



## A Golden Jump

Under Secretary of the Army Patrick Murphy in a tandem jump with Sgt. 1st Class Joe Ablen of the Army Golden Knights, the U.S. Army's parachute team out of Fort Bragg, N.C., Nov. 10 at West Point. Murphy, the first veteran of the Iraq War to be selected to the U.S. House of Representatives, lands on the Plain with Ablen, celebrating veterans everywhere the day before Veterans Day.

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# Force Protection message during Thanksgiving weekend

**By Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security's Force Protection Office**

We all know that Thanksgiving Day begins the holiday season, but the day after the annual festive celebration is commonly referred to as "Black Friday" and for a good reason. It is the busiest of any day in the year for shopping, but also a time where you and your family can be most vulnerable.

Throughout this extended weekend, situational awareness is paramount and we encourage everyone to remain observant and

aware of your surroundings regardless of where you may be whether staying home in New York, traveling across the country or shopping at the mall.

Throughout the holiday weekend, consider practicing a couple of simple, yet important measures that can keep you and/or your family members safe and secure during this Thanksgiving Day weekend:

- Coordinate shopping with friends or family members—there is safety in numbers.
- Park in a well-lit parking space and lock your vehicle, close the windows and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk. As you

approach your vehicle after shopping, make sure to have your keys out and ready before you get to your vehicle. Scan the area and look inside before entering your vehicle.

- If you suspect suspicious activity near your vehicle, move away and seek assistance.
- If someone approaches your vehicle and you feel threatened, get in the vehicle, lock the doors and immediately drive away.
- Be alert in crowded places for pickpockets who favor revolving doors, jammed aisles, elevators, and public transportation stops and vehicles.
- As a reminder: All DOD personnel,

whether on leave or TDY, must receive an Area of Responsibility brief if traveling outside the country. For additional information or assistance, contact the DPTMS AT/FP Office at 8859.

Vigilance and awareness are the key words to remember during this popular shopping weekend. Please remember to promptly report suspicious persons, vehicles and/or crimes to the local law enforcement agency if you are away from West Point. However, if you witness suspicious behavior or activity on the installation, report it to the West Point Military Police Desk at 845-938-3333.



## Brooks, Rose receive Hal Moore Award

Class of 2017 Cadets Pearl Brooks (middle left) and Tyler Rose received the Lt. Gen. Harold "Hal" Moore Award Nov. 10 in the Competitive Sports Hallway at the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center. Brooks and Rose received the awards from the Department of Physical Education's Acting Director Col. Kevin Bigelman (far left) and retired Col. David Moore, Lt. Gen. Moore's son. The Lt. Gen. Harold "Hal" Moore Warrior Athlete of Excellence Award is presented annually to the top male and female first class cadets who best exemplify the qualities of Moore (mental toughness, perseverance, winning spirit and humility) and the tenets of the warrior ethos on the athletic playing fields and in the DPE's Combatives programs.

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# West Point hosts 68th annual SCUSA

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The 68th annual Student Conference on United States Affairs, an exclusively cadet-led event, ran Nov. 9-12 in Jefferson Hall with round table discussions and key speakers designed to promote academic discussion of U.S. foreign policy and to foster understanding among the future military and civilian leaders of our country.

SCUSA is a 12-month leader development experience ending with a four-day conference that includes group discussions, social events, and key speakers. Speakers included members of the Council on Foreign Relations, professors, Ambassador Ryan C. Crocker, former ambassador to Afghanistan in 2011; the advocate for human rights and racial justice and interim Executive Director of Amnesty International, Margaret Huang; and Yale University's Jackson Institute for Global Affairs, Professor James A. Levinsohn.

The conference theme for this year was Democracy and Democratization: Challenges and Opportunities. Round table discussions included Iran, its neighbors and the U.S., Democracy and Technology, Latin America, Middle East and Russia and Post-Soviet Space among other issues of world importance.

Approximately 180 cadets, 40 senior participants, 200 students from 150 colleges and universities across the nation and 20-30 other countries served as delegates to the conference. Delegates received the full West Point experience by staying with their cadet hosts, eating in the Mess Hall, touring West Point and visiting a static weapons display coordinated between the cadet SCUSA staff, and the cadet Combat Weapons Team.

Class of 2017 Cadet Lukas Miniutti is the commander of SCUSA and spoke about the event and his responsibilities as commander.



**Professor Takako Hikotani, co-chair of SCUSA, facilitates a security group discussion during the annual Student Conference on United States Affairs Nov. 10 at Jefferson Hall. Hikotani is originally from the National Defense Academy in Japan and currently is a professor at Columbia University. The SCUSA conference is entirely cadet run and is a 12-month leader development experience culminating in a four-day conference with group discussions that is attended by approximately 180 cadets, 40 senior participants, 200 students from 150 colleges and universities across the U.S. The theme for this year's conference is Democracy and Democratization: Challenges and Opportunities.**

"I participated in the conference last year as an assistant training officer," Miniutti said. "Here, I had the opportunity to learn about staff operations and some of the intricacies that truly make SCUSA a unique conference. For example, each of the 15 round table groups

will complete an advisory policy memorandum for future use by the President of the United States. All 15 memorandas will be compiled and published at the conclusion of the conference. As a cadet staff, we have a combined total of almost 20 years of prior SCUSA experience."

Miniutti said that as a commander, he is responsible for the overall quality of the SCUSA conference.

"During the planning stage that began early in the spring of 2016, my primary role was to build and direct the planning efforts of the SCUSA staff," Miniutti said. "I am truly lucky to have had the privilege of working with such a tremendously talented team of cadets. Maj. Lukas Berg, the conference executive secretary, has provided us with his mentorship and insights into effective staff planning. I hope that I will also walk away from the conference with an enriched perspective of democracy and democratization."

Miniutti is an international relations major and is particularly interested in the world and the viability of exported democracy.

Berg, instructor in the Social Science Department and SCUSA conference executive secretary, said he sincerely believes that the SCUSA conference is a national treasure.

"It's an opportunity for serious, scholarly discourse about America's role in the world—both what it is and what it should be," Berg said. "The conference began the day after an

unexpected electoral outcome here at home and in the aftermath of significant populist movements around the world. SCUSA has occurred annually since 1949, and it may never have been more timely and relevant.

"SCUSA is a remarkable opportunity to develop future officers," Berg continued. "It's a large, complex conference, and it is entirely student-run. During the past several days, I have seen our cadets execute their plan while reacting to numerous changes on the ground and I am convinced that there is no better training for future combat leaders."

Class of 2017 Cadet Brendan Short is a discussion facilitator for the security roundtable discussion and this is his second year of participating in the SCUSA conference.

"Here we have the challenge of the roundtable discussion on security regarding a standing Army and ensuring stability and security," Short said. "This is a civil-military exchange and it's interesting sharing our perspective and developing connections. We talk about world events post conference with emails or social media."

Since its inception in 1949, SCUSA has consistently brought the best and brightest from the nation's top social science programs together to discuss current and emerging issues. Most recent issues included discussions on the challenges of inequality in wealth, rights and power.



**The introduction of delegates attending a security discussion during the 68th annual Student Conference on United States Affairs Nov. 10 at Jefferson Hall. SCUSA is a 12-month leader development experience culminating in a four-day conference incorporating small group discussions, panels, keynote speakers, presentations and social events for attendees. The delegates stay with their cadet hosts in the barracks for the event.**



(From second to the left to the right) Ryan, Celiné and Whitney Gunderman discuss Postcolonial Literature and Theory during their EN390: Special Topics course. The Gundermans are three of the 12 students in Col. John Nelson's course.

## All in the Family: Three siblings take on Postcolonial Studies

Story and photo by Michelle Eberhart  
Assistant Editor

Of the 12 students in Col. John Nelson's Postcolonial Literature and Theory course, three of them are related. Cadets Ryan, Celiné and Whitney Gunderman don't have any other siblings, were all accepted to West Point, chose to become English majors, and subsequently enrolled in the same Special Topics course in the Department of English and Philosophy.

The literature and theory class, which focuses on how cultures react to the presence of colonialism and the struggles they endure during decolonization, piqued the interest of the Gundermans. Not to mention, they knew it would be fun to take a course with one another.

"We're in the class together because we thought that the topic fit us pretty well, we've definitely touched on these sorts of things in casual conversation," Ryan, a firstie, explained. "The idea of postcolonial culture and race, etcetera, is something that definitely concerns us, and we thought this would be a really cool class that sort of digs into it and a great opportunity for all of us to be in the same class—it's something we've never done before."

Ryan explained that he and his sisters, though like-minded, all have different interests within the realm of literary studies, which perhaps, allows for broader class discussion.

"I'm very literature and language focused," Ryan began. "Celiné's literature and culture focused, Whitney is a bit broader, she wants to do pre-med and be a doctor, but she understands the human element that goes into those fields and enjoys the push that literature gives that."

