

Celebrating 100 years of ministry and memories

Story and photos by Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor/Copy

Recreating the scene that played out 100 years earlier, a procession of West Point cadets, cadre and community members walked from Central Area and up the hill, along Stony Lonesome and DeRussey roads, to the Cadet Chapel to celebrate its centennial June 11.

The Cadet Chapel Centennial ceremony began in front of Bartlett Hall, close to the site of the original cadet chapel where a final service was held June 12, 1910.

U.S. Military Academy Chaplain (Col.) Mike Durham led nearly 150 attendees to the ceremony and Sherman Fleek, West Point historian, provided insight into the origin of the chapel. When architects mulled over where to build the new chapel, Fleek said they looked for the most inspiring of locales. Lead architect Bertram Goodhue said its placement on the commanding spur of the hill, just west of the cadet barracks, "would lift impressively above the other structures."

"Today the chapel is recognized as a crowning achievement in design, architecture, and a splendid example of the beauty and reverence of an earlier time," Fleek said. "Yet, the Cadet Chapel is more than just a building of stones, stained-glassed windows and red-cushioned pews. For a century it has been a 'beacon on a hill' of faith, service, remembrance and devotion."

West Point Superintendent, Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck, still recalls his first time looking up at the chapel as a cadet. While the march up to the chapel was mandatory every Sunday back then, he said, it wasn't considered a hardship by the many who looked forward to the weekly trek.

"It was at times viewed, when we were plebes, as an escape from the rigors of being cadets," Hagenbeck said. "But over time it became an inspiration and the walk up there became easier and easier when it occurred to me that path had been walked by so many who had gone before me."



Chaplain (Col.) Mike Durham leads a procession of nearly 150 during the Cadet Chapel Centennial Celebration ceremony June 11 from Bartlett Hall, the site of the old Cadet Chapel, to the current site of the past 100 years. Hundreds attended the ceremony inside the chapel and gathered outside for a cake presentation from Buddy Valastro, star of *The Learning Channel's "Cake Boss."* Sabers cut into the fudge-filled chocolate cake that weighed in at nearly 500 pounds while slices were passed around to all in attendance.

The ceremony's attendance doubled as the celebration continued inside the chapel with an organ demonstration by the Chapel organist Craig Williams, a dedication reading and benediction.

The celebration also brought back fond memories for some of the participants who were married at the chapel, attended services there or, as Steve Carter recalled, sought a higher power for guidance on the playing field. The Class of 1982 graduate was on the football team and worked with former USMA Chaplain Richard Camp in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

"He'd give us prayers every night before Friday games, which we needed, because we were losing a lot of games," Carter said.

Carter was also married at the Cadet Chapel and his daughter, Samantha, was christened there. New memories were also made as three couples were invited to an Arch Saber Ceremony, honoring all who have and will be married in the chapel. Soon-to-be-married 2nd Lt. David Bailey and Kate Weatherby would have the distinction of participating in their nuptials at the chapel June 12, the actual centennial date. Celebrating their 16th anniversary, Chaplain (Capt.) Brian Koyn and his wife Tracey, both Class of 1994 graduates, felt fortunate to participate in this moment of the chapel's history as they are preparing for their new duty assignment at Fort Jackson, S.C.

"Being a chaplain here at the chapel where I once worshipped as a cadet ... that sense of history and being present here today is really amazing," Koyn said.

Tracey's favorite chapel memory from her cadet years was being an usher when she struggled to reach the candelabras on the altar.

"I'm really not that tall, and it was so hard to light the candles ... without burning down the chapel," Tracey said. "It was not an easy task."

Koyn admitted he felt more nervous participating in the centennial ceremony than

at his wedding.

"It was actually a little more nerve-wracking than the first time," the regimental chaplain said, noting the camera crew and crowds of people. "But it was great to be a part of this and a real privilege."

"Cake Boss" delights masses

Story and photo by
Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor/Copy

Buddy Valastro and his crew arrived to roars of cheers from the first sighting of his white van with the infamous "Carlo's Bake Shop" logo driving up the road to the Cadet Chapel June 11.

On his first trip to West Point, the "Cake Boss" presented a giant chapel cake for the Cadet Chapel Centennial celebration. The Cadet Chapel cake weighed in at nearly 500 pounds filled with chocolate cake and fudge, with all the details made of fondant (modeling chocolate) and entirely edible, as spectators soon discovered after the official cutting. Valastro said they had fun designing the cake, and while looking up at the chapel, he said the depth of details was the most difficult aspect of the cake design.

"There's so much detail in the architecture that this could become a lot more detailed and harder to do," Valastro said. "It wasn't the hardest cake we've done, but it definitely wasn't the easiest."

The rate of difficulty of replicating the Cadet Chapel in cake form might have been

an 8, but the taste was a 10 as judged by the hundreds who gathered outside the chapel for the presentation.

"It's unbelievable," Steve Carter, Class of 1982, said. "For a cake that big to be so fresh and tasty is unbelievable."

Carter was at West Point to pick up his daughter, Samantha, from the weeklong Summer Leaders Seminar, and heard about the centennial celebration.

"I was married here and she (Samantha) was christened here, so it's been a big day for all of us," he said.

Brig. Gen. William Rapp, Commandant of the Corps of Cadets, thanked the star of *The Learning Channel's "Cake Boss"* for the special delivery, noting the centennial anniversary of Carlo's Bake Shop coincides with the chapel's.

ATLC production crew captured the presentation at West Point for a Season Three episode of "Cake Boss" to be aired sometime in October.



Buddy Valastro talks to fans.



About 300 people filed into the Cadet Chapel for the Centennial Celebration.

West Point housing development continues

Submitted by Balfour Beatty Communities

The West Point Housing Project will be two years old Aug. 1. The development program is progressing well. It's an indicator of project success in the sense that West Point Soldiers have better housing.

New homes are being occupied in the new Stony Lonesome I housing and renovations continue in several neighborhoods. Key to the success of the development plan is financing.

The cost to build and renovate houses at West Point is unusually high because of the location.

I would like to dispel some misinformation concerning the project and take this opportunity to inform the West Point community concerning the nature of the project's finances.

The development plan for West Point calls for spending nearly \$208 million over the eight-year Initial Development Period that ends in July 2016. That money comes from three separate sources.

First, the Army and Balfour Beatty Communities each invested many millions of dollars in an equity investment. Second, the project borrowed a large sum of money from independent investors. Thus, the project has a large mortgage that must be paid every month. Lastly, the remainder of the money comes from project revenues.

The project's gross annual

revenues are in the neighborhood of \$22 million.

It works out that the project must earn approximately \$52 million during the IDP to deliver the promised development plan.

Profit for BBC is not a factor in the equation. In fact, BBC does not actually earn a profit, but rather earns a nominal fixed fee for community management and construction management.

Roughly half of that fee is incentive based and is approved by the garrison commander.

The West Point garrison commander scrutinizes the incentive fees very closely and makes certain that BBC is earning their fees.

For each BAH dollar that the project takes, a vast majority goes toward paying contractual

obligations and investment in the construction program.

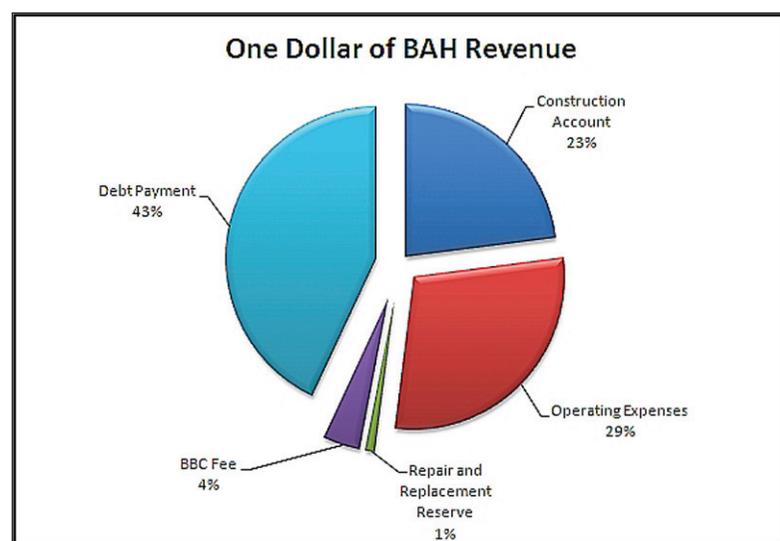
The pie chart below shows how the project revenues are spent. The chart shows how each BAH revenue dollar is spent in the 2010 budget.

