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## Hagenbeck becomes 57th Superintendent

Story and photo by  
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Lieutenant General Franklin L. Hagenbeck took command of the U.S. Military Academy as the 57th superintendent in a ceremony at the Trophy Point amphitheater here June 9.

Hagenbeck replaced fellow Class of 1971 graduate Lt. Gen. William J. Lennox Jr., who retired from 35 years of active duty service to the day, as he was commissioned on the very same date in 1971.

Army Chief of Staff Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker introduced Hagenbeck, the former commanding general of the 10th Mountain Division in Fort Drum, N.Y., to the West Point community as a proven war fighter, statesman, trainer and educator who embodies the warrior ethos. He told the general "you will serve our Army well here at the academy."

"His warrior-based background, combined with other distinct experiences in his career, make 'Buster' well qualified to serve as the 57th superintendent," Schoomaker said.

That background includes experience in leading U.S. forces during Operations Enduring Freedom and Anaconda in Afghanistan as the commander



Lt. Gen. Franklin L. Hagenbeck

of Coalition Joint Task Force Mountain and as the deputy commanding general of Joint Task Force 180.

Hagenbeck, who was born in Morocco to a U.S. Navy family, has commanded at every level since leaving the academy. Some of those levels include service with four of the Army's major divisions, the 10th Mountain Division, the 25 Infantry Division and the 101st and 82nd Airborne Divisions, as well as the Army's Training and Doctrine Command. He has also served in several staff positions throughout his career, most recently serving as the Army's deputy chief of staff, G1, and has taken on numerous joint assignments as well.

Before returning to the academy in 1978, Hagenbeck earned a Masters of Science Degree in Exercise Physiology at Florida State University. He then taught as an instructor here in the Department of Physical Education until 1981. During his tenure as a professor back at the academy he earned a Masters of Business Administration from Long Island University.

The outgoing superintendent said he could think of no better person to turn over the reigns of the academy to than Hagenbeck.

"You are exactly what the academy and our cadets need

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## School's Out

With one big wave seven-year-old Kimberlynn Miller (right) next to her friend, Katie Lenz, who just finished first grade, say good bye to the West Point School bus riders and the 2005-2006 schoolyear June 8. Principal Ed Drozdowski, also pictured to the left, along with faculty, students and parents stood outside the school to ceremoniously wave good bye one last time and welcome the summer break.

SPC. BENJAMIN GRUVER/PV

## Army restructures commands

WASHINGTON (Army News Service) -- The Army is reorganizing its commands and specified headquarters to accelerate transformation efforts and increase the Army's responsiveness at home and abroad as it was announced June 8.

The new structure identifies three types of headquarters: Army Commands, Army Service Component Commands and Direct Reporting Units.

Here at West Point restructuring took place as well, but mostly just in name. According to Alan Fox, a strategic planner for the Office of Policy, Planning and Analysis here, the U.S. Military Academy is now slated as a DRU rather than a Field Operating Agency.

"On a practical, daily basis the change is invisible," Fox said, "but it allows us to fit in to the command structure that the Army is trying to move to."

An important part of the restructuring for West Point was

continuing to maintain its command relationship with the Army Chief of Staff, he added.

"Breaking the major Army commands out into three entities recognizes the roles and scopes of units' authorities and responsibilities," said Col. John Phelan of the Office of Institutional Army Adaptation. "This restructuring defines, aligns and assigns. It also gives functional experts the responsibility and authority to provide seamless support."

The three Army Commands are: U.S. Army Forces Command (designated by the Secretary of the Army as both an Army Command under the direction of Headquarters, Department of the Army and the Army Service Component Command to U.S. Joint Forces Command), U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command and U.S. Army Materiel Command.

The nine Army Service Component Commands are

comprised primarily of operational organizations serving as the Army component for a combatant commander. They are:

- U.S. Army Europe
- U.S. Army Central
- U.S. Army North
- U.S. Army South
- U.S. Army Pacific
- U.S. Army Special Operations Command
- Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command
- U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command/Army Strategic Command
- Eighth U.S. Army.

Each of the 11 Direct Reporting Units are comprised of one or more units with institutional or operating functions, providing broad general support to the Army in a normally single, unique discipline not available elsewhere in the Army. They are:

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## Army must keep in touch with Joe Average

**Commentary by  
David W. Kuhns Sr.  
Special to the Pointer View**

Once again, all the major national polls are reporting that the military services are the most trusted institutions in the United States.

As the Army's 231st birthday passed Wednesday, it is pleasant to know that the service we are all part of is held in such high esteem. However, after a brief period of self-congratulations, it would be well for us all to reflect on the implications.

Having that degree of trust from the American people implies an awesome responsibility. If people are going to place that degree of trust in you, you better live up to expectations.

That is the secret of the Army, I think. We are answerable to every voter, every Joe Average in the nation. Soldiers might be remote

from the senior levels of their chain of command, but to see the boss, all they have to do is drive out the main gate.

In this time of a professional Army it might be easy to lose that connection. The pace in the Army is pretty intense. Units all seem to be preparing to deploy, deployed or recovering from a recent deployment. There is no time out; few opportunities to get away from the green machine and just be one of the guys. That is the case even for civilian workers on post. Tight budgets mean more has to be done with fewer people. Everyone feels the pressure.

With all that, it would be easy to stay within our own Army world -- easy, but dangerous.

Since our nation's founding, effective, professional militaries have rarely been associated with democracy and freedom. Think about it -- there were the British in the 19th century, the U.S. now and

... I can't think of another case.

Democracies have always depended on conscription -- the draft -- to fill the ranks of their armies during war and usually during peace, too. Otherwise, their ranks have slipped to small cadres that barely stayed prepared for the next mobilization, when they would train a new wave of citizen soldiers.

But a professional Army -- especially one that is isolated from the population it protects -- could easily transform into a military class, one with more allegiance to its own members than to the rest of

the nation's people.

Sound far-fetched? Look around the world and think of how many nations must think of their militaries when considering political power. That the military isn't considered a political force here might be one of the most remarkable things about our country and our Armed Forces.

