



B-3 Squad takes Sandhurst

Since international teams entered the annual Sandhurst Military Skills Competition in 1993, the Corps of Cadets hasn't assembled a squad capable of beating their foreign academy rivals since Company E-4 won that year. The drought for West Point ended April 16 when the B-3 Squad claimed the coveted Reginald E. Johnson Memorial Plaque as the competition's highest-scoring team. Story and photos of the Sandhurst Competition are on pages 8-9. MIKE STRASSER/PV

West Point selected as one of six Net Zero Energy Installations

By West Point Public Affairs Office

The Army announced Tuesday that U.S. Army Garrison-West Point was selected as one of six Net Zero Energy Installations to participate in the Pilot Net Zero Installation program.

West Point was one of 53 installations that applied.

A Net Zero Energy Installation produces as much energy on site (e.g., using wind turbines as one example) as it uses over the course of a year.

"Our designation as a Net Zero Energy pilot is truly an honor and the beginning of a true collaborative effort for the entire installation," Garrison Commander Col. Mike Tarsa said. "It won't be easy, but there is no question in my mind it is the right thing to do.

"West Point must be a leader in energy efficiency for our Army," he added. "My staff and I consider it a strategic imperative."

The announcement initiates the programmatic environmental analysis and planning process for the Army's

Net Zero Installation Strategy.

"The Army has identified six Net Zero pilot installations in each of the energy, water and waste categories and two integrated installations striving toward Net Zero by 2020. This is a significant step in addressing the Army's sustainability and energy security challenges," Katherine Hammack, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy and Environment, said.

(Editor's note: Look for future in-depth articles on the Net Zero Energy Installation program in the *Pointer View*.)

Stalking: Take action to stay safe

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Commentary by Lt. Col. Kay L. Emerson
West Point Diversity Officer

The first 100 days in a combat zone are considered the most dangerous to new arrivals. The statistics supporting the threat are based primarily upon injuries and deaths from firefights and combat patrols. But not all threats come from outside the wire.

I was stalked for a week and was unaware. Wako, an East African guard in the International Zone, was just one of several faces in the darkness that I would pass on my walk from the bus stop outside of Forward Operating Base Blackhawk to my containerized housing unit, or CHU. I already varied my time of travel (as security experts warned), as the end of my day was not at all predictable.

One evening, I got back earlier than usual from work,

so I changed into PT gear and headed to the gym. There I pedaled for an hour. After stretching, I headed to the first floor exit; Wako was waiting for me. In the 20 minutes that followed, Wako proceeded to ask for a picture, a cell phone number (but not a government one “that can be tracked”) and my email address. I gave him none of this information. He touched my wedding band and said, “You do not have to ask for permission.” He told me, “You are lonely and I am lonely.” I told him I was not lonely, yet he persisted. Wako persisted, saying “I have been watching you for a week. Every day I watch and wait for you.”

There was only one other person in the gym upstairs and out of sight—a former Marine singing to himself on his iPod. It was 11:30 p.m. on the clock behind Wako. All I wanted to do was wash up and go to bed. Now I had serious doubts about my safety. I pondered how I would leave the bright lights of the gym to the pitch darkness outside for the quarter-mile run to my CHU. I sensed that a direct refusal to Wako could be dangerous, so I agreed to meet him the next day so that I could break contact. I left the gym, sprinting to my CHU, looking back only once. No Wako.

I reported the incident the following morning. The chain-of-command notified the contracting office representative for Wako’s security company. Wako was removed from FOB Blackhawk that afternoon, and returned to his home country shortly thereafter. The company representative wanted to speak with me. Although I expected him to ask me what I had been wearing and somehow blame me for Wako’s behavior, he didn’t. He apologized, and he told me there had been other complaints about Wako, but none as detailed and thorough as mine.

What advice would I offer to others? What did I do wrong? Where was my battle buddy? Well, after 9 p.m., battle buddies become scarce, especially if your buddy is not your roommate—assuming you have a roommate—or if your roommate does not have the same duty day as you do. My roommate was asleep when I had returned from work to change into PT gear, under arms with reflective belt. I could have made time to work out on Phoenix Base, instead of Blackhawk. My usual battle buddies were my teammates. One teammate was a Marine who stayed on a different FOB, the other was an Air Force pilot who didn’t work out and did not live on my side of the FOB. I didn’t *do* anything *wrong*.

What did I do right? I told somebody. I told my teammates. If you’re being stalked, tell somebody. Tell the person who is stalking you, without hurting his/her ego, that you are not interested in him/her and need to leave you alone. I did not give Wako any additional information about me—an email, a phone number, where I worked (he already knew where I slept). My chain-of-command was responsive. I felt supported. I had detailed facts (I memorized Wako’s ID badge), his behavior and his physical description. If you’re being stalked, inform your chain-of-command and contact the Military Police and/or the local authorities.

Stalking is a criminal act prohibited by law and the Uniformed Code of Military Justice (Article 120a). Stalking is a dangerous crime that often overlaps with both domestic violence and sexual assault crimes. Examples of stalking include following a person; or appearing at a person’s home or workplace; threatening or repeated phone calls or email messages or postings in social media; leaving written messages or objects; and vandalizing a person’s property.

ALERT: Civil Disturbance Exercise

The Directorate of Emergency Services and the Military Police Company are conducting a Civil Disturbance Exercise from noon-4 p.m. Monday at Thayer Gate. This is a Force Protection Training Exercise to assess DES’ plans and capabilities to prepare for, respond to and recover from a civil disturbance on the installation.

Travel advisory:

“Due to the planned demonstration exercise in the vicinity of Thayer Gate, the workforce is strongly encouraged to use Stony or Washington gates from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Anyone trying to enter or exit through Thayer Gate from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. may face traffic delays.”

UCMJ Article 120a, Stalking

(a) Any person subject to this section:

(1) who wrongfully engages in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear death or bodily harm, including sexual assault, to himself or herself or a member of his or her immediate family;

(2) who has knowledge, or should have knowledge, that the specific person will be placed in reasonable fear of death or bodily harm, including sexual assault, to himself or herself or a member of his or her immediate family; and

(3) whose acts induce reasonable fear in the specific person of death or bodily harm, including sexual assault, to himself or herself or to a member of his or her immediate family; is guilty of stalking and shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

Maximum punishment: Dishonorable discharge, forfeiture of all pay and allowances and confinement for three years.

(Editor’s note: New York Public Law, Section 120, covers the four degrees of Stalking.)

Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

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Representing the West Point Volunteer Corps during the 2011 Volunteer Recognition Celebration are Spc. Mark Tyson and Spc. Kerilyn Schwartzkopf from the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program; Amy LaGrange from the West Point Women's Club and Avigail Felzenberg, from the Jewish Chapel. Lt. Gen. David H. Huntoon Jr., West Point superintendent, thanked the Volunteer Corps for contributing contributed a total of 89,000 hours of service (valued at \$1.9 million) in the past year.

Celebrating West Point volunteers

Story and photo by Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor

West Point recognized National Volunteer Week with a Volunteer Recognition Celebration at the West Point Club April 13.

"Every year West Point volunteers are invited to this event, which is our small way of recognizing the service that is contributed throughout the year," Christina Overstreet, the West Point Volunteer Corps coordinator, said.

But this was no ceremonial "thanks for your service" affair.