The goal of the partnership that manages the West Point Housing Project is to provide better housing that Soldiers want to live in.

It is your BAH dollars that are financing the future construction of improved housing here at West Point.

I can assure you that the garrison commander personally reviews and approves our monthly financial report to ensure your dollars are being spent prudently.

**Thank you,
Rich Wagner
Project Director**



Make a difference—Return your DA (RCI) Survey

West Point Family housing residents received the "Headquarters, Department of Army Survey (On-Post)" the first week of June. Families living on installations with Residential Community Initiative Family housing programs are surveyed by DA annually. Through this survey, residents can inform DA on how well the RCI program is meeting their on-post housing needs.

The survey measures resident satisfaction and will be compared with the survey done in 2009—the first survey after RCI privatization. The results will also be compared with future surveys to measure the effectiveness of changes in policies and programs to improve resident satisfaction.

Personal data will not be tabulated and individual surveys do not identify the respondents or their residences. Only community-level results will be tabulated.

Participation of all residents, including those departing this summer, will result in a more accurate picture of current housing conditions and will help the RCI office as it continues to work on improving the program. Take the opportunity to help make a difference.

Call Eileen Kaczkin, RCI community relations specialist, at 938-2500, with any questions or for more information. If you do not receive a survey in the mail, copies are available at the RCI Office on the fourth floor of Spellman Hall, Bldg. 2101, Room 4-7.

Financial Tidbits

Submitted by Mike Doorbal
Financial Readiness Manager

1. Loss of Rental Deposits: The West Point Financial Readiness Office has received reports that servicemembers in the Fort Bragg, N.C., community have had their rental deposits withheld when they were denied a place for various reasons. Deposits range around \$250. If you're heading to North Carolina, be careful and ask questions regarding rental deposits. If you become a victim, report it to your local FRP or Legal Services.

2. Consumer Affairs Complaints: The Financial Readiness Office is here to assist you with consumer complaints. Our office works closely with the Better Business Bureau to help resolve your complaints.

3. Automobile Purchases: If you need assistance with your next purchase of new and used vehicles, stop by and see the Financial Readiness Manager and let's do the math. This is particularly important to first-term Soldiers.

4. Financial Readiness Classes: Financial Readiness offers classes on budgeting, banking, debt liquidation, college, TSP, investment and retirement planning. If you have any questions or need information from any of the above subjects, call 938-5653.

Jewish Shabbat Services

Throughout the summer, there will be regular Friday night Shabbat services at the West Point Jewish Chapel at 7 p.m.

The services will be followed by light refreshments and fellowship. The Jewish Chapel staff can be reached at 938-2710 if there are any questions.

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.

POINTER VIEW

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

Want to read the Pointer View on crisp paper rather than online? To get a yearly subscription (48 issues) of the Pointer View, contact Milton Caban at the Times Herald-Record at 845-343-2181 ext. 3560.



Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

See SUDOKU PUZZLE, Page 11

POINTER VIEW

The Army civilian enterprise newspaper, the Pointer View, is an authorized publication for members of the Department of Defense. Contents of the Pointer View are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. Government, the Department of the Army or West Point.

The Pointer View® is an unofficial publication authorized by AR360-1. The editorial content of the Pointer View is the responsibility of the West Point Directorate of Public Affairs & Communications, Bldg. 600, West Point, New York 10996, (845) 938-2015.

The Pointer View is printed weekly by the Times Herald-Record, a private firm in no way connected with the Department of the Army, under exclusive contract with West Point. The Times Herald-Record is responsible for all commercial advertising.

Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck
Superintendent

Lt. Col. Brian Tribus
Director of Public Affairs & Communications

Linda L. Mastin
Chief, Web & Print Publications Branch
938-8366

Eric S. Bartelt
Managing Editor, 938-2015
Tommy Gilligan
Asst. Editor/Photo, 938-8825
Mike Strasser
Asst. Editor/Copy, 938-3079
Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer, 938-3684

Printed weekly by the

TIMES HERALD-RECORD

40 Mulberry Street, Middletown, NY 10940

recordonline.com

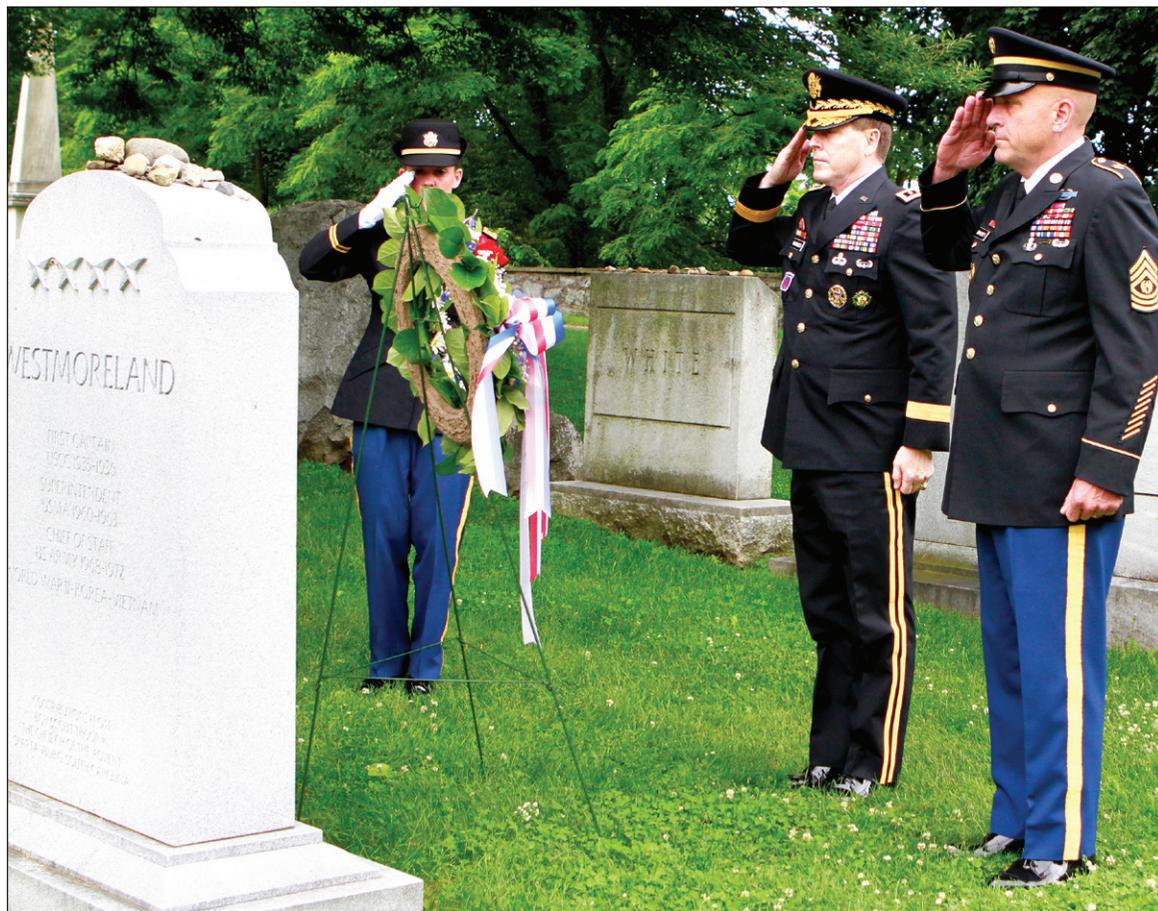
For information, call (845) 341-1100

The appearance of advertising in this publication, including inserts or supplements, does not constitute endorsement of the products or services advertised by the U.S. Army or the Times Herald-Record.

