Starting July 22, non-DOD visitors will be required to check in at the Visitor Control Center daily from 6 a.m. until 10 p.m. to be issued Local Access Credentials in order to gain entry onto the military installation. These changes will bring West Point into compliance with Department of the Army access control requirements and provide a safe and secure community to study, work, and live.

“We expect delays at the gates as people learn about the new requirements,” Lt. Col. Brian Heverly, director of Emergency Services, U.S. Army Garrison, West Point, said. “We ask for patience and assistance in passing this new information along to members of the community, visiting family members, alumni and friends of West Point.”

This change impacts non-DOD card holders who desire unescorted access to visit cadets, friends, family, the hospital, sporting events, concerts and other programs not deemed special events. It also affects companies with employees who require unescorted access to conduct business on West Point, such as delivery drivers.

After 10 p.m., guests are still required to conduct a background check to enter the installation; however, only a 24-hour pass will be provided at Stony Lonesome Gate until the visitor can obtain a LAC at the VCC the next business day if necessary.

All visitors to the installation will undergo a background check through the National Crime Information Center–Interstate Identification Index (NCIC-III).

The Superintendent of West Point has the authority to designate certain events as “special events.” This designation will reduce the access requirements back to driver’s licenses or other approved government-issued ID cards.

**Special events currently include:**
- Fourth of July and Labor Day band concerts
- Graduation
- Home football games
- Ticketed sporting events like hockey and lacrosse
- Eisenhower Hall entertainment events and concerts.

**Access Requirements:**
Non-DOD visitors should download and fill out a Local Area Credential Request Form from the website. Visitors will then bring the form to the Visitor Control Center at 2107 New South Post Road, (West Point) located in Highland Falls, New York.

In addition to the form, visitors will need to bring a state-issued driver’s license that complies with the Real ID Act of 2005. If you are from the State of Washington, Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri or New Mexico or do not have valid driver’s license, you will need one of the following:
- U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card
- Permanent resident card or Alien Registration Receipt Card (INS Form I-551)
- Foreign passport with a temporary I-551 stamp or temporary I-551 with a printed notation on a machine-readable immigrant visa
- Foreign passport with a current arrival-departure record or foreign passport with INS Form I-94/I-94A bearing the same names as the passport and containing an endorsement of the alien’s nonimmigrant status, if that status authorizes the alien to work for an employer
- Employment authorization document that contains a photograph (INS Form I-776)
- Driver’s license or identification card issued by a State or outlying U.S. possession that is Real ID compliant. For Washington and Minnesota, this is the Enhanced Driver License or Enhanced ID
- U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card or Transportation Worker ID Card issued by DHS
- Native American tribal document
- U.S. Government issued, authenticated Federal PIV credentials
- For anyone under 18, a school ID card that contains a photo.

For more information, visit https://westpoint.edu/visiting-west-point or call the Visitor Control Center at 845-938-0390 or 845-938-0392.
Know your housing rights

HOUSING BILL OF RIGHTS

You have the right to BE HEARD with the DOD Housing Survey for the Draft Housing Bill of Rights that will identify the basic rights of service members residing in privatized housing. Your household will receive one survey via email link. The survey will close on July 15. If you don’t receive an email, contact CEL & Associates at: BillofRightsFeedback@celassociates.com

Check out westpoint.edu/news/all-community-news for more information.

Cadets travel to Israel, Poland for educational journey

By Kate Levi
Cubed Communications

TEL AVIV, ISRAEL—A group of 40 cadets and their officers landed at Ben Gurion Airport May 30 for the last phase of a two-week strategic tour of Poland and Israel organized by Our Soldiers Speak (OSS), an American-based nonprofit dedicated to educating students and academics from around the world about Israel and its security realities.

After visiting significant sites in Holocaust history during their time in Poland, the cadets embarked on an immersive journey into Israeli society through June 11.

The visiting delegation received high-level briefings from current and former policymakers and commenters from across the political spectrum in the security, strategy, international relations, law, politics, media, religion and technology arenas.

