Play Group, ACS, 0930-1100</b></p>	<p><b>16</b> <b>Spinning, 0540, Resist-A-Ball, 0640, Core Strength Pilates, 0900, Cardio Blast, 1700, Spinning, 1700, Butts &amp; Guts, 1800, Every Tuesday in May at the MWR Fitness Center</b></p>	<p><b>17</b> <b>From Hearts to Dollars-Volunteers into Paid Employees, ACS, 0830-1030</b> <b>General Parenting Overview, 1130, Initial PCS Move, 1330, Checking Accounts, 1445, ACS</b> <b>Baseball Pitch, Hit &amp; Run Competition, YS, 1730</b></p>	<p><b>18</b>  <b>Targeting Stress, 1130, Consumer Rights &amp; Responsibilities, 0830, Credit, 0945, ACS</b></p>	<p><b>19</b> <b>Bull Pond Opens for the Season, 1400</b> <b>Mongolian BBQ, WP Club, 1700-2100</b></p>	<p><b>20</b> <b>Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island, ITR, 0900-1600</b></p> <b>Kids Fishing Derby, Round Pond, 0900-1300</b> <b>Dance Recital at Robinson Aud., YS, 1400-1600</b>

### West Point Yard Sale May 13

The West Point Post Wide Spring Yard Sale will be held again May 13 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. after damp conditions April 8 caused the event to be muted.

Many housing areas will have one-way traffic flow. Do not affix advertisements to trees or street signs. All signage must be removed within 24 hours of the yard sale. Sale items and set up can not impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

The local VFW is asking families to donate shoes, games and books to those in need. The collection point will be near the Red Cross Center. Call Bob Maher at (845) 268-7262 for more info.

### Solution to Weekly Sudoku

2	5	9	4	3	8	1	7	6
6	8	7	2	1	9	5	4	3
3	4	1	6	7	5	2	9	8
4	7	5	9	6	1	8	3	2
8	1	2	5	4	3	9	6	7
9	3	6	8	2	7	4	1	5
7	6	8	1	9	2	3	5	4
1	2	3	7	5	4	6	8	9
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### YS grants

The Department of Education has announced two new grants for the 2006-2007 school year. The Academic Competitiveness and National SMART grants will provide high performing college students with up to \$4,000 a year for maintaining a 3.0 or better GPA. For more info., call 938-8899.

### NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

**Friday -- The Shaggy Dog, PG, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday -- Stay Alive, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday -- Ultraviolet, PG-13, 9:30 p.m.**  
**May 12 -- Eight Below, PG, 7:30 p.m.**  
**May 13 -- ATL, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**  
**May 13 -- The Inside Man, R, 9:30 p.m.**  
**May 19 -- Ice Age 2: The Meltdown, PG, 7:30 p.m.**  
**May 20 -- Take the Lead, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**  
**May 20 -- Lucky Number Slevin, R, 9:30 p.m.**  
**May 26 -- Benchwarmers, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**  
**May 27 -- Ice Age 2: The Meltdown, PG, 7:30 p.m.**

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

### Command Channel 8/23

May 5 - 12

#### FRIDAY

9 a.m. Army Newswatch  
6 p.m. Army Newswatch

#### MONDAY - THURSDAY

9 a.m. Army Newswatch  
6 p.m. Army Newswatch

#### MAY 12

9 a.m. Army Newswatch  
6 p.m. Army Newswatch

**MWR Blurbs****Morgan Farm Open House**

Morgan Farm and Kennel is having an Open House May 13 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The event is open to the public. Call 938-3926 for more info.

Morgan Farm is located at Bldg. 2026 behind O'Neill High School in Highland Falls.

**WPC May discounts**

The West Point Club is offering special rates for the families of deployed individuals for the month of May.

Call 938-5120 or go to the WPC Web site at <http://www.usma.edu/mwr/ACTIVITY/WPC/Wpc.htm>.

