

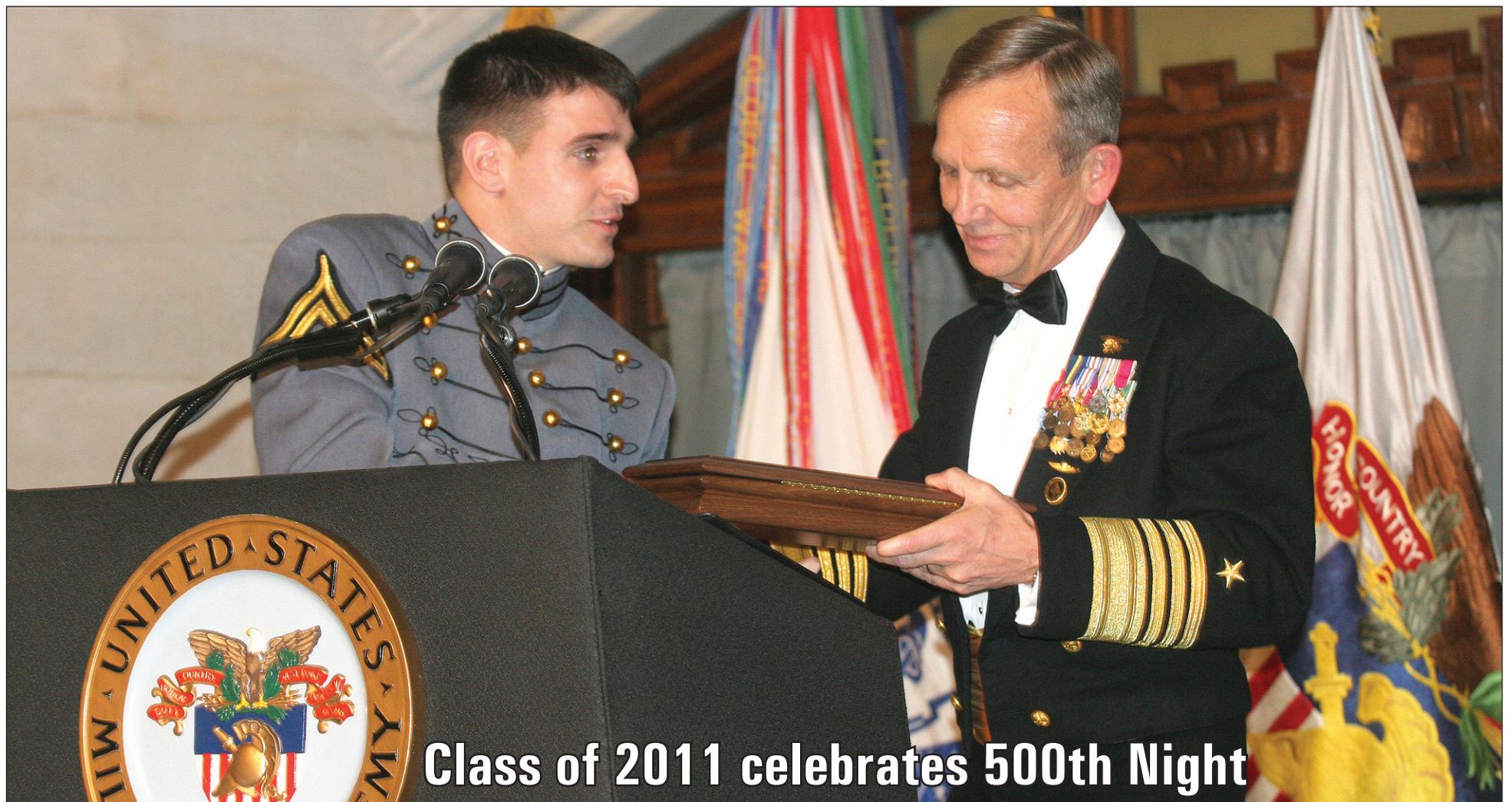
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Class of 2011 celebrates 500th Night

Cow Joseph Simon, Company A-1 and the Class of 2011 president, presents Navy Adm. Eric T. Olson, U.S. Special Operations Command commander and U.S. Naval Academy Class of 1973, with a gift from the class at their 500th Night Banquet Jan. 23. Olson addressed the young leaders on courage, individual and team proficiency, and preparing for success as well as failure. More than half of the troops in Olson's command come from various Army units. The Cow class celebrated the weekend, which included the banquet and a hop, that signified 500 days until their graduation.

SGT. VINCENT FUSCO/DPAC

2010 Census important to military Families

By Susan Anderson
Army News Service

WASHINGTON—With about \$400 billion a year in federal funds at stake, the 2010 Census may prove especially important for the thousands of Army Families who have relocated since 2000 as a result of Base Realignment and Closure, said a 2010 Census media specialist.

The larger the concentration of Families in and around the installations that have experienced growth, the larger the support system has to be to accommodate them, said Robert Crockett, also a retired Army sergeant first class.

In addition to being a “snapshot of America,” the Census is a device by which federal funds are returned to the states and congressional seats are distributed to accommodate state’s changing needs, he said.

Military Families living in areas that have experienced significant growth may see the direct and indirect benefits of their participation in the Census through, for example, larger schools, hospitals, roads, housing for elderly and job training.

States that have grown in population since

2000 could also gain congressional seats after the 2010 Census, Crockett said.

With only 10 questions, the 2010 Census is the shortest to date.

However, with so many servicemembers deployed, military Families in particular may still have questions regarding how to answer certain questions, he said.

The first question on the Census is, “How many people were living or staying in this house, apartment or mobile home on April 1, 2010?”

“If a spouse is overseas, then that person receiving the questionnaire should not count the spouse that is overseas. That spouse overseas would be part of an overseas enumeration,” and he or she will be listed by their home state, Crockett said.

“If your spouse is on a military vessel with a U.S. homeport, then they should be counted as part of your household. If your spouse is on a military vessel from a foreign homeport, then they should not be counted as part of your household,” he said.

Stateside military Families will receive the Census form in the mail just like everyone else.

Servicemembers and their Families located overseas will not receive a form. The Defense

Manpower Data Center will provide records to the Census Bureau for servicemembers and military Families overseas, based on home of record.

Stateside Families who do not return the form within the indicated time will receive repeated notifications from the Census Bureau.

Then, if the forms are still not received, Families can expect a knock on the door from a Census worker.

If someone is apprehensive about speaking with a stranger, they can ask to see the identification card that all Census workers must carry, Crockett said, or for a phone number to their supervisor.

He said the military community might be surprised to learn that the Census is the largest mobilization of resources that the nation undertakes.

“There is nothing in the United States that compares with the Census effort, this effort to count everyone, only once and in the right place. We have to hire a temporary force of over a million people. That’s roughly equivalent to the entire population of Hawaii, and we are setting out to count well over 130 million people,” he said.

While participation in the Census is

required by law, Crockett points out that all answers are protected.

“The census is not intrusive ... it’s protected by law and none of this information is shared with any other agency whatsoever,” he said.

Those who have filled out a Census form in years past may notice differences. Based on findings that suggest the simpler the form, the higher the participation, the 2010 Census form is limited to the most fundamental questions, Crockett said.

The more detailed questions asked in the past are now asked on the American Community Survey. Sent to a random sample of addresses on a monthly basis, the American Community Survey is a more detailed analysis to find out what America wants and needs, Crockett said.

The American Census was first conducted in 1790, and was the first Census in history used to empower the people. It is repeated every 10 years.

For more information on the 2010 Census, visit www.census.gov.

Follow the link to the 2010 page for frequently asked questions and a host of interactive activities, including testimonials and trackers that allow individuals to follow their community’s return rate.

Linda Paffenroth, retired, dies Jan. 21

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Linda E. Paffenroth

Affairs and Communications.

Retired Col. Joseph Adamczyk was one of the BTO's for whom Linda worked for at USCC.

"My family and I are deeply saddened to hear of Linda's passing. We extend our heartfelt condolences to Tom and the children," Adamczyk said. "Linda was a friend, a mentor and a true patriot. She stood out in the special group of wonderful West Point civil servants, especially those in USCC, who without a doubt helped shape and continue to shape the leadership of our military and our nation."

