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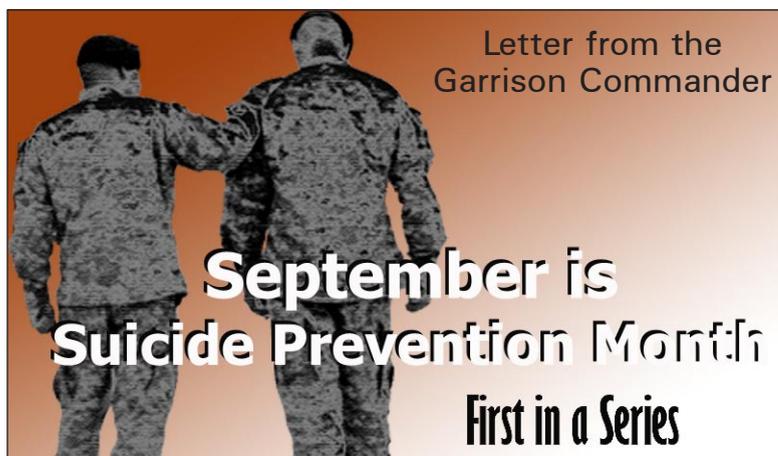
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Taking responsibility

Command Sgt. Maj. Jose M. Powell, the new West Point Garrison senior enlisted man, returns the noncommissioned officer sword to Staff Sgt. Raymond Payne, symbolizing his commitment and dedication to the garrison and the continuity of the NCO Corps during the Aug. 27 Change of Responsibility Ceremony at Trophy Point. The COR was held in conjunction with the retirement ceremony for outgoing Command Sgt. Maj. Violet C. McNeirney, commemorating her 28 years of service to the U.S. Army.

TOMMY GILLIGAN/PV



Because We Care

(Editor's Note: This is the first in a series of articles presented as part of the September Suicide Prevention Month activities at West Point. For additional information on the Army's Program, go to www.armyg1.army.mil/hr/suicide/default.asp.)

To the entire West Point community:

Leaders continue to face the daunting challenge of reducing suicidal behavior across our Army. Across the force, there were a record number of suicides in June, despite Army-wide efforts over the past two years to raise suicide awareness and facilitate assistance to those under duress.

During this time, the West Point community too has been forced to confront the overwhelming tragedy that comes with the loss of a colleague, classmate or community member.

September is National Suicide Prevention Month and the Army's theme is "Shoulder to Shoulder: I Will Never Quit on Life."

I ask you to reflect on this theme as you consider the many

ways we can combat the threat of suicide. First, let us address the misperceptions surrounding seeking help. For years, many people wrongly equated seeking help as an admission of failure, and too many suffered in silence. It takes a stronger person to acknowledge a problem, face it head on, and take the necessary steps to appropriately sort it out among life's many challenges. Let's help each of us find the strength to rally from life's disappointments and setbacks.

I remind you of the enduring message of the "ACE" card—Ask, Care, Escort. If you suspect that someone in your life is in crisis, ask them about it. By asking directly you demonstrate that you care. Part of that continuing care is then escorting that person to a service or resource that can make a difference for the individual in peril.

Behavioral health care is as important as physical health care. At West Point, we are fortunate to have a wealth of services to address life's difficult issues. Our counseling specialists include chaplains, behavioral health professionals, Army Community Service representatives, Army One Source (www.militaryonesource.com) and the Employee Assistance

Program, to name a few.

In our combat theatres, we routinely enforce the Battle Buddy system. There, each of us needs someone we can lean on in times of difficulty, and the opportunity to assist another in their time of need. The Battle Buddy system is equally valuable to our garrison Generating Force.

Please avail yourselves of the many opportunities you will have this month to learn about suicide prevention.

There will be discussion in the cadet companies, information booths at AAFES and the Cadet Book Store, as well as helpful postings within the media and across the community.

The impact of stress upon our Soldiers, Family and civilian workers is real. Be vigilant and recognize when someone around you is in need of help. By caring for the person to your left or right, you might be that lifeline for someone in need.

Together, we can keep our community healthy and strong—Army Strong.



COL Mike Tarsa
The GC
Garrison Commander

Force protection, parking for Buffalo Soldier Ceremony Sun.

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

In support of the Buffalo Soldier Wreath Ceremony Sunday, the following force protection and parking measures are in effect:

From 12:10p.m. to approximately 12:50 p.m., Mills Road will be blocked at the intersections of Thayer and Wilson Roads to all vehicles for the ceremony.

Vehicles parked behind quarters #25 through #34 must use the Kinsley Hill Road exit.

Vehicles traveling South on Mills Road must use Wilson Road to exit the installation.

Vehicles may still use the Buffalo Soldier Lot to exit the installation; however, all vehicles will be stopped during the playing of Taps.

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

West Point benefits from customer service assessment

By Dawn LaBay
Customer Service Officer

Courteous customer service is something that can quickly change an individual's opinion and can often be more important than other factors in determining the overall satisfaction level associated with their experience.

If you are dining out and experience a delay in getting your food, but the waiter is friendly and informative and the food is decent, you are likely to rate your experience more positively than if the waiter was rude, neglectful or did not explain the delay.

The waiter's behavior is one aspect of service. Having someone politely, patiently and accurately explain the process to get your household goods shipped is another example of service. Headquarters, Installation Management Command

cares about service and has released an online survey that allows you, the customer, to rate the garrison's services.

This annual survey is called the Customer Service Assessment.

The survey runs through Sept. 24 and can be accessed at www.mymilitaryvoice.org.

Anyone who uses garrison services is eligible to take the survey. That means we want to hear from Family members, Soldiers, civilians, retirees, contractors, leaders and anyone else who works, lives or plays on this military installation.

The results help shape the way services are funded and what improvements and changes will be made.

For more information on the 2010 CSA, call 938-0627 or e-mail dawn.labay@usma.edu.

Let your voice be heard!

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Town Hall panel addresses community issues

Story and photo by
Tommy Gilligan
Assistant Editor/Photo

West Point Garrison Commander Col. Mike Tarsa hosted a Town Hall Meeting Aug. 24 in the West Point Club Ballroom. With more than 50 people in attendance, a panel representing all functions of the garrison, including West Point Superintendent Lt. Gen. David H. Huntoon Jr., was present to discuss the current state of the installation.

West Point leadership also answered questions from community members in attendance, called in or e-mailed prior to the start of the 80-minute program, which also aired live on the Command Channel.

After opening remarks from Huntoon and Tarsa, Charlie Peddy, Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security director, addressed upcoming events and ongoing initiatives, to include the Emergency Preparedness Fair Sept. 25 and the Army iWatch initiative.

Peddy emphasized the importance of reporting any individuals or activities that seem inappropriate or out of the ordinary to the military police.

Tony Brown, Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation director, reviewed a number of issues impacting the vast majority of the extended West Point community.

From the issue of recreational vehicle parking costs to the potential impact of youth sports, Brown also spoke about the new fees for the Child Care Program and how they would increase over the next three years to lower the financial impact on Families.

Richard Wagner, Balfour Beatty Communities project manager, gave a brief status report on where



The West Point community was invited to participate in the Town Hall Meeting Aug. 24 at the West Point Ballroom.

construction stands today and what the future holds.

Wagner said the overall progress of the project is ahead of schedule as more homes were accepted this week in the Stony Lonesome II housing area.

Regarding the historical homes renovations, Wagner said a new historical architect firm had been selected.