The cheerful greeting from two high-spirited clowns at the doorway indicated something completely different from the norm.

Once inside, invitees were regaled with a carnival-like celebration including music, food and prizes for their selfless service to the U.S. Military Academy.

This year's theme, "Celebrating People in Action," was

the inspiration for West Point's party, Overstreet said.

"I was aiming for a more relaxed, fun and social event for our volunteers," she said.

In lieu of individual awards—which recognize only a handful of volunteers, the celebration focused on the whole of West Point's Volunteer Corps.

"All volunteers contribute in their own way, whether it's a couple of hours or a couple of hundred hours," Overstreet said. "We want to thank them all for making a difference."

This year, West Point volunteers contributed a total of 89,000 hours of service, at least 4,000 more than recorded in 2010. West Point Garrison Commander Col. Michael Tarsa thanked the volunteers for sustaining the community with their service.

"In every regard, you are an integral part of what makes West Point special," Tarsa said. "Your impact is profound and we are deeply indebted. We cannot say thank you often enough for all that you do."

Force protection and traffic information for West Point 1/2 Marathon

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

In support of the West Point Cadet Half Marathon Saturday, the northbound lane of Washington Road will be closed from the 101 intersection to Washington Gate from 9:30 a.m. to approximately 10 a.m.

The Washington Gate outgoing lane will also be closed during this time to facilitate the first push of runners.

Personnel can expect delays on Washington Road from 9:30 a.m. until noon.

The use of Thayer or Stony gates is recommended for residents to avoid delays.

While the Military Police will be conducting traffic control points at the 101, Stony and Washington and Washington and Buckner Hill Road (FMWR Fitness Center lot entrance) intersections, residents are reminded to stay alert and watch for runners.

As with all special events that take place on the installation, safety and security are of paramount concern.

Anyone observing suspicious behavior or activity is urged to promptly report it to the West Point Military Police at 938-3333.

Remember, if you see something, say something.

For more information on force protection or traffic, call Joe Senger, DPTMS, at 938-8859.

ROAD CLOSURE

Mine Torne Road will be closed from 1 a.m.-10 p.m. April 30 for military training.

Cadets are “Winning the Peace” in diverse community

By Class of 2011 Cadet George Lemeur

From April 7-9, 32 cadets taking the class “Winning the Peace,” visited Jersey City’s many different ethno-religious communities to develop their understanding of and ability to interact with a myriad of other cultures and religious groups.

The three-day trip concluded with a moving visit to the World Trade Center tribute museum in lower Manhattan—an experience which provided context and meaning to the three-day cultural immersion capstone event for the Department of Social Sciences’ “Winning the Peace” course members.

In its seventh year, the program aims to prepare future officers for their roles in creating a stable environment in the wake of conventional operations. The program provides the opportunity to engage a diverse population and better understand the precursors to stability among different ethnic and religious groups.

The experiences from the Jersey City trip provided cadets with invaluable knowledge regarding the methods required to develop and sustain a multi-ethnic and multi-religious community peacefully.

After being graciously invited into Jersey City’s Christian, Coptic-Christian, Hindu, Islamic and Jewish communities, the cadets were able to engage community leaders on key questions about their respective cultures and volatile issues about the relationships between different groups in the community.

To many of the cadets, the visit to the Alghazaly Islamic Cultural Center of Jersey City seemed more like a trip to Egypt than to New Jersey.

As is customary in mosques, the female cadets donned traditional head coverings called hijabs—all for the first time.

The cadets had a chance to discuss this tradition with women from the Muslim community.

During the question-and-answer session April 7, the hosts of the event with Islamic community leaders implored the cadets to ask any question, including those on controversial topics such as women in Islam or Sharia law.

Hany El-Banna, Ph.D., fielded questions from the cadets ranging from Islamic history and tradition to broader theological topics and the American role in the Libyan conflict.

As the founder of a network of Islamic charities and an Islamic scholar in his own right, El-Banna gave great insight on Islam to the cadets. While the atmosphere was tense at times, it was a candid, open discussion that swelled the cadets’ senses of rapport and



Class of 2011 Cadets Tara Roberts (left) and Michael Tollerton wear a traditional head covering called the “hijab” as they play with students at the Islamic Al-Ghazali Elementary School in Jersey City. The cadets wore the “hijab” as a sign of respect for Islamic cultural norms.

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understanding.

Later in the trip, at a Pakistani mosque, the cadets had the opportunity to engage Imam Hafiz Ghulam Yasin Qadri Rizvi over a traditional Pakistani spread covering multiple tables that included lamb sausage, kebabs, basmati rice with vegetables and other delicacies.

A question about *Ijtihad*, or Islamic legal interpretation, generated a lengthy discussion with the Imam about Islamic decision-making. After the conversation,

the cadets received a competing perspective from a different school of thought regarding the practice.

The three-day experience gave the cadets a deeper understanding of the nuances of different cultures and religions—a critical skill that they will use as officers in today’s operational environment.

The cadets’ interactions with members of the Jersey City community demonstrated how people with different perspectives and beliefs can peacefully live and work together.

West Point Cadet String Ensemble performs Saturday

The West Point Cadet String Ensemble, under the direction of West Point Band Leader Lt. Col. Jim Keene, will present its annual Spring Concert at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Alexander M. Haig Room on the sixth floor of the Jefferson Hall Library. Selections will include a number of solo and ensemble pieces taken from traditional and popular repertoires. A small reception for the audience and cadets will follow the concert. For more information, call Lt. Col. Tom Timmes at 938-4658.

Child Abuse Prevention campaign

Submitted by Army Community Service

The theme of this year’s Child Abuse Prevention Month campaign is “Child Abuse Prevention Requires Safe Communities and Responsive Families.”

The Army has a culture of safety and personal responsibility, which is demonstrated through the Army Values.

The Army Values of respect and integrity lend themselves naturally to child abuse prevention—treat people as they should be treated, and do what’s right, legally and morally.

Children are people too, and as adults it is our responsibility to ensure children have safe and happy environments, home lives and interactions as they grow up.

When parents have questions, Family Advocacy provides a variety of assistance that is available:

- Parenting classes tailored to meet individual Family needs and questions;
- Wee Ones Open Play Group, 9:30-11 a.m. Mondays at the Lee Area Child Development Center;
- Parent Resource Lending Library at Army Community Service;
- Anger and stress management classes, personally tailored to meet individual questions and needs.

Stop by Army Community Service during April and see the display of materials in the common area.

For more information, call Shelley Ariosto, Family Advocacy Program Manager, at 938-3369, or email shelley.ariosto@us.army.mil.

Young snowboarder competes in Boardercross Nationals

By Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

Brian Mott took a trip out west to Copper Mountain, Colo., April 8 to compete for the first time in the Boardercross National Competition.

Brian finished 43rd out of 50 racers in the snowboard racing competition and received a \$100 scholarship based on points and grade average.

The 11-year-old Highland Falls Middle School student is in his first year of competing and is coming off a competition March 26 in Windham, N.Y.

"I learned how to ski and liked it, but I can't do tricks on skis," Brian said. "I took snowboarding lessons for two years and really liked it."

After two years of lessons, his father Bradley said Brian was getting really good at snowboarding and decided to try competing, but he didn't expect to go to Colorado.

