

Town hall meeting covers variety of issues



Rich Wagner, Balfour Beatty Communities project director, requested that community residents contact him or Randy Tucker (right) if they have issues concerning Family housing during Monday's town hall meeting in Robinson Auditorium.

**Story and photos by
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A town hall meeting was held Monday in Robinson Auditorium for the West Point community members living on post to hear from Garrison Commander Col. Dan Bruno and members of his staff, Balfour Beatty Communities staff and Residential Community Initiative representatives about the progress of the construction projects that are taking place at West Point. The audience members present and at home voiced their concerns on issues that directly relate to the community.

Bruno opened the evening with a welcome to the somewhat sparse crowd in attendance (Note: Earlier meetings had about 25-50 attendees and the last one had about the same number as Monday—12 community members) and the viewers at home watching on the Command Channel, explaining how the forum would proceed and the subjects to be covered.

Bruno began by accentuating the positive aspects of RCI. He next digressed slightly and transitioned into talking about the incident at Ft. Hood and reviewed what West Point and the Army are doing to prevent the possibility of something like it happening again.

"I am not going to stand up here and say that it could not happen here, but we do things here with our security at the gate to make the community safer," he said.

Bruno continued by discussing the new Active Shooter Awareness video that is being sent out to the entire work force to explain and enable the staff to recognize potential issues,

how to deal with them in the workplace safely and how to properly handle them.

Joe Colombo of the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security gave a brief overview of the procedures the video covered.

The presentation shifted direction when Rich Wagner, Balfour Beatty project director, took the podium to discuss the progress of the construction projects taking place.

Wagner indicated the progress of the new construction at the Stony Lonesome I site was moving according to plan. He hopes to move 28 Soldiers and their Families into these units shortly thereafter.

"I expect after the initial move in March, we will be moving six to eight Families each month after that," he said.

At this time, no Families have been identified as the latest wave to be moving in March.

"We are still waiting for three Families to get back to the Stony community mayor so that we can finish the OML (order merit list)," Wagner said. "Once the list is completed, it will be made available

to members of the community will know where they stand."

Wagner explained BBC expects to have 70 field grade officer homes ready for occupancy by August. While many logistical issues are still being worked out, such as where mailboxes are to be located and school bus drop-off and pick-up points, they hope to have the plans figured out within the next couple of months.

Wagner noted that even after residents move into the new homes, there will still be light construction ongoing in the community.

"Meigs Road will still have light construction. However, the majority of it (the construction) will be finishing the interior

of the homes and landscaping the exterior of the homes."

With as much progress that has happened with the newer homes, the renovations on the historical homes have hit a snag.

BBC and its former architect are in the middle of a legal dispute that has created a major delay in these renovations (See Jan. 7 Pointer View, page 3, for more details.).

Wagner explained that BBC

has begun the process of finding a new architectural firm to take over the project. It will take some time to hire the new firm—from evaluating their drawings to having the state approve them.

At this point, BBC only has 22 of the more than 70 necessary approved plans to finish the historical phase of the project.

At the conclusion of the BBC and RCI presentations, the floor was opened to questions from callers and those in the audience.

Bruno, Wagner and Randy Tucker, the new BBC Community Manager, fielded the eight questions varying from safety issues to specific recourse procedures.

Debbie Gerber, an Army spouse, asked about a light pole that had been knocked down in her neighborhood that has left exposed jagged edges. She explained that originally when BBC came to fix the pole, they only placed a yellow trash can on it, which since has blown away.

Tucker explained that the pole had not been replaced yet because a new pole must meet historic specifications and there is a longer lead time needed to supply it.

He promised that a crew would be out Tuesday to create a more permanent covering on the pole until the replacement is located. (Note: A wooden box is now in place until the new pole arrives.)

While other questions were raised—where does one stand on the OML and about community green areas—the one question that ended the evening was the Basic Allowance for Housing rate that individuals pay for their housing. When they originally occupied the quarters, they are one pay grade and, after getting a promotion and the BAH goes up, they are paying more to stay in the same house.

Wagner explained that this was a "hot-button" issue for him and attempted to explain the overall process of how money was used throughout the entire project and explained that BBC was not a profit-making endeavor.

Bruno explained that this was the policy across all of RCI and the way the Army has managed this area for as long as BAH has existed.

He continued, saying that he understood what the individual was saying but encouraged him to address this issue through the Army Family Action Plan and recommend it be forwarded to the Army level, as West Point has no control over the policy.

He added, "Hopefully in your Army life time this will be addressed."

The town hall meeting came to a close nearly one hour and 40 minutes after it started. A great deal of information was delivered to the community, but Wagner and Tucker both stressed that they cannot address issues if they are not aware of them and asked the community members to contact them whenever an issue arises, not just at town hall meetings.

To contact them, call Wagner at 446-3960 and Tucker at 446-6407.



Debbie Gerber, an Army spouse, asks a question during the question-and-answer portion of the meeting.

Delivering the Army Family Covenant

**Commentary by
Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch
CG, IMCOM**

On Oct. 8, 2007, the Army unveiled the Army Family Covenant, institutionalizing the Army's commitment to providing Soldiers and Families—Active, Guard, and Reserve—a quality of life commensurate with their quality of service.

However, as I travel around the Army meeting with Soldiers and Families I'm surprised to find that many are not familiar with the Army Family Covenant and the commitment Army leadership has made to provide a better quality of life to Soldiers and Families.

We are delivering the Army Family Covenant with a focus on five specific areas:

- Standardization and funding of existing programs and services;
- Increasing accessibility and quality of health care;
- Improving Soldier and Family housing;
- Ensuring excellence in schools, youth services and child care;

• Expanding education and employment opportunities for Family members.

Some accomplishments over the past two years include:

- Standardized Army community staffing and programs at all garrisons;
- Added 1,079 Family Readiness Support assistants positions to provide administrative and logistical support to commanders and Family Readiness Group leaders;
- Funded Exceptional Family Member respite care providing up to 40 hours of care per month for Families;
- Increased primary care visits to more than 7 million people, meeting access standards for 90 percent of acute, routine and specialty appointments;
- Authorized TRICARE standard coverage for more than 500,000 eligible members of the Selective Reserve and their Family members and lowered the co-payment;
- Funded the Training Barracks Modernization Program to allow 11,306 Soldiers to move into newly designed or renovated barracks in Fiscal Year 2009;
- Introduced the First Sergeants Barracks Initiative to enhance single Soldier quality of life;

• Reduced financial burden on Army Families by eliminating CYSS registration fees and reducing program fees;

- Collaborated with more than 373 school districts to support military connected students transferring to new school districts;
- Increased placement of military spouses through the Army Spouse Employment Program, a partnership with Fortune 500 companies and government agencies to provide employment opportunities.

We are indeed making progress on delivering the Army Family Covenant, but we have much more work to do.

I am dedicated to deliver on the Army leadership's promise to continue to provide the best care and quality of life possible to Soldiers and their Families.

Our commitment to delivering the Army Family Covenant is non-negotiable. We will not depart from this commitment.

I would ask that we always take the time to accentuate the positive.

We have so very much to be thankful for when it comes to health care, housing, services and programs, and many other things.

Many times we immediately start talking about negative items, and many of those

conversations are based on anecdotal evidence without firsthand knowledge.

Let's be grateful for what we have, and strive together to improve.

An attitude of appreciation will go a long way.

Optimism is a combat multiplier. As always, thanks for your continued service to our Army and our Nation.

Together we are making history.

Disney vacations are affordable at Shades of Green Resort

**By William Bradner
Family and Morale, Welfare and
Recreation Command**

The Shades of Green Resort, an Armed Forces Recreation Center, and Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., have teamed up to make a four-day vacation for servicemembers and their Families even more affordable. Disney announced that a Four-Day Military Promotional ticket went on sale this week.

From now through July 31, each active or retired member of the U.S. military may purchase up to six special four-day promotional tickets for \$99 each. "Park Hopper" and "Water Park Fun & More" options also may be added for a nominal fee.