Everything advertised in this publication shall be made available for purchase, use, or patronage without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, physical handicap, political affiliation, or any other nonmerit factor of the purchaser, user, or patron.

A confirmed violation or rejection of this policy of equal opportunity by an advertiser will result in the refusal to print advertising from that source.

West Point
The United States Military Academy



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



(Above—From left to right) Second Lt. Amanda Bent (the youngest officer), Lt. Gen. Buster Hagenbeck (the senior officer), Command Sgt. Maj. Anthony Mahoney (the senior noncommissioned officer) and Spc. Michael Jones (youngest Soldier present) cut the Army birthday cake commemorating the 235th Army Birthday during the celebration in the West Point Club Ballroom June 14. (Left) Hagenbeck and Mahoney, render a hand salute after placing a wreath at the grave of Gen. William C. Westmoreland, former Army Chief of Staff and West Point Superintendent from 1960-63, Monday. The wreath laying ceremony was part of West Point's 235th Army Birthday celebration.

PHOTOS BY TOMMY GILLIGAN

Beware of unexploded ordnance on West Point grounds

By Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

Military training at West Point has been ongoing for more than 200 years. Although information on historical weapons used at West Point is incomplete, it is possible that munitions items may be found anywhere on post, said Jeff Sanborn, environmental engineer for the Directorate of Public Works and the manager of the Military Munitions Response Program.

Finding unexploded ordnances (UXO) around West Point is a common occurrence. During the forest fires of 1999, several munitions items exploded in the fire area effectively preventing ground crew efforts to stem the fire. During construction of the Foley Center, seven unexploded mortars were found on site.

On May 24, an unfused World War I-era mortar was found at the construction site for the U. S. Military Academy Preparatory School. Since the mortar was unfused, the Emergency Response Team was able to move it away from the construction activities.

"The mortars that have been

found recently have been Stokes mortars, which were used in the WWI era," Sanborn said. "Several have turned up around the main post during construction projects or investigations of former ranges. In some cases, we believe the rounds were fired and landed where they were found. In others, we suspect the UXO was brought to the site in the past in contaminated fill."

Sanborn said construction projects take different precautions depending on the scope of project and its location.

"Precautions range from awareness training for workers, UXO support during construction and/or UXO clearance before construction," he said. "For most projects, awareness training is sufficient. Workers are provided training pamphlets and instructed to contact the MPs if they uncover anything suspicious."

The Military Munitions Response Program for West Point is part of the Defense Environmental Restoration Program whose purpose is to identify and remediate former training areas potentially contaminated with munitions and explosives of concern, discarded

military munitions and munitions constituents.

"So far, West Point has completed a preliminary assessment and site inspection and is starting a remedial investigation this year, which is anticipated to take five years to complete," Sanborn said.

Copies of the PA and SI reports are posted on the Web site at www.usma.edu/dhpw/emd/irp/index.asp.

Finding a UXO may be exciting, but also dangerous. If you find a UXO, follow these instructions:

- Recognize and mark—Be familiar with the local area and what the UXO looks like. Don't move closer, but mark the location with whatever is available to alert authorities;

- Retreat—Move away from the UXO by going back the way you came. Get at least 300 feet away before using a cell phone or radio;

- Report—If on post, call the West Point Military Police at 938-3333 to report the UXO location. If in the range/training area, call range control at 938-3930 and if someone is injured by a UXO, call 911.

What does a UXO look like?

Some UXO will look like bullets



A World War I-era Stokes mortar was found May 24 at the construction site for the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School at West Point.

COURTESY PHOTO

or bombs. Some may look like pointed metal pipes, soda cans, small balls or even old car mufflers.

UXOs are ammunition that was fired, but didn't explode,

ammunition that could explode and can be new or old, shiny or rusty and clean or dirty. All of it is dangerous. For more information, call the West Point Safety Office at 938-3717.

West Point faculty assists NMAA

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

The histories of many military teaching institutions often begin in a period of uncertainty, in a time when the need for leaders surpasses the resources available to train them. There has never been a time like the present for the National Military Academy of Afghanistan to begin its own tradition of creating leaders of character.

Fortunately, West Point is there to help the Afghan National Army establish and improve the Kabul-based academy in the midst of the Global War on Terror. Every year, U.S. Military Academy faculty members deploy voluntarily to lend expertise to their NMAA counterparts.

Maj. Aram Donigian, a management instructor in the Dept. of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership, deployed in May with a team of faculty from various West Point academic departments.

Donigian, an Elgin, Ore., native, will serve as a faculty advisor to NMAA's leadership and management program and will also review its curriculum development, class preparation and faculty development.

"When you talk about faculty development, you talk about the methods and strategies used in the classroom to engage students more actively so you improve learning," Donigian said.

The Leadership Management Studies program instructor teaches negotiation and human resource management to cadets here. He will use his two years' teaching experience at West Point to assess the NMAA's management major and give guidance on instruction techniques.

"Hopefully, what I have to offer (as a faculty member) benefits them," Donigian said. "What I'll gain from the experience of being there—the exposure to this great strategy and ideas—hopefully translates to things I can bring back to the classroom here."

The Class of 1998 graduate was a history major as a cadet, when he learned how Thomas Jefferson, although opposed to the idea of standing armies, understood the value of the academy as an institution that united the country. Donigian believes that NMAA serves the same purpose for Afghanistan.

"(NMAA is) bringing in people of many different tribes and regions and unifying them with this focus of serving a country," Donigian said. "That's a powerful mission."

The NMAA faculty has a high rate of rotation, which makes it difficult for West Point faculty to stay connected with instructors there. During his deployment, Donigian hopes to establish new means of communication between the academies, such as video teleconferencing, to enhance professional development with the Afghan



Afghan Army Col. Lajward Kanin, Leadership and Management Department head at the National Military Academy of Afghanistan, discusses the current plan for launching the management major with Maj. Aram Donigian, faculty mentor, during their initial meeting. While NMAA is six years old and has graduated two classes, the management major will be a new offering in 2011.

PHOTO COURTESY OF MAJ. ARAM DONIGIAN

instructors.

The five-year-old academy continues to improve upon its methods of developing the future leaders of the Afghan National Army, Donigian said. The partnership between the academies will enhance the overall strategic mission in Afghanistan by training leaders of character on both sides of the globe.

Donigian, of Armenian descent, served in Afghanistan from 2003-04 at Forward

Operating Base Salerno in Khost province. During that deployment, he developed an affinity for the people and culture and was eager to return to the country.

The NMAA, which is modeled after West Point and its leader development curriculum, was founded March 22, 2005. On Jan. 24, 2009, 84 cadets graduated and were commissioned as second lieutenants, each with a 10-year service obligation.

History Department sponsors tactical exercise in military history

Story and photo by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

The History Department sponsored its annual tactical exercise June 9, as part of its West Point Summer Seminar in military history, to help 19 university instructors and professors who have or are working on their doctorate degrees and teaching military history.

The summer series included the 124th New York State Volunteers, a Civil War re-enactment unit, who taught the class about shooting muskets and army formations of the Civil War era.

The unit also participates in the annual historical weapons shoot.

"The seminar shows junior faculty and advanced or graduate students who are or will be teaching military history how West Point teaches the subject," Maj. Joshua Bradley, History instructor, said. "It's 3 1/2 weeks worth of classes and staff rides to historical sites, such as Gettysburg and Saratoga. Funding for the program came from the Army initially to prepare ROTC students.

"Now funding is provided by a

private source," he added.

Due to the generosity of a private donor, there is no cost to participants, including lodging and staff rides. Bradley said the class consisted of 14 American university students and teachers, two from England, one Swiss, one Canadian and one from New Zealand.

The 124th New York State Volunteers are based in Montgomery, N.Y., where the old regiment was raised.

