

Advanced first aid part of new cadets' training



New cadets from Hotel Company practice Soldier First Responder (advanced first aid) techniques July 10 on the apron in front of MacArthur Barracks. This is the first time this training has been part of Cadet Basic Training. Here, the cadets are training on massive hemorrhaging below the left knee and other wounds. Those cadets giving aid are using tourniquets and pressure to help stem the bleeding. Additionally, they learned to transport wounded Soldiers on litters and on their backs. The new cadets alternated as patients, those applying first aid techniques and those observing and giving directions to their peers. Cadre monitored their progress and ensured that the proper material was taught and executed.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

Re-enlistment options limited for remainder of fiscal year

By C. Todd Lopez
Army News Service

In an effort to slow the momentum of what has been an exceptionally productive year in recruiting and retention, the Army has limited re-enlistment options during the last three months of fiscal year 2009.

“Due to the Army’s great success in growing the force and meeting and exceeding our retention mission, the Army has been taking steps to slow retention and overproduction for the remainder of the fiscal year,” Sgt. Maj. Dean Drummond, Army senior career counselor, G-1 Army Retention, said. “These steps have included reductions in retention bonuses, reductions in the number of military occupational specialties eligible for a selective re-enlistment bonus, suspension of the retention mission and most recently, two-year re-enlistments.”

In a DA retention policy message released June 25, the Army spelled out changes to re-enlistment option eligibility. According to the policy message, if Soldiers want to re-enlist between June 27 and Sept. 30, they may be limited to a two-year re-enlistment under the “Regular Army Re-enlistment” option.

By the beginning of fiscal year 2010, which begins Oct. 1, the Army will rescind the policy memo and reinstate all regular re-enlistment options, Drummond said.

“The total concept of what we are doing, keeping five options available for Soldiers, is not going to change,” Drummond said. “What this does is just eliminate the options that they may have been able to receive for the remainder of this year and move them until Oct. 1.”

The four re-enlistment options off the table until the end of the fiscal year include the current station stabilization re-enlistment,

the Army training re-enlistment, the overseas assignment re-enlistment and the CONUS station-of-choice re-enlistment.

According to the policy message, there are exceptions to the temporary policy. Soldiers scheduled to return before Oct. 31 from overseas contingency operations such as Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom are exempt and are entitled to all re-enlistment options.

“It does not affect those units,” Drummond said. “We have a number of units out there from the brigade combat teams all the way down to battalion and company levels with unit identification codes that are deployed. Those Soldiers that are out there are eligible to receive all options as if nothing has changed—as long as they are redeploying prior to Oct. 31.”

Additional exemptions from the temporary
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New CDC coming soon, use caution

Dunover Court housing area, located on Buckner Loop, is being demolished to make way for the \$5 million, 15,085 square-foot Child Development Center. The area was formerly housing for unaccompanied officers, noncommissioned officers and single Army coaches. Throughout the demolition and the future construction, vehicles and pedestrians on Buckner Loop should use caution and obey traffic signs and flag people if passing through the construction area. The tentative groundbreaking for the new CDC is slated for September.

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Orientation of Newly Assigned Personnel for 2009

Schedule of Events

July 24 8 a.m.-1 p.m. — West Point Fortification Tour	Starting at South Dock
July 27 8 a.m.-1 p.m. — West Point Fortification Tour	Starting at South Dock
July 29 9 a.m.-1 p.m. — Superintendent's Seminar	Robinson Auditorium
5-7 p.m. — Community/Wellness Fair	Eisenhower Hall Ballroom
7-8 p.m. — Superintendent's and Garrison Commander's Community Welcome	Eisenhower Hall Theatre
Aug. 11 3 p.m. — Superintendent's Newcomer Reception	Grand Ballroom, West Point Club
3:40-5 p.m. — Quarters 100 Tours	Quarters 100

Safety Center adds 2 Web-based tools for deployed Soldiers

From staff reports

FORT RUCKER, Ala.—The U.S. Army Combat Readiness/Safety Center has launched two new Web applications to better assist leaders and Soldiers in mitigating risk while forward deployed to areas with limited internet connectivity and/or access to unsecured networks.

The Safety Center's homepage is now available in a "lite" capacity, meaning the page only has the elements that are necessary to help users find the information they are looking for and forgoes the flare of the standard homepage. This will allow Soldiers in remote locations with limited internet connectivity to access the tools and resources they need by reducing download times.

"Every new tool, program or application is an opportunity for us to bring the elements of composite risk management closer to our Soldiers," Brig. Gen. Bill Wolf, director for Army

Safety and commanding general of the USACR/Safety Center, said. "Identifying, assessing and mitigating the risk involved in combat operations is paramount in reducing the chance of a Soldier being injured or killed in an accident."

In addition to the new "lite" site, the Safety Center has also made its Ground Risk Assessment Tool available on the Secret Internet Protocol Network allowing units to incorporate safety into their mission planning on the secure network.

GRAT is an interactive Web-based tool that allows users to produce a Composite Risk Management worksheet by using statistics and information from units Army-wide. The interactive worksheet provides users with a selection of potential accident hazards and controls for various ground operations.

"We are continually modifying

and adapting our tools and programs, as well as looking for new opportunities, to best assist our Soldiers both deployed and at home in mitigating risk," Wolf said. "We want to arm our Soldiers with as much information as possible to help them make better, more informed decisions about their safety and the safety of others, ultimately protecting our Army's greatest combat resource."

More information about the Safety Center or these tools can be found on its Web site.

The Web address for the "lite" site is <https://safety.army.mil/lite>.

GRAT-S can be assessed by visiting <http://safety.army.smil.mil/grat-s> from the SIPRNET.

Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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Rules: Fill in the empty cells with the digits 1-9 so that no digit appears twice in the same row, column, or 3-by-3 box.

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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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Eisenhower Hall 2009-10 season offers something for everyone

By Richard Storey
Cultural Arts Specialist

Eisenhower Hall Theatre announces its all-new 2009-10 season. Ike Hall will offer 11 shows as part of its regularly scheduled performances, and two convenient subscription packages.

“There really is a lot to like at Ike,” Col. Craig Flowers, director of Cadet Activities, under whom the Eisenhower Hall Theatre operates, said. “Ike Hall is the best entertainment value in the area, including NYC. What our theatre and restaurant teams have accomplished together over the last 49 shows is remarkable.

“During the previous three years, our friends in the local media have embraced us like no other time in the theatre’s history,” Flowers said. “Cumulus Radio and WHUD in particular have been great partners. The relationship with them continues to grow. Last week, Army Sports announced they too have partnered with Cumulus; just another example of how Ike Hall and Army Sports offer the best entertainment and college athletics value on the east coast.

“Our season subscriber base continues to grow at an impressive rate,” Flowers continued. “Last year, subscriptions increased 58 percent—a remarkable testament to our team pulling the rope in the same direction.”

Flowers explained that subscribing at Ike Hall is special and subscribers know it.

For 2009, Ike Hall will provide a sit-down dinner buffet in the Class of 1963 Benny Haven’s Lounge.