That high level of trust the polls report comes because the Army and its sister services have shown they are good at their jobs, certainly. But also because rarely have those in our nation's uniforms ever questioned the authority of

the civilians they serve. Only the lunatic fringes seriously consider anyone in the Army, the Navy, the Air Force or the Marines a threat to the civilian institutions that run the country.

We would all do well to stay connected to that off-post world. That trust is a valuable commodity. It means having the support needed to accomplish the mission; knowing families are cared for when Soldiers deploy; knowing there is a welcoming community to turn to when that career in uniform is over.

And it is always good to remind yourself who the boss is.

**Editor's note:** Kuhns is the editor of the Northwest Guardian at Fort Lewis, Wash.

### SARP INFO

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

Community members can e-mail McMahan at [Jeanette.McMahan@usma.edu](mailto:Jeanette.McMahan@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

Difficulty: Easy

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

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right now -- a combat leader," Lennox said. "Your experiences in Afghanistan and in command of the 10th Mountain will help guide our academy and keep them on the correct azimuth."

The incoming superintendent said he and his wife, Judy, will do the best they can to fill the shoes that the Lennoxes left behind.

"I understand fully the inherent sacred trust and responsibilities required to grow leaders of character for our nation and our army at war," Hagenbeck said

during his speech. "I pledge to everyone my utmost in fulfilling those responsibilities."

From what Hagenbeck has seen so far he says "West Point is right on track," and explained in an interview after the change of command ceremony that he wants to reinforce over time the legacy left behind by the Lennoxes.

The Hagenbecks have been married for more than 30 years and have two children and four grandchildren.

## DOD to inform servicemembers of data loss on LESs

By Sgt. Sara Wood  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON -- The Defense Department will inform servicemembers who could be affected by the May theft of personal data from the Department of Veterans Affairs through their monthly pay statements, a DOD spokesman said here Monday.

DOD is analyzing data to determine how many active-duty, Reserve and National Guard servicemembers could have been affected by the data loss, which occurred when a VA employee loaded personal data onto a laptop,

which was then stolen from his home, Lt. Col. Jeremy Martin said. The VA initially reported that the data stolen included personal information on as many as 26.5 million veterans, and later updated the report to include as many as 1.1 million active-duty servicemembers, 430,000 National Guardsmen, and 645,000 members of the Reserves as possible victims.

These numbers are preliminary, as the DOD and VA are still working to determine exactly what data was on the laptop.

When the analysis is completed in upcoming weeks, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service

will inform those servicemembers who are determined to be vulnerable by putting a note on the bottom of their monthly leave and earnings statements, Martin said. The note will include phone numbers and Web sites that will provide more information on identity theft and what troops can do to protect themselves, he said.

The VA has set up a special Web site and a toll-free telephone number for those possibly affected by the data loss: [www.firstgov.gov](http://www.firstgov.gov) and 1-800-FED-INFO (1-800-333-4636). Each features up-to-date news and information

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■ U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command/9th Signal Command (Army) (NETCOM/9th SC (A))

■ U.S. Army Medical Command  
■ U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command

■ U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command

■ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
■ U.S. Army Military District of Washington

■ U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command

■ U.S. Military Academy

■ U.S. Army Reserve Command  
■ U.S. Army Acquisition Support Command

■ U.S. Army Installation Management Agency

Realignment changes were necessitated by the Army's

changing missions, said Lt. Col. Darrell Wilson, functional team leader for the realignment.

"In the global-basing strategy that's been put out, we're going to become, for the most part, a CONUS-based force that projects capability out to where it needs to be projected," Wilson said. "We're becoming modular so we can quickly form up and tailor the right tools for the right job, making us a more agile, adaptable and flexible service."

The restructuring accomplishes four objectives:

■ It recognizes the global role and multi-disciplined functions of the Army Commands

■ It establishes the Army Service Component Commands as reporting directly to the Department while

serving as the Army's single point of contact for a combatant command

■ It acknowledges Direct Reporting Units as functional proponents at the Department of the Army level

■ It enables the Army to set the foundation for gaining better effectiveness and efficiencies by transforming its business processes, while operationally focusing the

theater Armies to combatant commands.

Lineage and heraldic honors will be preserved in the command names and their insignia.

"The Chief of Staff and the Secretary of the Army said, 'We want to keep alive and link these folks to a patch that keeps the

history of the field Army moving,'" Wilson said. "So, the Third Army will become U.S. Army Central; it will be the same organization; they won't change their patch, but officially they become U.S. Army Central."

**Editor's Note:** The *Pointer View's* Spc. Benjamin Gruver contributed to this report.

# OPM to reconsider dental, vision contract bids

By Karen Rutzick  
Govexec.com

A recent decision by the Office of Personnel Management to reassess bids on new dental and vision benefits has left the insurance providers that won the initial contract awards on hold.

OPM officials said Monday, however, that despite this obstacle, federal employees will not see a delay in the new benefits. Dental and vision coverage still will be available as of Nov. 13, when the annual open season for federal health insurance begins, an agency spokesman said. By law, OPM has to offer the new benefits by the end of the calendar year.

After awarding 10 contracts to insurance companies in May to offer the supplemental insurance, which is voluntary and does not include any government subsidy, OPM sent a letter June 7 informing the providers that the contract process is being redone.

The decision to reconsider bids came after Blue Cross Blue Shield of America's Federal Employee Program, the largest provider in the OPM-run Federal Employee Health Benefits Program, was only given a contract to offer the vision benefits.

"OPM is undertaking this step

both to reaffirm the integrity of the procurement process and to put OPM in the best possible position to provide federal employees and annuitants access in the upcoming open season to high-quality, reasonably-priced dental and vision benefits," the letter said, which a spokeswoman from the one of the insurance companies, GEHA, read to Government Executive.

Blue Cross Blue Shield filed a protest with the Government Accountability Office in May, which it dropped once OPM announced it would reopen the bidding process.

"We are all glad that they're looking at it again, revisiting it," a spokeswoman for the insurance provider said. "And [that they] can be more transparent about it. Everyone benefits."

The OPM spokesman said agency officials "listened to Blue Cross Blue Shield and that was instrumental in us moving forward to take another look at the process." But he could not comment on the specific reason for re-examining the bids because of the open procurement process.

No new companies will be allowed to submit bids in the second round.