"The first-placed child wasn't able to compete for some reason, so Brian was chosen to go," Mott, a nurse case manager at the Warrior Transition Unit, said. "Although Brian has never won a race, he has finished second and third and was the next highest in points."

Although Brian has been competing locally, the opportunity to experience the Nationals was something he couldn't pass up.

"Brian gained a sponsorship from the Orange County Snowboard Inc. in Middletown that helped us go to the Nationals," Mott said. "They gave him a new snowboard and other equipment, plus the owner has a snowboarding team that Brian was asked to join. Brian now has his first official sponsor and, hopefully, they can take the team to different competitions in the area next year."

Brian said he practiced snowboarding every day at the Victor Constant Ski Slope and now enjoys putting the skills he learned to the test.

"(Snowboarding) is a cool feeling," he said. "I look back at the videos that my dad took and it seems like I go two feet in the air—I don't feel like I'm that high when I'm doing it."

Mott is a traditional skier, but decided to learn snowboarding after watching his son become proficient.

"Brian taught me how to snowboard," he said, "and I've been doing it for the past three years. I can keep up."

"Snowboarding or skiing out west is a little different than in the east," Mott added. "They have powdered snow, where, in the east, it's often ice. Any beginner from the east can ski



Eleven-year-old Brian Mott, a Highland Falls Middle School student, finished 43rd at the Boardercross National Competition at Copper Mountain, Colo., April 8.

PHOTO BY BRADLEY MOTT

or snowboard in Colorado and be an intermediate."

Although skiing and snowboarding is easier, breathing is a bit difficult at 12,000 feet above sea level.

Brian is planning to work on his speed and learning more complicated maneuvers on the snowboard next year.

"I can do a 360-degree rotation. I can grab the board, go down rails and boxes (on the slope)," he said. "But I want to

learn to do a 540-degree rotation, which is a turn and a half, more jumps and to learn the half-pipe."

The half-pipe is a type of structure either built, dug out or snow piled in snowboarding that is usually of "U" shaped construction with steep vertical sides.

The object is to test how long snowboarders can stay in the pipe area and how high they can go without losing momentum.



Little helpers

(From left to right) Morgan Lewis (striped shirt), Lily Workman, Karl Schott, Maddox River and Asia O'Neal help Bob Jones plant a dogwood tree at the Child Development Center April 14. The annual event celebrates Arbor Day by having the children help plant a tree.

KATHY EASTWOOD/PV



Gettysburg ride

For the fourth consecutive year, the Defense and Strategic Studies program sponsored a staff ride for faculty and Class of 2011 cadets, to Gettysburg, Pa., April 8-10. In preparation, cadets researched the actions of key players during this three-day battle of the Civil War. As they traced the steps of those who came before them 148 years ago, they also stepped into the roles of the characters they had researched. (Above) Lt. Col. Brian DeToy, DSS program director, explained the actions taken during the fighting at Little Round Top.

PHOTO BY CAPT KELLI MOON



Members of the E-2 Squad strain under the weight of a heavy tire at the Miller Site, where teams were tasked with moving items of varying weights simultaneously, consecutively or any combination of both. It required a lot of heavy lifting, but demanded much more by way of mental agility, teamwork and decision-making in a stressful environment. The E-2 Squad finished the 2011 Sandhurst Military Skills Competition April 16 by placing 10th out of 50 teams. MIKE STRASSER/PV

West Point squads excel at Sandhurst

By Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor

For the first time since 1993, a West Point squad secured the victory over its international rivals at the 45th annual Sandhurst Military Skills Competition.

After months of training dedicated to bringing the top award back home, the Company B-3 Squad claimed the coveted Reginald E. Johnson Memorial Plaque as the competition's highest-scoring team.

The 45th iteration of Sandhurst, held April 15-16 at Camp Buckner, gathered 50 teams representing U.S. and international service academies, ROTC programs and the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School. For the past 17 years, the top honor went to either a Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (UK) squad or a Royal Military College of Canada squad.

It was certainly a "Miracle on Ice" moment, said the B-3 squad leader, referring to when the U.S. defeated the Soviets in ice hockey during the 1980 Winter Olympics.

"It honestly feels like that," Class of 2011 Cadet Marcus Fowler said. "Before we started Saturday I gave the team one last pep talk. I told them no American team has won in almost two decades."

After finishing fourth in the marksmanship portion, Fowler wanted to capitalize on that momentum going into the second day of competition.



The B-3 Squad proved to be highly-motivated and skillful during the 45th annual Sandhurst Military Skills Competition April 15-16 at Camp Buckner. They became the first West Point team since 1993 to earn the coveted Reginald E. Johnson Memorial Sabre Plaque, which is awarded to the competition's highest-scoring squad.

TOMMY GILLIGAN/WEST POINT PAO

"I told them to visualize standing on stage holding the trophy and having the crowd chant, 'U.S.A., U.S.A.' and that's exactly what happened," Fowler said.

It seems that with only a month until graduation, this B-3 team has set the standard for future Corps of Cadet squads who will compete in Sandhurst.

"The overall team dynamic was incredible," Fowler, who competed all four years at West Point, said. "We knew each other's strengths and weaknesses so well there were no tasks we couldn't accomplish together."

Class of 2011 Cadet Joshua Kreiter said

the reality of victory is still coming through in waves.

"I am still in disbelief about the whole thing," Krieter said. "I knew our team had a great chance and did extremely well on the course, but I guess I never really thought about what it would be like if we actually won the competition."

Like Fowler, Krieter is proud to have won this not only for the Corps of Cadets, but for the other U.S. service academies represented.

"I am honored to have worked with the other Bandits on the team and I couldn't imagine it with any other group of people,"

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The Results

Sporadic rounds of applause and cheers (including one rousing Rocket Yell) broke the low rumble of conversation as nearly every seat in Robinson Auditorium was filled April 16 awaiting the results of the 45th annual Sandhurst Military Skills Competition.

Class of 2011 Cadet Michael Vint, West Point Sandhurst Brigade Officer, served as master of ceremonies during the award presentations and directed a round of applause not only for all the cadets competing, but for the hundreds of West Point cadets and Department of Military Instruction staff who organized and executed the competition.

"Every one of you should be proud of yourselves for completing one of the most physically and mentally demanding multi-national competitions at this level of our military development," Vint said. "I think we all gained a better understanding and appreciation of our allies and sister military services. This will carry us well into the future as we continuously prepare to defend our nations with professionalism and honor."

The **Navigational Streamer** was awarded to the squad with the best performance on the land navigation course. The Royal Military Academy Sandhurst Blue Squad was the recipient of the 2011 Navigational Streamer.

The **Marksmanship Streamer** was presented to the A-2 Squad for having the highest score during the marksmanship portion of the competition.

Sandhurst Patches were awarded to each member of the highest-placing squads in the competition. In no particular order, the five squads awarded were A-2 Squad, F-4 Squad, Royal Military Academy Sandhurst Red Squad, B-3 Squad and D-4 Squad.

Sandhurst Streamers were awarded to the highest-placing U.S. Military Academy company teams in each regiment, as well as the highest-placing visiting team. The streamers were presented to H-1 Squad, A-2 Squad, B-3 Squad, F-4 Squad and the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst Red Squad.

The **Sandhurst Trophy** was presented to 4th Regiment for being the highest-placed regiment from the Corps of Cadets, based on aggregate times of all the company squads from each regiment.

