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Corps salutes Thayer recipient

Former Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates received the 2011 Sylvanus Thayer Award Oct. 6 at West Point. Prior to the award presentation, Gates joined Cadet First Captain Charles Phelps and West Point Superintendent Lt. Gen. David H. Huntoon Jr. for a traditional review of the Corps of Cadets on the Plain. See page 3 for story and photos.

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Army Women's Lacrosse vs. NYU and TCNJ, 10:15 a.m. and 2 p.m., respectively, Saturday at Daly Field.

West Point Yard Sale force protection and traffic measures

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

It will be a busy day on West Point Saturday as the West Point Fall Yard Sale takes place from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. throughout the installation.

The yard sale will be held rain or shine and, in the event of cancellation due to severe weather, there will not be a makeup date.

As a reminder to residents and those visiting post prior to the start of the yard sale, the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation will host a 5K Run from 8-9:30 a.m. that starts and finishes in front of The Exchange, formerly known as the Post Exchange.

Because of the events, community members should be aware of the force protection and traffic measures for Saturday.

Residents and guests are reminded to remain cautious while driving in the housing areas due to the increased amount of vehicle and foot traffic.

There will also be an increase of Military Police patrols in the housing areas.

In accordance with force protection directives, all vehicles entering post without the proper identification will be stopped and searched.

Drivers with Department of Defense stickers and either the CAC or military ID card may want to enter the installation through Washington Gate to avoid possible lines during the morning rush of yard sale shoppers.

Residents are reminded to remain vigilant and contact the Military Police Desk at 938-3333 if they observe any suspicious individuals or acts such as persons taking atypical photographs or asking abnormal questions about the installation.

Housing residents are also asked to report any suspicious vehicles without DoD decals that remain in the housing areas after the conclusion of the yard sale and into Sunday.

Remember, if calling 911 on West Point, you must tell the operator that you are on West Point. The operator will divert your call to the West Point Military Police.

As always, *if you see something, hear something, say something.*

For more information, contact Matt Cassidy, DPTMS, at 938-3650.

Outside traffic should arrive through Thayer Gate Saturday

The Directorate of Emergency Services would like to divert all traffic through Thayer Gate until 9 a.m. Saturday due to the FMWR's Monster Dash 5K, which starts at 8 a.m.

Stony Lonesome Gate will only be open to residents of the Stony Lonesome housing area and access will be restricted until 9 a.m.

For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Micky Brooks, DES Operations NCO, at 938-0436.

Army completes BRAC 2005 on time

By J.D. Leipold, Dennis K. Bohannon and Justin Matthew Ward
Army News Service

WASHINGTON—At Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., the Army spent more than \$1 billion on construction, added 2.8 million square-feet of facilities and 18 buildings, demolished 140 structures, improved nine miles of roads and upgraded electric, water and information technology infrastructure.

All the work there was part of a successful effort to complete the congressionally mandated Base Realignment and Closure 2005 legislation and keep the Army as the premier ground fighting force on the globe.

Of course, the 2005 round of BRAC affected more than just the Soldiers and civilians at Aberdeen Proving Ground. The sweeping legislation approved in 2005 by Congress affected the entire Department of Defense. The deadline for compliance with BRAC, Sept. 15, 2011, was the same for all those affected. But of all those affected by BRAC, the Army bore the largest burden.

The Army was responsible for 47 percent of the entire

DoD BRAC 2005 program. It took six years, nearly \$18 billion and the relocation of more than 250,000 Soldiers and their families along with 29,500 civilians for the Army to comply with BRAC 2005.

The relocation of that many people affected not just those who had to move, but the communities surrounding installations as well. The BRAC efforts at APG, for instance, brought some 11 organizations there from other installations.

The Army Communications-Electronics Command had 69 percent of its 7,200-person workforce make the move to APG from Fort Monmouth, N.J.

The Army closed 12 active-component installations, one Reserve installation and 387 National Guard Readiness and Army Reserve Centers. Additionally, the Army reduced occupancy in eight leased facilities and also returned more than 70,000 acres of excess property and facilities to local communities, towns and states for redevelopment.

The bulk of new construction that consolidated bases took place in Maryland and Virginia, while closures in the northeast included Fort Monmouth (which moved the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School to West Point), Fort Monroe, Va.,

and Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. The Army's hospital was consolidated with the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., to become the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.

Additionally, a \$1.03 billion community hospital was constructed at Fort Belvoir, Va. That facility spans 1.3 million square-feet and features 120 beds with 55 primary and specialty care clinics, as well as primary and secondary level care.

Other BRAC Facts:

- Within the Army, the DoD BRAC 2005 program resulted in the service's largest organizational transformation since World War II;
- 53 Army installations were realigned;
- Army's largest command, U.S. Army Forces Command, and the generating force provider for combatant commanders moved from Fort McPherson, Ga., to Fort Bragg, N.C., in July relocating 2,800 headquarters staff members;
- TRADOC, which operates 33 schools and centers at 16 Army installations, moved their HQ of 37 years from Fort Monroe, Va., to Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va., in June.

Solution to Weekly Sudoku

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

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Gates urges cadets to stay connected with society

By Mike Strasser
Assistant Editor

The U.S. Military Academy welcomed former Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates Oct. 6 as the 2011 recipient of the Sylvanus Thayer Award, presented by the Association of Graduates.

The award bears the name of the academy's fifth superintendent, known throughout West Point as "the father of the academy."

"For millions of Soldiers and their families, Dr. Gates has always demonstrated bedrock integrity, exceptional professional competence and unvarnished candor," West Point Superintendent Lt. Gen. David H. Huntoon Jr. said. "As secretary of defense, Dr. Gates was always focused on taking care of Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines—the armed forces of the United States of America. He always set the conditions for their success and never forgot their sacrifices."