Until OPM makes a decision, the companies that did receive the dental contract in the first go-round -- MetLife, GEHA, United Concordia, Aetna, GHI, CompBenefits and Triple-S -- have been placed on hold.

Karen Schuler, a spokesperson for GEHA, said the company is still working internally to prepare to offer the dental benefits by November.

"GEHA is disappointed in the delay, but we understand that it is necessary to eliminate any uncertainty about the results of the selection process," Schuler said. "We are anxiously awaiting word from OPM to begin the implementation process."

Ilene Margolin, a spokeswoman for GHI, said the company is

"committed to pursuing this and [expects] that we will be able to increase the service we provide to federal employees."

Aetna released a statement that the company "remains committed to helping federal enrollees achieve good oral health and overall health,"

and Peyton Hamrick, the marketing director for United Concordia, said her company would not comment on an ongoing procurement process.

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on the data compromise. The Web site provides steps on how to check credit reports, how to guard against identity theft and who to call if an individual believes any fraudulent activity is occurring with his or her personal information.

Information relating to the defeat of identity theft also is available at the Military OneSource Web site, at [www.militaryonesource.com](http://www.militaryonesource.com).

# Combating Terrorism Center studies Islamic imagery

By Eric S. Bartelt  
Assistant Editor

Internet communication has brought the world closer together by the simple touch of a keypad, but at the same time instant satisfaction brought by that wealth of information also opens a Pandora's Box of propaganda that can be used by 21st Century terrorists.

At West Point, the Combating Terrorism Center is on a mission to better understand the foreign and domestic terrorist threats to the security of the United States and to educate leaders who will be responsible for countering terrorism.

A team of faculty members, led by Lianne Kennedy-Boudali, completed a comprehensive project that catalogued recurring images used in jihadi literature, Web sites and propaganda.

The *Visual Motifs in Jihadi Internet Propaganda* was a project of 100 motifs or themes from a collection of CTC image files taken from terrorist Web sites gathered by U.S. Military Academy faculty and cadets. The project started last summer and took six months to complete the research and finalizing the information for publication.

The hope of gathering all this information, according to Kennedy-Boudali, is to give an idea of what certain images mean and how terrorists try to use it to their advantage.

"This is interesting to people who are doing academic research on themes and how terrorists communicate their messages,"

said Kennedy-Boudali, an assistant professor in the Department of Social Sciences here. "There's an academic application, however, someone who is in the New York Police Department that's monitoring terrorist Web sites or someone who's on the ground in a foreign country and runs across some Jihadi propaganda might say, 'I don't know what that means,' and so our best hope is (our project) will be useful for people who really need to know something quickly."

Understanding the Koran and having a thorough knowledge of Islam was important for this project to work. A researcher, Afshon Ostovar, who is working on his Ph.D. in Islamic Art History, helped greatly in the fact gathering process with his in-depth Arabic background. He lived in the region and speaks fluent Arabic.

The key is understanding what colors, flags and images such as waterfalls, the sun and flowers mean in depicting what message the terrorists want to get across to other people.

With the different elements of history, current events and theology used by terrorists to get their messages across, the sophistication used to make these Web sites is quite impressive.

"Generally speaking a lot of terrorist analysts and experts have underestimated the sophistication of the Web sites and images of the Jihadi strategists and thinkers," Kennedy-Boudali said. "It's working on a lot of different levels and it's talking to a broad audience, but I think (the terrorist analysts and experts) have underestimated

them."

Images are used to compel people into changing their views or even heightening their sense of motivation toward a cause. One image that Kennedy-Boudali spoke about included a map of Iraq that included a black flag, which is the battle flag of the Muslim Armies, and the bombing from the initial 'Shock and Awe' campaign by the United States in Iraq. The image also included a pious old man and a suffering child.

"The images are very compelling and, in some ways, a lot of these images remind me of those ads for 'Save the Children,'" Kennedy-Boudali said. "It has an emotional appeal to it."

This project is an evolving area of study and while this is just an introduction to the field more information is expected in the future as more resources filter out.

The study of Islamic imagery tries to understand the new generation of terrorist groups, such as the Salafi-jihadi movement, which is a fundamentalist movement within Islam.

"Within Salafism, there is a group that is advocating violent change in order to achieve their goals," she said. "That is why we focused on Salafi Jihadi because we think they're a hard target and they're the most dangerous to us."

Kennedy-Boudali lauded the group effort to get the project up and running on the CTC Web site.

"The initial nucleus of our digital library came from our cadets, who were trolling around on the Internet. They sent us images and videos and said, 'Hey, (you) might find this interesting,'" Kennedy-Boudali explained. "Dr. Jarret Brachman was also instrumental in building our library, finding

interesting things and maintaining our database. Many people were involved, but the cadets and Dr. Brachman were very important to the development of the project."

Kennedy-Boudali, who directed the research, development and publication of the project, earned a master's from Columbia University in International Affairs specializing in Middle Eastern affairs. She lived in Niger for two years, which is a Muslim majority country, and in Morocco for a year.

She enjoyed the culture and although it is very different from our culture, there are still many friendly people who are interested in what Americans think.

"I ended up in a lot of conversations like, 'What's going on in your country?' or I get asked, 'Do I think President Bush will get re-elected?' or 'What's the

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## WPMS, OHS receive tech awards

By Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

The West Point chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association presented \$500 awards to the West Point Middle School Tuesday and to O'Neill High School Monday.

Electrical engineering and computer science department instructors Lt. Col. Michael Cobb and Maj. Jeff Gribschaw presented the awards to WPMS sixth grade science teacher Tom Robinson and WPMS principal Joe Motolenich.

"The foundation presents awards to schools in any area of operation to support the science departments due to budget cuts," said Cobb, who is the treasurer of the local chapter of the AFCEA. "O'Neill's budget was cut nearly

one million dollars and the middle school also experienced budget cuts."

This is the third consecutive year O'Neill has received an AFCEA award. This is the first award the middle school here has received in several years.

"This award will be divided among the grades," said Robinson. "This will help our science classes to purchase more slides and videos to go along with the curriculum."

The AFCEA, in partnership for the AFCEA educational foundation chapter worldwide, presents \$1.4 million annually in scholarships, grants and awards to students in the sciences attending service academies, ROTC programs, graduate schools and other educational institutions, according to [www.afcea.org](http://www.afcea.org).