The military promotional tickets are available through the Shades of Green Attraction Ticket Sales Office.

The eligible military member must be

present when the tickets are purchased and used. Additionally, the Shades of Green Resort is offering a 50 percent discount on meals and rooms for any Soldier on authorized R&R leave from the Balkans, Operation Iraqi and Enduring Freedom from now through Jan. 31.

The Shades of Green Resort is one of four Armed Forces Recreation Centers worldwide, operated by the Army's Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command.

The mission of the resort-style hotels is to support the readiness and well-being of servicemembers through a variety of vacation packages that make affordable vacations at world-class destinations possible. Room rates are on a sliding scale, based on rank, making it affordable for all military Families.

To make hotel reservations, active and retired U.S. Military personnel may visit www.shadesofgreen.org or call

the Shades of Green Resort at (888) 593-2242. Rooms are currently available. However, they may be limited on certain dates.

Additional ticket offers to other area theme parks are also available. For more information, contact the Ticket Sales Office at (407) 824-1403.

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

Difficulty: Easy

See SOLUTION, page 7

SHARP

The members of the Sexual Harrassment/Assault Response and Prevention program are Maj. Maria Burger (USMA/USCC), Shelley Ariosto (Garrison), Dan Toohey (Victim Advocate), Lt. Col. Kim Kawamoto (ODIA) and Bernadette Ortland (Dean). Community members can e-mail Burger at Maria.Burger@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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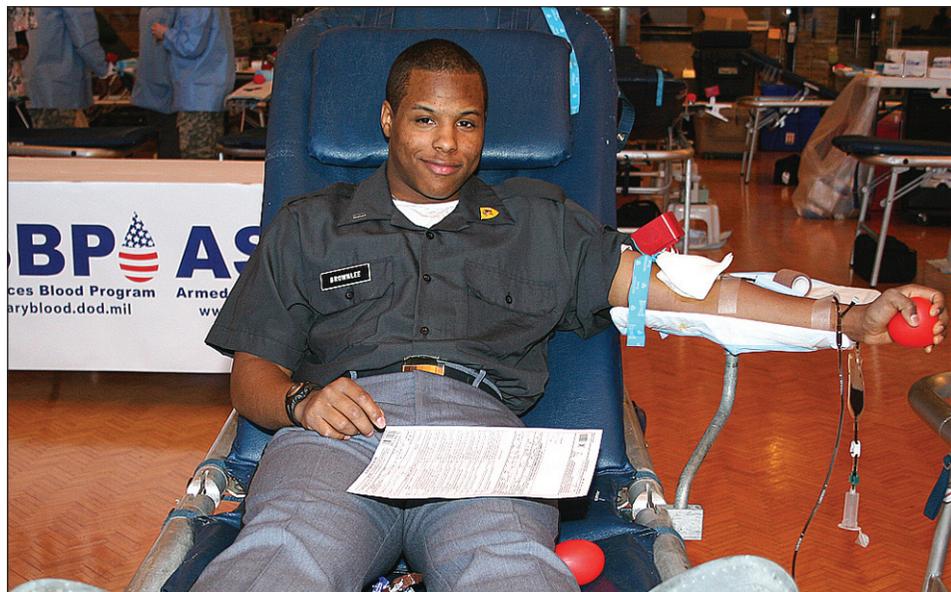
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Cadets support blood drive

Plebe Philip Daichendt (above) listens to music as he and other cadets donate platelets while Yearling Zachary Brownlee (below) donates whole blood Monday at the Armed Services Blood Program blood drive at Eisenhower Hall. Blood collected during this drive, which was Monday-Thursday here, goes directly to wounded warriors. Platelets are used for cancer and leukemia patients and those undergoing a bone marrow transplant. Participants can also sign-up to be bone marrow donors.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV



Dean acts as Sousa

Dean of the Academic Board, Brig. Gen. Patrick Finnegan, served as the honorary John Philip Sousa on the West Point Band's annual Sousa Spectacular. He led Sousa's well-known march, The Washington Post. The West Point Band crowd braved the cold temperatures to attend and make it a full-house at Eisenhower Hall Theatre Sunday. The band is hosting one of its chamber recital series presentations at 3 p.m. Sunday at Egner Hall featuring Master Sgt. Glenn West on the Bassoon and the Woodwind Quintet will perform at 3 p.m. Jan. 24 at the Jewish Chapel.

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Ways to prevent cold weather injuries

Submitted by Vicki Arneson-Baker
and the West Point Safety Office

When winter temperatures drop significantly below normal, staying warm and safe can become a challenge. Exposure to cold temperatures, whether indoors or outdoors, can cause either serious or life threatening health problems.

Infants and the elderly are particularly at risk, but anyone

can be affected. Cold weather injuries are easily prevented and appropriate actions can be taken to prevent cold-weather related accidents to ensure a happy and accident-free winter season.

No matter what type of activity you or your Family may participate in this winter, always keep an eye out for potential cold weather injuries and look out for each other. It could save your life.

Officials at the Armed Forces Health Surveillance Center Office offer the following descriptions of the most common cold weather injuries and information about how to prevent them:

- *Chilblains* occur when exposed skin becomes red, tender, hot to the touch and is usually accompanied by itching. This can worsen to an aching, prickly (pins and needles) sensation and then numbness.

Chilblains can develop in exposed skin in only a few hours. The most commonly affected areas are the ears, nose, fingers and toes.

- *Immersion Foot/Trench Foot* results from prolonged exposure to wet conditions between 32 and 60 degrees with damp socks and boots. Trench foot is when blood vessels constrict and the affected areas become cold, swollen, discolored, waxy and are often accompanied by sensations of pins and needles, numbness and then pain.

In extreme cases, flesh dies and amputation may be necessary. Keep feet dry, change socks frequently, maintain proper hygiene, wear socks that wick away moisture from the skin.

- *Frostnip* occurs when the top layer of skin freezes and becomes white, waxy and feels hard and rubbery while the deeper tissue is still soft. The affected area feels numb and may become swollen, but does not blister.

Frozen skin thaws quickly, becoming red and painful with eventual peeling of the skin with complete healing in 10 days and injury is normally reversible. Frost nip is considered the first degree of frostbite. Cover ears, fingers, wrists and cheeks to prevent frostnip.

- *Frostbite* occurs when skin freezes and may turn red and then gray-blue with blisters.

In worst cases, the skin dies and turns blue-black. At this stage, amputation is often required. Deep frozen skin feels "wooden" to the touch with zero mobility of the affected body part.

- *Hypothermia* sets in when the body-heat lost exceeds the body's heat production due to prolonged cold exposure. A potentially life threatening condition, hypothermia occurs when the body core temperature goes below 95 degrees (normal body temperature is 98.6° F).

Signs and symptoms of hypothermia change as body temperature falls.

Mental functions typically are affected first, marked by poor decision-making, slurred speech, disorientation, incoherence and irrationality.

Physical symptoms include shivering, loss of fine motor ability (e.g.—unable to complete tasks with hands), stumbling, clumsiness or falling. In severe cases, shivering ceases and the person exhibits stiffness and inability to move. Pulse and breathing rates decrease and may result in unconsciousness, irregular heartbeat or death.

Early symptoms of hypothermia can be difficult to recognize and a person with hypothermia may deny he/she is in trouble; believe the symptoms, not the victim.

- *Dehydration* is a lack of water in the body and most people associate dehydration with hot weather conditions.

However, it is very easy to become dehydrated in cold weather. Many individuals fail to drink enough liquid and underestimate fluid loss from sweating. Drink plenty of fluids and avoid coffee and caffeinated sodas.

Preventing cold weather injuries

You can work and play in cold environments if you are properly prepared and understand basic control measures to prevent cold weather injuries.

Keep body warm:

- Keep moving by exercising big muscles (e.g.—arms, legs) to keep warm.
- Avoid alcohol use as it impairs the body's ability to shiver.
- Avoid all tobacco products as they decrease blood circulation to the skin.
- Eat all meals to maintain energy.
- Drink water or warm non-caffeinated/non-alcoholic fluids to prevent dehydration.
- Limit the amount of time outside on extremely cold days.

