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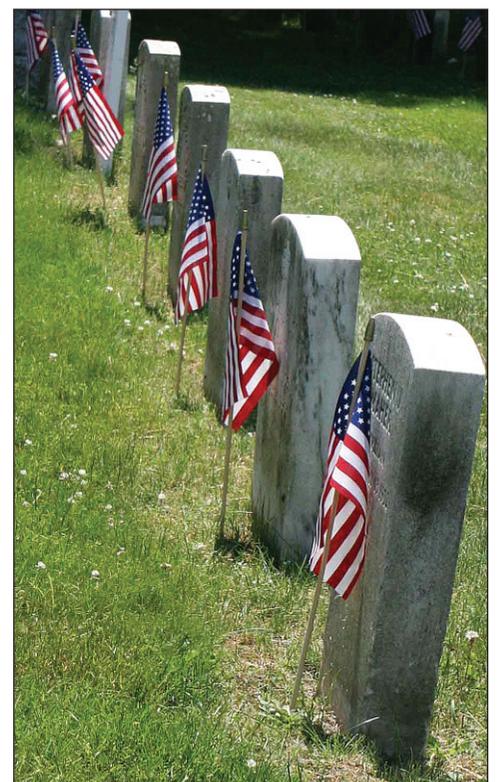
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## Honoring our Fallen Veterans

Garrison Commander Col. Daniel Bruno and Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Violet McNeirney (above photo) stand at ease during a wreath-laying ceremony at Battle Monument to honor our nation's fallen veterans Monday. American flags (right) line the headstones at the West Point Cemetery. Dennis and Marion Zilinski (below) sat at the foot of their son, Dennis II (Class of 2004), and (Class of 2003) Laura Walker's graves and spent an emotional day talking and praying for them on Memorial Day. They placed photos of Dennis and Laura at the graves.

PHOTOS BY ROTC CADET ELIZABETH KRAFT



# A special look back: members of RI Guard relive time at WP

Commentary by  
Bill Corsair (McGroarty)

For the most part, you were older, by a few years, than the rest of the passengers on Flight 703. At age 28, you were one of the old timers. After landing in South Vietnam, you follow the long green line of anxious faces out into the blinding, yellow-tinted sunlight of Bien Hoa Air Base and feel the heat of 120 degrees push heavy on your lungs and dampens your shoulders as you prepare for a yearlong ride.

It's a ride that will be, for the most part, aboard choppers and fixed-wing aircraft of the "Sky Troopers" of the famous 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile). You'll travel across three of the four tactical areas of Vietnam, and elsewhere when necessary, as part of the division's assignment to interdict the build-up and execution of the second Tet Offensive, by the North Vietnamese Army, and what's left of the Viet Cong. That was November 1969.

However, May 13, 1968, was when my Rhode Island National Guard Company arrived, on assignment, at the U.S. Military Academy. That was 42 years ago, and although West Point, and our service there, remains a proud memory for the five officers and 121 enlisted members of the 115th Military Police Company, it occurred to me that not many, outside our small "band of brothers," even in our home state, are aware of the citizen

Soldiers that served, learned and taught at the academy, and the four officers and 46 enlisted men, several of them volunteers, who took that training and West Point tradition into battle in all four tactical zones in Vietnam.

It all came back to me, when my wife, Janis, and I, were invited to attend the "Year of the NCO" concert last year, featuring "Gary Sinise's Lt. Dan Band," at Eisenhower Hall, by our friend, actor, humanitarian and tireless supporter of the military, Gary Sinise.

"You were an NCO at The Point, weren't you Bill?" my fellow thespian asked. And so I was, I'm proud to say.

The Company was mobilized for active duty at the USMA and began advanced individual training and additional basic unit training. A short eight weeks later we were "operational."

We conducted training concerning prevention of civil disturbances for the 1st Region Army Air Defense Command and assisted in training the Corps of Cadets in reconnaissance and commando missions. We trained with the 82nd Airborne Division in night maneuvers and combat infiltration tactics.

The unit made a television film depicting the orderly transition of a National Guard unit into a Strategic Army Force.

Six thousand, one hundred forty National Guardsmen served on active duty in Vietnam. One

hundred and one were killed in action.

The company participated with distinction in all intramural sports at the academy, and five enlisted men were chosen to be part of the Army All-Star baseball team and participated in a tournament in Maryland, in 1968.

We performed military police duties for two seasons of academy football games, home and away, and supported "West Point In Sound And Light," a traditional and important production. I had the honor of giving voice to the presentation, as the narrator, in 1968.

On a more somber note, the company participated in more than 200 military funerals.

The unit gave a Christmas party for the needy children of Newburgh. In July 1969, members of the 115th assisted local authorities, both during and after a disastrous fire in nearby Highland Falls, which left more than 20 Families homeless. It was a couple of examples of how the company contributed to the welfare of the surrounding communities during our time at West Point.

On Nov. 22, 1969, the members were committed to duty in Vietnam, returned to the United States and rejoined the unit at West Point by Dec. 1. At the ceremonies after the members returned, then Commandant of the U.S. Corps of Cadets, Maj. Gen. Sam S. Walker, presented a unit commendation from USMA. Also in attendance

that day was the adjutant general and commanding general of the Rhode Island National Guard, Maj. Gen. Leonard Holland, and numerous other officers and local officials.

From West Point to all four tactical zones in Vietnam, members of the 115th joined such elite commands as the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), the 1st Infantry Division, the 101st Airborne Division, The Americal Division, the 9th Infantry, the 11th Armored Cavalry and the 18th Military Police Brigade.

Serving in both the Republic of South Vietnam and stateside, members were awarded eight Bronze Stars, two with Oak Leaf Cluster, 15 Army Commendation Medals (one for valor), two Purple Hearts and four Combat Air Medals, along with 121 Good Conduct Medals.

It all became more poignant to

me last year, when Sgt. Maj. Robert Germani and Col. Joseph Del Sesto, heroes of the Vietnam War, from the original Vietnam era 115th MP Company, passed on to a long awaited "Welcome Home."

"They'll know we were here" was the company motto, which we hung at The Point and carried with us into battle in Vietnam. As the celebration of "The Year of the NCO" becomes a distant memory, I couldn't help but think: Wouldn't it be sad if "they" didn't know we were here.

When the last of us is gone, who will speak the truth of our victory on the ground in South East Asia, won by two and half million such patriots who "marched toward the sound of the guns," when others turned away? Do you remember us at The Point and surrounding communities, because we remember you ... with pride.



Sergeant Maj. O'Malley and five officers from the 115th Military Police Company—Melia, Del Sesto, Rothman, Bruce and Nelson, a unit from the Rhode Island National Guard, posed with one of their vehicles while stationed at West Point sometime in 1968-69. The unit trained at West Point and later deployed to Vietnam.

COURTESY PHOTO

## Think you can be this guy?

Can you meet the challenge of West Point? The U.S. Military Academy will conduct a Rehearsal Reception Day 10 a.m.-1 p.m. June 25 on the academy grounds. You can help by volunteering to be a cadet for a day. Members of the community are invited to assist the Corps of Cadets in preparation of the incoming class of 2014. Participants will be given the opportunity to experience the initial transformation process from civilian to military life of a new cadet.

Those interested may sign up online at: [www.dean.usma.edu/r-day\\_volunteers/logon.cfm](http://www.dean.usma.edu/r-day_volunteers/logon.cfm) or call 938-3772.

Volunteers must be 12 and older, in good health, and not be a candidate for the Class of 2014. Report to the Holleder Center no later than 9:45 a.m. Dress in seasonal attire and bring one suitcase or duffel bag. Feel free to bring a snack and bottle of water that can be carried in your bag. Transportation back to Holleder Center will be available after the event.



### Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

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## A well-deserved retirement

Brig. Gen. Patrick Finnegan (right) receives a Legion of Merit award and certificate from Superintendent Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck during the Dean of the Academic Board's retirement ceremony Tuesday at Crest Hall. Finnegan, Class of 1971, reflected on his 39 years of service in the U.S. Army and his Family's 220 years of combined service during his retirement ceremony.

TOMMY GILLIGAN/PV

## West Point Yard Sale force protection message

Submitted by the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security

Due to the weather conditions that dampened participation of the May 8 West Point Spring Post Yard Sale, the installation will host a second event from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

The following force protection measures are in effect for the community yard sale:

West Point residents can expect increased traffic flow throughout the installation during Saturday's yard sale hours. Residents and guests are reminded to remain cautious while driving in the housing areas due to the increased amount of vehicle and foot traffic.

There will be an increase of Military Police patrols in the housing areas. In the event of cancellation due to weather, there will be no make up date.

In accordance with force protection directives, all vehicles entering post without

the proper identification will be stopped and searched. Drivers with DOD stickers and either the CAC or military ID card should enter the installation through Washington Gate to avoid possible lines during the morning rush of yard-sale shoppers.

Residents are reminded to remain vigilant and contact the MP desk (938-3333) if they observe any suspicious individuals or acts, such as persons taking atypical photographs or asking abnormal questions about the installation.

As a reminder, if you're calling 911 on West Point, you must tell the operator that you are on West Point.

The operator will divert your call to the West Point MPs.

As always, if you see something, say something.

For more information, contact Joe Senger at 938-8859.



Stay vigilant while taking advantage of some good sales from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday during the yard sale.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

# Tactical officers serve to strengthen Corps of Cadets

Story and photo by Mike Strasser  
Assistant Editor/Copy

Two days before the Class of 2010 cadets tossed their hats high in the air, another significant West Point graduation took place inside the Haig Room at Jefferson Hall.

The May 20 ceremony officially welcomed the current crop of Army officers to replenish the ranks of tactical officers at West Point, after graduating from the Eisenhower Leadership Development Program. The 22 captains and majors concluded the yearlong program at West Point and Columbia University where they earned a master's degree in organizational psychology.