# Healthwatch: TICKS: an enemy force at West Point

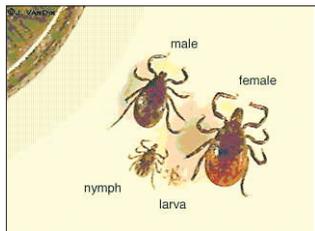
Submitted by  
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With the increased amount of outdoor activities during the summer months, there is also an increased chance that you will be bitten by a tick. If you haven't noticed already, there are a lot of ticks here at West Point. Ticks attach themselves to both people and animals and can transmit disease.

There is no need to use the emergency room for a tick bite. Understanding how a tick behaves can help in preventing tick bites and the diseases they carry.

Ticks are basically mites that feed on blood for survival. There are 80 different kinds of ticks in the United States. The one tick that we



The four-stage lifecycle of the black-legged tick, or 'deer tick' compared to a dime.

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country's position on Palestine?" It was like all of a sudden I became an ambassador," she said.

It was the good experiences from those days living in the region that makes her want to help Americans understand that all Muslims and Arabs are all not the same.

"The most common misconception is [that Muslims] all hate America or they support Osama Bin Laden, but much like our own political spectrum there's a huge range of opinions and thoughts on what is right or wrong," Kennedy-Boudali stated. "The problem is we tend to hear the loudest voices or the most disturbing voices and unfortunately terrorists, and maybe rich Saudi princes, have become our stereotype of the Muslim world."

The *Visual Motifs in Jihadi Internet Propaganda* project is available on the CTC Web site at [www.ctc.usma.edu/imagery.asp](http://www.ctc.usma.edu/imagery.asp).

are most concerned with in our area is the black-legged tick, also known as the "deer" tick. The black-legged tick can transmit Lyme, ehrlichiosis and babesiosis, the three most common local tick-borne diseases. The black-legged tick feeds on many types of mammals and birds and has been reported on humans, dogs and deer at West Point.

A black-legged tick has a four-stage life cycle: egg, larvae, nymph and adult.

Eggs hatch and become larvae. Larvae attach to a warm-blooded host, fill up on blood and drop to the ground where they turn into a nymph. The nymphs must find and attach to another animal, fill up on blood, drop to the ground, where they turn into an adult. The adult tick feeds on a third animal, fills

up with blood, drops to the ground and eventually dies. If the adult tick is female, she lays anywhere from 1,000 to 18,000 eggs before she dies. The tick life cycle can last anywhere from 1-3 years and a tick can attach to humans in the larvae, nymph or adult phase.

The black-legged tick prefers to live in the woods. Dense, mature woods with a thick undergrowth of shrubs and small trees are ideal habitats for these ticks. You can also find ticks along the edge of the woods. Very few ticks are found in lawns, because properly mowed lawns are too hot and dry for the tiny deer tick. Ticks prefer the cool, moist woodlands where they have a better chance of finding an animal host.

Black-legged ticks do not jump,

### 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 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 when feasible.
- In tick-infested areas, wear light-colored clothing so ticks are easier to see.
- Use an approved insect/tick repellent containing DEET and treat clothing with permethrin.
- Tuck pants into socks to prevent ticks from reaching your skin.
- Carefully check for ticks at the end of any day in which you have been outdoors. Parents should examine their children's skin carefully when they come in from outdoors.
- Routinely check pets for ticks.
- As soon as possible, remove ticks that have attached to the skin.
- See or call a doctor if there is concern about incomplete removal.

fly or drop from the trees. They linger in shrubby vegetation (nymphs: four- to six-inch vegetation; adults: waist-high vegetation) and wait for a host to brush by. They then grasp the animal's fur or skin and crawl up the body. Ticks will crawl on the body for 30-60 minutes before they insert their mouth-parts and begin to feed.

Infected black-legged ticks must feed for at least 12-24 hours before they can begin to transmit disease. Not all ticks are infected, therefore a tick bite does not necessarily mean a person will develop a disease. Ticks can feed anywhere on the body. Tick bites are painless and most people will be unaware they have an attached tick on them.

There is no need to go to the hospital emergency room if you find a tick attached to your skin. Prompt removal of an attached tick will reduce the chances of developing a tick-borne disease.

To properly remove an attached tick, grasp the tick's mouth parts with needle nose tweezers as close as possible to the point of attachment to the skin and pull upward and out with a firm and steady pressure. Do not twist or pull from side to side. After removing the tick, thoroughly wash the site with soap and water, and disinfect the site with rubbing

alcohol or hydrogen peroxide and wash your hands.

Monitor the site of the bite for 30 days. If a rash develops or you experience flu-like symptoms, contact your health care provider immediately.

Take a shower after outdoor activity and check your body thoroughly, paying close attention to the armpits, the groin and neck. Use the buddy system. Routinely check for ticks and pay special attention to children and pets.

Checking for ticks and prompt removal of attached ticks is the most important and effective method of preventing infection.

**Editor's note:** Some resources used to research this article include The Center for Disease Control, the Lyme Disease Information Center, [www.findinfo.com/lyme.htm](http://www.findinfo.com/lyme.htm) and the American Lyme Disease Foundation, [www.aldf.com](http://www.aldf.com).

Deer tick adult female laying eggs.



## 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.

Deer tick size (left to right)  
larva, nymph, adult

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

# Summer Leadership Seminar lets high schoolers explore USMA

Story and photos by  
Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

High school students who have completed their junior year and who are interested in attending the U.S. Military Academy are in the midst of the annual Summer Leadership Seminar, where they get to experience the life of a cadet for a week.

The SLS is sponsored by the Office of the Dean, Commandant and the Directorate of Admissions here.

The first week of training began here June 3 with 409 students attending and ended June 8 with a ceremony at Thayer Hall. Another 400 students began Saturday.

The program is designed to give students a better idea of what they can expect to face as cadets. Forty-three cadets participated in the training as platoon sergeants, platoon leaders and squad leaders. The opportunity aids the cadet cadre in gaining experience in leadership.

Members of the summer task force's 2nd Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division participated in the training and will be supporting the Cadet Summer Training as well.