Since 1958, the award has been presented to a U.S. citizen whose service and accomplishments in the national interest exemplify personal devotion to the ideals expressed in the West Point motto, "Duty, Honor, Country."

During his remarks to the Corps of Cadets and invited guests, Gates focused on the element of "Country" in that motto and the relationship the military has with society.

Gates said the Iraq and Afghanistan campaigns represent the first large-scale conflicts to have been fought entirely by volunteers since the Revolutionary War.

"A tiny sliver of America has achieved extraordinary things under the most trying circumstances," Gates said. "My hope and expectations is that when all is said and done, the country's political leadership will continue to do right by the armed forces."

It is heartening, Gates said, to see the great affection, gratitude and support toward servicemembers and their families. However, wars remain an abstraction for most Americans and are presented as distant and unpleasant news items with no personal connection. In the absence of a draft, a notion exists that military service has become "something for other people to do."

"But what I would like to focus on tonight is the risk of a growing disconnect between our military and American society—not on the part of average Americans, but on the uniformed side of the equation," Gates said.

Gates recollected a visit to a forward operating base in eastern Afghanistan where a servicemember said he enlisted because the military had higher standards and values than the civilian sector.

"It is rather peculiar to suggest values like integrity, respect and courage are not valued in the United States of America at large," Gates said. "If you were able to spend enough time getting around this country ... you would find the seven Army Values are considered pretty important and being practiced across this great country and by Americans across the world."

He warned of a real risk of developing leadership disconnected from the majority of people they are sworn to defend, and it is his hope that the military is nowhere close to that reality.

"It does suggest that another important task for young Army leaders—for you—is to do what you can to keep yourself, through the assignments you take in your career and the choices you make in life, better connected to the American society of which you are an integral part," Gates said. "Tending this relationship between Soldier and society is something that military and civilian leaders alike must be cognizant of as we enter a delicate and difficult transition phase in Afghanistan. [It is] an effort in which the American public and an increasing number



Former Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates was presented the Sylvanus Thayer Award Oct. 6 by Jodie Glore, Association of Graduates chairman, and West Point Superintendent Lt. Gen. David H. Huntoon Jr.

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of politicians have grown weary; even as so many of our military leaders agree we are finally on the right track."

Admittedly, this was not award dinner material, Gates said, but still a message cadets should take note of as future Army leaders.

"I'm not good at fluff, and I suspect you're not very interested in fluff," Gates said. "Each of you with your talents, intelligence and records of accomplishments could have chosen something easier or safer ... and for that you have the profound gratitude and eternal admiration of the American people."

Class in session with Dr. Gates



In previous visits to West Point, Dr. Robert M. Gates has delivered the commencement speech to a graduating class, made a national address in front of the Corps of Cadets and lectured cadets in small classroom settings. The former CIA director and president of Texas A&M returned to the classroom again Oct. 6, prior to the Sylvanus Thayer Award ceremony. Twenty-six cadets from the Classes of 2012 and 2013 majoring in Defense and Strategic Studies spoke with Gates during an informal Q&A session.

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In Addition

For a list of Thayer Award recipients, biographies and award speeches, visit the Association of Graduates website at www.westpointaog.org/page.aspx?pid=444. A photo album of the 2011 Thayer Award presentation and Gates' visit to the academy is available at www.flickr.com/photos/west_point/.



High school senior J.T. Cartwright places his hand on a bridge held by Maj. Morgan Reese and presses down to test for strength during the Cornwall Central High School Engineering Day Oct. 5. Faculty members and cadets majoring in mechanical or civil engineering visited the school to create interest in engineering and math by showing hands-on math applications. Students from Cornwall Central High have won the West Point Bridge contest for the last two years.

Motivating high school math students at annual Engineering Day

Story and photo by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

Cornwall Central High School invited West Point engineering faculty, cadets majoring in civil or mechanical engineering and local engineers to talk to math students about the wonders of engineering Oct. 5.

This is the third year Cornwall Central High School enjoyed participating in “hands-on” experiments, building truss bridges and demonstrations of the difference between tension and flexibility.

“The Mid-Hudson branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers and West Point Center for STEM Education sponsors Engineering Day to inform high schools on what engineering is all about,” Maj. Morgan Reese, instructor in the Civil and Mechanical Engineering Department and one of the faculty members attending the event, said. “Most high school students don’t have a clue as to what they want to do (as a career).”

Engineers go to various schools to introduce the subject of engineering to students, including computer programming and building bridges.

“By learning how engineering works, we also show how it applies to the understanding of what math is,” Reese said.

Although several students in math classes at Cornwall Central High School have an interest in engineering, most high school students do not. Reese said she took a poll in one math class asking how many have an interest in engineering as a career, and only one student tentatively raised his hand.

On the other hand, Cornwall Central High School has won the West Point Bridge Design Contest two consecutive years, having won it in 2010 and 2011. The contest had more than 20,000 applications.

“The purposes of this high-technology, interactive, Internet-based competition is to provide middle and high school students with a realistic, engaging introduction to engineering through designing structurally accurate bridges using an award-winning software program,” Catherine Bale, Director of Outreach for the Center for STEM Education, said.

Cadets who are civil or mechanical engineering majors have strong ideas on the importance

of engineering.

“It’s important to get high school students involved,” Class of 2013 Cadet Adam Leemans said. “America is at the forefront of innovation and we have the ability to have great engineers and scientists. If we don’t, then America stands to lose the ability to get ahead. Other countries are ahead of us in innovation, like India. China has more honor students than we have engineering students.”