"It would be impossible to calculate the innumerable lives—colleagues, cadets, staff and faculty, visitors, and past and present leaders of our Army and 'leader of character.'" he added. "We mourn her passing, we salute her service and we rejoice in the legacy she leaves in those whose lives she touched. 'May it be said, 'Well done' Be thou at peace.'"

Former West Point Public Affairs director and retired Lt. Col. Kent Cassella nicknamed Linda 'Radar' after the character from M.A.S.H.

"Linda was extraordinary in the ordinary. She was an extraordinary force that kept those seemingly ordinary, but extremely important, things in life strong—her marriage, family, friends and her colleagues at work," Casella said. "She didn't know a stranger and with her easy way made every visitor to the Public Affairs office feel welcome."

Linda is survived by her husband of 44 years, Tom Paffenroth; her sons, Kevin and his companion Amy Creeden, Tim and his wife Suzanne; her grandchildren Thomas, Nikole and Kaylee; her mother Joan and her brother Dennis Nelson and his wife, Kim.

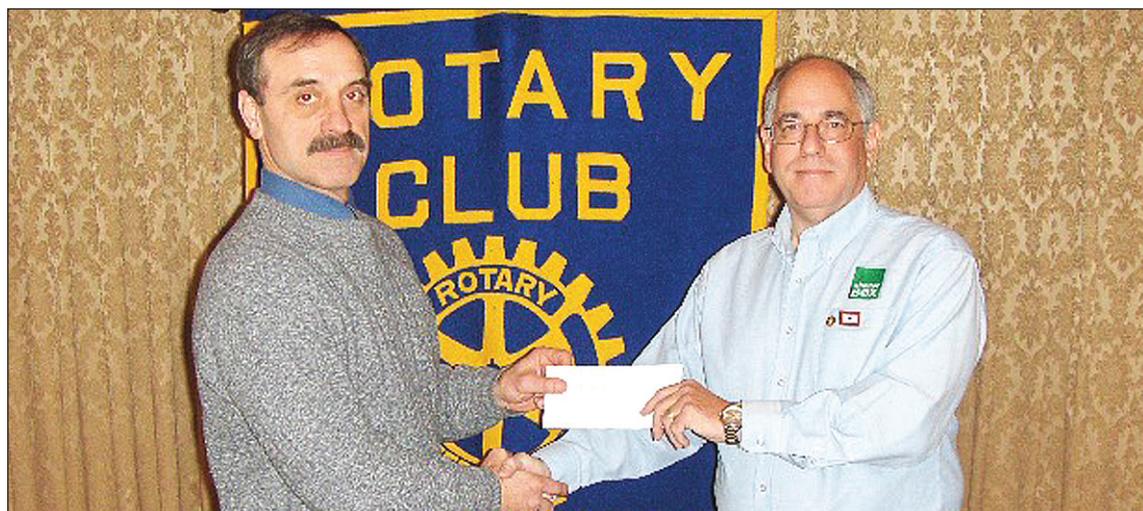
It was Linda's wish not to have any visitations and that her burial be private and held at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, donations in Linda's name may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Linda E. Paffenroth, a retired secretary and longtime area resident, died peacefully Jan. 21 at home in Bullville, surrounded by her family. She was 64.

The daughter of Chester and Joan O'Hara Nelson, she was born September 17, 1945, in Manhattan.

Linda was a member of St. Paul's R.C. Church in Bullville.

A secretary at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point for more than 25 years, she supported the U.S. Corps of Cadets chief of staff, brigade tactical officer and command sergeant major and retired from the Directorate of Public



Rotary helps Haitian relief effort

The West Point-Highland Falls Rotary Club president Buddy Blackman (left), Office of the Dean, presents a check to Larry Palant, a Suffern Rotarian, to purchase a "Shelterbox" to be shipped to Haiti to provide shelter and basic subsistence for up to 10 people. The Rotary, which has members from a variety of agencies throughout West Point, meets Thursday mornings at the Thayer Hotel.

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USMAPS CONSTRUCTION SITE OFF LIMITS

As a reminder to all community members, the USMAPS construction site located at the old TMP site near Washington Gate is off limits to all personnel. Recently, runners have entered the site apparently by "jumping the fence" to get to their normal trails. The site has heavy construction equipment stored and in use and an active decompression of landfill areas is in progress. All dangers might not be clearly apparent. Please do not risk your safety by entering the site. Visitors with a legitimate need to enter or transit the area should check in with the appropriate contractor personnel. For more information, contact DPW Customer Relations at 938-4407.

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

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Baker, 66, dies Jan. 21 at home

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Diane Baker

Diane Baker, 66, of Marlboro, died Jan. 21 at home.

Born March 25, 1943, in Flushing, Queens, she was the daughter of the late John R. Yekel and Helen (Daidone/Valentine).

An employee at West Point since 1994, Diane worked in the Athletic Communications office and in 2005 transferred to the Community Relations Branch of the Directorate of Public Affairs and Communications, where she scheduled color guard appearances and other community relations activities.

“Diane loved West Point. Her always positive and cheerful attitude will be missed by her co-workers and the many visitors to West Point with whom she interacted,” Deb DeGraw, Community Relations Branch Chief, said.

Mady Salvani, who worked with Diane during her tenure at the sports office, said, “Diane loved her time in Athletic Communications and was a big-time Army supporter who enjoyed working with the coaches and administrators in Bldg. 639. A cheerleader by nature, she helped celebrate the wins and console in the losses. She was a special person who will be remembered fondly.”

She graduated in the top third of her class at Freeport High School. She was a member of the marching band, orchestra, chorus and drama club. She worked as an administrative assistant to CEO’s, presidents and executives over the years.

She was elected as Ulster County legislature from the Marlboro, Milton, Plattekill area from 1992-1994, becoming the first woman elected from this district. She belonged to American Legion Auxiliary Post #124 for more than 35 years.

A member of Christ Episcopal Church in Marlboro, Diane served as a Eucharistic Minister, Lay Reader and often helped in the church kitchen.

She is survived by her son, Gordon Baker, and his wife, Beth, of Milton and two granddaughters, Rebecca and Jessica Baker.

Visitation and a funeral service were Jan. 23 at The DiDonato Funeral Home in Marlboro.

Cremation will be at the convenience of the family.

Peña, '04, dies in Afghanistan

Compiled by Linda Mastin
Web & Print Publications Chief



Captain Paul Peña

The Department of Defense announced that Capt. Paul Peña, 27, of San Marcos, Texas, died Jan. 19 in Arghandab River Valley, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when an improvised explosive device exploded while his unit was on foot patrol. Peña, who was supporting Operation Enduring Freedom, was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C., which reported to a Canadian headquarters in Afghanistan.

The 2004 West Point graduate attended the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Basic Airborne School and Ranger School at Fort Benning, Ga. Upon completion of his training, his first duty station was Fort Richardson, Alaska, with the 3rd Battalion, 509th Infantry Regiment (Airborne).

He went to Iraq for a 14-month deployment as a platoon leader while with the 509th in 2006-07.

He reported to Fort Bragg in January 2009, where he was the assistant operations officer for the 2nd Battalion and deployed to Afghanistan in August as the commander of Company A.

“Paul was an outstanding leader and always made it a point to connect with his soldiers,” Lt. Col. Guy Jones, commander of 2nd Battalion, said. “He knew his example was for more than just here and now. He will be greatly missed.”

Peña graduated from the San Marcos Baptist Academy in 2000 and was a member of the Junior ROTC there. He was named “best all around student” by his school’s National Honor Society chapter and voted most likely to succeed by his classmates.

San Marcos Mayor Susan Narvaiz ordered the San Marcos city flag to be flown at half-mast in memory of Peña.

“Captain Peña is a true American hero who has made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation,” Narvaiz said. “I urge our community to come together to demonstrate our concern, our support and our gratitude to Captain Peña and to keep his Family in our prayers.”

She encouraged all San Marcos residents to display the American flag, large or small, in memory of Peña.

“I would like to see San Marcos streets lined with American flags in his honor,” Mayor Narvaiz said.