Tarsa addressed questions received via e-mail before opening the floor to community members in the audience.

Questions covered topics dealing with swimming lessons and facilities for children, the state of Cullum Hall, the purpose of the Thayer Roof barrier and the right of way with the cross walks.

The most debated topic had to deal with recreational vehicle parking and storage.

As some took issue with the cost, others took issue to the parking and security.

Brown promised that he would revisit the issue with his staff after the meeting to see how they could make amendments to the proposed plan to be more conducive for the West Point community.

RV issue reviewed, revised

Submitted by West Point Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation

One issue that initiated much discussion at the Aug. 24 Town Hall Meeting was the new recreational vehicle parking policy published in the Aug. 19 edition of the *Pointer View*.

The Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation's Outdoor Recreation Division, which has oversight of the program, worked with a contingency of RV owners to see what could be done to mitigate the issue and possibly change both how RV storage is assigned and lower the costs.

Their initiative shows how the system can work—leaders host a Town Hall Meeting—leaders listen to the community—a problem is identified—leaders and community members collaborate—the problem is solved.

As a result of this group effort, the following changes were made to the program:

1. The parking formula is being changed from a fee-per-vehicle to a fee-for-a-specific-size-space.

2. All spaces are now categorized as listed below by location. Lower fees have been developed for each of the three types of parking spots (pricing is available on the FMWR website at www.westpointmwr.com/ACTIVITY/OUTDOOR/index.HTM):

- Ordnance Road—20 linear feet and under;
- Ordnance Road—21-30 linear feet;
- South Post—50 linear feet.

3. Each space on Ordnance Road will be assigned to a West Point resident, who may park as many vehicles as will fit, providing at least one vehicle is his/her property and any other vehicle is of a current West Point resident.

The resident to whom the space is registered is responsible for policing that assigned space, payment of fees and any late or delinquent fees that may be incurred.

4. All spaces in the South Post storage lot are reserved for large travel trailers, boats and motorcoach type vehicles.

Parking of multiple vehicles is not available in these spaces.

5. FMWR has the right to reassign spaces more fitting to the size of the registered vehicle to ensure efficiency.

For questions about this policy or how to register an RV for a space in one of the West Point storage areas, call Thane Kelley at 938-8249.

News Brief

Kids can name the Army Ten Miler Mascot

ARLINGTON, Va. (Army News Service, Aug. 26, 2010)—Army Ten-Miler officials announced that the world's fastest land animal, the cheetah, will serve as the mascot for the 26th annual race which starts and ends at the Pentagon Oct. 24.

Since all mascots have distinctive names, race officials are conducting a first-ever "name the cheetah mascot contest" ending 5 p.m. Sept. 24.

The contest is open to children of active-Army, National Guard and Reserve Families between the ages of 4 and 14.

The winner will receive \$1,500 in the form of a qualified 529 college savings plan provided by Health Net Federal Services, sponsor of the naming contest, the race's youth activity zone and two popular youth runs.

To avoid multiple submissions of the same mascot name, entries will be posted on the race's website. The first person who submitted the name will receive credit. The top five names will be posted for voting and the winner will be announced Oct. 18.

The winner must provide proof of age, as well as parent/legal guardian military status.

To enter, visit www.armytenmiler.com/cheetahnaming/.



The West Point Museum has achieved the highest national recognition for a museum by the American Association of Museums.

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WP Museum earns national accreditation

Submitted by West Point Museum

The West Point Museum has achieved accreditation from the American Association of Museums, the highest national recognition for a museum. Accreditation signifies excellence to the museum community, to governments, funders, outside agencies and to the museum-going public.

Of the nation's estimated 17,500 museums, 775 are currently accredited. The West Point Museum is one of only 62 museums accredited in New York State and one of only three U.S. Army museums that have obtained this highest honor.

AAM accreditation is the field's primary vehicle for quality assurance, self-regulation and public accountability, and earns national recognition for a museum for its commitment to excellence in all that it does: governance, collections stewardship, public programs, financial stability, high professional standards and continued institutional improvement.

"As a result of the museum's accreditation, the West Point community and garrison can take considerable pride in their homegrown institution, for its commitment to excellence and for the value it brings to America," Ford W. Bell, AAM president, said.

Developed and sustained by museum professionals for 35 years, AAM's Museum Accreditation program strengthens the profession by promoting practices that enable leaders to make informed decisions, allocate resources wisely and to provide the best possible service to the public.

"Accreditation assures the officers and cadets at the United States Military Academy that their museum is among the finest in the nation," David Reel, West Point Museum director, said.

Accreditation is a rigorous process that examines all aspects of a museum's operations.

To earn accreditation, a museum first must conduct two years of self-study and then undergo a site visit by a team of peer reviewers. The West Point Museum was reviewed by the Director of the National Marine Corps Museum and the Museum Director from the Virginia Military Institute.

The West Point Museum is open at no charge to the public, seven days a week, from 10:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m.; closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

For cadets starting their first semester in mathematics, drawing inspiration from numbers and equations isn't always easy and sometimes requires a discussion on...

The Power of MATH

Story and photo by Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor/Copy

In October of 2009, IBM was awarded the highest accolade in science and technology from the White House for developing the Blue Gene supercomputer.

As the former director of the mathematical science think tank at IBM, Dr. William Pulleyblank was proud of his work. After all, he headed the research and development of the world's most powerful computer. On this occasion, Pulleyblank called his mother to inform her of this project. Her response: "That's lovely, son. What's it good for?"

Apparently, mathematics is good for a whole lot of things as Pulleyblank demonstrated to the Class of 2014 in a lecture Aug. 25. Pulleyblank, who joined the Department of Mathematical Sciences this summer, explained its applications to biology, crime detection and even sports management.

But with a world changing at an exponential rate, Pulleyblank said, a new set of challenges exists in the 21st century.

"Meeting these will require us to use existing mathematics in new ways and develop new mathematical methods and ideas," Pulleyblank said.

The automobile industry conducts extraordinary analysis to understand the minutiae behind a car crash to minimize damages. Why then, Pulleyblank asked, isn't that same analysis possible for the human body. The simple answer is that biology is more complex than a car, and an atom-by-atom analysis requires unprecedented computations compared to a bolt-by-bolt study.

"The big thing is innovation and we need smart people to figure this kind of stuff out," Pulleyblank said.

The Mathematical Modeling and Introduction to Calculus course (MA103) is entry-level math for Plebes. The class emphasizes effective problem-solving strategies and modeling theory to solve complex problems. Educational? Definitely. Required? Absolutely. Inspiring? Probably not.

Col. Gerald Kobylski, MA103 program director and associate professor, said the department tries every year to bring an inspirational speaker like Pulleyblank

to impress upon Plebes the power of math.

Plebe Cadet Benjamin Schiff got the message.

"I learned that math is helping with research to questions we would otherwise be unable to research," Schiff said. "The lecture showed real-world applications of mathematics that have been used in the past, are currently being used, and could possibly be used in the future."

Schiff found the transition from the field environment of Cadet Basic Training this summer to the academic landscape to be challenging, but said Reorganization Week helped ease the new class into the classroom.

Schiff said that within his course load, the Intro to Calculus is one of his favorites, in part because the department offers reliable assistance to cadets.

"Math is hard to be inspired by," Schiff admitted. "You wake up in the morning and you look forward to going to boxing or you practice a sport; you don't look forward to doing math. The math department does a great job with

trying to motivate you, though."