Nelson, who is also the head academic counselor for the Department of English and Philosophy, was eager to have the siblings come together for his class.

"They are all wonderful students, deep thinkers, and insightful speakers about literature, and all three are really engaged with the topic," Nelson said. "It's great because they feed off each other and the other students in class too; I was excited to be able to have this opportunity."

In addition to reading nonfictional and fictional works from postcolonial authors like Gabriel García Márquez, Jamaica

Kincaid, and Derek Walcott, Nelson has introduced theory to allow students to delve into postcolonialism.

"We read several theoretical works that help establish the context of what the colonialization project might do to a national psyche, the people of a former colonized country, and how that legacy remains even after colonization ends," Nelson stated. "Mainly as it's manifested through their artistic products, primarily literature, but also poetry, film, memoirs, and other cultural artifacts."

In turn, the theory has allowed for broader conversation within the classroom, Celiné, a yearling, says.

"The nature of the class allows for more organic and thought-provoking discussions," Celiné noted. "My favorite parts of the discussions are when another classmate or Col. Nelson mentions something that I have never thought about before the course."

Whitney, also a yearling and Celiné's twin sister, agrees.

"Listening to the varying perspectives on postcolonial theories and issues has really expanded the way I see people and the world. It's especially helpful that the class size is small," Whitney said. "Not only do these aspects bring a very personal atmosphere to the classroom, but it also drives us to confront and question what they previously believed about postcolonialism through intense discussion."

For the Gundermans, the conversation doesn't stop in Nelson's classroom. Each says that they've been able to apply theory and literary thinking in daily discussions with each other.

"The thing is, we were talking about this stuff before the class, and this course gives us the opportunity to speak about it in an academic way, talk about the theory behind it, and really dig into the exactness of this mode of thinking and criticism toward literature," Ryan stated.

Whitney says that she and her siblings have grown up discussing world events and social controversies, and the class has added an additional dynamic.

"Now, we more often have these conversations on the texts we read in class and literary theories. Often times we walk out of class continuing the conversation that was going on in class," Whitney noted.

In addition to encouraging novel thinking, Nelson hopes

that the course will allow each of his students to become better equipped Army officers.

"A lot of what you see in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Syria are remnants of the colonization project in the 19th and 20th centuries, so the theory that we're reading is absolutely applicable to what the cadets are going to be doing when they become lieutenants and deploy," Nelson said. "It's theoretical, but once they hit the ground, they're going to see the ramifications of colonization."

Ryan also says that studying postcolonialism through literature will allow him to see situations from different perspectives, a valuable skill as an officer.

"It's this idea of the dynamics between people, and that's what literature comes down to," he said. "It's understanding our position in it as well as their position instead of coming at it one-sided."

Celiné says the critical-thinking skills she has gained will pay dividends as an officer in the near future.

"Postcolonial literature, among other English classes, help with critical thinking and have allowed me to expand my own understanding of the world to become more empathetic," she said. "It is often said that the Army is a people business. Critical thinking coupled with the ability to empathize, are, I think, traits that some of the best officers use in order to solve a multitude of problems."

Nelson believes that the Gundermans, along with the nine other students in his class, have been afforded an invaluable opportunity to learn about other people and cultures through the literary works and criticism introduced to them in Postcolonial Literature and Theory, as well as other courses in the Department of English and Philosophy.

"Literature is all about the human dimension, the human experience, and how it opens up through literary expression—who we are and what we do and why we react the way we react—it allows you to empathize with others, whether those characters be fictional or real," Nelson said. "What I find to be particularly valuable about literature is every time you pick up a book, you enter an ambiguous situation and you quickly have to make sense of it... that's absolutely what these cadets are going to be walking into when they're lieutenants, captains and so on."

## 2016-17 Cadet Club Activities



**Tae Kwon Do:** The cadets of the Army Martial Arts team fought their hardest Nov. 5-6 at Cornell University in the second ECTC tournament of the season.

The team, suffering several injuries, stayed highly competitive with diminished numbers. In the Men's Black Belt Division, A-1 team Ziwei Peng and Matt Galea progressed to quarterfinals without a middleweight fighter. The A-2 team with Anthony Chargualaf and David Kim progressed just as far in their bracket without a heavyweight fighter.

On the Women's Black Belt team, rookies Nicole Nettles and Taylor Reim showed strong performances by ending matches quickly with high volumes of body hits. In the Colored Belt Men's Division, the B-1 team with Eli Eichenberger, Will Xu, and Ellis Valdez took third. The A-2 team with Takhyun

Cho, who ended his last match with a knockout, and Halsey Smith dominated the Colored Belt Men's Division, fighting to second place.



**Equestrian:** On Nov. 12, the Army West Point Equestrian team traveled to the North Jersey Equestrian Center at Pompton Plains, New Jersey for a Zone 3, Region 3 Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) English Hunter Seat competition hosted by William Paterson University.

Also competing were riders from Centenary University, Drew University, Marist College, Sarah Lawrence College, SUNY New Paltz, Stevens Institute of Technology, Vassar College, and William Paterson University.

Cadets represented USMA well with excellent performances in individual classes. Class of 2020 Cadet Rachael Schloo won first place in Open Equitation over Fences and Class of 2017 Cadet Merle Kreye (Germany exchange cadet) placed second in Intermediate Equitation on the Flat.

In spite of difficult rides, Class of 2019 Cadet Matilda

Brady took third place in Novice Equitation over Fences and Novice Equitation on the Flat and Class of 2020 Cadet Robert Seals placed second in Advanced Walk-Trot-Canter Equitation.

In Beginner Walk-Trot-Canter, Class of 2019 Cadet Madeline Suba placed second. In Walk-Trot Equitation, Class of 2017 Cadet Kyle Many placed first and Class of 2020 Cadet Taylor Krug placed second.

The West Point Equestrian team will compete in their final IHSA show of the season next weekend at Centenary University.

**Marathon:** The Army West Point Marathon team competed in their first-ever TCS NYC Marathon on Nov. 6.

With over 52,000 runners, the team had some phenomenal finishes including Class of 2018 Cadet Aaqib Syed who placed 85th overall with a 2:37:57 and Class of 2017 Cadet Morgan Chewing-Kulick who ran 2:44:51 to come in 186th place. Fourteen cadets on the team qualified for the Boston Marathon to include first-time marathoners Class of 2017 Cadet Nicole Carter, Class of 2019 Cadet Dan Whitefield and Class of 2020 Cadet Ryan French.

# SHARP Resources

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- **USCC Victim's Advocate, Kerry Dunham**—call 845-938-3532 or email kerry.dunham@usma.edu;
- **KACH Victim's Advocate, Sgt. 1st Class David Wemes**—call 845-938-3176.

## Religious Services at West Point

### Religious Services

**Assembly of God**—Sunday, 10 a.m. at 134 Old State Road in Highland Falls.

**Church of Christ**—Sunday, 10:30 a.m. at the Cadet Interfaith Center, Bldg. 147.

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**—Sunday, 10 a.m. at Thayer Hall, Room 144.

**Eastern Orthodox**—Sunday, 9 a.m. at St. Martin's Chapel in the Cadet Chapel.

**Episcopal**—Sunday, 10 a.m. at the Church of the Holy Innocents in Highland Falls.

**Jewish**—Friday, 7 p.m. at the Jewish Chapel.

**Lutheran**—Sunday, 10:30 a.m. at the Old Cadet Chapel in the West Point Cemetery.

**Muslim**—Friday, noon-1:45 p.m. at the Cadet Interfaith Center, Bldg. 147.

**Gospel**—Sunday, 12:30 p.m. at the Post Chapel.

**(Update) Protestant**—Sunday, 10:30 a.m. at the Cadet Chapel and the Post Chapel. Sunday, 5:30 p.m. in Robinson Auditorium.

**Catholic**—Saturday, 5 p.m. and Sunday, 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. at Most Holy Trinity Chapel.

### Religious Services POCs

**USMA Chaplain**—Col. Matt Pawlikowski at 938-3316.

**Garrison Chaplain**—Lt. Col. David Jacob at 938-6717/2003.

**Catholic Community Chaplain**—Maj. Ken Bolin at 938-3721/8760.

**Jewish Community Chaplain**—Capt. David Ruderman at 938-2766/2710.

**Protestant Community Chaplain**—Lt. Col. Brett Charsky at 938-0585/3412.

**USCC Brigade Chaplain**—Lt. Col. Harold Cline at 938-0585/3412.

## Physics & Nuclear Engineering hosted Nuclear Science Merit Badge Workshop

Submitted by the Boy Scouts of America Delaware River District

The Boy Scouts within the Delaware River District of the Hudson Valley Council attended a once in a lifetime opportunity at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point as the Department of Physics and Nuclear Engineering hosted a Nuclear Science Merit Badge Workshop Oct. 29.

D/PNE faculty members Lt. Col. Chad Schools, Capt. Nathaniel Kaminski and Dr. Brian Moretti coordinated activities and laboratory experiments at the facilities within Bartlett Hall for the Boy Scout attendees to complete.