One of the highlights of the Israeli leg of the servicemembers’ trip, officially called the Israel Strategy and Policy Tour (I-SAP), was a meeting with U.S. Ambassador to Israel David Friedman on June 10. The cadets were also able to meet with retired Maj. Gen. Noam Tibon, former commander of the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) Northern Formation; Judge Daphne Barak-Erez of the Israeli Supreme Court; Ambassador Arthur Kroll, deputy director general of the Israeli Foreign Ministry; and retired Maj. Gen. Gershon HaCohen, former commander of the IDF Staff & Command College.

The visiting cadets and servicemembers hailed from the U.S. Military Academy, the Air Force Academy and the Virginia Military Institute. They were taking part in the fourth annual tour of I-SAP—a rigorous, safe and highly educational onsite experience for U.S. cadets in Israel, America’s most indispensable ally in the Middle East.

By interfacing with members of the IDF, the American cadets and officers deepened their relationships with servicemembers who they will likely cross paths with repeatedly over the course of their military careers.

“This unparalleled experience enables American cadets to learn about hot-button issues and matters of utmost strategic importance in the Middle East firsthand,” OSS Founder and Director Benjamin Anthony said. “By forging bonds between the cadets and Israeli military officers, we are laying the groundwork for future understanding and productive interactions.”
Facing fears, pain in the House of Tears

The first group of Class of 2023 new cadets experienced the gas chamber during Cadet Basic Training Tuesday. While in the chamber, new cadets are subjected to CS Gas to teach them how to properly seal their protective masks and to trust the equipment.

Photo by Brandon O’Connor/PV
West Point Cadet supports DPAA mission in Vietnam

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Apryl Hall
Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency

His alarm screams at 5:30 a.m. prompt and wakes him from a heavy, much-needed sleep. He takes note of his sore muscles and stretches the stiffness out of his legs and arms. When he finally opens his eyes, he realizes he’s in an unfamiliar place. The cracked walls in the tiny room remind him where he is and why he’s there. It feels like Groundhog’s Day, but he’s used to that.

Class of 2020 Cadet Joshua Smoak is no stranger to long days with strict timelines and an overwhelming amount of work. He just finished his junior year at the U.S. Military Academy and was planning to take a few weeks of vacation when an unexpected opportunity came his way.

“I was going to go home for five weeks, which does not happen,” Smoak said. “I was really excited, but then, when talking with my mentor one day, she said, ‘You’re going to Vietnam.’”

Not sure what to make of the situation, Smoak did some research and discovered the trip to Vietnam was to support a recovery mission with the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency. DPAA’s mission is to provide the fullest possible accounting of our missing personnel to their families and the nation. Smoak instantly knew it was an opportunity he couldn’t refuse.

“My grandfather actually served in Vietnam, and I felt so humbled that I was able to go honor his fallen brothers,” Smoak said. “I’ll be able to converse with him about something my generation otherwise wouldn’t be able to connect with.”

Smoak called the trip leader Capt. Matt Salyer, an associate professor at West Point, immediately. He agreed to cut his vacation time short and headed to the small Vietnamese village of A Luoi, where he and Salyer joined 10 other individuals, seven servicemembers and three civilian partners, who had already started the mission a few weeks prior.

For weeks the team members shoveled and screened soil in search of finding three soldiers who went missing during the war. The days were long. The heat was unbearable at times. The work was exhausting, but Smoak never lost sight of how important the opportunity was for his development as a future officer.

“At West Point, you’re so consumed with yourself, but here it’s really cool to take a step back and not worry about myself as much as the team,” Smoak said. “Yeah, we are tired and dirty and we may make small mistakes, but we are all willing to put in the work and come back and make a difference in the end.”

Smoak also said the mission helped him learn a valuable lesson in leadership.

“I wanted to learn how not to be a leader,” Smoak said. “I learn everyday how to be a leader. In order to be a good leader, you have to be a good follower, and I have not gotten enough training to be a good follower.”

For Salyer, the mission was about opening a door for his cadets. The trip was a pilot program for what Salyer hopes is a future partnership between West Point and DPAA. His goal is to do an annual mission with cadets and newly-commissioned lieutenants.

“I thought it was a great opportunity for cadets to interact with a real, small-team environment with non-commissioned officers from all branches of service and be part of a real, operational mission,” Salyer said. “There’s a great framework in place for a relationship that can give smart, young future leaders a chance to support DPAA and that can, in-turn, help provide them a great opportunity to honor the fallen and develop their competencies.”