Wear proper clothing:

- Wear multiple layers of loose clothing, rather than one or two "bulky" layers. Air is trapped between these layers and acts as insulation against the cold. The layers can be removed if you become too hot to prevent sweating.
- Ensure all clothing is in good condition, clean and dry; change damp clothes immediately.

Protect feet:

- Keep boots and socks clean and dry.
- Carry extra socks and change damp socks immediately.
- Avoid tight socks and boots; do not over-tighten boots or shoes.

Protect hands:

- Wear gloves and/or mittens, or gloves/mittens with inserts to avoid frostbite injuries.
- Keep gloves/mittens clean and dry; change damp gloves immediately.
- Warm hands under clothes if they become numb.
- Avoid skin contact with snow, fuel or bare metal that has been exposed to the cold for extended periods.

Protect head, face and ears:

- Wear a hat to reduce the amount of body heat that escapes from your head. As much as 70 percent or more of the body's heat is lost through an uncovered head.
- Cover face and ears with scarf to prevent frostbite injuries.
- Warm face and ears by covering them with your hands, but do not rub face or ears.
- Exercise facial muscles to help maintain circulation.

Protect friends and Family:

- Watch for signs of frostbite and other cold weather injuries in your buddy.
- Ask about and assist with re-warming of feet, hands, ears or face.
- Immediately treat persons showing any sign/symptom of cold injury.
- Remove sick, injured and wounded individuals from the cold as they are very susceptible to cold injuries.

For more information about cold weather-related injury prevention, visit the Army's Center for Health Promotion and Preventative Medicine Web site at <http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/HIOCWI/>.

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Youth Services holds annual fine arts exhibit

Story and Photos by
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The sixth annual West Point Child, Youth and School Services fine arts exhibit Jan. 8 showcased 160 pieces of artwork submitted by 67 youths. The exhibits included multimedia, watercolor, drawing, collages and sculpture displays. The exhibit displays artwork in age groups—ages 6-9, 10-12, 13-15 and 16-18.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club of American and CYSS to promote artistic expression among



One hundred and sixty art presentations made it into the 2010 Child, Youth and School Services and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America sponsored annual Fine Arts Exhibit Jan. 8 at the West Point Youth Services. The exhibit showcases the artistic abilities of youths from the ages of 9 and younger, 10-12, 13-15 and 16-18. Winners selected from the local art competition go on to the regionals and, if they win there, their art can go on to the national competition.

club members.

From the local exhibit here winners are selected in each category and age group and then forwarded to the regional competition sometime in April, and then to the nationals.

The winners of the national competition are debuted at the BGCA's national conference and displayed throughout the ensuing year.

Stephanie Stach, executive assistant at Keller Army Community Hospital was one of the volunteer judges.

"We have a criteria score sheet we go by in judging the participants' work," Stach said. "We check on imagination, creativity, skill level and artistic sensibility."

Other volunteer judges included Joan Zawadzki, community member and artist. The third volunteer judge was Yearling John Boston.

"One child's artwork is selected in each age group from



Watercolors and mixed media were two of the five creative mediums in which the participants worked.

the local exhibits," Jodi Cabrera, youth services school liaison officer, said.

"Gary Jacketti, art teacher at the middle school, got many of his students motivated and many participants submitted more than one art piece. There is no limit as to how many pieces each participant wants to submit."

FMWR Blurbs

West Point Ski Lessons

Registration for ski lessons will take place from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Registration will take place at the Ski Rental office for ages 5 and older.

A CYSS membership is needed for ages 5-17.

For further information, visit our Web site at westpointmwr.com.

Club Membership

Attention Enlisted Soldiers and West Point Cadets. Did you know that your West Point Club Membership is free?

Stop by the club today to start taking advantage of your membership savings—just let us know at the register that you are a member.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Multicultural support group

The Army Community Service Relocation Readiness Program is now offering a Multicultural Support Group known as The Culture Club.

The club will meet once a month to discuss multicultural issues, learn about other cultures and watch patriotic movies.

The goal of the Culture Club is to grow bonds of friendship and support and provide outreach to our community for multicultural understanding.

The first meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. today at ACS (Bldg. 622).

For more information, call 938-3487.

Defensive Driving Class

The next scheduled class is from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday at the Buffalo Soldier Pavilion, Bldg. 628.

To register for the class, contact LTS personnel at 938-2401/3601.

Round Pond Reservations

Reservations for the 2010 camping season begins Tuesday for active duty military and cadets.

All other categories may call starting Feb. 16.

Reservations may be made by phone at 938-8811 or in person at the West Point Ski Slope from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday.

ACS Employment Readiness seminars and workshops

Why not make your New Year's Resolution something that will pay you back for years to come.

Sign-up for an "Employment Makeover" after the holidays. All workshops take place in the ACS Training Room in Bldg. 622.

- Tuesday, 10-11:30 a.m., Resume Success: Building Accomplishment Statements;

- Wednesday, 1:30-3 p.m., Interview and Dress for Success;

- Jan. 21, Occupations Inc. interviews and Family empowerment. Call Employment Readiness to schedule an appointment;

- Jan. 22, 10:30 a.m.-noon, Medical

Transcription Information Session;

- Jan. 26, 10-11:30 a.m., Business Etiquette 101;

- Jan. 27, 1:30-3 p.m., Career Plan Development.

For more information, call 938-5658 to sign up for a class or to schedule a one-on-one session.

WPC junior membership night

A new special program for junior members is scheduled for children ages 3-12 and is from 5-8 p.m. Jan. 21 at the West Point Club.

Sign-up for the program the night of this event.

Tables are reserved in the name of the child and family member(s) who are club members and their guests.

There will be two buffet lines—one low for the little folks and one standard for the adults.

The cost is just a penny a pound for junior members and a minimal fee for adults.

For more information, call 938-5120.

EDGE! Fitness and Nutrition Classes

EDGE! is offering fitness and nutrition classes for children in grades three and up that are registered in the CYSS program.

Classes run 3:30-4:35 p.m., Tuesday through Feb. 11.

Registration will be held at the Youth Center, Bldg. 500.

Youth will be transported to/from the MWR Fitness Center for classes.

For more information, call 938-0829.

Out and About with ACS

Join Army Community Service as it begins a 12-part series called Out and About.

Every month ACS will highlight a different topic about what there is to do in the Hudson Valley, New York City and the northeast U.S.

Classes are free and open to all. The first class is "NYC, With Kids!" Come find out how to navigate the city and visit the best child-friendly venues.

The class will be held at 1 p.m. Jan. 21 in the ACS training room.

For more information, call 938-3487.

Fittest Loser Competition at the FMWR Fitness Center

The 2nd annual Fittest Loser Competition will kickoff at the Health and Wellness Fair Jan. 23.

Sign-up at the FMWR Fitness Center for a time slot to weigh in.

For more information, call 938-7060.

EDGE! Photography Classes for the ImageMakers National Photography Contest

EDGE! is offering photography classes for children from first grade and up who are registered in the CYSS program.

Classes run 3-4 p.m., Jan. 25-March 8. Registration will be held at the Youth Center,

Bldg. 500.

Youth will be transported on post for photographic subject matter. The exhibit will be at the end of March.

For more information, call 938-0829.

West Point Craft Shop winter classes

Classes are now forming at the Craft Shop. Beginner sewing for adults and teens takes place 6 p.m. Jan. 26 and 28.

An advanced beading class for adults is Jan. 28. It is an all day class, so bring a packed lunch. Learn to make a stunning Swarovski Crystal Heart Pendant.

Pre-registration and pre-payment is required for all classes.

There is a 30-minute class for teens and adults entitled "Fun with Chocolate" at 6 p.m. Feb. 4 and any 30-minute period between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Feb. 5.

A 30-minute class for children entitled Fun with Chocolate—takes place any time between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. Jan. 30.

For more information, call 938-4812.

WPC Appreciation Night

A free buffet for West Point Club members and immediate dependents will be held from 5-8 p.m. Jan. 29.