"This program (Summer Seminar) began in 1982 at James I. O'Neill High School in Highland Falls, N.Y., as well as provided instructions to cadets," Chuck LaRocca, a lieutenant in the 104th New York State Volunteers, said. "We were able to continue because of funding (grants) provided by the Daughters of the United States Army and the West Point Women's Club."

The Summer Seminar in military history is open to junior faculty and advanced graduate students in the field of military history.

Applicants must have completed all the requirements for a doctorate, other than submission of a dissertation.



The Dept. of History sponsored their annual summer seminar with the 124th New York State volunteer's Civil War re-enactment at the River Courts June 9. The re-enactment is part of the Dept. of History's teaching event with college professors and instructors or graduate students who are or will be teaching military history.

Jumpitz delivers high-energy performance

Story and photo by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

The Jumpitz crew—Jake, Emily, Josh, Mari and Nathan—performed at the West Point Middle School June 8, stopping by in the middle of their New York City tour. The popular children's digital media company encourages children to become more involved in their world and surroundings in a socially-conscious manner with energetic dances and getting up close and personal by interacting with children in the audience during live performances, according to the Jumpitz.com Web site.

The Jumpitz theme for the concert was “get up and move,” with song and dance numbers focused on motivating children to be active.

“We get kids up and active with a can-do attitude,” Jumpitz director Heather Erickson said.

The Jumpitz Corporation is dedicated to delivering interactive content to children between the ages of 2-6 through its tour and through CDs and DVDs by introducing modern topics ranging from being part of a global community to social awareness and the importance of being active in a fun and entertaining way. Jumpitz also can be found on NBC every Saturday morning during children's programming as a 30-second endorsement for keeping active.

The co-founder of Jumpitz is Laurie Reider, West Point Class of 1991, who found a way to become more actively involved with children after having her own.

“After West Point and my associated military tour, I moved to San Diego and got involved in the technology sector,” Reider said. “I ended up diving into the world of being an entrepreneur, culminating in starting, building and then selling a Web-based consulting firm to a larger software company.”

Once Reider had children, she became interested in working with children and was approached to start a children's entertainment property, which became Jumpitz.

“Given my military background, and the fact that our headquarters is out of San Diego, a huge military community, we have developed a strong passion for giving free concerts for children and Families of the military,” she said. “Since I was a young officer stationed in Germany, I know how important these signs of support are to young Families and it gives our organization great pleasure to give back to such committed members of our society.”

Reider said Jumpitz is traveling to Europe in partnership with Armed Forces Entertainment and American Airlines to perform for Families throughout the UK, Netherlands and Germany in July.



Finding Photo Opportunities

Pictured from left, Thai Dodge, Audri DeLong and Joel Bryan, and Grant Nawoichyk (foreground) practice taking photos at Kosciuszko Gardens at the West Point Club June 7 for the Child, Youth and School Service's Edge! Photography Class.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV



The touring company of the popular Jumpitz performance team put on a show for children at the West Point Middle School auditorium June 8. The San Diego group tours the country to inspire children to get up and move, which they accomplished here as the children got up out of their seats—with encouragement—and danced and jumped around.

POINTER VIEW

- ▶ Delivered Thursdays
- ▶ Available online at www.pointerinterview.com
- ▶ Story ideas? Call 938-3883
- ▶ Photo galleries available at www.flickr.com/photos/west_point/sets/



Iraqi role players add realism to cadet training

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

Realism is an essential part of combat training that future military leaders need to be effective on the battlefield, which is why for the entire block of Cadet Leadership Development Training, the faces of friends and enemies did not belong to Soldiers from another unit but to actual Iraqi nationals.

Role players are essential in replicating the conditions of combat for cadet training, Col. Stephen Michael, CLDT commander, said. With the right people to play the parts, the training more closely resembles the experiences of new lieutenants deployed overseas.

"I think it helps cadets put a human face and picture (on Iraqi society) and gives them perspective," Michael said. "These people are not a whole lot different from us. The culture (and) language might be a bit different, but fundamentally they're just like us. They want what's best for their Family."

About 30 role players, hired through a private contracting firm, populated the CLDT training areas and served as village elders and members of the community.

Alaa Aljanabi, the senior role player onsite, acted as an Iraqi double agent during CLDT.

In real life, he is a former Iraqi Republican Guardsman who left the country in 1991 following the invasion of Kuwait.

He has worked as a role player and interpreter for the American military since November 2003.

"We teach them (the cadets) about the culture, the way they search (and) talk, especially with women," Aljanabi said. "That's what we're responsible (for) teaching them if they go overseas."

Some role players have never been a part of training like this and others have done this for many years, Michael said. Like Aljanabi, some of the role players worked as interpreters in Iraq alongside American Soldiers and their

allies. Using his firsthand experience, Aljanabi taught the cadets the importance of knowing Arabic phrases as well as why a female Soldier should not search an Iraqi male.

"What you can't replicate is the language and the culture," Michael said. "We can give them a look, which is pretty important, but it's not like talking to an Iraqi speaking in the same dialect."

Throughout the training, the role players stayed in character. They did not speak English unless they were interpreters working with the unit.

For the most part, the cadets were left to wrestle with the same issue deployed Soldiers have dealt with—losing bits and pieces of dialogue in translation.

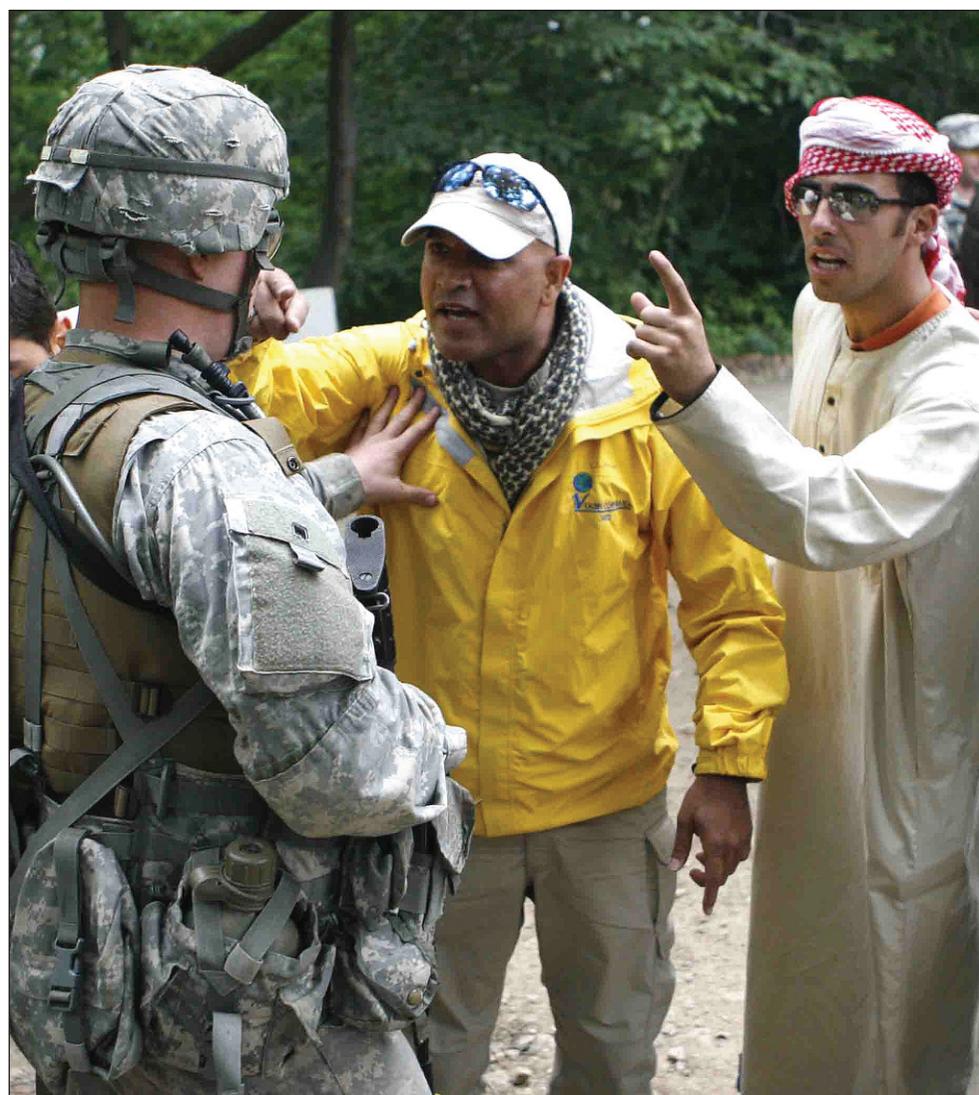
Firstie Kyle Mahder was a member of a security platoon during the latter part of CLDT. When the platoon walked into a "village" during an urban operations exercise, it seemed like half the battle was interacting with the locals.