The tactical officers, or TACs, serve as the primary leader developers for each company of cadets. A TAC aids in shaping the identity of officership and creates an environment which facilitates development for the cadets.

To prepare officers for this role, the ELDP offers a comprehensive curriculum which enhances self-awareness and increases leader development effectiveness.

The course is challenging, but manageable, several officers said prior to graduation. And when it becomes overwhelming, the support from the professors makes all the difference.

Capt. Seth Hall is more than a decade removed from his last classroom experience. Getting back into the academic mindset wasn't easy, but knowing he will be an influencing factor in the lives of future officers was an inviting incentive. As he neared the end of his tour as company commander at Fort Lewis, Wash., Hall was looking for the next opportunity for him to develop as an officer.

"I thought (ELDP) sounded interesting and I loved the opportunity to come to West Point and share a lot of the things I've learned in the Army with these young future

officers," Hall said. "I look forward to the chance to communicate some of the things that have made me successful and instill in them a love of Soldiers and a love of taking care of Soldiers they can take with them when they go out in the operational force."

In an institution where nearly everything is cadet-driven, tactical officers serve more as mentors and advisors than their typical role as commanders of Soldiers.

Hall said it is counterintuitive for an officer to lead from the rear but understands this is how cadets grow into leaders at West Point. Capt. Tod Willoughby, formerly a forward support company commander at Fort Campbell, Ky., looks forward to assisting in that process.

"This is a good chance to influence the future of the Army," Willoughby said. "These cadets are just top-notch people and you can see the potential in all of them as you talk to them. It's an honor to have a part in their development, where you can work with (them) day-to-day and share my experiences with them."

Even with experience as a 2002 West Point graduate, Willoughby was unfamiliar with the Cadet Leader Development System, which guides the holistic development of a cadet. These lessons, coupled with the opportunity to speak with current TACs and senior officers, provided the students a better idea of what their job will entail.

"They gave us institutional perspective on what CLDS actually means and then we, as a group, discussed different ideas and methods of incorporating that into a company," Willoughby said. "It helped familiarize me with what the academy intends for us to do and how it intends for us to develop cadets."

Having graduated here almost 11 years earlier, Maj. Timothy Gatlin knows the stress cadets face firsthand and said he wants to be the reassuring presence cadets can turn to

when they face a leadership challenge.

"I've been in some fairly stressful situations and have remained calm," Gatlin said. "And I've been a cadet and experienced that stress as well. So I think I can teach them how to manage that."

Maj. Jason Toole, ELDP program coordinator, said the experience these officers bring from their recent commands is significant, with a majority of them having multiple deployments in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

Having battlefield leadership experiences to share with cadets is invaluable, but it also gives those officers a unique professional development opportunity.

The common denominator among these officers of diverse backgrounds and skill sets, Capt. David O'Leary offered, is their success rate in the Army.

"It was a robust application process and took a lot of time, so it wasn't an immediate selection," O'Leary said. "We know what it takes to be successful in the Army; we've been successful and have worked with successful people. Now we can impart that onto cadets, or at least some of those elements, whether it be moral, ethical or an attention to detail."

Although the lessons are completed, tests taken and diplomas dispersed, the learning is far from over for these TACs. In some ways, it's about to begin again.

"With everything coming at you through the proverbial fire hose, I think these lessons will have a latent effect," O'Leary said. "We're not going to necessarily make sense of all those lessons today, but I think as we go through the process of being TAC officers, those lessons will make sense and come into sharper focus. I don't think the learning ends, and as we put this into practice, we'll continue to learn from this."

To learn more about the ELDP, visit: [www.dean.usma.edu/bsl/ELDP.cfm](http://www.dean.usma.edu/bsl/ELDP.cfm).



Behind the Long Gray Line serves a group of officers dedicated to molding the future of the Officer Corps at West Point. The tactical officer, like Maj. Jerrod Hawk, pictured above, instills that discipline and attention to detail among the cadets in his or her company.

## Class of 2010 cadet convicted at court-martial

From Staff Reports

At a general court-martial held May 25-27, Cadet Kyle C. Newman, H Company, 1st Regiment, Class of 2010, was convicted of one specification of rape and one specification of indecent conduct, in violation of Article 120, Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Newman was also convicted of three specifications of violating a lawful general

order, in violation of Article 92, UCMJ.

A military judge sentenced Newman to 42 months confinement, dismissal from the Army and forfeiture of all pay and allowances.

Newman was charged with two violations of Article 120 (Rape), one violation of Article 120 (Indecent Conduct) and three violations of Article 92 (Violation of a Lawful General Order) of the UCMJ.

# Recent grads ready for infantry careers

By Sgt. Vincent Fusco  
Dir. of Public Affairs & Communications

When one journey ends, another begins, which is what future infantry officers of the Class of 2010 heard when Soldiers and civilians from Ft. Benning, Ga., gave them their first post-West Point career orientation brief in Mahan Hall a month ago.

Commanders, leaders and subject-matter experts were available to outline the expectations of the new lieutenants over the next year-and-a-half in their initial infantry training, Maj. Darren Spears, the infantry branch representative in the Department of Military Instruction, said.

Starting in July, the new officers will report to Ft. Benning for Infantry Basic Officer Leadership Course, the first infantry branch-specific training they will receive in their careers. After completing IBOLC, they move on to Ranger School, where they learn the physical and mental discipline needed to lead Soldiers from the front when they report to their first duty stations.

"Their company commander and battalion commander will expect them to be technically and tactically proficient in their trade as an infantry rifle platoon leader, regardless of what type of infantry unit it is," Spears said.

Representatives from the Ft. Benning housing office also talked to the cadets about their accommodations during their training. Single and soon-to-be-married Soldiers had many options—on- and off-post—to choose from in order to meet their particular needs.

Firstie, now 2nd Lt., Scott Howe, a Richmond, Va., native

who is eventually going to be stationed at Ft. Drum, N.Y., didn't know what to expect from the training he would receive as a newly minted infantry officer. But after meeting with the training staff and hearing their expectations of Howe and his classmates, he gained some peace of mind about his future at Ft. Benning.

"It's one thing to hear it from infantry officers here, but it's another to hear it from the people who will be with you day in and day out," Howe said. "It was really nice to see a schedule of IBOLC and Ranger School, just for the fact that there are no mysteries as to what the training skills are."

Many of the cadre at the schools are West Point graduates, such as Capt. Curtis Daniels, a platoon trainer for A Company, 4th Ranger Training Battalion, part of the Darby Phase. The Class of 2005 graduate thought the meeting was a good opportunity for him to connect with future leaders and pass on guidance as his predecessors did for him.

"It's an honor for me to be able to come back and speak to these guys," Daniels said. "It wasn't long ago that I was

sitting here listening to it. It's exciting to see the future of the infantry."

By the end of the brief, Howe and his classmates were all ready to face the challenges ahead of them and started making plans for where they would stay as well as how they would spend their time away from schooling.

"I'm excited to leave West Point and get to do something new, and all of us are looking forward to more freedom," Howe said. "Ft. Benning works well for me since I have a lot of Family nearby, and since most of my friends will be down there too, I'm not going to feel isolated."

The missions at IBOLC and Ranger School may seem daunting to many of the new officers, but Daniels believes the meeting should help set them up for success with all the information they need to become well-disciplined infantry platoon leaders.

"They need to know the keys to success," Daniels said. "Be physically fit, have a good attitude and be a team player. It's not hard."

## '100 Days of Summer' promotes safety

Submitted by the Community Awareness  
Campaign Committee

With Memorial Day just past and school about to finish in the next week for West Point children, there are plenty of vacations, holidays, barbecues, friends, Family gatherings, warm weather and long, lazy days ahead. Summer is as special as it is fun. It is made for making wonderful memories, but it is also about being cautious.

The "100 Days of Summer" represents one of the most dangerous and deadliest times of the year on the nation's highways. One big reason is a significant jump in alcohol-related traffic crashes and fatalities.

Fortunately, the tragedies from alcohol-related crashes can be prevented if everyone would take a few simple precautions before going out to party this summer.

When you plan to consume alcohol, be sure to plan before you party and designate a sober driver in advance. And remember, friends don't let friends drive drunk.

Take four things into account before you decide to drink:

- If you're drinking, don't drive;
  - Designate a sober driver before going out;
  - Drink lots of water to avoid dehydration;
  - Don't drink alcohol on an empty stomach.
- Be safe. Enjoy your summer!

### In Memoriam

Col. John M. McHugh, Class of 1986, was one of five Soldiers killed May 18 in Kabul, Afghanistan, after enemy forces attacked their convoy with a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device. The attack on the American-led convoy also claimed the lives of 17 other people and wounded about 47 civilians.



Col. John M. McHugh

McHugh, 46, was assigned to the U.S. Army Battle Command Training Program at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. He was commissioned as a second lieutenant in Army Aviation, and following flight school and UH-60 Aviator courses, was stationed in Nurnberg, Germany, with the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment. He served as a platoon leader and deployed to Operation Desert Storm as the regimental aviation officer. The West Caldwell, N.J., native, commanded 1st Battalion, 11th Aviation Regiment at Fort Rucker, Ala., from 2004-2006, and was responsible for providing Air Traffic Control for the U.S. Army Flight School.

Following command, McHugh served as executive officer for the Army Air Traffic Services Command and deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as the deputy commander of the 164th Theater Airfield Operations Group. McHugh assumed duties as the chief, Operations Group Alpha, in June 2009 upon graduation from the U.S. Army War College.

Funeral services were held at Fort Leavenworth May 27 at the Post Chapel. He is survived by his wife, Connie, five children and one grandchild.