Peña died along with Tech Sgt. Adam Ginett, 29, of North Carolina. The pair were on a foot patrol with Afghan Soldiers in the Arghandab district, just north of Kandahar city, when they were killed by a roadside bomb. Five other Soldiers were wounded.

Peña’s awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Army Commendation Medal with two Bronze Oak Leaf clusters, the Valorous Unit Award, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the NATO Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Parachutists Badge and the Ranger Tab.

Peña is survived by his mother, Cecilia, a teacher in San Marcos.

A memorial service was held in Afghanistan early in the week and the San Marcos Baptist Academy is holding a memorial service at 7 p.m. today. A funeral mass will be held in San Antonio, Peña’s mother’s hometown, at St. John the Evangelist Church at 11 a.m. Friday. A burial will follow.

The plans could change depending on when Peña’s body arrives in the U.S.

The Family has requested donations to the Captain Paul W. Peña Memorial Scholarship at San Marcos Baptist Academy.

Donations can be sent to the academy at 2801 Ranch Road 12, San Marcos, Texas 78666.

Don't wait until April 15—make your tax appointment now

By Tommy Gilligan
Assistant editor

While trends change from season to season, the one constant throughout time is tax season. As the calendar nears the end of January, there are many advertising campaigns being launched to capture the American public's attention on a variety of products ranging from vacations to using various companies tax services, which seem to go hand-in-hand. Countless billions of dollars are spent to grab attention for companies' services.

"In this world nothing is certain but death and taxes," originally said by Benjamin Franklin, and has been uttered by millions since. As the years pass, this has held true—from stopping at the gas station, picking up groceries, to looking at your paycheck and wondering 'who is this FICA person?' Why are they getting an allotment from my paycheck?

Presently, tax forms are rolling out, the new filing laws are coming to light and the use of tax professional services becomes more relevant.

With a variety of options throughout the military, the West Point Staff Judge Advocate office is offering tax advice and filing at no cost to all servicemembers, military retirees and their Families. It is not available to Department of Defense civilians or contractors.

"We are certified on four levels—the federal level and we are certified at the basic, intermediate and military level," team leader Capt. Agnes Jordan said. New York State has also trained her team on the state-specific laws, Jordan said.

Starting Feb. 1 the tax center, located in Bldg. 626, will be open from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Filers should start getting documents together now so they are properly prepared

for going through the process.

Some of the forms needed to complete your taxes are:

- W-2s for all income earned;
- 1009 INTs for interest earned;
- 1099 DIVs for dividends paid;
- 1099-B for any sale of stock;
- IRS Form 2848 or a valid Power of Attorney if filing on someone else's behalf;
- A cancelled check with bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit;
- Personal identification, which includes military identification cards or Social Security cards for children who have not been issued a military ID;
- HUD-1 or 1099-S if a home was bought recently;
- Receipts for the purchase of energy efficient products.

Taxpayers may not have all these forms collected, but being prepared will help during the appointment, which should take about an hour.

"Last year, the tax center processed more than 3,000 tax returns," Jordan said.

She recommends that taxpayers be wary of commercial preparers offering refund-anticipation loans, because they tend to charge high service fees, which may significantly reduce the refund amounts the taxpayers actually receive.

Individuals eligible for the tax services here on post are cadets, active duty members and their Families, retirees, National Guard and reservists who served more than 30 consecutive days on active duty during the calendar year.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact the tax office at 938-5920.

To get more information, go to www.irs.org for the latest news and laws about filing your taxes this year.

Security information for Spring Break foreign travel

If you are planning to head to a foreign country during Spring Break, ensure you have completed the following requirements:

1. Check the West Point Installation Security Office Foreign Travel Web site for all the latest information at <http://www-internal.usma.edu/security/SecurityOfficeInternal/ForeignTravelInside.html>.

2. Have you submitted your Foreign Travel Form to John Cronin at the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security?

3. Have you contacted Keller Army Community Hospital preventative medicine or your private physician to check immunizations that might be required for the foreign country you will be traveling to?

4. Do you have a passport? (This is strongly suggested, even if a set of leave orders and military identification is sufficient).

5. Have you received and viewed the country-specific travel brief given by Cronin?

6. If advised by Cronin that you need to submit a Country Clearance Request for authorization to travel to a specific country, have you contacted Steve Stokilo at the USMA G-3 at 938-0325?

The Foreign Travel Web site above offers information for specific countries, as well as links to the Electronic Foreign Clearance Guide, the "bible" of regulations for government personnel traveling to a foreign country, be it on leave or TDY.

This guidance is for to all government personnel—military, civilians, contractors and cadets.

Contact Cronin with any questions or concerns at 938-2971.

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 calling the Fraud, Waste and Abuse hotline at 938-3158.



Trails in and around USMAPS construction site are off limits

With many picturesque running trails throughout the West Point community as well as throughout the Hudson Valley, runners, hikers and walkers have plenty of options to choose from. However, trails that lead out of New Brick housing and along the Pipeline Trail are off limits for the foreseeable future because of the ongoing construction and decompression of landfill on the site of the future USMAPS construction. Signs should be up soon as a reminder.

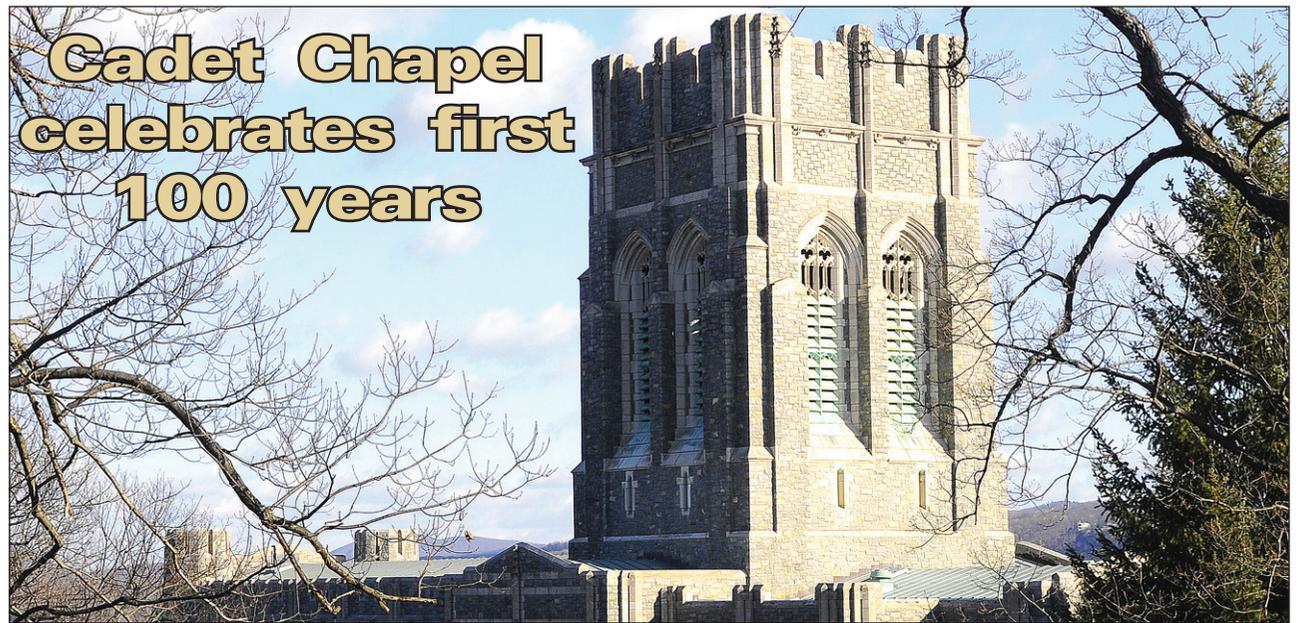
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Be safe when removing snow

Submitted by the West Point Safety Office

Shoveling snow can be good exercise, but it can also be dangerous for shovelers who take on more than they can handle. The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons offers the following tips to help you get a handle on safe shoveling:

- Shoveling is intense exercise that raises blood pressure and heart rate. If you are older than 40 or have a history of heart problems, consult a doctor before shoveling;
 - Push the snow, rather than lift it, and do not throw it over shoulders or sideways, as a twisting motion can put stress on the back;
 - Choose a shovel that feels comfortable and is appropriate for your height;
 - Stretch and warm-up before starting. Take frequent breaks throughout to rest and hydrate;
 - Avoid shoveling heavy, packed snow. Shoveling early and often will help prevent buildup and lighten the load.
- If you are using a snowblower:
- Read the instruction manual carefully before use;
 - Always shut the engine off when refueling or leaving the snowblower unattended;
 - Never stick a hand into the snowblower chute. If snow or ice becomes lodged, shut the engine off and dislodge any debris with a solid object;
 - Know where the power cord is.