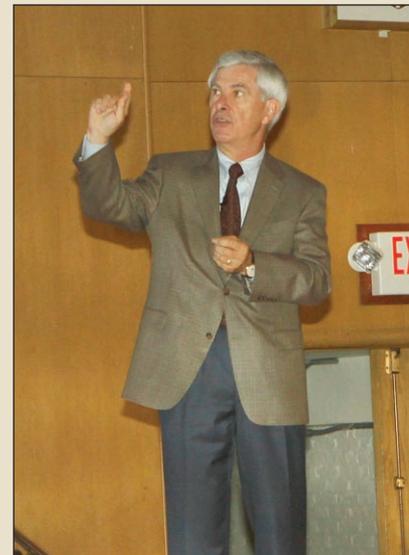
Plebe Matthew Glavin was interested to learn the connections between mathematics and other disciplines, like when Pulleyblank described the city of Orlando, Fla.'s first responder system. The Florida hotspot uses computers to track first response vehicles and automatically dispatches the closest unit to an emergency, even changing traffic lights for the quickest possible route.

"I am excited to see the many real world applications of the math concepts we will cover throughout the year," Glavin said. "It's inspiring to see how the mathematics we will learn is an essential part of our everyday lives."

Plebe Carolynn Grigsby, who has already validated the MA103 course, likes math because of the clear-cut answers.

Finding that one correct answer to a given problem is rewarding, but math is more than plugging numbers into an equation, she said.

"It's about learning how to apply the principles of mathematics to real world problems," Grigsby said. "And, as I've learned more and more about math, almost everything in this world can be tied to math in one way or another."



Dr. William Pulleyblank explains the power of mathematics.

Firsties gain insight into Brazilian ad market

By Sgt. Vincent Fusco
Directorate of Public Affairs & Communications

The power of advertising: people see or hear a product being presented in an interesting way and, without being told to, many decide to purchase it for themselves. To learn how and why some ad campaigns succeed, Firstie Jennifer Dunten spent three weeks this summer shadowing the various departments of McCann Erickson's offices in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The Manhattan-based advertising division's clients include American Airlines and Nestle. They have also created many successful campaigns such as MasterCard's "Priceless," and Staples' "That Was Easy." McCann Erickson brought Dunten and fellow Firstie Hallie Huggins on board to learn about advertising in the Brazilian market.

Dunten, a management major, spent time with their accounts department, which directly communicates between clients and the creative department. Huggins, meanwhile, went to work with the creative department, which actually produces advertisements and commercials.

"They would show us something that they were doing, and we would give them our American perspective on it," the Grand Rapids, Mich., native said.

During the time Dunten and Huggins spent there, the company was creating a presentation for L'Oreal Paris. They learned about how the company builds campaigns with guidelines for North and South American regions and provided their North American perspective on a South American idea.

"They thought the Brazilian market would respond much better to the sort of advertisements that are run in America," Dunten said. "So we compared the two campaigns and gave our input of what things worked and what things didn't. We included our perception of the L'Oreal brand in terms of where it fits in the hair products market."

When companies bring their products to McCann Erickson, they also bring a goal with it. To help them achieve that goal, the agency sets up a client briefing where the client describes what they would like to see and their guidelines.

Agencies will often work with clients for about a year, after which they will know what the client's marketing department is expecting and how to put those ideas together.

The accounts department serves as the link between the agency and the client to determine how to achieve the best results.

Successful advertising requires market research, which is gathered by the agency's planning department. When planning finds the right opportunity, the creative department gets to work on designing advertisements, which accounts presents to the client.

Dunten found that some campaigns required a great deal of time and planning to find the right message for a product. While working on a Nestle brand cereal, accounts spent an hour each day putting together a commercial campaign that would not air for a year.

The planning department busily researched the breakfast habits of Brazilians who, as a whole, generally don't eat cereal for breakfast.

"Cereal down in Brazil isn't a daily thing—most people don't eat it," Dunten said. "The planning department had spent the last six months looking into habits and where there might be an opportunity to introduce cereals to the Brazilian consumer in a manner they would adopt as a daily habit."

But with other projects, campaigns took off—so to speak—in far less time and with less planning. This was the case with American Airlines, who came to McCann Erickson to promote new routes from Brazil to major American cities.

"About a month ago they had the client briefing to talk about what American Airlines was looking for, and they were already pitching ideas," Dunten said.

Sometimes the agency creates different campaigns for a product and achieves similar results. Plastivida, a Brazilian plastic company, worked with the agency to create a campaign with the tagline, "Plastics: an Essential Part of the Modern Life," which essentially mirrored the 1990s American campaign message, "Plastics Make it Possible."



Firstie Jennifer Dunten takes part in an on-camera test during an Advanced Individual Academic Development at the McCann Erickson advertising agency offices in Sao Paulo, Brazil. PHOTO COURTESY OF FIRSTIE JENNIFER DUNTEN

"It was interesting to me to see something that so closely paralleled an American advertising campaign, but it was in Brazil," Dunten said.

Dunten and Huggins also spent four days in Rio de Janeiro working at one of McCann Erickson's other offices, as well as taking in sights like the beach and the Christ the Redeemer statue.

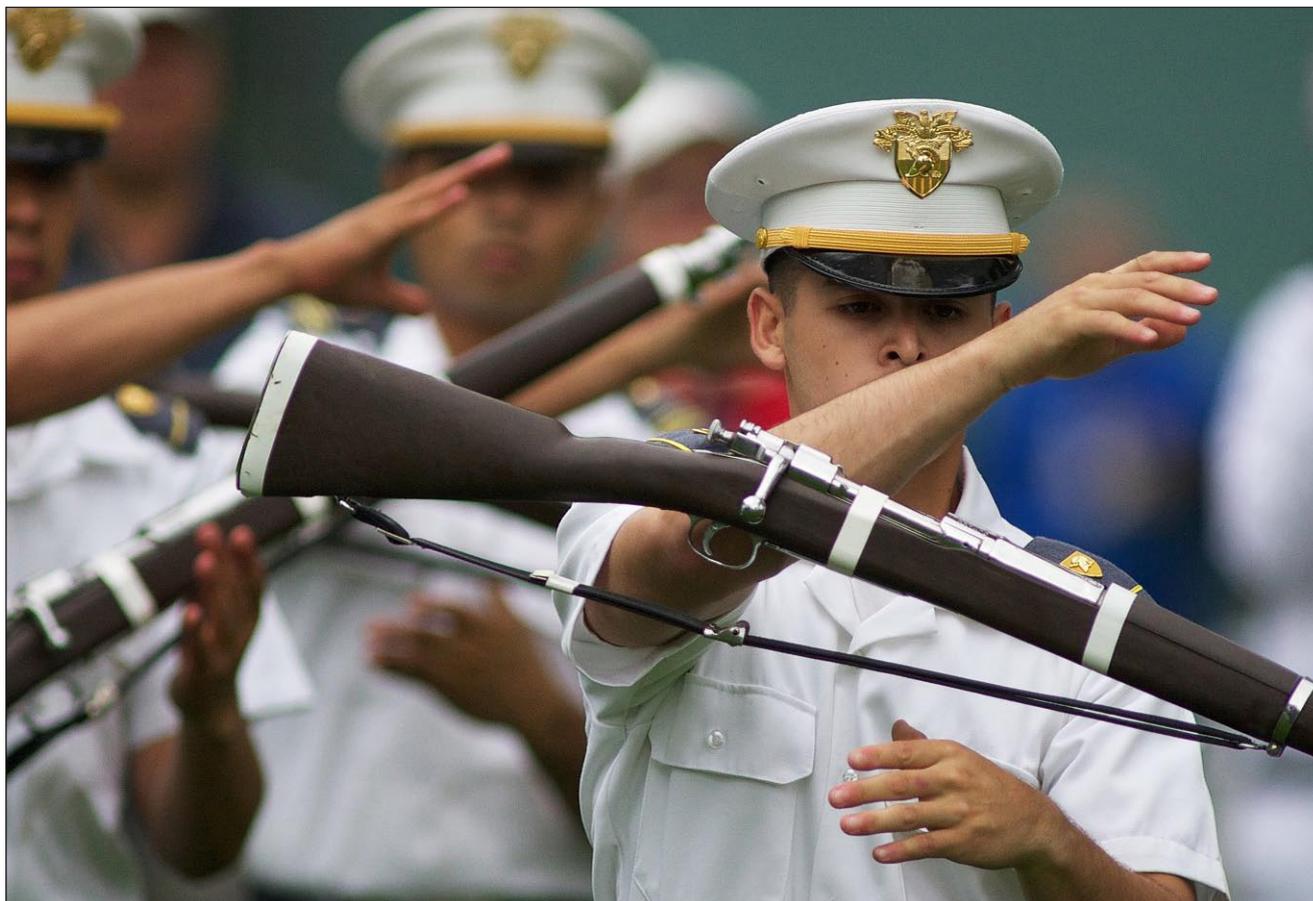
The opportunity allowed Dunten to see similarities in how connections are made and goals are achieved in both the military and civilian sector.