Flowers promised to continue pre-show entertainment to subscribers, private bar and complimentary snacks plus a couple of surprises.

“It’s an exciting time!” Flowers exclaimed. “We’re especially fired up about this upcoming season, particularly the Oct. 2 appearance of an American patriot, Mr. Trace Adkins. While many Americans voice support for our troops, Trace takes this a step further. He lives it.”

Flowers said, this past July 4, Adkins performed for the troops and their Families at Fort Stewart, Ga.

Adkins told Atlanta television station, WTOG, “You’ll never play for a more appreciative audience than the military. And the strange thing is, we are the ones that are appreciative and thankful. We always look forward to those opportunities to let them know that we support them and thank them for doing the heavy lifting.”

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policy include Soldiers in over-manned career fields. They may re-enlist for three or more years in order to meet the retaining requirements for moving into a new career field.

Soldiers in the rank of staff sergeant and above, who have 10 or more years of service, are required to re-enlist under the provisions of the indefinite re-enlistment program. Additionally, Soldiers participating in the bonus extension and retraining program, known as BEAR, can re-enlist in accordance with their program agreement.

The temporary policy has the effect of stopping re-enlistment bonuses for some, as a requirement for those bonuses is a three-year or more re-enlistment. Soldiers hoping to re-enlist and receive such a bonus, if they meet the requirements to receive a re-enlistment bonus, will have to wait until the new fiscal year begins and re-enlist then.

Some Soldiers who want to re-enlist, however, will be forced to re-enlist during the last quarter of fiscal year 2009 because their re-enlistment window—though a full two years long—will end during that period. Those Soldiers will have to re-enlist for two years, and then re-enlist again inside the new fiscal year if they want to stay in longer.

“But most of the Soldiers that have waited to the last minute have re-enlisted prior to this message going out,” Drummond said. “So it only affects those who have been on the wire.”

Drummond said even those Soldiers will still be able to eventually get a re-enlistment bonus.

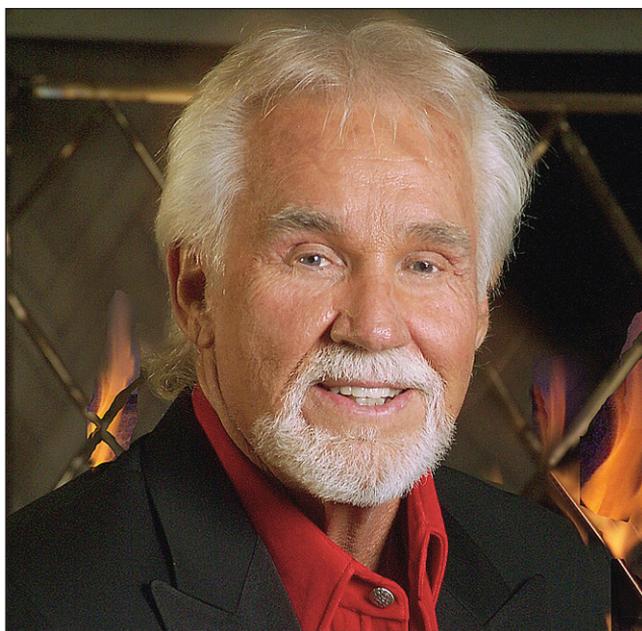
“If you’ve done two years and you re-enlist for six years, you are actually in a sense adding four more years,” Drummond said. “But that’s all you’ll get a bonus for is four more years, not six.”



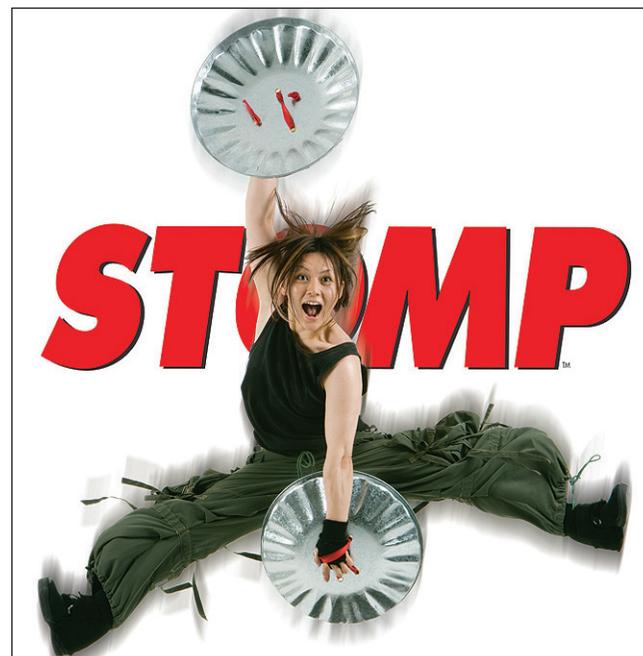
Trace Adkins—Oct. 2

Adkins described his performance at Fort Stewart as “a cake walk” compared to the places in Iraq where he’s performed for our fighting men and women.

Adkins will appear at Ike Hall at 8 p.m. Oct. 2 and will be joined by the West Point Cadet Glee Club as they sing ‘Till the Last Shot’s Fired,’ re-creating their 2009 Academy of Country



Kenny Rogers—Dec. 13



STOMP—Sept. 13

Music Awards performance.

“Eisenhower Hall always strives to present a balanced slate of shows, Flowers noted. “This year is no exception. We’re pleased to open the season Sept. 13 with the international percussion sensation, STOMP. We will also present such diverse offerings as Little Anthony and the Imperials, the renowned Irish tenor Ronan Tynan and the Kenny Rogers Christmas tour, to name a few.

“I see a day where there is a waiting list to get a season subscription to Ike Hall—sort of like Green Bay Packers football tickets,” Flowers said. “That’s our goal, and we are on track to get it done.

“The partnerships we’ve strengthened with our sister organizations at West Point, ODIA (Office of the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics) and FMWR (Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation) have also helped us succeed. West Point’s Association of Graduates is another key element of our strategic communications—AOG manages Ike Hall’s Cultural Arts Endowment (for more information contact www.westpointaog.org/endowikehall). Also, we encourage everyone to sign up at www.IkeHall.com to ensure they get up-to-date announcements of ‘add-on’ shows and schedule changes,” Flowers said.

“America’s Theatre is on a roll,” Flowers summed up. “Get on board now. There’s a lot to like at Ike!”

AFAP works — West Point success stories

By Jennifer Pagio
Army Volunteer Corps Coordinator

In 2008, the Army celebrated the 25th anniversary of the creation of the Army Family Action Plan, which provides the entire Army Family a voice in shaping their standards of living and quality of life by identifying issues and concerns for senior leader resolution. To date, AFAP results Army-wide have included 110 legislative changes, 155 Army policy changes and 177 improvements and service funding for programs/services.

Since the last report on local successes, 10 more issues have been completed at West Point and are discussed below.

Childcare for Substitute Teachers at West Point Schools: Child, Youth and School Services contacted the West Point Schools substitute teachers in January and asked them to work with the CYSS school liaison officer for assistance in obtaining childcare on days they were asked to teach. This procedure will remain in place and WPS will continue to let the teachers know the service is available.