The **Reginald E. Johnson Memorial Sabre Plaque** is presented to the competition's highest-scoring squad. The B-3 Squad earned the top award, the first West Point team to do so since 1993. The original plaque was replaced in 1999 with a mounted cadet sabre, to be presented annually to the best team.

Complete team placings and competition results are available on the DMI website at www.usma.edu/dmi/sandhurst_competition.htm and photos available at www.flickr.com/photos/west_point/sets/.

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Krieter said. "The support the B-3 Company gave us as a whole was incredible. Every time we completed a site and ran to the next, it was great, and enormously motivational, to see the sea of neon green hats that our company wears."

Fourth Regiment reclaimed the Sandhurst Trophy as the USCC regiment with the highest aggregate score among its company teams. Last year, the prize went to 1st Regiment, but 4th Regiment held bragging rights from 2004-2009 as best regiment.

The F-4 Squad also placed second overall behind the B-3 Squad. Along with contributing to 4th Regiment's trophy win, the F-4 Squad earned a Sandhurst Patch, awarded to members of the five highest-placing squads, and a Sandhurst Streamer, which went to each highest-placing company team from each regiment.

Class of 2011 Cadet Hans Kobor said being the F-4 squad leader has been one of his most rewarding experiences at West Point.

"The best part about it was the close-knit nature of my team," Kobor said. "We all had a blast being around each other and pushed each other to our limits. I've never felt closer to a group of people and it was simply an amazing leadership experience."

This was his third year competing, and he said the camaraderie among the "Frogs" has been a crucial component every time. The future infantry officer said the team excelled through the obstacles course, finishing without incurring any time penalties.

"What makes this so impressive to me is that the commandant was talking with one of the parents as we came upon the event and told him 'the obstacles course is designed to be impossible to finish. The teams will have to decide which obstacle to go over because they can't get them all,'" Kobor said.

More than capable on the obstacles, the F-4 Squad was momentarily stumped by the logistics of The Wall. With eight members wearing blindfold goggles, only one could see teammates in action and communicate directions to them. The objective was to negotiate the entire squad and eight sandbags from a pallet on one side of the wall over to a pallet on the other side without allowing the bags to touch the wall or ground.

"We were stumped," Kobor said. "It took us over a minute to think up a very rudimentary plan."

The squad opted to have Kobor carry all the bags over the wall, while the blinded members assisted each other over the top.

"It turns out sandbags are heavier than they look," Kobor said. "By the time I'd taken five of them over, I was pretty smoked."

Finishing fourth overall and earning the Marksmanship Streamer for highest scoring team on the range was the A-2 Squad. The F-2 Squad finished ninth overall and was ranked seventh among teams from the Corps of Cadets. Class of 2011 Cadet Michael

Beck, F-2 squad leader, served as an alternate his first two years at the academy before becoming an active squad member last year.

"I came to the academy to become the best combat leader I could be, and I saw Sandhurst as the best way to train military skills," Beck said. "I kept entering Sandhurst because of the close camaraderie on the team."

Beck said his team was viewed as underdogs because it lacked Sandhurst experience; a majority of the team members were from the Class of 2013 and 2014. But through months of training, Beck said they grew into a family.

"F-2 consistently performed well in the regimental competitions," Beck said. "Our team had outstanding cohesion. We could work together and solve any problem just as easily as other teams with more experienced members."

Class of 2011 Cadet Kyle Volle, a member of the A-3 Sandhurst team, said participating in Sandhurst is perhaps the most relevant activity available for a cadet to prepare as a future platoon leader.

"The training is awesome and is directly applicable to the things required of me as an infantry platoon leader," Volle said. "In addition, I love the camaraderie, the teamwork and the great experiences we get to partake in during the semester."

The A-3 Squad finished 14th among the 50 teams competing this year.

"I feel our team did great overall. We experienced a few hiccups, but ultimately executed every site just as we planned," Volle said. "Now that it's over, I think I'll mostly remember the team. You learn a lot about yourself through others, and I think that's what makes Sandhurst so awesome. Regardless of the outcome, those are the people that ultimately sacrificed for you, for the company, for the regiment and for USMA."

To be a member of the winning team, his first time competing was a thrill for Class of 2013 Cadet Christopher Miller.

The team not only claimed the top award, but also a Sandhurst Streamer and Badge.

"There were a lot of morning practices that I did not want to go to, but I felt like I owed it to the other guys on the team," Miller said. "We practiced every day with each other during the week, and sometimes on the weekends. We ate breakfast, lunch and dinner as a team. I've carried each one of those guys up a hill or two on my back. Being together so much as a team created a special bond between us all that I will never forget. I can't wait to see what all of them are going to be doing in five, 10 and 20 years."

Complete team placings and competition results are available on the Department of Military Instruction website at www.usma.edu/dmi/sandhurst_competition.htm. Sandhurst Competition photos are available at www.flickr.com/photos/west_point/sets/.



The DMI Challenge was the final test before crossing the finish line at the 45th annual Sandhurst Military Skills Competition April 15-16 at Camp Buckner. The site required teams to carry heavy tires, ammo containers and other equipment through a series of obstacles—under pipes and over barriers and a short field of lattice, before spelling out the word "Sandhurst" with the load of equipment.

MIKE STRASSER/PV

FMWR Blurbs

BOSS Earth Day Hudson River Clean Up

Join BOSS for an Earth Day Hudson River Clean Up from 2-5 p.m. today at North Dock. A picnic will follow the clean up at the North Dock picnic area.

For more information, call 938-6497.

Callaway Demo Day

Stop by the West Point Golf Course from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday to meet with representatives from Callaway.

For more details, call 938-2435.

Easter Sunday Brunch and Egg Hunt

Join the West Point Club Sunday for its traditional Easter brunch.

Two seatings are available from 9-11 a.m. in the Pierce Dining room and noon-2 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

Children can enjoy an Easter egg hunt and an appearance by the Easter Bunny from 11 a.m.-noon at the field across from the Club.

Special discounts are available for spouses of deployed Soldiers.

For reservations, call 938-5120.

Administrative Professionals Appreciation Day Luncheon

Treat your administrative professional to lunch with a carving station, pasta station and buffet line at the West Point Club from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday. Pre-paid reservations are required by Friday.

The last day to cancel reservations is Friday to receive a full refund.

For reservations, call 938-5120.

Arts and Crafts Framing Madness

Come to the Craft Shop for all of your custom framing projects.

Bring one custom framing project and receive 10 percent off your order. Bring two framing projects and receive 15 percent off, bring three framing projects and receive 20 percent off your entire order.

This special offer expires April 30.

For more information, call the Craft Shop at 938-4812.

Month of the Military Child Festival

Please join CYSS for the Month of the Military Child Festival at the Victor Constant Ski Lodge from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. April 30.

Tickets are on sale now at Stony CDC (Bldg. 1207). No charge for Families of deployed Soldiers.

For more information, call 938-3921.

Softball Tournaments forming

The FMWR Sports Office will conduct an over 30 softball tournament for all USMA personnel 30 years of age or older as of May 1.

Interested in entering a team, contact Jim McGuinness. Games will start the week of May 9, with games being played at 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.

The deadline for team entries is May 4.

For more information, call Jim McGuinness at 938-3066.

Army 10-Miler registration

Priority registration (10,000 participants) opens May 1 for U.S. servicemembers and runners who have run at least seven Army 10-Miler races.