Students built truss bridges out of K’nex in a contest at the end of the class. The structures were tested for strength or load with one bridge able to withstand more than 10 pounds of weight on the otherwise toy-like structure.

For more information on the West Point Bridge Contest, visit <http://bridgecontest.usma.edu>.

Army bracing for more budget cuts

By C. Todd Lopez
Army News Service

The potential of the Department of Defense facing additional budget cuts of \$500-600 billion over the next 10 years keeps him “up at night,” said Secretary of the Army John McHugh.

DoD is already looking at budget cuts meant to save the federal government \$450 billion over 10 years. In addition, lawmakers who are part of the “super committee” are looking to find an additional \$1.2 trillion in savings over the same period. If they fail to do so, as much as half of that amount could automatically be taken from the DOD through “sequestration,” McHugh said.

“I think we’re in a positive position to accommodate at least the \$450 billion or so in cuts that have been scheduled against the DOD to this point,” McHugh told a panel of journalists during the opening hours of the 2011 Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting and Exposition in Washington, D.C.

“Additional cuts coming out of that process, particularly the potential of sequestration, and the \$500-\$600 billion or so of additional cuts that would likely (be brought) against the Defense Department, I would think it is fair to say [would be] catastrophic,” McHugh said, “certainly to the Army and certainly to our national defense posture.”

Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Raymond Odierno said that the potential of a “hollow force” would not come to fruition, however. Instead, he said, a ready and capable force would exist—though size might be affected.

“No matter what happens, we are not going to have a hollow force,” Odierno said. “We are going to have a force that is a certain size, that has the modernization and readiness necessary to be quality.”

Both McHugh and Odierno agreed that cuts to the DOD would likely be shared equally across the three military departments—the Army, the Navy and the Air Force. The Marine Corps falls under the Department of the Navy.



West Point partners with VA

West Point Superintendent Lt. Gen. David H. Huntoon Jr. looks on while Gerald Culliton, Director of Veterans Affairs Hudson Valley Health Care Services, signs a Memorandum of Agreement on Oct. 5, establishing the first joint Individual Disability Evaluation System in the country. The IDES program at the VA's Montrose Campus will have medical personnel from West Point and the Department of Veterans Affairs working together to streamline the process of servicemembers being medically evaluated as they leave the military.

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SHARP Response Team

24/7 Sexual Assault Response Coordinators

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- Maj. Missy Rosol, USCC: 845-401-3476;
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- DoD SafeHelpline: 877-995-5247;
- www.safehelpline.org.

24/7 Victim Advocacy

- Dan Toohey, Installation: 914-382-8180;
- Lt. Col. Ed Supplee, Center for Personal Development: 845-591-7215;
- On-call Behavioral Health: 845-938-4004;
- Duty Chaplain: 845-401-8171.

Salute to Native American servicemembers



Maj. Andy Pannier, an instructor in the Department of Chemistry and Life Sciences, was the keynote speaker at an event on the Onondaga Nation thanking Native Americans who have served in the military. The event was sponsored by Thank A Service Member (TASM), a non-profit organization. More than 200 servicemembers were honored for their service to the United States, periods of service ranged from World War II to the current Global War on Terrorism. Native Americans traveled from as far as Alaska to attend the event, which honored all Native Americans who have served in the U.S. military by thanking them for their contributions and presenting them with a challenge coin from TASM. It was a time of healing and closure for many of those present and the Nation chief thanked all of those who have served and this great nation for honoring them. Pannier said it was the highlight of his 16 years of military service and he has been asked to speak at future engagements honoring Native Americans.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Carbon Monoxide: The silent killer lurking in your home



Carbon Monoxide is produced by incomplete burning of fuel, such as propane, kerosene, gasoline, oil, natural gas, wood and charcoal. A leak can be attributed to many common household sources including malfunctioning gas-fired appliances, space heaters, chimney flues and portable generators.

Submitted by West Point Safety Office

There is a killer lurking out there, a killer that may be finding its way into your home without your knowledge. You won't be able to see it, so looking doesn't help.

This killer's name is carbon monoxide, also known to scientists as CO.

Carbon monoxide causes harm by a process known as chemical asphyxiation. CO enters the body through the lungs where it is absorbed into the blood stream.

CO bonds with hemoglobin and hinders its ability to transport oxygen throughout the body by occupying the location hemoglobin reserves for oxygen. The body then becomes deprived of oxygen and cannot function properly. Initially, the affected person may experience symptoms similar to a cold.

Common signs and symptoms include headache, weakness, fatigue, fever, dizziness, shortness of breath and vomiting. In severe exposures, death may result. However, these signs and symptoms are not all-inclusive and may not occur simultaneously.

Since the home and automobile are enclosed areas, those who spend a great majority of their time indoors or in their cars

are those with the greatest risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. CO is generated from the incomplete combustion of carbon based fuels such as oil, gas, kerosene, natural gas and wood—things commonly used to heat homes or power vehicles. Neglecting a car's exhaust system is also a very common source of CO poisoning. This happens when CO leaks from the exhaust system under the vehicle and enters the car through areas that are not airtight.

If you constantly experience these symptoms and they don't go away or you always feel sluggish, then you may be experiencing exposure to carbon monoxide. This is especially true if these symptoms seem to ease when you leave the enclosed area.

Since this gas is colorless, tasteless and odorless, the only practical way to detect it is with the help of a small detection device that looks very similar to your home smoke detector. The carbon monoxide detector is an inexpensive device that constantly scans for the presence of the gas and emits a high pitched alarm if the concentration of CO exceeds a level pre-set by the manufacturer.