The department also enlisted some D/PNE cadet majors to assist the scouts in their activities throughout the day.

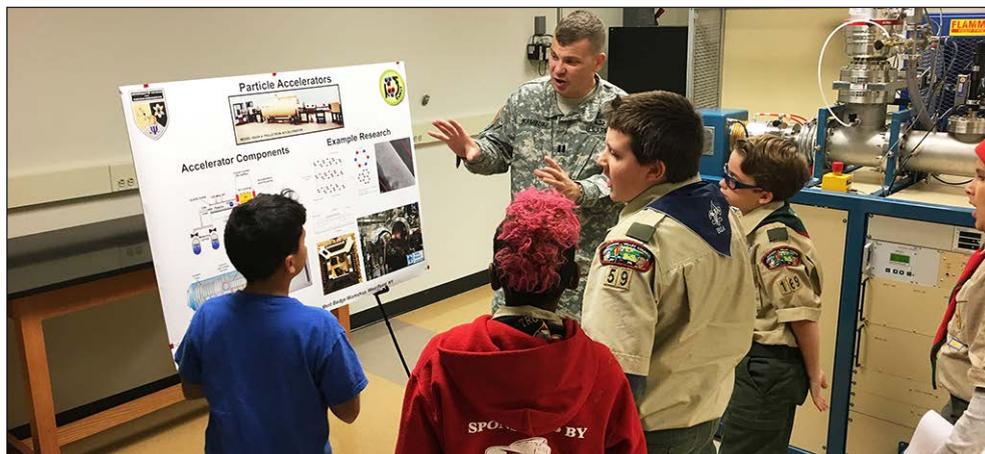
Fellow Eagle Scout Class of 2017 Cadets John Kroc, David Sunberg, Emily Beecher and Class of 2018 Cadet Christina Bouvier all donated their time to volunteer and help the scouts complete the requirements to achieve the merit badge in a one-

day workshop.

Activities throughout the day included visiting an accelerator at a research lab or university where people study the properties of the nucleus or nucleons, examining a cloud chamber to understand how it can be used to see the tracks caused by radiation, and constructing 3-D models of elements from the periodic table showing neutrons, protons and electrons.

Delaware River District Special Activities Chairperson and fellow Academy Staff Member, Gary Albaugh, has been working with the Academy to create a relationship within the two organizations to support Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) activities that are unique and challenging and cannot be accomplished in an ordinary home environment.

The Hudson Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America currently serves more than 9,500 young people through Scouting and Learning for Life Programs in the New York Counties of Dutchess, Rockland, Orange, Sullivan and Pike County in Pennsylvania.



Capt. Nathaniel Kaminski explains to a group of Boys Scouts how the particle accelerators work and gives a demonstration at the facilities within Bartlett Hall.

COURTESY PHOTO

# West Point Middle School showcases talent with Fine Arts Program hosting veterans

Story and photos by Kathy Eastwood  
Staff Writer

The West Point Middle School Fine Arts Program invited veterans and community members Nov. 10 to attend its annual program to honor veterans. The audience included veterans from all branches of service, who fought in World War II, Vietnam and the Iraq and Afghanistan wars.

The program was focused on World War II with the Middle School Band playing Big Band era music, including a wonderful rendition of Glenn Miller's classic "In the Mood," and students belting out a rousing rendition of the Andrew Sister's hit "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy."

Students developed skits that included World War II characters like Gen. Dwight Eisenhower and reporter Ernie Pyle, a Pulitzer Prize winning journalist, who interviewed people from the Army Nurses Corps and females from the home front working in factories making grenades and ammunition for Soldiers.

Female students dressed in pink baseball uniforms portrayed the all-female baseball team started by Philip K. Wrigley who financially supported the league to replace quality players who went to war. Going to the ball park was a favorite pastime during the war and the all-female baseball team attracted many fans. During the 1943 season, the team attracted 176,612 fan.

Wrigley capitalized on the patriotism with the baseball league by instructing the two



**West Point Middle School Students recite the poem "My Name Is Old Glory," during the Middle School Fine Arts Program Nov. 10 honoring veterans. The students researched the subject of World War II to focus on that era and portrayed skits with famous WWII nurses, generals and war correspondents.**

participating teams to form a V formation before each game.

The iconic Rosie the Riveter was a symbol of feminism and economic power during the war and was inspired by a real person, Rosalind P. Walters who worked the night shift building the F4U Corsair fighter.

The students researched this project,

portrayed people and narrated facts about the war with photos of Gen. Eisenhower in the field. Another heart-warming skit included students portraying the flag. Individual students held the flag and recited stanzas of the poem "My Name Is Old Glory," by Don Miller.

The beginning of the poem tells the story of the flag.

"I am the flag of the United States of America. My Name is Old Glory.

"I fly high atop tall buildings. I stand watch over America's Halls of Justice."

The last stanza is possibly the sentiment of all Americans and veterans of all wars.

"I am Proud. My name is Old Glory, dear God long may I wave."



**The West Point Middle School held its annual assembly to honor veterans Nov. 10 focusing on World War II. The honor guard (above) leads the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance before the start of the show honoring veterans. The middle school band entertained the attendees with big band era songs and skits including the women's baseball team, honoring women for their duty and honoring those on the home front who worked in factories while their loved ones were fighting a war.**



**The West Point Middle School Fine Arts department presented a program to honor veterans with the focus on World War II. Assemblyman James Skouffis recognized WPMS and the Fine Arts department for their continued contribution and support of veterans through the arts Nov. 10.**

# MWI revisits an Afghan Battlefield in Virtual Reality

By the Modern War Institute

Battlefield assessments form a staple of military training. Visit a historical battlefield, visualize friendly and enemy troop placement, assess the terrain, and evaluate the decisions of the battle's commanders. Any U.S. Army officer will be familiar with staff rides designed for this purpose. But what about battlefields from contemporary wars? These pose an obvious problem. The same factor that makes them invaluable for preparing to fight and win modern wars—their current relevance—also makes them impractical, or outright impossible, to visit. Antietam is easy to get to, but the Civil War battle there looks little like those most prominent in today's wars; Mosul is highly relevant, but in an entirely non-permissive environment.

Enter the CAVE Automatic Virtual Environment, better known simply as the CAVE. This immersive, virtual reality system makes visiting these contemporary battlefields possible. One of these systems belongs to the Department of Military Instruction at West Point, and its capabilities were on display on Nov. 1, when the Modern War Institute's Capt. Jake Miraldi walked a group of cadets and the Commandant of the Corps of Cadets, Brig. Gen. Diana Holland, through the Battle of COP Keating.

On Oct. 3, 2009, a group of several hundred Taliban fighters attacked COP Keating, a combat outpost in eastern Afghanistan's Nuristan province.

Shortly after, Miraldi, then a first lieutenant and platoon leader, was dispatched with his platoon as the quick reaction force (QRF) to reinforce the beleaguered COP's small force. Because the CAVE system is able to display detailed, visual representations of physical terrain, Miraldi was able to virtually bring the group into his platoon's operation.

Miraldi and the QRF were flown by helicopter to OP Fritsche, an observation post two kilometers away from COP Keating. Rugged terrain that restricted the platoon's movements and Taliban fighting positions along the approach to the COP meant that it took five and a half hours for the platoon to cover these two kilometers.

The CAVE system allowed Miraldi to highlight the specific challenges for his platoon's movement to its objective. He pointed to the terrain features that canalized the QRF's movements. He indicated specific locations where they encountered entrenched Taliban defensive positions.

He showed the switchbacks on the single approach route from OP Fritsche to COP Keating, which they anticipated as the most likely places they might encounter Taliban ambushes.

"A system like the CAVE gives instructors the ability to contextualize military lessons in a way that isn't possible with



The Modern War Institute's Capt. Jake Miraldi walked a group of cadets through the Battle of COP Keating in the CAVE Automatic Virtual Environment, which is an immersive, virtual reality system that makes visiting contemporary battlefields possible.

PHOTO BY JOHN PELLINO/DPTMS VID

simple classroom instruction," Miraldi explains. "Instead of relying solely on a written account or presentation about the attack on COP Keating, the CAVE provides the learner with something much more experiential—something that allows them to stand on the same ground, see the same things, and, if used effectively, feel some of the same emotions as the men and women who those stories are about. It is the experience that sticks with people."

As a training tool, the CAVE system serves a similar purpose as tours of historical battlefields, with one major difference: it allows officers to engage with scenarios much more consistent with the features of modern war.

It makes it possible to visualize the battle from the perspective of COP Keating's defenders. Users can plan how to best use mortars to provide indirect fire support to friendly forces with imperfect information about their disposition within the COP.

Everything down to decisions over the placement of individual fire teams can be examined, with the considerations that drive those decisions re-created visually.

And users engagement with these considerations all take place in a dynamic visual environment that can either replicate the perspective of individual decision-makers or zoom out to provide a more comprehensive depiction of the battlespace.