The Cadet Chapel will be 100 years old June 12. The Chaplain's Office is planning a variety of activities throughout the year to commemorate the military gothic chapel's first 100 years. At the closing of the Old Cadet Chapel and the opening of the new one in 1910, a "new" song—The Corps—was sung. The congregation then marched up the hill and dedicated the new Cadet Chapel. Events this year include four prayer breakfasts, including the National Prayer Breakfast Feb. 11; a re-enactment of the march up the hill June 12 and a special worship service of gratitude and rededication Oct. 3 to recognize the impact the chapel and its programs have had upon the academy, the Long Gray Line and the U.S. Corps of Cadets.

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Electrical shutdowns save money

Todd Pflieger, an electrician with the Directorate of Public Works, Operations and Maintenance, Electric Branch, checks the accuracy of the calibration of a newly installed electric meter. To more accurately monitor energy use, electric and gas meters were recently installed in 40 buildings on the installation. West Point received more than \$7,000 from the community's support of the one-hour electric shut down July 28. This initiative, part of the "Operation Save NY" program, helped West Point save \$36,025 since 2007.

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FMWR Blurbs

Haitian Relief

As you have seen from the widespread news coverage, a series of powerful earthquakes struck Haiti.

The area hardest hit was in a highly-populated area 10 miles from Port-au-Prince. The loss of life has been catastrophic with many buildings being destroyed, including hospitals and government buildings.

To help in the relief efforts, all Post Chapels will be having designated offerings Friday-Sunday for the Haitian Relief Efforts fund. There are numerous relief efforts on going.

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has provided a list of relief organizations and further information on their Web site at http://www.usaid.gov/locations/latin_america_caribbean/country/haiti/eq/.

BOSS Valentine Candy Grams on sale now

Surprise someone with a BOSS Valentine Candy Gram. A BOSS Soldier will deliver the Valentine's Gram, a latte mug, chocolates and personalized note.

Drop off your form and payment by Feb. 9 at the FMWR Fitness Center.

Deliveries will be made Feb 11-12.

For more information, call 938-6497.

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. today.

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 noon Saturday.

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. Friday.

Enjoy music, dancing and an available cash bar.

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

West Point Ski Lessons

Registration for ski lessons will take place from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday 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.

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.

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 halftime 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.

Polar Fest

The 2010 Polar Fest returns to the West Point Ski Area Feb. 20.

Bring the whole Family for a day of downhill races, children's crafts, a pig roast, a live band and more.

For more information, call 938-6497.

Father and Daughter Dance

A Father and Daughter Dance hosted by CYSS will be held from 6-9 p.m. March 6 at the Youth Center, Bldg. 500.

Youth ages 5-18 are eligible with a CYSS membership. Dress attire for girls is Sunday best and for fathers it's military blues or a suit. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, call 938-3921.

Volunteer Recognition Ceremony

It's time to recognize all of the volunteers that give their time throughout the year.

The annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony will be held April 19 at the West Point Club.

To ensure that your volunteers are properly recognized, contact the Army Volunteer Corps Coordinator at 938-3655 or christina.overstreet@usma.edu.

CYSSD HIRED Workforce Program

Attention teens ages 15-18, do you want to earn \$500?

For more information, contact the CYSSD HIRED Workforce Preparation Specialist, Marion DeClement, at 938-8889.

Broadway performance of Wicked

Tickets are on sale now (in person pick-up only) at LTS, Bldg. 628, for Wicked at the Gershwin Theater in New York City. Show dates are April 13, 27 and May 20 and 25.

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What's Happening

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. Saturday.

Tax center

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

Call 938-4145 if you have any questions.

West Point School Board February meeting

The West Point community is invited to attend the monthly School Board meeting at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the West Point Middle School.

This month's meeting will address the proposed expansion and renovation of the current elementary and middle schools, changes to the school's computer password policy and introduction of the new PTO members.

Come, listen and voice your opinion. We look forward to seeing you there.

For more information, call Dan Baha at 938-4256.

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 before 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.

For more information, contact Susan Lathrop 859-4987.

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.

Army Education Center

John Jay College is accepting applications for Master of Public Administration Degrees until March 15.

Please call (845) 446-5959 or (860) 430-9468 for more information.

PWOC Program

The Protestant Women of the Chapel are having a special program from 9-11 a.m. Feb. 10 at the Post Chapel titled "Green Was God's Idea!"

Join PWOC for this special program as participants learn about scripture-based Christian stewardship of God's beautiful creation.

For more information, contact Anna Mayo at jtandjax@yahoo.com.

National Prayer Breakfast

The annual National Prayer Breakfast is from 6-7:20 a.m. Feb. 11 at the West Point Club. Archbishop Timothy Paul Broglio, the Archbishop of United States Military Services, is the guest speaker.

There is a small fee for E-1 and above. Cadets will sign a ration sheet.

Contact the Cadet Chaplain's office at 938-3412, the Community Chaplain's office at 938-2003 or the USMA Chaplain's office at 938-3316 for additional information.

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.

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.

DUSA community grants

The West Point Chapter of the Daughters of the U.S. Army's 2010 Community Grant season runs 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.

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 more than 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 servicemembers who died while on active duty, or survivors of individuals who died while receiving retired pay from the military may apply for a scholarship.

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

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 into a commissary by close of business Feb. 17.

Give a Hand: Serve, Share, Support

The West Point chaplains are sponsoring the Give a Hand: Serve, Share, Support campaign for the month of February.

Everyone is encouraged to do something as simple as purchasing a co-worker a cup of coffee or lunch, supporting another organization at West Point by helping them complete their project or by volunteering time and resources to one of the charitable organizations in our surrounding community.

A free chili luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Feb. 25 at the Post Chapel is scheduled to recognize campaign participants.

A fundraiser chili cook-off contest also will take place. All proceeds will benefit Haiti Relief.

If you are interested in entering the chili contest, complete a participation form available at Balfour Beatty Communities at 132 Bartlett Loop and turn it in no later than Feb. 19 or e-mail the form to the Lifeworks Coordinator at jgellman@bbcgrp.com.

West Point Veterinary fee

The West Point Veterinary Clinic is going to raise fees on pet visits starting Monday.

A fee goes to developing a working capital and ensuring that the clinic continues to pay its expenses. Also, it'll allow the clinic to continue to provide treatment for West Point's pets.

The goal of the clinic is to offer high quality, accessible veterinary care at the lowest possible cost.

Despite the present fee increases, rest assured that the clinic will regularly reevaluate its pricing structure.

The reevaluation is to ensure that the clinic doesn't charge any more than it needs to while it provides the service, access and price the community deserves.

DUSA continuing ed grants

Daughters of the U.S. 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 is hiring

The Daughters of the U.S. Army local chapter is hiring a bookkeeper part-time for an hourly wage.

Knowledge of Excel, retail and accounting is necessary and Peachtree knowledge is a plus.

Resumes will be accepted until Feb. 22.

Interviews will be conducted the last week in February, with a start date on or about March 1.

For more information, call Ginger Hopkins, President, at (845) 567-3643.

Send resume and cover letter to:

DUSA President

P.O. Box 78

West Point, NY 10996.

Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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Keller Corner

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. today in Thayer Hall Room 348.

Childbirth preparation

The next series of childbirth preparation classes will be Tuesday, Feb. 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 clinics closure

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed Feb. 15 in observance of Presidents' Day.

The emergency room will remain open.