Enjoy music, dancing and an available cash bar.

For more information and pricing for non-members, call 938-5120.

Broadway performance of Wicked

The tickets go on sale at 8 a.m. Jan. 27 (in person pick-up only) at LTS, Bldg. 628, for Wicked at the Gershwin Theater in New York City.

Phone orders start Feb. 1, if tickets are still available.

Show dates are April 13, 27 and May 25.

A van leaves West Point at 4 p.m. and leaves NYC at 10 p.m. for a 7 p.m. curtain time.

May 25—Van leaves West Point at 5 p.m. and leaves NYC at 11 p.m. for an 8 p.m. curtain time.

For more information, call 938-3601.

Les Mills Body Pump certification

Les Mills Body Pump certification class dates are Jan. 29-31 and will be held at the FMWR Fitness Center.

For more information, call 938-7060.

Long Trail Micro Brewery Tasting

The good folks from Vermont's Long Trail Micro Brewery are coming from 5-9 p.m. Feb. 26 to the Pierce Dining Room at the West Point Club to hold a beer tasting with heavy hors d'oeuvres and a chance to win a Vermont ski pass.

Call 938-5120 to make your reservation.

Army Family Team Building

Army Family Team Building is designed

to educate and empower members of the military community to develop skills and encourage behaviors that strengthen self-reliance, promote retention and enhance readiness.

Are you an AFTB Master Trainer or would you like to become a Master Trainer?

For more information, call Army Community Service at 938-5654.

Super Bowl Party

Watch the big game Feb. 7 at the West Point Club's Benny Haven Lounge and Gray Room.

Doors open at 11:30 a.m. for game kickoff at 6:28 p.m. The club is featuring wings and a special half-time buffet.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Valentine's Day Dinner Dance

From 6-10 p.m. Feb. 13, the West Point Club is hosting a Valentine's Day Dinner Dance—featuring a choice of Chateaubriand for two, Stuffed Filet of Sole or Chicken ala Valentino.

Enjoy music and dancing with your special someone and indulge them with our complimentary rose and chocolate.

Cash bar and wine list are available.

Call 938-5120 to make your reservation.

Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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JANUARY share prices (as of 01/11)

C Fund	—	+	0.17	(13.6027)
S Fund	—	+	0.26	(17.0409)
I Fund	—	+	0.34	(19.2349)

What's Happening

West Point AOG Gift Shop

The West Point Association of Graduates Gift Shop will be closed Tuesday-Jan. 21 for 100 percent inventory.

Internet orders will not be processed Friday-Jan. 21.

Baggers needed

The West Point Commissary needs baggers. Duties include bagging groceries and carry out service.

Baggers work for tips only.

For more information, contact Christina at 938-3663.

WPWC Gift Shoppe

The West Point Women's Club Gift Shoppe has moved to Bldg. 695 (the old ITR office) and is open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Jan. 23 and 30.

Growing as a Family Sunday mornings

Start off the year right. From 9-10 a.m. beginning Jan. 24, new Sunday school classes will take place.

Park on Thayer Roof, walk down to the third floor and pick up a bagel and cup of coffee.

Adult classes are led by Dwain Gregory (The Jesus Everyone Should Know, study of Mark 1-4), Dave Hampton/Greg Parnell (Ephesians), Ian/Laurie McCulloh (Parenting/Couples Growth), Mike Warren (Discipleship and Bible Study) and Mike Durham (Max Lucado, Traveling Light).

To pre-register your children (all grades preschool through high school), contact the Director of Religious Education (Protestant Chapels) at eric.bryan@usma.edu or 938-3412/4369.

West Point Women's Club

Grants and scholarship applications are available at www.westpointwomensclub.com.

The applications are due Feb. 27.

For more information, e-mail jgrande@hvc.rr.com.

Tax Center

The tax center, located in Bldg. 626, is opening from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. starting Feb. 1. Filers should start getting documents together now (W-2's, mortgage interest statements, childcare expenses, etc.).

Call 938-4145 if you have any questions.

Post Chapel 801 Worship Service

The West Point Community is invited to attend a contemporary worship service at Post Chapel at 8:01 a.m. Sundays.

The service features a Cadet Praise Band, a time for prayer and reflection and relevant preaching for practical Christian living. Watch-care is provided for preschool children.

A fellowship—including coffee, juice, pastries and sausage biscuits—follows the service.

DUSA community grants

The West Point Chapter of the Daughters of the United States Army announces the 2010 Community Grant season runs now through Feb. 15.

Applications are available at the DUSA Gift Shop located at the West Point Museum.

Organizations must complete and return the applications by Feb. 15 to be considered.

Complete details are on the application.

G&EnE Lecture

Dr. Dwight Bowman, Professor of Parasitology, College of Veterinary Medicine, from Cornell University will present a lecture on "Case Studies in Parasite Outbreaks" to students enrolled in EV396, Environmental Biological Systems from 12:50-1:45 p.m. Feb. 5 in Washington Hall, sixth floor conference room 6004.

Members of the West Point community are invited to attend. For more information,

contact Maj. Travis Rayfield at 938-4265.

MCCW marriage class

The Military Council of Catholic Women will host The Hot-Button Topics in Your Marriage from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 4.

Remember Pre-Cana, your preparation for marriage? Two married panelist couples will review the "Plan of Life" that soon-to-be married couples discuss prior to saying "I do."

Compare notes with your husband beforehand or bring him along. Whether you've been married for one or 50 years, this evening is for you. Cadets are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Susan Lathrop 859-4987.

Applications for 2010 Scholarship for Military Children

Scholarship applications for the 2010 Scholarships for Military Children Program are available in commissaries worldwide and online through a link at www.commissaries.com and directly at www.militaryscholar.org.

Since the program began in 2000, it has awarded \$7.3 million in \$1,500 scholarships to almost 5,000 children of servicemembers.

Only dependent, unmarried children, younger than age 21 (age 23 if enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university) of active duty personnel, Reserve, Guard and retired military members, survivors of service members who died while on active duty, or survivors of individuals who died while receiving retired pay from the military

may apply for a scholarship.

Eligibility is determined using the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System database.

Applicants should ensure that they, as well as their sponsor, are enrolled in the DEERS database and have a current ID card.

The applicant must be planning to attend, or already be attending, an accredited college or university full time in the fall of 2010, or be enrolled in a program of studies designed to transfer directly into a four-year program.

Applicants should prepare to submit an essay on the following topic: "You can travel back in time; however, you cannot change events. What point in history would you visit and why?"

Applications must be turned in to a commissary by close of business Feb. 17. At least one scholarship will be awarded at every store location with qualified applicants.

DUSA continuing ed grants

Daughters of the United States Army continuing education grant applications are available now at the DUSA Gift Shop.

The deadline for applications is Feb. 8. For more information, call Patty Bastianelli at 446-6684.

DUSA Gift Shop position opening

The Daughters of the United States Army Gift Shop has an opening for a weekend sales associate.

Applications are available at the shop, located at the West Point Museum.

For more information, contact Tanisha McInerney at 446-0566.

NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

Friday—Amelia, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—Planet 51, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—The Twilight Sage: New Moon, PG-13, 9:30 p.m.

Jan. 22—The Twilight Sage: New Moon, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 23—Old Dogs, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 23—Ninja Assassin, R, 9:30 p.m.

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

Keller Corner

Refractive Surgery Seminar

The KACH ophthalmology service is conducting a Refractive Surgery Seminar from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Robinson Auditorium for cadets (Firsties and Cows) and active duty Army personnel interested in obtaining laser vision correction.

Find out how laser surgery works, the pros and cons of surgery and how to get treated here.

For more information, call the ophthalmology clinic at 938-2207.

Army Physician Assistants Training Program at West Point

Is being an Army physician assistant, nurse, physician, dentist, veterinarian, optometrist or clinical or counseling psychologist part of your goals? Would you like to find out how the Army can help you accomplish this? Are you a leader? Do you want to be able to guide your subordinates in these career options?