"Through the experience, the CAVE provides cadets not only apply military techniques and procedures using some real-world context," Miraldi explains. "But just as importantly, they can reflect on how they would make decisions, or how they would solve the military problem, in a much deeper way, in a way that they will remember when they are leading Soldiers in the future."

The CAVE system at West Point is part of the Department of Military Instruction's Simulation Center.



## Staff and Faculty gives IOCT a try



The Department of Physical Education invited staff and faculty to Hayes Gym Nov. 9 for an introduction to the Indoor Obstacle Course Test, or as some call it, "I Obviously Crave Torture." The IOCT is a graduation requirement for sophomore to senior year cadets. DPE instructors stressed safety first and was with each of the individuals going through the test, giving them instruction and helping when necessary.

PHOTOS BY KATHY EASTWOOD/PV



## BS&L/Garrison take post Flag Football title

The combined team of Behavioral Sciences and Leadership/Garrison (left) defeated the Office of Directorate of Intercollegiate Athletics, 2-0, in the 2016 West Point Flag Football Championship Monday at the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School Football Field. In the semifinals, the top seeded ODIA (19-2-1) advanced by defeating the MPs/BTD (4-18-0) 20-14 in overtime. The second seeded BS&L/Garrison team (14-7-1) moved onto the finals after knocking off third seeded MEDDAC (8-11-2), 13-6.

PHOTO BY MADY SALVANI/ARMY ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS

# KACH, Mologne, CPD supports “Quitters”

By Keller Army Community Hospital

Dear Smokers and Smokeless-tobacco Users,  
 “Mark Your Calendars,” because Nov. 17, 2016, is the day your life is going to change. Today is the Great American Smokeout and Keller Army Community Hospital, Mologne Cadet Health Clinic, and the Center for Personal Development are ready to be an integral part of the process of improving your health and wellness by helping you quit smoking or the use of smokeless tobacco.

Nearly 40 million Americans still smoke cigarettes, and tobacco use remains the single largest preventable cause of disease and premature death in the world. While cigarette smoking rates have dropped (from 42 percent in 1965 to 17 percent in 2014), cigar, pipe and hookah—other dangerous and addictive ways to smoke tobacco—are very much on the rise. Smoking kills people—there’s no “safe” way to smoke tobacco.

The U.S. Surgeon General has said, “Smoking cessation (stopping smoking) represents the single most important step that smokers can take to enhance the length and quality of their lives;” and the benefits of quitting are almost instant.

Quitting smoking lowers your risk of lung cancer, other cancers, heart attack, stroke and chronic lung disease.

After 20 minutes, your heart rate and blood pressure drop; after 12 hours, the carbon monoxide level in your blood drops to normal; and between two weeks and three months, your circulation improves and your lung function increases. And as you continue to abstain from smoking, the benefits increase exponentially.

Additionally, there are cosmetic benefits, such as your breath smelling better, the bad smell in your clothes and hair reduces—and eventually can be eliminated—your senses of smell and taste returns to normal, and your pocket will retain some of the money spent on tobacco products.

KACH, Mologne and CPD also want today to be the day you quit using smokeless tobacco products.

Smokeless tobacco may be less lethal than cigarettes for most people, but using any form of tobacco causes serious health risks.

All forms of oral tobacco have chemicals that cause cancer.

These products can cause cancer of the mouth, throat, pancreas and esophagus. Oral and smokeless tobacco also causes many other health problems, such as gum disease, destruction of the bone sockets around the teeth and tooth loss.

The doctors, nurses and staff at KACH, Mologne and CPD understand the mental and physical part of tobacco/nicotine addiction, and are ready to assist you.

KACH’s primary care physicians are ready to assist you with a variety of medications designed to help you stop the use of nicotine products. Chantix, Wellbutryn and nicotine patches are available on our formulary. Call and schedule an appointment today to receive more details from your provider.

Mologne and CPD doctors, nurses and staff are working hard to graduate ‘tobacco-free/addiction-free leaders of character.’

If you are a Cadet or USMAPS student looking for smoking cessation assistance, you can make an appointment online through CIS or call Mologne (845-938-3003) or CPD front desk (845-938-3022).

Additionally, the West Point community, cadets and USMAPS students can: (1) go to the Dept. of Defense site <http://www.ucanquit2.org/>, or (2) go to the New York State Smokers’ Quitline at <http://www.nysmokefree.com/> or call 866-NY-QUITS.

Throughout the month of November, KACH, Mologne and CPD will have smoking cessation pamphlets and information available for anyone who wants to begin the road to better health.

KACH, Mologne and CPD understand quitting smoking or the use of smokeless tobacco, coping with smoking withdrawal, and staying smoke-free can be tough, but here are five things you can do:

- Get Ready—set a quit date, change your environment, get rid of all tobacco products and don’t be around people who are using tobacco products.
- Get support and encouragement—a family member, fellow cadets/USMAPS students, etc.
- Learn new skills and behaviors—change the habits/behavior that led you to reach for a cigarette/cigar/smokeless tobacco.
- If you need medication, get it and use it correctly.
- Be prepared for relapse and/or difficult situations—most



relapses occur in the first three months. Your primary care provider is ready to assist you beyond the first or if you relapse.

The professional staffs of KACH, Mologne and CPD are ready to improve the health and wellness of the military members, the military community and all of our beneficiaries.

Together, we can help you quit...and, possibly, get you to enjoy a smoke/tobacco-free lifestyle.



Paratroopers from 173rd Brigade Support Battalion, 173rd Airborne Brigade, prepare to board a 12th Combat Aviation Brigade CH-47 Chinook helicopter for an airborne operation, at Juliet Drop Zone, in Pordenone, Italy. The 173rd Airborne Brigade is the U.S. Army Contingency Response Force in Europe, capable of projective forces anywhere in the U.S. European, Africa or Central Command areas of responsibility within 18 hours.

PHOTO BY PAOLO BOVO

## With multi-domain concept, Army aims for ‘windows of superiority’

By Sean Kimmons  
Army News Service

One tactic the Army is now considering as part of its drive to achieve windows of domain superiority in future battles is the strategic deployment of artillery along coastlines to sink enemy warships.

With such windows of superiority, created from a mixed use of land, air, sea, cyber and space domains, U.S. military units would maneuver freely to penetrate and defeat enemy strongholds.

“If the Army can provide capability to the maritime domain, that really starts to change the equation there,” Gen. David Perkins, commander of Army Training and Doctrine Command, said at an Association of the U.S. Army breakfast discussion Nov. 9.

This spring, U.S. Pacific Command aims to conduct a multi-domain battle exercise to test maritime missions using Army assets. U.S. Europe Command also will hold a multi-domain exercise on that continent sometime next year, according to the general.

“We’re starting to put together these multi-domain battle exercises in the real domain to replicate some of these capabilities,” he said.

In October, Army leaders officially announced a shift to the multi-domain battle concept, a shift that is meant to keep the service ahead of potential adversaries around the world.

To guide the concept, TRADOC planners have pinpointed eight capabilities for the Army to concentrate on.

Along with cross-domain fires, the capability areas to lead the Army into the future include combat vehicles, expeditionary mission command, advanced protection, cyber electromagnetic, future vertical lift, robotics/autonomous systems, and Soldier team performance and overmatch.

With autonomous systems Perkins said, one example of achieving domain superiority would be the ability to perform breach operations without risking the safety of Soldiers.

“I want the ability to conduct an autonomous breach with robots, (and) never have a manned system in there probing for mines,” he said, adding that U.S. forces could also employ an electromagnetic field to prevent enemies from interfering with the robots.

Army leaders also are looking for ways to diminish emerging anti-access/anti-denial capabilities, like long-range fires and precision munitions.

That way, Soldiers would face fewer difficulties moving around contested territory.

Once inside a contested area, the U.S. military’s superior ability to move quickly could allow it to land a knockout punch against an enemy.

“When the U.S. military maneuvers, that’s a very difficult dilemma to deal with,” Perkins said. “Our people are better trained. We can jab much better.”

But overreliance on such capabilities can also present protection and sustainment challenges when those capabilities disappear. If communications go offline, for example, well-trained leaders will be needed to keep operations on the right path.

“When and if they lose communications, they’ll still understand the commander’s intent and can operate for periods of non-connectivity,” Perkins said. “(They) have to be very comfortable not having continuous communications, yet (they must also have) a continuous understanding of the battlefield.”