TRICARE Prime access to care 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.

The latest data shows that Keller met or exceeded all access standards for making appointments when first contacted by our patients. We offered and you booked as follows:

- Acute/Urgent Care—within 8 hours—Exceeded;
- Routine Primary Care—within 7 days—Met;
- Wellness Care—within 10.7 days—Exceeded;
- Specialty Care—within 13.5 days—Exceeded.

Make appointments by calling the Keller KACH Appointment Center or 845-938-7992 or 800-552-2907. Using www.tricareonline.com allows you 24/7 access to primary care schedules.

Register today and start booking appointments for the whole Family when you have the time!

Let Us Know How We Are Doing ...

Don't forget to fill out the Army Provider Level Satisfaction Survey when you receive it in the mail.

We value your opinion!

Influenza hotline

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

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.



FMWR Fitness Center kicks off Fittest Loser Competition

By Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

The Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Fitness Center kicked off the 2nd annual Fittest Loser Competition during the Health and Wellness Fair Jan. 23.

The competition is based on several categories within each age group—percentage of pounds lost/total body weight; percentage of body fat percent lost/total body fat percent and the most points based on minutes of exercise performed overall.

The competition runs through March 20 and the deadline to register and weigh in is Feb. 6.

"I did this last year and lost 24 pounds," Melanie Shattan, community member and competitor, said. "I want to lose 15 pounds more."

During the weigh in, FMWR trainers weighed and measured participants, took blood pressures and checked the Body Mass Index by checking height and weight to calculate BMI.

The competition is open to community and military members and civilians who want to lose weight and get fit.

Even those who exercise on a regular basis and those who participated in last year's competition are involved in this year's competition.

Bernie Huerter is new to West Point, but not new to keeping fit.

"I think this (competition) is a great experience," she said. "They are meeting different (fitness) needs, not just weight loss. I exercise five days a week mixing cardio and strength training, but you can always learn more."

Most people involved in this year's competition want to lose weight, but they also want to learn about ways of reaching an overall fitness level.

"I want to bring my blood pressure levels down a little," Sara Wasserman, a new community member and the West Point Schools speech pathologist, said.

"It's a new place, new job, new life and new health," she added.

Wasserman and another community member, West Point Schools psychologist Valerie Cotter-Bosco, go to the fitness center on a regular basis to work out on the weights.

"This is a great way to get in shape and be healthy," Cotter-Bosco said.

In keeping with the Health and Wellness Fair, the kickoff included individuals from the Rockland Chiropractic Center who offered free spinal screenings along with a masseuse who offered massages.

For additional information, call 938-6490 or stop by at the Fitness Center.

BBC LifeWorks events

Inspire Your Heart with Art Day

To celebrate this day we are creating sand art. This isn't sand you'll find at the beach, so join us for a fun, creative craft project. Stop by the Chapel Nurse (Bldg. 791) from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Friday.

Groundhog Day craft

Residents—join us for a fun time and make a great memory and craft for Groundhog Day. The event will be held at 132 Bartlett Loop from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Monday.

Call Jodi Gellman to RSVP the above events at 446-6407 or email jgellman@bbcgrp.com. All events are free and open to current West Point residents.

NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752

Friday—The Blind Side, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—The Princess and the Frog, G, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—Invictus, PG-13, 9:30 p.m.

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

Penhale gaining momentum, part of strong Firstie trio

By Eric S. Bartelt
Editor

More than 4,500 miles worth of land and water separates Kenai, Alaska, and West Point. However, it seems like Firstie Lance Penhale has traveled that mileage by foot in the time it's taken him to get a solid footing as Army wrestling's 125-pound ace.

The Alaskan native has joined fellow Firsties Matt Kyler (149 pounds) and Richard Starks (197 pounds) as top wrestlers on the 2009-10 squad.

The three-time Alaska state wrestling champion had to bide his time until he got a shot at the starting lineup for Army. Penhale served his apprenticeship behind Fernando Martinez his first two years at Army before knocking out a respectable 23-13 mark a year ago.

Penhale credits Martinez for helping him become a better wrestler in the time he wasn't the starter at 125 pounds.

"Fernando Martinez was my practice partner my freshman and sophomore years, and he was a very good wrestler and two-time NCAA qualifier," Penhale said. "He really pushed me and wrestling with him helped my (collegiate wrestling) career knowing what it took to get to that level. Technically, at this time, I think I'm there."

He's definitely getting there as a 20-8 season record attests and coming away with a second-place finish at the New York State Championships this past weekend.

Penhale faced University at Buffalo's Dan Bishop for the second year in a row in the NYS Championship semifinals, and this time, unlike last year, he came away with a 1-0 victory.

Couple his NYSC finish with his 6-0 tournament championship at the Clarion Open to begin the season and Penhale is showing off what he knew all along—that he is a very good wrestler.

"Coming into the season, I had the mentality that I had nothing to lose," Penhale said. "I know I'm a good wrestler and can compete with the best kids in the nation, but I know I haven't done anything special yet. There are times I get caught up a bit having started off well and trying to live up to slight expectations knowing I can go out and win Division I tournaments."

"I'm getting to the point that if I wrestled hard I can put all the (achievements or losing) aside and really be proud of myself knowing," he added, "win or lose, I went out there and gave my best."

Coach Chuck Barbee feels that Penhale is the X factor to the team's ultimate success this season. Barbee knows he's going to get something great from Kyler (27-2 record), Starks (17-1 record) and 141-pound Cow Casey Thome, who is 19-5 this season on the mat, but it's a guy like Penhale, who, if he uses his

talent, can add an extra dimension to the team by helping it win more dual meets and placing well at the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Championships in March.

"Penhale is a key guy who needs to turn it up a notch to help fulfill all of our team goals, but, also for himself to fulfill his personal wrestling goals—he's a natural out there," Barbee said. "He has experience now; he's been around the block. This is his fourth year of college wrestling as well as he went to the (U.S. Military Academy) Preparatory School and was a multi-time high school state champion, so he is a seasoned veteran and he's got to tap into that."

"He's worked really hard to get to where he is and I think it motivates and inspires his teammates a bit," Barbee said. "The (talent) is definitely there, but he needs to use his tools or they just become useless. He sometimes wrestles like he's protecting something that he doesn't have, so he has to realize that, 'hey, it stinks to lose, but it stinks even worse when you don't wrestle and you know you have more in there,' ... I don't know how well he'll finish the season, but I know he'll feel good about the way he's leading the team and wrestling hard if he goes out there and lays it all on the line."

Penhale will look to earn one of the 35 coveted spots offered at each weight class at the NCAA championships. He has the skills and strength to get to the next level, but the mental side of wrestling is going to be his biggest challenge in earning more than the one EIWA championship victory he earned last year and going to his first NCAA championship next month.

"(Wrestling) is a huge mental game as it is in a lot of sports," Barbee explained. "That's where the adjustments will need to be made because he knows moves and knows wrestling. It's just a matter of making those mental adjustments. It's something that can be fixed relatively quickly if you set your mind to it and he just has to set his mind to it and we'll support and help him."

Penhale said the thing that distinguishes an average wrestler from the best ones in the country is their attitude—they know they are the best.

Penhale doesn't have to look far to see some of the best wrestlers in the country as Kyler and Starks are two of the best currently in the nation.

To include the Thome brothers, Casey and Jordan, a plebe who was 13-6 before a season-ending injury, Penhale is motivated by his teammates' success on the mat.

"All (four) of those guys are great examples of what it means to be a wrestler," Penhale said. "Matt Kyler has incredible technique, but, at the same time, he has a positive attitude in every single



Firstie Lance Penhale is having his best season with a 20-8 record, including a tournament victory at 125 pounds at the Clarion Open and a second-place finish at the New York State Championships.

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thing he does. With his hard work in school, military wise and on the wrestling mat, you can see why he's so successful and is now the all-time wrestling wins leader (141) at Army.

"Starks is someone who doesn't get too fancy with his moves, but he really grinds his teeth and wins matches through pure effort and intensity. You can see it in his matches when the other kids are, 'I don't want to deal with this kid

anymore,' and they give up," he added. "Jordan Thome has really impressed me this year and I feel if I had some of the nastiness that he has I would have won 25 percent more matches in my collegiate career."