Qualified Tennis Instructor/Program Manager for Adult Tennis Programs at West Point: The Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Recreation Division reported that the new assistant coach of the West Point men's tennis team is now offering private and group lessons to members of the West Point community at the Lichtenberg Tennis Center. FMWR created a partnership with the Office of the Director of Intercollegiate Athletics to use the tennis center for instructional time for an adult tennis program.

FMWR will hire two qualified tennis instructors by September when the program should be up and running. Available hours will be scheduled around cadet usage.

Registration for adult lessons (18 years and older) will take place in August through the Information, Tour and Travel Office. Court time is currently available through ODIA at Lichtenberg at an hourly rate. Call 938-6015 to determine current availability and costs.

Community Recreational Pool: Outdoor swimming is available during the summer at Delafield and Round Ponds.

The drain grates have been replaced at Crandall Pool in Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center for indoor swimming. Once the lighting issues are resolved, the pool will meet standards for the community to use the pool. Crandall Pool is a fitness pool for lap swimming and is not designed as a splash-and-play pool for children.

FMWR plans to resume lap swimming hours in September.

Swim passes allowing unlimited use for DOD civilians, retirees and Family members passing the swim test will be sold through FMWR. Active duty and Wounded Warriors will be able to swim at no cost.

Balfour Beatty Communities has incorporated the building of a pool into their community development plan, pending funding. Additionally, FMWR has programmed it into their strategic plan for FY2013 and will conduct a feasibility study in FY2012.

Lack of Awareness and Enforcement of Temporary Lodging Policies: The FMWR Five Star Inn reported the current standing operating procedure, which was posted on their Web site in February, is available at the front desk.

It was updated in August and changed the space-available reservations from 30 days in advance to 15 days in advance during the summer months through the date of the last home football game. This extension should allow those Families relocating to West Point to have priority over visitors making reservations.

Additionally, the staff at the Five Star Inn has been trained to provide accurate information to guests. The front desk staff is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to answer questions.

Alternatively, guests are welcome to contact the facility manager directly. The Five Star will continue educating and communicating this information to the West Point community.

Hazardous Intersection at the Entrances of the Post Exchange and Child Development Center: The Directorate of Emergency Services conducted traffic surveys at three locations during peak and off-peak hours for a 30-day period in April and May. Peak traffic was identified from 7 a.m. through 7 p.m. during the week. The problem is entering onto Stony Lonesome Road from the PX/Commissary and from the CDC. DES stated that traffic control measures such as stop signs and lane signage could be used to eliminate the problem.

Vehicles must be in the left lane near the entrance from the PX/Commissary and CDC to make a left to enter onto Stony Lonesome Road or go straight. DES indicated that the lanes are not clearly marked until one gets to the stop sign. They do not recommend adding traffic lights or a four-way stop to the intersection, which would cause further problems and traffic delays. DES, Safety and the Directorate of Public Works are collaborating to develop a diagram of a proposed signage plan.

Teen Activity Awareness for High School Students: CYSS reported that a teen focus group has been formed with regularly scheduled meetings, five of which have been held this year. This group has been actively involved in planning activities, assisting with publicity of teen programs and making suggestions for improvements.

Based on their input, the computer lab has been redesigned and the center will offer new video games for teens.

The new Youth Center manager has been working closely with this focus group to resolve and address teens' concerns and recommendations.

CYSS expanded the teen information area on its Web site and is exploring the Fort Bragg model of using text messaging to inform teens of upcoming events and programs.

Limited Modified Sports at West Point: This school year, CYSS and the West Point Middle School created a partnership to offer modified sports. Both shared the cost, administration and oversight for basketball. Because of the success of the basketball program, WPMS is expanding the partnership and asked FMWR to support sports programs for all three seasons.

Playground for the Warrior Transition Unit and Disabled Children: Balfour Beatty Communities was awarded a contract to upgrade post playgrounds, to include a boundless playground near Bldg. 126, the planned Community Center off Biddle Loop. Game Time donated an equipment upgrade to the facility to ensure compliance for use by special needs Family members and Wounded Warriors.

The boundless playground will be completed soon and, once completed, FMWR will provide information to the community of its availability date and RCI/BBC will hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony opening it to the community.

Individuals Returning from Deployment: The Directorate of Human Resources reported that a sponsorship component for deployed Families was developed by ACS, staffed by FMWR and sent out in March. Concurrences were received from agencies and the policy has been sent to the Garrison Commander, Chief of Staff and Superintendent for final approval.

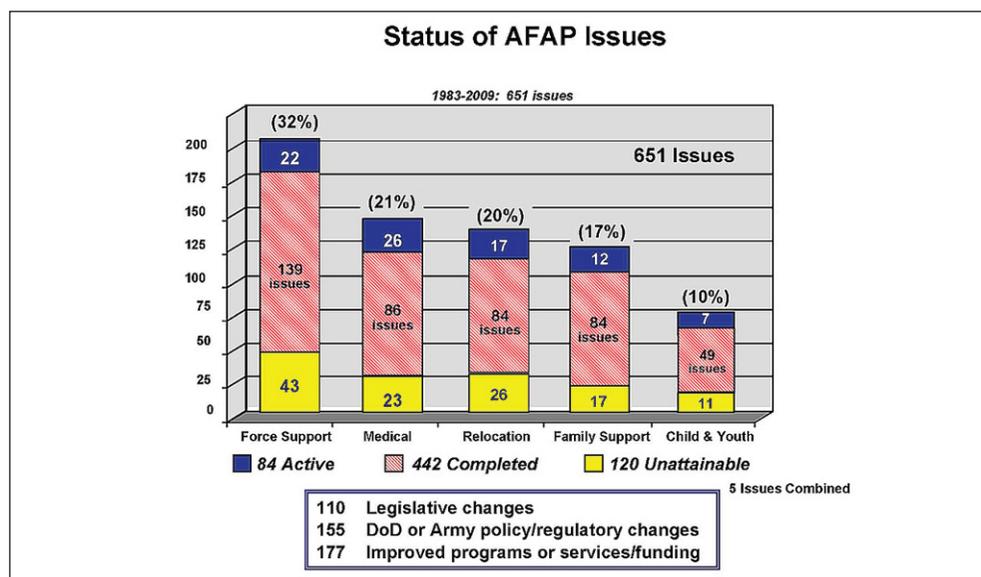
The policy memorandum will designate an executive officer (or equivalent) from each department/organization with the collateral duty of fully tracking deployed personnel and ensuring all are recognized upon a return from a deployment.

Opportunity for WP Youth to Participate in Paintball: Two areas at Round Pond have been identified as sites for one inflatable mega-ball structure for paintball programs and two woods ball arenas. The Northeast Region of the Installation Management Command partnered with FMWR to help fund this initiative.

FMWR will have the inflatable mega-ball structures and a grand opening is anticipated this summer. FMWR will partner with the Directorate of Cadet Activities Cadet Paintball Club to develop both areas. AFAP gets results, but needs volunteers to review the issues, give them a priority and give feedback to the command.

