

1,297 sworn in Monday to the Class of 2013



New cadets from the Class of 2013 salute during the National Anthem after taking the Oath of Allegiance at the end of Reception Day 2009. The 1,297 new cadets started their long day at Eisenhower Hall, said goodbye to parents and other loved ones and began their 47-month West Point experience Monday. They will spend about six-and-a-half weeks in Cadet Basic Training (also known as Beast Barracks). For more R-Day information and photos, go to pages 6, 8 and 9.

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DPTMS provides information on Independence Day security and parking

By Joe Senger
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Mobilization and Security

The following parking and force protection measures will be in effect in support of Independence Day activities on West Point:

The July 4th parade for the Village of Highland Falls will stage its vehicles and floats starting about 2:30 p.m. in the right lane of Swift Road, from Thayer Gate to the large parking lot at the north end of Buffalo Soldier Field. The parade starts at 3:30 p.m.

Traffic leaving from Thayer Gate will be restricted to the inner (left) lane of Swift Road. While the units are forming up, traffic may be delayed on Swift Road for several minutes at a time. Anyone leaving between 2:30-4:30 p.m. should avoid Thayer Gate.

The West Point Band will host a concert and fireworks display at Trophy Point starting at 8 p.m. Saturday. Parking is available at Buffalo Soldier Field, the South Dock area and along Thayer Road. Clinton, Doubleday

and the Tennis court lots are reserved for handicapped parking.

There will be no parking allowed along the Thayer Extension by Trophy Point or the First Class Club parking lot. Howard Road from the intersection with Ruger Road down to the North Dock area and Pitcher Road from the Upton intersection down to the North Dock, Jefferson Road and Scott Place will be blocked starting at 5 p.m. Traffic will be stopped on Cullum Road in the vicinity of Trophy Point for several minutes at a time during the evening in support of the concert.

In the event of inclement weather, the concert will take place at the same time Sunday.

Incoming traffic at Stony Lonesome and Thayer gates will be extremely heavy beginning early Saturday afternoon. Members of the workforce who have a DOD decal and CAC card/military ID card and who wish to attend the concert should use Washington Gate.

The July 4th weekend is one of the busiest

travel periods of the year. Keep in mind the following safety tips:

- In extreme cases, crowds that suddenly try to move have created a human stampede. If caught in a crowd stampede, attempt to move with the crowd and slowly work your way to the side. If knocked down, attempt to crawl in the direction of the crowd and regain your footing. Never push or fight if caught in a stampede. When finding a spot at a crowded event, be aware of the exits and avoid places with limited access to exits;

- If in a large open area and Family members want to disperse, pick out a location to meet at a specific time. Carry cell phones and watches;

- Women should hold purses close to the body or put them on one shoulder across their bodies. Never swing purses from shoulder or wrist straps. A thief could easily cut the strap;

- Men should place their wallets in a front pocket rather than in a back pocket. This makes it more difficult for someone to

pickpocket the wallet;

- Leave extra credit cards and cash at home and carry only what is needed in a concealed place. Consider using a money belt that keeps these possessions hidden beneath clothing. Know which credit cards are being used, so if any are lost, immediately call the credit card company to block any charges;

- Keep hands in pockets as much as possible. Where there are crowds, there are germs. Germs are the number one safety concern in a crowd.

All West Point personnel are reminded that the effectiveness of our Force Protection program depends in large part on the personal involvement of all community members. Remain vigilant, maintain situational awareness and immediately report any suspicious activity to the Provost Marshal's Office at 938-3333.

Have a safe and happy Independence Day weekend. Remember, if you see something, say something.

For more information, call 938-8859.

Letter from the Supe: Happy July 4th



Dear Members of the West Point Community:

Judy and I would like to wish everyone here at West Point and in the local community a very happy and safe 4th of July!

West Point played a strategic role in our nation's fight for independence. First manned in 1778 as defensive positions

against British advances along the Hudson River, West Point is now the longest continuously occupied military post in the United States.

Today, West Point continues to ensure our nation's liberty—producing leaders of character who are dedicated to the ideals of Duty, Honor and Country. Members of the Long Gray Line have defended our country in every war since the military academy was established in 1802. Our most recent graduates from the Class of 2009 are now serving proudly around the world—we thank them, and all those who serve, for their contribution to the defense of this nation.

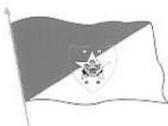
The Class of 2013 just reported for R-Day and has begun Cadet Basic Training. They are an outstanding group of young men and women, who join our three impressive upper classes of cadets. The cadets, as well as all of those who are here for their development, are precious resources to this nation. So while you join with friends and Family to commemorate the birth of our nation this weekend, I ask that you take care of yourselves and your loved ones and celebrate responsibly.

Take time to consider the risks inherent in your plans for this weekend, including travel, use of fireworks and grills, and water activities such as swimming and boating. Also, consider the risks of exposure to excessive summer heat. For tips on how to mitigate these risks and enjoy your holiday weekend safely, please visit <https://safety.army.mil>.

Beat Navy!

The Supe

Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck
Superintendent



ARMY 2009 SUMMER SAFETY MESSAGE

As a component of our ongoing commitment to the safety of Soldiers, Families and Civilians, the Army recently launched the Safe Summer 2009 campaign. The annual campaign to protect members of the Army Family runs from May through September and emphasizes prevention and vigilance during the summer season. This is especially critical as off-duty accidents typically increase during high risk summer activities. Our team efforts will help to prevent accidents and to keep our Army Family safe.

The Army serves as a model for leadership, values, and commitment to mission. We are applying that same commitment to the ongoing integration of safety and occupational health into the Army culture. This integration enhances our planning, operations, and training; additionally, it helps us to avoid unacceptable residual risk to missions, personnel, equipment, and the environment. For the Safe Summer campaign to become a natural part of the Army culture, we will need the participation of leaders at all levels; they are critical to the success of this campaign.

Areas of emphasis for the Safe Summer campaign include: boating and watercraft safety; motorcycle safety awareness; click-it-or-ticket and driving safety; driving-under-the-influence and fatigue; grilling and food preparation; heat injury prevention; water and swimming safety; camping and hiking safety; adverse weather; and extreme sports.

We hope that all members of the Army Family have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Army Safe is Army Strong!

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Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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

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Difficulty: Easy

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

See SOLUTION, page 10

SHARP

The members of the Sexual Harrassment/Assault Response and Prevention program are Col. Jeanette McMahon, Shelley Ariosto (Garrison), Dan Toohey (Victim Advocate), Maj. Maria Burger (USCC), Capt. Vanara Nevels (ODIA) and Maj. Elizabeth Scioletti (Dean).

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

Cadets also can call the sexual assault support helpline at (845) 591-7215. West Point Soldiers and civilians needing assistance can call (845) 938-3369.