"The first time we came in here, it was confusing because they're all welcoming us and trying to get to know us," Mahder, from Wethersfield, Conn., said. "I thought that was pretty realistic. They never break character, ever."

Mahder and the other cadets had to stay focused and in control of their situations in the midst of demonstrations, riots and negotiations with sheiks to avoid becoming overwhelmed. Moreover, their training was outcome-based—if they had a good or bad day with the villagers, they knew it was because of what happened when they last met.

"I know some of the guys who were nicer to villagers—they would bring over tea to them (the cadets)," Mahder said. "Whatever we choose to do, we can choose to screw this up really badly. It's pretty much on us how easy or hard this goes."

Based upon the feedback Michael received from Aljanabi and others in the field, the role players embraced their parts



Iraqi role players in Cadet Leadership Development Training add an element of authenticity and realism to the scenarios, as nearly 30 served as village elders and community members during the three-week training.

MIKE STRASSER/PV

to the fullest throughout CLDT.

They understood the importance of staying in character—they have been working to prepare the Army's future leaders for their lives on the battlefield.

"Most of the cadets I have talked to said

this was some of the best training they have had since they have been at West Point," Michael said. "The main focus on the training (has been) taking leaders, putting them into tough and demanding positions and forcing them to lead under stressful conditions."

Spring Break Revisited

By Firstie Matthew A. Hughes

I traveled with four cadets—Cows Andre Shinda, Daniel Tirol, Chase Cappo and Firstie Michael Duffy—to Puerto Rico over Spring Break, March 12-20, through a cultural immersion program with the Department of Foreign Languages.

Dr. Jonathan Steigman, assistant professor of Spanish in DFL and our trip officer-in-charge, planned an itinerary full of activities ranging from meetings with political leaders, such as Kenneth McClintock, the Secretary of State of Puerto Rico, to biking through mangrove forests and hiking along trails in the Yunque Rainforest.

We learned about the culture as we spent time with the Families of a few musicians,

such as Grammy-nominated salsa legend Willie Rosario.

We also visited Marcial Rivera, a 95-year-old gentleman, who lives in Cayey and is a master of the "cuatro," a Puerto Rican guitar-like instrument with 12 strings.

We ate churascos and rice and beans one evening with Eduardo Perez, the former Major League Baseball player and current analyst on ESPN's "Baseball Tonight."

There was plenty to do in the evenings in San Juan, like salsa dancing and visiting local restaurants.

We had great weather the entire time, especially on the Isla Verde Beach on the northeast portion of the island.

We also had the chance to see how good our Spanish was as we bargained with



West Point cadets met with Puerto Rican Secretary of State Kenneth McClintock during their Spring Break trip.

COURTESY PHOTO

shopkeepers to get the best deal on some merchandise before leaving.

All in all, the trip was a valuable immersion experience, both culturally and linguistically. We left with a greater appreciation for Puerto Rico's culture and people.



Firstie Thomas Kendall, platoon leader, meets with the village sheik from the nearby village to come to an agreement about protection from insurgent attacks. During the combat outpost exercise, companies of cadets were tasked with securing their area of operation from insurgent attacks while maintaining good relations with the local villagers. Missions ranged from negotiations with the village sheik, quick reaction team responses to attacks, medical evacuations and route clearing operations.

Shoot, Move, Communicate

Field Training puts cadets into battlefield mindset

Story and photos by Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor/Copy

“We’re going to be real busy today,” the cadet platoon leader commented to his troops.

This was only minutes after an insurgent mortar and gunfire attack shook the combat outpost into action, deploying a quick reaction force to engage enemy combatants. Others scrambled to collect wounded comrades, apply field dressings and mount a medical evacuation convoy to a nearby outpost. Of course, it wasn’t the first contact of the day. A 2 a.m. wake-up attack surprised the company in what one cadet described as “a series of unfortunate events.” Inside the command tent, a bulletin board lists the wounded and killed from that scenario.

The four-day Combat Outpost exercise was probably the most intense and engaging portion of Cadet Leadership Development Training where rising cow and firstie cadets apply lessons learned from the classroom into a realistic field training environment. From May 23-June 11, cadets discovered their inner warrior through a series of events ranging from mounting offensive and defensive strategies in Platoon Attack, negotiation with host nation leaders in Combat Outpost and stress fire exercises on the range.

“It’s a great training tool to develop cadets and allow them to be put in scenarios similar to what they may see in theater (of operations),” CLDT Executive Officer Firstie Ricky Royal said.

More than 800 cadets participated in CLDT, whether engaged in the actual training exercise, in administrative positions or as role players (solicited from the yearling class). Trainer team officers and noncommissioned officers observed cadets from mission planning to execution, evaluating their performances throughout.

Firstie Kevin Lauer just took charge as a platoon leader, during the most recent change-ups of leadership positions which tests cadets in various roles of responsibility throughout the day. For the next 12-24 hours, he was tasked with guiding his platoon of 34 cadets on missions such as security details, route-clearing operations or intelligence

gathering. As a quick reaction force, they could be assigned to eliminate the hostile targets that have threatened relations between the outpost and local villages.

During the morning command briefing with the executive officer, platoon leaders jotted notes in their green hardcover notebooks. This was where 1st Platoon Leader Firstie Thomas Kendall learned of his mission to meet the village sheik who had provided solid intelligence on a weapons cache.

“Our intent is to build a rapport with the locals, but also gather any information about insurgents in this area,” Kendall said.

Another villager demanded weapons to protect the village from insurgents. Kendall, in a precarious position, knew he couldn’t make promises to aid the village but also didn’t want to ruin the good relations established there.

“We came up with a pretty good solution,” Kendall said. “In Iraq, we train Iraqi forces to protect themselves. There’s no point in driving out insurgents, then leave and let them return, so we’re going to offer to work up some sort of training force.”

Cadet leaders also weighed the “winning hearts and minds” approach with the risks of projecting a weakened presence or placing too much trust on newly-established alliances. While manning the traffic control point, Firstie Mike Ecklund’s primary focus was on surveying the area for oncoming threats. But at the same time, gaggles of local villagers provided distractions which required measures of discipline on the part of the cadets.

“You have to constantly keep your hand over your trigger well and keep your sensitive items locked down. Don’t be afraid to gently push people away and order them to back down,” Ecklund said. “It’s a challenging balance for sure. There’s no easy way about it. You just have to maintain command and control of your units.”

Hip-pocket training filled the voids between lane exercises. Three Task Force NCOs out of Fort Carson, Colo., joined the task force commander Capt. Colin O’Toole, to review communications protocol with cadets and demonstrate a field expedient antenna. The group assembled the antenna,



The 5th Company completed platoon attack missions during their final portion of the three-week Cadet Leadership Development Training June 10. This exercise pitted company cadets in teams against one another in conventional combat missions. The first early-morning scenario had the Blue Force conduct a hasty attack on possible locations of Red Force combatants. It wasn’t long before the Blue Force began receiving enemy fire and mortars, and the assault on the open hill eliminated most of the platoon before it reached the enemy camp. Toward the end of the exercise, the Red Force returned to their third camp site to find the Blue Force occupied and fortified within. A fierce battle ensued, with casualties mounting and ammunition depleting until the end of the exercise.

which O’Toole learned to make in Sapper School, using claymore wire, 550 cord, tree branches and plastic utensils.