The 2009 West Point AFAP Conference is scheduled for Nov. 17-18 at the West Point Club. Army Community Service is looking for delegates and facilitators to participate in this year's conference.

If interested, go to www.westpointmwr.com/afap for information or call 938-4621.



The above table gives the status of the 651 Army Family Action Plan issues that are or have been worked at the Department of the Army level from 1983-2009.

Summer enrichment program at WP schools meets the press

Submitted by the West Point Schools
Voyager Program

The Voyager program is a Summer Enrichment Series offered by Department of Defense Educational Activity schools to grades kindergarten through eighth at the West Point Schools. It has been meeting daily since June 22.

As part of the Media Magic program, in which the students studied all types of media, Domenica Conte, one of the program's captains, asked Pointer View editor Linda Mastin and WKDT/Channel 23/West Point 7000 line audiovisual specialist, Joe Cyr, to visit the class July 9 and talk about what their jobs entail.

"This is a great summer program that mixes fun, learning and adventure," Conte, one of the program's captains, said.

As part of the program, members of the group then put



Joe Cyr, audiovisual specialist in the Directorate of Communications, who oversees Channel 23, the 7000 information phone line and WKDT radio, discussed radio and TV reporting with the Voyager program students during his visit to the summer enrichment program.

PHOTOS BY LAKIN KINGSTON AND JENNA SHAH

their knowledge to use and wrote this article.

In response to Voyager reporter (sixth grade, age 11) Julia Martin's question "What did you like about when the newspaper and radio people came?" the responses varied.

"It was exciting to meet the person who does the weather on the radio each morning," Dixon Gerber, 10, fourth grade, said.

"It's amazing to see all the articles they have on the newspaper," Mikayla Turner, 9, fourth grade, said.

"I liked when they were showing us what they have to do" Chanel Michael, 8, fourth grade, said.

From Captains' Christine Caudell and Elyse Komitzsky's classes, the responses were similar.

"The text talk on the cell phone and the Sudoku in the newspapers were new to me," Guy Ramos, 9, third grade, said.

"Everything the reporters do on their job is fascinating," said Kamree Castle, 8, grade 3.

In Captain Conte's class, Voyager reporter (sixth grade, age 10) Jenna Shah, asked "What did you find most interesting and cool?"

Ebony Nnadozie, 12, eighth grade, said, "I didn't know that Joe Cyr was on the radio and when the Highland Falls Schools, West Point Schools and the academy needs to be closed he types it upon Channel 23."

Mikey Turner, 11, sixth grade; Curtis Williams, 11, sixth grade, and Lakin Kingston, 11, sixth grade, all said, "Joe Cyr promised that he was going to put a Code Red on Channel 23 in January."

In Captain Joanne Woodworth's class William Freds, 6, first grade, said, "It was cool that Joe Cyr could talk on the

radio and he typed up on Channel 23 if the schools were delayed or closed."

Martin said, "It was fun when the people came—they told us about their jobs and what they do there. It was cool when they gave us the free newspapers. Thanks a lot, we all had a lot of fun!" from everyone in the summer enrichment program.



Students Mikayla Turner (front), Tyler Rodgers (left) and Caroline Swenson and Voyager Captain Michael Ricci (back) look at proof pages from a recent Pointer View during the Voyager program visit from members of the Directorate of Communications staff as part of their Media Magic program.

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Cadets job-shadow platoon leaders in Cuba

By Army Staff Sgt.
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JTF Guantanamo Public Affairs

GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba—For five West Point cadets, a trip to Joint Task Force Guantanamo has been an educational and eye-opening experience as they jump into the role of platoon leader, working with the servicemembers who serve at the most talked-about detention center in the world.

“The cadets are assigned to individual lieutenants and get to (job)-shadow them during their time here,” Army 2nd Lt. Stephanie Wormwood, Camp 5 assistant officer-in-charge, said. “They get to see the Army in action and they (experience) the cohesion that comes with being on a real-world mission.”

The program is intended to expose cadets to the job of platoon leader, and show them what the position is like in an active duty unit.

“It’s a great program,” Army Capt. Pedro Vazquez, company commander of the 193rd Military Police Company, said. “(The battalion commander, Lt. Col. Alexander Conyers, and I) gives the cadets an officer evaluation report when they leave here. Basically, it’s an assessment of their leadership potential. The evaluation helps them with their (duty) assignment because it can help them get the branch they desire.”

While the cadets are here, they are considered to be in platoon leader positions, dealing with all facets of leadership like Soldier counseling, evaluation writing, mentoring junior Soldiers, performing

inventories as well as other key tasks performed by a platoon leader.

“The cadets work the entire shift with the platoon leader,” Vazquez said. “It’s good for the cadet, and for the platoon leader because it shows them how far they’ve come from when they were cadets.”

Cow Chad Plenge, the cadet-in-charge, began planning and coordinating the visit for the team long before their arrival.

He worked with West Point leadership and 193rd MP Co. leadership to plan the tour, addressing transportation, lodging, meals and many other details that are important to a seamless mission.

“They really tried to show us the bigger picture down here,” Cow Michael Niemiec said. “They’ve taken us to the different camps to show us how each service contributes. I’ve never seen so many military branches and civilian agencies working together on a project before so it’s been really interesting.”

The cadets have been busy since they first arrived.

“At West Point, we learn that the main point for an officer is leading Soldiers and providing everything they need,” Cow John Oswald said. “Down here, with such close



Firstie Carson Williams (second from right) and Cows Chad Plenge, Michael Niemiec, John Oswald and William Yankauskas shadowed platoon leaders at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, with the intent to better prepare themselves for their time as a platoon leaders in the Army.

interaction between the officers and the (enlisted) Soldiers, it’s a really neat experience to see day-to-day (operations) in the camps. You’re working shoulder-to-shoulder with other Soldiers and really get a feel for what they need on a daily basis.”

“I had the opportunity at the beginning of this training to help prepare the meals for some of the detainees,” Cow William Yankauskas said. “Initially coming here, I didn’t know what to expect. Guantanamo Bay is portrayed in a really shady manner by the (civilian) media, but I discovered that the guards go to great lengths to serve the detainees. I want to become a (military policeman) more than before. I believe that you don’t ever want to become what you fight. You have to lead by example. It’s important to treat people in a humane way as the guards at Guantanamo Bay have done.”

In an effort to give the cadets a well-rounded experience, the 193rd has arranged for additional tours that educate them about the other branches of service and how all the branches of service come together at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay.

“We’ve toured Coast Guard (vessels), visited the Northeast gate and learned how the Marines (patrol) the perimeter,” Niemiec explained. “(We also see) how the Navy, Army and (Air Force) all contribute within the camps.”

The opportunity to spend time within the detention facilities, observing and following the example of the Troopers who work here, has left an impression on each of the cadets.

“I was unbelievably impressed at how patient the Soldiers are,” Firstie Carson Williams said. “They get jerked around by detainees who play mind games with them over and over, day after day. These Soldiers work (long shifts), are expected to remain in peak physical condition and still perform their jobs consistently and professionally. That takes a very strong person to do that.”