For those who travel in cars and experience the symptoms of CO exposure, the choice of defense is simple—have your vehicle's

exhaust system thoroughly inspected and repaired by a professional. You should also ride with your window slightly open to allow fresh air to enter and help reduce the buildup of CO in the passenger compartment.

It is possible to unknowingly absorb significant quantities of carbon monoxide while asleep since it is virtually undetectable to the senses. Thus, it is very important to install a detector near the sleeping area of the home.

This will help protect the family from CO poisoning in the event high levels of CO are detected while sleeping. Additional locations in the home where CO detectors would be of assistance are near sources of combustion.

Since each home is different, it is good practice to follow the manufacturer's instructions that come with each carbon monoxide detector. If the alarm should sound the best course of action is to open all windows and doors and leave the building. After leaving you should call emergency personnel for assistance from your cell phone or a neighbor's telephone. They can help you plan your next action to prevent a future buildup of CO.

For more information about carbon monoxide, contact the West Point Safety Office at 938-3717.

Cadet Activities Update

Flying Team: Three members of the West Point Flying Team conducted practice at Stewart International Airport Oct. 10.

The cadets continued work on the flying events, including precision landings and cross-country flight. Next up, the team will be competing in the National Intercollegiate Flying Association regional competition at Shirley, N.Y.

Orienteering Team: The Orienteering Team traveled to Bear Brook State Park, N.H., Oct. 8-10, to compete in the 2011 Boulder Dash Classic. Class of 2012 Cadet Hannah Burgess took first place in both races, winning her age category overall.

Class of 2015 Cadet John Williams placed first in the red course category. Class of 2015 Cadet Samuel Thompson took first in the green course category.

Chess Club: The Chess Club played in the Armed Forces Chess Championship in Washington, D.C., and lost to Air Force, 147-116. Class of 2015 Cadet Paul Kim won the best cadet award and Class of 2015 Cadet Diana Tsang won the best female player and tickets to the Redskins/Patriots game.

Debate: The West Point Debate Team returned from competition Oct. 1 at Rochester University.

All three novice teams made it into the elimination round. One of the teams, made up of Class of 2014 Cadets Steven Burroughs and Allyson Hauptman, won the novice division. This was the first time a single novice team won the first two regional tournaments in recent history.

Speech Team: The Speech Team returned from Swarthmore, Pa., Oct. 1, after competing in its annual novice tournament. The tournament is the perfect forum for new members to compete against equally new debaters. West Point had three pairs competing, and all met with a measure of success.

Domestic Affairs Forum: Four cadets from the Domestic Affairs Forum attended the Intelligence Squared Debate in New York City.

The Debate Topic was "Grandma's Benefits Imperil Junior's Future" and centered on the question of whether entitlements saddle our children with unmanageable debt, asking them to sacrifice their future for the sake of the elderly. The cadets will present their research on this topic and lessons learned from the debate to several sections of the Introduction to American Politics class.

Women's Team Handball: Women's Team Handball competed in the Tar Heel Invitational at the University of North Carolina on Oct. 1-2. West Point's Black team ended the tournament with a 3-2-1 record. The Black team capitalized on its speed and conditioning by scoring many points off fast breaks.

The Black team's one loss came by five points at the hands of Carolina, last year's college national champion and the tournament's winner. The Black team earned third place by beating the Tar Heels (Carolina's B team) in its final game.

Even though the teams tied the first time they met, this final victory came at a substantial margin.

West Point's Gold team beat New Jersey for its first victory of the year. When the team faced New Jersey a second time, the Gold team found itself in the tournament's most exciting game—a double overtime match decided by a shootout.

Unfortunately, New Jersey won the shootout, making 3 of the 7 meter shots to Gold's 1. West Point's Gold team ended the tournament in 6th place. West Point Women's Team Handball looks forward to hosting its own tournament Nov. 4 at West Point.

Men's Volleyball: On Sept. 30, the men's volleyball team traveled to Annapolis, Md., to compete in an "All-Academy Tournament" losing to Navy and Air Force.

Head Point first developed at West Point

Submitted by the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

As a Computer Science major, in an independent study course in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, 1st Lt. Roy Ragsdale (Class of 2008), used commercial, off-the-shelf equipment and open-source software to develop a prototype of a vehicle or on a dismounted soldier system that discreetly records eye-level images of the environment as the vehicle drives along or the Soldier patrols an area. The system adds a timestamp, Global Positioning System data and combines the images to create 360 degree flat panoramic pictures comparable in appearance and quality to Google Street Views.

On Sept. 30, Ragsdale's former advisor and project leader, Col. Grant Jacoby, visited IMTS, Inc. in Fredericksburg, Va., where the final prototypes, called Head Point, are being assembled. The images from Head Point easily upload on to virtually any geo-imagery system currently being used forward (even Google Earth on individual laptops) to provide better intelligence for planning, such as route preparation as well as facial and object recognition. The Head Point units will be shipped to Afghanistan this month, where they will be field tested by U.S. Army units. If the prototypes perform as predicted, Head Point would become another example of how the academy's intellectual capital supports the operational needs of the Army.

Head Point at a glance



Water Polo posts home wins

The Army Water Polo Team hosted league play Oct. 1-2 at Arvin Gymnasium, going 3-1 that weekend. The team ran out of time against Cornell, losing by a score of 14-6. After this initial set back, Army won the next three games, defeating Syracuse 24-8, Binghamton 23-5 and Colgate 21-6. This was the final league tournament before the state finals/qualifier for nationals Oct. 22-23. The team is seated third out of 16 teams in their division and is well-placed to qualify for the national tournament.

ARMY WATER POLO TEAM PHOTO

FMWR Blurbs

Walk a Mile

The ACS Family Advocacy Program is hosting a "Walk a Mile" in support of Domestic Violence Awareness month Friday.