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Privatization of Army lodging raises quality of life for Soldiers

Defense Link News Release

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Army announced recently that it will transfer the first 10 installations under the Army's Privatization of Army Lodging program on Aug. 15. The transfer is a reinforcement of the U.S. Army's commitment to improving its transient lodging and enhancing the quality of life of Soldiers and their Families.

Actus Lend Lease will perform the redevelopment of the lodging facilities and lodging operations will be undertaken by the InterContinental Hotels Group.

"PAL brings world class lodging practices and private sector investment to support Quality of Life requirements of our Soldiers, Families and civilians as they serve," Lt. Gen. Robert Wilson, assistant chief of staff for installation management, said.

Most of the Army lodging employees affected by the transfer will receive offers of employment from IHG. Retained employees will have their Army lodging employment honored as IHG service time.

Seven of the 10 affected Army lodging general managers have accepted IHG positions.

The 10 Group A installations are Fort Rucker, Ala.; Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; Fort Riley, Kan.; Fort Polk, La.; Fort Sill, Okla.; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Yuma Proving Ground, Ariz.; Fort Myer, Va.; and Fort Shafter/Tripler Army Medical Center, Hawaii.

Upon transfer of the lodging rooms, the project will begin correcting commercial code noncompliance issues and overhauling the mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems of the existing inventory. These renovations and the conversion of five hotels to Holiday Inn Express hotels will be complete within the first two years.

The eventual portfolio of hotels will be a mix of well-recognized and well-respected IHG brands such as Candlewood Suites, Staybridge Suites and Holiday Inn Express, as well as renovated historic facilities.

Enhanced guest services including complimentary breakfasts, pet-friendly rooms and the IHG Priority Club frequent-stay program will start upon transfer.

Through the PAL program, the Army has engaged the private sector to manage, build, renovate, maintain and operate transient lodging on Army installations.

The program is modeled after the Army's successful privatized Family housing program, the Residential Communities Initiative.

For more information, contact Dave Foster at 703-697-5344 or dave.foster1@us.army.mil.

West Point Soldiers selected as IMCOM NE Region NCO and Soldier of the Year



Sgt. Matthew Davis (left) and Spc. Jason Crabb (second from right) of the West Point Military Police Company are the Installation Management Command North East Region Noncommissioned officer and Soldier Of the Year, respectively. They won the West Point Garrison competition, were subsequently selected as the IMCOM NE Region winners and will compete in the IMCOM level competition in mid-July at Fort AP Hill, Va. West Point Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Violet McNeirney and IMCOM NE Command Sgt. Major Daniel Chavez (right) recognized them at the Garrison Award Ceremony June 24.

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NEWS NOTES

Four more West Point faculty members were honored at the national conference of the American Society for Engineering Education the week of June 15 in Austin, Texas.

John Rogers, Ph.D., Dept. of Civil and Mechanical Engineering, received the 2009 Best Paper Award from the ASEE Division of Experimentation and Laboratory Oriented Studies at the conference. His paper, "Learning Mechatronics through Graduated Experimentation," was co-authored with Lt. Col. Robert Rabb also from CME and Maj. Chris Korpela and Ryan Ebel, Dept. of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

Rules spell out G.I. Bill transferability

By C. Todd Lopez
Army News Service

WASHINGTON—Soldiers can go online and elect to transfer their Post-9/11 G.I. Bill benefits to their spouse or children.

Rules for transferring educational benefits under the “Post-9/11 Veteran’s Education Assistance Act of 2008,” sometimes called the “Post-9/11 G.I. Bill,” were spelled out June 23 by Bob Clark, the Department of Defense’s assistant director for accession policy and military personnel policy.

Clark said Soldiers will be able to transfer benefits to Family members only if they are active or Select Reserve on Aug. 1. The benefit cannot be transferred by those serving in the Individual Ready Reserve, retirees or anyone who separated before Aug. 1.

Additionally, under the transferability rules, a Soldier must have served six years and must commit to serve an additional four years.

Soldiers can elect to transfer benefits to Family members at this time through the Transferability of Educational Benefits Web site at www.dmdc.osd.mil/TEB.

After Soldiers make those elections, the Army will verify and approve the election and assign the four-year commitment, if required.

Following the approval, a Soldier’s Family member can then apply for benefits through the Veterans Administration Web site.

Clark said it is recommended that Soldiers add all Family members as potential beneficiaries of their Post-9/11 G.I. Bill benefits. Once a Soldier has retired or separated from

the Army, they can no longer add new Family members as potential beneficiaries.

Under the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill, thousands of qualified Soldiers or Family members of qualifying Soldiers will have the opportunity to go to college at no cost to them.

Soldiers, Army veterans and Family members of qualifying Soldiers can begin applying for benefits under the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill beginning Aug. 1. Benefits from the program can be paid out for a total of 36 months.

Under a typical degree program, where students attend school for nine months at a time and are then off during the summer months, the plan would allow veterans to get a four-year degree while attending school in residence.

With the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill, tuition payments are sent directly to the school. Additional payments for books and supplies go directly to students.

Tuition is not the only benefit extended to potential college-goers. For students attending school more than half the time, the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill also pays housing costs up to a rate equivalent to the Basic Allowance for Housing rate for an E-5 with dependents in the ZIP code where the school is located.

Students are also entitled to a yearly stipend of up to \$1,000 to cover the cost of books and supplies, and students from highly rural areas who are transferring to a school may also be entitled to a one-time payment of \$500.

Soldiers on active duty may tap into the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill and apply benefits toward tuition. However, active-duty Soldiers are not entitled to receive the housing allowance from the program, nor the books and supplies stipend.

Benefits under the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill can be used for all

levels of degree programs. The program allows Soldiers to earn a second degree, a master’s degree or a doctorate.

Soldiers meeting the eligibility requirements to transfer benefits to their Family members already exceed the requirements to earn 100 percent of the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill benefits.

Soldiers who have served less than the time required to earn 100 percent of the benefit under the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill may receive benefits at a prorated amount.

The amount of active service members have after 9/11 determines what percentage of benefits they can receive under the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill.

USCC looking for volunteers for the July 15 Ice Cream Social

Submitted by U.S. Corps of Cadets

The United States Corps of Cadets will conduct New Cadet Visitation Day from 1:30-5:30 p.m. July 15.

USMA/Garrison staff and faculty can sign-up for Visitation Day, which opened June 16 on the USCC Web page, www-internal.uscc.usma.edu.

Signing up for New Cadet Visitation Day does not enroll volunteers in, or commit them to, the Fourth Class Sponsor Program for the academic year.

The annual sign-up for the Fourth Class Sponsor Program on the USCC Web page (www-internal.uscc.usma.edu) begins July 21.

Participation of Families from the West Point community is critical to New Cadet Visitation Day, which provides each new cadet an opportunity for a short break from the demands of Cadet Basic Training and a chance to visit with a Family in a relaxed, informal atmosphere.