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# Safety seats only work if properly installed

Submitted by National Safety Council and West Point Safety Office

West Point conducted a Child Safety Seat Inspection at the Stony Lonesome Road Fire Station for community members May 18. The National Safety Council and the West Point Safety Office have put together a list of questions and answers all parents should know before driving in a vehicle with their children.

## Does your child ride in the back seat?

Children 12 and under should ride properly restrained in the back of a vehicle. The back seat is the safer seat for children.

## Does your child ride facing the right way?

Infants should ride in rear facing restraints in the back seat until at least 1-year-old and at least 20 pounds. Always read your child restraint manual for instructions on properly using the restraint. It's possible that the manufacturer of your child safety seat might allow infants larger than 20 pounds and older than 1-year-old to remain facing the rear. In that case, keep your child rear-facing for as long as the manufacturer recommends.

After your child reaches the weight, height and age limit for rear-facing in your particular safety seat, switch to a forward facing restraint.

## Does the safety belt hold the seat tightly in place?

Put the belt through the correct pathway. If your safety seat can be used as both rear- and front-facing, use the correct belt path for each direction. Check the vehicle owner's

manual and child safety seat manual for instructions.

## Is the harness buckled snugly around your child?

Keep the harness straps snug over the child's shoulders. You may need to move the harness straps up to higher slots as the child grows. Place the chest clip at armpit level.

## Does your child of more than 40 pounds have the best protection possible?

Keep your child in a safety seat with a full harness as long as possible, at least until 40 pounds. Then use a belt-positioning booster seat, which helps the adult lap and shoulder belt fit better. It is used with the adult lap and shoulder belt. A belt-positioning booster seat is appropriate for children of about 40-80 pounds.

## How should a safety belt fit an older child?

The child should be tall enough to sit without slouching, with the child's back against the seat and knees bent at the edge of the seat. The lap belt must fit low and tight across the upper thighs. The shoulder belt should rest over the shoulder and across the chest. Never put the shoulder belt under the arm or behind the child's back. The adult lap and shoulder belt system alone will not fit most children without a booster seat until they are at least 4-foot, 9 inches tall and about 8 years old. Children should remain in safety belts in the back seat through the age of 12.

## Has a Certified Child Passenger Safety Technician checked your child restraint?

Technicians are trained to check for proper



John Wood of the Stony Point Police Department checks the car seat that one-year-old Lucas Zasińczuk is sitting in and advises his mom, Kim, at the annual child safety seat inspection May 18.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV

installation and use of child restraints and are good resources for information. West Point offers certified technicians to be available on an annual basis.

# With bears present on post, take precautions to prevent incident

By Tommy Gilligan  
Assistant Editor/Photo

The unofficial start to summer has begun and people are venturing outdoors to enjoy the warm weather. From camping to barbecuing with friends and family, these are activities that can present potential hazards without proper situational awareness.

West Point is set in a vast wilderness that is picturesque, but not without inherent risks. Recently, a young male black bear was seen in Lusk housing roaming through a servicemember's backyard.

Luckily, there was no incident to report between the bear and its human neighbors, but this should serve as a community reminder to take precaution when planning summer time activities.

With at least six black bears living on the installation and countless others passing through the grounds, the odds of seeing a bear are not great, but the potential is still there.

Black bears are just one of a variety of potentially

dangerous species that can be found here at West Point, yet Chris Pray, the Natural Resources branch chief at the Department of Public Works, said, "Most of the time that you see a bear in a populous place—one, they are very young and have not developed their survival skills completely, and two, they are more than likely looking for food."

Pray said there are a few things that you can do if you come into contact with a bear or any other wild animal that are found in this area, that will help you keep safe:

- Keep garbage can lids tightly closed. Garbage cans should be kept in the garage or a locked area until pick-up. Spray garbage cans lightly with ammonia or Lysol and clean frequently. Double bag garbage to reduce odors or place camphor discs in cans to mask odors. This will also help keep raccoons, skunks and opossums at bay;

- Keep bird feeders empty from April through October. Most birds are not in need of food during the spring and summer months;

- Do not leave pet food outside;

- Do not attempt to help young animals that seem

abandoned. If your scent gets onto the animal, the adults may not accept it back;

- Do not leave a greasy barbecue grill sitting overnight after grilling. Turn the gas grill to high and let it cook for 15 minutes to burn off all the grease. For charcoal grills, scrub clean with soap and water after the grill has cooled down;

- Never put food out for bears. It is a violation of New York state law to feed bears. It also encourages bears to lose their fear of people, which can lead to more serious problems;

- Do not place meat scraps, fruit remnants or sweet materials in compost piles, as bears are attracted to these items. Do not leave food scraps or spilled grease in the yard.

If you should see a bear, don't panic and do not approach it.

Report the sighting to the Natural Resources Branch at 938-7122.

If the bear is trapped, cornered or up a tree, call the Military Police desk at 938-3333.

# Glee Club makes history with alumni concert

By Constance Chase  
West Point Glee Club Director

The West Point Glee Club added to its long history of "firsts" in April when it traveled to Alexandria, Va., to perform its first-ever joint concert with the West Point Alumni Glee Club.

The stage and orchestra pit overflowed at the end of the concert when "old grads" in the audience were invited to come up for the Alma Mater.

The span of alumni year groups in the audience ranged from the late 1930s to 2005.

Cadets had a tremendous time hearing personal stories about legendary events.

And the alumni were delighted to spend quality time performing with and hosting the cadets.

"I wish I could have been a fly on the bus listening on the way back," Terry Ryan, Class of 1965 and Vice-President of the WPAGC, said. "I know our five young men were impressive, confident, devoted and courteous. They were most surprised and interested to know that I (as a plebe) attended the (Douglas) MacArthur speech and sang for the event. I think it brought home some real history to them."

This was the last performance for the graduating singers from the Class of 2010.

There was no shortage of fun that afternoon. During the performance one intrepid audience member called out, "Beat Army!"

At the concert's conclusion, with both Glee Clubs and the largest ever number of alumni joining onstage for the Alma Mater, someone called out from the stage, "Where's that Navy guy now!"

# High Schoolers get 'psyched' at BS&L

Story and photo by Mike Strasser  
Assistant Editor/Copy

Students from James O'Neill High School visited the Behavioral Sciences and Leadership Department May 26 to get a feel for psychology studies at the collegiate level that included hands-on time with a human brain.

From the touchy-feely science of positive psychology, the high-tech gadgetry behind engineering psychology to the tissue and protoplasm of neuropsychology, 30 students from the Highland Falls school experienced a small sample of the coursework taken by West Point cadets.

"Our goal today is to educate you a little bit about different kinds of psychology and hopefully inspire you," Dr. Morten Ender, sociology professor and program director, told the students.

During his introduction, Ender explained that psychology at West Point originated from a letter by President Dwight Eisenhower, while he was Supreme Allied Commander in World War II.

"He wanted to see psychology taught here at West Point because we had a lot of engineering going on, but he felt that human problems needed to be addressed by officers," Ender said. "Eisenhower said it would be good for them to have training and education in psychology. That's why this department now exists."

BS&L, staffed with 41 instructors, teaches five areas of study. Three of those instructors—Melanie Wong-Dodge, Lt. Col. James Merlo and Dr. Michael Matthews—explained their areas expertise to the high schoolers.

Wong-Dodge, an introductory psychology instructor, set the stage for a look inside positive psychology with happy music and donuts. Tests would follow, like solving anagrams and a group exercise, but with positive reinforcements of the glazed and crème-filled sort, none would complain. She said psychology and the science behind making people happy has unlimited applications. Thus, the reason why "Dora the Explorer" rules the market for children-based products is no stroke of luck.

"They will test each cartoon three times before they finish making it, with all this psychological research," Wong-Dodge said. "They'll put kids on the floor with a bunch of toys around them. And the moment the kids get disinterested with the show and start playing with the toys, they'll stop, go back to the drawing board and fix the story until they

can sustain attention for 22 minutes (the length of the cartoon). It's not by accident that Dora is the number one cartoon in America and has been for years."

Merlo impressed the students with an array of state-of-the-art equipment, most of which was designed at West Point. The psychology he teaches is not the "why I don't like my parents" variety.

"My area of interest is how to maximize human performance," Merlo, introducing them to engineering psychology, said. "And the way I do that I spend a lot of time studying about human behavior. Once I can explain predicted change in behavior, I can use technological intervention to then help accentuate it, maximize it, augment it, whatever the case may be."

Engineering psychology is a relatively young discipline in the sciences, one which emerged from a need to balance breakthroughs in technology with human behavior.

Merlo explained that during World War II, engineers marveled the world with the advancement of aviation. However, more lives were lost in the training of aviation than in combat aviation and it was all due to a simple design flaw.

"The equipment was not designed for humans," Merlo explained. "When you pull the stick back on an aircraft, what does it do? It goes up; the nose of the aircraft goes up. But when it was first designed, the nose actually went down. It wasn't designed as such that it was intuitive to a human. Many times it was actually counterintuitive. It made perfect sense to the engineer, but not to the pilot."

Today, the study of human behavior and the advancements made in engineering psychology can be seen at West Point, where technology is designed and tested by faculty and cadets. Merlo showed some of these products, such as the Bionic Foot Program, which set the world land speed record for a bionic ankle, and an earplug that shields extreme noises like gunfire yet allows a person to hear conversation as normal.

Students also got to test a product that may one day allow Soldiers to communicate non-verbal instructions, like hand and arm signals, without any movement and from greater distances. A belt worn around the waist projects pulses which mimic a signal, so a person can feel the instruction rather than see or hear it. Merlo said this could one day develop into a "skin language."

The last course of the day for one group



Ben Dyleuth, a student at James O'Neill High School, gets a handful of the human brain during a visit to the Behavioral Sciences and Leadership Department May 26. Students from the Social Psychology class came to West Point and learned about positive psychology, neuropsychology and engineering psychology.

of students was brains, as head-strong volunteers donned latex gloves to feel the weight and texture of a human brain. Matthews, a former police officer, shared stories from the force that illustrated severe trauma to the brain and the importance of protecting the brain.