The walk starts and ends at the Thayer Statue on the Plain. Come along anytime between 11:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. to participate, rain or shine.

For more information, call 938-3369.

Mongolian Barbecue

Join the West Point Club from 5-8 p.m. Friday for a Mongolian Barbecue in the Pierce Dining Room.

It's your chance to create a culinary masterpiece.

It starts by making you the chef. Choose from a selection of beef, turkey, pork, shrimp and fresh vegetables, sauces and spices.

After your creation is complete, your food is weighed and then a club chef will assist you by stir-frying your masterpiece.

No reservations needed, open seating only.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Monster Dash 5K

The FMWR Fitness Center presents the Monster Dash 5K Saturday.

Registration begins at 7 a.m. and the 5K starts at 8 a.m. The start and finish of the race will be at The Exchange parking lot (H-Lot).

Pre-registration begins at the FMWR Fitness Center two weeks prior to race day.

Race day registration will be at the start line. Cadets can run for free. Strollers and leashed dogs welcome.

For more information, call 938-6490 or go to westpointmwr.com.

Moonlight Madness and Oktoberfest

The West Point Golf Course invites the community to indulge in a little Moonlight Madness and Oktoberfest Saturday.

The Shotgun start is at 3 p.m. for the first nine holes, then enjoy a German-themed dinner at 5:30 p.m., then back on course for the final nine holes.

Cost includes all green fees, cart, prizes and dinner.

To make reservations, call 938-2435.

Bring your Boss to Lunch Day

Celebrate National Boss Day at the West Point Club from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday. Enjoy a buffet style lunch served in the Club's Hudson Room.

To make reservations, call 938-5120.

FMWR presents Camp Buckner's House of Horror

Join FMWR from 6-9 p.m. Oct. 21 at Camp Buckner off of Route 293 and see what lurks in the haunted house.

There will be kids' activities and refreshments too. Wear your Halloween costume and get a discount off admission.

Family members of deployed

servicemembers can enjoy the activities for free as well as children five years old and under.

Open to the West Point, Highland Falls and Fort Montgomery communities.

For more information, call 938-6497.

Art EDGE! for School-Age Children

Art EDGE! is offering classes for children in grades 1-5 to design Halloween and Thanksgiving plaques from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Fridays through Oct. 21 at Lee CDC.

Enroll at CYSS Parent Central or call 938-4458/0939.

Art EDGE! for Middle School & Teens

Design a harvest pillow for your room during an Art EDGE! program.

The program is free to students in grades 6-12 at the Youth Center from 3:15-4:15 p.m. every Wednesday through Oct. 26.

Enroll at Parent Central, Lee CDC, Bldg. 140, or call 938-4458.

Halloween Family Fun Night

A fun-filled Halloween Family Fun Night will be presented by the Army Family Team Building program from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Oct. 28 at ACS Bldg. 622.

Join our AFTB staff for a Trick or Treat parade, Halloween crafts, Monster Cookie Station, games and prizes.

To register for the event, call 938-5654.

FMWR community swim program October hours of operation

The community swim program's hours of operation in October are:

- Monday through Saturday—noon-1:30 p.m. at Crandall Pool;
- Monday and Wednesday—6:30-8:30 p.m. at Crandall Pool;
- Closed during the home football game Oct. 29.

Check the information tape at 938-2985 for any changes to the schedule.

Fit EDGE! Volleyball

Fit EDGE! Volleyball consists of six classes and is open to youth in grades 6-12.

The free classes take place on Mondays at the Youth Center (500 Washington Road) through Oct. 31.

Enroll at CYSS Parent Central or call 938-4458/0939.

Hired! Program workshops

Teens ages 15-18 who are interested in working and meet the Hired! Program requirements can earn \$500 for working 15 hours a week for 12 consecutive weeks.

Hired! workshops are offered for free at the Youth Services Bldg. 500 from 3-5:30 p.m. ACS will be offering workshops Nov. 3 and Dec. 1.

Interested teens can contact Marion DeClemente at 938-8889 or email marion.declemente@usma.edu.

Strong Spouses and Young Heroes Deployment Support Groups

New deployment support groups for spouses and children will be held from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Nov. 4 and Dec. 2 by the ACS Mobilization and Deployment Program in Bldg. 622.

The Strong Spouses Journaling through Deployment group discovers how to record thoughts, special events and milestones while sharing your feelings about your deployment experience with others.

Meet new friends and learn about helpful resources.

The Young Heroes Learning about Deployment group helps children gain support and have fun while learning about life in Iraq and Afghanistan through deployment-related activities.

Military youth are taught and recognized as heroes through this support group.

For more information and to register, call 938-5654.

Wee One Play Group hours of operation

The Wee Ones Play Group is 9:30-11 a.m. every Monday at the Lee Child Development Center.

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

Volunteers and Arts & Crafts materials needed

The Art EDGE! Program is an after-school activity for children in grades 1-12. Due to budget cutbacks, arts/crafts/hobbies supplies are sparse.

If you have pillow stuffing (batting), needles, thread, cloth material or buttons to donate, the program would be very interested in receiving them for future art projects.

If you have, or know someone with, a talent to share with children in grades 1-5 or grades 6-12 in an after-school environment, a couple of hours (one day a week for four weeks), the program would be very interested in having you.

For more information, call 938-0829.

MST Center Open on early dismissal days

The West Point Middle School/Teen Center (MST Center) will open at 11 a.m. on scheduled early dismissal days at the West Point Middle School for those 6-8 grade students registered with CYSS. A small fee is applicable.

Check with WPMS for their early dismissal dates.