It gives the new cadets the opportunity to ask questions and learn about the military lifestyle and is a great opportunity for potential sponsors to gain an appreciation for the sponsorship program and interaction with cadets.

Criteria for the Ice Cream Social are:

- Rank: Military must be sergeant first class and above, warrant officer and captain and above. Civilians must be Title X instructors, nonbargaining unit civilian employees GS-9 and above or competitive sport head coaches/assistant coaches.

- For civilian employees, duty time is authorized to participate and work schedules will be adjusted to make this part of the eight-hour workday.

Bargaining unit employee participation is undetermined at this time.

- Assigned to USMA: There is no longer a requirement for hosts to live within a specific boundary to participate. However, if someone lives outside of the walking privileges boundary, then this person is authorized to take cadet(s) to his/her residence only.

However, personnel hosting new cadets may use academy common areas such as picnic tables located throughout post.

- If a potential volunteer does not meet the requirements listed above, exceptions to policy may be requested through, and approved by, the USCC chief of staff.

- Incoming personnel not yet assigned to quarters are invited to host new cadets using the academy common areas such as picnic tables throughout post.

- Keller Army Community Hospital personnel should contact Darlene Ruscelli for AMS access.

If personnel cannot access the application, send an e-mail to darlene.ruscelli@us.army.mil and request access or call her at 938-6775.

A complete timeline is available on the sign-up page.

Contact the USCC S-3 with any questions at 938-8804 or 6148.

Travel card can now be used for PCS expenses

By Rob McIlvaine
Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation
Command Public Affairs

New rules make government travel charge cards more useful to Soldiers on the move.

“Effective June 10, 2009, the individually-billed travel charge card can be used for relocation expenses,” John Argodale, deputy assistant Secretary of the Army, Financial Operations, said.

Charges for transportation, lodging, meals, Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expense and house-hunting approved expenses are authorized.

Participants, whose account is open and current at time

of registration at their organization’s Agency Program Coordinator, can obtain travel advances using their GTCC in the form of ATM, cash and manual cash disbursements.

In addition, the credit limit can be increased and cardholders can enjoy a longer bill-pay period.

The new temporary credit limit will activate on the PCS status start date and return to the assigned credit limit on the PCS end date.

The program is expected to increase the rebates to the government and reduce travelers’ dependency on personal funds.

The GTCC balance must be paid by the PCS end date, plus 30 days.

Excluded are accession- and separation-types of PCS.

New engine, boat increase fire department's capability

Story and photos by Emily Tower
Staff Writer

West Point's Directorate of Emergency Services just increased its fire power.

A recently purchased fire engine and fire/rescue boat bring the DES' capabilities to a new level, Fire Chief Curt Krieger said last week.

The fire engine, which was purchased by the Department of the Army and delivered to West Point in April, replaces a 1988 ladder truck that frequently broke down. While it was at the end of its 20-year life expectancy, the old truck had been ailing for a while from working in many harsh New York winters.

The new engine, worth \$870,000, features a 95-foot ladder with a basket at the top and several other features that have firefighters giddy about their new vehicle.

Chrome-colored compartments line both sides of the engine and store equipment such as oxygen tanks, first aid supplies and litters. A black and gold U.S. Army emblem decorates both sides of the red truck.

But as tricked out as the new engine is, it greatly enhances the fire department's ability to respond to emergencies, Krieger said, especially at a post with historic architecture.

"The way the quarters are here with the historic homes, it is hard to get to some of the angles (with ground ladders)," Krieger said. "If someone is on the third floor, it can be hard to get to them or to some of the attic spaces."

The basket at the top of the ladder makes rescues and fighting fires on upper floors and roofs much safer than the old truck that had just a regular rung ladder.

The basket can hold up to 1,000 pounds, and an air tank on the arm that extends the basket helps firefighters stay connected to clean air without having to haul heavy oxygen tanks. A special nozzle can spray up to 1,500 gallons of water per minute. A nozzle on the main part of the truck can spray up to 2,000 gallons of water per minute.

The truck is given more stability with a balance mechanism that looks like a set of legs that extend from the sides of the truck to keep



West Point fire fighters demonstrate the capabilities of a new ladder truck by inspecting the roof of Gillis Field House last week. The truck gives the West Point Fire and Emergency Services a safer, more advanced option when fighting fires.

it from tipping over when the ladder is extended.

"With the new technology, you almost can't operate it unless it is safe," Krieger said.

Sensors detect the engine's footing and also help with safely stowing the 95-foot ladder after use.

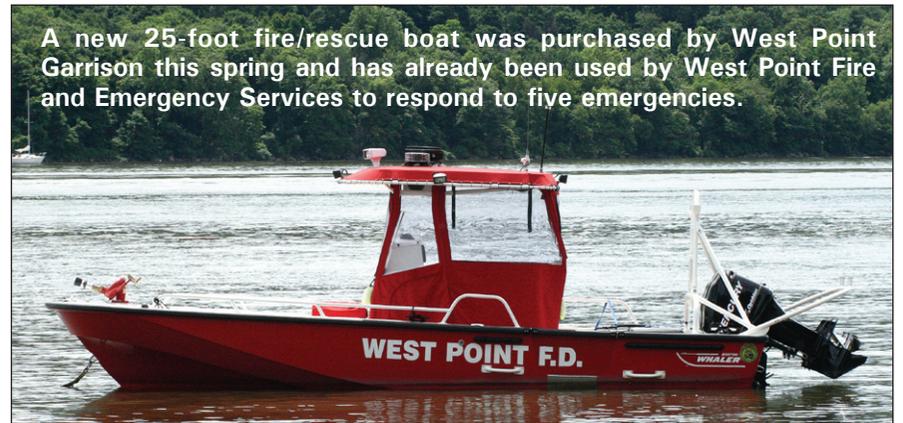
The new engine is kept at the fire station on Stony Lonesome Road and has not yet been required for an emergency.

Firefighters have been training to learn how to drive and operate the engine. All 55 West Point firefighters know how each part of the engine operates.

"When you go to an emergency, you don't want there to be a debate," Krieger said. "You want it to be second nature."

All 55 firefighters also know how to operate the new fire/rescue boat, which was purchased by West Point's Garrison and delivered in March.

The 25-foot bright red boat, which is moored at South Dock, already has been called to respond to five emergencies including boats in distress and a threatened suicide on Bear Mountain Bridge. The boat, which is worth \$125,000, doubles the fire department's capability to respond to emergencies on the Hudson River and area lakes and ponds. DES maintains a 16-foot boat, which now will mainly be used for the smaller



A new 25-foot fire/rescue boat was purchased by West Point Garrison this spring and has already been used by West Point Fire and Emergency Services to respond to five emergencies.

bodies of water.

While the smaller boat was used for emergencies on the Hudson, it wasn't always strong enough to withstand tough currents or weather. It also had no lights for night use and had no equipment with which to fight fires. The new boat's technology and equipment solves all of those problems.