If so, then come to the 2010 AMEDD combined briefings from 9-11 a.m. or 1-3 p.m. Jan. 28 in Thayer Hall Room 348.

Childbirth Preparation

The next series of childbirth preparation classes will be Feb. 2, 9, 16 and 23 in the KACH second floor classroom.

Classes are now held monthly. Call OBU at 938-3210 to register.

Free Developmental/Screenings

Not all children develop the same way, some need extra help. If you have concerns with your child's communication skills, motor skills, self-help skills, learning, behavior, and/or social interactions, come to the free

Developmental/Hearing Screenings.

The screenings will be conducted from 8:45 a.m.-2 p.m. Feb. 9 at the CDC in conjunction with Audiology, EDIS and West Point School for children ages birth to 5 years old.

It is by appointment only, so call to schedule at 938-2698/6868.

KACH Outpatient Clinic Closure

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

The emergency room will remain open.

Beneficiaries enrolled in TRICARE Prime are guaranteed Prime Access Standards:

- Emergency Care—if you need emergency care, go to the nearest emergency room;
- Acute/Urgent Primary Care—Seen within 24 hours (earaches, high fever, etc.);
- Routine Primary Care—Seen within seven days (colds, allergies, check-ups);
- Wellness Care—Seen within 28 days (Well Child, pap, mammo, etc.);
- Specialty Care—Seen within 28 days (ortho, podiatry, PT, etc.).

Beginning with the next available appointment, the appointment center clerk will offer you appointments within the standards.

However, you can choose to select an appointment outside the access standards to meet your scheduling needs.

Make appointments by calling the Keller KACH Appointment Center or 845-938-7992 or 800-552-2907 or book online at www.tricareonline.com.



Black and Gold volunteers

The Black and Gold Volunteer Awards Ceremony was Jan. 7 at the Army Community Service building. Pictured from left to right are Cindy Palka, Sgt. 1st Class Brandon Williams, Beth Flowers, Spc. Justin Hiles, Julie Horton, Joseph Collery, Katie Bastinelli, Bobbie Lewis (and Emmary Lewis, not pictured), Suzie Hall, Eileen Kowalski and Wilfred Plumley, Deputy Garrison Commander, who stood in for the garrison commander. Horton was named Volunteer of the Month.

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FRAUD, WASTE and ABUSE HOTLINE

If you suspect or know someone who either is committing, or has committed, any type of fraud against the U.S. government in the West Point or surrounding area, report it by contacting 938-3158.



Viva! Las Vegas, the West Point Women's Club annual fundraiser, is from 6-11 p.m. Feb. 26 at the Thayer Hotel. The general public and all cadets are welcome. Games will include bingo, blackjack, roulette, craps and horseracing. Also, there is a poker tournament (separate buy-in), a silent auction and a fabulous floor show. Visit www.westpointwomensclub.com or e-mail wpwc.viva@gmail.com for more information.

Influenza hotline

For information about influenza and flu shots, both seasonal and H1N1, call 938-0888.

Command Channel 8/23

Jan. 14-21

Army Newswatch (broadcast times) Thursday, Friday and Monday through Jan. 21 8:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Gymnastics focused to leave behind forgettable two seasons

Story and photo by
Eric S. Bartelt
Editor

It's been a forgettable last two years for the Army gymnastics team—years that ended winless in one and a season cut short in the other because of academy violations by the cadet athletes.

Despite the losing and the chaos, the team is more focused than ever to leave its immediate past behind and get back to where they finished the 2007 season—the NCAA Championships.

This year's gymnastics squad is a young one with 11 of its 15 members either plebes or yearlings. However, Army coach Doug Van Everen sees a healthy and deep team, unlike the last two years, that will turn some heads and may breakout for its first Eastern College Athletic Conference championship since 2005.

"We haven't had a team like this since 2005 when we won (the ECACs)," Van Everen said. "As far as the (plebe) class goes, we have only had two other great classes that stand out like this one and this one clearly will be right there with them, maybe even the best one in due time—they are that good."

The team has seven plebes competing, but the three most notable plebe gymnasts heading into the season are Garrek Hojan-Clark, Michael Ikaika Jakub and Kip Webber.

Jakub and Webber are going to give the team a great lift on the floor exercise and rings, while Hojan-Clark gives the team a great athlete on the pommel horse.

"We have three high-level tumblers and Kip Webber is one of them," Van Everen said. "(Yearling) Chase Brown is back (from a broken hand a year ago) and he's doing awesome. Chase is one of the best tumblers in the country."

"He could be a conference champion and an All-American—he's that good," he continued. "Jakub is equally as good on the floor as Chase, and it's exciting what they are doing with their world-class routines. It's truly incredible what they are doing."

Van Everen envisions great things for Hojan-Clark, so much so that he believes he can make a splash on the pommel horse like Brian Lee did on the rings back in 2005 when Lee finished second on the rings at the NCAAs.

"The pommel horse is one of our events that we are a little bit better on than last year," Van Everen said. "We're better because of some of the new kids and Hojan-Clark is definitely on track to be a conference champion and an All-American. If he just keeps going in the direction he's going, he'll be able to do it."

"I've put a lot of pressure on (Hojan-Clark) because he knows he can be great because of the skills

he's doing and the start value of his routine," he added. "We've been trying to get him ready to be able to hit under pressure and we've been doing a lot of things to push that part of it."

Webber, much like Hojan-Clark and Jakub, is going to be a big part of Army's gymnastics resurgence and is excited to have a chance to be a part of the rebirth of the program. While some may say it's a lot of pressure to put on the young gymnasts, the gymnasts themselves are looking at it as exciting more so than pressure.

"It's not like (the coaches) are stressing us out, it's more the excitement of the situation—I think it's a good pressure," Webber said. "We can have a successful season with contributions from the plebes. It's more motivating to us (to help the team succeed) rather than putting pressure on us, at least for me, but I personally love pressure—it drives me."

At Penn State Jan. 9, Webber got his best finish in his first career collegiate meet in the parallel bars with 13.5 score and a fourth place tie with fellow plebe Jakub. It was a surreal time for Webber, who dreamed of competing in college gymnastics for most of his life. The former New England regional champion and three-time Massachusetts state champion feels this is just the tip of the iceberg for the young team.

"I think we're going to be solid," Webber said. "It's a young team, so there's still a lot of potential and we have a lot of recruits coming in next year as well. The program is only going to get bigger and better, so it's an exciting time."

It's definitely an exciting time for Firstie team captain Ty Smith, who missed the Penn State meet with a neck strain. Smith is slated to be back Friday and Saturday during the West Point Open at Christl Arena, and he is confident about the road ahead this season, which will culminate with the NCAA Championships at West Point in April.

"We qualified (for the NCAAs) my plebe year and it was probably the most fun experience I've had at West Point," Smith said. "I would really like to share that (experience) with the new guys and the guys who haven't gone previously because it's definitely a great experience."

Van Everen likes Smith because he's a six-event guy, an all-around participant, and he's a great influence on the young athletes.

"(Smith) gets the other guys to follow him and keep up with him because he knows how to train really well," Van Everen explained. "It's really leadership by example and that's what he does—he's a great captain for us."

Smith is highly anticipating his first competition of the season, especially with a chance to face Navy and get more points than they



Firstie team captain Ty Smith, coming off a neck injury, will compete in his first meet Friday and Saturday as Army hosts the West Point Open at Christl Arena.

do for the first time since 2007.

"It always comes down to bragging rights and after being off the last couple of years it'll be good to get back on track," Smith said. "The plebes saw how it was with the Army-Navy football game and I think it transcends to our sport, too. I don't want to say we hate Navy, but we're rivals and we must have a winning attitude against them."

The Wales, Wis., native is hyped

about this season because the school is hosting the NCAA Championships and he believes fully that the team is going to step up big time to earn a place at the NCAAs.

"It would be the ultimate culmination of my career here. The NCAAs is such a huge event and by making the NCAAs it shows that you're one of the top teams, too, and you can play with the big boys," Smith said. "Making the

NCAAs would give the young guys confidence to step up over the next few years and bring about a new dynasty in Army gymnastics.