"Each candidate actively participates in a series of all-day events," said Lt. Col. Joe O'Connell, military academy liaison officer for the Directorate of Admissions here. "These events introduce the candidate to team-building exercises and enable them to see and use technology used today by Soldiers in the field."

The students were involved in the day-to-day activities of a

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**Class of 2011 hopeful  
Philip Ortiz  
Kingwood, Texas**

cadet to include physical training, intramurals and formations. They slept in the barracks; ate at the Mess Hall and attended academic classes.

The students spent one day at Camp Buckner for military training, where they take part in several events and demonstrations. Due to muddy conditions caused by a two-day rainfall, most of the events took place at Barth Hall and live fire ranges.

They were treated to demonstrations of how an improvised explosive device works and tactical demonstrations from the 2/508 on urban warfare.

"I think I have a much clearer picture of what I will be doing as a cadet," said Philip Ortiz from Kingwood high school in Kingwood, Texas. "I think I'll enjoy it and still plan on attending next year."

Aside from the training, the students queried cadets to find out from personal experience what a cadet faces.

"They asked typical West Point questions," said Cadet 1st Class Hunter Wakeland, one of the cadet instructors. "They wanted to know what 'Beast' Barracks is like and what the plebe year is like."

Wakeland said the students also wanted to know what motivated the



**Collin Slep, from White County High School in Cleveland, Ga., tries his hand at shooting the M205 Howitzer at a live fire range June 8 here.**

cadet platoon leaders to come to the academy and said the students seemed very motivated.

"Nearly 40 percent of the students attending SLS typically become a West Point cadet," O'Connell said. "What is interesting to me is that 20 percent of the students attending the SLS were female."

Laura Chachula from Beaver Creek, Ohio, plans to apply to the academy next year.

"I really like this (training) and I think I will enjoy being a cadet," she said. "This is a good experience for me because I understand that it might be tough, but I think I can do it."



**Soldiers from the summer task force's 2/508th PIR, 82nd Airborne Div., demonstrate urban tactical techniques to high school students at the Summer Leadership Seminar.**

## Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers installs new officers

Story and photos by  
Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation department announced their new council members for the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers division here.

The President is Spc. Michael Hunt, who hails from Brockton, Mass., and works at DENTAC.

The Secretary and Treasurer have not changed.

Staff Sgt. Jermaine Malone, from the U.S. Military Academy Band's Jazz Knights and Spc. Timothy DeOnier from MEDDAC are secretary and treasurer

respectively. The vice presidency remains open.

Hunt said he was vice president last year and looks forward to finding ways to improve the quality of life for single Soldiers.

"I was at DENTAC at Walter Reed in Washington, D.C. before coming here, but we didn't have a BOSS program there," Hunt said. "The program is good here and I enjoy helping out and finding



**Spc. Michael Hunt**

areas where improvement may be needed."

Hunt said BOSS has a variety of events, including monthly poker tournaments that are open to the community and civilians are welcome to volunteer at special events, like the Junior Softball Tournament here June 24-25. BOSS is in charge of the concessions.

Malone, from Oakland, Calif. is a saxophone player for the Jazz



**Staff Sgt. Jermaine Malone**

Knights.

"I've been at West Point for two years and have been a part of BOSS for the last 18 months," Malone said.

Malone said he was involved in BOSS at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe in Belgium before becoming involved with BOSS here.

"I was a representative at SHAPE and enjoyed it, which is the reason I became a part of BOSS here," he said. "I think it helps single Soldiers a lot with being around others and joining in activities rather than sitting in the barracks."

DeOnier is from Grand Junction, Colo., and works at MEDDAC.

DeOnier came to West Point fresh out of Advanced Individual Training. He has been here for two years.

"This is my first experience with BOSS and I have been involved in it for seven months here," he said. "I enjoy being a part of fundraising events, like the softball tournaments and participating in community events."

For info. on BOSS, call 938-6497.



**Spc. Timothy DeOnier**

# Lusk Dam, Reservoir cleaned for first time in 111 years

By Eric S. Bartelt  
Assistant Editor

Lusk Dam and Reservoir was constructed in 1895 by Capt. James L. Lusk, an 1878 U.S.

Military Academy graduate. The dam and reservoir not only serves the community, it provides one of the most strikingly visible places on post.

To maintain both the beauty and

inner workings of Lusk, members of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District traveled here in March to oversee the reservoir's cleaning.

Al Zytowski, a project manager

and civil engineer in the DPW engineer plans and services department here, said the project was to remove efflorescence, a substance that comes from calcium carbonate dissolving in mortar.

The efflorescence is essentially lime that comes out of the mortar and when it builds up over the stones it becomes difficult to determine the location of leaks, he explained.

"Over time [the efflorescence] would break down the mortar joints," Zytowski said. "But we determined there weren't any alarming conditions or significant cracking. Nothing that would cause the inspectors or myself to say, 'hey, we need to take care of this now.'"

This was the dam's first cleaning by microblasting, a process using sand particles to clear off the calcification. It cost about \$150,000 for the three-week job, Zytowski said.

In July the Corps will hire dive teams to inspect the integrity and structural condition of the high water side, or north side, of Lusk Dam.

"[The dive teams] will be looking for big holes, cracks and making sure everything is right," Zytowski said.

The 111-year-old structure, he added, is in impeccable shape considering how old it is.

"It's probably doing better

than what the designers originally anticipated," Zytowski explained. "Sometimes that happens, it was almost an over-design. I don't know what the design life was for Lusk, but it has performed quite well and continues to do so."

**Editor's Note:** Some information was supplied by COE, New York District, Technical Writer JoAnne Castagna.



A worker cleans calcite build-up on the south side of Lusk Reservoir dam back in March by sandblasting the masonry stones with small coarse-grained silica, glass-like particles under water pressure. The north side of the dam is scheduled to be inspected by divers next month to see if any restoration work needs to be done.

Photo by COE, NY's Milton N. Ricks



An U.S. Army Corps of Engineers engineer stands on the newly built Lusk Dam in 1895. Recent inspections lauded how well the dam has held up over the past 111 years.