For more information, call 938-8525/3727.

NEW INFO

Staff & Faculty Noontime Basketball League

The FMWR Sports Office will conduct the 2011-12 Staff & Faculty Noontime Basketball

League.

League play will start the week of Oct. 17 and deadline for entries is at the close of business today.

For more information or to enter a team, contact Jim McGuinness at 938-3066 or email jim.mcguinness@usma.edu.

School Age Services Night

Join the fun at the Lee Area CDC for School Age Services Night from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Friday.

The theme will be Harvest Fest, so come ready to have some fall fun.

This event is open to students in grades 1-5 with a nominal fee.

For more information, call 938-0941.

Sunday Brunch is back at the club

Enjoy a traditional brunch in the West Point Club's Grand Ballroom from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday.

Try the club's new omelet station, carving station and delicious desserts.

Receive a complimentary glass of champagne or a Bloody Mary with brunch.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Action Pasta Bar

Join the West Point Club in the Pierce Dining Room from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday for the chef's own Action Pasta Bar.

Meet our chef and experience fine Italian cuisine while he prepares your selection. There is an all-you-can-eat buffet at a great price for adults and children.

For more information, call 938-5120.

Life EDGE! R.E.A.D.

The EDGE! program has partnered with Reading Education Assistance Dogs (R.E.A.D.) for children in grades 1-3 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Wednesdays through Nov. 30 at the FMWR Training Center (Bldg. 695, Buckner Loop) for a nominal fee.

A CYSS membership is required. To enroll, go to Parent Central (Lee CDC, Bldg. 140, Buckner Loop) or call 938-4458/0939.

Part Day Preschool openings

The Lee Child Development Center currently has openings for its part-day Preschool five-day afternoon program from 1-4 p.m. This program is for children 3 years and older.

For more information, call 938-4458/0939.

Make a Difference Day

West Point's inaugural Make a Difference Day is scheduled Nov. 4.

Inspired by National Make a Difference Day, FMWR encourages community members to volunteer their time and work together to positively impact our community.

To sign up for a project or to discuss project ideas for your group or organization, contact Christina Overstreet at christina.overstreet@usma.edu.

What's Happening

DUSA Continuing Education Grant applications

The Society of the Daughters of the U.S. Army is accepting applications for Continuing Education Grants through Friday. Applications are available at the DUSA Gift Shop, which is located inside the West Point Museum. Applicants must be a member of DUSA.

Post-wide yard sale

The next West Point post-wide yard sale is scheduled for 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

National Conference on Ethics in America

The National Conference on Ethics in America, hosted by the Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic and sponsored by the West Point Class of 1970, is scheduled for Monday-Wednesday in Eisenhower Hall.

The NCEA promotes awareness of ethical issues in the conduct of scholastic, extra-curricular and professional endeavors. Accordingly, the NCEA conference theme is "Serve with Integrity."

The plenary speaker sessions, which take place in the Eisenhower Hall Theatre Monday and Tuesday, are open to the West Point community.

For more information, go to www.nceaconference.com or contact Lt. Col. Michael Turner at michael.turner@usma.edu or call 938-8755.

Sukkot Worship information

Sukkot, also known as the Festival of Booths or Tabernacles, continues through the week and concludes at nightfall Wednesday.

For Sukkot, the Jewish Chapel is offering the following worship/observance opportunity:

- Tuesday—Chapel Sukkot Party, 7:15 p.m.

For more information, contact the Jewish Chapel Staff and/or Rabbi (Maj.) Shmuel Felzenberg at 938-2710.

The Jewish Chapel is located on-post at 750 Merritt Road.

West Point Women's Club event

The West Point Women's Club is hosting a murder mystery dinner called "Killing for the Crown," which takes place from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Oct. 20 at the 49er Lodge.

Dress in your best pageant wear, while wearing a sash to represent your home state. RSVP to wpwcreervations@gmail.com by Monday for the event.

There is a fee for the event that can be paid through a PayPal link on the website at <http://westpointwomensclub.shutterfly.com/> or mail your payment to WPWC P.O. Box 44, West Point, NY 10996.

Dinner and soda/water are included.

October Motorcycle Safety Courses

The West Point Safety Office is offering Motorcycle Safety Courses for staff and faculty who are active duty and reserve component military Wednesday-Oct. 20 and to cadets Oct. 20-23.

For more information, call the West Point Safety Office at 938-3717.

West Point Diving Club

The West Point Diving Club will be offering learn-to-dive lessons this fall at Crandall Pool in the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center.

All ages and experience levels are welcome. The ability to swim is a prerequisite.

Lessons are offered from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday and from 11 a.m.-noon Saturday. There are also noon-1 p.m. and 1-2 p.m. Saturday lessons when available.

For more information, contact diving coach Ron Kontura at ron.kontura@usma.edu or 938-4207.

Scrapbooking events

Are you ready to scrapbook? Let's get together and have some fun. If you are interested in scrapbooking at West Point, email Suzanne Schultz at suzanne.marie.schultz@gmail.com.

Bowling league needs a male bowler

The West Point Monday Night Mixed Bowling League needs a male bowler to complete one of its teams.

If you are interested in having a fun night of bowling, contact Paul Merritt, league secretary, at 938-6239.

Free Computer Training

The Information, Education and Technology Division

is offering free computer courses. The courses include Microsoft Office 2007 software such as Outlook, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access and SharePoint 2010.

Other courses offered are Computer Hardware and Software Orientation and a Keyboard Typing Skills Lab. Courses are given in Jefferson Hall, fourth floor, Room 414 (IETD Classroom) through July 27, 2012.

Courses are open to cadets, USMAPS cadet candidates and computer users from any USMA activity.