Open registration (20,000 participants) opens May 15. Installations can register teams and secure pre-paid entries during both sessions.

Complete information at www.armytenmiler.com.

CYSS Hired! workshops

The Child, Youth and School Age Hired! workshops will run from 3:30-5:30 p.m. May 5 and June 2.

The workshops are free for teens in grades 6-12 at Youth Services Bldg. 500.

Teens need to be registered at Parent Central to be eligible for the Hired! Program.

For more information, call Marion DeClemente at 938-8889.

Hired! workshops are a prerequisite to the Hired! program.

Kids' Fishing Derby

Bring your child out to Round Pond from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. May 7 for the annual Kids' Fishing Derby.

Learn the essentials of the sport of fishing and have fun.

Art EDGE! Spring Photography for Kids

Spring Photography for children in grades 1-5 takes place at 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesdays through May 10.

Children will be transported around post to photograph subjects. Bring your own camera or borrow an EDGE! digital camera.

CYSS membership and a field trip permission slip are required to participate for a nominal fee.

Enroll at Parent Central (Lee Area CDC) by calling 938-4458. Class size is limited.

Texas Hold'em

Play big and win big with the 2011 Texas Hold'em Tournament at the West Point Club's Pierce Dining Room every Wednesday through May 11.

Doors open at 5 p.m., registration closes at 5:30 p.m. and games begin at 6 p.m. Finals play is May 14.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Art EDGE! Spring Photography for Teens

Spring Photography for middle school student teens in grades 6 and above takes place at 3:30-5 p.m. Wednesdays through May 11.

Youth will be transported on and around post to photograph subjects.

Bring your own camera or borrow an

EDGE! digital camera.

CYSS membership and a field trip permission slip are required to participate free of charge.

Enroll at Parent Central (Lee Area CDC) by calling 938-4458. Class size is limited.

West Point 5K/10K

Registration for the West Point 5K/10K race May 14 has begun.

Log on to active.com, keyword West Point, to receive pre-registration discounts.

For more information, call 938-6497.

Army Emergency Relief Campaign

The 2011 Army Emergency Relief Campaign continues through May 15.

To date, contributions are at \$40,000, so only \$45,000 more is needed to reach the goal of \$85,000.

For more information, call 938-5839.

Fit EDGE! Volleyball

Fit EDGE! Volleyball consists of six classes and is open to youth in grades 6-12. The free classes take place at the Lee Area CDC.

Classes will be taught by teen Kayla Martin and CYSS Program Assistant Amanda Slater on Mondays starting Monday through May 16.

To enroll, go to CYSS Parent Central or call 938-4458.

West Point Volunteer Opportunities

Do you want to get involved at West Point? The perfect volunteer opportunity is waiting for you.

To find out more, including how to be added to our email list, go to westpointmwr.com and click on the Army Community Service tab for Army Volunteer Corps or call 938-3655.

West Point Auto Shop

The West Point Auto Shop is now offering headlight cover restoration for vehicles.

Improve nighttime driving visibility by up to 70 percent. State-of-the-art alignment service using the Hunter Hawkeye alignment system is also available.

For pricing information and to make an appointment, call 938-2074.

Life EDGE! Intro to Cooking

April is "Fun with Finger Foods" Month. Create fun finger foods in the new state-of-the-art demo kitchen at Lee Area CDC from 3:30-5 p.m. for children in grades 1-3 Tuesdays and children in grades 4-5 Thursdays.

Learn kitchen safety, tools, cleanliness, the importance of reading the recipe thoroughly before getting started, etiquette, proper table setting, food garnishing and nutrition in these classes.

Enroll at CYSS Parent Central or call 938-4458.

NEW INFO

Military Spouse Appreciation Day celebrations

• Join ACS for a Military Spouse Appreciation Cruise on the Superintendent's Boat from 4:30-7 p.m. May 5.

Tickets are available through ACS.

For more information, call 938-0232.

• Take a free stained glass class from 5:30-7 p.m. May 5 at West Point Arts & Crafts. For more information, call 938-4812.

• Enjoy lunch at the West Point Club while military spouses receive half off from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. May 6.

For more information, call 938-5120.

• Get a relaxing massage with a Wellness Springs special discount for military spouses May 6 at the FMWR Fitness Center during regular business hours.

For more information, call 938-6490.

• Stop by the West Point Auto Shop for a free computer diagnostic from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. May 6. For more information, call 938-2074.

• Don't forget to pick up your free flower at the Stony CDC May 6.

Cinco De Mayo celebration

Come celebrate Cinco De Mayo from 5-11 p.m. May 5 at the Benny Haven Bar and Lounge in the West Point Club.

Enjoy Salsa music, Mexican flair and a specialty bar menu.

For more information, call 938-5120.

USAG Golf Scramble

A garrison golf scramble begins at 1 p.m. May 6. This is a 4-person scramble tournament and is open to all garrison Soldiers and employees.

Three team members must work for the garrison. The fourth team member is open to anyone.

Registration is ongoing now through 12:45 p.m. May 6. Green fees are not included in the registration fee.

For more information, call 938-2435.

Mother's Day Brunch

The traditional Mother's Day Brunch will be held May 8. Two seatings are available at 9-11 a.m. in the Pierce Dining Room and noon-2 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

There is a special discount for spouses of deployed Soldiers. Children 5 and under eat free. Reservations are required by calling 938-5120.

Cake Pop classes

There is a new rage in desserts—sweets on a stick. There is a lunch hour cake pops class from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. May 6 at the Arts & Crafts Shop.

A Mother's Day cake pops class takes place from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. May 14.

There is a minimal charge for these classes. To register, call 938-4812.

What's Happening

Living Last Supper drama

The Living Last Supper is a dramatic presentation of the last supper based on DaVinci's painting. The performance is 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Cadet Chapel.

For more information, call Maj. Julie Rowan at 938-4246.

Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences Castle Lecture

The Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science is hosting a Castle Lecture featuring Duy-Loan T. Le as the guest speaker. This event, focusing on "Leadership in the World of High Tech," is from 7:30-8:40 p.m. tonight in Robinson Auditorium of Thayer Hall.

Le is the first woman to be elected to the rank of Texas Instruments Senior Fellow. Le holds many recognitions, including the 2007 Women of Vision Award, the Top 15 Women in Business by PINK Magazine and the Forte Foundation, the Women in Technology International Hall of Fame, plus she holds 24 patents.

The lecture is open to the West Point community. The uniform for this event is Class-A (military), White Over Gray (cadets) or Class-A equivalent (civilians).

DUSA Easter Egg Hunt

The West Point Chapter of the Daughters of the United States Army and Balfour Beatty Communities are sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt for the children of the West Point community at 2 p.m. Saturday at Trophy Point.

The egg hunt is for children 10 years old and younger.

Bring your own basket. Children must have an adult with them.

Easter Sunrise Service

The Easter Sunrise Service is 6:30 a.m. Sunday at the West Point Club Ballroom. Come and enjoy dynamic speaking, fellowship, breakfast and music.

The 12:30 p.m. Protestant Service of the Post Chapel will not meet at its regular time and place. Instead, the protestants will celebrate Easter with the entire post at the Easter Sunrise Service.

DUSA hiring

The Daughters of the U.S. Army gift shop is hiring for a part-time assistant manager. Weekends are a must.