**Mother's Day Brunch**

The West Point Club will have a Mother's Day Brunch May 14 with seatings at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Call 938-5120 or 446-5504 for reservations and more info.

**BOSS Poker Tournament**

BOSS is hosting a Poker Tournament May 19 at Buffalo Soldier Pavilion. The event is free and open to the entire West Point community. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., with play beginning at 7 p.m.

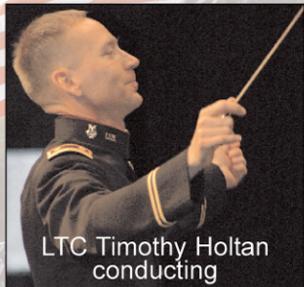
Pre-register by calling 938-8063/6497.

**Kids Fishing Derby**

**U.S. Military Academy Band**  
West Point, New York  
Experience the Music!!!

**SPRING SPECTACULAR CONCERT**

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 p.m.  
Eisenhower Hall Theatre



LTC Timothy Holtan conducting

**West Point Woodwind Quintet**

May 7<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 p.m.  
West Point Jewish Chapel

**Free and Open to the Public**

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

MWR and the West Point Bass Club will host the annual Kids Fishing Derby May 20 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Round Pond.

The event is open to all young anglers ages 5 to 15 who are residents of West Point, Stewart, the Town of Highlands and West Point employees.

Pre-registration is recommended by calling 938-2503.

**Golf Tournament**

The West Point Golf Course is hosting the annual Spring Scramble May 20. The event is open to all players. The shotgun start begins at 8 a.m.

Call 938-2435 to register by May 18.

**Shades of Green**

Now through June 4, book a 5-night, 6-day Disney vacation between Aug. 13 and Sept. 30 and receive the Disney Dining Plan free.

Now all Shades of Green Resort vacations can be booked through the Installation Ticketing and Registration Office.

To plan your next get away call 938-2401.

**ACS needs your feedback**

Army Community Service wants to hear from you. Log on to the ACS homepage <http://www.usma.edu/mwr/ACTIVITY/ACS/Wpac.htm>, by today and click the "ACS Needs Assessment" link, or stop by the center in Building 622 to pick up a copy.

West Point ACS will use the information gathered from the survey to evaluate current services and to assist in future programming initiatives.

**Orange County college night May 11**

The 52nd annual Orange County College Night is Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. in Eisenhower Hall's Ballroom and Crest Hall.

The Orange County Counselor's Association will promote diversified opportunities available through secondary education.

Representatives from 220 colleges nation wide will meet with interested students from the surrounding communities.

Contact Tony Scully, Newburgh Free Academy guidance counselor at (845) 563-5506.

**What's Happening****Asian-Pacific Islander Festival**

The Asian-Pacific Islander Heritage Festival is today at Trophy Point from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

There will be Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese cuisine along with dancing, exciting performances, cultural awareness, martial arts demonstrations and a Chinese dragon from New York City.

The event is free. The duty uniform for military is civilian casual and for cadets is cadet casual.

Call 938-7082/2621 for more information.

**G&EnE lecture**

The Dept. of Geography and Environmental Engineering will host Virginia Tech professor Marc Edwards Monday for his lecture to cadets in EV490, Advanced Environmental Process Design.

The lecture is titled "Engineering Ethics and will be at 8 a.m. in Washington Hall's Room 6004.

The lecture is open to the entire community. Call G&EnE's Michael Butkus at 938-2820 for information.

**Family Fun Day**

The Maria Fareri Children's Hospital at Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla, N.Y. invites the West Point community to their 2nd Annual Family Fun Day Sunday from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

A non-competitive walk begins at 9:30 a.m. with registration opening at 8 a.m.

There will be fun and games, arts & crafts, face painting, clowns, educational displays, vehicles and musical entertainment.

**Organ Recital**

Paul Jacobs will present an organ recital Sunday at 3 p.m. at the West Point Cadet Chapel.