All of West Point's firefighters have completed a New York state boater's safety course and are certified to operate the boat.

The boat will be called into action for the July 4 festivities, including a free West Point Band concert and fireworks, at Trophy Point, so it can be ready in case an emergency takes place.

Behind the scenes with DOL at R-Day 2009

By Bill Latta and Carolyn Roper
Directorate of Logistics

On Monday, from all across the fruited plain, 1,304 new cadets travelled to the Hudson Valley for what would be their initial indoctrination into the U.S. Military. Getting the new cadets ready to take their Oath of Allegiance did not happen by accident, but took a great deal of planning to ensure that Reception Day 2009 was nearly flawless in execution. Much of this execution fell on the shoulders of the staff of the Directorate of Logistics.

Not long after R-Day last year, planning, acquisition and manufacturing began within DOL to prepare for Monday's R-Day. Everything from head-to-toe was issued to the new class of cadet candidates within just a few hours, including a haircut. Logistics at West Point covers a wide variety of services and activities—the feeding, clothing and transporting (over ground and water) of cadets; the outfitting of new cadets with weapons and combat gear; and the cutting of their hair and doing their laundry and dry cleaning.

While most people are tracking graduation starting May 1, the DOL folks start serious planning for R-Day.

The request lists for all the equipment

to be distributed to new cadets receives a complete update from the previous year. The number of personnel needed to distribute this equipment is calculated, usually near 100. So, in addition to 50 volunteers from within the Garrison, the Logistics Support Services Organization—Warehouse put a call out and got the assistance of 45 Army Reservists from Fort Bragg N.C.

The new candidates and their Families and friends get around West Point using the DOL transportation system (e.g.—shuttle busses), which includes planning the routes and staffing the candidate shuttles, which needed to remain separate from the parents' tour buses. West Point Tours provides transportation to make this portion of the task workable, since at least 20 different buses are used before R-Day is over.

The Cadet Mess prepares lunch, knowing there is 30 minutes for the new cadets to eat. Since they are used to feeding about 4,400 cadets in less than 30 minutes, serving about 1,300 was not a big challenge, but logistics still had to be worked out.

The Cadet Uniform Factory makes all of the cadet-specific uniform items and has the new candidates measured and fitted by the Oath Ceremony. This included hemming trousers, fitting waistbands and other basic tailoring.



A seamstress makes alterations to a pair of gray trousers Monday in the basement of Washington Hall. The new cadets were fitted with their uniforms and alterations were made as needed.

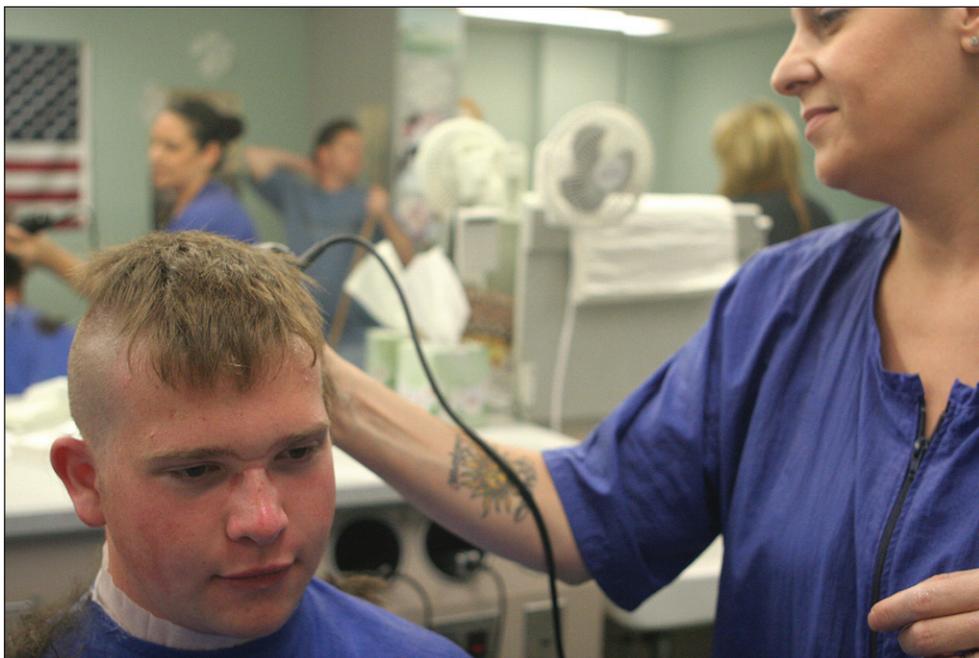
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The Harborcraft group provides ferry service to Constitution Island to allow Family and friends to gain a more historical perspective of West Point.

The Supply and Warehouse branch experiences their busiest day on R-Day. Everything they have amassed over the previous year is issued from staged boxes and boxes of shoes, boots, hats, T-shirts, underwear, swim wear, duffle bags—all prepositioned for issue at stations in Thayer Hall.

And, of course, the Cadet Barber Shop brings in additional barbers for all the haircuts that have to be completed by the end of the day. It is a special place for the cadets—the last place they will be able to relax for a moment.

A great deal of planning goes into making R-Day happen. It's not just that it happens; it's that it happens without a hitch or missed step. DOL's goal for every R-Day is uniformity among the cadet candidates by the Oath Ceremony.



A new cadet gets his first "military" haircut at the Cadet Barbershop as part of his inprocessing during Reception Day Monday. The barber gave this new cadet a mohawk before taking it down to the standard length for Cadet Basic Training.



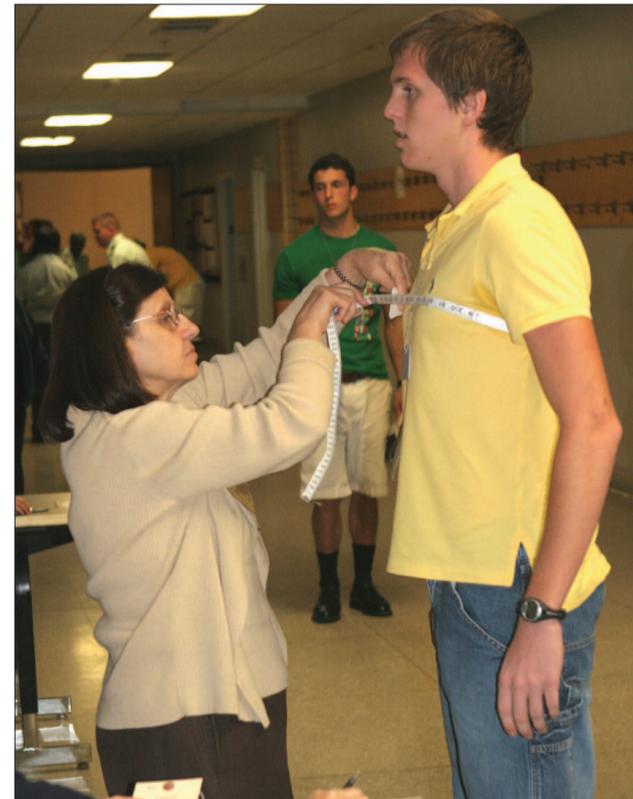
A new cadet takes some turkey from a serving platter Monday in the Cadet Mess Hall.