Resumés are being accepted until Monday. Interviews will be conducted during the first week of May.

For details, call Ginger Hopkins, DUSA President, at 845-567-3643. Send resumé and cover letter to DUSA President, P.O. Box 78, West Point, NY 10996.

Days of Remembrance Luncheon

The Equal Opportunity Office and the William E. Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic host this year's Days of Remembrance Observance Luncheon at 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday at the West Point Club Grand Ballroom.

Guest speaker is Victoria Barrett, the award winning film director, producer and president of Shenandoah Films.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Dwayne Key at 938-2581 or Maj. Elizabeth Mason at 938-7082.

Motorcycle Basic Rider Course schedule

The Motorcycle Basic Rider Course is a 14-15 hour program providing classroom and actual motorcycle operator training in a controlled, off-street environment.

Bikes and helmets are available for use.

The course is available to military, cadet, active duty and

reserve personnel only.

Cadets:

- 5:30-10:30 p.m., April 29-May 1;

Military staff and faculty:

- 8 a.m.-5 p.m., May 9-10;

- 8 a.m.-5 p.m., May 16-17.

Questions may be directed to the Safety Officer or instructor listed on the website when signing up.

The website is <http://airs.lmi.org/default.aspx>.

Keepers of the Peace Native American Powwow

The National Redhawk Native American Arts Council presents the Keepers of the Peace Native American Powwow at 1 p.m. May 1 at the Trophy Point Amphitheater.

The event is free of charge and open to the community. The event includes Native American dance, drumming and singing. Bring a blanket or chair to sit on the grass.

For more information, call 938-3136.

"Restrepo" showing

The film showing of "Restrepo" has been rescheduled for 7:30 p.m. May 3 at Robinson Auditorium in Thayer Hall.

For more information, call Maj. Sam Cook at 938-5086.

West Point PWOC Grand Finale

The West Point Protestant Women of the Chapel invites the community to its "Grand Finale." The PWOC will induct a new executive board and pray for the PWOC ladies who are moving. The event is at 9 a.m. May 4 at the Post Chapel. There will be food, fellowship and a special treat.

For more information, call Christie Whittle or Carmen Huggins at 926-1965.

Army Athletic Rummage Sale

There will be an Army Athletic Rummage Sale from 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m. May 6 at Michie Stadium, Gate 1.

Game jerseys, new and used T-shirts, sweatshirts and sweatpants will be available. Mills Road will close at 2 p.m. for the Army-John Hopkins Lacrosse Game and a mini-Black Knights Alley.

Army Education Center

John Jay College's Master of Public Administration Program at West Point is now accepting new students for the summer session. Applications are due May 17.

For more information, call 446-5959 or email jjcwestpoint@yahoo.com.

Contract Childcare Providers needed

The West Point Post Chapel needs childcare providers. These are paid contract positions and applicants must pass a background check and receive training to be certified. Immediate positions are available.

For more details on how to apply, call the West Point Post Chapel Office at 938-2003.

Community Recreational Swim Program

The Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation hosts a community recreational swim program at the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center's Crandall Pool. Call Thane Kelley at 938-8249 for more information.

Community recreational swim hours are:

- Monday-Friday—noon-1:30 p.m.;

- Monday, Wednesday and Friday—6:30-9:30 p.m., however, Monday and Wednesday evening swim hours are suspended through April to support Cadet Company Athletic

swimming;

- Saturday—11:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m.;

- Sunday—1-6 p.m.;

- Holidays (when the Corps of Cadets are on leave) noon-1:30 p.m.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are sought for Club Beyond. Join the parent support team. There are many ways to help the ministry flourish.

For more information, call Stephanie Zuck at 706-987-3907 or email stefzuck@hotmail.com

NEW INFO

Catholic services at Most Holy Trinity

Holy Thursday service is at 7 p.m. tonight for evening mass of the Lord's Supper. Most Holy Trinity is open until midnight. There will be no 12:05 p.m. Mass Thursday.

Good Friday masses:

- 12:05 p.m.—Celebration of the Lord's Passion;

- 3 p.m.—Stations of the Cross, led by the Teen Fellowship;

- 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.—Lord's Passion.

Holy Saturday masses:

- 8:15 p.m.—Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection.

There will be no 5:15 p.m. Mass Saturday.

Easter Sunday:

- 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.—Easter Sunday Mass.

West Point Cadet Half Marathon

The West Point Cadet Half Marathon will use Washington Road and Washington Gate extensively between the hours of 9 a.m.-noon Saturday.

The gate will be closed from 9:30-10 a.m.

Anyone coming into Washington Gate should be mindful of pedestrian traffic of the two events going on—Spring Fest and the Half Marathon.

Balfour Beatty Scholarship deadline

The scholarship deadline for the Balfour Beatty Scholarship program for children of military members is extended to April 30.

Applications are open to all high school and undergraduate residents residing in Balfour Beatty Communities housing across the country, including West Point.

Application, details and requirements can be found at www.bbcommunitiesfoundation.org.

West Point Military Retiree Appreciation Day

The 37th annual Military Retiree Appreciation Day activities will be held from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. April 30 at Eisenhower Hall, with everyone moving to the reviewing stands on the Plain for the Cadet Drill Team performance, Cadet Review and Cadet Sports Parachute Club Performance.

For more information, visit www.usma.edu/garrison/sites/services/retiree.html or call Gail Reynolds, Retirement Services Officer, at 938-4217.

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month observance

The Equal Opportunities Office and the Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic is hosting this year's Asian Pacific American Heritage Month from 4-6:30 p.m. May 6 at Trophy Point. Come and enjoy Asian music, dance and food samplings. For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Timothy Morgan at 938-8456 or Master Sgt. Dwayne Key at 938-2581.

National Prescription Take Back Day April 30

Submitted by Alcohol and Drug Control Office

Do you have medications you no longer need or are outdated? Do you have a medication you do not remember what it was for? Do you wonder how to dispose of them safely?

In an effort to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's medicine cabinets, the Army Substance Abuse Program will have a table at the PX Lobby from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 30, so you can dispose of any medications anonymously and with no questions asked.

There will be a drop box and any controlled or non-controlled medication can be disposed of in this drop box.

Participants may dispose of medication in its original container or by removing the medication from its container and disposing of it directly into the disposal box.

Remove all personal identification from containers. Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain in their original container. Information on the dangers of prescription medications and other drugs will be available.

The table will be manned by personnel from the Army

Keller Corner

Tobacco Cessation Program

Do you want to stop using tobacco? If you need help or information, call Trish Titus, Family Practice Clinic RN, at 938-3244.

Families PCSing overseas

If you are active duty and moving overseas with your family members, it is very important that you contact the Exceptional Family Member Program immediately.

The EFMP office must screen all Family members accompanying active duty members on an overseas assignments. Call 938-6881 for details and appointments. Delays in screening may contribute to delay in Family members traveling with sponsors.

See Your PCM

It's a good idea to schedule an appointment with your Primary Care Manager after you've had any kind of emergency care.

Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

See SUDOKU SOLUTION, Page 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: Hard

5					2	1		
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Substance Abuse Program to answer any questions you may have.

Not only will you be disposing of dangerous medications and keep them from getting into the wrong hands, but the drugs will not be put out into the environment.