"I'm excited about this year," Smith added. "It's going to be a blast to see the other teams faces when we get more points than them. It'll be good to get back to those winning ways. We've definitely had a rough two years finishing at the bottom, but not this year."

Late run, Coiffard's 19 points earn win in PL opener

By Tracy Nelson
Athletic Communications

Cow forward Erin Anthony scored at least 20 points for the third-straight game and Cow guard Jessie Coiffard poured in a career-high 19 points as the Army women's basketball team won its Patriot League opener 63-57 over visiting Colgate Jan. 9 at Christl Arena.

The Black Knights used a timely 16-4 run late in the action to pull away from a feisty Raider club and ended a two-game losing skid.

Trailing 46-45 with 5:37 to play, Army scored 16 of the next 20 points to take a 60-49 lead with 53 seconds left and the Black Knights hung on for their first Patriot League win of the season.

The Black Knights shot 29 percent (16-of-55) on the night and more than half (nine) of their field goals came from behind the arc. Army scored 22 points (22-of-31) from the free throw line, featuring a perfect 7-for-7 effort from Coiffard and an 8-of-12 showing for Anthony.

Coming off a career-high 28 points at Troy Jan. 4, Anthony completed her seventh double-double of the season with a game-high 12 rebounds.

"We talked in pregame about the fact that we need to get a second consistent scorer to complement (Erin) Anthony," head coach Dave Magarity said. "Tonight, that was Jessie Coiffard. She played a heck of a game. If we can have a player like Coiffard or (Nalini) Hawkins to really step up and Anthony continues to do what she does night in and night out, I think we'll be in pretty good shape."

"Tonight we saw a Colgate team that has improved immensely over the last two years," he continued.

"They deserve a lot of credit for coming in hungry to play (Jan. 9). They have a lot of talent and I can see them making some noise against some teams in the league this season. This league is going to be tough and we are going to have to take care of business at home."

A back-and-forth affair from the start, Army and Colgate traded eight lead changes with nine ties. The Black Knights opened a 6-2 lead over the first two minutes of the contest only to watch the Raiders score the next five points unanswered to take a 7-6 advantage with 15:08 on the clock.

Coiffard went 4-for-4 from the free throw line while Anthony converted a traditional three-point play (13:06) as Army scored seven of the next nine points to push ahead by a 13-9 score.

The teams traded buckets over the next few minutes and Coiffard broke a 13-13 tie with a long baseline three-pointer (11:20). Plebe guard Liz Benedict followed with a three of her own (10:46), giving the Black Knights a 19-13 edge midway through the first half of play.

Colgate freshman guard Jhazmine Lynch answered with a three-ball (9:27), but Army Plebe guard Molly Yardley drilled a three-pointer as well (8:26), allowing the Black Knights to stay in front by a 22-18 score. The Raiders scored the next five unanswered points to pull back to within one (22-21) with 7:12 remaining. Colgate netted five of the next seven points to take its largest lead to that point (26-24) with five minutes to go before the break. A pair of Anthony free throws 1:17 later tied the game for a fifth time (26-26) with 3:51 to play. Army would not score again while Colgate's junior guard Sami Kozlowski gave the Raiders a 28-



Cow guard Jessie Coiffard scored a career-high 19 points to help Army to a 63-57 Patriot League opener win over Colgate Jan. 9 at Christl Arena.

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26 halftime lead with a pair of free throws at the 1:41 mark.

Colgate scored the first point of the second half from the charity stripe, but Cow forward Laura Baranek and Cow guard Nalini Hawkins followed with back-to-back three-point buckets to give the Black Knights a 32-29 lead with 16:45 to play. The Raiders matched Army's three-point effort to level the score again (32-32) with just under 16 minutes to play. Anthony broke the tie with a pair of free

throws (15:23), which sparked a 7-0 Army run over the next 2:45 and allowed the Black Knights to take their largest lead t that point (39-32) with 12:40 remaining.

Again, the Raiders responded, using a 13-5 spurt over the next 6:27 and took a 45-44 lead as junior guard Tayler Wejnert drilled a three from the top of the key with six minutes to play in the game. Anthony accounted for Army's lone field goal during that time as the Black Knights other three points

came via the free throw line.

Coiffard's acrobatic layup, accompanied by a good free throw at the 5:37 mark, put Army back in the driver's seat (47-45). The basket helped jumpstart a pivotal 16-4 Army surge, which included another off-balance layup from Coiffard and Anthony's fourth triple of the season, as the Black Knights took a 60-49 lead with a 53 seconds to play. The 11-point margin marked the largest by either team on the night.

Kawamoto receives Maggie Dixon Courage Award Dec. 13

Compiled by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

Lieutenant Col. Kim Kawamoto, West Point's Associate Athletic Director and Senior Women's Administrator, and Rutgers head coach and hall of famer, Vivian Stringer, received the inaugural Maggie Dixon Courage Award Dec. 13 at Madison Square Garden.

The awards presentation took place before the start of the second game of a doubleheader between Tennessee and Rutgers during the Maggie Dixon Classic.

"I didn't know of the award prior to the game," Kawamoto said. "I left the day after (the) Army-Navy (game) to go to the classic, (and that's when) I received the award. I am very humbled to be the inaugural recipient along with hall of fame coach Vivian Stringer."

"I'd like to thank the Dixon Family for considering me and selecting me for the prestigious honor," Kawamoto added. "They've done a tremendous job making the Maggie Dixon Classic a first-class event for women's basketball."

Baylor and Boston College opened the classic and then Kawamoto and Stringer took

the court in between games for the awards presentation along with the Dixon Family.

Kawamoto, Class of 1992, is a four-time letter winner (basketball) and earned a pair of Division I All-American certificates.

Upon her graduation from West Point, she earned the prestigious Army Athletic Association Award, the highest athletic honor presented annually to a male and female member of the firstie class "who display the most valuable service to intercollegiate athletics during a career as a cadet."

Kawamoto left her mark during her four-year West Point career as Army's single game (16), season (234) and career (706) assists leader, and then continued her basketball career following graduation as she was a seven-time member of the All-Army women's basketball squad.

Kawamoto served as a graduate assistant at the United States Military Academy Preparatory School at Fort Monmouth, N.J., immediately after graduation and returned to USMAPS as an instructor and women's athletic director later.

Kawamoto served as a platoon leader, operations officer and executive officer for Bravo Company, 304th Signal Battalion at

Camp Long, Korea, and served as a signal officer for the 16th Military Police Brigade (Airborne) and the 46th Corps Support Group (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, N.C.

After her promotion to lieutenant colonel April 1, 2009, she served as the chief in the Joint Operations Center overseeing all training operations in Afghanistan.

Kawamoto was awarded a Joint Service Commendation Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, NATO Medal and the Joint Meritorious Unit Award. She returned to West Point in the fall after a yearlong tour in Afghanistan.

The Maggie Dixon Courage award is presented to those who best exemplify the qualities of courage, leadership and promotion of women's basketball.

The award is named for Maggie Dixon, Army women's basketball head coach who brought the Black Knights to the program's only Patriot League title in 2005-06.

Dixon died suddenly at the age of 28 in April 2006 of arrhythmia and an enlarged heart less than a month after going toe-to-toe opposite Hall of Fame Tennessee head coach Pat Summitt in Army's first-ever NCAA Division I Tournament appearance.

A check for \$25,000 was presented



Julie Dixon Silva, right, poses with Lt. Col. Kim Kawamoto after presenting Kawamoto with the inaugural Maggie Dixon Courage Award between games at the Maggie Dixon Classic at Madison Square Garden in New York Dec. 13.

KATHY WILLENS/AP

to the Cardiac Arrhythmias Research and Education Foundation Inc. during the award presentation.

Army downs BU 31-9, takes two of three matches Sunday

By Ryan Yanoshak
Athletic Communications

Army won the first five matches, three with bonus points, as the Black Knights posted a 31-9 victory over Boston University Sunday at Christl Arena.