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R-DAY: Class of 2013 enters West Point

Firstie Kelly McKeon corrects a new cadet who is learning to report to a superior. It is one of hundreds of things that the new cadets will learn this summer during six-and-a-half weeks of Cadet Basic Training.



A tailor measures a new cadet during R-Day at Thayer Hall. New cadets were issued their uniforms during the first day of inprocessing.



A bushy-haired new cadet receives his first haircut from barber Tony Davis at the Cadet Barbershop during R-Day inprocessing Monday. Barbers gave 944 haircuts to the Class of 2013 during its inprocessing.

Story and photos by
Sgt. Vincent Fusco
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Communications

The U.S. Corps of Cadets population grew by 1,297 as a class of new cadets started day one of its 47-month West Point experience on Reception Day Monday.

Eyes were on the sky looking for rain, but this year's R-Day was a sweltering, busy day for the new cadets and cadet cadre. Cadet candidates started their day at Eisenhower Hall, waiting with family and friends to enter for the orientation brief.

The heat and humidity weren't the only things at their peak; the new cadets were excited and eager to begin their day as soon as they arrived.

"I'm a little nervous, anxious to get started," an O'Fallon, Ill., candidate said. "Once I start to calm down, I'll be ready to go."

He would like to make the lacrosse team while at West Point and brought his lacrosse sticks with him. His father, an Air Force veteran, was beaming with pride for his son that day.

"This is pretty impressive," he said. "He's hooked his own destiny."

Another cadet candidate, from Shrewsbury, Mass., was also anxious to get started. He has been training for the physical rigors of West Point with long runs and lots of push-ups and sit-ups.

"Nobody in my Family's been in the military before," he remarked.

"They've all been very supportive. My mom was a little nervous at first."

After receiving their brief at Eisenhower Hall, the cadet candidates said goodbye to family and friends, tagged their bags and boarded buses for Thayer Hall, the site of inprocessing with clothing issue, filling out paperwork and taking care of medical issues.

Once new cadets successfully navigated the maze of inprocessing rooms, they marched to the Cadet Barbershop for their first haircuts, and then were brought to Central Area to begin training in drill and ceremony.

They learned how to salute, stand in formation, march and report to superior cadets.

By Monday evening, their transformation was complete. More than a thousand young men and women from different walks of life had become the Class of 2013, wearing the cadet white-over-gray and marching in formation to Battle Monument.

There, before their friends and family who saw them off in the morning, they recited the Oath of Allegiance.

They made it through their first day of an incredible journey to become new leaders of character.

Included in the Class of 2013 were 190 women, more than 330 minority candidates, 18 international cadets and 24 combat veterans who served in the Global War on Terrorism. The incoming class was selected from a pool of more than 11,000 applicants.



New cadets study their New Cadet Handbook while waiting to leave the barbershop during R-Day inprocessing Monday. New cadets use every available moment to study the handbook and are tested on their knowledge throughout Cadet Basic Training.



Cow Kevin Hoecherl teaches the new cadets drill and ceremony during R-Day activities in Central Area Monday.

What's Happening

West Point Boys Basketball Camp

The West Point Boys Basketball Camp takes place Sunday-Thursday for boys ages 8-18. Overnight and day slots are available.

For more information, contact Capt. Sean O'Keefe at 938-2419 or sean.okeefe@usma.edu. Ask about military, staff and faculty discounts.

Gymnastics day camp

The West Point Gymnastics Club is offering gymnastics day camp for children ages 7 and older Monday-July 10 and July 13-17.

There will be cheerleading and tumbling camps offered as well for those two weeks.

Camp times, fees and paperwork needed to participate can be found at www.westpointgymnasticsclub.com.

Sales associate needed

A sales associate is needed to work weekends in the DUSA Gift Shop inside the West Point Museum. Applications are available in the shop.

Sale

The USMA Bookstore is hosting

an art supply and book clearance sale. The bookstore is located on the fourth floor of Thayer Hall.

For more information, call 938-5193.

Closures

Mine Torne Road is scheduled to be closed to accommodate Cadet Summer Training from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday and July 16, 5:30-8:30 a.m. Tuesday and July 18, and 3-7 a.m. July 26.

Lake Popolopen will remain open for fishing.

For more information, call Alec Lazore, Range Control manager, at 938-3007.

Quadricentennial Golf Outing

The Quadricentennial Golf Outing is scheduled for Tuesday at the West Point Golf Course. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m., a shotgun start is scheduled for 11 a.m., and a barbecue dinner will be served at 5 p.m.

For more information, including prices, call (914) 345-0601, ext. 146, or e-mail pr@hvmag.com.

Summer Playground Fun

Protestant Women of the Chapel is hosting Summer Playground Fun at 9:30-11 a.m. Wednesdays throughout the summer.

West Point children are invited to attend.

The group will meet at Biddle Loop playground Wednesday, New Brick playground July 15, Lee Road playground July 22, West Point Elementary School playground July 29 and Biddle Loop playground Aug. 5.

Parents should bring water and sunblock for their children.

For more information, call Teki Snel at 446-5920 or twc8454465920@earthlink.net.

Young Life summer camps

Registration has begun for Young Life's Wyldlife Summer Camp, which takes place July 30-Aug. 3 at Lake Champion. Sixth, seventh and eighth graders are eligible to attend.

Ninth-12th graders may attend the Young Life Summer Camp July 19-24 in Rockbridge, Va.

For more information, contact Nate Cox at 938-5386 or visit www.oneill.younglife.com.

Bible study

The Protestant Women of the Chapel summer Bible study takes place at 7 p.m. Thursday nights at the Post Chapel on Biddle Loop.

The group will study "Believing

God" by Beth Moore.

For more information or to receive a book for the study, contact Robin Meyer at 446-8798 or robinmeyer@hvc.rr.com.

Volunteer facilitators needed

The Professional Military Ethic Education program of the Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic is looking for volunteer facilitators.

Lesson plans and resources are provided for each class, and preparatory sessions for facilitators are conducted one week before each class.

Classes take place one-three times per month during the Commandant's Hour, 12:50-1:45 p.m. For more information, contact Maj. Chad DeBos at 938-3028 or chad.debos@usma.edu.

Raffle

American Legion Post 28 is raffling a motorcycle made by Orange County Choppers to raise money for Families of Deploying New York and Vermont National Guard Soldiers.

For more information about purchasing tickets, call Jason Brownfield at (802) 673-9712.