This is especially important if you were hospitalized after visiting a civilian emergency room. Your PCM can help you continue on the return trip to good health by entering referrals for Health Net Federal Services to process.

Make a primary care appointment by calling 938-7992.

TRICARE and the new baby

Newborns will be covered as a TRICARE Prime member for the first 60 days or as long as one other Family member is enrolled in TRICARE Prime.

For your child to have continuous Prime coverage, a completed TRICARE Prime enrollment form must be received by Health Net Federal Services no later than 60 days after birth.

If the child is not enrolled in Prime within 60 days of birth, the coverage will revert to TRICARE Standard/Extra on the 61st day. If the enrollment is received after the 60th day, the child's enrollment effective date will follow the 20th of the following month.

NOW SHOWING

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

Friday—Rango, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—Mars Needs Moms, PG, 7:30 p.m.

April 29—Rango, PG, 7:30 p.m.

April 30—Justin Bieber: Never Say Never, G, 7:30 p.m.

April 30—Red Riding Hood, PG-13, 9:30 p.m.

THE THEATER SCHEDULE ALSO CAN BE FOUND AT

WWW.AAFES.COM.

Command Channel 8/23

April 21-28

(Broadcast times)

Army Newswatch

Today, Friday and Monday through April 28

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

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 Orland (Dean). Community members can email 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.

DEERS registration determines TRICARE eligibility and does not enroll your child in TRICARE Prime. Once you have registered your child in DEERS and you wish to continue TRICARE Prime coverage, you should visit the local TRICARE Service Center in Highland Falls to submit your TRICARE Prime enrollment application.

The TRICARE Service Center is located at 273 Main St. in Highland Falls. Walk-in hours of operation are 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Newborns not enrolled in DEERS within the first 365 days of birth will lose all TRICARE eligibility on the 366th day.

Men's Tennis wins Patriot League Championship

By Pamela Flenke
Army Athletic Communications

Army Men's Tennis defeated Lehigh, 4-2, Sunday at Lehigh's Lewis Tennis Center in Bethlehem, Pa., to win the 2011 Patriot League Championship. The conference title is the Black Knights' first since 2006 and eighth overall.

Army (13-11 overall, 6-0 PL record) went ahead 1-0 after winning the doubles point. Troy List and Collin Laffey of Lehigh (15-7, 4-2) defeated Army junior Donald Van Velzer and senior Tripp Johnson, 8-5, at No. 1 doubles before the Black Knights swept the final two matches.

Sophomores Gary Kushnirovich and Alex Holland bounced back from a loss the previous day to top Matt Savran and Andrew Krentz, 8-5, at No. 2 doubles. The win was Holland's 15th of the season.

Army's freshman duo of Asika Isoh and Henry Jang-Milsten clinched the doubles point by defeating Mark Goldberg and Ryan Krueger, 9-8, at the No. 3 spot. The pair went 2-0 in Patriot League Championship doubles matches.

The Mountain Hawks evened the score, 1-1, as Goldberg defeated Johnson (6-4, 6-3) at No. 4 singles. Lehigh's Savran followed at No. 3 singles with a 6-4, 6-4 win over Army's Van Velzer.

The Black Knights rebounded in impressive fashion, winning the next three singles contests to seal the match.

Kushnirovich got the ball rolling with a three-set win at No. 2 against Laffey. The Army sophomore lost the first set before coming back to win the point (2-6, 6-4, 7-5). The Brooklyn native had an impressive spring, battling back from wrist surgery in the fall to earn a 9-2 record.

Isoh ended his longest losing streak of the dual season (three matches) just in time, defeating List in three sets (6-7, 7-5, 6-4) to give Army its first lead since winning the doubles point, 3-2. The win was Isoh's team-leading 17th of the season.

In need of one more point to clinch the match, once again Army turned to Holland at the No. 5 position. Just over a week



Army earned its first Patriot League Championship since 2006 by defeating Lehigh, 4-2, Sunday in Bethlehem, Pa.

removed from clinching Army's "Star" match win over Navy, 4-3, the sophomore found himself in a similar predicament Sunday. The Spartanburg, S.C., native won the first set, 6-3, against Ryan Krueger, before facing a tougher battle in the second. Holland would prevail in dramatic fashion once again, winning the second set, 7-5, to clinch the league title for Army.

Holland went 7-0 against Patriot League opponents this spring, including two wins over Krueger.

Following the match, Kushnirovich and Isoh were named co-recipients of the Joe

Abrahamson Tournament MVP honor.

Army improved to 39-2 all-time against Lehigh and stretched its current win streak against the Mountain Hawks to 28 matches.

With the win, Army earned the Patriot League's automatic berth into the 2011 NCAA Men's Tennis Championships. The NCAA will announce the 64-team draw at 5:30 p.m. May 3, live via NCAA.com. The Black Knights will be making their fourth trip

PHOTO COURTESY OF ARMY ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS to the national stage, most recently falling to the University of Virginia, 4-0, in the 2006 NAAs.

This is Army's eighth Patriot League title and sixth since the conference changed to a team format in 1994.

The Black Knights also won in 2006, 2005, 2001, 2000, 1995, 1994 and 1993, earning NCAA Championship bids in 2006, 2005, 2001 and 2000.

CLUB RESULTS

Men's Rugby: Men's Rugby A-side traveled to Columbus, Ohio, April 16 to play its fifth match of the season against the Ohio State Buckeyes. The team came away with its 5th straight win, staying undefeated and tied for first place with Navy as Army defeated Ohio State 57-15.

Junior Tejay Espe was outstanding on both ends of the pitch, offensively and defensively. Sophomore Will Holder was great off the tee, kicking seven of eight on conversions and one of one on penalty kicks. Try scorers on the afternoon were junior Ben Leatigaga (2), senior Kallen Ryan, Holder, senior Dave Geib, sophomore Marshall Moten, senior Andrew Hansche and junior Kyle Palmer had one each.

Army Rugby returns home at 1 p.m. Saturday as it faces Penn State at the Anderson Rugby Complex.

Sports calendar April 21-May 4

Corps

TUESDAY — SOFTBALL VS. MARIST (DH), ARMY SOFTBALL COMPLEX, 5 P.M.

WEDNESDAY — BASEBALL VS. MARIST, WPDH HUDSON VALLEY BASEBALL CLASSIC AT DUTCHESS STADIUM, 7:09 P.M.

APRIL 30 — SOFTBALL VS. BUCKNELL (DH), ARMY SOFTBALL COMPLEX, 1 P.M.

MAY 1 — SOFTBALL VS. BUCKNELL (DH), ARMY SOFTBALL COMPLEX, 1 P.M.

MAY 4 — SOFTBALL VS. TEMPLE (DH), ARMY

SOFTBALL COMPLEX, 3:30 P.M.

Club

SATURDAY — SAILING, ARMY SPRING OPEN, SOUTH DOCK, 9 A.M.

SATURDAY — WOMEN'S LACROSSE VS. AIR FORCE (11 A.M.) AND COAST GUARD (3 P.M.), DALY FIELD.

SATURDAY — MEN'S RUGBY VS. PENN STATE, ANDERSON RUGBY COMPLEX, 1 P.M.

APRIL 30 — MEN'S RUGBY VS. [NAVY](#), ANDERSON RUGBY COMPLEX, 5 P.M.