For more information, call Thomas Gorman at 938-1186 or send an email to Thomas.Gorman@usma.edu.

For course dates, go to the IETD Course Calendar at <http://usma-portal/dean/staff/ietd/training/Pages/default.aspx>.

Combined Federal Campaign is underway

The West Point/Orange/Rockland/Sullivan 2011-12 Combined Federal Campaign began Monday and runs through Nov. 11.

This year's theme is "50 Years of Caring."

For further information, contact your agency keyworker or Joanne Nocton at 938-2331.

NEW INFO

Fire Safety Open House

The West Point Fire Department and Balfour Beatty Communities will hold an open house at Fire Station II on Stony Lonesome Road from 2-4 p.m. today.

Firemen will give an overall fire prevention and safety talk, plus a tour of the firehouse.

All West Point community members are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

War Game Weekend

The West Point Museum will host a war gaming event featuring various historic war games available, from the Revolutionary War, World War II and Cold War Saturday and Sunday. Admission is free.

The games will be available during regular museum hours, 10:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m., and will be located in the Lucas Military Heritage Center.

For more information, call 938-3590 or visit the Museum on Facebook.

Highland Falls Fall Festival

The Town of Highlands is sponsoring the 19th annual Fall Festival in Highland Falls on North Main Street from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

Come and enjoy crafts, food and music. There is something for everyone. The event will take place rain or shine.

Pink Out at O'Neill High School

The O'Neill Volleyball Program will be hosting a 'Pink Out' game Oct. 21. The O'Neill varsity volleyball team will be playing Liberty High School. It will be the team's senior night along with a Breast Cancer fundraiser.

There will be no charge to attend, however, there will be a bake sale during the game along with raffles.

Donations will be both accepted and much appreciated.

Spaghetti dinner benefit

A spaghetti dinner to benefit a Highland Falls family that has experienced a tragedy is set for 4-8 p.m. Saturday at Sacred Heart Church.

There will be a Tricky Tray with prizes ranging in value from \$5 to \$1,500.

Keller Corner

Flu Vaccine Information Line

KACH Department of Primary Care has scheduled two beneficiary flu drives for all eligible beneficiaries and retirees. The drives are scheduled from 3-7 p.m. today and 3-7 p.m. Nov. 3.

These flu drives will be conducted in the Primary Care/Family Practice Clinic at KACH. No appointments are necessary.

Smoking Cessation Program

Kick the smoking habit. Smoking Cessation Program classes will be held from noon-1 p.m. every first and third Friday every month at the Keller Army Community Hospital 4th floor classroom.

You will be required to only attend one class to be enrolled in the program.

This class will help you quit using tobacco products.

If you have any questions, call KACH Army Public Health Nursing at 938-2676.

Laser Vision Correction Surgery for Active Duty

The KACH Refractive Surgery Clinic is now offering Laser Vision Correction Surgery to eligible Active Duty servicemembers on a year-round basis.

Attendance at a refractive surgery seminar is mandatory prior to making a preoperative appointment.

The next seminar is 7:30-8:30 p.m. Nov. 7 in Thayer Hall, Room 144.

For detailed information on getting started, visit the clinic's website at http://kach.amedd.army.mil/index/clinics/CRESP_Home.html or call 938-2207.

TRICARE Online New Features

TRICARE Online has listened to your requests and has provided new features. You now have the ability to

receive email and text message reminders for your booked appointments.

Register for this service under the "My Profile" setting on your TRICARE Online homepage.

Another new feature is your ability to cancel any medical appointments. Previously, you could only cancel appointments booked using TRICARE Online.

Now, if the appointment center is closed for the evening, you can cancel that upcoming appointment with TRICARE Online and we can offer that appointment to another patient.

TRICARE Online used to limit how many appointments a registered user could make at one time, not anymore.

If you have registered all your family members, you can book mom's appointment, dad's follow-up and all of the kids runny noses in one sit down.

TRICARE Online is not just for appointments only.

You are able to review past lab results, pharmacy prescriptions and other health information you may need.

Pharmacy refills can be ordered through TRICARE Online. If you still have refills available on your prescription, you will be able to order and pick up your refill at the Keller Pharmacy.

TRICARE Online has numerous resources available as well—websites about your benefits, medical information, VA medical benefits and the Defense Centers of Excellence newest project: afterdeployment.org.

If you haven't tried us in awhile, come back and see our new features.

We can be reached at www.tricareonline.com.

Scholastic Book Fair

The West Point Schools' Parent-Teacher Organization will sponsor the Scholastic Book Fair from Oct. 24-28.

During the week, WPS PTO is also having a special family expo taking place from 3-5:30 p.m. Oct. 26. There will be pizza and a bake sale. There will be prize drawings and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics) exhibits.

NOW SHOWING

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

Friday—Spy Kids: All the Time in the World, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—The Smurfs, PG, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—Apollo 18, PG-13, 9:30 p.m.

Oct. 21—The Help, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 22—Colombiana, PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

Oct. 22—The Debt, R, 9:30 p.m.

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

Command Channel 8/23

Oct. 13-20

(Broadcast times)

Army Newswatch

Today, Friday and Monday through Oct. 20
8:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

The Point

Today, Friday and Monday through Oct. 20
8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Life Works at Balfour Beatty Communities

- **Constitution Island tour**—The Constitution Island tour takes place from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Oct. 21. Boarding at South Dock starts at 10:30 a.m. The tour includes a boat ride to and from the island, a history of Revolutionary War fortifications and viewing the Warner House. Explore the island and walking trails and pack a picnic lunch as there is no food available. Balfour Beatty Communities will provide soft drinks and snacks.