Salyer also feels a strong connection to the mission. Growing up in the Bronx, Salyer said he admired the men in his neighborhood who left for the war and returned to a community that had changed. Partnering with DPAA allows him to honor those men, while still mentoring his young students.

“For me to combine the personal angle with something that can help educate cadets, that’s the goal,” Salyer said. “This is like a practicum for a lot of things they learn in the classroom. To get the exposure to work with other branches, civilian entities and a host nation, and have to accomplish a mission in that environment, it’s a very complex atmosphere and will help develop them as officers.”

With the pilot mission in the books, Salyer and Smoak look forward to teaming up together next year for another DPAA mission, this time with a much bigger group of cadets along for the ride.

“For me to be in this program, what we are doing right now is potentially opening a gateway to change 30 plus cadets’ lives, and I am so humbled and honored to say I was part of opening that door,” Smoak said. “I wanted an opportunity that teaches me something that I can apply to myself as an officer. So allowing cadets this opportunity that is very different, but still an option in the military is amazing. Work your butt off, sweat a lot and develop as a leader.”

Class of 2020 Cadet Joshua Smoak poses for a photo during a Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) recovery mission in Thua Thien Hue province, Socialist Republic of Vietnam, June 7. The mission was a pilot program for USMA personnel who are working with DPAA to support future missions as part of a leadership development experience for cadets. DPAA’s mission is to provide the fullest possible accounting of missing personnel to their families and the nation.
West Point Spouses’ Club awards 10 scholarships

Congratulations to the 2019 recipients of the West Point Spouses’ Club Scholarship. This year, a total of $18,000 in scholarships were awarded to 10 recipients. Eight of the recipients were high school students who will be entering college this fall as freshman. The other two recipients are members of the West Point Spouses Club who are actively engaged in their continuing education. The 2019 scholarship recipients are Mitchell Browne, Finley Corrigan, Faith East, Allison Hanus, Story Miraldi, Megan Van Sweringen, Evan Van Meter, Samantha Wender, Jennifer Wlasniewski and Eric Wooten. All are pictured except Wlasniewski. Also pictured are Scholarship Chair Deb Haley, WPSC President Stephanie Flores and West Point Garrison Commander Col. Cecil Marson.

Girl Scout Troop 186 making community better, working with HV SPCA

Story submitted by Girl Scout Troop 186

For the past year, Girl Scout Troop 186 of West Point has been working toward its Silver Award at the Hudson Valley SPCA. The Silver Award is the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn and this award allows Girl Scouts to do big things and make their community better in the process.

Girl Scout Troop 186 has dedicated its time and energy into organizing the shelters supplies and donations to help limit waste. The girls have dedicated more than 200 hours placing donation boxes around West Point, conducting learning opportunities, hand making dog toys out of fleece blankets, walking the dogs and socializing many of the dogs awaiting forever homes.

While organization may seem like a small impact, it is time consuming and the thing the staff and volunteers think about is putting their time and energy toward the dogs.

While at the shelter, the girls noticed that the property was not secure as the shelter only had one part of fencing that was viable. At this point, the girls decided that organization was not enough. They wanted to make an even bigger impact on the shelter and their surrounding community. The idea of supplying the shelter with 500 feet of new fencing came to life.

After deciding to add fencing into their project, the girls had to decide where the money would come from. They worked cookies booths almost every weekend for two straight months, spoke with various businesses and reached out to other community locals. This process took several months.

The girls have proven they can do all of this. Recently, the girls purchased 200 feet of fencing, poles and needed supplies to complete the first part of the fence project.

The girls have a long-term goal of having the whole perimeter of the property fenced to help keep the dogs safe and secure in case they escape from their leash or pen.

It cannot be stressed how much the girls have invested into their project and with all of them being a part of military families, time is not on our side. The girls must complete their project by the end of July as a few of the girls are moving. The girls will need help with building the fence and with the weather being rather wet recently, a date has not yet been scheduled. We will make sure to post on social media when we have a date scheduled.

Girl Scout Troop 186 would like to thank all those who bought Girl Scout Cookies and thank those who have dropped off donations in one our donation boxes. We would like to thank the PX and Fire Stations for hosting our donation boxes. We cannot have done any of this without your support.