"Touch the brain, never the same," the neuropsychology instructor explained.

What this means, he said, is that a

Soldier could lose his arms and legs in an attack, but he still retains an identity. But another person could be in a car accident and experience a head trauma and never be the same.

"The mystery of this three pounds is something I want you to really appreciate. Three pounds of tissue and protoplasm is what makes you what you are," Matthews said.

## West Point Band Summer Concert Series begins June 13

The West Point Band returns to Trophy Point Amphitheatre on the historic grounds of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point to present its 2010 "Music Under the Stars" Concert Series. The majestic Hudson River provides a breathtaking backdrop for a varied series of performances throughout the summer. Bring a picnic dinner and lawn chairs and enjoy plenty of summer evenings with the West Point Band.

This summer's concert series begins at 7:30 p.m. June 13 with the West Point Band's Jazz Knights presenting The History of Jazz. Concerts continue every weekend throughout the summer, culminating with the traditional Labor Day weekend performance of the 1812 Overture. This year's 1812 Overture performance will feature the West Point Band's newest ensemble, The Benny Havens Band, which will present popular and rock and roll favorites during the first half of the performance.

Refer to the West Point Band's Web site at [www.westpoint.edu/band](http://www.westpoint.edu/band) for specific information about upcoming performances, or call the band's concert hotline at (845) 938-2617. Here's a list of the 2010 "Music Under the Stars"

concerts:

### June

- 7:30 p.m., June 13—Jazz Knights, The History of Jazz;
- 7:30 p.m., June 20—Concert Band Alumni Concert. The inclement weather site is the Eisenhower Hall Ballroom for this performance;
- 7:30 p.m., June 27—Jazz Knights, The Best of the Jazz Knights.

### July

- 8 p.m., July 3—The Hellcats, Jazz Knights and Concert Band Independence Day Celebration. The inclement weather date is at 8 p.m. July 4;
- 7:30 p.m., July 11—Jazz Knights, West Coast Sounds;
- 7:30 p.m., July 18—Jazz Knights, Quiet Knights: The Music of Antonio Carlos Jobim;
- 7:30 p.m., July 25—Concert Band, Incredible Ride.

### August

- 7:30 p.m., Aug. 1—Concert Band, Around the World in 70 Minutes;

- 7:30 p.m., Aug. 8—Jazz Knights, Play the Sound of Music;
  - 7:30 p.m., Aug. 15—Concert Band, America!;
  - 7:30 p.m., Aug. 22—Jazz Knights, Kind of Blue at Trophy Point Amphitheatre;
  - 7:30 p.m., Aug. 29—Concert Band, Name that Tune!
- September**
- 6 p.m., Sept. 4—The Hellcats, Benny Havens Band and Concert Band, 1812 Overture. The inclement weather date is at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 5.



The "Music Under the Stars" Summer Concert Series at West Point begins June 13. COURTESY PHOTO

# West Point explores science of camouflage

Story and photo by  
Sgt. Vincent Fusco  
Dir. of Public Affairs &  
Communications

Over the years, West Point has served as a sort of proving ground for improved camouflage. In the Engineering Psychology program within the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership, faculty and cadets have done their part to advance the science of how not to be seen.

Dr. Timothy O'Neill is a camouflage consultant and a retired Army officer of 25 years, 15 of which were spent as an instructor here. During his tenure here, he founded the Engineering Psychology program and created the basis of the camouflage pattern on the Army Combat Uniform.

His work in camouflage began prior to graduate school with field testing at Fort Knox, Ky. While earning his doctorate, he picked up more ideas and brought them to the academy in 1976 as a first-year BS&L instructor. O'Neill created the "digital" camouflage concept, which he prefers to call texture match.

That year, his "Dual-Tex" pattern was tested here in the laboratory with the assistance of cadets and faculty. In May 1977, a research team, which included O'Neill, conducted a field test at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. Where the squared pattern came from, O'Neill said, is an interesting story.

"I needed to have a texture that matched natural backgrounds for a variety of reasons," O'Neill said. "So we dragged a dead M113 armored personnel carrier out into the middle of a field ... and painted it by hand. We painted the pattern with a two-inch paint roller (to make two-inch squares)."

Painting "Dual-Tex" onto the APC was what O'Neill called "an eyeball process," because technology back then wasn't sophisticated enough to replicate the pattern. Still, it tested well against camouflage patterns the Army used at the time.

Since he retired in 1991, O'Neill served as a camouflage consultant for a variety of entities. He designed the Marine Corps' MARine PATtern (MARPAT) camouflage and worked with the Marines, Army, Office of Naval Research and



Second Lt. Jacob Frechette, a Fenton, Ill., native, shows incoming faculty member Capt. Lou Nemecek the eye tracking system and samples of texture matching camouflage on M-16 rifles April 9. The rifles and eye tracking system were used in a study conducted by the engineering psychology program in the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership.

Program Executive Office Soldier on various studies and adaptations of texture match.

Another camouflage-related project O'Neill worked on in the 1970s and '80s was eye tracking. This technology was pioneered at West Point when the Engineering Psychology program conducted a number of studies on how the human visual system detects and recognizes camouflaged targets.

"Detecting a target is very complex—it involves both sensory and cognitive functions," O'Neill said. "There's not only the eye and brain interacting to find something, but there's also decision-making that's going on in the brain."

Two semesters ago, O'Neill and a team of cadets tested texture match samples on uniforms and rifles using a modern eye-tracking system—a set of shooting glasses with two tiny video cameras mounted on the frame, which feeds visual data via Firewire to a computer.

The cameras measure the cornea and reflections off the retina to compute the angle and location which the eye is looking. Using this system, the team could measure the time

it took to see the camouflaged objects and decide whether or not it was a target.

Second Lt. Jacob Frechette, a Fenton, Ill., native, was one of the engineering psychology majors who assisted O'Neill.

He learned how many human factors, from time of day to comfort level of the observer, can affect how effective the camouflage samples were.

"There's a lot more (science) to it than putting some colors in a random pattern," Frechette said. "It was a great way of bringing together all the skills we learned in biopsychology, cognitive psychology and engineering psychology."

The science of engineering psychology includes the limits of human perception, sensation, and what the body itself is capable of. Frechette says this major taught him about how Soldiers think and feel, and what equipment his own Soldiers may use once he is commissioned as an aviation lieutenant.

"This is definitely one of most applicable majors for being an officer in the military," Frechette said.

Last year, O'Neill was commissioned by Army PEO Soldier

at Fort Belvoir, Va., to assist in the redesign of the ACU.

He is also working closely with Natick Soldier Systems Center in Massachusetts, Soldier Requirements Division at Fort Benning, Ga., and other agencies.

The aim of the project—which is still in research and development—is to reduce the number of Soldier uniform patterns to a practical minimum. The creation of those patterns will be driven primarily by their effectiveness in different combat environments, as well as how visually appealing they are. The latter goal is what the researchers call the "CDI factor"—or, "chicks dig it," O'Neill said, because in addition to working well in the field, "it has to look good."

O'Neill personally believes the end state will be two uniforms with snow overwhites. Though he is currently unable to discuss any particulars about the new uniform, O'Neill assures that they are developing it as fast as they can.

"Most people currently on active duty today will see the new uniform before they retire," O'Neill said.

## Pride takes charge of HHC

Garrison Commander Col. Daniel Bruno hands Capt. Matthew Pride (Class of 2006), incoming commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, the guidon May 26 at the West Point Club during a change of command ceremony. Also photographed are First Sgt. Anthony Bayse (center) and the outgoing company commander, Capt. Jevan Willis (right), a Class of 2004 graduate. As a West Point cadet, Pride was the National Collegiate Boxing Association national champion at the 156-pound division, and was a three-time All American collegiate boxer. Pride most recently served as the Northeast Outreach Officer for Minority Admissions for the U.S. Military Academy's Directorate of Admissions. Prior to that assignment, he was the executive officer and unit movement officer for HHC, 94th Engineer Battalion, Multi-National Division-Northern Iraq.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV



# Keep in mind to be aware of the Lyme

Submitted by **Dr. Nancy L. Mangieri**  
Preventive Medicine and Wellness  
Public Health Nurse

Tick season is now in effect. The highest risk of contracting Lyme disease is from April to October.

Preventive Medicine and Wellness wants to educate the West Point community about the risks of tick-borne diseases here in the Hudson Valley. New York State has two of the three counties in the U.S. which have the highest rate of Lyme disease.

Yes, you read that right—New York has areas with the most Lyme disease density of anywhere in the country. The counties are Dutchess County, which sits just across the river from the U.S. Military Academy and Columbia County, which is just north of Dutchess County. You might say we live near Tick Central.

**Be Smart**

Lyme disease is a bacterial infection you get from the bite of an infected deer tick.

Lyme disease may cause symptoms affecting the skin, nervous system, heart and/or joints of an individual. Not all deer ticks are infected with the bacteria that cause Lyme disease.

The main thing to do to protect yourself is a daily tick check, especially on children.

Ticks need to be attached longer than 24-to-36 hours to pass on the disease, if they

are infected.

Early stage symptoms include fatigue, rash, low-grade fever, stiff neck, headaches, muscle and/or joint pain and swollen glands. A first sign of infection is often a red ring-like or expanding red rash, about two-to-three inches in diameter, expanding around or near the site of the bite.

This appears anywhere from three-to-30 days after being bitten by an infected tick. Sometimes, multiple rash sites appear.

**Be Aware**

Ticks are everywhere there is grass, especially around your home. They live close to the ground and crawl up on grass or bushes and hang, waiting for a ride.