After learning about human resources at West Point, Dunten was able to understand the concept better in person at an advertising firm than by reading about it in a textbook.

Cadets share stories online

Find out how some West Point cadets spent their summer. Experiences from internships and advanced individual academic development programs are shared on the Army Strong blog at: www.armystrongstories.com/tag/west-point/.





Game on!

(Above) Professional golfer Rory Sabbatini plays an arcade golf game much to the amusement of West Point cadets inside the Ridgewood Country Club in New Jersey. (Left) The West Point cadet drill team performs at the opening ceremonies for military appreciation week Aug. 25 at The Barclays PGA Tournament in Paramus, N.J. PHOTOS BY TOMMY GILLIGAN/PV



Six cadet history majors and two accompanying ROTC cadets pose for photos during their summer cultural immersion trip to Tanzania July 6-16.

PHOTOS COURTESY OF HISTORY DEPARTMENT

Firsties explore Tanzania

Submitted by the
Department of History

Six West Point history majors traveled to Tanzania for a cultural immersion and staff ride from July 6-16.

Firsties Brigid Calhoun, Louis Gelinas, Kayla Khan, Sean Plotner, Frank Gargin and Karl Schoch joined History Department faculty Maj. John Ringquist, Capt. Nadine Ross and David Frey on this advanced individual academic development trip.

After a brief layover in Addis Ababa, the group traveled to the city of Arusha where they discovered their luggage was lost. Undeterred, they visited the Tanzanian Military Academy in Monduli, learned about the Maasai culture and efforts to fight against the African snake menace at Meresani Snake Park. Afterward, the group traveled to the coastal town of Tanga, the setting of a World War I battle between the Germans and the British forces.

The next stop was the island of Zanzibar, where the group visited Princess Salme's palace, toured a spice plantation and absorbed Zanzibari culture while touring Stone



Firstie Brigid Calhoun is welcomed by a Tanzanian soldier at the U.S. Embassy.

Town. The trip to Zanzibar concluded with a hydrofoil voyage to Dar Es Salaam and an opportunity to visit several popular destinations. The Mwenge Carver's Market was an outstanding opportunity to practice the art of haggling, and several Firsties made new acquaintances at the market among the merchants. The final event of the AIAD was a visit to the U.S. Embassy, where the group was briefed on the embassy's mission and ongoing programs in Tanzania. Fortunately, that same night the group's luggage was located and reunited with them just in time to depart Tanzania.

Hellcat Drummers perform

The drummers of The Hellcats, the field music group of the West Point Band, traveled to Indianapolis for the Drum Corps International Championships held Aug. 12-14. The drummers performed nine times over three days on behalf of the U.S. Army, Army Bands, USAREC, and the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. These performances were viewed



by more than 115,000 people in attendance and many more in a worldwide audience through broadcasts to 500 movie theatres in the U.S., and internet broadcasts around the globe. Drummers in the Hellcats are Sgt. Maj. Eric Sheffler, Staff Sgt. William Calohan, IV, Staff Sgt. William Cuthbert, Staff Sgt. Jeff Prosperie and Staff Sgt. Andrew Porter.

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West Point celebrates Women's Equality Day

Story and photo by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

West Point celebrated the annual Women's Equality Day Aug. 26, on the day, 90 years ago, when the 19th amendment of the constitution was ratified, giving women the right to vote. The guest speaker was Anucha Browne Sanders, Senior Associate Athletic Director for Marketing at the University at Buffalo.

Browne Sanders selection as the guest speaker at this event was an excellent choice because she truly represents women, like the suffragettes, who faced difficult challenges and fought for respect in the workplace.

Browne Sanders said after working at IBM for five years, she was asked what she wanted to do. Her answer was to find her way back to sports. IBM supplies all the enabling technology for the Olympic Games. Browne Sanders began working as a program manager in IBM's Worldwide Sports Office, which eventually led her to her 'dream job' with the New York Knicks.

Browne Sanders had a stellar basketball career in high school and at Northwestern University. She was a three-time All Big Ten selection and two-time Big Ten Player of the Year for the Wildcats. She finished her basketball career as the school's all-time leader in points (2,307) and rebounds (951). She was selected as Northwestern's Athlete of the Decade for the 1980s and inducted into the Wildcats Athletic Hall of Fame in 1993.

"My sport had so much to do with where I am today," Browne Sanders said. "(I learned) the importance of leadership and how important it is to learn how an organization works. I learned about playing a role on a team and doing what you have to do, whether as an athlete or as (a team member) in a corporation."

While working for the Knicks and Madison Square Garden, she endured sexual harassment and put up with it until she finally complained.

"When I did complain, I was fired and in a public way," she said. "At that point, there became (a need) for my Family to send in the wolves."

She did—she sued and she was victorious.

"At first, I thought it was all about me," she said. "But it was not just about me, it was about every working woman because (sexual harassment) just wasn't happening to me."

Browne Sanders spoke about the lessons she has learned and shares that with others whenever she can.

"Do your homework when applying for a job," she said. "I thought the Knicks would be a dream job, but I didn't do my research. I didn't interview them. When you step off into an opportunity, make sure you will be respected."

She also advised her audience to research the integrity of the organization. Another lesson she learned was not to put up with disrespect in a workplace.



Sgt. 1st Class Glennis Jarvis, tactical noncommissioned officer with Alpha Company, 1st Regiment, speaks with Anucha Browne Sanders, guest speaker at the annual Women's Equality Day Celebration Aug. 26 at the West Point Club.

"You will hear cursing," she said. "But everyone curses so a little tolerance is necessary, but know the boundaries. Always make sure you are carrying yourself properly. There should not be a double standard, one for yourself and one for others."

At the conclusion, Browne Sanders recommended that people should respect

others in the workplace, not necessarily like the golden rule, but treat people the way they want to be treated.