Thirty minutes after beating the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy 38-4, Army continued its winning ways by dispatching the Terriers in the second of three matches scheduled Sunday. Army lost later in the day to Rutgers 28-10.

Plebe Daniel Young earned a major decision, Firstie Matt Kyler and Cow Casey Thome registered falls and Firstie Casey Penhale and Plebes Connor Hanafee and Collin Wittmeyer won decisions as Army improved to 3-2 on the season.

Penhale, for the second straight match, got Army off to a good start. After a scoreless first period, Penhale accumulated riding time in the second period and then secured an escape, two takedowns and a riding time point for a 6-2 victory.

Hanafee made it 6-0 Army with a 4-2 decision at 133 pounds. Hanafee trailed 2-1 early but scored a takedown with 13 seconds left in the second period at the edge of the mat. A stalling point in the last period gave Hanafee a 4-2 win.

Thome picked up his second pin of the day to push the Army lead to 12-0. Thome had an early takedown and earned the fall in 2:18.

Kyler rolled to an impressive win at 149 pounds. The eighth-ranked wrestler in the country, Kyler collected four takedowns and two back points in the first period, a reversal

early in the second period and then posted the fall at 4:29 to give Army an 18-0 lead.

Young scored in a variety of ways, collecting three reversals, three sets of near fall points, two takedowns and an escape on the way to a 20-10 major decision win at 157 pounds that pushed the Army leads to 22-0.

Boston University scored its first points at 165 pounds when Kyle Czarnecki used a second-period reversal and final period takedown for a 4-0 win over Plebe Patrick Marchetti.

Hunter Meyers helped the Terriers close the gap with a 7-2 decision at 174 pounds opposite Cow Jacob Vetter. Meyers posted a takedown before Vetter escaped. Meyers escaped in the second and collected back points in the third to trim Army's lead to 22-6.

Wittmeyer halted Boston's two-match winning streak with a 5-4 win at 184 pounds. Wittmeyer had an early takedown and then a second takedown 30 seconds into the final period.

A reversal by Brock Mantella knotted the score at four, but Wittmeyer escaped with 30 seconds left for the victory and moved the team score to 25-6.

Plebe Corey Hedash battled at 197 pounds but Boston's Dan Kennedy held on for a 4-2 win. Kennedy had a takedown late in the first and then secured an escape and stalling point.

Hedash picked up two escapes and had a leg for a takedown attempt with seven seconds left but couldn't complete the move.

Army Cow Ryan Cook accepted a forfeit at 285 pounds for the final points.



Cow Casey Thome registered a pin, which was his second of the day, versus his Boston University opponent Sunday at Christl Arena. Army defeated BU 31-9 in the second of three matches. Thome now has an 8-4 record during the 2009-10 wrestling season.
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CLUB RESULTS

• Cadet Sport Parachute

Team: Thirty-three members of the Cadet Sport Parachute team took home a total of 27 medals at the USPA Collegiate Nationals Competition in Rosharon, Texas from Dec. 29-Jan. 2.

They earned seven gold medals, eight silver medals and 12 bronze medals.

The team set a Novice two-way collegiate record on a single dive, scoring 55 points by Yearlings Chester Haner and Ben Dratch.

The Cadet Sport Parachute team took gold, silver and bronze in the two-way events posting incredibly high scores—Yearling Max Love earned two gold medals in two-way formation skydiving and individual classic accuracy.

The team did extremely well in Sport Accuracy at all levels with Firstie Orlando Zambrano earning a gold in Masters Sport Accuracy with the lowest score possible (0.0), which was a first for the academy.

Cow Annibal Lopez earned a silver in the Intermediate Division while Yearlings Chris Liggett and Pam Baker earned silver and bronze, respectively, in the Novice Division.

The Firstie team and the Cow four-way team earned bronze and silver, respectively, in formation skydiving having been beat out by Air Force.



Firstie Peter Choe (above) and the Cadet Sport Parachute Team earned 27 medals at the USPA Collegiate Nationals Competition in Rosharon, Texas from Dec. 29-Jan. 2. The team set a Novice two-way collegiate record on a single dive with 55 points, achieved by Yearlings Chester Haner and Ben Dratch. Yearling Max Love earned two gold medals in two-way formation skydiving and individual classic accuracy.
JOHN VANWINKLE/USFA

Sports calendar

Jan. 14-29

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FRIDAY—MEN'S TENNIS, SHIRT SHACK OPEN, ALL DAY, LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

FRIDAY—SWIMMING & DIVING VS. LEHIGH, 5 P.M., CRANDALL POOL.

FRIDAY—GYMNASTICS, WEST POINT OPEN TEAM/PRELIMS, 7 P.M., CHRISTL ARENA.

SATURDAY—MEN'S TENNIS, SHIRT SHACK OPEN, ALL DAY, LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

SATURDAY—RIFLE VS. KENTUCKY, 9 A.M., TRONSRUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER.

SATURDAY—SWIMMING & DIVING VS. BUCKNELL, 1 P.M., CRANDALL POOL.

SATURDAY—GYMNASTICS, WEST POINT OPEN FINALS, 7 P.M., CHRISTL ARENA.

SUNDAY—MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. LEHIGH, 2 P.M., CHRISTL ARENA.

WEDNESDAY—MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. AMERICAN, 7 P.M., CHRISTL ARENA.

JAN. 22-24—MEN'S TENNIS, ARMY OPEN, ALL DAY (EACH DAY), LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

JAN. 22—HOCKEY VS. CONNECTICUT, 7:05 P.M., TATE RINK.

JAN. 23—MEN'S BASKETBALL AT NAVY,

ANNAPOLIS, MD., NOON (TELEVISION: CBS COLLEGE SPORTS.)

JAN. 23—WOMEN'S BASKETBALL AT NAVY, ANNAPOLIS, MD., 3 P.M.

JAN. 23—HOCKEY VS. CONNECTICUT, 7:05 P.M., TATE RINK.

JAN. 27—WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. LAFAYETTE, 7 P.M., CHRISTL ARENA.

JAN. 29—MEN'S TENNIS VS. FAIRFIELD, 5 P.M., 5 P.M.

JAN. 29—HOCKEY VS. AIR FORCE, 7:05 P.M., TATE RINK.

Club

SATURDAY—MEN'S TEAM HANDBALL, 33RD ANNUAL WEST POINT INVITATIONAL, ALL DAY, ARVIN GYM.

JAN. 22—PISTOL TEAM VS. USMMA, 4:30 P.M., TRONSRUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER.

JAN. 23—FENCING, FENCING INVITATIONAL, 10 A.M., ARVIN GYM.

JAN. 23—PISTOL TEAM VS. USMMA, 9 A.M., TRONSRUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER.

JAN. 29—PISTOL TEAM VS. MIT AND USMMA, 4:30 P.M., TRONSRUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER.

Indoor track and field takes 18 events at Crowell Open

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Looking for a strong start to the indoor season, the Army men's and women's track and field team won a combined 18 events Jan. 8-9 at the Carleton Crowell Open at Gillis Field House.

"We posted some solid early-season times," Patriot League Indoor and Outdoor Coach of the Year Troy Engle said. "I think this event showcased the depth we have on our men's and women's teams. It is a long season ahead of us, but we are progressing."

Cow Domonick Sylve won the 60-meter hurdles in an IC4A-qualifying time of 8.20 seconds. Sylve also placed fourth overall in the 60-meter dash with a clocking of 7.18 seconds.

Yearling Michael Hutchins' won the high jump with an IC4A-qualifying leap of 6-8 1/4. Yearling Thomas Wagner, who also won the triple jump with a distance of 47-3/4, finished second by clearing 6-6 1/4.

Cow Alfred McDaniel, the reigning Patriot League champion in the indoor long jump, won with a distance of 22-5 1/4 and finished the 60-meter dash in 7.08 to earn second place.

Plebe Cecelia Forshee won the women's mile in her first collegiate indoor meet, and led a pack of four Army runners in the top six, with a time of 5:27.80.