The Hudson Valley SPCA is located at 940 Little Britain Road, Route 207, New Windsor, NY 12553. The office number is 845-564-6810. Donations can be dropped off at the shelter or at one of two locations on West Point at the PX or Fire Station 2.
USMA Leaders recognize hero at Proclamation Ceremony

Staff Sgt. Dave Bellavia, Medal of Honor recipient, was honored during a Proclamation Ceremony in front of New York City Town Hall July 2. Lt. Gen. Darryl A. Williams, Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy, introduced Bellavia and spoke about his accomplishments during the ceremony. Command Sgt. Maj. Jack Love, USMA command sergeant major, also represented the academy at the event. Bellavia was recognized last month with the Medal of Honor for his actions on Nov. 10, 2004, as a squad leader in support of Operation Phantom Fury in Fallujah, Iraq.

Photos by Sgt. 1st Class Josephine Pride/USMA PAO
USMA Library earns Federal Large Library of the Year for FY2018

The U.S. Military Academy Library at West Point won the Federal Library of Congress' Large Library of the Year category award, which involves a library with more than 11 employees. The purpose of the award is to recognize the outstanding, innovative and sustained achievements during Fiscal Year 2018 by a federal library or information center. This recognizes all staff and functions of the library. Among the many functions it does well, in Fiscal Year 2018, the USMA Library introduced the USMA Digital Commons, an institutional repository with contributions from 15 USMA departments and other research-producing institutions within the academy, to share the scholarly output of USMA with the world. The USMA Library is recognized for empowering more than 4,400 cadets and 650 staff and faculty to be leaders of distinction in scholarship and research. The library currently has 41 employees, of which 17 are pictured above.

Photos by Eric S. Bartelt/PV
Death Notice for Cadet Christopher J. Morgan

Anyone with debts owed to or by the estate of Cadet Christopher J. Morgan should contact Maj. Owen Tolson, the Summary Court officer for the cadet.
Morgan passed away due to a training accident June 6. Call Tolson at 845-938-5723 or email him at owen.tolson@westpoint.edu.

The Bass Club at West Point
The Bass Club at West Point is accepting new members. The Bass Club shares angling knowledge, conducts tournaments, promotes sustainable fishing and performs community service in support of West Point outdoor recreation.
Membership is open to military, DOD civilians, veterans of the Armed Forces and their dependents.
For more details, contact Carmine Giglio at 845-938-2880.

Mine Torne Road and Stilwell Lake closures
Mine Torne Road and Stilwell Lake will be closed on the listed dates for military training.
- Mine Torne Road—7 a.m.-7 p.m. July 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 30, 31; and Aug. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9.
- Stilwell Lake—7 a.m.-7 p.m. July 20, 21, 22, 23.
Additional dates will be provided as training progresses.
For details, contact Alec Lazore at 845-938-3007.

Kayak Tours and lessons with Outdoor Recreation Equipment Checkout Center (MWR item)
Visit ODR today and sign-up for one of its many tours or lessons throughout the summer. The checkout center is located at 648 Wilson Road behind the West Point Post Office.
Take an Intro to Kayaking Class from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday. Tour Popolopen Creek/Fort Montgomery from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.
Tour Cold Spring from 1-4 p.m. on July 20. Tour Constitution Island from 1:30-3:30 p.m. July 27.
Try Family Friendly Kayaking from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday or 1-5 p.m. on July 24.
There is a nominal fee for these classes and tours which include Kayak and tour. For more details and to register, call 845-938-0123.

Morgan Farm Open to the Public (MWR item)
Morgan Farm offers birthday parties and horseback riding lessons, so come check out the farm today.
Host your child’s next birthday party at Morgan Farm with three different party packages to fit your budget.
Morgan Farm also offers riding lessons for beginner through advanced riders.
These lessons are suitable for ages 5 and up.
Horse boarding is available at the stables for a nominal fee.
For more details, call 938-3926.

Round Pond Recreation Area open for the season (MWR item)
The Round Pond Recreation Area is now open through November and is located off Route 293, only three miles from Washington Gate.
Round Pond offers cabin, campsite and paddle boat rentals.
Hours of operation are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday and Saturday.
For more details, call 845-938-2503 or visit MWR on the web at westpoint.armymwr.com.