**Book signing**

Author Mark Bowden will sign copies of his new book "Guests of the Ayatollah" Wednesday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and from 2 to 3 p.m. at the U.S. Military Academy Bookstore located on Thayer Hall's fourth floor.

**Sacred Heart Golf Tournament**

Sacred Heart School will host a golf tournament at the West Point Golf Course May 15.

Call 446-2674 for information.

**American Red Cross classes**

CPR/First Aid classes will be held Monday and Wednesday from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. and May 24 and 25 from 4 to 8 p.m.

Pre-register by calling 938-4100.

**Suicide alertness training**

The Suicide Prevention/Resources Task Force is hosting safeTalk suicide alertness training May 16 in Bldg. 626's second floor conference room.

The training is open to the entire West Point community. Class size is limited to 30. Call 938-2462/2912 to sign up.

**MOMS Club**

The MOMS Club of West Point end of year banquet is May 18 at 7 p.m. at Pineapple's Steakhouse in Highland Falls.

Call 446-3634 by May 12 to R.S.V.P.

**WPWC**

The WPWC Shoppe is open every Wed. from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The WPWC Gift Shop will close at 1 p.m. Wed. and will be closed May 24.

The Shop will close for the summer after May 31.

For more info., call 446-8798. WPWC has table decorations and other party items to rent for your next event.

Call 446-1187 for a complete list of rental items.

The WPWC end of year luncheon is Tues. from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. in the West Point Club's Hudson Room.

Call 446-1448 to R.S.V.P.

The WPWC invited the community to the Community Farewell for Anne Lennox, May 17 at 6:30 p.m., at Kimsey Athletic Center's 4th floor.

Call 446-5708 for more info.

**WPES Field Day, June 1**

The West Point Elementary School will hold its annual Field Day June 1 from 9 a.m. to noon at Shea Stadium.

Team information will be sent home May 31. Please wear a shirt with your team's color.

Parents are welcome to come and cheer. The inclement weather site is Gillis Field House.

**Volunteers needed**

Volunteers are needed to help run the Superintendent's reception for graduating cadets, families and guests in the Grand Ballroom of Eisenhower Hall May 24 and 25.

Call Karen Wood at 938-5698 by May 12 to sign up.

**Quarters 100 tours**

The Superintendent's Quarters will be available for tours during each Graduation Reception May 24 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and 3 to 4:30 p.m.; and also on May 25 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Shuttle transportation will be available between Quarters 100 and Eisenhower Hall where the graduation receptions are.

# Keller Corner

## **Pharmacy construction**

The pharmacy will be under construction until May 12.

Please plan on the possibility of extended wait times during the construction.

## **KACH closure**

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed May 29.

The emergency room will be open.

## **School and sport physicals**

DOD schools require a physical for sports, Scouts and other activities.

New York State education laws require that the following students receive a physical exam:

- Those entering K, 1st, 3rd, 7th and 10th grades.

- Those who are new to a school district, including children transferring from West Point schools to a public or parochial school.

- Those who participate in interscholastic sports, including cheerleading.

- 14-year olds who want a work card.

To be acceptable, exams must be within one calendar year of the start of school or the sport. If a physical expires before the beginning of a new sport, a new exam is required.

Contact your school's nurse to determine if a physical is required and to obtain the appropriate forms.

To schedule an appointment call the KACH appointment center at (845) 938-7992 or 800-552-2907.

Ask for a physical exam appointment and be sure to bring the school's forms to the appointment.

## **Referral assistance**

Do you have questions or need assistance with a referral? If so, call (845) 938-5373.

## **Free developmental screenings**

Free developmental screenings will be conducted at the Child Development Center in conjunction with audiology, EDIS and West Point School for ages birth to 5 years, June 6 from 8:45 a.m. to 2 p.m.

These screenings are by appointment only. Call 938-686 to schedule one.

## **Military Police to launch summer safety campaign May 15**

The West Point Provost Marshal office is launching a summer safety campaign May 15 to try to help make our community safer by stepping up enforcement of the top three traffic violations -- 1) Operating a vehicle without a seatbelt, 2) Operating a cell phone without a hands free device and 3) speeding.