"Workplaces are full of pettiness; it's important to communicate with each other and take the time to get to know each other," Browne Sanders said. "Get to know and understand your counterparts."

Volunteers find puppy love

Story and photo by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

More than 100 volunteers, including several cadets, interested in helping to socialize dogs for the Puppies Behind Bars non-profit organization attended a four-hour training session with Gloria Gilbert-Stoga, founder of PBB Aug. 29 at Eisenhower Hall.

Raised by prisoners, once the PBB dogs are ready for socializing, they spend a weekend with volunteers to get acclimated to conditions not found in prison, such as walking on a crowded sidewalk.

"The idea of PBB came from a veterinarian in Florida who thought that prisoners would make great puppy raisers," Gilbert-Stoga said. "The prisoners began raising guide dogs."

The PBB program began at Bedford Hills Correctional Facility in 1997 and trained prisoners to train guide dogs. Since then, the program has evolved into training sniffer dogs to detect explosives, drugs and companion service dogs for disabled children.

Prisoners are thoroughly screened before they take on the task of raising puppies. Once approved, the prisoners are separated from the

general prison population with a cell of their own, raise the dogs for 16 months and go to classes once a week.

The PBB dogs at the training session at West Point came from the Mid-Orange Correctional Facility in Warwick, N.Y.

"In 2006, we began raising dogs for wounded Soldiers," Gilbert-Stoga said.

The PBB training held at West Point is for service dogs bound for wounded Soldiers through the "Dog Tags: Service Dogs for Those who've Served Us," a program launched through PBB.

Once the dogs become fully-trained service dogs, they are donated to wounded Soldiers coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan.

"The PBB is the best program around," Fran Galu, from the managed care department at Keller Army Community Hospital, said. "I've had 40 different dogs with me for weekends in the three years I've been volunteering. We don't have the time for a full time dog, so this is perfect."

Galu said when it's time for the dogs to go back to the prisoners, the dogs are always very happy to get back to them.

Generally, volunteers take the dogs for two



Gloria Gilbert-Stoga, founder of Puppies Behind Bars, with Dudley, trains volunteers Aug. 29 at Eisenhower Hall on how to socialize dogs which will eventually become service dogs to wounded Soldiers.

or three weekends a month. Cadets may volunteer, but dogs are not allowed in their rooms.

"They must be proficient cadets and have their tactical officer's approval,"

Capt. Jana Fajardo, 2nd Regimental Executive Officer for the Corps of Cadets, said. "Cadets generally take the dogs for two to four hours or they can take the dogs with them on a pass."

What's Happening

Commissary Case Lot sale

The West Point Commissary is holding its case lot sale from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today, Friday and Saturday.

Shoppers can get bargains by the case and savings of up to 50 percent off regular prices on popular items.

For more information, contact Joanne Ruiz at 938-3663 ext. 202 or e-mail Joanne.Ruiz@deca.mil.

Gymnastics Club

The West Point Gymnastics Club resumes classes for children ages 5-18 Tuesday.

For additional information, contact Carmine Giglio at 938-2880.

Registration forms are available at www.westpointgymnasticsclub.com.

The West Point Women's Club and the Daughters of the United States Army Invite

Help the community extend a warm welcome to Margaret Huntoon, Superintendent Lt. Gen. David H. Huntoon's wife, and Donna Brazil, Dean of the Academic Board Brig. Gen. Tim Trainor's wife, from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday at the Thayer Hotel in the Eisenhower Room.

RSVP to Pam Kastner at 446-2517 or e-mail at TKPAM@aol.com.

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services

A complete list of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services are as follows:

Wednesday—Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year) evening services at 7 p.m.;

Sept. 9—Rosh Hashanah (1st day) services at 9:30 a.m.;

Sept. 9—Rosh Hashanah evening services at 7 p.m.;

Sept. 10—Rosh Hashanah (2nd day) services at 9:30 a.m.;

Sept. 17—Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) evening services at 7 p.m.;

Sept. 18—Yom Kippur worship services at 9:30 a.m.;

Sept. 18—Yom Kippur afternoon/evening worship services and break-the-fast meal at 5 p.m.

For more information, contact the Jewish Chapel staff and/or Chaplain Shmuel Felzenberg at 938-2710.

Post Chapel

The Post Chapel needs watch care providers for Sunday mornings and Protestant

Women of the Chapel Wednesdays.

For more information, call Andrienne Stiff-Adams at 914-382-2392.

(New Info) Arvin Annual Locker Renewal

The Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center will be conducting its annual renewal of the staff and faculty lockers from Wednesday through Sept. 30.

A blue locker renewal slip will be placed inside your assigned locker. Fill out the slip and return to South Desk no later than Sept. 30.

Failure to comply by this date will result in the loss of assigned lockers.

Catholic religious education classes at the Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity

Register for Catholic religious education classes at Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity. Classes begin Sept. 12.

For more information, call Cindy Ragsdale at 938-8761.

Thayer Protestant Sunday School

The Thayer Protestant Sunday School starts 9-10 a.m. Sept. 12 at Thayer Hall 3rd floor. Park on Thayer Roof and go to the 3rd floor.

Bagels, fruit, donuts, orange juice and coffee are provided. Classes are available for adults, cadets and children.

Children of all grades can join the team of Cadet Sunday School teachers.

A nursery and classes for pre-K through high school grades are offered.

Adult classes will trace the footsteps of Christ with Mark Stoneburner and Dietrich Bonhoeffer's "Life Together" with Marty Conkling; "The Revelation: Things to come" with Dave Hampton/Greg Parnell; and "The Character of God" with Mark Fairbrother.

A cadet-specific discipleship training course with Mike Warren and a Baptist Student Union class on Christian college life with Dwain Gregory are also available.

Register by e-mail through Eric Bryan at eric.bryan@usma.edu.

Patriot Day Golf Scramble

Come and enjoy 18 holes of golf with a cart, cookout and fun times at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 12 at the Somers Pointe Country Club in Westchester County for a nominal fee.

The golf scramble helps the Folds of Honor Foundation, which provides scholarships for dependents of fallen Soldiers.

Respond to Joe Damore at rigatoni500@aol.com or call 914-241-0261 for more information.

DLA Document Services

The Defense Logistics Agency print shop invites the community to see why DLA Document Services is more than just a print shop. Learn about DLA Document Service's full portfolio of services, meet with staff and tour the facilities from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sept. 15.

For more information, contact Maggie Batchelor at 212-264-104.

(New Info) Military Appreciation Night at Best Buy

Best Buy at 128 Bailey Farm Road in Monroe is offering a Military Appreciation Night from 7:30-9 p.m. Sept. 19.

For more information, call Whitney Gore at 781-4799.

(New Info) Motorcycle courses

An Experienced Rider Course will be held from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 22 at Lot A above Michie Stadium.

The Experienced Rider Course is an advanced motorcycle course for those who have many years of experience riding motorcycles.

A Motorcycle Basic Course will be held from 8-11 a.m. Sept. 23-24 at the Army Education Center, Room 10, for staff and faculty.

A Basic Motorcycle Course for cadets is scheduled from 5:30-10 p.m. Sept. 24-26 at the Army Education Center and A Lot.

(New Info) Hispanic Heritage Month celebration

The West Point Equal Opportunities office and the Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic are hosting the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration at 4:30 p.m. Sept. 24 at Trophy Point.

The theme is Heritage, Diversity, Integrity and Honor: The Renewed Hope of America.