For the cadets walking to the commo class site, it was unusual to see the tree branches suspended midair and attached to the SINCGARS RT-1523 combat net radio—sort of modern and Stone Age technology merging as one. One cadet, taking a seat on the ground, even commented, “This is a commo class? Why are there sticks?”

Capt. Dominic Wilkinson, a Signal Corps representative at the Department of Military Instruction, explained that it is unlikely any cadet will ever be required to erect such an antenna in their military careers, but it is ideal in training to present every option available.

“This antenna is built on a ‘have to’ basis, when there’s no other option,” Wilkinson explained.

Over at Range 5, 3rd Company Commander Firstie Zachary Taylor got acquainted for the first time with the M-4 Carbine rifle.

“A lot of us haven’t fired a weapon in quite a while so this allows us to get familiar with our weapons,” Taylor said. “And a lot of this gear is pretty new and I think many of us have never fired with this optic.”

A day earlier, Taylor and his platoon were engaged in urban operations on a dismounted patrol, searching for a high value target. The urban operations exercise is a two-day event where a platoon conducts planning and rehearsals one day, then executes the next. The role players—a mix of yearlings, contract interpreters and Task Force Soldiers—provide an authentic scenario where an insurgent leader and his bodyguard detail is suspected of camping out in his Family’s residence. The high value target, Abu, is the main objective, but for an alert and organized platoon, more can be uncovered throughout the site. If a platoon is unproductive with their time, the opposition force will use a sniper to accelerate the operation and force the cadets into decisive actions. The training team leaders may have the platoon redo the scenario, depending on mistakes made. One platoon failed to find Abu hiding in the



Cadets from 1st Platoon, 4th Company were evaluated on an urban orienteering exercise, which tasked them with conducting a raid to capture a high value target. In this scenario, Abu, the insurgent leader, was hiding along the side of the house. While a squad initially entered the home through a window, the target was eventually identified and secured. The platoon also encountered a sniper attack prior to departing the scenario.

CLDT ON FLICKR



It was a three-week frenzy of activity during Cadet Leadership Development Training for rising cows and firsties. To view a complete CLDT photo album visit www.flickr.com/photos/west_point/

different experience, but I learned some things from a bird’s eye view of CLDT.”

Michel said the training team was invaluable in setting his company up for success in the field, keeping them constantly on the move.

“The first few days, before I got injured, was some really hard training, but it was good preparation for the lanes; I mean, we would be out training until 11:30 at night,” Michel said. “So once we got out to those lanes, we were much better prepared to actually respond and get the most out of that training.”

Capt. Charles Levine, a calculus instructor from the Mathematics Department, was ecstatic about his time as a training team member.

“I got to work face-to-face with these cadets and saw real world epiphanies going on all around ... seeing light bulbs turning on in them,” Levine said. “The beauty of it is real lessons—things that you remember forever—only come through real world experience. And if that experience is particularly harrowing, stressful or painful, the way human beings are designed, it sinks in. So when they do something with a cause and an effect they did not expect or want, then they’ve learned a hard lesson.”

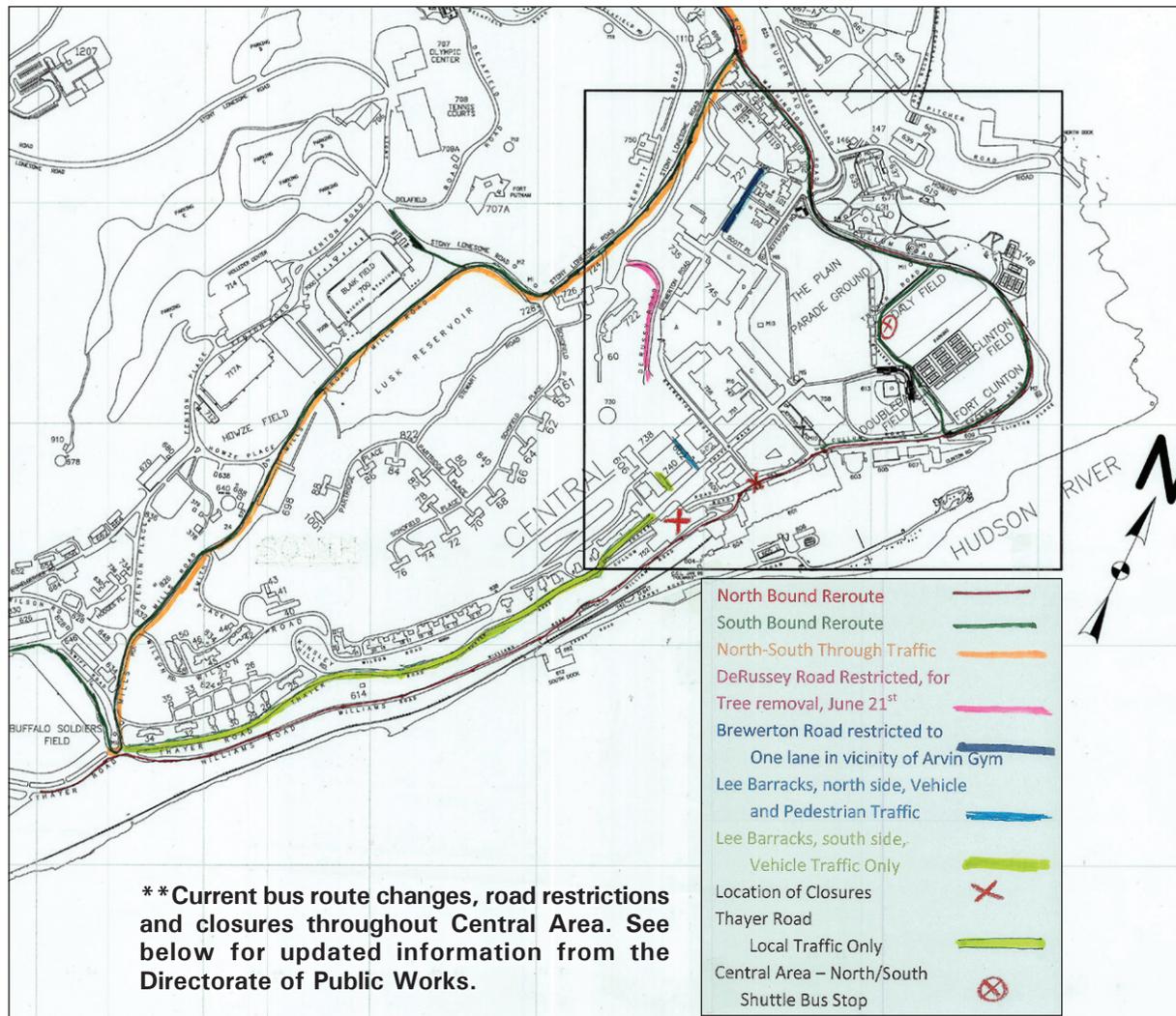
And when given another chance, Levine said, cadets learned from past mistakes and have those “shining light bulb moments” when it connects for them. The former Afghanistan commander saw CLDT not as a school for tactical training but leadership training.

“I remember in Ranger School when things fell apart, and I still recall those lessons and they’re with me today,” Levine said. “This was an opportunity to put cadets in leadership positions under real world stressors and see how they handle themselves under pressure. OK, maybe they’re not doing things tactically correct because they don’t have that experience yet. They may have learned it in the classroom, but because it hasn’t been experienced, it didn’t stick. That’s why we’re doing this, to take the things learned in the classroom and make it stick.”



Pre-K graduates

Blaize Quick (left) and Carsyn Pruitt pose with their diplomas after the Child Development Center's first Pre-K graduation June 10. Proud parents gifted the 27 graduates with flowers, balloons and corsages as the children move from Pre-K to Kindergarten next year. **KATHY EASTWOOD/PV**



DPW NOTES

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The Directorate of Public Works is issuing West Point's annual Drinking Water Quality Report to inform community members of the drinking water quality on post and to raise community awareness of the need to conserve our drinking water sources.