The Military Police will be on the lookout throughout the installation when and where there is a high volume of traffic.

Military Police patrols will be conducting radar checks to catch speeders and will have checkpoints to catch people driving without their seatbelts and operating a cell phone without a hands free device.

# Army and Community Sports

## Men's Tennis defeats American, makes NCAAs

Story and photos by  
Eric S. Bartelt  
Assistant Editor

One week after the women completed their Patriot League triumph, the men followed suit as they defeated American, 4-2, Sunday at the Malek Tennis Center to win their second consecutive Patriot League Men's Tennis Championship.

The Black Knights (12-15), who battled through numerous injuries and adversity during the season, had to comeback after losing the doubles point and the first singles match to win the next four singles points.

Co-Most Valuable Players junior Michael Good and sophomore Eddie Kang each had big days as they won the only doubles match for Army by defeating American's Sebastien Proisy and Andrew Singer, 8-0.

"It really means a lot (to share the co-MVP with Good) because we didn't start off the season too well in doubles," Kang said. "We've had a seven-match winning streak, so

it's good to end it well."

Good would continue his success by beating American's Jeffery Schnell 7-5, 6-3, for his team-leading 14th singles win of the spring season.

Kang, the 2005 Patriot League "Rookie of the Year", fought back to win the deciding match of the tournament championship as he went down to Singer 6-2 in the first set. But, Kang stormed back to take the second set 7-6 and then won the deciding set 6-4.

Kang kept his focus despite losing his first set knowing that things weren't going smoothly at the other courts.

"I really didn't have any doubts although I knew every court was losing," Kang said. "We had the same situation last year where everybody was losing and we swung it half way through the match. I just knew everyone would come through."

The comeback was sparked by senior team captain Carl Fisher who earned the team's first point of the day by winning the number one singles match over Nicolas



Junior John Houghton (middle, holding up finger) and 2006 Army men's tennis team celebrates their 4-2 victory over American and their return to the Division I Men's Tennis Championships.

Frayssinoux 7-6, 6-1.

"He was up 5-3 serving (in the first set) and I fought hard to come back," Fisher said. "I played an awesome tiebreaker and kept my

focus, kept my head in the match, got a couple of lucky breaks and pulled it out."

Army men's head coach Jim Poling was excited to get his team back to the NCAA Division I Men's Tennis Championships and knew Sunday was just the culmination of overcoming many things this season.

"Every time we win something like this it's a testament to them,"

Poling said. "Every one of these guys had some injury or went through some type of adversity this year and for us to win this thing is tremendous.

"I'm so proud of these guys ... talk about never quitting," Poling added. "We talk about the Army's warrior ethos, these guys were warriors (Sunday)... they just wouldn't give up."

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Senior team captain Carl Fisher sparked Army's comeback from a 2-0 deficit earning the team's first point by defeating American's Nicolas Frayssinoux 7-6, 6-1.



Sophomore Eddie Kang earned Co-MVP honors and got the deciding victory singles point against American's Andrew Singer.

# Magarity named women's basketball coach

By Danah Allen  
Athletic Communications

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- Army Director of Athletics Kevin Anderson introduced Dave Magarity as the Black Knights' eighth women's basketball head coach during a press conference at Randall Hall Tuesday afternoon.

Magarity replaces Maggie Dixon, who died suddenly on April 6.

"After speaking with a number of people associated with our women's basketball program, including the players and staff members, it was very clear that Magarity was the best person to lead our program at this time," Anderson said. "He was the only person we considered. Dave has built an impeccable coaching career over 30 years as a collegiate coach.

"He is a man of high character and is highly respected through basketball circles around the country," Anderson added. "We felt very fortunate to add Dave to our staff last fall and he played a large role in the success our squad experienced. We feel very strongly that he can help our program build upon last year's achievements."