Canoe program

All members of the West Point community older than 7 may participate in the public canoe programs in Constitution Marsh, which is located across the Hudson River from West Point.

These guided programs are about three hours long and take place on some week nights and weekend mornings and evenings throughout the summer.

No experience is required, and equipment is provided. Reservations are required.

For more information, including prices to participate, visit www.constitutionmarsh.org and click on the event calendar.

Make reservations by e-mailing marshschedule@gmail.com or calling 265-2601, ext. 15.

Religious education

The West Point community is invited to attend religious education classes at the Catholic Chapel. Classes are available for 4-year-olds through adults and begin Sept. 13.

Most classes will be held 9-10:30 a.m. Sundays on the third floor of Thayer Hall.

The pre-K class will meet 9-10 a.m. Sundays in the chapel's Cloister Room. Registration is underway at the Religious Education Office in the Cloister Room. Catechists still are needed.

For more information, contact Cindy Ragsdale at 938-8761 or cynthia.ragsdale@usma.edu.

Legal education program

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is now accepting applications for the Army's

Funded Legal Education Program. Under this program, the Army projects to send up to 25 active duty commissioned officers to law school, at government expense, if funding permits. Selected officers will attend law school beginning in the fall of 2010 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Chapter 14, AR 27-1 (The Judge Advocate General's Funded Legal Education Program) to determine their eligibility. This program is open to commissioned officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain. Applicants must have at least two, but not more than six years of total active Federal service at the time legal training begins.

Eligible officers interested in applying should immediately register for the earliest offering of the Law School Admission Test. Applicants must send their request through command channels, to include the officer's branch manager at Human Resources Command, with a copy furnished to the Office of The Judge Advocate General, ATTN: DAJA-PT (Ms. Yvonne Caron-10th Floor), 1777 North Kent Street, Rosslyn, VA 22209-2194.

The application copy should be received before Nov. 1. Submission of the application well in advance of the deadline is advised.

Interested officers should contact the USMA Office of the Staff Judge Advocate for further information at 938-3205.

Eagle Scout project

An Eagle Scout project is underway to salvage landscaping materials from Stony Lonesome I housing area after current residents move out.

West Point residents who would like landscaping timbers, fencing, patio pavers or plants or who would like to help with the project can contact Dax Gerber at eagledax1@hotmail.com.

Bookstore summer hours

The USMA Bookstore, located on the fourth floor of Thayer Hall, is observing summer hours and will be open 9 a.m.-3 p.m. weekdays.

Arvin special hours

The Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center will be open 5:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and is closed Sunday.

Crisis line

Soldiers and their Families can be provided up to 12 free, face-to-face, short-term counseling sessions through the Military One Source Crisis Line.

For more information, call 800-342-9647. A Spanish line is available at 877-888-0727.

For more information, visit www.militaryonesource.com.

BBC LifeWorks events

Create Your Own Ice Cream Sundae

Meet new friends while you enjoy ice cream at 132 Bartlett Loop from 2-3:30 p.m. Tuesday. Pile on syrup, sprinkles, candy, nuts and fruit to create your own delicious ice cream sundaes.

This event is for 5th-8th graders, please call Jodi Gellman at 446-6407 no later than Sunday to R.S.V.P.

Teddy Bear Par-tea

Join us for a children's "Par-tea" from 10-11:30 a.m. July 10. Children are encouraged to dress up and to bring their favorite dressed teddy bears.

A prize will be awarded for the best dressed bear. Enjoy teddy bear sandwiches, teddy bear cookies and drink iced tea with your "Beary" special friends.

Call Jodi Gellman at 446-6407 no later than Monday as reservations are limited.

NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

Friday -- Drag Me To Hell, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday -- Theater Closed.

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

Command Channel

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July 2-9

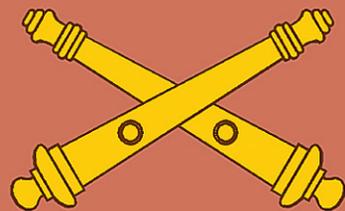
Army Newswatch
(broadcast times)
Thursday-Friday,
Monday-Wednesday,
July 9
8:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and
7 p.m.

Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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THE WEST POINT BAND PRESENTS

Star Spangled Spectacular
With Cannon and Fireworks



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JUNE share prices (as of 6/29)

C Fund	—	+ 0.40	(10.8699)
S Fund	—	+ 0.57	(13.1917)
I Fund	—	+ 0.54	(15.2800)

FMWR Blurbs

Summer swimming

Delafield and Round Pond summer swim passes are on sale now at Delafield Pond, Round Pond (administration office) and the ITR office.

Delafield Pond is open 11 a.m.-6 p.m. and Round Pond 12-6 p.m.

The ponds are open 7 days a week.

For more information call, 938-5158.

Summer reading program

The West Point Post Library summer reading program still has available openings.

The program runs through July 31. The program is open to all WP community children ages 3-12.

For more information, call 938-2974.

ACS Employment Readiness Program

Keller Corner

KACH July closures

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed Friday (Independence Day) and Monday (training holiday).

The emergency room will remain open.

Have you heard of ECHO?

Active Duty Family members who are homebound or have serious medical or mental disabilities are entitled to supplemental TRICARE coverage under the Extended Care Health Option.

Special education, assistive services and training on assistive technology devices are just a few of the benefits offered through ECHO. Enrollment in the Exceptional Family Member Program is required.

For more information, visit the TRICARE ECHO Web site page at www.tricare.mil/echo/default.cfm, or contact Health Net Federal Services at 877-874-2273.

To Prevent health care errors, patients are urged to ... SPEAK UP

• Speak up if you have questions or concerns. If you still don't understand, ask again. It's your body and you have a right to know;

• Pay attention to the care you get. Always make sure you're getting the right treatments and medicines by the right health care professionals. Don't assume anything;

• Educate yourself about your illness. Learn about the medical tests you get and

Two opportunities for professional development are offered by the ACS Employment Readiness Program: Professional Writing—10-11:30 a.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, July 9, 14, 16 and Facebook for Professionals—11:30 a.m-1 p.m., July 29. Both professional development classes will be held at the Education Center, Bldg. 683.

Facebook for Parents is scheduled for 10-11:30 a.m., July 30 and will be held at ACS Bldg. 622. Registration is required.

For more information, call 938-5658.

Youth Center Summer Saturdays

The Youth Center is open to grades 1-4 Saturdays, 12-3 p.m., through August 15.

For more information, call 938-3727.

Kids' Photo Contest

ACS is sponsoring a Kids' Photo Contest

your treatment plan;

• Ask a trusted Family member or friend to be your advocate (advisor or supporter);

• Know what medicines you take and why you take them. Medicine errors are the most common health care mistakes;

• Use a hospital, clinic, surgery center, or other type of health care organization that has been carefully checked out;

• Participate in all decisions about your treatment. You are the center of the health care team.