Photo provided by COE, NY District

# WPES 'Field Day' helps show students the value of teamwork

Story and photos by  
Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

The West Point Elementary School's Physical Education Department sponsored its annual Field Day June 1 at Shea Stadium.

The event, school officials said, is designed to foster cooperation, respect and encourage exercise while providing a little fun for the participants.

"The games teach them teamwork," said parent Eydie Halstead.

For example, she said, in the "Don't Be a Couch Potato" game, the kids are broken into teams and given different responsibilities. They must cooperate to succeed, Halstead added.

The game calls for each team to find colored highlight pens.

"The kids need to find the pens in the order on the sheet of paper they are given," Halstead explained. "One person finds and the other marks it on the paper and hands it in."

Most of the teams mixed kindergarten and third grade classes with older children to encourage them to help the younger children. It's all part of the real purpose of the events like these, said second grade teacher Ellen Jones.

"Cooperation among the grades, participation and trying to do the best that they can is the idea of Field Day," she said.

Another parent, Rebecca Lusher, said the events also help teach the Army philosophy of character and promotes a lifetime of sports and fitness.

"The P.E. teachers here teach the six pillars of character taken from the Army program which include trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship," she said.

Other events like the obstacle course also called for teamwork. Fourth-grader, Jordan Hunter, said that's what makes it so enjoyable.

"I like the 'Shoe Fly' event the best," Hunter said. "It takes a group effort and a sense of responsibility in order for everyone to have fun."



First- and third-graders team up to find hidden, colored highlighters and mark them on a piece of paper given to them at the start of the 'Don't be a couch potato' game at the annual West Point Elementary School Field Day at Shea Stadium here June 1.



Children go through the obstacle course.



Alexa Rivera (right) and team partner Ana Santiago wait to start their event as fourth-grader Benjamin Donan helps out.



One of the favorite events at the elementary school's annual Field Day held here June 1, is the 'Shoe-Fly.' The youngsters untie their shoes and kick one of them off to see how far the shoe will go.

## R-Day rehearsal

Be a 'Cadet for a Day,' June 23

Volunteers are needed to help the cadet cadre hone their leadership skills. Volunteers should arrive by 9:45 a.m. at Eisenhower Hall's Crest Hall. Rehearsal begins at 10 a.m. and runs until about 1 p.m.

Dress comfortably and bring one piece of luggage or a duffel bag with your name on it. Call 938-4405/2825 to sign up.



## JUNE 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></p> <p><b>Open Bowling:</b> Sun.-1300-1800 Mon. 1600-2100 Tue. Closed Wed. &amp; Thur. 1130-1900 Fri. 1130-2300 Sat. 0900-2300</p> <p><b>Galactic Bowling:</b> Every Fri. &amp; Sat. 1700-2300 Home of Lil' Skeeters BBQ &amp; Primo's Pizza</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Golf Course Closed, Dawn to 1400</p> <p>All CYS Programs Closed, Staff Development Day</p> <p>Overview of ACS, 0830, Financial Institutions, 0945, Personal Financial Readiness, 1100, ACS</p> <p>Delafield Pond Water Slide Grand Opening Celebration, 1100</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Golf Course Closed, Dawn to 1400</p> <p>Defensive Driving, Register at ITR, 0800-1500</p> <p>Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island Tour, ITR, 0900-1600</p>	
<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Father's Day Brunch, WP Club, Seatings at 1000 &amp; 1200</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Golf Course Closed for Outside Event</p> <p>Wee Ones Play Group, ACS, 0930-1100</p> <p>Summer Reading Program Begins, WP Library, Time TBA</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>Wee Ones Play Group, ACS, 0930-1100</p> <p>Black &amp; Gold Volunteer Award Ceremony, AVC, 0945-1000</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Bronx Zoo/NY Botanical Gardens, ITR, 0900-1530</p> <p>Initial PCS Move, 1330, Checking Accounts Refresher, 1445, ACS</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>NY Mets vs Cincinnati Reds, ITR, 1000-1700</p> <p>Targeting Stress, ACS, 1130-1300</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>Pony Softball Tournaments, MWR Sports, 0700-Dusk (Jun. 23-25)</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Coney Island Mermaid Parade, ITR, 1000-1800</p>
<p><b>25</b></p> <p>Tour NYC, ITR, 0900-1700</p> <p>Bosu Strength, 1600, Butts &amp; Guts, 1700, MWR Fitness Center Every Sunday</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Golf Course Closed for Outside Event</p> <p>Wee Ones Play Group, ACS, 0930-1100</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>Crayola Factory, ITR, 0830-1530</p> <p>Preparation Briefing, 1400, Family Readiness Group Information Session, 1900, ACS</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Overseas Briefing, Germany, 1500, Korea, 1330, ACS</p> <p>General Parenting Overview, 1130, Marketing Yourself for a Second Career, 1630, ACS</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Theater Van to Broadway, ITR, 1700-2330</p> <p>Targeting Stress, ACS, 1130-1300</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>Mongolian BBQ, WP Club, 1700-2100</p>	

## DPW Notes

### Trampolines in the housing areas

Trampolines are allowed in housing areas provided the following rules are obeyed:

The preferred location is the backyard, with the second choice the side yard of a resident's own quarters.

They are not allowed in the front yard, along any main post

road or in common areas.

The trampoline must have a security barrier to prevent unauthorized use.

The resident is responsible to ensure that use is supervised to ensure the safety of all participants.

The resident alone would be liable for any injury caused by use,

whether authorized or unauthorized by the owner.

This information is contained in the Guidelines for Community Living, dated April 1, 2004, published by the garrison commander.

For more information call DPW Customer Relations at 938-4407.

## 5th annual West Point

### Pet Fair

June 24

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Vet Clinic, Bldg. 630, (Parking at J Lot)

Pets welcome. All pets must be on a leash or in a pet carrier. Call 938-3817 for more info.

## NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

Friday -- Stick it, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday -- Hoot, PG, 7:30 p.m.

June 23 -- RV, PG, 7:30 p.m.

June 24 -- The Wild, G, 2 p.m.