The event is open to all members of the West Point community and includes live entertainment, educational displays and food samplings.

For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Dwayne Key, USCC EOA at 938-8456.

(New Info) Red Cross Babysitter Training

The American Red Cross will hold a

babysitter training class from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sept. 25 at Bldg. 2104, the West Point Visitors Center.

Pre-registration is required.

To register, go to www.arcgny.org.

For more information, call 938-4100.

New Windsor Cantonment event

There will be a special presentation at the New Windsor Cantonment on the important role of the Continental Army military headquarters in Newburgh and New Windsor from 1-2 p.m. Sept. 25.

The presentation gives visitors the background of the American military presence in the Hudson Valley during the Revolutionary War.

From 2-5 p.m., a special tour of the Edmonston House, located on Route 94 west of the Vails Gate intersection with Routes 32 and 300, will be given.

For more information, call 561-1765 ext. 22.

(New Info) New Subway hours

Subway, located in the Old PX area next to the Army Education Center, has new hours.

The hours are:

- Monday-Friday—8 a.m.-9 p.m.;
- Saturday—9 a.m.-9 p.m.;
- Sunday—10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Highland Falls/WP Farmer's Market

The Highland Falls/West Point Farmer's Market 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.

FMWR Blurbs

(New Info) Quarterback Luncheons cancelled at the West Point Club

Due to command changes, the quarterback luncheons have been cancelled for the season.

Return tickets to the West Point Club for refunds. For more details, call the club at 938-5120.

However, there are three Spirit Rally luncheons this season at Eisenhower Hall's Riverside Cafe—today, Nov. 4 before the Air Force game and Dec. 9 before the Navy game. The buffet line starts at 11:30 a.m. and the event starts at noon.

For more information, call 938-4456.

(New Info) AFTB Workshops with a Twist

Army Family Team Building presents its Reality Television Edition workshops.

The workshops include: Weakest Link, Tuesday; Apprentice, Sept. 14; Fear Factor, Sept. 21; and Survivor, Sept. 28.

The Reality TV workshops are interactive and focus on topics that enhance communication skills, stress management and financial readiness.

All workshops will be held from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the ACS Training Room, Bldg. 622.

For more information, call 938-5654.

West Point's Career Expo

A career expo will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday at the Thayer Hotel.

The expo is hosted by Army Community Service, Employment Readiness Program along with **Military.com** and NCOA.

Individuals looking to attend the career expo may register to attend the event online at www.military.com/career-expo/.

For more information, call Amy Rodick at 938-5658.

West Point Engineering Expo

The 8th annual West Point Engineering Expo takes place from 5-7 p.m. Sept. 10 in Eisenhower Hall.

Explore the exciting opportunities in engineering across all disciplines.

Check out the latest equipment and learn about engineering from regional engineers, USMA engineering faculty and cadet engineering majors.

Wee Ones Play Group

The Wee Ones Open Play Group will move to the Lee Road Child Development Center Sept. 13.

The group time will continue to be from 9:30-11 a.m. Come join the fun.

For more information, call Shelley Ariosto at 938-3369.

Child care available for football Saturdays

Child care will be provided from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. for Football Saturdays at the West Point CDC. Registration is nine days prior to the game day.

For child care fees and more information, call 938-3921. Game day and reservation deadline dates are below:

Game Date	Reservation Deadline
Sept. 18	Wednesday
Oct. 2	Sept. 22
Oct. 30	Oct. 20
Nov. 6	Oct. 29

(New Info) Ballroom dancing

Come ballroom dance the afternoon away in the Grand Ballroom of the West Point Club from 1-5 p.m. Sept. 19.

Enjoy an autumn buffet and cash bar with entertainment by Carmelo Liardi. Reservations suggested.

For more information, call 938-5120.

(New Info) West Point Oktoberfest

West Point's inaugural Oktoberfest will be held from noon-10 p.m. Sept. 25 at H-Lot Field (adjacent to the AAFES parking lot).

Join us in celebrating 200 years of Oktoberfest with traditional German food and drink with an American flair.

Fun for the entire Family with live music, eating contest, children's village and much more. Open to the general public.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Power Hour/Homework Assistance

The Power Hour/Homework Assistance program is available to teens in grades 6-12 at the Youth Center located at Bldg. 500.

The service is free—youth must be registered with CYSS (registration is free).

This program has a dedicated homework assistance staff member who works with youth daily on their homework.

Participants earn points by doing their homework and can earn prizes.

For more information, call 938-8525.

New location for CYSS Registration

All Child, Youth and School Age Services registrations will be located in Bldg. 140, Buckner Loop.

All sports, SKIES, SAS, Youth Center and CDC registrations will now take place at Bldg. 140—located behind the FMWR Fitness Center.

All sports programs require a current sports physical prior to registering children.

Registration hours are 8:30-10 a.m. by appointment only. Drop-in enrollment and appointments can be made from 10 a.m.-5:15 p.m. For more information, call 938-3921.

Fit EDGE! Fitness Rangers

Fitness Rangers is for children in grades 3-5 enrolled in CYSS programs.

The classes run Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Sept. 9-30. Enroll at CYSS Parent Central at the Lee Area CDC.

For more information, call 938-4458.

Family Child Care Program

The FCC program is looking to train individuals interested in providing child care services from the comfort of their homes.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Peralta at 938-6170 or Elizabeth.Peralta@usma.edu.

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.

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.

DPW CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

- Due to extensive steam line renovations and unforeseen site conditions, the closing of Brewerton Road (Scott Place to Thayer Walk) from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and at 10 a.m. Thursday until 10 p.m. Sunday will extend through Monday. Pedestrian traffic will still be allowed during the road closure;
- Steam line repairs on Ruger Road between Bldgs. 667 and 146/Clock Tower continues. Deteriorated infrastructure has necessitated additional work to be performed on Ruger Road. Completion is expected in early September;
- Excavation for steam line replacement between the West Point Elementary School and Keller Hospital parking lot is estimated to be complete by mid-September;
- Sidewalk renovation near the Catholic Chapel has begun with an estimated completion of mid-September. Curb cuts and leveling the sidewalk in the area leading from the parking lot to the cloisters are necessary to allow handicap access into the church. At some point, a concrete pumping truck will be positioned below the chapel on Washington Road for the placement of the concrete. Washington Road will be reduced to one lane with a flag person and appropriate signage;
- Excavation of test pits scheduled to begin Monday at the first of four sites in central post to locate and map underground utilities has been delayed;
- Work has begun in replacing the damaged sidewalk and stone sidewalk areas in the vicinity of the Thayer Gate guardhouse. There will be alternating outbound-inbound traffic restriction in effect until project completion, which is estimated to be on or about Sept. 9.

NOW SHOWING

in the movie theater at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752
Friday—Despicable Me, PG,
 7:30 p.m.
Saturday—The Last Airbender, PG,
 7:30 p.m.
 —Predators, R, 9:30 p.m.
 THE THEATER SCHEDULE ALSO CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.AAFES.COM.

Command Channel 8/23

Sept. 2-9
Army Newswatch
 (broadcast times)
Thursday, Friday and Monday through Sept. 9
 8:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.
The Point
 (broadcast times)
Thursday, Friday and Monday through Sept. 9
 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

West Point Band

Since 1817

1812 Concert



FREE CONCERT!