101 Spin Basics with Paul (MWR item)
A 101 Spin Basics class with Paul is scheduled at 5:40 a.m. on Wednesdays at the MWR Fitness Center Spin Room.
Paul will look at everything in and out of the saddle, from good fit to good position to good form.
For more details, call 845-938-6490.

Kid’s Bowl Free Program through Aug. 30 (MWR item)
Bowling is free for kids at the West Point Bowling Center when they sign-up online for the Kid’s Bowl Free Program.
Sign-up is at kidsbowlfree.com/army.
For more details, call 845-938-2140.

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 Kathy Yusaf at 854-569-3633 or email kathy.yusaf@msmc.edu; and
• Saint Thomas Aquinas—Call Gina Erazo at 845-398-4102 or email gierazo@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 jheiney@jjay.cuny.edu; and
• 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.

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 845-938-1039.

Army Personnel Testing programs
The Army Education Center at West Point offers Army Personnel Testing 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 845-938-3360 or email gwenn.t.wallace.ctr@mail.mil for details or an appointment.

Army Career Skills Program
The Army’s Career Skills Program (CSP) prepares Soldiers for civilian employment through first-class apprenticeships, on-the-job training, job shadowing, internships and employment skills training.
Soldiers are eligible to participate in an Army CSP up to 180 days prior to separation from the Army and after completion of the mandatory five-day SFL-TAP workshop.

The use of permissive temporary duty (PTDY) to attend a CSP more than 50 miles away from the Soldier’s duty station may be granted at the commander’s discretion.
Interested transitioning service members can contact Drew Mierva at drew.m.mierva.ctr@mail.mil or stop by the Army Education Center from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday.

OUTSIDE THE GATES

West Point Town of Highlands Farmers Market
A new season of the West Point Town of Highlands Farmers Market runs 9 a.m.-2 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 27.
This Sunday is Experience the Market (see Page 10 for advertisement).

Grace Baptist Church of Highland Falls VBS
The Grace Baptist Church will hold a Vacation Bible School for teenagers at 6-8:30 p.m. Monday-July 19. To register, visit the website at www.gracebaptistny.org, or in person the week of VBS.
The Grace Baptist Church is located at 54 Old State Road in Highland Falls.

Highland Falls Library exhibit
The Highland Falls Library proudly presents an exhibit by photographer Stan Goldblatt, “The Appalachian Trail—Fort Montgomery Project: Portraits of Thru Hikers on the Appalachian Trail,” which is now open and runs through Oct. 4.
The Highland Falls Library is located at 298 Main Street in Highland Falls.
The library and the exhibit are open at 10 a.m. Monday-Saturday with various closing hours daily.
For details, contact Leslie Rose at trose@rcs.org or 845-446-3113.

Second (Indianhead) Division Association reunion
The Second (Indianhead) Division Association is searching for anyone who served in the Army's 2nd Infantry Division at any time.
For details about the association and its 98th annual reunion in Tucson, Arizona from Sept. 18-22; contact Bob Haynes at 2ndahq@comcast.net or call 224-225-1202.

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. 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 details on the Grace Baptist Church, visit www.gracebaptistny.org.

Summer Discovery Program at Trailside Museums & Zoo, Bear Mountain State Park
Summer is time for kids to be outside. There’s no better place for your child to spend time in the great outdoors this summer than at Trailside Museums & Zoo. The Trailside Discovery day program will be your child’s up-close and personal introduction to local wildlife and ecology. They will get their hands dirty. They will have fun. Through hands-on activities and exciting games, children will be immersed in the natural world in engaging and age appropriate ways they are bound to enjoy.
One day during the first three sessions, the group will hike to the Fort Montgomery State Historic Site to learn about local history and what life was like long ago.
For the brochure and registration, visit http://www.trailsidemuseum.org/education/trailside-discovery-summer-program.
For more details, contact Chris O’Sullivan at 845-786-2701, ext. 293 or email Chris.Osullivan@parks.ny.gov.
**FOR THE FAMILIES**

**MWR Free Summer Movie Night with Outdoor Recreation**

Join Outdoor Recreation for its outdoor movie “Ralph Breaks the Internet” at 9:15 p.m. Sunday at the H-Lot Fields located at 1202 Stony Lonesome Road.