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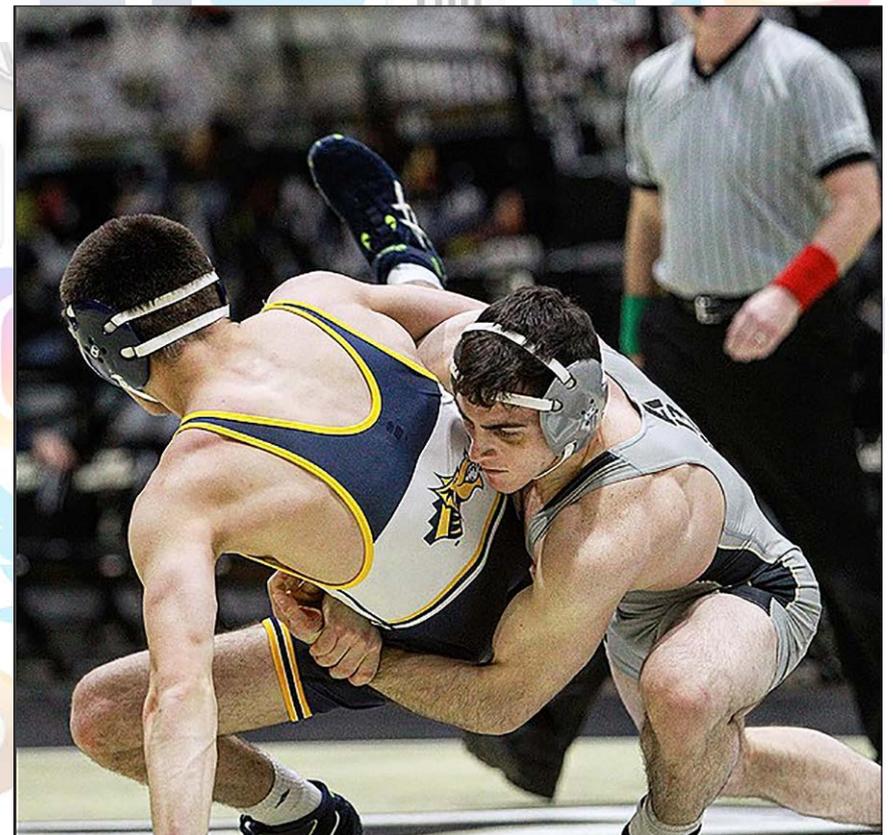
tc\_349: The keynote speaker for the Student Conference of US Affairs: President of the Council of Foreign Relations, Richard Haass. He is also a likely candidate for Secretary of State. Extremely blessed and fortunate to have had this extraordinary experience.



logantrust: Because it's Veterans Day and I love these guys. God Bless America #Joes



chilo.28: tough loss last night, but getting to suit up and travel to my backyard was a blessing #1stcav



goarmywestpoint: A tech fall win by Russ Parsons, the 14th ranked 157-pounder. #WestPoint #USMA #GoArmy #ArmyStrong

## FEATURED ITEM

### Transgender Day of Remembrance

The West Point Gay Straight Alliance Diversity Club, Spectrum, is hosting the fourth annual Transgender Day of Remembrance at 7 p.m. Nov. 30 at Cullum Hall, located next to the West Point Club in Building 605.

The event takes place to honor those who have lost their lives to hate crimes around the world. The event includes guest speaker, Amanda Simpson, the deputy assistant Secretary of Defense for Operational Energy, who will bring attention to the continued violence against the trans community during her speech.

Light food and refreshments will be provided. The uniform is cadet Dress Gray or business casual. Free parking is located across the street at Doublday Baseball Field.

Everyone is invited.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### West Point Commissary hours during holidays

The West Point Commissary will be open Monday for normal business hours, but will be closed Nov. 24-25 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### Tax Center seeking volunteers during tax season

The West Point Tax Center is looking for volunteers to assist with tax return preparation during the tax season (January-April 2017).

Volunteers will be asked to work at least two half-days each week. Volunteers receive all necessary training and obtain valuable work experience.

We are also seeking volunteers to assist with administrative support during the tax season. No tax training is required.

For details, contact [matthew.baek@usma.edu](mailto:matthew.baek@usma.edu) or call 938-6507.

### West Point Protestant Women of the Chapel meetings

The West Point Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) meets from 9-11 a.m. every Wednesday at the West Point Post Chapel. Childcare is available. The fall semester will run until Dec. 7.

For details, email [wp.pwoc@gmail.com](mailto:wp.pwoc@gmail.com).

### Gospel Service

The Gospel Service at West Point is ongoing. Under the leadership of Chaplain (Capt.) Loy Sweezy Jr., the Gospel Service will be held from 12:30-1:30 p.m. every Sunday at the Post Chapel.

The service is open to all who want to attend. Also, there are many opportunities to serve the ministry with your talents and gifts.

For details, contact the Chaplain Sweezy at 938-4246.

### Most Holy Trinity West Point Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) Group

Mothers of children ages 0-5 are invited to join us at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Chapel. The purpose of the group is to build friendships and foster community goodwill with other West Point moms.

Being a mom is hard work, and we all need love and support to encourage us through the journey.

Meetings include time to socialize and discuss the joys and challenges of motherhood, speakers from the community on a variety of topics, and creative activities.

The group will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Cloister Room of the Chapel of The Most Holy Trinity on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

There is a registration fee and because the group meets in the evenings, childcare will not be provided.

For registration details, contact Kristin at [kristin8513@gmail.com](mailto:kristin8513@gmail.com).

com and visit us at our informational table at the WPSC Super Sign Up event today at the West Point Club.

## EDUCATION and WORKSHOPS

### Functional Academic Skills Training

It's that time again as West Point's Army Education Center is offering another Functional Academic Skills Training from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Monday-Dec. 15.

Raise your General Technical score through FAST at the Army Education Center, 683 Buckner Loop (Subway/Starbucks).

For details, contact Nancy Judd at 845-938-3464 or Tonya Rauckhorst at 845-938-5389.

### Navy Education Services

In compliance with Navy policy, current Sailors are instructed to only use Navy Vol Education services.

Naval members are encouraged to visit the new and improved Navy College Program website at [www.navycollege.navy.mil](http://www.navycollege.navy.mil) to identify the education resources available to them.

If you are requesting language testing, the Army Education Center can continue to provide that service.

### Army Education Center

College courses are offered through the Army Education Center at West Point, located at 683 Buckner Loop.

Undergraduate classes:

- Mount Saint Mary College—Call Shari Seidule at 845-446-0535 or email [Sharon.Seidule@msmc.edu](mailto:Sharon.Seidule@msmc.edu);

- Saint Thomas Aquinas—Call Erica Rodriguez at 845-446-2555 or email [ERodrigu@stac.edu](mailto:ERodrigu@stac.edu).

Graduate studies:

- John Jay College of Criminal Justice—Master's Degree in Public Administration—Call Jennifer Heiney at 845-446-5959 or email [jjcwestpoint@yahoo.com](mailto:jjcwestpoint@yahoo.com);

- Long Island University—Master's Degrees in School Counseling, Mental Health Counseling and Marriage and Family Counseling—Call Mary Beth Leggett at 845-446-3818 or email [marybeth.leggett@liu.edu](mailto:marybeth.leggett@liu.edu).

### Army Personnel Testing programs

The Army Education Center at West Point offers Army Personnel Testing (APT) programs such as the AFCT, DLAB, DLPT, SIFT through the DA and DLI.

Tests are free of charge to Soldiers. Call the Testing Center at 938-3360 or email [gwenn.wallace@usma.edu](mailto:gwenn.wallace@usma.edu) for details or an appointment.

### Employee Assistance Program

West Point Garrison offers an Employee Assistance Program that provides free and confidential counseling for civilians, family members and retirees.

The program offers services from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. The EAP is located at 656 Eichelberger Road.

For details, call 938-1039.

### DANTES testing

The Army Education Center at West Point offers academic testing programs through the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) such as the SAT and ACT. Pearson VUE offers licensing and certification exams.

Most tests are free of charge to Soldiers.

Call the Testing Center at 938-3360 or email [gwenn.wallace@usma.edu](mailto:gwenn.wallace@usma.edu) for details or an appointment.

## OUTSIDE THE GATES

### Highland Falls events Saturday and Sunday

The Friends of the Highland Falls Library are having a bake sale at the Highland Falls Library, 298 Main Street, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

VISION will put up holiday decorations in the town at 10

a.m. Sunday, and volunteers are needed. Meet at the Library with gloves and clippers. For details, call 446-2258.

### Volkssport Club at West Point

Volkssport Club at West Point will meet Saturday in Cornwall, New York, for the final walk of 2016. The 5km and 10km year round trail starts at DeCicco's Family Market, 21 Quaker Avenue.

Registration is at 10 a.m. After registering, drive a short distance to Riverlight Park where the trail begins. The rating is 3B with some hills; not suitable for wheelchairs.

The walk goes through residential neighborhoods, past the Nature Museum, into Cornwall-on-Hudson and has spectacular views of the Hudson River.

For details, call Dorothy Basini at 845-787-4468.

### Boscobel salutes veterans during November

To honor all former U.S. military personnel, Boscobel is offering free house and grounds admission to veterans who show their military ID (or a photo of themselves wearing their uniform) at the front desk during the month of November.