Call Jodi Gellman for reservations by Friday at 446-6407 or jgellman@bbcgrp.com.

Weekly Sudoku by Chris Okasaki, D/EECS

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

See SUDOKU SOLUTION, Page 2

Difficulty: Hard

Women's Soccer stays undefeated in conference

By Mady Salvani
Army Athletic Communications

Sophomore midfielder Ruthie Rosenberger scored in front of the net in the 63rd minute, and Army senior goalkeeper Monica Lee made two spectacular saves late in the game to preserve a 1-0 shutout over Bucknell in a Patriot League women's soccer match Sunday at Clinton Field.

The shutout is Army's league-leading 10th of the season as the preseason favorite Black Knights moved to 2-0-1 in conference games and 9-2-3 overall. Bucknell fell to 1-2-0 in the league and 3-8-1 overall.

"It is great coming back with a win from Friday's 1-1 tie with Colgate," Army head coach Stefanie Golan said. "Every point matters, especially your points at home. I felt it was critical for us to get a win today as Sunday's games on Friday-Sunday weekends in the league are usually about 'guts.' The first half I felt Bucknell had more guts than us. They were a little bit tougher and a little bit stronger.

"We lost Katie Wacker to an injury in the first five minutes of the game, and it is tough when that happens," Golan continued. "Our team didn't rise up and bring the energy and bring the fight. At halftime, we talked about that and came out with a new fire and a new competitive edge, along with a lot more composure.

"We started doing some of the set pieces we talked about at halftime and started getting more opportunities in the second half," she added.

Firing just five shots between the two teams in the first half, Army and Bucknell ripped off 12 and eight shots, respectively, over the next 45 minutes with the Black Knights tallying the lone goal just over nine minutes into the period.

Bucknell's Taryn Boucher took the first two shots of the second half, the second on goal in the 50th minute with Lee making her second of four saves.

The Black Knights took three shots to Bucknell's one over the next 13 minutes with Rosenberger scoring off a cross from senior forward Dee Clegg for her second goal and game winner of the season.

Clegg's cross from the right side bounced off Rosenberger's shoulder into the right corner of the Bison net that not only surprised the keeper, but Rosenberger as well.

Clegg picked up her second assist of the season and career fifth.

"My job when I get on the field is to get in by the back post," Rosenberger said, "and I know that Dee (Clegg) can hit a ball pretty well across the goal. The ball hit off my shoulder and I didn't realize at first that it went in."

Rosenberger came close to scoring a second goal just over a minute later when her uncontested shot went over the top of the net.

Army and Bucknell battled the rest of the way with the Black Knights ripping off nine shots following their goal and the Bison booting five trying to score the equalizer.

Lee pulled up with two key saves on dangerous chances when Bucknell took four shots, along with a corner kick, during a four-minute span over the final 15-plus minutes.

"We came out on our heels in the first half," Lee said. "But we put in a very good effort in the second half. The shots came hard, but we were able to keep our composure and we were able to pull it out at the end. It was good for us to come out and get the win after having a rough time Friday night with Colgate."

Golan was also impressed with Lee's late-game heroics stating "she came up with a big save and was going the right way initially, but the ball was deflected. It was big time for the way she responded as quickly as she did."



Sophomore midfielder Ruthie Rosenberger scored the only goal of the game against Bucknell Sunday at Clinton Field. With the win, Army improves to 2-0-1 in the conference and 9-2-3 overall for the 2011 season.

PHOTO BY DANNY WILD

Volleyball sweeps Holy Cross 3-0

By Tracy Nelson
Army Athletic Communications

The Army volleyball team got back to Patriot League action with a 3-0 win in Worcester, Mass., versus Holy Cross Oct. 8. Sophomore middle blocker Megan Wilton led the Black Knights' attack with 10 kills, as Army posted a 25-23, 25-20, 25-16 victory to improve to 4-1 in Patriot League play.

Army (13-6) defeated the Crusaders for the 11th straight meeting and improved to 41-5 in the all-time series. Holy Cross fell to 6-15 overall and 2-3 in conference play.

Wilton's 10 kills included a .400 hitting percentage, as she recorded just two errors in 20 attempts. Junior outside hitter Ariana Mankus and sophomore outside hitter Margaux Jarka contributed seven kills apiece.

Mankus completed a double-double as she matched sophomore libero D.J. Phee for a match-high 18 digs. Senior co-captain outside hitter Fabiola Castro totaled 11 digs to go with a pair of blocks.

The Black Knights' attack hit .238 and recorded 45 kills. The defense held Holy Cross to a .152 mark with 34 kills. The team's leading hitter, Megan Lynch, recorded a match-high 18 kills for the Crusaders. Lynch took 57 swings on the afternoon.

After winning the first two sets by a combined seven points, the Black Knights put the match away with a convincing 25-16 victory in the third session. Army hit .394, recorded 14 kills and just one error in the decisive set.

"The team played great today, especially in the third game," head coach Alma Kovaci said. "Molly (McDonald) and Margaux (Jarka) were key substitutions and provided the spark we needed to put a tough Holy Cross team away. Mary (Vaccaro) had a good day as well. The third set really showed how capable this team can be."

McDonald did not commit an error and finished with three kills. Vaccaro, Army's star freshman setter, finished with 39 assists, nine digs and four kills.

The meat of Patriot League play continues this weekend, as Army travels to Bucknell and Colgate on Friday and Saturday, respectively. Both matches are set for a 7 p.m. start and will feature live statistics.



Sophomore libero D.J. Phee made a match-high 18 digs to help Army sweep Holy Cross Oct. 8 in Worcester, Mass.

MIKE STRASSER/PV