Enjoy free movies on a giant inflatable screen. Bring your own blankets and chairs. Movie concessions are available for purchase. For more details, call 845-938-2435.

For more details, visit golfatwestpoint.com.

**July is National Parks and Recreation Month**

Outdoor Recreation has pricing specials for the month of July. Save on tent and mini log cabin sites for new reservations only and receive 10 percent off your reservation.

All who are staying in the month of July will receive one free hour boat ride during their stay (kayak or paddleboard). Valid for Round Pond and Lake Frederick during the month of July. For Military/DOD families only. For more details, call 845-938-2503.

**Morgan Farm Summer Riding Camps**

Registration is ongoing for Morgan Farm Summer Riding Camps. The camps are now ongoing.

There are five-day camps offered for ages 5 and up. For more details, call 845-938-3926.

**Recreational Swimming now open**

Take advantage of the newest popular outdoor swimming spot this summer—Long Pond Recreational Area, off Route 293.

For more information, visit westpoint.armymwr.com/programs/swimming, or call 845-938-2985/3170/5139.

**FOR THE ADULTS**

**West Point Community Fair July 24**

The West Point Community Fair is scheduled for 4-6 p.m. July 24 at the West Point Club’s Grand Ballroom.

Don’t miss out on this opportunity. Come see what West Point and the Hudson Valley has to offer.

This event is open to the entire community to include new military, families and civilians at West Point. See Page 12 ad for more details.

Get your passport and win great prizes. For more details, call 845-938-8186 or visit westpoint.armymwr.com.

**Stand Up Paddle Yoga with Outdoor Recreation Equipment Checkout Center**

Sign up today with ODR for Stand Up Paddle Yoga throughout the summer. The checkout center is located at 648 Wilson Road behind the West Point Post Office.

Try SUP Yoga from 5-6:30 p.m. July 22. Take an Introduction to SUP Yoga class from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. July 21 or July 27.

There is a nominal fee for these classes which includes a paddleboard. For more details and to register, call 845-938-0123.

**FOR THE ADULTS**

**West Point Spartan Sprint Aug. 24-25**

The West Point Spartan Sprint will be held from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 24-25.

Grit is the rule, not the exception, so we kindly ask that you either leave your fears at home or face them on the course.

Register at Spartan.com.

**Framing and engraving with West Point Arts and Crafts**

The custom framing experts at Arts and Crafts can turn any achievement into a timeless work of art.

Choose from more than 500 quality moldings, 450 acid-free mats and opt for UV-protective glass to prevent fading. They also offer engraving for any special occasion. Give them a call for any special engraving items you may have.

Arts and Crafts’ easy and quick pricing allows you to design your budget. For more details, call 845-938-4812.

**FOR THE ADULTS**

**Indoor Firearm Shooting now available at West Point**

Come on down to the Tronsrue Marksmanship Center today. The center is located at 665 Tower Road, adjacent to the Gillis Field House.

Hours of operation are 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday-Friday. Recreational shooting is open to all DOD cardholders and their guests. They have gun rentals, ammunition and targets for sale.

For more details and to register, call 845-938-1700 or visit westpoint.armymwr.com.

**FOR THE FAMILIES**

**Wilderness Explorers Classes ongoing**

Wilderness Explorers is a nature discovery program held from 11 a.m.-noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The program will run through July 25 and is designed to connect youth to nature by encouraging exploration and increasing kids’ comfort with spending time in nature. Classes are at the Happy Mountain Pavilion in the Round Pond Recreation Area.

For children Ages 4-10. There is a nominal fee. Register at westpoint.armymwr.com or call 845-938-2503.

**Junior Golf Clinics**

Junior Golf Clinics are available from 1-1:45 p.m. July 27; Aug. 10 and 24; Sept. 7 at the West Point Golf Course Driving Range. Clinics are for ages 7-13.

Andy Crane, PGA, is one of the best teachers in the Hudson Valley. He will take you from range to course. Lessons are customized to skill level. Clubs are provided. There is a nominal fee per session. To sign-up, call 845-938-2435.