The tap water at West Point continues to meet all federal and state drinking water health standards.

The report provides an overview of water quality in 2009. Included in the report is information about the source for West Point's drinking water, what the water contains and how it compares to N.Y. and federal standards.

A hard copy of the report is available at the Environmental Management Division, Bldg. 667, for public viewing.

The report can also be viewed online at www.usma.edu/dhpw by clicking on announcements.

Security/Safety of All Construction Sites

Contractors continue to report unauthorized

"visitors" entering construction sites and staging areas throughout post.

Community members are reminded that construction sites are extremely dangerous and should only be entered by authorized personnel or when escorted.

Of particular concern is the USMAPS construction site, which continues to have "trespassers" of every age entering the site.

Report violators to the Military Police if there is an unsafe situation or if there appears to be an imminent danger present, or to DPW, Customer Relations, at 938-4407.

NOW SHOWING

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

Friday—Oceans, G, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—The Losers, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

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

DPW CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

- Thayer Hall pedestrian bridge is closed to all pedestrians. Bridge reopens June 24;
- Cullum Road from Mahan Tunnel to Library Corner is closed to all traffic for Mahan tunnel parking deck repairs. Traffic detour remains in effect. Post-wide north-south through traffic should avoid Central Area by using Stony Lonesome and Mills roads detour;
- Repairs of Brewerton Road steam lines are ongoing. One lane of traffic is allowed on Brewerton Road in front of Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center. Anticipate total closure of Brewerton Road in front of ACPDC to Scott Place about July 1;
- Masonry repairs/upgrades to Lee Barracks, Bldg. 740, are continuing with work beginning on sides of the building. Scaffolding will be erected around Monday on each side of the building. For safety, the south side of the building, adjacent to Bldg. 606, will be open for vehicle traffic only. The north side of the building, adjacent to Grant Hall, will be open for both vehicle and pedestrian traffic;
- DeRussey Road traffic will be restricted for up to four hours from 7:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, weather permitting, to remove a fallen tree. In addition, up to five CPA parking spaces will be closed for that period. All other parking spaces on DeRussey Road and in the 720 lot will be open for parking, but access will be restricted for periods of time during the work period.

FMWR Blurbs

Military Spouse Career Open House

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

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.

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 through Friday.

The program takes place from Monday through July 30.

For more information, call 938-2974.

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. Saturday.

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.

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. Sunday 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.

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.

(New Info) N.Y. State Operation: Military Kids Play Rugby camp

The N.Y. State Operation: Military Kids Play Rugby camp runs from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. June 28-July 1 at Anderson Rugby Complex.

This is a non-contact, flag-rugby camp designed to introduce military youth to the sport of rugby.

Instruction will be provided by the West Point Men's Rugby head coach Rich Pohlidal and the West Point Rugby team.

The camp is free and lunch and a snack are provided.

Registration forms can be found at www.omkny.blogspot.com.

For more information, call (315) 788-8450.

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.

The cards are 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 are:

- Mon.-Sun., noon-6 p.m.
- Delafield Pond Hours of Operation are:
- Mon.-Sun., 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

CYSS Edge! June Photography Classes

There are Monday class sessions for CYSS Edge! Photography running from 3:15-4:14 p.m. through June 28.

Open to CYSS members in grades 3-5. A minimal fee will be charged for the classes.

Register at the Youth Center, Bldg. 500.

For more information, call 938-0829.

(New Info) Culture Club—Where Cooking and Culture Collide

Join ACS at 5:30 p.m. June 30 to learn how to make Gazpacho (cold soup from Spain) during a Culture Club cooking session.

Bring a potluck dish traditional to your Family, culture or Spanish dish to share.

The club will be held at ACS, Bldg 622.

For more information, call 938-3487.

(New Info) CYSS EDGE! PGA sponsored "First Tee" golf classes

The CYSS EDGE! is offering PGA sponsored "First Tee" golf classes every Tuesday or Thursday afternoon from July 6-Aug. 12

Free to children ages 7 and older with a CYSS membership. Please register at the Youth Center (Bldg 500).

For more information, call 938-0829.

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.

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.

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 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 or call 938-3655.

The U.S. Army Soldier Show 2010 SHARP-FMWR Sweepstakes

This year, one of the proud sponsors of the 2010 U.S. Army Soldier Show is the Army's G-1, Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Program, or SHARP.

The three main tenants of this program's prevention campaign are found in the letters "I," "A," "M": Intervene, Act, Motivate.

Just a reminder—when you come to the performance, take a look inside your Soldier Show Program. You'll find a tear-out card—containing a special Access Code—and information about the "SHARP-FMWR Sweepstakes."

The Grand Prize is a \$5,000 trip to the Shades of Green at the Walt Disney World Resort. Also, one lucky winner at each garrison will win a \$200 prepaid gift card.

Just come to the Soldier Show at 7 p.m. Nov. 2 at Eisenhower Hall, find the tear-out card and special Sweepstakes Access Code inside your program, and go to www.PreventSexualAssault.army.mil for complete details.

West Point Band
Since 1817

Music at West Point

Reunion Concert

Featuring members of the West Point Concert Band, past and present!



Master Sgt. Julie Ditzel,
flute soloist

Sunday, June 20, 7:30 p.m.
Trophy Point Amphitheatre
West Point, NY

Free & Open to the Public

845-938-2617

www.westpoint.edu/band

Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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

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

Difficulty: Easy

Command Channel 8/23

June 17-24

Army Newswatch
(broadcast times)
Thursday, Friday and Monday through June 24
8:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The Point
(broadcast times)
Thursday, Friday and Monday through June 24
8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

What's Happening

(New Info) Volkssport Club Group Walk

Join the Volkssport Club of West Point in their first group walk of the summer season Saturday in Central Valley.

The trail rating for the 5-kilometer and 11-kilometer routes is #3. The route is on paved sidewalks and roads through the village of Central Valley and finishes at Woodbury Common Outlet Center.

This walk qualifies for special AVA programs—American Authors and Literary Landmarks, cemetery stroll, firehouses, railroad heritages and veteran's memorials.

The walk is free with a fee for AVA credit.

All walkers are invited to a pre-walk breakfast at 8 a.m. at the Bright Star Diner, Route 32, Central Valley.

Registration and walk begins at 9:15 a.m.

For more information, call Mike Green at (845) 781-6801.

(New Info) Highland Falls/West Point Farmer's Market

The Highland Falls/West Point Farmer's Market opens Sunday and runs through Oct. 31.

The market is located at the Municipal parking lot across the street from the West Point Museum and Sacred Heart Church from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. every Sunday.

(New Info) American Red Cross Training

The American Red Cross is providing training classes throughout the summer.

The ARC Training Summer Health and Safety schedule includes:

- Babysitting Training— 9 a.m.-4 p.m., June 29;
- Adult CPR/AED—5-9p.m., July 13;
- Babysitter Training—9 a.m.-4 p.m., Aug. 4;
- Adult CPR/AED and First Aid—8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Aug. 7.

All classes are held at ARC West Point office next to the Visitor's Center.

Pre-registration is necessary. Go to www.arcgny.org to register.

Keller Corner

Early appointment schedule

The commander of Keller Army Community Hospital is taking aggressive steps to ensure that beneficiaries have greater access to quality care.

New medical home teams are now designed to help accomplish this goal. Patients are assigned to medical home teams (Red, Blue or Green), which will provide them a complete approach to management of their entire healthcare experience.

The medical home team concept also incorporates early appointments, starting at 7 a.m. (Mon. Tue. and Wed), and on-line pharmacy refill and referral tracking (coming soon). Keller's early appointment schedule begins Monday.

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.

Summer playground fun

Summer playground fun continues June 30 at New Brick. The following playground dates include:

- 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.

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. 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.

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 Monday.

Sequence numbers will be released and available dates will be posted Tuesday.

Selections and reservations will be taken Wednesday-June 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.

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 Monday-June 25 at the West Point Elementary School.

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

Garrison Awards Ceremony

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

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.

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.