The job-shadowing program isn’t just beneficial for the cadet, but for the military members they work with as well.

As they come to the end of their mission, the feedback about their performance has been positive.

“We understand that (being here may be) an inconvenience,” Williams said. “There are times when we’re more in the way than we are helping, but, it has been an awesome experience.”

“The Soldiers here see the cadets coming out of West Point as high-caliber Soldiers,” Wormwood said. “They’re going to be good leaders. These cadets are personable and have really impressed the Soldiers.”

For more information about Joint Task Force Guantanamo, visit the Web site www.jtfgtmo.southcom.mil.

Rare opportunity for Family get together

Story and photo by
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GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba—For most Families, deployments mean time apart with little opportunity to spend time together—if any. However, for one lucky father and son, a deployment to Cuba and a summer job-shadow program is what brought them together—for only the second time in more than three years.

Army Capt. Frank Williams Jr., a judge advocate general with Joint Task Force Guantanamo Staff Judge Advocate, and his son, Firstie Carson Williams, are finally getting to spend quality time together, professionally and personally.

“He and I have always been very close,” Frank said about his relationship with his son. “We lived in a small town and were pretty much together all the time. I never missed any of his (high school) football or basketball games. (Since) he went to New York and I went to Iraq, we haven’t seen each other for more than six days in the last three-and-a-half years.”

Frank, who re-commissioned into the Army during Carson’s senior year of high school, spent half of the year attending training in Louisiana.

“I didn’t see him during the second semester of my senior year of high school because he was away,” Carson said.

Unfortunately, this was just the beginning of their time apart.

“For my entire freshman and sophomore years in college I didn’t see him because he left for Iraq,” Carson explained. “Going into my junior year, we managed to arrange a few days to spend together during the summer of 2008, but we didn’t have much time.”

After the brief reunion, Frank left for Guantanamo Bay.

“I was on orders to come to GTMO last fall and got a chance to attend the Army and Air Force football game with my son,” Frank said. “That was October 2008.”

After a couple days together, duty called and Frank reported to Guantanamo Bay.

As a cadet entering his cow year at West Point, Carson had a summer internship to think about, which would take place the following summer, before he entered his firstie year.

“My dad asked me, ‘What would you think about coming to (Guantanamo) for your summer detail?’” Carson said. “We worked it out and the officer-in-charge of summer details at West Point told me he needed a letter of approval from my father and the (JTF commander), asking for me by name.”

“They put some pretty serious requirements (in place) for (Carson) to come down here for his summer internship,” Frank said. “We worked through (Navy) Cmdr. (Don) Martin, (SJA director), and he talked with (JTF Commander, Navy) Rear Adm. (David) Thomas, and within a couple weeks, they approved everything. We were shocked and surprised that we were able to do it.”

Within a few weeks, Carson arrived in Guantanamo Bay. Half his time has been spent job-shadowing the platoon leaders and working with the 193rd Military Police Company and the other half with his father, learning about his job as a Staff



Firstie Carson Williams and Army Capt. Frank Williams Jr., a member of Joint Task Force Guantanamo, were reunited during Frank's deployment. Carson received the opportunity to job-shadow his father part-time, as well as platoon leaders from the 193rd Military Police Company, to learn more about the adjutant general corps and the military police corps.

Judge Advocate.

“For the past three years, we’ve e-mailed each other and (my dad has) always said, ‘I just can’t tell you about it, you have to see what I do,’” Carson explained. “This opportunity has given me the chance to understand how everything comes together, especially in a joint environment.”

The summer internship program is intended to expose cadets to the various branches—or corps—the Army offers. Months before graduation, each cadet chooses which branch he or she would like to follow.

“I have about four months to decide which branch I’d like to choose,” Carson said. “At West Point they mostly expose you to infantry (corps). As far as (military police corps or adjutant general corps), I really don’t know. I can definitely see myself in either branch, but I’m still undecided.”

Carson studies Systems Engineering, which is a cross between industrial and information engineering.

“I chose this major because it’s a very broad major, it doesn’t really close any doors to me,” Carson said. “It aids in my problem-solving development.”

Traveling to Guantanamo Bay not only gave Carson a chance to use some of his problem-solving capabilities, but it offered a chance to see what the branches do first-hand.

“Experiencing all the different briefings, staff briefings,

the BUB, was fascinating. To see the professionalism of the guards, how they interact with the detainees, it’s difficult to understand if you don’t get to see (it first-hand),” he said.

The experience hasn’t been all work. During off-duty hours Frank and Carson have spent a lot of time catching up.

“We go running together, hit the gym and spend a lot of time talking,” Frank said. “We’ve laughed more in the last week than we have in a long, long time. I really can’t describe how enjoyable it’s been for me to have my son here.”

“We sat around for the first week telling old stories and talking about what we’ve done in the last three years,” Carson said. “It’s been really nice to reconnect.”

For more information about Joint Task Force Guantanamo, visit the Web site www.jtfgtmo.southcom.mil.



New cadet etiquette

Cadet hostess, Jane Jollota (standing), demonstrates how to eat a roll in a new cadet etiquette class July 10 at the Cadet Mess. Etiquette class is just one of the non-military classes cadets attend in their quest to become leaders of character. KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

BBC LifeWorks events

Tip Top Tuesday — Walk to a Better You

Join us at 132 Bartlett Loop at 10 a.m. Tuesday for Tip Top Tuesday—Walk to a Better You.

Bring a friend or make a new one while getting fit. The group will walk around the West Point community with children and strollers for exercise and fun.

National Hot Dog Day

Celebrate National Hot Dog Day at 132 Bartlett Loop from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. July 23.

Stop by the BBC office for free hot dogs, chips

and cool refreshments.

July Yard of the Month

Balfour Beatty Communities will be judging homes in every neighborhood on neatness, presentation, effort and curb appeal.

A winner will be selected and awarded a \$25 gift card.

The winner can also proudly display a Yard of the Month sign on the Family lawn throughout the next month.

For more information on all BBC LifeWorks events, call Jodi Gellman at 446-6407.

Command Channel

8/23

July 16-23

Army Newswatch
(broadcast times)

Thursday-Friday, Monday-

Wednesday, July 23

8:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and

7 p.m.

Chemical, Biological,
Radiological and Nuclear

Explosive Video

(broadcast times)

Friday, Monday-Wednesday,
July 23

9 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and
7:30 p.m.

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Sundae Delight



Emily Carow puts hot fudge and M&Ms on her chocolate ice cream at the Balfour Beatty Communities "Create Your Own Ice Cream Sundae" party July 7. Balfour Beatty plans to have a National Night Out from 4-7 p.m. Aug. 4, and will join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the crime and drug prevention event.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

NOW SHOWING

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Friday -- Up, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday -- Night at the Museum:

Battle of the Smithsonian, PG, 7:30 p.m.

July 24 -- Land of the Lost, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

July 25 -- Up, PG, 7:30 p.m.