A coaching legend in the Hudson Valley with more than 30 years experience, Magarity most recently

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Fisher was basking in the sun-filled day and enjoying his final golden moment on the Malek courts with his teammates.

"It's the best feeling I've ever had playing tennis. I'm trying to soak it all in," Fisher said. "Four years here with all the work everyone's put in with all the ups and downs we've had and to finish with the Patriot League Championship as team captain is an awesome feeling and I wouldn't trade it for anything."

Also gaining victory on the day for Army was number two singles junior John Houghton, who defeated Juancarlo Vazquez, 2-6, 6-3, 6-1 and freshman Phil Muhawi who led Proisy in number three singles 6-4, 2-6, 3-1 when play was suspended after Kang's victorious point.

Both Army tennis team's found out their NCAA draws Wednesday evening. The men will face No. 8 Virginia May 13 in Charlottesville, Va. The women will face No. 3 USC May 12 in Los Angeles.

served as the associate women's head coach at the Academy, playing a large role in the Black Knights' run to the Patriot League title and the NCAA Tournament this past winter.

Army enjoyed one of the finest seasons in school history, closing the year with an overall record of 20-11 and posting the first 20-win season since 1990-91.

The Black Knights notched an 11-3 league record en route to capturing their first-ever Patriot League championship and earning their first trip to the NCAA Tournament at the Division I level.

The veteran mentor helped produce the Patriot League "Player of the Year" (Cara Enright) and "Rookie of the Year" (Alex McGuire) last season, while Enright also took home first team All-Met honors as well.

"It is with mixed emotions that I accept my appointment," Magarity said. "Losing Maggie at such a young age was a tragedy and we could never replace her, but we have to continue to move the program forward and that is what she would want.

"I have had many opportunities to bring Marist's men's teams into West Point and I have always held a strong feeling for the academy as an outsider," he added. "To be given

this opportunity is one of the most special gifts that I could receive as a coach. The commitment and dedication to excellence here is outstanding. I am honored to be a part of this great tradition."

Magarity arrived at West Point in October 2005 following a brief stint as the Assistant Commissioner/Director of Men's Basketball Operations for the Mid-American Conference (MAC).

Magarity was responsible for basketball scheduling, working closely with the MAC coordinator of officials and served as a liaison between the league office and the 12-member institutions.

Prior to joining the MAC, he held a similar position with the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) based in Edison, N.J.

"The decision I made to come here back in October was probably one of the smartest decisions I have

made in my life, professionally," Magarity said. "To be at West Point with the support of the athletic administration and surrounded by some of the finest young cadet-athletes in the country is an opportunity I am excited and absolutely thrilled about as we move forward."

In 23 years as men's head coach, including 18 just 31 miles north of the academy at nearby Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Magarity tallied an overall record 313-334 (.484), with 253 of those victories coming with the Red Foxes.

Under his direction from 1986 to 2004, the Red Foxes saw unparalleled success, as he led his teams to an NCAA Tournament appearance in 1987 and to the National Invitational Tournament in 1996. Magarity, who hails from Philadelphia, and his wife, Rita,



**Dave Magarity**

have three children: Maureen (25), Katie (22) and David, Jr. (20).

David Jr. is a sophomore and member of the men's basketball team at Marist and Maureen joins her father on the Army women's basketball staff as an assistant coach.

### STAFF & FACULTY NOONTIME STANDINGS

#### Volleyball final regular season

<b>North Division</b>		W - L
1-SOC. SCI. #1		9 - 3
2-DPE		9 - 3
3-BTD		8 - 4
4-EE&CS		8 - 4
5-BS&L		4 - 8
6-Physics		3 - 9
7-C/ME		1 - 11
<b>South Division</b>		W - L
1-DPW		11 - 1
2-1/1		10 - 2
3-3rd Regiment		4 - 8
4-Math #1		3 - 9
5-DMI		2 - 10
<b>East Division</b>		W - L
1-D/SE		10 - 2
2-SOC. SCI. #2		8 - 4
3-History		6 - 6
4-Math #2		0 - 12
<b>West Division</b>		W - L
1-D/LAW		10 - 2
2-C&LS		7 - 5
3-G&ENE		7 - 5
4-MEDDAC		0 - 12

# Women's LAX go 13-1, lose to Navy

By Marie Johnson  
Women's lacrosse head coach

Army women's lacrosse hosted all three sister service academies April 29-30 at Buffalo Soldiers Field. Army defeated the Coast Guard 17-13 Saturday.