Lacrosse defeats Navy

By Tracy Nelson
Army Athletic Communications

Senior attackman Jeremy Boltus (4 goals, 3 assists) and sophomore attackman Garrett Thul (5 goals, 1 assist) combined for 13 points as the Black Knights came away with a 14-9 win against Navy in the 90th meeting between the two storied programs April 16 at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium in Annapolis, Md.

The victory punched Army's ticket to the 2011 Patriot League Tournament where the Black Knights will look to defend their title.

Army (8-4, 3-2 Patriot League) entered halftime facing a 7-4 deficit, but came out to score the first four goals of the third quarter and shift momentum in its favor. The Black Knights' 4-0 run came in the span of 4:57 and four different players found pay dirt.

The "Star" win marked the program's first at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium since 1997 and was the Black Knights' third-straight triumph over the Midshipmen.

Boltus' seven-point effort tied a season-high for the third time this spring, while Thul matched a career-high in both points and goals.

Army's 14 goals came on 21 shots. All five Thul shots resulted in goals, while Boltus went 4-for-5. Junior midfielder Devin Lynch scored the final goal of the first half and opened the second-half scoring for his two goals.

Senior Rob McCallion totaled three points



Senior attackman Jeremy Boltus scored four goals and added three assists in Army's 14-9 win over Navy April 16.

TOMMY GILLIGAN/PAO

on a goal and two assists, while junior long stick midfielder Tim Henderson and junior defensive midfielder Matt Hurley each tallied a goal.

"Navy is never an easy team to beat, especially at home," Boltus said. "I'm so proud of our team's effort today. We were all getting messages throughout the week from alumni and friends all over the world. It wasn't just a great win for us, it was a win for the whole Army."



Triathlon team takes second

West Point Triathlon Team members display their championship plaque and banner for winning the Armed Forces Competition during the USA Triathlon Collegiate National Championships in Tuscaloosa, Ala., April 9. The men's and women's team both placed second and the team finished second overall. The team competed against 124 colleges and universities and more than 1,600 athletes. The team had outstanding performances to include four Army women finishing in the top 25. Junior Marcie Nordt stole the spotlight by finishing third overall, while she was the first overall amateur women's finisher.

MAJ. OLIVIA NUNN/PAO

Spotlighting ... Anne Houghton

Story and photos by
Eric S. Bartelt
Managing Editor

The Army women's tennis team heads to Annapolis, Md., this weekend to compete in the 2011 Patriot League Championship. The Black Knights (21-7 overall, 5-0 PL record) are gunning for their seventh consecutive PL title after not losing a game in the PL regular season. They are led by one of the best players, if not the best, in Army women's tennis history—senior Anne Houghton.

Houghton has capped off her final season as the team's No. 1 singles and doubles player with an outstanding record in singles (22-9) and doubles (19-8). This year's win totals helped her climb to the top of the Army women's tennis record book with 96 career singles victories and tied for fourth in doubles wins (86) with Niki Flach (USMA Class of 2009).

Despite all the individual victories, the PL championships and NCAA appearances, Houghton still has one more goal in mind—to earn a team victory at the NCAAs.

The future Adjutant General officer from Sewickley, Pa., sat down with the *Pointer View* to talk about how family, coaching and her teammates helped form Army's most dynamic tennis player.

PV: How has your game evolved in your four years here and what has improved the most?

AH: “Hands down my serve has improved the most. Coach (Paul) Peck has done a great job with my serve. It's a big transformation (from juniors to college tennis) because we see a lot more girls who serve and volley, who use bigger serves, so it was all Coach Peck's help with that.”



Senior Anne Houghton, as the No. 1 singles/doubles player, played a huge part in the team going undefeated in the Patriot League regular season (5-0) without losing a game during those matches.

PV: Talk about your career with all the victories and how exciting it is to be one of the best, if not the best, Army women's tennis player in team history?

AH: “It's really exciting and a great accomplishment. Honestly, it's kind of hard to take it all in right now (with more tennis ahead), but with all my teammates through the years who I've worked with, everything that Coach Peck has done ... it was really a joint effort and I couldn't have done it without everyone.”

PV: Are the win totals something you think you'll appreciate more 10 years down the road then say, today, because you are still in the midst of the season?

AH: “I think I'll definitely appreciate it more down the road because we're in the height of our season, and that's an individual record and doesn't matter that much (now for the team). I want the year to go longer, so I can just keep playing. It's weird as a senior because you look at everything differently and with the record it was a great addition to having a great senior season.”

PV: From your achievements that include PL Rookie of the Year and two Player of Year awards to the team achievements, what do you consider the most memorable moment of your Army career?

AH: “I think winning the Patriot League every year, and I really want to win it this year to make it a fourth. My freshman year was rough because I was playing through mononucleosis, so I wasn't playing very well. (The PL final) came down to Sarah Giles-Madden's match, and it was as close as tennis could get. When she won it, she was the underdog and it was incredible to see. Then last year, Jurelle (Mendoza) pulling it out for everyone at the end was a great feeling.”



Senior Anne Houghton has a singles record of 22-9 and doubles record of 19-8 this season.

“Individually, I was voted MVP for the team and that means a lot coming from my teammates. That was probably my most memorable (individual) accomplishment.”

PV: You've been to three NCAA Tournaments. Talk about competing in a tournament like that against the type of competition you faced?

AH: “The NCAAs are a really good experience. We usually get a tough seed, either the top 1 or 2 seeds, so it's kind of rough. Those girls play a whole different level of tennis and it's so much fun to play against them and travel as a team. This year, our goal is to make it past the first round and, hopefully, we'll get a better seed, but we'll see how it goes. I want to win the final match (of my career). I want to secure that for myself.”

PV: You are the last in the line of the Houghtons (brothers John and Rick, and sister Kate) to go here. Talk about how special it is to be a part of something unique where three other siblings competed in the same sport and at the same college?

AH: “I couldn't have asked for a better deal. My family got me through West Point. Besides my teammates, they're my backbone—my brothers and sister. If I had a bad day (off the court) or a bad day on the court, they can relate to me every time. It's pretty tough for our parents this year with me being the last one, but it's been an incredible experience and my only wish is I could have been here longer with them.”

PV: Is there any sibling rivalry or satisfaction to being the best Houghton in

terms of record in academy tennis?

AH: “There really isn't. Johnny, my oldest brother, who is my role model, taught me pretty much everything I know about tennis because we grew up playing together. I give him a lot of credit for my success.”

PV: From being the No. 1 singles/doubles player to everything the academy throws at you, how has this experience shaped your life?

AH: “The biggest thing is it made me appreciate my family a lot more. I didn't realize how lucky I was to have such a supportive family and supportive parents until West Point.”

“My parents drive seven hours every weekend (to see me play at home). You have ups and downs here, but if you don't have friends, you don't have routines—I don't know how I would get through this place. It's almost like preaching to all the people, but (this experience) sucks at times, but it's what you make of it.”

“Another thing I've gotten from this whole experience is confidence in myself knowing that I can overcome (adversity). It's hard to work hard every day. It's hard to keep motivated and keep positive because there are some days you just want to sleep or not go to practice, but you're here for your teammates, you're here for your coaches, you're here for yourself. It's a lot of hard work, but I'm really proud of the journey I've had here and I don't think I could have asked for a better one—definitely work ethic is a huge part of West Point.”