**The Hellcats
 Benny Havens Band
 Concert Band
 Special guest Phil Stacey
 of American Idol
 and the 1812 Overture
 with cannon and fireworks**

Saturday, September 4, 6:00 p.m.

Trophy Point Amphitheatre

Raindate: Sunday, September 5, 6:00 p.m.

www.westpoint.edu/band
 845.938.2617

O'Neill High School Bus Schedule

WP #11 Blue Bus—morning

- 6:50 a.m. Meigs Road/Sheburne Place
- 6:51 a.m. Meigs Road (lightpost near Qtrs. 3248)
- 6:53 a.m. Paterson Loop
- 6:53 a.m. Heath Loop (bus shelter entrance)
- 6:54 a.m. Radiere Loop

WP #11 Blue Bus—afternoon

- 2:11 p.m. Meigs Road/Sheburne Place
- 2:12 p.m. Meigs Road (lightpost near Qtrs. 3248)
- 2:14 p.m. Paterson Loop
- 2:14 p.m. Heath Loop (bus shelter entrance)
- 2:15 p.m. Radiere Loop

WP #12 Yellow Bus—morning

- 6:39 a.m. Merritt/Sladen
- 6:48 a.m. Drew Ave./Main
- 6:54 a.m. O'Neill for 1st drop off
- 7 a.m. Mountain Ave./School St.

WP #12 Yellow Bus—afternoon

- 2:06 p.m. Mountain Ave./School St.
- 2:11 p.m. O'Neill for 2nd drop off
- 2:17 p.m. Drew Ave./Main
- 2:26 p.m. Merritt/Sladen

WP #13 Red Bus—morning/afternoon

- 6:48 a.m./2:17 p.m. Bowman Loop/Lee Road (near Qtrs. 266 and 286, Beauregard Place)
- 6:49 a.m./2:18 p.m. Barnard Loop/Lee Road (near Qtrs. 225 and 243) and Barry Road/Lee Road

Keller Corner

KACH closures

All outpatient clinics, laboratory, pharmacy and radiology will be closed Friday (Training Holiday) and Monday (Labor Day).

The emergency room will remain open.

Call 911

If you need emergency care, go to the nearest hospital emergency room or call 911 for an ambulance.

This simple rule applies to emergencies on and off West Point.

Check your wallet

All TRICARE Prime beneficiaries, including Active Duty servicemembers and cadets, should have a TRICARE Prime card.

You can request one by speaking to a customer service representative at 877-874-2273.

Present this card along with your military ID card whenever you

need civilian health care.

The card also contains important information about emergency and out of area care.

Check your wallet ... now.

Have you heard of ECHO?

Active Duty Family members who are homebound or have serious medical or mental disabilities are entitled to supplemental TRICARE coverage under the Extended Care Health Option.

Special education, assistive services and training on assistive technology devices are just a few of the benefits offered through ECHO.

Enrollment in the Exceptional Family Member Program is required.

For more information, visit the TRICARE ECHO website page at www.tricare.mil/echo/default.cfm or contact Health Net Federal Services at 888-874-2273.

Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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	7	1	6				

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: Medium

SHARP

The members of the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program are Lt. Col. Kay Emerson, Shelley Ariosto (Garrison), Dan Toohey (Victim Advocate), Maj. Missy Rosol (USCC), Lt. Col. Kim Kawamoto (ODIA) and Bernadette Ortland (Dean). Community members can e-mail Emerson at Kay.Emerson@usma.edu for advice or to offer any recommendations on the program here. Cadets also can call the sexual assault support helpline at 845-591-7215. West Point Soldiers and civilians needing assistance can call 938-3369.

Black Knights set to ground Eagles Saturday

Story and photo by Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor/Copy

Army fans are hoping for a repeat performance of last season's opener, as the Black Knights face Eastern Michigan University at Rynearson Stadium in Ypsilanti, Mich., Saturday.

The Black Knights have defeated the Eagles in all three previous contests, including last year's 27-14 for their first Game 1 win since 1996.

Last year, expectations were tempered as Army adapted to a new triple option playbook under head coach Rich Ellerson. While fans cringed from the loss to Navy, which eliminated them from bowl contention, the season's 5-7 record was seen less as a disappointment but more of a promise of better things to come.

Now, the Black Knights have to deliver. At Tuesday's press conference in Randall Hall, Ellerson said a relatively veteran team will take the field Saturday and that experience has been tangible during summer practices.

"Everybody's more comfortable in their skin because they've done this before," Ellerson said. "They're reacting together and in synch, and they'll be much better adjusting as the game unfolds. Those are the things that need to be evident from the get-go."

Army's offense will field plenty of that experience with Yearling Trent Steelman returning as quarterback and Firstie slotback Patrick Mealy, who recorded 673 rushing yards and three touchdowns in 2009. Firstie Matt Campbell will once again handle the kickoff duties, and Firstie Jonathan Bulls returns for his second year as Army's punter. Bulls averaged 39.2 yards per punt last year. Also returning to duty is Cow kicker Alex Carlton, who tied the Army season record in 2009 with 18 field goals (18-24).



The Army football team held its final preseason practice on Friday afternoon at Michie Stadium. The Black Knights took the weekend off from on-field drills before beginning their game-week preparation on Monday for the season opener at Eastern Michigan.

The Black Knights return eight starters on defense from last year's team that ranked third nationally in pass defense, 16th in total defense and 30th in scoring defense. Co-defensive coordinator Payam Saadat also credited experience as the defense's strength.

"I think within that experience, our kids understand what we expect when we say swarm and when we say turnovers," Saadat said on GoArmySports.com. "Swarm to the football. That's the bottom line. Naturally, if you swarm to the football, turnovers will happen. Swarm to the ball and great things will happen."

Ellerson said there is time to anticipate how the season will unfold and make predictions, but that time isn't now.

"We are completely focused on our goals, and our first goal is to win the next game," Ellerson said. "We are 100 percent focused on Eastern Michigan and we have been for awhile. Right now, we'll think it's a great season if we win the next game, but be bitterly disappointed if we don't."

Ones to Watch

ARMY BLACK KNIGHTS:

- Trent Steelman/QB: Rushed a team-high 706 yards last season, with 637 yards passing and three touchdowns.

- Josh McNary/DE: With 22.5 tackles for loss and 12.5 sacks, this preseason candidate for the Lombardi Award, the Lott Trophy and Nagurski Trophy enters the 2010 season as West Point's all-time leader in sacks.

- Patrick Mealy/SB: Averaged 6.1 yards per carry for a 673 yards last season and three touchdowns.

EMU EAGLES:

- Alex Gillett/QB: Started three games as freshman last season, passing for 764 yards and three touchdowns.

- Dwayne Priest/RB: EMU's leading rusher last season with 175 carries for 633 yards and seven touchdowns; has improved his totals each of his first three years.

- Latarius Thomas/DB: Transfer student from University of Louisville, where he started 11 games and made 43 tackles over three years.

Army Black Knights 2009 Record: 5-7; Overall Football Bowl Subdivision Rankings

PASSING YARDS **RUSHING YARDS** **POINTS FOR** **POINTS AGAINST**

120th ^{71.8} **16th** ^{203.6} **117th** ^{15.3} **35th** ^{21.9}

Overall

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Eastern Michigan University 2009 Record: 0-12 (0-8 MAC Conference)

Overall Football Bowl Subdivision Rankings for 2009

PASSING YARDS **RUSHING YARDS** **POINTS FOR** **POINTS AGAINST**

108th ^{152.1} **88th** ^{126.3} **112th** ^{16.4} **117th** ^{38.3}

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WATCH THE GAME AT MICHIE STADIUM

Army fans will have the opportunity to watch all the live action from Ypsilanti, Mich., when the Black Knights open their 2010 football season at Eastern Michigan Saturday. The Army Athletic Association has arranged for the Eagles' live webstream to be shown on the ITT Knight Vision video board at Michie Stadium.