H1N1 Update

There is not much change in the H1N1 situation at West Point. Keller Army Community Hospital has tested 175 people for influenza since May 25.

There are 15 confirmed H1N1 cases, 19 probable H1N1 cases and two that were not H1N1, but were positive for other types of flu, for a total of 36 cases. The last person to develop symptoms was a probable case on June 19 and there have been no new cases since then.

Prevention at West Point has worked. Don't let up. There will be a number of visitors throughout the summer and those who were here for R-Day and some of those visitors could be infected and contagious.

Also, there are some personnel here who may have H1N1 right now, but have so few symptoms they don't know they have it.

So keep up the good work and wash your hands.

in honor of Family Fun Month.

It is open to military and civilian dependent children under 18 years of age.

Children are asked to submit favorite photos of their Families having fun together.

The deadline for submission is July 31. Photos will be on display at ACS until the winners are announced in mid-August.

Check out the ACS Web site at www.westpointmwr.com for more information, including rules and submission form/instructions.

For more information, call 938-0233.

ACS Employment Readiness Summer Class Schedule

• Tuesday, 1:30-3 p.m.—Interview and Dress for Success;

• July 10, 10-11:30 a.m.—Medical Transcription Information Session;

• July 10, 1:30-3 p.m.—Preparing a Federal Resume;

• July 16, 8:30 a.m.-noon—Interviews hosted at ACS for employment with Occupations Inc. & Family Empowerment;

• Aug. 20, 8:30 a.m.-noon—Interviews hosted at ACS for employment with Occupations Inc. & Family Empowerment;

• Aug. 21, 10-11:30 a.m.—Medical Transcription Information Session.

All classes will be held at ACS, Bldg. 622.

To register, call 938-5658.

Morgan Farm

Morgan Farm Kennels and Stables, which offers many different services for West Point and the surrounding communities, are open to the general public and offer pet kenneling for the four-legged members of the Family—dogs, cats and other pets.

Morgan Farm has reasonable rates, a convenient location and dog grooming and still has openings available in the summer camps riding programs—both 3- and 5-day camps.

Riding lessons are also offered on a weekly basis and 10 percent deployed Family member discounts offered on riding programs.

All services by appointment only.

For more information, call 938-3926.

English classes

ACS is hosting English Language Learners, an English-as-a-second-language class, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays through July 21.

Classes are held at ACS, Bldg. 622.

For more information, call the Relocation

Readiness Program at 938-3487.

Running group

A beginner's running group meets at 8 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the South Dock. Strollers are welcome.

Sign-up at the MWR Fitness Center or call Kristine Hays at 859-4965.

Triathlon training group

A women's triathlon training group will meet through Aug. 30 to prepare for the Diamond Girl New York All-Women's Sprint Triathlon at Harriman State Park/Lake Sebago.

The group is led by Certified Personal Trainer Dana White.

For more information, including fee to participate, e-mail teamwhitefitness@gmail.com or call the FMWR Fitness Center at 938-6490.

West Point Community and Wellness Fair

The West Point Community and Wellness Fair will take place at 5-7 p.m. July 29 at the Eisenhower Hall Ballroom.

Come meet with representatives from community agencies, organizations and local businesses.

The superintendent and the garrison commander require all newly assigned personnel to attend the Superintendent and Garrison Commander's Welcome Address in Eisenhower Hall Theatre immediately following the fair from 7-8:30 p.m.

Free child care and youth services are available from 4:45-8:45 p.m.

Registration for child care is required no later than July 20.

Call 938-4458 to register at the Child Development Center (children 6 weeks-5 years).

To register for child care at Youth Services (children 6 years and up), call 938-3727.

Proof of current immunization required.

For more information on the Community Fair, call ACS at 938-4621.

Auto Safety Training

Auto Safety Training is now mandatory for all self help patrons at West Point Auto.

Training sessions will be held Wednesday through Saturday 30 minutes after opening.

This training is free and will cover lift safety, shop safety, proper disposal of fluids and include a tour of the shop and over view of shop rules.

For more information, call 938-2074.

Independence Day events around the area, West Point

Compiled by
Kathy Eastwood

The custom of celebrating the United States Independence began in Philadelphia in 1777, one year after the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Philadelphians celebrated by adjourning congress early and lighting bonfires, ringing bells and igniting fireworks.

The custom of celebrating Independence Day spread to other communities who marked the occasion with parades, oratory, military displays and fireworks. Independence Day celebrations have continually been held for 233 years. However, it wasn't until 1941 that Congress declared July 4 a legal Federal holiday.

Below is a list of celebrations to be held at West Point and the surrounding communities during the Fourth of July Weekend.

West Point

The West Point Band presents a free concert at 8 p.m. Saturday. The concert, the "Star Spangled Spectacular," will include the music of John Phillip Sousa and other patriotic favorites. The concert will close with the performance of the popular Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture with fireworks and live cannon fire.

Drivers should enter at Stony Lonesome and Thayer gates and allow extra travel time for the 100 percent vehicle and photo I.D. inspection for anyone 16 years old and older.

Because of changing security requirements at West Point, call the Academy Band's hotline at 938-2617 or check www.westpoint.edu/special before leaving for the concert.

Highland Falls

Today

- 6 p.m.—Pee Wee races, Roe Park;
- 6:15 p.m.—Decorated bicycle contest, Roe Park;
- 6:30 p.m.—Canoe Races, Roe Park.

Friday

- 5 p.m.—Strawberry shortcake sale, Highland Falls library;
- 6 p.m.—Bed races, Main Street at Village Hall;
- 6:30 p.m.—Tricycle races, Main Street at Village Hall;
- 7 p.m.—Carnival (games, etc.) Main Street at Village Hall.

Saturday

- 10 a.m.—Little League All-Star Classic, Ed Lewis Field, Roe Park;
- 11:30 a.m.—Ponytail League, All-Star game, Brooks Park;
- 3:30 p.m.—Parade, Main Street;
- 5 p.m.—Children's Idol sing-off;
- 5:30 p.m.—Adult Idol sing-off;
- 5-8 p.m.—Native American Indians, music, games, food, sand art, face painting;
- 5-9 p.m.—Family Activities at Roe Park;
- 6 p.m.—Brazilian Martial Arts demonstration;
- 6:15 p.m.—Magic show, Merlin the Magical Clown;
- 6:45 p.m.—Acapella performance by Juxtaposition;
- 9:15 p.m.—Fireworks at Roe Park.

Town of Newburgh

Today

Community Day at Cronomer Park will feature several local restaurants providing food, bouncy room for children and fireworks. Festivities begin at 6 p.m.

City of Newburgh

Saturday



West Point is offering a free concert Saturday to be performed by the West Point Band. The concert, the "Star Spangled Spectacular," will include the music of John Phillip Sousa and other patriotic favorites. The concert will close with the performance of the popular Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture with fireworks and live cannon fire. Call 938-2617 or check www.westpoint.edu/special for more information.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

Today

- Noon-6 p.m.—Art show on the river;
- 6-9 p.m.—Music at the waterfront;
- Around 9 p.m.—Fireworks at dusk.