Cows Annie Nagy (5:38.84) and Jessica Letarte (5:41.48) notched third and fourth, respectively, with Yearling Lauren Ulmer (5:55.65) picking up sixth.

The Black Knights swept the top three spots in the 400-meter men's

and women's races. Plebe Ashley Gordon (1:03.16), Firstie Lesa Boyd (1:03.47) and Firstie indoor captain Annie Taft (1:04.12) led the Army women with Firstie Andrew Tingan (51:24), Cow Christopher Michels (51:54) and Plebe Jordon Cayton (52:94) out in front for the Army men.

Michels also finished second in the 200-meter dash (23.35).

Cow Kaci Clark earned first place in the women's long jump (16-9 3/4) and tied for first with teammate Cow Hallie Huggins in the pole vault as each cleared 10 feet.

Huggins' also shined on the track, as her time of 8.12 in the 60-meter dash was enough to earn first place.

Cow Carissa Hauck posted the top time in the women's 500-meter with a strong time of 1:18.33. Hauck currently ranks sixth all-time on the academy's list for that event with a posting of 1:17.44 last season.

Yearling Shalela Dowdy (2:26.43) and Plebe Mary Prakel (2:28.35) went one-two in the women's 800-meter.

Cow Jermaine Wright (23:16) led three Army runners in the 200-meter race and was followed by Michels (23.35) and Firstie Christopher Clark (23.39). Michels was also runner-up in the 60-meter dash to McDaniel.

Cow Torre Santiago led a sweep of the top three spots in the men's 800-meter race.

Santiago finished in 1:55.58 with Firstie William Caffery (2:01.62) and Yearling Christopher Jones (2:01.69) recording a photo-finish for second place.

Michels, Wright, Tingan and



Yearling Christie Johnson jumps a hurdle during the 60-meter race during the first phase of the heptathlon during the Crowell Open in Gillis Field House. Johnson finished third overall during the event.

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Hutchins teamed to win the men's 4x400m relay in 3:26.11.

The Army women (Boyd, Gordon, Dowdy, Hauck) also won the 4x400 in a time of 4:16.73.

Firstie Angela Jenkins leapt 35-10 1/2 for the best triple jump mark of the day, and finished second to Clark in the long jump with a leap of 16-9 3/4.

Plebe McKenzie Majchrzak cleared 5-3 to win the high jump in

her first collegiate meet.

In the men's mile, Cow Bryce Livingston (4:20.63), Yearling Dan Nix (4:22.64), Plebe Stephen Marthy (4:25.30) and Yearling Barrett Lehardy (4:29.99) grabbed third through sixth places in succession.

Yearling Christina Johnson (2958 points) and Cow Tonya Stallard (2828) placed third and fourth, respectively, in the women's heptathlon.

Johnson won the high jump by clearing a height of 5-4 1/4, while Stallard notched first in the shot put with a distance of 35-8.

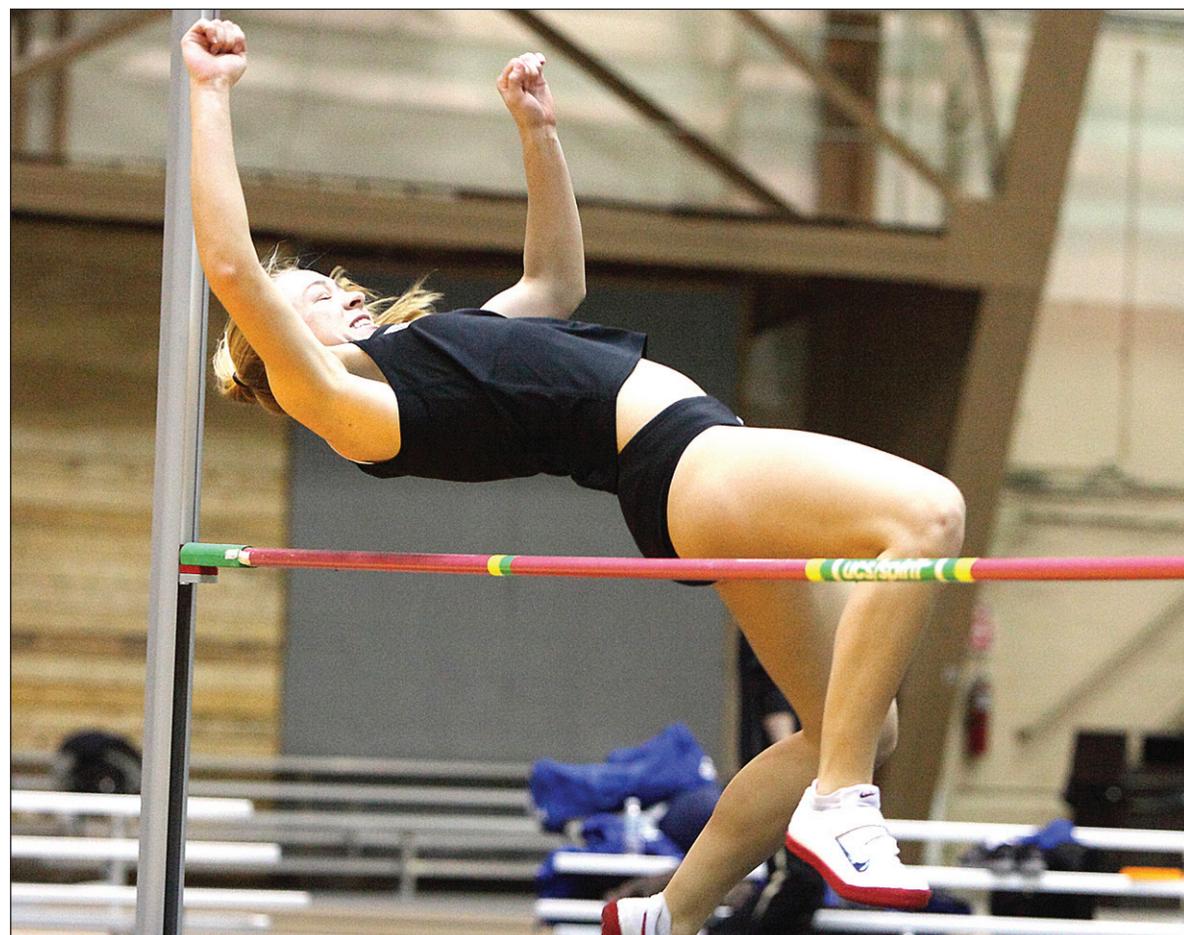
Firstie thrower Matt Nulk

finished in second and forged a new personal-best in the weight throw with a distance of 52-6 3/4. His previous best came at last year's Patriot League Championships.

Plebe Brian Morenus finished second (8:55.81) in the men's 3000-meter, and was followed by Cow Blaine O'Reilly (8:58.99).

Firstie Justin Marburger (9:08.86) and Yearling Michael Mitchell (9:09.81) came in at third and fourth, respectively.

Firstie Joe Nemeth threw 48-4 3/4 to earn second place in the shot put, while Firstie Kurt Bujewski was fifth with a heave of 46 feet.



Cow Tonya Stallard attempts to clear 1.53 meters on the high jump. She placed fourth in the heptathlon during the Crowell Open.



Yearling Michael Bliss lands in the sand pit after successful jump during the first heat of the long jump.

Intramural Basketball

As of Monday's results

NORTH DIVISION		EAST DIVISION	
TEAMS	W - L	TEAMS	W - L
1. SYSTEMS	7 - 2	1. MP's	8 - 2
2. MATH I	8 - 4	2. BAND	7 - 3
3. DMI	7 - 4	3. DPE I	4 - 7
4. ODIA	4 - 6	4. GARRISON	2 - 7
SOUTH DIVISION		WEST DIVISION	
TEAMS	W - L	TEAMS	W - L
1. HISTORY	5 - 5	1. DPE II	8 - 3
2. BS&L	3 - 6	2. MATH II	6 - 5
3. BTD	4 - 7	3. ENGLISH	4 - 6
4. D/LAW	4 - 8	4. GENE/DFL	2 - 8