As the season draws closer to its conclusion with the EIWA and NCAA championships, Penhale is excited about the team as they are improving. But, with his confidence growing, he's really excited about what the next two months will bring

for him.

"I'm going to go to the EIWAs with the attitude of nothing to lose, that it is (possibly) my last wrestling tournament, and I think I'll be successful and be at the NCAA Tournament," Penhale said. "I think I have a great opportunity to do well. We do have the returning national champion (at 125 pounds), Troy Nickerson from Cornell, but other than that I think it's wide open (for me to earn All-American)."

Army places second at NYSC

By Tim Volkmann
Athletic Communications

Army Firstie Matt Kyler was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler after winning the 149-pound championship as the Black Knights finished second at the 41st annual New York State Championships Jan. 23 and Sunday, hosted by Cornell, in Ithaca.

The host Big Red was named team champion, compiling 194 points, followed by Army (158), Buffalo (149.5), Binghamton (143.5) and Ithaca (106) to round out the top five squads in the 18-team field.

Kyler joined Cow Casey Thome (141) in winning individual titles as all 10 Black Knight competitors placed in their respective weight classes. Firstie Lance Penhale finished second at 125, while Yearling Travis Coffey (133), Cow Rudy Chelednik (157) and Firsties Ryan Mergen (174) and Richard Starks (197) each finished third. Plebes Dan Young (157) and Collin Wittmeyer (184) wrestled to fifth-place finishes, while Plebe Pat Marchetti (165) ended up in seventh place in Sunday's action.

It was the second-straight year that Kyler landed the Most Outstanding Wrestler honors as

he won his fourth-consecutive individual title at the meet. Undefeated in four appearances at the championship, Kyler compiled a 16-0 record, winning a pair of 141-pound titles as a plebe and a yearling, before bumping up to 149 for the last two years.

He is only the second wrestler to ever win four-straight titles, matching the feat accomplished by Army's Phillip Simpson from 2003-06.

Thome (19-5) earned his second-consecutive title at 149 pounds after finishing fourth in the 141-pound division in his first appearance as a plebe.

Clark records first shutout, blanks UConn 5-0

By Ryan Yanoshak
Athletic Communications

Cow goaltender Jay Clark recorded his first career shutout and five different players scored goals as Army hockey skated to a 5-0 victory over Connecticut Jan. 22 in an Atlantic Hockey Association matchup at Tate Rink.

A season-best 2,529 fans were on hand to witness Clark turn away 31 shots and help Army improve to 8-11-4 overall and 7-7-3 in conference games.

Yearling forward Danny Colvin, Yearling forward Mike Hull, Cow forward Chris Spracklen, Firstie forward Eric Sefchik and Yearling forward Kyle Maggard all posted goals for the Black Knights who scored five goals for the third time this season.

Playing in his 49th career game, but for the first time against Connecticut, Clark picked up his first shutout with a series of athletic and acrobatic saves to help Army win its first game in January and halt a five-game winless streak.

It was the first time Army shutout an opponent since a 4-0 win against AIC March 7, 2008.

"Clark was the MVP out there," Army coach Brian Riley said. "A good offense starts with good defense and Clark made some great saves."

Connecticut, coming off a 2-1 win against RIT, fell to 3-17-3 overall and 3-12-3 in conference games despite holding a 31-26 advantage in shots on goal.

Army scored four even strength goals and held the Huskies to 0-for-4 on the power play with just three shots on goal.

"We need to score more five-on-five goals," Riley said. "The guys have been working hard and it was nice to see so many players with points tonight."

After a slow start, Army got on the scoreboard first with a power play tally 14 minutes into the contest. A Connecticut player was sent off for interference and the Black Knights took advantage. Clark made a save, moved the puck to Maggard who found Colvin in front of the net. Colvin netted his fifth goal of the season while Clark was credited with his third assist of the season.

Hull posted his fifth goal of the season as well and pushed the Army lead to 2-0 with two minutes left in the first period. Alvarez took control of the puck in the Army zone, worked it to Maggard who fed Hull.

Maggard notched his third multiple point game this season and collected two assists in a game for the second time. Alvarez picked up his 11th assist this season.

Army extended the advantage to 3-0 three minutes into the second period. Spracklen scored his first goal of the season, thanks to crisp passing and hustle from Colvin and Cow forward Drew Pierson, who were credited with assists.

Pierson collected his first point of the season while Colvin put up multiple points for the third time this season.

Clark and a quality penalty kill unit kept the lead, fighting off a one minute, 17-second 5-on-3 Connecticut advantage and then another power play later in the period.

"Our penalty kill worked really



Cow goaltender Jay Clark recorded his first career shutout as Army skated past Connecticut 5-0 Jan. 22 at Tate Rink. The victory helped improve Army's record to 8-11-4 overall and 7-7-3 in the Atlantic Hockey Association.

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hard this week," Riley said. "We had been giving up some goals and it was a huge momentum shift to kill off that 5-on-3. The penalty kill unit takes a lot of pride in what they do and they executed tonight."

Sefchik made it a 4-0 contest

midway through the final period, collecting his fifth goal of the season with assists to his linemates Firstie forward Owen Meyer and Cow forward Cody Omilusik. Sefchik now has a team-best 18 assists while Omilusik leads the team with

24 points.

Maggard closed the scoring, capping his three-point night with an unassisted tally, after forcing a turnover and blasting a shot past Connecticut goalkeeper Garrett Bartus.

Blickle, Adao shine on record-setting night

By Tim Volkmann
Athletic Communications

Army Yearling Brody Blickle won four events, including a pool-record setting performance, while Firstie diver Lindsey Adao and Yearling Paige Brink were each double-winners to lead the Black Knights to a dual-meet split at Georgetown Jan. 22 in Washington, D.C.

The Army men (8-2) picked up a 153-133 victory, while the Hoya women were victorious, 159-133, over the Black Knights (3-9).

"Tonight was a good character building event for our team and was a test of our racing ability at an important time of our season," head coach Mickey Wender said. "Right now, it is all about racing and competing. I was pleased with how our men stepped up, while our women continue to grow and get better every time out. I thought our divers were exceptional and had a really impressive performance this evening."

Blickle broke the McCarthy



Brody Blickle swam a pool-record setting performance of 50.82 seconds in the 100-meter fly at Georgetown Jan. 22. He won four events that helped Army defeat the Hoyas 153-133 in the pool.

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Pool record in the 100-meter fly with a 50.82 performance. His night also included two other individual wins in the 100-meter individual medley (53.40) and the

50-meter butterfly (23.34). Blickle also teamed with Firstie James McLaughlin, Cow Brendan Murphy and Yearling Chuck Ciliske to win the 200-meter medley relay with a

1:36.77 clocking.

McLaughlin was also the night's fastest performer in the 50-meter breast (26.99), while Murphy finished first in the 50-meter

free (22.29) and Zhou won the 100-meter backstroke (53.87). Yearling Cody Reeb was untouched in the distance events, sweeping the 1,000-meter (9:43.23) and the 500-meter (4:47.97) for the third meet in a row.

Other individual winners for the Army men included Firstie Chuck Ciliske in the 100-meter free (48.96) and Plebe Bill McCarty in the 200-meter free (1:45.24).

Cow Chris Rojewski took first place in the three-meter dive (270.98) while Plebe Chris Nguyen was tops at one-meter (290.48) with a career-best score.

On the women's side, Adao swept the diving events, setting a pool record on one-meter (276.45) while also taking first on three-meter (270.15).

Brink swam the evening's fastest time in the 200-meter free (1:56.12) while also touching the wall first in the 100-meter free (54.62).

Plebe Alyssa Tran was Army's other event winner, taking first in the 100-meter individual medley (1:01.69).

Army women blow 15-point lead, lose 64-53 to Navy

By Tracy Nelson
Athletic Communications

Army watched a 15-point lead late in the first half disappear in the final 25 minutes of the game as Navy scored a 64-53 comeback win over the visiting Black Knights Jan. 23 at Alumni Hall in Annapolis, Md.