The event is free and open to the public. The gates open at 6 p.m. with kickoff scheduled for 7 p.m. Fans are welcome to watch the game from the field or the east stands. However, chairs will not be allowed on the Michie Stadium turf. Concession will be available, but no food or drink will be permitted on the field.

Volleyball opens with win, finishes 2-2 at invitational

By Tracy Nelson
Army Athletic Communications

The Army volleyball team opened its 2010 season with a 3-0 win over visiting Fairleigh Dickinson University in the second match of the Army Invitational Aug. 27 at Gillis Field House. Plebe outside hitter D.J. Phee enjoyed a standout collegiate debut, leading all players with 11 kills and completing a double-double with 10 digs. The Allen, Texas, native hit .391 and registered just two errors in a team-high 23 attempts.

Army edged FDU by a 25-23 score in the opening set, while defeating the Knights 25-17 and 25-21 in sets two and three, respectively.

Cow middle blocker Rachel Willis finished the match with nine kills and two blocks. Firstie middle blocker Amanda Rowell added six kills, while Yearling outside hitter Ariana Mankus totaled five kills. Firstie setter Karyn Powell led the Black Knights with 24 assists, while Plebe setter Lauren Wood finished with 10 assists.

FDU's Meaghan Wheeler led the Knights with 10 kills.

The teams battled through 27 ties and eight lead changes throughout the afternoon affair. The back-and-forth play was evident from the start as neither team led by more than three throughout the entire first set. After the Knights leveled the score at 22-22, Army head coach Alma Kovaci called timeout. Her team rallied to score the final three points of the set. Willis put the exclamation point on the frame

with a set-ending kill off a Powell assist.

Army took control early in the second set, but it was a final push at the end that proved to be the difference. Holding on to a 15-12 lead midway through the set, the Black Knights rattled off 10 of the final 14 points to win by a 25-17 score. Phee provided three of the final four Army points via kills, while Plebe middle blocker Megan Wilton also added the 24th point.

FDU kept things interesting throughout a third set that featured 14 ties and five lead changes. The score seesawed throughout the opening half of play before Army was able to gain some distance.

The Black Knights established a 20-17 edge on a kill from Phee, but the Knights battled back to within one (22-21) with time winding down. Army held the Knights at 21 points, scoring the final three points of the match thanks to FDU miscues.

Army finished the Army Invitational weekend with a 2-2 record. Defending Patriot League Player and Rookie of the Year Mankus tied for a team-high 13 kills to pace the Black Knights to a 3-0 sweep of New Hampshire during their evening match Aug. 27. Mankus recorded her first double-double of the young season with a team-best 12 digs as Army toppled the visiting Wildcats 25-20, 25-22, 25-22.

The Black Knights went on to lose both of their Aug. 28 matches to Iona and St. John's. Army lost the earlier match to Iona in four sets (23-25, 25-11, 22-25, 21-25) and then lost its evening match to St. John's in five sets (16-25,



Plebe outside hitter D.J. Phee had a dazzling debut by leading all players with 11 kills and earning a double-double with 10 digs against Fairleigh Dickinson University Aug. 27 at Gillis Field House.

PHOTOS BY ERIC S. BARTELT/PV

28-26, 16-25, 25-20, 7-15).

Army continues tournament play as the team travels to George Mason to take on the host Colonials, UNC Charlotte and West

Virginia this weekend.

The Black Knights will face George Mason Friday, while taking on UNC Charlotte and West Virginia Saturday.



Plebe setter Lauren Wood dove into her first collegiate game against Fairleigh Dickinson University and finished with 10 assists.

Army tennis teams volunteer at Arthur Ashe Kids' Day



Firstie Annie Hang helps a little girl with a big tennis racket Aug. 28 at the Arthur Ashe Kids' Day in Flushing Meadows, N.Y.

Story and photos by
Karen Peck
Department of Physical
Education

Members of the Army men's and women's tennis teams introduced young children to the game of tennis Aug. 28 at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows, N.Y. The event was Arthur Ashe Kids' Day, which signifies the beginning of the U.S. Open Tennis Tournament.

The Aug. 28 event marks the 15th year of Arthur Ashe Kids' Day, which benefits the National Junior Tennis and Learning Network, co-founded by Arthur Ashe. The mission of this program is to instill in children the values of humanitarianism, leadership and academic excellence.

The Army teams provided instruction on court 16, where the theme was USPTA "Little Tennis." This program is designed to introduce children to tennis using modified games that allow them to

experience success right away.

With the help of the cadets, the children participated in various tennis drills, obstacle courses and footwork drills. There was no shortage of high-fives and encouragement from the cadets as the children completed all of the activity stations. After working their way through the maze of activities, many children posed with the cadets for pictures as their parents watched from outside the fence.

Firstie Jurelle Mendoza, a Long Island native, is no stranger to this event.

"Being able to help out at Arthur Ashe Kids' Day and giving back to the tennis community was such a rewarding experience for me," Mendoza, one of the women's team captains, said. "I remember how much fun I had going to this event every year as a kid, and it made me so happy to be on the other end helping the kids enjoy themselves while exposing them to the game of tennis."

The Army tennis teams have

participated in this event for the past three years with the aim of reaching out to the tennis community and perpetuating the legacy of Arthur Ashe.

The Army players feel a special bond with Arthur Ashe because of the famous tennis player's association with West Point.

Ashe earned his degree from UCLA while simultaneously completing the ROTC program and winning the NCAA Team and Singles Tennis National Championships.

Upon his graduation, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant and assigned to West Point to act as the assistant tennis coach. It was during his tenure here in 1968 that he won the U.S. Open Men's Singles Championships.

Ashe continued his successful tennis career until 1980 and later went on to be an active human rights supporter and advocate for opportunities in education. The main stadium at the National Tennis Center is named in his honor.



Plebe Margaret Iliev gives guidance to three boys during a footwork drill Aug. 28 at the Arthur Ashe Kids' Day.

Staff & Faculty Ultimate Frisbee

Standings as of Tuesday

TEAMS	W	-	L
1. DPE	6	-	0
2. MATH	4	-	1
3. DMI	3	-	1
4. EE&CS	4	-	2
5. ENGLISH/PHY.	3	-	2
6. SYSTEMS ENG.	2	-	2
7. DFL/GENE	2	-	3
8. PANE	2	-	3
9. SOCIAL/HISTORY	1	-	4
10. BS&L/CHEMISTRY	1	-	5
11. C/ME	0	-	5

Sports calendar

Sept. 2-10

Corps

FRIDAY — CROSS COUNTRY (MEN AND WOMEN), ARMY OPEN, WEST POINT GOLF COURSE, 4 P.M.

FRIDAY — WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. QUINNIAC, CLINTON FIELD, 7 P.M.

SUNDAY — WOMEN'S SOCCER VS. MANHATTAN, CLINTON FIELD, 1 P.M.

SEPT. 10 — CROSS COUNTRY (MEN AND WOMEN) VS. CORNELL (DUAL MEET), WEST POINT GOLF COURSE, 4 P.M.