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. For more information or to inquire about a brochure, call 938-7671 or e-mail ryan.wilman@usma.edu or 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.

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.

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.

Pentagon Federal Credit Union summer hours

The cadet branch of the Pentagon Federal Credit Union in Taylor Hall is observing summer hours through Aug. 6.

The branch is open from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays only. They are closed for lunch from 11:45 a.m.-12:24 p.m.

The Highland Falls office is open regular hours at 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

West Point Summer Gymnastics Camp

There will be two sessions of the 2010 West Point Summer Gymnastics Camp from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. July 12-16 and 19-23 at the Lou Gross Sports Center.

These are developmental camps offering skills training for beginners through advanced levels on all gymnastics events.

Registration is based on a first come, first served basis.

The day camps are offered to boys and girls ages 7 and up.

The camps are taught by Army gymnastics head coach Doug Van Everen and assistant coach Carmine Giglio.

For more information on fees and the camp, call 938-2880.

(New Info) Motorcycle Training

The Basic Motorcycle Training course scheduled for June 21-25 and July 26-28 is cancelled.

The Basic Motorcycle Training course will take place Aug. 10-12.

Register at <https://airs.lmi.org/Default.aspx>.

For more information, call Sandy at 938-3717.

(New Info) Commissary Closing

The West Point Commissary will be closed July 4-5 in observance of Independence Day and will reopen July 6.

Fouch drafted in 34th round by Atlanta Braves

By Bob Beretta
Athletic Communications

Matt Fouch became the latest Army player to be selected in Major League Baseball's First-Year Player Draft June 9 in Secaucus, N.J., as the Black Knights' recently graduated ace left-hander was chosen in the 34th round by the Atlanta Braves.

A unanimous choice for Patriot League Pitcher of the Year honors last month, Fouch was chosen with the 19th pick of the 34th round (1,034th overall) by the Braves.

Fouch had an outstanding firstie year as Army's No. 1 weekend starter.

The native of Stafford, Va., authored a 6-2 overall record and ranked third among conference leaders with a 3.49 earned run average in 11 appearances.

He limited opponents to a .255 batting average, while tossing five complete games.

Fouch allowed 66 hits in 67 innings of work, while striking out 44 and walking 20.

The hard-throwing southpaw was nothing short of dominant against Patriot League opposition, posting a 4-1 record and 1.59 ERA in five conference tilts.

Fouch allowed just 26 hits in 34 innings of Patriot League work, fanning 18 and walking only seven.

He limited conference foes to a lowly .210 batting average and surrendered just four extra-base hits.

Fouch, who registered four complete games in his five conference starts, garnered three Patriot League Pitcher of the Week citations during the course of his West Point career, including one this year.

The two-time All-Patriot League First Team selection fashioned a 17-inning scoreless streak early this spring after firing consecutive complete-game shutouts against Cornell and Holy Cross.

Seven days after tossing a three-hitter against Cornell, Fouch shut out the Patriot League's top offensive club, Holy Cross, and limited the Crusaders to six singles.

Tied for second among the Patriot League leaders in victories, Fouch topped the conference in shutouts (2) and ranked second in complete games, fourth in innings pitched and tied for sixth in strikeouts.

"I'm really proud of Matt and happy for our program," Army head baseball coach Joe Sottolano said. "It is a well-deserved honor for him, and he really deserves this chance. Matt had a great career for us and I'm excited he will get the opportunity to further test his abilities at the professional level.

"Matt not only represents our program and West Point, but also the entire United States Army," he added. "He will do that with great pride."

Fouch becomes the sixth Army player in the last four years selected in the Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft, joining Drew Clothier (Florida Marlins), Chris Simmons (Pittsburgh Pirates) and Cole White (Pittsburgh Pirates)—who were all chosen in 2008—Nick Hill (Seattle Mariners) and Milan Dinga (Los Angeles Angels), who were selected a year earlier.

Additionally, Schuyler Williamson was selected in the 2005 First-Year Player Draft by the Detroit Tigers and Mike Scioletti was taken in the 43rd round of the selection process by the Chicago White Sox in 1998.

In all, eight Black Knights have been chosen by professional teams in the draft.

"This feels great," Fouch said. "I am really torn right now because I am excited to have a chance to play professional baseball, but I am also looking forward to serving my country as a second lieutenant. I am thankful for this chance, but am also ready to begin my career in the Army."



Army Major League Baseball draftees

- Mike Scioletti, 43rd round (1998), Chicago White Sox.
- Schuyler Williamson, 27th round (2005), Detroit Tigers.
- Nick Hill, 7th round (2007), Seattle Mariners.
- Milan Dinga, 10th round (2007), Los Angeles Angels.
- Drew Clothier, 37th round (2008), Florida Marlins.
- Chris Simmons, 41st round (2008), Pittsburgh Pirates.
- Cole White, 42nd round (2008), Pittsburgh Pirates.
- Matt Fouch, 34th round (2010), Atlanta Braves.



Cole White was drafted as an outfielder in 2008.

Class of 2010 graduate Matt Fouch was drafted by the Atlanta Braves in Major League Baseball's First-Year Player Draft June 9. The left-handed pitcher is the sixth Army baseball player drafted in the last four years and eighth overall since 1998.

PHOTOS BY ERIC S. BARTELT/PV

Five IM Softball teams remain undefeated



Systems Engineers/Civil Mechanical Engineering's Daniel McCarthy slides into home before Information and Educational Technology Division's Pete Small can apply the tag in the first game of the doubleheader Monday. SE/CME won both games of the doubleheader, 6-3 and 19-7, to up its record to 4-0. Check out the up-to-date records of each team in the West Point Intramural Summer Softball League below.

PHOTOS BY TOMMY GILLIGAN/PV

Sylve misses qualifying cut for finals at NCAA Championships

By Mady Salvani
Athletic Communications

Firstie Domonick Sylve missed the qualifying cut for the finals in the 110-meter hurdles at the NCAA Division I Track and Field Championships held at Hayward Field at the University of Oregon in Eugene, Ore., June 10.

"Dom got off to his best start all year," Army hurdles coach Joe Rogers said. "He ran extremely well and was right in the thick of things when his leg hit the 10th and final hurdle. He stumbled and did not fall, but lost his chance to qualify for Saturday's (June 12) finals."

Sylve posted a time of 14.11 running in the third heat to trail the top mark of 13.32 posted by Oklahoma's Ronnie Ash. The top two qualifiers from each of the three heats, along with the next two best times, competed for the individual title June 12.

Sylve had qualified for the NCAA Championships after capturing his heat in a school-record time (13.67 seconds) last week at the NCAA Eastern preliminary round. He headed into the NCAA Championships tied for 10th among the 24 qualifiers.



Firstie Domonick Sylve stumbled near the end of the 110-meter hurdles race and didn't qualify for the finals at the NCAA Track and Field Championships.

PHOTO BY TOM CONNELLY

Intramural Softball

Results as of Tuesday's games

NORTH DIVISION		SOUTH DIVISION	
TEAMS	W - L	TEAMS	W - L
1. MATH	4 - 0	1. DPW	6 - 0
2. SE/CME	4 - 0	2. ODIA	4 - 0
3. DPE/EECS	5 - 3	3. MEDDAC	2 - 0
4. CHEM/PANE	4 - 4	4. STEWART MARINES	2 - 2
5. BS&L/BTD	0 - 0	5. USMA BAND	2 - 6
6. SOSH/HIST	1 - 3	6. 411 ENG BDE/AFRC	0 - 4
7. IETD	0 - 4	7. MP's	0 - 4
8. DMI	0 - 4		

**Tuesday's games—

SOC/HIST defeated DPE/EECS 9-5; DPE/EECS defeated SOC/HIST 8-7; ODIA defeated USMA Band 11-4; ODIA defeated USMA Band 20-5; DPW defeated 411 ENG 25-7; and DPW defeated 411 ENG 14-1.



IETD third baseman Eric Scott slides into third after the ball passes SE's third baseman Brandon Thompson in the first inning of the doubleheader.