July 31 -- Night at the Museum:

Battle of the Smithsonian, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Aug. 1 -- The Proposal, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

THE THEATER SCHEDULE ALSO CAN BE FOUND AT

WWW.AAFES.COM

What's Happening

Free tickets for Yankees and Mets games

The New York Yankees and the New York Mets are offering complimentary tickets to active duty servicemembers during the 2009 Major League Baseball season.

A servicemember can see the Yankees play, Monday through Thursday, by presenting an active military ID card on the day of the game at designated Yankee Stadium ticket windows.

Tickets are good for a seat in the grandstand level or the bleachers. A servicemember can also purchase a ticket, at half-price, in other available non-premium seat locations.

Servicemembers visiting Citi Field can show their active military ID card on the day of the game at the ticket office in the Jackie Robinson Rotunda.

If the game is sold out or has the potential to be sold out, the Mets may provide a standing room only ticket to the servicemember.

Volkssport Club of West Point

Join the Volkssport Club of West Point for fitness, fun and friendship Saturday.

Walkers can register for the 5-kilometer or 11-kilometer trail through the grounds of West Point.

Registration is at 9:15 a.m. at the West Point Visitors Center and the group walk start at 9:30 a.m..

The trail rating is two because of hills and is not suitable for wheelchairs.

The walk qualifies for AVA special programs: Libraries, Artistic Heritage, Authors and Literary Landmarks, Cemetery Stroll, Firehouses, Historic Churches, Museums, Riverwalk America, U.S. Presidents and Veteran Memorials.

The walk is free, but you must pay for AVA credit.

All participants are invited to a pre-walk breakfast with club members at 8 a.m. at the Park Restaurant, Main Street, Highland Falls. Club members who attended the recent AVA convention in Dallas will report on walking western trails and convention news.

For more information call 446-4709.

Farmers' market

The West Point-Town of Highlands Farmers' Market will open for the season 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sunday and remain open daily through October.

The market is located in the Village Parking Lot across from Sacred Heart Church.

Girl Scout volunteers needed

Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson at West Point is currently seeking adult volunteers to support the girls and their troop leaders.

The scouts need a community team chairperson, a treasurer and a

secretary to continue as Girl Scouts within the West Point Community

Contact Linda Moser, Field Manager for West Point, at GSHH call (845)361-2898 ext. 28 or via e-mail at lmoser@girlscoutshh.org if you are interested in volunteering or need more information.

Junior Black Knights Football Day and Final Registration

The Junior Black Knights Youth Football League is hosting a pre-season conditioning/skills day and final team registration on from 5-7 p.m. July 27 at Fickens Field across from Roe Park baseball field in Highland Falls.

JBK Day is open to all registered players.

Those still wishing to join JBK Football can register at the event and are eligible to participate. Players will go through various conditioning and skills drills.

This is a non-competitive event and is sure to be a fun day for players and coaches.

The Junior Black Knights have five teams in four age categories—Mighty Mites, ages 5,6 and 7; Division 1, ages 8 and 9; Division 2, ages 10 and 11 and Division 3, ages 12-14 (up to 8th grade).

For more information about JBK Day or registration requirements, call Ben Liotta at 558-5406.

Motorcycle Safety training

There are openings in the upcoming Basic Motorcycle Rider Courses schedule for Aug. 12-14 and 14-16. Registration is required.

To register, go to <https://airs.lmi.org>.

To register and ride your motorcycle on West Point, you must have taken this class or its equivalent and show proof of that when registering the vehicle.

42nd Infantry Band to perform at Boscobel

Free Concert with Admission. Grab a blanket, pack a picnic and come to the grounds of Boscobel House & Gardens from 2-3:30 p.m. Saturday for an on-the-lawn concert performed by the New York Army National Guard's 42nd Infantry Band (Rainbow Division), a group of 40 musically talented Army National Guard soldiers.

The band will perform a wide range of musical numbers, ranging from classical pieces such as Bizet's Carmen suite, a waltz by Johan Strauss, a musical tribute to the Tuskegee Airmen entitled "Of Honor and Valor Eternal," as well as a composition in tribute to Walt Disney.

Attendance is free after paying the regular admission fee at the Visitors Center in the Carriage House before entering the grounds. In the event of rain, this performance will cancel.

Call 265-3638 that day to confirm, or visit the Web site at www.Boscobel.org.

Boscobel is located on scenic Route 9D in Garrison. From April through October, hours are from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and the last tour is at 4:15 p.m.

The museum and distinctive Museum Shop are open every day except Tuesdays, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Bookstore Sale and hours

The USMA Bookstore is hosting a clearance sale. An assortment of books are on sale.

Summer hours are 9 a.m.-3 p.m. weekdays.

The store is located on the fourth floor of Thayer Hall.

For more information, call 938-5356.

Closures

Mine Torne Road is scheduled to be closed to accommodate Cadet Summer Training from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. today, 5:30-8:30 a.m. Saturday 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.

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 Lee Road playground Wednesday, 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.

Purple Heart Day at Renegades game

The Hudson Valley Renegades will honor Purple Heart recipients at 7 p.m. Aug. 7 at their game against the State College Spikers.

A Purple Heart recipient will pitch the first ball.

Tickets are available on-line at www.gadesgroups.com or call Rick Kubitschek at 838-0094.

If ordering online, use the password purpleheart. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor.

The Renegades play at Dutchess Stadium, Route 9D in Wappingers Falls. There will be fireworks after the game.

Young Life Charity Golf Classic

The inaugural Young Life Charity Golf Classic takes place Aug. 11 at the West Point Golf Course.

It is a four-person best-ball tournament with tee times from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. After the golf outing, there is a barbeque dinner and awards reception.

To sign-up, go to the Pro Shop or call at 938-2435.

For more information, contact Rob Kewley at 598-3010 or Rob.Kewley@me.com or Nate Cox at 938-5386 or Nathan.Cox@usma.edu.

New Web sites

The Village of Highland Falls and the Highlands Chamber of Commerce have new Web sites. The Village of Highland Falls' new site can be seen at www.highlandfallsny.org, and the chamber's new Web site is www.highlandscny.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.

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 (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.

Arvin special hours

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

TSP TICKER

JULY share prices (as of 7/13)

C Fund	—	+ 0.34	(10.5732)
S Fund	—	- 0.02	(12.7605)
I Fund	—	- 0.11	(14.8123)

FMWR Blurbs

West Point Club Summer Hours

The Pierce Dining Room at the West Point Club is closed for dinner now through Aug. 14. Dinner will resume Aug. 21.

Lunch will now be served 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Hudson Room and outside deck through July 31.

Sunday Breakfast is closed until Aug. 16.

Benny Haven Lounge is closed on Thursday evenings now through Aug. 6. Thursday bar will re-open Aug. 13.

Friday bar service will remain open throughout the summer offering a limited bar menu.

For more information, call 938-5120.

English classes

ACS is hosting English Language Learners, an English-as-a-second-language class, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. through Tuesday. Classes are held at ACS, Bldg. 622.

For more information, call the Relocation Readiness Program at 938-3487.