The Boscobel Salutes Veterans Program also includes half-price admission for up to five family members per visiting veteran. Boscobel offers history, art and a stunning landscape, which includes a view of the Hudson Highlands and the U.S. Military Academy. Boscobel is located on scenic Route 9D in Garrison, New York, just one mile south of Cold Spring and directly across the river from West Point.

For details, visit [Boscobel.org](http://Boscobel.org) or call 845-265-3638.

### Grace Baptist Church of Highland Falls services

The West Point family is invited to attend any and all services at the Grace Baptist Church, located at 54 Old State Road, in Highland Falls, New York. The church is close to Thayer Gate.

The church holds services on Sunday morning (Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service at 11 a.m.), Sunday evening (6 p.m.), and Wednesday evening (7 p.m.), as well as seasonal Bible studies for men, women and college-aged young people. Transportation is provided as needed. For any questions, visit the church website at [www.gracebaptistny.org](http://www.gracebaptistny.org).

### Civilian Health Benefits Fair

#### Eisenhower Hall

This is the time of year to ensure that you have the right health, dental, and vision insurance coverage for you and your family. It is also time for you to consider the out-of-pocket medical or dependent care expenses you can save money on in 2017.

<b>DATE:</b> Tuesday, November 15, 2016 <b>LOCATION:</b> Riverside Cafe (2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor) Eisenhower Hall 655 Ruger Road, West Point, NY 10996 <b>TIME:</b> 9:00am - 3:00pm <b>REPS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt; FEHB Providers (Health, Dental, Vision)</li> <li>&gt; Occupational Health</li> <li>&gt; AFGE (American Federation of Government Employees)</li> <li>&gt; CPAC (Civilian Personnel Advisory Center)</li> <li>&gt; Riverside Cafe will be open from 9:00am to 2:00pm</li> </ul>	<b>OPEN SEASON DATES</b> <b>AF: November 14, 2016 - December 12, 2016</b> <b>FOC's:</b> Hannah Decker at CPAC: <a href="mailto:hannah.c.decker2.civ@mail.mil">hannah.c.decker2.civ@mail.mil</a> , <a href="mailto:Hannah.Decker@usma.edu">Hannah.Decker@usma.edu</a> or 845-938-0421 <b>NAF: November 7, 2016 - December 2, 2016</b> <b>FOC:</b> Carmela Leva at CPAC: <a href="mailto:carmela.m.leva.naf@mail.mil">carmela.m.leva.naf@mail.mil</a> <a href="mailto:Carmela.Leva@usma.edu">Carmela.Leva@usma.edu</a> or 845-938-6222
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### FEHB OPEN SEASON

#### 14 November 2016 - 12 December 2016

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**OPEN SEASON INFORMATION**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt; <b>Civilian Health Benefits Fair</b> Tuesday, 15 November 2016 9:00am - 3:00pm Riverside Cafe (2<sup>nd</sup> FL), Eisenhower Hall</li> <li>&gt; <b>Enrollment Assistance</b> Tuesday, 22 November 2016 9:00am - 12:00pm AND 1:00pm - 3:00pm Education Center (Next to Subway) - Room 8 West Point, NY 10996</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt; <b>Enrollment Assistance</b> Thursday, 1 December 2016 4:30pm - 8:00pm CPAC, Building 626 West Point, NY 10996</li> </ul>
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**QUESTIONS:**  
[Hannah Decker 845-938-0421](mailto:Hannah.Decker@usma.edu), or [hannah.c.decker2.civ@mail.mil](mailto:hannah.c.decker2.civ@mail.mil)



# WEST POINT MWR CALENDAR

www.westpointmwr.com

## FEATURED EVENT

### West Point Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony

Kick off the holiday season by joining MWR for the annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony at 6 p.m. Dec. 5 at Daly Field.

Refreshments, crafts and pictures with Santa will follow at the West Point Club. For details, call 938-4690.

## JUST ANNOUNCED

### Community General Skating at Tate Rink

The MWR Sports office will conduct the 2016-17 Community General Skate at Tate Rink.

It's open to all West Point personnel, DOD personnel and families. All skaters must supply their own skates.

The following will be the only dates and times available for skating: Sundays from 3:30-5 p.m. on Dec. 4, 11 and 18, Jan. 22 and 29, and Feb. 12, 19 and 26.

There will also be two Tuesdays during Christmas break 2-3:30 p.m. Dec. 20 and 10 - 11:30 a.m. Dec. 27.

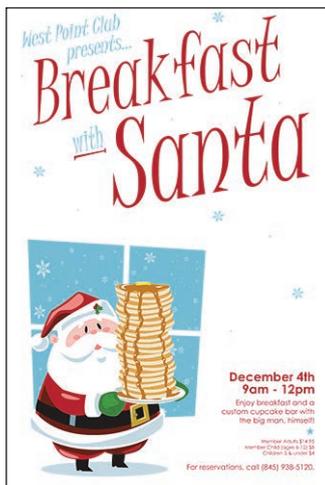
For details, call the Skate hotline at 938-2991 or e-mail [jim.mcguinness@usma.edu](mailto:jim.mcguinness@usma.edu).

### Breakfast with Santa

The West Point Club presents Breakfast with Santa from 9 a.m.-noon Dec. 4.

Enjoy breakfast and a custom cupcake bar with the big man.

To make reservations, call 845-938-5120.



## FOR THE ADULTS

### 2016-2017 Unit Intramural Nighttime Basketball League sign-ups

The MWR Sports office will conduct the 2016-17 Unit Intramural Nighttime Basketball League sign-ups open to all USMA personnel 18 years of age and older.

Games will be played at the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center on Monday and Thursday evenings.

Deadline for team entries will be is Monday. For details, contact James McGuinness at 845-938-3066 or by email at [jim.mcguinness@usma.edu](mailto:jim.mcguinness@usma.edu).

### A Christmas Carol Murder

Join the West Point Club for a Murder Mystery Dinner Theater at 8 p.m. Dec. 2. Enjoy an evening of culinary crime with "The Killing Kompany" where professional stage, TV and film actors are seated among you. On this night, you can be part

of the show.

The night includes dinner, dancing and a brand new comedy murder mystery. There is a minimal fee for this event, which includes two free drinks.

Reservations are required by calling 938-5102 or 845-446-5504.

### MWR Lap Swim at Crandall Pool fee administration

No fees for swim at this time. For details, call 938-1992.

### Winter Bowling Leagues

The MWR Bowling Center is seeking individuals who may be interested in playing in a winter bowling league. No experience is needed. The Bowling Center has openings on Sunday, Monday and Thursday nights.

If interested, contact [Edward.Marvin@usma.edu](mailto:Edward.Marvin@usma.edu) or call 938-2140 for details.

### Discover Outdoor Recreation's paintball facility at West Point

MWR's Outdoor Recreation multi-field paintball facility is the perfect setting for birthday parties, department team building and family outings. It can host functions from 10-50 people. Food and drink are included in packages.

For details, email [odrwpmwr@usma.edu](mailto:odrwpmwr@usma.edu) or call 938-0123.

## FOR THE FAMILIES

### Arts & Crafts November classes

- Tuesday—Pint Sized Picasso, Michelangelo, 3:30 p.m.; Registration is required for all classes. There is a minimal fee for the classes. For more details, call 938-4812.

### November events with Leisure Travel Services

Join Leisure Travel Services for its November events. The upcoming event includes:

- Today—Book of Mormon (Broadway). Leave West Point at 4 p.m., leave NYC at 10 p.m.;
- Wednesday—Macy's Balloon Inflation. Leave West Point at 10 a.m., leave NYC at 4:30 p.m.
- Nov. 24—Macy's Thanksgiving Parade. Leave West Point at 6 a.m., leave NYC at 11:45 a.m.

For ticket pricing, reservations and more details, call 938-3601.

### West Point Club's Thanksgiving Day Meals To Go

This Thanksgiving, relax with the family and leave the cooking to the West Point Club. Place your order Friday and pick it up by 5 p.m. Wednesday. An excellent selection of entrees, sides and desserts to choose from. To Go Meals serve a family of six. For details and to place your order, call 938-5120 or 446-5504.

### West Point Club Sunday Brunch

Join the West Point Club Sunday for its last seasonal Sunday Brunch.

Each week our executive chef and his team presents a different menu including action stations and delectable desserts.

To make reservations or for more details, call 845-446-5504.

### Unified Sports

The Exceptional Family Member Program will continue working with the West Point cadets to facilitate Unified Sports. MWR believes in bringing people together and fostering an environment of friendship, support and compassion through several different activities.

Through Unified Sports, you can take part with our dedicated cadet volunteers in a series of outdoor sport activities. The last

Unified Sports date is Sunday—Unified Tennis.

For details, call 938-5655/0232 or email us at [Josephine.toohey@usma.edu](mailto:Josephine.toohey@usma.edu) or [lucia.mendez@usma.edu](mailto:lucia.mendez@usma.edu).