Cow guard Nalini Hawkins led the Black Knights with 16 points and four assists, while Cow forward Erin Anthony tallied 12 points and a team-high nine rebounds.

Army (8-11, 2-3 Patriot League) shot 34 percent (22-of-64) for the game. Navy (11-9, 3-2 PL) came into the contest as the top shooting team in the Patriot League and it showed at the end as the Midshipmen shot 44 percent (22-of-49) from the field.

Anthony, Hawkins and Cow forward Laura Baranek each tallied three steals as the Black Knights matched a season-high 11 steals.

Both teams went scoreless over the first two minutes until Anthony (17:50) broke the silence with a layup around Navy junior center Cassie Consedine.

The Black Knights went on to establish an early 7-3 advantage on Baranek's three-pointer from the right corner with 16:03 on the clock.

Army's lead continued to grow as the Black Knights enjoyed a stellar first 15 minutes of play.

While out-rebounding Navy 12-4 over the first nine minutes, back-to-back Hawkins buckets gave Army a 15-8 lead with under 11 minutes to go in the first half.

Five minutes later, Yearling guard Meagan Doucette, primarily used to defend Navy's

Angela Myers throughout the course of the first half, stripped the junior Midshipman and went coast-to-coast for a layup with 6:48 to play.

Doucette's bucket gave the Black Knights a 22-10 lead and capped what had been a 9-2 Army run over the previous 4:33.

The Black Knights took their largest lead of the half (27-12) on a jumper from Plebe guard Molly Yardley, but Army was held scoreless until the halftime buzzer sounded.

Navy, meanwhile, scored the final 13 points of the half to slice the deficit to just two (27-25) at the break. The Midshipmen ended up out-rebounding Army (18-17) for the first half, while both teams finished the half shooting 37 percent.

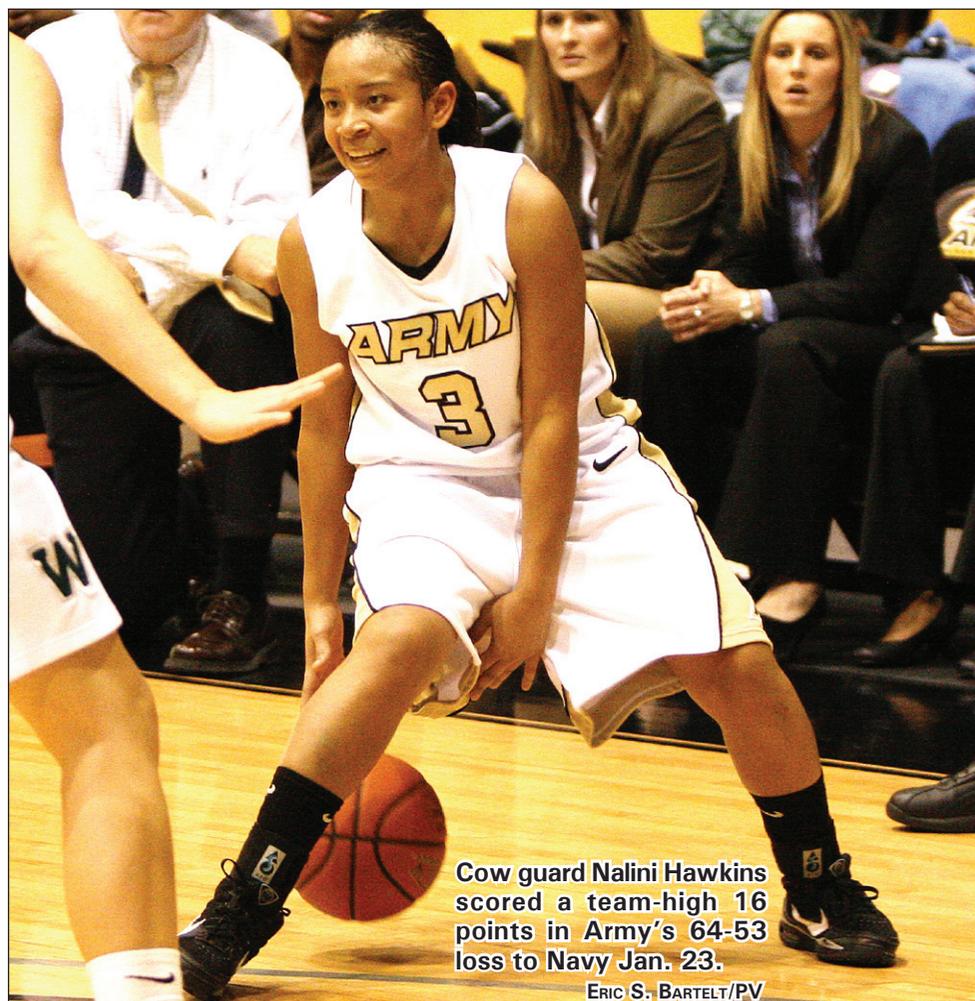
The score seesawed during the opening minutes of the second half. Hawkins hit a pair of free throws to put the Black Knights on top by a 31-30 score with 16:08 on the clock.

The Midshipmen proceeded to score 17 of the next 19 points over a 5:30 span to pull ahead (47-33) with 9:43 to play. That surge proved critical as Navy never again relinquished its lead.

An Anthony jumper (9:22) stopped what had been a four minute, 10-second Army scoring drought and made it 47-35 in favor of the Midshipmen. Again, Navy answered and went up by 15 (57-42) with four minutes to play.

Five-straight points from Cow guard Jessie Coiffard spurred a quick 9-2 run as Army pulled within eight (59-51) with 1:55 to play in the game.

It was too little, too late for the Black Knights, however, as Navy scored five of the final seven points to put the game away.



Cow guard Nalini Hawkins scored a team-high 16 points in Army's 64-53 loss to Navy Jan. 23.

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CLUB RESULTS

• **Inline Hockey:** The West Point Inline Hockey team traveled to Philadelphia Jan. 22-23 to open the second half of the season. They started the second half on the right foot by finishing the weekend undefeated.

It was the first time the team completed an undefeated weekend of play this season. The weekend began with two ties as West Point tied Suffolk, 6-6, and the University of Rhode Island, 5-5.

West Point then won the next two games against Stony Brook, 5-4 and a hard-fought win over Suffolk, 9-8. Both wins were the first time West Point defeated these opponents.

With the two wins and two ties, West Point found itself in fourth place in the ECRHA (www.ecrha.net) standings, one point ahead of Rutgers, with a record of six wins, four losses and five ties.

The team's goal of finishing the regular season in the Top 3 of the conference is taking shape.

The team returns to action this coming weekend in Pittsburgh, where they will faceoff with Hofstra University, University of Texas at Dallas, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor) and the University of Connecticut.

• **Fencing:** West Point's men's and women's Fencing teams competed in their annual Invitational. For the men, it was another round of matches in the MAC for qualification to the championships, and for the women it was an opportunity to fence against some of the top teams in the country.

The women competed against City College of New York, Stevens Institute of Technology, New Jersey Institute of Technology and Clemson.

They were defeated by CCNY (13-11) and #1 ranked NCAA Division III Stevens (59-1), but racked up wins against NJIT (14-10) and Clemson (16-8).

Women's weapons leader for the day was epee, led by Firstie Sade Williams with an overall record of 8-4 against her opponents.

Her other teammates, Firstie Toni Oestmann and Plebe Yeeun Youn, contributed victories to epee's overall 3-1 team record.

The men were defeated by NJIT (14-13) and handily won over Hunter College (19-8) and Clemson (19-8).

For the men, the epee team, led by Cow Peter Kerkhof (5-2), was the top weapon of the day, and the remainder of the squad, which included Yearling Alex Pagoulatos, Plebe David Maynor, Yearling Alex Topitzer, Firstie Joe King and Plebe Mark Owens, had a winning record.

The highest finish in men's foil was Plebe Jeff Nielsen (7-1) and in men's sabre was Yearling Alex Koszalka (7-2).