ACS Employment Readiness Program

• Facebook for Professionals: 11:30 a.m.-1

Keller Corner

School and Sports Physicals available

The Primary Care Department is opening a dedicated clinic Aug. 13 to ensure that incoming children and those unable to make an appointment earlier in the summer have their physicals before the start of the school year.

This clinic will offer group appointments at four designated times.

There is no guarantee children will see the provider of choice and they may have to wait to be seen.

Individual appointments will continue to be offered through September.

To make an appointment for a physical, call 938-7992 or 800-552-2907.

Breastfeeding Class

A breastfeeding class is now open to all new or expecting mothers who want to learn more about successful breastfeeding.

The class will be held 6-8 p.m. July 30 in the KACH second floor classroom.

Call 938-3210 to register.

Help us help you

Medication reconciliation is done to avoid medication errors, such as omissions, duplications, dosing errors or drug interactions.

This process is done at every encounter where a new medication is ordered or existing medication order is changed or renewed.

p.m., July 29.

The above class will be held at the Education Center, Bldg. 683.

• Facebook for Parents: 10-11:30 a.m., July 30 at the ACS Bldg. 622

Registration is required.

For more information, call 938-5658.

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 Monday.

Call 938-4458 to register at the Child

For us to help you, please come prepared to all appointments (Family practice/internal medicine, ER, lab or any specialty appointment) with a complete list of all prescription medications, over the counter medications and vitamin/herbal supplements including dosage and times taken.

Other suggestions:

1. Always keep a list of medications in your wallet.

2. Take list to all doctors' appointments, all medical lab testing and all ER/hospital visits.

3. Keep list current and update any changes. When a medication is discontinued, draw a line through medication and note the date.

For a dosage change, note the date. Also include any over the counter medication and vitamin/herbal supplements on this list.

4. Always inform Family members of existing list.

Keep on refrigerator in case ambulance is ever called and you need it quickly.

5. Share this idea with Family and friends so they can practice the same list making.

KACH August Closure

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed Aug. 7 for KACH Organization Day.

The Emergency Room will remain open.

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.

Youth Center Summer Saturdays

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

For more information, call 938-3727.

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 noon-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.

Kids' Photo Contest

ACS is sponsoring a Kids' Photo Contest 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

• 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.

West Point Military Appreciation Day

West Point Military Appreciation Day takes place from 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Aug. 28 at Round Pond.

Enjoy a barbeque from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and other activities including basketball, volleyball and a paintball (reball) tournament.

For more information, call 938-6947.

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.

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.

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.

Discount oil change

Oil changes are available while you wait that include up to 5 quarts of conventional 5W/30 or 10W/30 motor oil and most standard filters.

Special oils and filters are available at an additional cost.

Call the Auto Shop for details and pricing at 938-2074.

SKIES Instructional Program

CYSS SKIES Instructional Program sessions are ongoing.

For more information, visit www.westpointmwr.com or call 938-3727/8893.

Instructors needed

Certified Spinning and Body Pump instructors are needed at the FMWR Fitness Center. Hours are flexible.

Contact Rita Tenuta 845-446-3630 or tenuta06@yahoo.com.

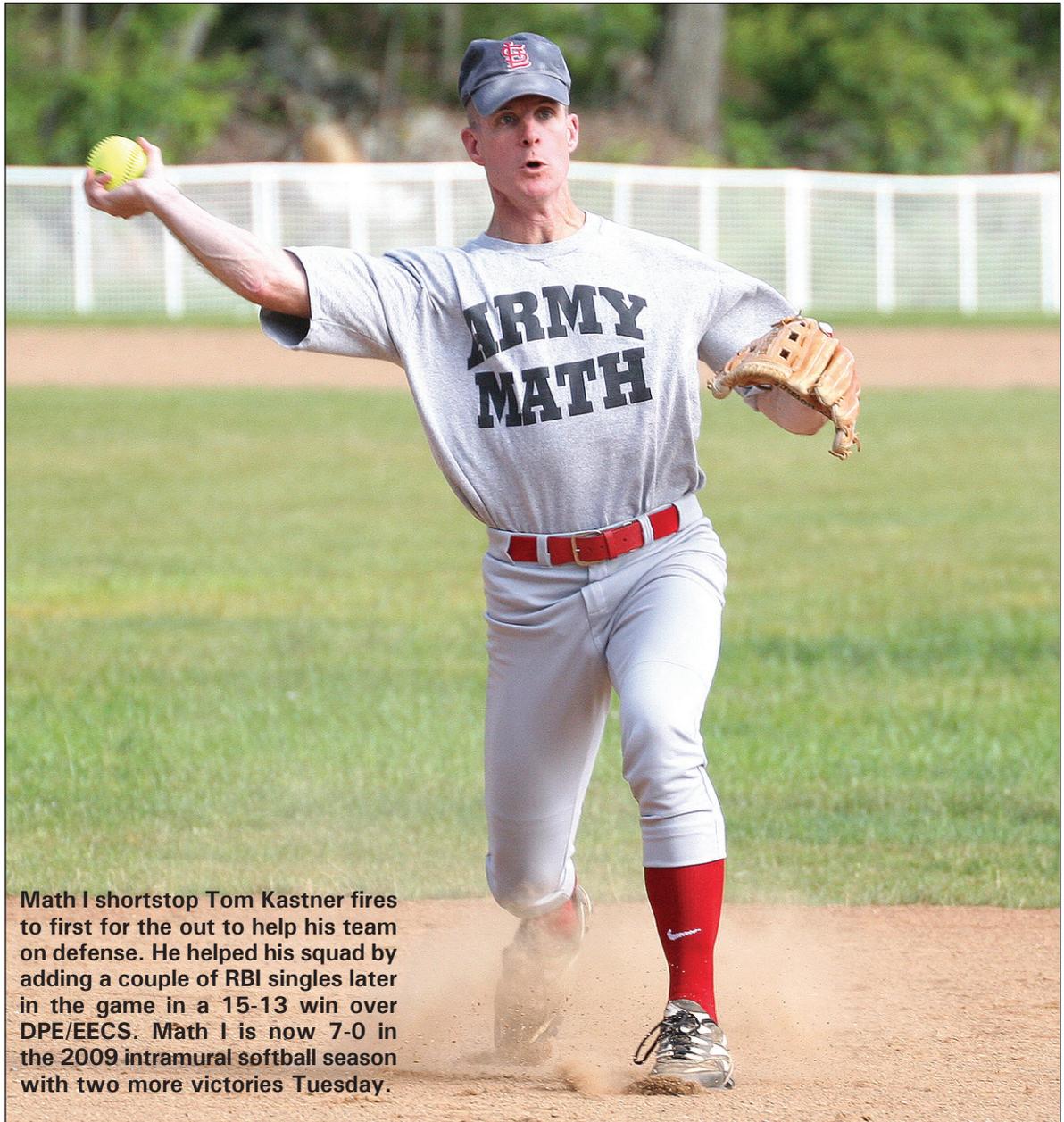
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Math I continues streak with a 15-13 win; now 7-0



Math I catcher Kingsley Fink hustles around third base to complete a two-run homer giving his team a 7-6 lead in the top of the fourth inning. Math I went on to the victory in extra innings over DPE/EECS 15-13.