They are usually found at the edges of woods and lawns, on shrubs and bushes, in leaf litter, near stone walls and woodpiles.

**Be Prepared**

While outdoors, wear protective clothing. Wear shoes and socks because ticks live close to the ground. Wear light colors to see ticks if they are crawling on you. Wear long pants and long-sleeved shirts, if it's not too hot, and tuck pants into socks and shirt into pants when in areas that are dominated by ticks.

Wear a hat to protect the hair and, if you have long hair, tie it up and put it under the hat. Shake off your outdoor clothing when coming back inside.

Wear repellents containing DEET when outdoors. Follow the directions carefully. Do not spray aerosols indoors. Apply only to exposed skin and wash off when returning indoors.

Try not to apply repellents to face and hands. Sweat can cause the repellents to run into eyes or mouth, and hands or fingers can find their way into the mouth.

When walking in wooded or grassy areas, stay in the middle of the pathway.

Avoid high-risk areas such as the edges of the woods and tall grass fields. Moist, shaded areas may also be risk areas.

**Be Consistent**

The best time to check for a tick is after a bath or

shower, feeling the skin for a tiny, scab-like bump.

A full body check is recommended to include the scalp, around the hairline and ears, neck, chest, armpits, waistband area, groin, behind the knee and between toes.

Look over all your clothes, look along your hairline, run your hands all over your pets for ticks. If you identify them early, they won't be attached to you and feeding yet, so they're easier to remove.

The next best time to look for ticks is when you're taking a shower and can check areas you wouldn't necessarily see with your clothes on—places where you have creases, like your knee and your groin area.

If you don't check right away and give the tick time to bite you and attach itself, it's more difficult to remove.

Also, check pets thoroughly when they come in from outdoors. Pets may have ticks feeding, which can fall off outdoors and lay eggs.

They may also have ticks crawling on their fur, which can then attach to our skin.

Remember—not all deer ticks carry Lyme disease and, if they do, they need to be



From left to right: The deer tick (*Ixodes scapularis*) adult female, adult male, nymph, larva on a centimeter scale.

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attached longer than 24-to-36 hours to pass on infection.

Tick checks are the most important thing you can do to help reduce the threat of Lyme disease.

Preventive Medicine and Wellness has brochures for West Point community members of all ages to help them get the facts about tick-borne illness and prevention.

Call us at 845-938-2676 for more information.

## Closures for Mine Torne Road, Stilwell Lake and Popolopen

In support of Cadet Summer Training, Mine Torne Road and Stilwell Lake will be closed during the Fire Support (Range 2) portion of cadet training. Gates to these locations will be opened for access once firing is complete. Access to Mine Torne Road and Stilwell Lake is not authorized during the following days and times:

- June 28-July 3—6:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.;
- July 5-6—6:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.;
- July 8-11—6:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.;
- July 14—6:30 a.m. -7:30 p.m.

Popolopen Lake will be open during training this summer. However, there is restricted use of powerboats during the dates and times listed below to allow the Water Confidence Course to be in use. Recreational activities are restricted around the Water Confidence Course area at these times:

- June 12—7a.m.-6p.m.;
- June 29—7 a.m.-7 p.m.;
- June 30—7 a.m.-2 p.m.;
- July 1—7 a.m.-6 p.m.;
- July 2—7 a.m.-2 p.m.;
- July 3—7 a.m.-6 p.m.;
- July 5—7 a.m.-2 p.m.

The above information is subject to change. Additional dates and times may be added.

For more information, call Alec Lazore at 938-3007 or 938-3930.

**Weekly Sudoku** by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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

Difficulty: Medium

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

# What's Happening

## Bible Study

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will begin Bible study at 7 p.m. Thursday nights in the chapel basement starting tonight.

The study group will study "Get Out of the Pit" by Beth Moore.

For more information, contact Robin Meyer at 446-8798 or e-mail her at [robinmeyer@hvc.rr.com](mailto:robinmeyer@hvc.rr.com), so she can deliver a book to you, or contact Crystal White at 839-0274 or e-mail at [crystalwhite63@ccs.com](mailto:crystalwhite63@ccs.com).

## West Point Yard Sale

Due to inclement weather from the previous yard sale, there will be another West Point Yard Sale from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

## The Embroiders' Guild of America

The Mid-Hudson Chapter of the Embroiders' Guild of America is hosting a needlework show from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday at the Jenack Appraisers Gallery on Route 13A, the Sugar Loaf Bypass Road.

For more information, call Marie at 986-7316 or Nancy at 783-4657.

## Summer playground fun

Summer playground fun begins Wednesday at the Five Star Inn. The following playground dates include:

- June 16 at Stony II (Dragon Park);
- June 30 at New Brick;
- July 7 at Lee Road;
- July 14 at Five Star Inn;
- July 21 at WP Elementary School;
- July 28 at Grey Ghost;

• Aug. 4 at Post Chapel (Biddle Loop). All playground times are 9:30-11 a.m. Please bring water and sun block for the children.

For more information, contact Teki Snel at 446-5920 or e-mail her to [twc8454465920@earthlink.net](mailto:twc8454465920@earthlink.net).

## (New Info) Cadet Chapel Centennial Commemoration ceremony

Members of the West Point community are invited to join in the Cadet Chapel Centennial Commemoration ceremony from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. June 11.

The ceremony is outside Bartlett Hall and includes a band prelude with remarks by West Point leadership.

The march up to the chapel begins at 11 a.m. to recreate the march from the Old Cadet Chapel to the current one in 1910. For those unable to march, bus transportation is provided.

At the chapel, there will be organ music and hymns, the rededication reading and a prayer of rededication that will be followed by fellowship in the Fenton/1924 Room.

Following the fellowship, there will be a presentation of a chapel cake by Buddy Valastro and his staff from the Learning Channel's "Cake Boss" show under the tent in the parking lot.

For more information, call Connie Wagner at 938-3316.

## The Great West Point Giveaway

The Great West Point Giveaway is a free 'swap' open to all West Point residents.

The Post Chapel basement will be open to allow you to give away or take useful goods from 9-11:30 a.m. June 16, July 7 and July 21.

All items leftover or not swapped by 11:30 a.m., must be picked up by the original owner.

For more information, e-mail [teamfreds25@yahoo.com](mailto:teamfreds25@yahoo.com).

## (New Info) Harborcraft reservation lottery

The Harborcraft reservation lottery process is underway.

Requests for nonofficial functions for Aug. 1-Oct. 24 will be accepted through the lottery.

Remaining dates following the lottery will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Sign up for the lottery through June 21.

Sequence numbers will be released and available dates will be posted June 22.

Selections and reservations will be taken June 23-25. Any remaining dates will be made available June 28.

For more information or to sign up, call 938-3011/2137, fax 938-6855 or e-mail [yr9549@usma.edu](mailto:yr9549@usma.edu).

## (New Info) Vacation Bible School

Registration has begun for Vacation Bible School 2010. Forms may be picked up and dropped off at the Chapel Annex located across the street from the Post Chapel or in the Catholic Chapel.

The class runs from 9 a.m.-noon June 21-25 at the West Point Elementary School.

For more information, call Melissa Prosperie at 859-4351 or e-mail [mprosperie@hvc.rr.com](mailto:mprosperie@hvc.rr.com), or contact Cindy Ragsdale at 938-8761 or [cynthia.ragsdale@usma.edu](mailto:cynthia.ragsdale@usma.edu).

## (New Info) Garrison Awards Ceremony

The West Point community is invited to attend the Garrison Awards Ceremony at 3:30 p.m. June 23 at Crest Hall in Eisenhower Hall.

## (New Info) Honoring Purple Heart Recipients

The National Purple Heart Hall of Honor will pay tribute to Purple Heart recipients in New Windsor at Anthony's Pier 9 from 1-4 p.m. June 25.

Gen. David Petraeus, U.S. Central Command commander and Class of 1974 graduate, will be the keynote speaker.

This event will honor Purple Heart recipients, recognize veterans who have served and recognize those men and women who are actively serving our country at home and around the world. Seating is limited.

Purple Heart recipients are invited free of charge.

RSVP at [www.thepurpleheartinc.com/webpages/event.asp](http://www.thepurpleheartinc.com/webpages/event.asp).

## Boys Basketball Camp

Army Men's Basketball Head Coach Zach Spiker is directing the 2010 West Point Boys Basketball Camp July 5-9.

Boys ages 8-18 are welcome to participate. Early registration is suggested.

For more information, call 446-4996 ext. 119 or visit [www.goarmysports.com](http://www.goarmysports.com).

## Wrestling Camps

There are three wrestling camps offered this summer at West Point. The dates are:

- July 6-10, "Ranger Style" intensive camp;

• July 18-22, Competition/technique Camp;

• July 18-22, Kids Camp.

It is an intense training environment for ages 12-18 at the regular camps and for ages 9-12 at the Kids Camp.

Register online at [www.goarmysports.com](http://www.goarmysports.com). For more information or to inquire about a brochure, call 938-7671 or e-mail [ryan.wilman@usma.edu](mailto:ryan.wilman@usma.edu) or [rafael.vega@usma.edu](mailto:rafael.vega@usma.edu).

## Girls Basketball Camp

Army Women's Basketball will hold a positional series of clinics from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Aug. 1-3. Girls must be ages 8-18 to participate.

Fine tune your game with West Point basketball coaches and increase your positional IQ.

Registration is required through the camp section of [www.goarmysports.com](http://www.goarmysports.com).

## Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic recruiting

The mission of the SCPME is to educate, train and inspire the Corps of Cadets to be courageous leaders of character who profess the Army values, beliefs and standards. The mission also reaffirms their own identities as professionals committed to serving the nation as well as to hone their moral and ethical decision-making skills in the relative safety of a classroom.

Due to the summer PCS surge, SCPME needs experienced officers and NCOs who are willing to share valuable combat and non-combat experiences.