### Thanksgiving Day Feast

Join the West Point Club for its traditional Thanksgiving Day Feast Nov. 24. A noon seating is in the Pierce Dining Room and the 2 p.m. seating is in the Grand Ballroom. Advanced reservations are required.

To make reservations, call 938-5120 or 845-446-5504.

### Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular with LTS

Leisure Travel Services is offering a chance to go to Radio City Music Hall to see the Christmas Spectacular starring the Rockettes. There is van transportation for the Dec. 6 and 13 performances as trips leave West Point at 4 p.m. for an 8 p.m. curtain. The Dec. 8 and 15 performances are motor coach transportation leaving West Point at 1 p.m. for a 5 p.m. curtain.

All performances have Center Orchestra seating. The trips leave New York City immediately following the performances.

For details, call 938-3601.

## FOR THE YOUTHS

### CYS Services Babysitting Certification Courses

Child, Youth and School Services is offering babysitting courses in December. The courses include:

- Dec. 3—CYSitters—Babysitter's Course (ages 12 and up), 9:30-2:30 p.m. at the Lee CDC;
- Dec. 6—I'm Alone (11 years old), 3-6 p.m. at the Youth center, Building 500.

This course is designed to familiarize teens with the responsibilities of babysitting and also teach skills and techniques needed for sitters to become competent and caring.

Students will receive training materials and a certificate of completion. Students are also placed on the Garrison-wide babysitting referral list so that parents requesting a babysitter from the CYS Services referral list can feel comfortable knowing that their babysitters are adequately trained to CYS Services standards.

Garrison policy encourages that all youth 11 years old and older pass a certified babysitting course to watch their siblings.

Youth 12 years old and older are encouraged to pass a certified babysitting course and CPR/First Aid class to babysit non-family members. Participants must be registered with CYS Services to sign up.

To register, contact the Parent and Outreach Services office at 938-4458/3969.

### CYS Services needs sports coaches

Child, Youth and School Services is looking for coaches for its winter recreation basketball season.

There will be four divisions: Little Shooters for 4 year olds, Training League for 5-6 year olds, Collegiate League for 7-8 year olds and Jr. NBA for 9-11 year olds.

Training and Collegiate Leagues will take place between 5-8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays and the Jr. NBA will take place between 6-8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Little Shooters will take place from 10-10:45 a.m. on Saturday mornings.

For details, call 938-8896.

### Football Saturday child care

Football Saturday child care will offered from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on game days. Children must be registered with CYS Services to participate.

To sign up or for details, call Erin Faherty at 938-3969. At least 15 children must participate for the program to be held.

# Keller Corner

## KACH Emergency Department/Room has relocated

The Keller Army Community Hospital Emergency Dept./Emergency Room has relocated to their temporary location to the west/left of the main entry lobby. Signs will direct emergency patients into Keller's main parking lot and to enter through the main entry.

A temporary Emergency Room reception and waiting area will be located adjacent to the current Pharmacy waiting area. The 'permanent' Emergency Room is scheduled to re-open in Spring 2017.

The multi-phased, military construction project, to renovate Keller Army Community Hospital, is scheduled to be completed in Fall 2018.

On Tuesday, the doors to the Emergency Dept. bay (previous location) will be secured and all Emergency Department visits will need to enter through Keller's front doors.

Additionally, all emergency ambulance transports will enter through Keller's front door and the Keller ambulance will be permanently located at the Keller circle (in front of the hospital).

There will be no vehicle parking or standing/waiting permitted in the Keller circle.

Keller circle drop-offs must be brief, and it is highly recommended that medical

appointment drop-offs occur at the Brian D. Allgood Clinic circle.

## KACH re-assigns Primary Care Managers

Over the last two weeks HealthNet/TRICARE has sent notifications to many of our beneficiaries informing you or your family member that the assigned Primary Care Manager (PCM) has been changed.

We understand that this is an inconvenience but was required due to provider losses this past summer/fall PCS season.

This reassignment will enable us to have adequate access across the entire Primary Care Department for all beneficiaries to get an appointment when they need care.

We are actively working to get a permanent provider hired to replace the providers that have left this past PCS season. We appreciate your patience and your trust as we work to deliver the care you deserve.

If you have any concerns with your newly assigned PCM, address this with our patient advocate Linda DiSalvo at 845-938-5874.

## The Great American Smokeout is today

See Page 9 for Great American Smokeout information.




• **Night at the Museum:** Showtime featuring "Night at the Museum." The preview show will be "A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving." The event is at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at B126 Washington Road.

There will be pizza, snacks and drinks. Email [jgellman@bbcgrp.com](mailto:jgellman@bbcgrp.com) by Friday.

• **Black Friday Breakfast:** Are you headed out for Christmas shopping? Stop by to grab a nice bagged breakfast to take on the run or stop by to sit down and relax. Join us for a cup of coffee.

We will have freshly-made bagels,

muffins, coffee, tea and juice.

Breakfast will be served at B126 Washington Road from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Nov. 25.

• **Holiday Shopping Bazaar:** WPFH hosts the West Point Spouses Club Holiday Shopping Bazaar from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Dec. 3 at 126 Washington Road.

Join us for shopping, door prizes, refreshments and fun. Support our community by shopping military-owned small business.

A portion of sales will be donated to the WPSC Grants and Scholarship fund.



The West Point Band will present "A West Point Holiday" at 1 p.m. Dec. 3 and 4 at Eisenhower Hall Theatre. PHOTO BY THE WEST POINT BAND

# West Point Band presents "A West Point Holiday" Dec. 3-4

By the West Point Band

The West Point Band will present "A West Point Holiday" at 1 p.m. Dec. 3 and 4 at Eisenhower Hall Theatre.

Ring in the holidays with this Hudson Valley tradition of festive holiday favorites performed by the talented vocalists and instrumentalists of the West Point Band. Make sure to join us for pre-concert entertainment in the lobby when you arrive.

This concert is free and open to all.

Each year, the West Point Band brings the holidays to the Hudson Valley with this family-friendly production featuring world-class music in a variety of styles.

Bring your family and friends to celebrate the season with this spectacular performance featuring the vocal talents of Master Sgt. MaryKay Messenger, and Staff Sgts. Jeremy

Gaynor and Emily McAleesejergins. You'll hear festive arrangements of your favorite holiday songs, both traditional and contemporary, including segments featuring the Benny Havens Band and the Hellcats. As always, the performance will conclude with a visit from Santa Claus.

Established in 1817, the West Point Band is the Army's oldest musical organization and continues to provide world-class music to educate, train and inspire the Corps of Cadets and to serve as ambassadors of the United States Military Academy and the Army to local, national, and international communities.

For concert information, cancellations and updates, call 845-938-2617 or visit [www.westpointband.com](http://www.westpointband.com).

West Point Band news can also be found by following us on Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter.

## West Point Command Channel Channels 8/23

For the week of Nov. 17-24

Army Newswatch

Thursday, Friday and Monday-Nov. 24

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

## MOVIES at MAHAN

Theatre schedule at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752.

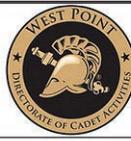
Friday—"Miss Pertegrine's Home for Peculiar Children," PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—"Ouija: Origin of Evil," PG-13, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday—"The Girl on the Train," R, 9:30 p.m.

(For movie details and updated schedules, visit [www.shopmyexchange.com/reel-time-theatres/West-Point-1044343](http://www.shopmyexchange.com/reel-time-theatres/West-Point-1044343).)



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# Women's Basketball opens with win at LIU Brooklyn

By Harrison Antognioni  
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The Army West Point Women's Basketball team kicked off its season with a 68-47 defeat of LIU Brooklyn Nov. 12 at the Steinberg Wellness Center in Brooklyn, New York.

Army opens 1-0 for the second year in a row after defeating Pepperdine in last year's opener, while LIU Brooklyn starts the season 0-1.

Sophomore Madison Hovren led all scorers with a career-high 22 points, while classmate Jess Lewis also reached double figures, with a career-best 12 points.

Hovren also paced the Black Knights with six rebounds, while junior Aliyah Murray also pulled down six boards to go with her nine points off the bench.

Aja Boyd led LIU Brooklyn with nine points and seven rebounds.

The Cadets limited the Blackbirds to 10 or fewer points in the first three quarters, including a game-low eight points by the hosts during the third period.

## Army highlights and game notes

- Army improves 5-1 all-time versus LIU Brooklyn.
- The Black Knights move to 19-21 in all season openers and 5-6 in season openers under 11th-year head coach Dave Magarity.
- Hovren scored 22 points for her first-career 20-point game.
- Lewis reached a career high with 12 points.
- Hovren, Lewis and junior Lena' Hicks all earned their first career starts, joining juniors Janae McNeal and Daizjah Morris in the starting five.
- Army outscored LIU Brooklyn, 38-18, in the paint.
- The Black Knights also held the advantage in fast-break points, 10-0.
- Freshman Cori Schnell scored five points in her first appearance off the bench, while classmates Shelby Haynes and Libby Tacka



Sophomore Madison Hovren (#14 in photo, but now #41) lead all scorers with a career-high 22 points in Army West Point's 68-47 victory over LIU Brooklyn in Brooklyn, N.Y.