Intramural Basketball

As of Monday's results

| NORTH DIVISION TEAMS | | EAST DIVISION TEAMS | |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. SYSTEMS | 10 - 4 | 1. BAND | 11 - 4 |
| 2. MATH I | 9 - 5 | 2. GARRISON | 7 - 9 |
| 3. DMI | 8 - 5 | 3. DPE | 6 - 10 |
| 4. ODIA | 6 - 8 | 4. MP's (out of league) | 8 - 8 |
| SOUTH DIVISION TEAMS | | WEST DIVISION TEAMS | |
| 1. HISTORY | 6 - 7 | 1. DPE II | 12 - 4 |
| 2. BTD | 7 - 9 | 2. MATH II | 8 - 7 |
| 3. D/LAW | 5 - 9 | 3. GENE/DFL | 6 - 10 |
| 4. BS&L | 4 - 10 | 4. ENGLISH | 4 - 10 |

Sports calendar

Jan. 28-Feb. 6

Corps

FRIDAY—MEN'S TENNIS vs. FAIRFIELD, 5 P.M., LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

FRIDAY—HOCKEY vs. AIR FORCE, 7:05 P.M., TATE RINK.

SATURDAY—MEN'S TENNIS vs. DARTMOUTH, TBD, LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

SATURDAY—WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. BUCKNELL, 1 P.M., CHRISTL ARENA.

SATURDAY—HOCKEY vs. AIR FORCE, 7:05 P.M., TATE RINK.

SUNDAY—MEN'S TENNIS vs. BINGHAMTON, TBD, LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

FEB. 6—WOMEN'S TENNIS vs. BINGHAMTON, 9 A.M., LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

FEB. 6—SWIMMING AND DIVING, ARMY

DIVING INVITATIONAL, 10 A.M., CRANDALL POOL.

FEB. 6—LACROSSE vs. MASSACHUSETTS (EXH.), 1 P.M., MICHIE STADIUM.

FEB. 6—MEN'S TENNIS vs. HOFSTRA, 1 P.M., LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

FEB. 6—WOMEN'S TENNIS vs. HOFSTRA, 5 P.M., LICHTENBERG TENNIS CENTER.

Club

FRIDAY—PISTOL TEAM vs. MIT AND USMMA, 4:30 P.M., TRONSRUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER.

SATURDAY—PISTOL TEAM vs. MIT AND USMMA, 9 A.M., TRONSRUE MARKSMANSHIP CENTER.

SATURDAY—VOLLEYBALL (MEN'S), TOURNAMENT, 9 A.M., ARVIN GYM.

Simmons scores 16, but men fall to Navy

By Brian Gunning
Athletic Communications

Navy used a 36-9 second-half run to overcome a 14-point deficit and scored a 62-56 victory over Army in Patriot League men's basketball at Alumni Hall in Annapolis, Md., Jan. 23. The Black Knights led 39-25 with 16:11 left in the second half, but made just two field goals in the next 14 minutes, 49 seconds.

Navy (9-11, 3-2 PL) has now won two in a row in the series for the first time since sweeping the 2002-03 games. The Black Knights (12-6, 2-3 PL) have yet to win consecutive league games and have alternated wins and losses in the last seven games. The Navy win stopped a streak of six consecutive years in which Army had won the first meeting and Navy came back to win the annual "Star Game."

Yearling guard Julian Simmons was the only Army player in double figures with 16 points. He hit a pair of three-pointers late in the game to close the Army deficit to the final six-point margin.

His first triple of the game stopped a 0-for-4 start for the Black Knights top scorer. Cow forward Jeremy Hence and Firstie center Chris Walker each grabbed a team-high five rebounds.

Firstie forward Cleveland Richard handed out a team-high five assists to become only the fifth Army player ever to amass 200 career assists (204) and 100 career steals (133).

Navy guard Chris Harris, the Patriot League's leading scorer, scored 30 points, including 22 in the second half. Harris was limited to only six minutes of work in the first half because of foul trouble, but still scored eight points, including a 2-for-2 effort from deep. He made five of his seven shot attempts in the second half, two of them from behind the arc.

Harris also made 10 of 11 shots at the free throw line. He scored 15 of his points during the Midshipmen's decisive run.

Jordan Sugars and O.J. Avworo added 15 and 10 points, respectively. Sugars pulled down a game-high nine rebounds.

Free throw shooting was a major factor in the outcome with Navy holding a 24-9 edge at the line. Twenty of the Midshipmen 43 points in the second half came from the free throw line. Navy shot 34 free throws, while the Black Knights took 12 attempts.

Army hit 40.4 percent of its shots for the game, but hit only two of its 13 attempts and committed nine of their 18 turnovers during Navy's second-half spurt. The Mids connected on 41.0 percent from the floor, including 52.6 percent in the second half.

The Black Knights led 24-19 at the half and scored the first six points of the second half to extend their advantage to 11 points with 18:51 left. Harris ended the Navy drought with a three-pointer, but Richard responded with one of his two triples.

Another Harris three-pointer was answered by Hence, and Richard's second triple gave the Black Knights their largest lead of the game at 39-25 with a little more than 16 minutes left. A jumper by Sugars started Navy's surge, which was aided by 14 points at the free throw line, including its final eight markers.

Army then hit their cold stretch from the field. Simmons jumper in the lane ended a stretch of eight straight misses and trimmed the deficit to 61-50 with 1:11 left. The field goal was the Black Knights' first in a span of eight minutes, 47 seconds. Harris then hit 1-of-2 free throws with 1:09 left to stretch the Navy lead back to 12, but Simmons hit back-to-back three-pointers, including an off-balanced bank shot with 2.5 seconds left to set the final margin.

Army came out of the gate firing, hitting its first three shots and taking a 6-0 lead. The Midshipmen answered with 11 straight points, including all of Harris' first-half markers to take a five-point lead with 12:46 left in the half. A reverse layup by Firstie guard Tyrell Thompson ended a five-minute, 25-second Army scoring drought and pulled the Black Knights within three at 11-8 with 12:23 to go.

With the Midshipmen clinging to a 13-12 lead, Sugars drained a three at the end of the shot clock to push the lead to four points with 9:16 left in the first half.



Yearling guard Julian Simmons scored 16 points in Army's 62-56 loss to Navy at Annapolis, Md., Jan. 23.

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The Black Knights held Navy without a field goal for the remainder of the half, going on a 12-3 run to take a five-point advantage into the locker room.

Simmons led the Black Knights with eight points in the first 20 minutes.

The Army defense limited the Midshipmen to a 30.0-percent field goal percentage (6-20).

The loss dropped the Black Knights to 1-7 when allowing opponents to score 60-or-more points this season.

SCUBA Club takes a dive into the Florida Keys



Yearling Sean Christman enjoyed a dive in the Key West Reef Jan. 15 during the U.S. Military Academy's SCUBA team's trip to Florida.

COURTESY PHOTO

Submitted by USMA SCUBA team

Every year the U.S. Military Academy SCUBA team takes a weekend trip to a coastal location to scuba dive and conduct dive training and bond as a team.

This year, the team chose Key West, Fla., as the trip location because of its popular diving and scenic nightlife.

The decision to take the trip on a three-day weekend helped give the team an extra day to dive, without taking away from school or training that would normally have taken place.

The trip was a great learning experience with good training and team bonding. The team dove the Key West Reef Jan. 15, and each team member got at least one dive during the day.

Under water, there was an abundance of sea life, such as porcupine fish, cobia, stingrays and schools of barracuda. One team member even had the opportunity to touch a shark.

Even while enjoying the scene, the team

was still able to get some training in, such as navigation, buoyancy control and other basic skills that are much different when out in the open ocean.

Competency is something the team stresses both in and out of the water, which is why they make sure to focus on skills training— even on a trip such as this one.

Sharpening their diving skills on these trips also helps them become more proficient at teaching these same skills to their students.

The SCUBA team teaches basic certification classes to fellow cadets, so it is important that they are proficient in those skills so that they can pass that knowledge down to their students.

The team visited the Special Forces Underwater Operations School in Key West Jan. 16.

This was a great opportunity to see what the SCUBA team's counterparts in the military were doing as far as training and checking out the equipment they use on a daily basis.

The team had a great time and bonded and trained together in a facilitating location.