Civilians are also encouraged to volunteer as they bring continuity and consistency to the program and can offer a wealth of experience in a variety of topics.

Cadets receive approximately 72 hours of professional military ethic education, including honor and respect education, through a combination of facilitator-led, small group discussions and dynamic guest speakers who support and reinforce the program's goals and objectives.

These 72 hours begin during Cadet Basic Training and end at the completion of a cadet's Cow year.

A typical term during the academic year includes 8-10 fully resourced SCPME lessons, which occur on 10 designated days during Commandant's Hours from 12:30-1:45 p.m.

For more information or to volunteer, call Maj. Chad DeBos at 938-3028 or e-mail him at [chad.debos@usma.edu](mailto:chad.debos@usma.edu).

## Sales Associates needed

Two part-time and two Special Events Sales Associates are needed at the Daughters of the U.S. Army Gift Shop.

If interested, pick up an application at the shop located inside the West Point Museum or contact Tanisha McInerney at 446-0566.

# Keller Corner

## School and Sports Physicals

The Primary Care Department will begin offering school and sports physicals starting Tuesday. Beat the summer rush and get your child's school and sports physical now.

If you are moving this summer, it is recommended that you schedule the physical at your next duty station as the criteria for the new school district may be different.

A physical exam must be within one calendar year to be acceptable. If the physical expires prior to the beginning of another sport, a new exam is required.

This is also the time to review your child's immunizations and to prepare additional documentation for the administration of medications during school hours or emergency instructions for children with known allergies.

Obtain the necessary forms from the appropriate school nurse and bring them to your child's appointment.

Call 938-7992 or 800-552-2907 to request an appointment for a school or sports physical and save the summer for vacation fun.

## Exceptional Family Member Program

### What is it?

EFMP is a Department of the Army Program assisting military dependents. It is designed to identify any special educational and medical need and to facilitate consideration of these needs in the personnel assignment process.

Enrollment of eligible Families is mandatory.

### Who should be enrolled?

Any Family member with a medical problem that needs care other than which a

Family practitioner can provide.

Any Family member who receives occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy or is in an Assisted Learning Program should be enrolled.

Anyone who is seeing a Mental Health Specialist or anyone with Asthma regardless of severity should also be in EFMP.

### How do I enroll? Who can answer my questions?

Contact Nola Francois, EFMP Coordinator at KACH's Primary Care Clinic, at 938-6881.

### Guaranteed TRICARE PRIME access

Beneficiaries enrolled in TRICARE Prime are guaranteed Prime Access Standards in these situations:

- 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 Appointment Center or 845-938-7992 or 800-552-2907 or book online at [www.tricareonline.com](http://www.tricareonline.com).

## Command Channel 8/23

June 3-10

Army Newswatch  
(broadcast times)

Thursday, Friday and Monday  
through June 10

8:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

# FMWR Blurbs

## Indoor Swimming

The FMWR Community Swim program summer session is ongoing through Sept. 3, operating from noon-1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday in Crandall Pool at the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center.

The program is free of charge. All participants must have a valid military or CAC card for entry into the facility.

For more information, call 938-2985.

## BOSS Six Flags Trip

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers is going to Six Flags Great Adventure in New Jersey Saturday.

A limited number of spaces are available.

Call now to reserve a place for you and one guest at 938-2070 or 938-8063.

## Post Library Summer Reading Program

Join the West Point Post Library for their Summer Sea Odyssey reading program.

The program is open to all West Point Community children ages 3-12.

Registration runs from Monday through June 18. The program runs June 21-July 30.

For more information, call 938-2974.

## CYSS Edge! June Photography Classes

There will be four Monday CYSS Edge! photography class sessions starting from 3:15-4:15 p.m. Monday at the Youth Center, Bldg. 500.

The classes are open to CYSS members in grades 3-5. A minimal fee will be charged for the four classes.

Register by June 4 at the Youth Center (Bldg. 500).

For more information, call 938-0829.

## (New Info) The Jumpitz to Tour West Point

West Point FMWR & CYSS present The Jumpitz at 10 a.m. June 8 at the West Point Middle School.

"You Can Do It, So Just Jump To It," the five fabulous Jumpitz take the audience on a song and dance-filled interactive adventure that inspires, engages and shows children that by having a can-do attitude, anything is possible.

For more information, call 938-3727.

## The Scion Battle of the Builds competition

What can you create? The Scion Battle of the Builds competition is a military design challenge giving participants the opportunity to construct their ideal Scion xB.

Entries must be received by June 11.

Go to [BattleOfTheBuilds.com](http://BattleOfTheBuilds.com) for an official copy of the rules and to enter your design.

For more information, call 938-4915.

## Delafield and Round Pond swim passes on sale now

Delafield and Round Pond swim punch cards can be purchased at the FMWR Fitness Center and Round Pond.

Starting June 11, cards will be available for purchase at Delafield Pond.

Punch cards are valid for use at Round Pond and Delafield swim areas. Each punch card is good for 12 visits.

Daily swim passes are available at a minimal cost for cadets, children (ages 3-13) and adults.

Children under age 14 must pass an

administered swim test to be allowed in the deep area of both ponds.

Children ages 13 and below must be accompanied by an adult.

Round Pond Beach hours of operation:

- Saturday-Sunday, noon-5 p.m.;

Open for the season June 11, regular hours are:

- Mon.-Sun., noon-6 p.m.

Delafield Pond Hours of Operation:

Open for the season June 11, regular hours are:

- Mon.-Sun., 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

## Army Family Team Building Super Sign-Up

Join ACS from 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. June 15 for its Army Family Team Building Super Sign-Up Family Celebration.

There will be games, prizes, hot dogs, popcorn and cotton candy.

To register, call 938-5654.

## Military Spouse Career Open House

Join ACS' Employment Readiness Program for its Career Open House from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. June 17.

Topics will include interview skills, dress for success and professional attire, job search assistance, resumé review and much more.

This event will be held in the ACS common area in Bldg. 622.

Refreshments and on-site childcare will be provided.

For more information, call 938-5658.

## WFSG Hearts Apart Support Group

The WFSG Hearts Apart Support Group, presented by the ACS Mobilization and Deployment Program, is for Families of deployed Soldiers.

The next group meeting is from 5:30-7:30 p.m. June 19.

Dinner and special activities will be provided for the entire Family.

Group meetings take place at Youth Services, Bldg. 500.

For more information, call 938-5658.

## (New Info) Father's Day Brunch at the West Point Club

Enjoy the West Point Club's traditional Father's Day Brunch from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. June 20 in the Club's Grand Ballroom.

Spouses of deployed Soldiers eat for half price and children 5 years old and under eat for free.

To make reservations, call 938-5120.

## Family Child Care Training

The Family Child Care program will be offering training for individuals interested in providing child care services from the comfort of their homes.

You can choose whether to work with children ages 6 weeks through 12 years, for hourly, full/part time and weekend/evening care.

Training is set to take place from July 7-16.

To sign up, or for more information, contact Elizabeth Peralta at 938-6170 or [Elizabeth.Peralta@usma.edu](mailto:Elizabeth.Peralta@usma.edu).

## FMWR Craft Shop

Do you have a graduation, retirement or promotion gift that you need framed or engraved?

The FMWR Craft Shop can do it for you. Most work is completed in about three weeks. The Craft Shop is conveniently located in Bldg. 648 behind the Post Office.

For more information, call 938-4812.

## CYSS Technology Camps

The CYSS Summer Technology Camps are coming.

Sign up now for four-day classes in Lego Robotics, Stop Motion Animation or Anime Studio.

Class dates are in July and August at the Youth Center, Bldg. 500.

For more information, call 938-3727.

## Horse Riding Camps

Register now for one of Morgan Farm's three- or five-day summer riding camps.

Dates are available in June, July and August.

For more information, call 938-3926.

## Army Ten Miler

West Point FMWR is sponsoring a team of four active duty runners to represent West Point at the Army Ten Miler Oct. 24.

To qualify, you must have participated in the West Point 10K.

For more information, call 938-6497.

## West Point Volunteers

If you were unable to attend the West Point Volunteer Recognition Ceremony and haven't received your certificate of appreciation from your organization, stop by the Army Volunteer Corps coordinator's office to pick up your certificate.

The office is located within Army Community Service in Bldg. 622.

For more information, call 938-3655 or

938-4621.

By this time, you should have heard of the Volunteer Management Information System. If you haven't already registered, now is the time to do so.

This is an Army-mandated system and West Point volunteers are required to use the system in order to be considered "registered."

Only registered volunteers are eligible for awards and recognition through the Army Volunteer Corps, including Black and Gold Awards and an invitation to next year's Volunteer Recognition Ceremony.

For more information about how to register, visit [www.westpointmwr.com/ACTIVITY/IVC/index.HTM](http://www.westpointmwr.com/ACTIVITY/IVC/index.HTM) or e-mail [christina.overstreet@usma.edu](mailto:christina.overstreet@usma.edu).

## AFAP Issues

Got issues you would like to see resolved?

The Army Family Action Plan is your avenue for results.

If you have a suggestion for how the Army can improve quality of life at West Point, we want to hear about it.

For more information about AFAP or to submit an issue, visit [www.westpointmwr.com/afap.htm](http://www.westpointmwr.com/afap.htm) or call 938-3655.

## Army Volunteer Corps

Are you interested in volunteering at West Point? There are many opportunities for you to get involved.

For more information, please visit [www.westpointmwr.com/ACTIVITY/IVC/index.HTM](http://www.westpointmwr.com/ACTIVITY/IVC/index.HTM) or call 938-3655.

## NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752.

**Friday—The Ghost Writer, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday—The Last Song, PG, 7:30 p.m.**

**June 11—Date Night, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

**June 12—Oceans, G, 7:30 p.m.**

**June 18—Oceans, G, 7:30 p.m.**

**June 19—The Losers, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.**

**June 25—The Last Song, PG, 7:30 p.m.**

**June 26—Furry Vengeance, PG, 7:30 p.m.**

THE THEATER SCHEDULE ALSO CAN BE FOUND

AT [WWW.AAFES.COM](http://WWW.AAFES.COM).

Help us tell the West Point Story by submitting your ideas to: Eric Bartelt, managing editor, at 938-2015/3883, or e-mail [eric.bartelt@usma.edu](mailto:eric.bartelt@usma.edu).

Story submissions should include point of contact information (name, phone number, e-mail address).

## BBC LifeWorks events

### June Yard of the Month contest

Balfour Beatty Communities will be judging homes in the community for neatness, presentation, effort and curb appeal for Yard of the Month.

Each month one winner will be selected to receive a \$25 gift card and the Yard of the Month sign to display.

### June coloring contest

Stop by 132 Bartlett Loop to pick up a Bal-4 Bike Safety Coloring Page. Color the page, be creative and submit your entry no later than June 30. Winners will be chosen by age category and prizes will be awarded.

### Prize for good report card

Bring a child's report card with a B or better to 132 Bartlett Loop for a prize coupon from June 9-11. Every student may receive one prize per report card.

### Newcomers orientation and welcome brief

A newcomers orientation and welcome brief is scheduled from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. June 9 at the ACS Bldg. 622.

The orientation is a great opportunity to learn about all the services Balfour Beatty Communities provide.

For more information, call Jodi Gellman, LifeWorks coordinator, at 446-6407 or e-mail her at [jgellman@bbcgrp.com](mailto:jgellman@bbcgrp.com).

# Eight chosen for induction into Army Sports Hall of Fame

By Ryan Yanoshak  
Athletic Communications

Three Army Athletic Association Award winners, two national champions, an Academic All-American and multiple All-American selections are all included among the eight athletes chosen for induction into the Army Sports Hall of Fame, Athletics Director Kevin Anderson announced May 26.

West Point's seventh induction class encompasses Jon Aaronsohn (gymnastics), Clennie Brundidge (football and basketball), Mike McElrath (football), Al Rushatz (football and wrestling), Melody Smith (basketball and tennis), Teresa Sobiesk (cross country and track and field), Gen. Joseph Stilwell (basketball player and coach) and Pete Vann (football).

The Class of 2010 represents athletes from eight different sports and one coach who also starred as a player.

The honorees will be officially inducted into the Army Sports Hall of Fame Sept. 17. A special plaque unveiling ceremony will be held in the Kenna Hall of Army Sports inside Kimsey Center, with the formal black-tie Hall of Fame Induction Banquet set for Eisenhower Hall later that evening.

The group will also be recognized during Army's football game against North Texas at Michie Stadium Sept. 18, with a special photograph and autograph session planned on Black Knights Alley prior to the contest.

"This class represents a wide spectrum of accomplishments

on the fields of friendly strife," Anderson said. "The committee has done another excellent job in selecting worthy athletes and coaches from several different eras. We are looking forward to honoring them in September for all of their success, hard work and dedication."

The Army Sports Hall of Fame is a subset of the Kenna Hall of Army Sports, a comprehensive museum displaying Army's rich and proud intercollegiate athletic program history. It is located on the third floor of the Kimsey Athletic Center, Army's football training facility.

The announcement of the Army Sports Hall of Fame Class of 2010 marks the end of a lengthy process that began in the spring. A 10-member selection committee, representing athletic administrators, academic administrators, former West Point athletes, graduates and representatives from the Association of Graduates began the process of developing a workable list from the thousands of athletes, coaches and administrators that have represented the academy on the "fields of friendly strife." Only athletes that graduated from the academy and those five years removed from their playing and coaching days are eligible.

In addition, the committee followed a charter that was established to support the Army Sports Hall of Fame that profiled a myriad of strict eligibility requirements for former cadet-athletes, coaches and administrators to be eligible. "Primary" consideration for election

is granted to accomplishments during an individual's tenure as an athlete, coach or administrator while at West Point. Honors attained that pre- or post-date academy careers are given "secondary" consideration.

Once the selection committee finalized its recommended list, the names were forwarded to West Point's Athletic Committee for review and ratification before being passed on to Superintendent Lt. Gen. Franklin L. Hagenbeck for final approval.

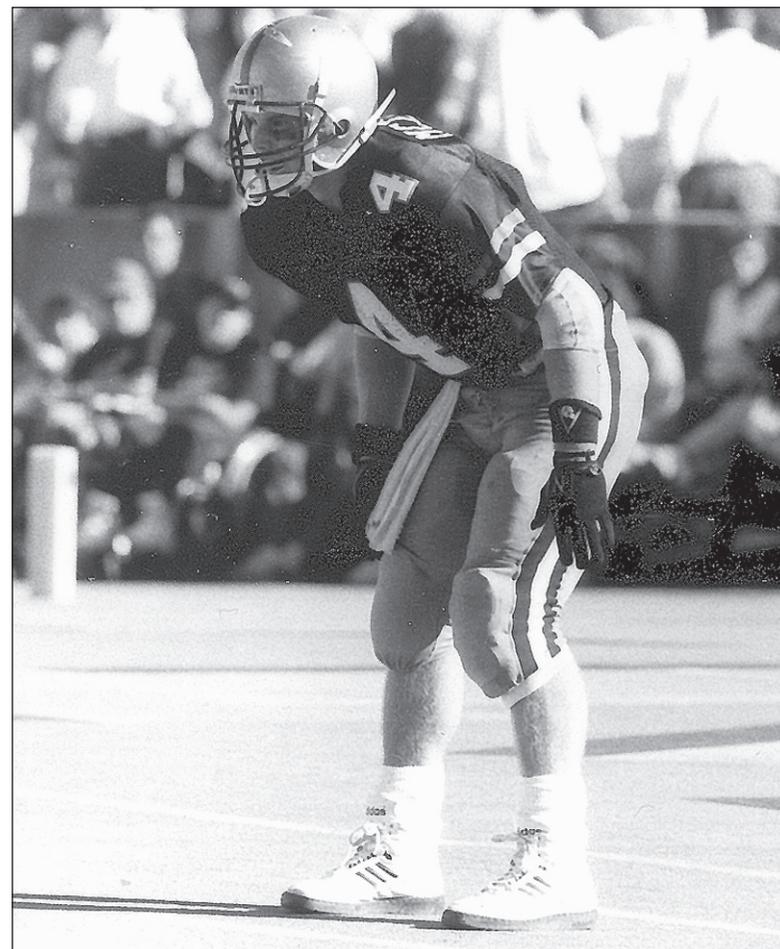
"Lt. Gen. Hagenbeck and the selection committee should be commended for all of their hard work that ensures we continue to recognize those who have made significant contributions to our athletics program," Anderson noted.

Aaronsohn, Class of 1961 graduate, was Army's last gymnast to win an individual title when he captured the flying rings national championship in 1960 and led the squad to a 10-0 mark. An All-America selection as a junior, he finished third on the flying rings at the 1959 NCAA Championships and was a two-time Eastern champion in that event. Aaronsohn led Army to an Eastern Intercollegiate Gymnastics League title and was a two-time letterwinner. He was elected team captain during his senior campaign, but did not compete due to a broken arm.

A 1979 graduate, Brundidge started on the football field and on the basketball court and earned a combined eight letters. Thanks to his stellar exploits as a wide receiver, he was selected as a second-team All-America choice by United Press International as a sophomore and junior and named All-East by the Associated Press, UPI and the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference during those same seasons. The 1979 winner of the Army Athletic Association Award graduated as Army's all-time receiving leader with 147 receptions for 2,279 yards—two numbers that now rank second all-time in school history. His eight 100-yard receiving games still stands as an academy career record.

Brundidge established a single-game record with 167 receiving yards against Pittsburgh in 1977, a total that has been surpassed just twice. Brundidge listed nationally in receptions and yards and was invited to the 1978 Hula Bowl. As a forward on the basketball team, he racked up 632 points in 76 games and graduated third with a 51.4 shooting percentage, a number that now ranks 10th. He is 20th on the career rebounding list with 433 and was a member of the 1977-78 squad that played in the National Invitational Tournament, Army's last postseason appearance.

McElrath, a lieutenant colonel who is now serving as an Associate Athletic Director at West Point, was



**Mike McElrath, a lieutenant colonel who is now serving as an associate athletic director at West Point, was a four-year starter at safety. The 1993 graduate remains Army's all-time career tackles leader with 436. He posted 157 tackles his first season.**

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a four-year starter at free safety for the football team. A member of the Class of 1993, he remains Army's career leader in tackles with 436 and stands tied for second with 10 career interceptions. He graduated as the career leader in pass deflections with 19, a number that now lists fourth. McElrath posted 157 tackles during his first season, a total that stands third all-time on the Army list and won the prestigious Army Athletic Association Award in 1993.

He was a team captain as a senior, a three-time first team All-East selection and a third-team All-America choice by "Football News" as a senior.

A standout in the classroom as well, McElrath was a Dean's List student in each of his eight semesters, a first team Academic All-America choice as a senior and a second team selection as a junior. He was one of 15 players nationally to receive the National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete Award as a senior and was chosen to speak on behalf of that group at the awards dinner. McElrath received the NCAA Football Scholarship and NACDA/Disney Postgraduate Scholarship and was recognized as a Hitachi/College Football Association Scholar-Athlete.

Rushatz collected the prestigious Army Athletic Association Award in 1962 following a standout career in football and wrestling in which he won three letters in each sport. He led the football team in rushing for two seasons and currently stands 25th on the career rushing ledger

with 1,414 yards. He was chosen as an Eastman Kodak All-American by the American Football Coaches Association in 1961.