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Math I shortstop Tom Kastner fires to first for the out to help his team on defense. He helped his squad by adding a couple of RBI singles later in the game in a 15-13 win over DPE/EECS. Math I is now 7-0 in the 2009 intramural softball season with two more victories Tuesday.



Department of Physical Education/Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences third baseman Nate Conkey rips a three-run home run down the right field line to draw his team closer at 13-12 in the bottom of the sixth inning Monday at the FMWR H Lot Athletic Complex. Math I won the game 15-13 in nine innings.

McKelvie signs with Boston Bruins

Boston Bruins Press Release

BOSTON—Boston Bruins General Manager Peter Chiarelli announced Monday that the club has signed defenseman Rob Kwiet, center Drew Larman, defenseman Zach McKelvie and center Trent Whitfield to one-year contracts.

Per club policy, terms of the deals will not be disclosed.

The 24-year-old McKelvie has spent the past four seasons in the

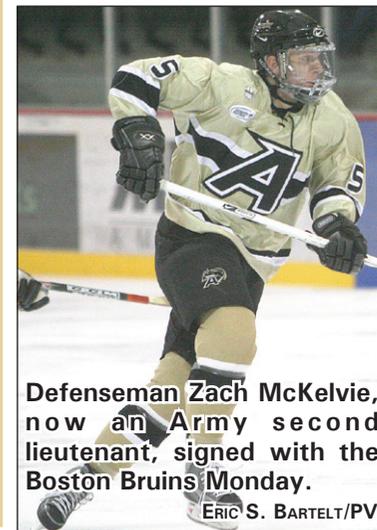
NCAA playing for the Army Black Knights.

During the 2008-09 season, he skated in 33 regular season games recording 5 goals, 12 assists for 17 points and won the prestigious Army Athletic Association Award, an honor awarded to the male and female cadet who displays the "most valuable service to intercollegiate athletics during a career as a cadet."

He is the only player in school history to be named a two-time Atlantic Hockey Association First-Team All Star and in the 2007-08 season, the 6'2" 190-pound New Brighton, Minn., native was named the AHA's Defenseman of the Year.

A four-year letterwinner, McKelvie skated in 134 regular season games with the Black Knights recording career totals of 14 goals, 44 assists and 58 points.

The Army second lieutenant attended the 2009 Bruins Development Camp as an invite from July 7-11, but he did not participate in the on-ice training sessions because of injury.



Defenseman Zach McKelvie, now an Army second lieutenant, signed with the Boston Bruins Monday.

ERIC S. BARTELT/PV

Army Athletics, Cumulus Media announce radio partnership

Submitted by
Athletic Communications

There's a new radio home for Army Athletics in the Hudson Valley.

Army Director of Athletics Kevin Anderson and Cumulus Media Inc. General Manager Chuck Benfer announced July 8 that Cumulus Media Inc., with its cluster of 10 radio stations scattered throughout the Hudson Valley, will serve as the radio home for the Black Knights thanks to a five-year partnership with Army Sports Properties that begins this summer.

"This new partnership ensures our fans, who can't make it out to West Point for an event, can still follow their favorite teams on the radio from all over the Hudson Valley," Anderson said. "We feel that under Chuck Benfer's direction, Cumulus will greatly assist in extending our brand. We couldn't be more excited about teaming with one of the leaders in the local radio industry."

"It is a real honor to be the new home for Army sports in the Hudson Valley," Benfer said. "West Point is a treasure of history, honor and tradition that everyone should experience at least 10 times in their lives. A day at West Point with family and friends is one of the best days a person can have. I am proud to be a small part of that experience."

The agreement ensures that fans in the Hudson Valley can easily follow Army Athletics on the radio thanks to the reach of Cumulus, which boasts more than 315,000 listeners throughout the region.

As part of the deal, Army adds Hudson Valley affiliates WALL (1340-AM), Middletown, and WEOK (1390-AM), Poughkeepsie, as vital components of the Army Sports Network this season.

Both Radio Disney affiliates will air the weekly "This Week in Army Football" radio show, which originates from West Point's Thayer Hotel, throughout the season, as well as the popular "Army Football Tailgate Show."

Both stations, along with West Point affiliate WKDT (89.3-FM), will also carry game calls for Army hockey, men's and women's basketball, baseball and lacrosse. Cumulus stations will also provide live remote broadcasts from selected Army athletic events throughout the year.

The Army Sports Network will grow by two stations for the annual Army-Navy football classic and any Black Knights postseason bowl appearance as WZAD (97.3-FM), Wurtsboro, and WKXP (94.3-FM),



Firstie pitcher Matt Fouch and the rest of the Black Knights baseball team will have their games called on two new radio stations, in addition to WKDT, through a deal announced between Army Sports Properties and Cumulus Media Inc.

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Kingston, join the ASN affiliate list.

The Hudson Valley's premier classic rock station, WPDH (101.5-FM), Poughkeepsie, with sister station WPDA (106.1-FM), Jeffersonville, will also broadcast live from Black Knights Alley for two hours, beginning four hours before kickoff of every Army home football game.

The Army Athletic Association and Cumulus have teamed this summer on several Army Coaches' Caravans, a new outreach program that allows fans the opportunity to ask questions of selected Army coaches and get autographs and photos as well as purchase football tickets for the upcoming season at remote Radio Disney broadcasts throughout the Hudson Valley.

Cumulus Media Inc. owns and operates FM and AM radio station clusters serving mid-size markets throughout the United States.

It is the second largest radio broadcasting company in the United States based on the number of stations owned or operated.

WALL and WEOK carried Army lacrosse broadcasts this past spring, a precursor to this newly expanded agreement that promises unprecedented coverage of the Black Knights' athletic teams.

\$99 Season Ticket Contest

9 weeks, 9 winners ... \$99 Army Football Season Tickets

Contest:

Every Thursday for nine weeks a question will be posted here in the sports section of the Pointer View.

It will also be on the command channels and the Army Black Knights Official Facebook page.

To enter, contestants must send an e-mail to ticketcontest@usma.edu that includes their name, address and phone number, plus the correct answer to the week's question.

Entries will be accepted until midnight on the Monday of the following week.

Week 2 Question ...

Name the date and opponent for the 2009 Army Football home game that will include discounted \$10 tickets for active duty or retired military personnel and a Black Jack Build-A-Bear in full Army Combat Uniform for the first 5,000 fans as part of Military Appreciation Day?

Week 1 Answer: Felix "Doc" Blanchard

Week 1 winner is: Kevin Connelly of Wayne, N.J.

Every contestant that answers correctly will be entered in the drawing for that week.

Each week, one winner will be drawn to receive one pair of \$99 season tickets for the 2009 Army Football home season.

The winner and new question will be posted in the Pointer View the next week.

Limit one entry per person, per week.

Answers to all questions can be found on www.goARMYsports.com.

If you have any questions regarding the contest, call the Army Athletics Marketing Office at 845-938-0390.