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each added two points.

- Freshmen Julia Gibbs and Morgann Yancey also saw their first collegiate minutes.

## Turning point

- Army outscored LIU Brooklyn, 17-8, during the second quarter to grow its 13-10 lead to 30-18 by halftime. Hovren led the Cadets with six points during the quarter, while McNeal and

Murray chipped in four points apiece.

## How it happened

- The Black Knights used a 7-0 run late in the first quarter to pull ahead, eventually closing out the frame with a 13-10 advantage.
- The visitors went on to extend their three-point cushion to 12 by outscoring LIU Brooklyn, 17-8, in the second period and make the score 30-18 at the half.
- Hovren finished off an old-fashioned

three-point play with 3:42 left in the third quarter to cap an 11-0 run by the Cadets. The run extended Army's lead to 20 points, 42-22.

- After taking a 45-27 lead into the fourth quarter, both teams registered their highest scoring quarters, as Army tallied 23 points and LIU Brooklyn had 20 in the final period.
- The Black Knights led by as many as 27 on four occasions in the fourth, doing so for the final time with 1:38 left after a lay-up from Haynes made the score 68-41.

# Rifle falls to West Virginia

By Abby Aubart  
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The Army West Point Rifle team fell to No. 1 West Virginia, 4,712-4,657, on Sunday making them 1-1 on the weekend.

## Aggregate scoring

West Virginia took the top four individual scores on the day with scores from Morgan Phillips (1181), Jean-Pierre Lucas (1180), Milica Babic (1177), and Elizabeth Gratz (1174).

Army took fifth through eighth with scores from senior Marvin Lewis (1171), sophomores Payne Nunn (1164), Nathan Brewer (1161), and senior Danielle Cuomo (1161).

## How it happened in smallbore

- The Mountaineers took the top four spots

with Lucas leading the way shooting a 588.

- The Black Knights captured the fifth through ninth spot and were led by senior Marvin Lewis who shot a 579.
- Army rounded out the scoring with Nunn (577), Cuomo (576), and Brewer (571).

## How it happened in air rifle

- West Virginia also captured the top four spots in air rifle, led by Phillips with a 594.
- Lewis (592) and Brewer (590) took the fifth and sixth spot, respectively.
- Army rounded out scoring with Nunn shooting a 587, Cuomo scoring a 585, and freshman Madeline Erikson compiling a 585.

## Next up

- Army will finish 2016 play at home against No. 5 TCU at 9 a.m. Sunday at the Tronsrue Marksmanship Center.

# Sports calendar Corps Squad

## FRIDAY

3 P.M. AND 5 P.M. — WOMEN'S RUGBY, NIRA 15S CHAMPIONSHIPS, ANDERSON RUGBY COMPLEX.

7 P.M. — WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. YALE, CHRISTL ARENA.

## SATURDAY

NOON — FOOTBALL VS. MORGAN STATE, MICHIE STADIUM. (TV: CBS COLLEGE SPORTS.)

6 P.M. — MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. ARKANSAS STATE, CHRISTL ARENA.

## SUNDAY

9 A.M. — RIFLE VS. TCU, TRONS RUE

## MARKSMANSHIP CENTER.

2 P.M. — WOMEN'S RUGBY, NIRA 15S CHAMPIONSHIP, ANDERSON RUGBY COMPLEX.

2:30 P.M. — MEN'S BASKETBALL VS. CHATTANOOGA/CENTRAL ARKANSAS, CHRISTL ARENA.

## WEDNESDAY

7 P.M. — WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS. AIR FORCE, CHRISTL ARNEA

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# Wrestling setback by Drexel in EIWA opener

By Stephen Waldman  
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The Army West Point Wrestling team opened conference action with a 22-14 setback against Drexel Sunday at Christl Arena.

The Black Knights fell to 0-2 on the season and 0-1 in the Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association (EIWA), while the Dragons improve to 4-0 and 2-0 in conference.

## Army highlights and match notes

- Army's Director of Athletics Boo Corrigan was in attendance.
- The Black Knights are now 9-8 against Drexel all-time, dating back to the 1980-81 season.
- Senior captain Logan Everett won Army's first dual match of the year with a 9-5 decision over David Pearce.
- Fellow senior captain Russ Parsons earns his second-career bonus point victory over Comunale, taking an 8-0 major decision in last year's dual.
- Freshman Ben Harvey earned his first-career dual victory.

## How it happened

- 125: Tanner Shoap dec. over Trey Chalifoux, SV-1, 9-7 (Drexel leads, 3-0);
- 133: Kevin Devoy Jr. maj. dec. over Austin Harry, 8-0 (Drexel leads, 7-0);
- 141: #17 Logan Everett dec. over David Pearce, 9-5 (Drexel leads, 7-3);
- 149: #9 Matthew Cimato dec. over Matt Kelly, 5-1 (Drexel leads, 10-3);



Freshman Ben Harvey earned a victory with 2-0 decision over Drexel's Nick Emler at 174 pounds during Army West Point Wrestling's 22-14 loss to the Dragons Sunday at Christl Arena.

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- 157: #14 Russ Parsons tech. fall over Mike Comunale, 17-0 (Drexel leads, 10-8);
- 165: Austin Rose dec. over Andrew Mendel, 7-4 (Drexel leads, 13-8);

- 174: Ben Harvey dec. over Nick Elmer, 2-0 (Drexel leads, 13-11);
- 184: Samson Imonode dec. over Alex DeCiantis, 8-3 (Army leads, 14-13);

- 197: Joshua Murphy dec. over #11 Rocco Caywood, 6-4 (Drexel leads, 16-14);
- 285: Joey Goodhart pins Trevor Smith at 4:16 (Drexel leads, 22-14).



Senior Logan Everett took a 9-5 decision during Army's 22-14 loss to Drexel Sunday at Christl Arena.

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Sophomore forward Tipper Higgins (#19) scored a goal and added an assist as the Army West Point Hockey team defeated Canisius 5-2 Nov. 12 at Tate Rink. With the weekend series sweep of the Golden Griffins, the Black Knights are now 6-3-1 overall and 6-2-0 in the Atlantic Hockey Association. It was Army West Point's first series sweep since sweeping Niagara in January.

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## Army completes weekend sweep over Canisius

By Ally Keirn  
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The Army West Point Hockey team completed its weekend sweep of Canisius Nov. 12 with a 5-2 victory at Tate Rink. The Black Knights have now denied the Golden Griffins a win in the team's last four meetings.

### Army highlights and game notes

- Army improved to 6-3-1 overall with tonight's win and are now 6-2-0 in Atlantic Hockey and have secured the top spot for the fifth consecutive week.
- The Black Knights hold a 6-2-1 lead over the Griffins in the last nine meetings.
- This weekend's 2-0 mark is the first time that Army has swept a weekend series since facing Niagara on the road last January.
- Five goals is the most that the Black Knights have netted this season and most since March 4 when they blanked AIC 5-0 in the AHA Opening Round.

- Dominic Franco and his linemates of Michael Wilson and Tipper Higgins had another impressive night for the Cadets as they tallied six points to tack on to last night's seven.

- Franco netted the first goal of the night for Army and was assisted by Wilson and Higgins.

- Conor Andrie got in on the scoring action for the Black Knights and netted the team's second goal of the evening with help from Wilson and Mike Preston.

- Higgins scored a goal for the second night in a row as well after successful passes from Preston and Franco.

- Dalton MacAfee netted his second of the year and the team's fourth of the night. He was assisted by Garrett Peterson who recorded his first point of the season and by Trevor Fidler.

- Taylor Maruya closed-out Army's five-goal night with the helpers from Zach Evancho and Brendan Soucie.

- Parker Gahagen improves to 6-2-1 this season after stopping 32 shots.

### How it happened

- For the second night in a row, the Black Knights led the

Golden Griffins five minutes into the game.

- Franco had a wraparound goal to give Army the 1-0 advantage. His linemates Wilson and Higgins assisted on the play.

- Andrie put one in the back of the net with just over six minutes to play in the first period to push Army ahead 2-0.

He got past two Canisius defenders to score a breakaway goal assisted by Wilson and Preston.

- Higgins netted the Black Knights' third goal of the game on a redirect from Preston and Franco in the 14:33rd minute of the stanza.

- The Golden Griffins did not stay silent tonight and notched a power play goal to close-out the second period. It was their first goal of the weekend against Army.

- Maruya posted his first goal of the season on a wraparound attempt from Evancho and Soucie.

This padded the Black Knights' lead to 5-1 with seven minutes to go in the game.

- The Griff's would pick up their second goal of the night on the power play with 1:47 left to play, but Army held on for the 5-2 victory.