A 1962 graduate, Rushatz was an All-America wrestler in 1960 when he finished third at 177 pounds after capturing an Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association championship. He was a three-time EIWA finalist and lost just once in a dual meet during his three-year career before embarking on a military career that included 28 years as a commissioned officer.

Smith was voted as the Army Athletic Association special award winner prior to her graduation in 1984 after a career that included a host of basketball records and two letters in tennis. Smith established Army's career scoring mark with 1,422 points, a record that stood for 20 years and now ranks fourth all-time. She made a record 612 field goals over her career and led the team in scoring for three seasons. An All-Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference choice in 1982-83, she posted a career scoring average of 12.6 points per game.

Sobiesk set numerous cross country and track and field records, won a Division II national championship and was a Division I All-America selection prior to her graduation in 1989. The holder of academy records in the 5,000-meter indoor, the 5,000-meters outdoor, the 3,000-meter indoor and the 10,000-meter outdoor, she won the 1988 national championship in the

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**Melody Smith, Class of 1984, established Army women's basketball's career scoring mark with 1,422 points, a record that stood for 20 years. She now ranks fourth all-time.**

# Maisano named Lowe's Senior CLASS Award winner

By Tim Volkmann  
Athletic Communications

Army 2nd Lt. midfielder Andrew Maisano was named the winner of the prestigious Lowe's Senior CLASS Award in the lacrosse division May 29. Maisano received the award

during an on-field ceremony at M&T Bank Stadium in Baltimore held at halftime of the first NCAA Tournament semifinal between Cornell and Notre Dame.

Emerging from a list of 10 finalists after a poll of national media and coaches, as well as a national fan vote held last month, Maisano

became the first Black Knight to ever win the award in any sport, which recognizes student-athletes who excel both on and off the field and have notable achievements in four areas of excellence—community, classroom, character and competition.

"I am humbled to receive an honor like this, especially in a field of such worthy candidates," Maisano, who hails from Lakeview, N.Y., commented. "It is a testament to all the guys on the team who were always there to push me to be the best I could on the field, in the classroom and in everything else we did at West Point. While my name might be on the award, I could not have done this without my teammates."

Maisano graduated 26th in the U.S. Military Academy Class of 2010 May 22 with over a 4.0 grade point average, while majoring in Systems Engineering. Voted the 2010 Patriot League Men's Lacrosse Scholar Athlete of the Year and a first-team *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District honoree last week, Maisano has also moved on to the national ballot where he will be eligible for Academic All-America honors later this month.

"I am so pleased for Andrew that he is receiving this prestigious award. He is very deserving," Army head coach Joe Alberici said. "He has represented himself, his family, this program and this tremendous institution in a first class manner. He is an outstanding role model for all of us in the Army Lacrosse Family."

Commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army, Maisano also recently received his fourth Superintendent's Award for Excellence, recognizing the top 5 percent of cadets based on the combination of academic, military and physical GPAs.

Soon to be a four-time Patriot League Academic Honor Roll selection, Maisano also landed on the Dean's List for the eighth time during his decorated West Point career. A member of the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor

Society and Golden Key Honor Society, he is also a member of the Society of American Military Engineers.

Maisano sat on the Brigade Chain of Command during his senior year, serving as the chair of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee and was also a company tutor who worked with underclass cadets on their studies. Last summer, he interned at General Atomics Aeronautical Systems in San Diego, assisting the program managers and engineers, before returning to West Point to help teach combatives at the USMA Preparatory School during the summer training period.

A volunteer at the Saint Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen in his native Buffalo, N.Y., he also volunteered at the USA Lacrosse Clinic last fall as well as the Army Youth Lacrosse clinic during the winter for the past two years. As part of his senior studies, Maisano worked on a research and design project for the FAA to develop a commercial wind turbine that is an alternative energy resource while minimizing radar interference.

One of the Black Knights' starting midfielders for two-straight seasons, Maisano and the Black Knights were crowned 2010 Patriot League Champions before making their first appearance in the NCAA Tournament since 2005 where they upset two-time defending national champion Syracuse in the opening round to move on to the national quarterfinals. The Black Knights had their eight-game winning streak snapped in the quarterfinals with a 14-5 loss to Cornell in a game played at Stony Brook May 23.

Maisano's on-field award presentation aired on ESPN during a full in-game feature that broadcast during halftime of Monday's national championship game.

An acronym for *Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School*, the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities.



Army Firstie captain Andrew Maisano was named winner of the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award in the lacrosse division May 29.

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5,000 meters. Sobiesk won three All-America citations during the 1988 season—in the 5,000-meter run at the Division I level and for the 10,000 and 5,000 at Division II.

Stilwell earned induction for his accolades as both a player and coach with the men's basketball program. Widely recognized as the "Father of Army Basketball," he was a player-coach during the first two seasons of Army basketball in 1903 and 1904 when the team went a combined 3-1. He returned to West Point after graduation for two more stints as head coach, from 1907-1911 and from 1913-14. He compiled a 49-17 record with a winning percentage of .742, which ranks second all-time among coaches who guided the team for at least 50 games. His 1909-10 team finished with a 14-1 mark and in six of his seven seasons the team was above .500.

Vann was a three-time letterwinner as a quarterback and graduated in 1956 as Army's

all-time passing leader.

He compiled academy records for completions (174), attempts (372), yards (2,937) and touchdowns (24) while guiding the team to an 18-7-2 mark. His 24 career touchdowns stood as an academy record for 23 years, which presently ranks third.

Recognized as one of the individuals most responsible for leading Army back to national prominence following the cheating scandal of 1951, he established nine Army passing records and played a large role in the successful transition of Don Holleder from end to quarterback. Vann led the nation in completion percentage for much of his junior season and led the team to the Lambert Trophy that year. His 166.5 passing efficiency rating was tops in the country during his senior season and he established the NCAA single season record (since broken) for most yards per completion at 23.2.

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# Sylve shatters hurdles record, heads to NCAAs

By Dallas Miller  
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Rising Firstie Domonick Sylve punched his ticket to the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships in the 110-meter hurdles after shattering the Army record with a clocking of 13.67 seconds at the NCAA Championships Eastern preliminary round May 29 at North Carolina A&T State University's Irwin Belt Track in Greensboro, N.C.

Sylve won his heat en route to finishing third overall among a field of 24 runners and was one of 12 (top three from each of the three heats with the three next best times) to qualify for the NCAA Championships at the University of Oregon in Eugene June 10.

Sylve's time of 13.67 shattered his previous school mark of 13.79 (set in the

spring against Navy), while trailing the fastest time of 13.53 set in the preliminary round finals by North Carolina's Johnny Dutch.

The Army hurdler qualified for the May 29 quarterfinals by placing among the top three in his heat where he posted a time of 14.27 seconds May 28.

Sylve had arrived early that morning after spending the night in the airport when his May 27 flight was cancelled due to weather.

Sylve is the first Army runner to qualify for the NCAA Outdoor Championships since John Mickowski competed in the 1,500-meter run two years ago.

Recent graduate Kurt Bujewski also competed May 29 in the discus where he posted a throw of 153 feet, 2 inches, but fell short of his goal of earning a berth to the next round in Oregon.



Rising Firstie Domonick Sylve will compete at NCAA Championships June 10 at the University of Oregon.  
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# Koenigsfeld earns ESPN's third-team All-America honors

By Bob Beretta  
Athletic Communications

The season may be over, but Army Rising Firstie Ben Koenigsfeld continues to receive a number of accolades.

A first team All-Patriot League selection in the outfield for the second straight season and the 2010 Patriot League Baseball Scholar-Athlete, Koenigsfeld added a more prestigious honor May 25 when he was selected to the *ESPN The Magazine* All-America Baseball University Division Third Team.

Koenigsfeld was named Patriot League Pitcher of the Year last spring and became the first player in Patriot League history to earn first team all-conference honors at two different positions in the same season.

Army's starting left fielder when he was not on the pitching mound, Koenigsfeld ranked among team leaders in eight offensive categories. Despite battling a host of injuries throughout the spring, he batted .359 with 10 doubles, one triple, five home runs, 24 runs scored and 33 runs batted in. He posted a slugging percentage of .549 and an on-base percentage of .418, collecting 14 multiple-hit showings. He also registered multiple runs batted in during nine contests this spring, while batting .362 in Patriot League contests.

The native of New Port Richey, Fla., also registered a 3-2 overall record with one save on the pitcher's mound, boasting a 5.02 earned

run average. Koenigsfeld struck out 38 and walked eight in 37.2 innings of work.

Additionally, Koenigsfeld carries a 3.55 cumulative grade point average in American Law and Legal Studies and was selected to the College Sports Information Directors of America 2009 Academic District 1 Baseball Second Team, presented by *ESPN The Magazine*. He has been named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll following each of his first three seasons at West Point.

Koenigsfeld becomes the seventh Army baseball player to earn national Academic All-America honors.

It marks the second year in row that a Black Knight has been cited after Tyler Anderegg gained a place on the *ESPN The Magazine* All-America Baseball University Division Second Team last spring. Nick Hill (third team in 2007), Schuyler Williamson (third team in 2004), Mike Scioletti (third team in 1997), Bill Mullee (third team in 1996) and Warren Chellman (first team in 1976) are the other Black Knights that have been similarly honored.

Army closed its season at 28-17 overall and fell in the Patriot League Tournament semifinals to eventual conference champion Bucknell earlier this month.

The Black Knights gained at least a share of the conference's regular-season title for the fifth time in the last seven years, closing regular season league play with a 16-4 record.



Rising Firstie Ben Koenigsfeld earned a selection on *ESPN The Magazine's* All-America Baseball University Division Third Team May 25.  
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Rising Firstie left fielder and pitcher Ben Koenigsfeld batted .359 with five home runs and 33 runs batted in this season despite a host of injuries.