Army lax made the game closer than it needed to be, largely because of nerves. It was an ugly game, but they found a way to win.

Army played Air Force next in an absolutely thrilling game. Air Force took a one-goal lead with about a minute to play, but senior team co-captain Amanda King tied the score with the clock on the field.

In the second three-minute overtime, Air Force scored first, but freshman Rachel Neasham tied the game.

This sent both teams into a sudden death final overtime. Army won the opening draw and senior co-captain Stephanie Davison made the money shot. Army won 16-15.

The team poured onto the field and spontaneously began singing "On brave old Army team" while jumping up and down.

It was a super moment and probably the best of the entire season. Army was now 13-0 and ready to play Navy the next day.

The Navy game was a different story. They scored in the first 30 seconds of play and never looked back.

They dominated the ground balls and the draw and were extremely fast and disciplined with the ball.

The final score was 16-6,

however, Army never quit but it was clear who the better team was on that particular day.

More disquieting was Navy's behavior. During the season, we have decorated the connex in which we store our team equipment at BSF. It says "congrats army lax" and "champs" in big letters.

Two hours after the game, as

I was cleaning up the field and walking toward the shed, I noticed that the Navy team was huddled around our shed taking a team picture. They had torn down our signs and replaced "Army" with "Navy". Their coach and OR were standing nearby in silent approval.

Sports are a vehicle for teaching character and this action pointed to

a startling lack of sportsmanship. Navy is a skilled team, but they don't get it. We would never condone our team behaving in such a manner; I believe we have consistently taught our team the difference between spirit and being low class.

They won the game, but reflected great discredit upon themselves in the things that really matter.

## Hudson Valley Orienteering May 21 at Fahnestock State Park

There will be orienteering instruction and a competition May 21 on the Moneyhole map from the Taconic Outdoor Education Center in Fahnestock State Park.

The Hudson Valley Orienteering Club will set both beginner and advanced courses. Free instruction will begin at 10:45 a.m. and the orienteering starts at 11 a.m. and will run to 1 p.m.

For orienteering, youth groups must have signed parent permission forms, which are available on the HVO Web page. The events will be

held rain or shine.

The Taconic Outdoor Education Center is also having its annual Outdoor Recreation Festival from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with activities to include bird banding, kayaking, canoeing, hiking, a bird walk, a high ropes course and a demonstration of live birds of prey.

For directions, call the HVO information line at 973-625-0499; or log onto the HVO Web page at [www.hvo.us.orienteering.org](http://www.hvo.us.orienteering.org) for details and other scheduled events.

### ATTENTION! SUMMER SOFTBALL SIGNUPS

The D/MWR Sports Office will conduct the 2006 Summer Softball League that will be held at Buffalo Soldiers Field.

The season is projected to start May 30 and game times will be at 5, 6 and 7 p.m.

Softball is open to all U.S. Military Academy personnel of military units and departments on post.

USMA civilian employees and military personnel family dependents may participate for any team in the league with the exception of the four units (HHC, MEDDAC, MPs and USMA Band) participating for Superintendent Trophy point totals.

All participants, military and civilian, must have a valid ID card to participate in the softball league. ID cards must be brought with you when you play. ID cards will be checked this year at games.

Teams interested in joining, contact James McGuinness via e-mail at [Jim.McGuinness@usma.edu](mailto:Jim.McGuinness@usma.edu) or call him at 938-3066.

Deadline for team entries is May 12. Teams must supply a list of no play dates at that time.