New Windsor

New Windsor Cantonment and Knox's Headquarters will present a weekend filled with Revolutionary War activities.

The Cantonment will demonstrate the firing of cannons and muskets at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday as well as blacksmithing and children's activities.

Knox's Headquarters offers a tour through the beautiful 1754 Ellison House and will present small cannon fire at 1:15 and 4:15 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

At 3 p.m. Saturday, the Cantonment invites visitors to help read the Declaration of Independence.

Following the reading, the 7th Massachusetts Regiment will fire a 'feu-de-joie,' a ceremonial firing of muskets in honor of Independence Day. Throughout each day, authentically dressed Soldiers and civilians will share stories of life from that time.

Knox's Headquarters, at the Ellison house, honors the site's namesake, General Henry Knox, Washington's Chief of Artillery, with the firing of a 4.5 inch bronze coehorn mortar at 1:15 and 4:15 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

This mortar, designed to be carried by two men, fires a grenade-size exploding ball.

For more information, call New Windsor Cantonment at 561-1765 or Knox's Headquarters at 561-5498.

Cornwall

Saturday

- 9-11 a.m.—Pet show;
- All day—Children's Fourth of July art show;
- All day—Inflatable rides;
- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.—Lobster sale;
- 10 a.m.-4 p.m.—Cornwall Independence Day crafts fair;
- 10 a.m.-4 p.m.—Cornwall Historical Society open house inside the town hall;
- 11 a.m.-noon—Children's games;
- 11 a.m.-3 p.m.—Pati's Pony rides;
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m.—Sands Ring Homestead open house;
- Noon-3 p.m.—Face painting;
- Noon-1 p.m.—Pie eating contest;
- 2 p.m.—*Let freedom ring*-Cornwall's church bells;
- 2:05 p.m.—Sam the Magician;
- 2:45 p.m.—Band, Push;
- 3:30 p.m.—Macaroni the clown;
- 3:30-4 p.m.—Reading of the Declaration of Independence (St. John's Episcopal Church);
- 4:30 p.m.—Main Street mile race;
- 5 p.m.—Cornwall Independence Day Parade;
- 5:30 p.m.—Main Street Mile awards ceremony;
- 6 p.m.—Love Notes Acapella Singers;
- 6:15 p.m.—Flag ceremony: Pledge of Allegiance, National Anthem;
- 6:30 p.m.—Cornwall Independence Day Historical Pageant;
- 7:30-8:30 p.m.—Organ recital of

patriotic and American Music (St. John's Episcopal Church);

- 7:30-9:30 p.m.—Cornwall Reunion Band;

- 9:45 p.m.—Fireworks.

Washington's Headquarters-Newburgh

Saturday

Pack a picnic basket and gather the Family and friends for a celebration of Independence Day. Visit the museum and Washington Headquarters for a free tour.

Entertainment will be provided by Ryan Dutcher, juggler and magician extraordinaire.

The Golden Songsters will entertain with an acapella performance of old favorites. The festivities are from noon-5 p.m.

The grounds will be open at night for a great view of the city of Newburgh's fireworks.

Rhinebeck

Friday

Demolition Derby and fireworks show will be at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds.

Saturday

Demolition Derby, Hudson Valley Philharmonic and fireworks will begin at dusk. Bring blankets and lawn chairs.

Other activities available include children's games, carnival rides, petting zoo, pony riders and frog jumping. Homemade apple pies and other great food also will be available.

No outside food, coolers or pets allowed.

Big turn out for Coaches Caravan; four more scheduled

By Ryan Yanoshak
Athletic Communications

The Army Athletic Association's Coaches Caravan stopped in Poughkeepsie June 25 and greeted a large crowd outside the metro train station.

Army women's basketball coach Dave Magarity, golf coach Jimmy Ray Clevenger, swimming and diving coach Mickey Wender and football wide receivers' coach Andy Guyader, as well as members of Army's marketing staff, were on hand during the two-hour visit.

The caravan is a new community outreach program established by the Army Athletic Association to allow fans to meet and greet Army's head coaches, gather information about Black Knights' athletic events, become eligible for free tickets and purchase tickets for the upcoming football season.

The June 25 visit was at Dooley Square near the Poughkeepsie Train Station and was held in conjunction with Radio Disney 1390.

There are four additional caravans scheduled for this summer in and around the Hudson Valley. Other dates and locations include: Kids Camps at the Middletown Galleria, noon-2 p.m. Tuesday; the Poughkeepsie Galleria, 5-7 p.m. July 15; Kids Camps at the Poughkeepsie Galleria, noon-2 p.m. July 21; and the Middletown Galleria, 5-7 p.m. July 29.

Fans in attendance will have the chance to buy season tickets for the upcoming football season, a slate that includes promotions at all six home games.

Season ticket plans begin at just \$99.



Army women's basketball coach Dave Magarity joined forces with three other Army coaches for the Army Athletic Association's Coaches Caravan June 25 in Poughkeepsie. There will be four more Coaches Caravan opportunities during the summer to meet Army head coaches.

ERIC S. BARTELT/PV

Army Athletics and Woodbury Common team up

By Ryan Yanoshak
Athletic Communications

The Army Athletic Association and Woodbury Common Premium Outlets are teaming up, and fans and shoppers will benefit.

The agreement between Army and Woodbury Common Premium Outlets will include ticket specials, huge savings and tabling opportunities.

As part of the partnership, any fan who purchases a Rutgers "two-pack" will receive a voucher that can be redeemed for a VIP coupon book from the 220 store outlet center. The coupon book can save shoppers hundreds of dollars at participating stores.

Tickets for the Rutgers contest are being sold in "two-

packs."

Check with the Army ticket office (877-TIX-ARMY) for prices.

In addition to the Oct. 23 game against the Scarlet Knights, fans will get tickets for either the Duke (Sept. 12) or VMI (Nov. 14) contest as part of the "two-pack."

Members of the Army marketing and ticketing staffs will be available at Woodbury Common Premium Outlets on select dates this summer to allow fans to purchase tickets, scout seat locations and answer questions.

Army staff members will be available from noon-5 p.m. by the Gazebo located in Red Apple Court on July 18, Aug. 1 and Aug. 15.

In addition, Army football schedules will be available at Woodbury Common Premium Outlet Information booths.



Army fans can purchase a Rutgers "two-pack" that will allow them to go to another Army football game in 2009 and receive a VIP coupon book for Woodbury Common.

ERIC S. BARTELT/PV

Woodbury Common Premium Outlets is the world's largest collection of designer and name-brand outlet stores and is located just an hour north of Manhattan off the N.Y. State Thruway at exit 16, Harriman.

Woodbury Common Premium Outlets is open daily from 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

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