June 24 -- Poseidon, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

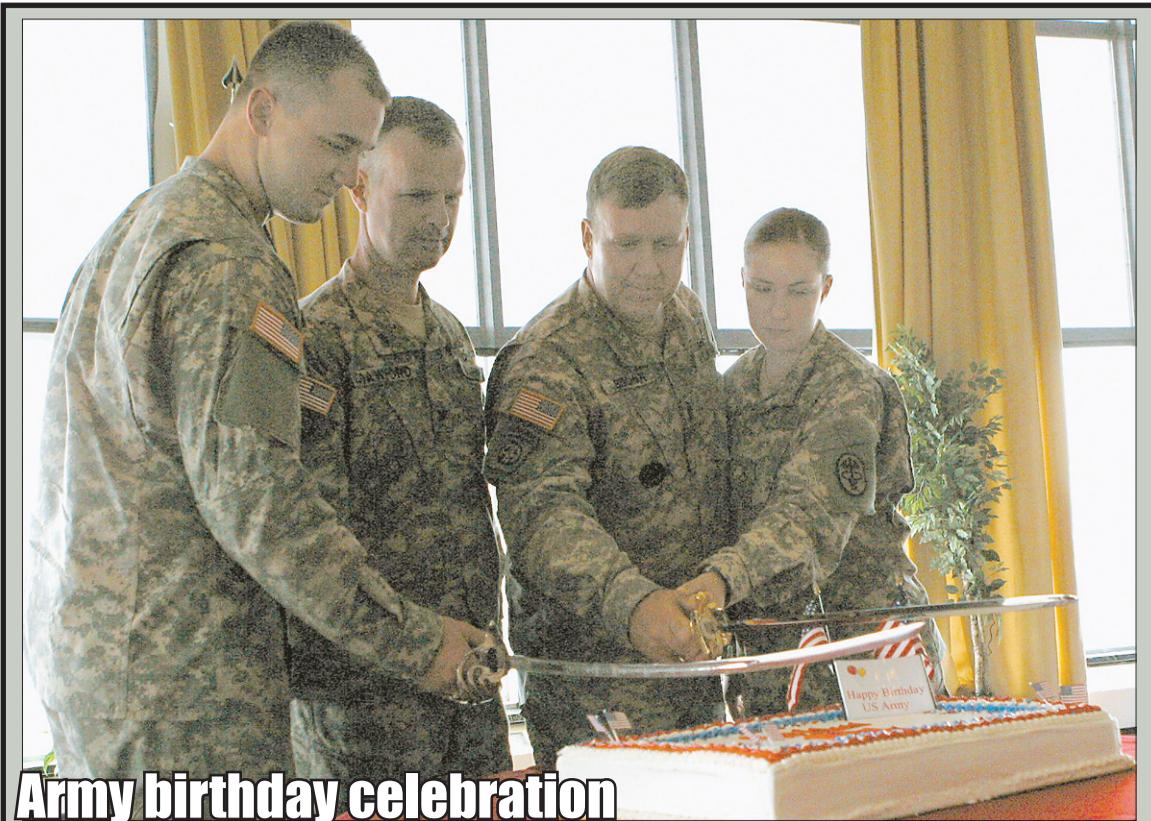
June 30 -- RV, PG, 7:30 p.m.

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

### Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

# What's Happening



## Army birthday celebration

The U.S. Military Academy celebrated the Army's 231st birthday Wednesday with a ceremony at the West Point Club. Here 2nd Lt. Jared Ulekowski, (left), the youngest officer here, Garrison Commander Col. Brian Crawford, academy Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Bergman and Pfc. Monica Durham, the youngest Soldier here, cut the Army birthday cake.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

### Arvin closing early Saturday

Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center will close at 4 p.m. Saturday for a department function.

### Highland Falls events

There will be a Dog Walk and Social Saturday at Roe Park from 1 to 3 p.m. The rain date is June 24.

All senior citizens in Highland Falls, Fort Montgomery and West Point are invited to Mayor Joseph D'Onofrio's barbecue luncheon at Long Pond June 28 from noon to 3 p.m.

The luncheon is free. If anyone needs a ride or you need more info call 446-3400/3828.

### Summer playground fun

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will host weekly summer playground fun Wednesday from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the WPES playground. Call 859-4182/446-5307 for more information.

### Jewish Chapel services

Friday night services at the

Jewish Chapel will return June 30.

Local services are offered at nearby congregations at:

Congregation Agudas Israel, Newburgh, (845) 562-5604.

Temple Beth Jacob, Newburgh, (845) 562-5516.

Monroe Temple of Liberal Judaism, Monroe, (845) 783-2626.

Temple Sinai, Middletown, (845) 343-1861.

### Red Cross volunteers needed

The American Red Cross needs volunteers to help inprocess new cadets during Reception Day, June 26. Call 938-4100 to volunteer.

### Ladies Golf Clinic

The West Point Ladies' Golf Club is hosting a golf clinic June 29 for interested lady golfers. The lessons are from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the West Point Golf Course with golf pro Shawn Kapusinsky.

E-mail Barbara Fletcher at [yb1956@usma.edu](mailto:yb1956@usma.edu) to sign up.

### Community welcome

The West Point Women's Club and the Daughters of the U.S. Army are having a Community Welcome for Judy Hagenbeck and Shelly Caslen June 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Cullum Hall.

There will be refreshments and no RSVP is required.

For more information call Gwenn Wallace at 446-5708.

## Military training conducted at academy

WEST POINT, N.Y. -- Area residents can expect to hear summer training activities conducted during June, July and August on the military installation to include Camp Buckner, Lake Frederick and Camp Smith in Peekskill.

Training opportunities for the cadets include infantry operations, artillery firing, weapons training, aviation operations, military engineering projects, training in field communications, demolitions and survival skills techniques.

Noise levels will be sporadic through mid-August with increased activity during specialized training operations from Sunday through July 27.

Training is conducted to simulate the physical and mental challenges cadets will face when they become officers in the U.S. Army.



## Pets of the Week

The U.S. Military Academy's veterinarian offers 10-month old female cats for adoption. They have been given the names of Hide and Seek. The cats are very affectionate, but should go to a home without younger children. Call the Vet Clinic at 938-3817 for more info.

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## Command Channel 8/23

June 16 - June 23

### FRIDAY

9 a.m. Army Newswatch  
6 p.m. Army Newswatch  
6:30 p.m. 2006 YS Dance Recital

### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY

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

### THURSDAY

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

### JUNE 23

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

# Keller Corner

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## Red Cross Volunteer Program

Keller Army Community Hospital will be sponsoring the Red Cross Volunteer program in July and August this summer.

The program consists of students (age 16 and older) volunteering approximately 20 hours of their time in KACH clinics to gain exposure to different aspects of a medical treatment facility and medical professionals.

The clinics involved are Physical

Therapy, Community Health Nursing and Medical Surgical Unit (inpatient care ward.)

Students will spend approximately two-to-three hours per day, Monday-Friday for a two-week period.

The first cycle will be July 10-21 and the second cycle will be July 31 through Aug. 11.

Students who are interested should complete an application to apply by today and contact Staff Sgt. Walter King at *walter.king@na.amedd.army.mil*, or call 938-2335.

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Students must attend orientation training Thurs. from 3 to 5 p.m. at

KACH.

## KACH Closures

All Outpatient Clinics, Laboratory, Pharmacy and

Radiology will be closed July 3 and 4.

The Emergency Room will remain open.

# Army and Community Sports

## IM Softball Second Tournament underway



West Point Security shortstop Pete Talavera rips a double in the second inning, one of five hits he got on the day, to help lead Security past 1st Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment 29-11.

Story and photos by  
Eric S. Bartelt  
Assistant Editor

Staff and Faculty Intramural Summer Softball began its second double-elimination tournament Monday at Buffalo Soldier Field.

The championship game teams from the first tournament already lost their first games as Behavioral Sciences and Leadership lost to the Office of Directorate of Intercollegiate Athletics 15-5 Monday, while 1st Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment were thrashed

by West Point Security 29-11 Tuesday.

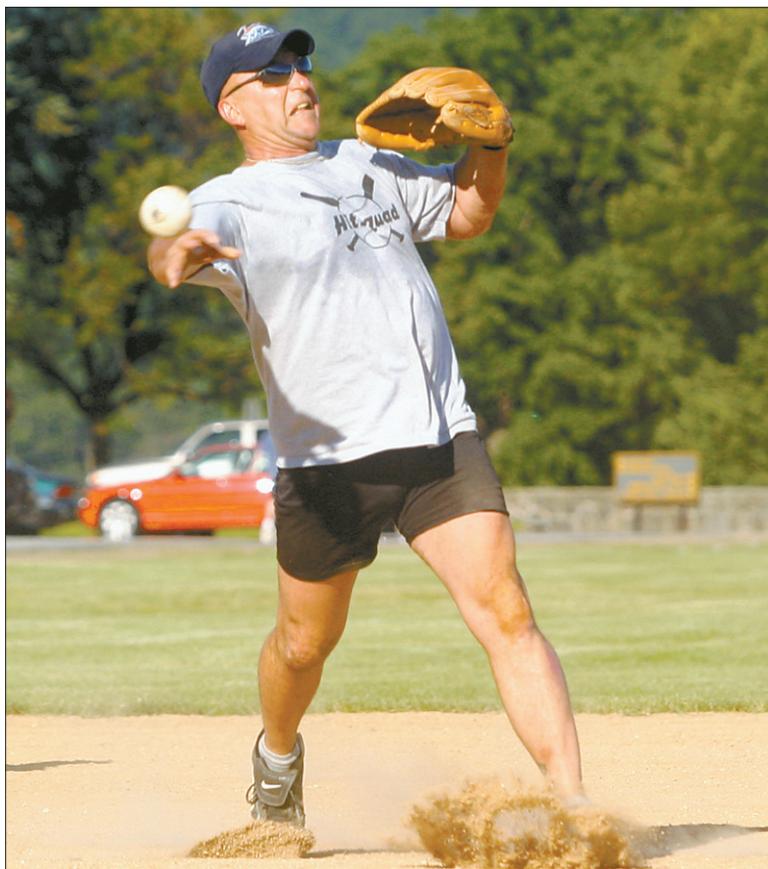
West Point Security took control early in Tuesday's game as they scored nine runs in the first inning, which was highlighted by right-centerfielder Miguel Masso's grand slam home run.

Leftfielder Aaron Cichon would pad the W.P. Security lead with a leadoff home run in the second inning to give his team a 10-0 lead.

First Battalion would scratch  
**SOFTBALL**, see page 14



(Above photo) West Point Security pitcher Joe Senger held 1st Battalion, 1st Infantry to 11 runs in the victory. (Bottom photo) 1-1 right-centerfielder Shawn McKenna rips a double during a four-run second inning in the 29-11 loss.



West Point Security third baseman Bill Lewis makes a big defensive play in the bottom of the fourth inning Tuesday.



## SOFTBALL, cont'd from 13

back by scoring four runs in the bottom half of the second, but Security would pull away for good as they scored 13 runs in the top of the third on their way to the 29-11 victory.

Security pitcher Robert Singer pitched well to keep the 1-1 bats off the bases and shortstop Pete Talavera ripped five hits to lead his team at the plate.

Other tournament action on Monday included Math's 21-13 win over Bldg. 606, History destroyed Bartlett Hall 23-3, Dean/DOL outlasted EE&CS 17-15 and W.P. Security won by forfeit over English.

Tuesday games saw ODIA defeat Dean/DOL 31-20, while MEDDAC beat Math 15-12.

The Band downed History 13-3 and EE&CS eliminated BS&L 13-5.

Other elimination games Tuesday included History taking out English 7-0; Bldg. 606 bumping off Dean/DOL 15-5 and EE&CS snuffing out Math 16-15.

### Volkksmarch and USMA 5K/10K

Volkksport Club of West Point invites everyone to a 10K walk of the year-round trail in Highland Falls June 25.

All walkers are invited to a pre-walk breakfast at Park Restaurant at 9 a.m. Walk registration will be at 10:15 a.m. at the West Point Visitor's Center. For more information, call 446-4709.

The USMA 5K/10K takes place Aug. 26 at West Point. The 5K race starts at 8 a.m. while the 10K race starts at 8:30 a.m. A kids' one-mile fun race will take place at 7:45 a.m.

To register, go to [active.com](http://active.com) and type in keywords "West Point" or "USMA 5K/10K."