For more details, visit golfatwestpoint.com.
**Keller Corner**

**EFMP In/Out Processing Hours**

The Keller Army Community Hospital Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) has established limited hours for in/out processing for active duty members from 9-11 a.m. Monday-Friday.

**KACH Substance Use Disorder Clinic open**

The KACH’s Substance Use Disorder Clinic Care (SUDCC) is open to cadets, active duty service members and beneficiaries who are interested in seeking help independently.

The clinic provides substance use disorder clinical care, including assessment, education, treatment, rehabilitation and aftercare, for cadets, service members and other beneficiaries within an integrated medical and behavioral health model to enhance health and readiness.

It is preferred to have individuals seek education and treatment on their own, in hopes to prevent them from possibly experiencing an alcohol or drug related incident.

Seeking education and treatment independently does not require command involvement or an official enrollment into the program.

The SUDCC is located in Building 656 and you can schedule an appointment by walking in from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday or calling 845-938-7691.

**Help KACH reduce, eliminate “No Shows”**

Keller Army Community Hospital is asking for your assistance in reducing, and eventually, eliminating “no-shows” on missed appointments.

There is a saying in the medical community that “an appointment missed by you, is an appointment missed by two”—1.) the appointment missed by the patient, and 2.) that missed appointment time that another patient could have had.

KACH asks that as soon as you realize you will not make your scheduled appointment, call the Appointment Center at 845-938-7992 or 800-552-2907, or visit [https://www.tricareonline.com/](https://www.tricareonline.com/), and cancel so we can rebook that slot for another beneficiary.

We thank you for your assistance.

**Primary Care dedicates clinic to Sports/ School Physicals and Immunizations**

The Keller Army Community Hospital Primary Care Department, is opening dedicated clinics on Aug. 1, 2, 12 and 13 to ensure that incoming children and those unable to make appointments earlier in the summer have their physical exams prior to the start of the school year.

This is also the time to review your child’s immunizations, and prepare additional documentation for the administration of medications during school hours or emergency instructions for children with known allergies.

Please call 845-938-7992 or 800-552-2907 today to request an appointment for the dedicated school or sports physical days or you can make an appointment at your convenience.

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**LifeWorks**

- **Melody in Motion:** Come celebrate summer by swimming with the fishes, singing campfire songs, waving ribbons, dancing with scarves and shaking a parachute from 9:30-11 a.m. Friday at B126 Washington Road.

  We’ll learn about ocean animals and summer safety while listening to a variety of music.

  To register, email jgellman@bbcgrp.com.

- **Home Depot Kids Workshop:** A great event for children as the supplies will be provided by Home Depot for your child to make a wonderful project.

  The Home Depot Kids Workshop is scheduled for 2:30-4 p.m. July 18 at B126 Washington Road.

  To register, email jgellman@bbcgrp.com by Monday.

  All events are free and open to current West Point residents.

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**MOVIES at MAHAN**

Theatre schedule at Mahan Hall, Bldg. 752.

- **Friday—“Spiderman: Far From Home,”** PG-13, 7:30 p.m.
- **Saturday—“Godzilla,”** PG-13, 7:30 p.m.


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**Experience the Market**

- **Sunday July 14th 9am-2pm**
- **Main St. Highland Falls NY Across from the West Point Visitor’s Center**
- **Live Music**
- **Spanky and the Radicals**
- **Scissors Sharpening**
- **Weekly Happenings**
  - 20+ Vendors - Produce, Products, Crafts -
  - Kids Center -
  - Storybook Reading at 12pm -
  - Coloring books, chalk, jump rope & more -
  - Food to Go -
  - X-Calibur Knife & Scissor Sharpening -

**Farmers Market**

**Book Sales**

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**HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY**

**OFFICE OF THE COMMANDANT OF CADETS**

**WEST POINT, NEW YORK 10990**

Dear Members of the West Point Community,

One of the most important events during Cadet Basic Training will take place on 21 July 2019, from 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm. This event is the New Cadet Visitation Day, commonly referred to as the Ice Cream Social. The New Cadet Visitation Day is one of West Point’s time-honored traditions. West Point graduates often recall the significance this event had on their morale, social development and integration into the Army Family.

During New Cadet Visitation Day, volunteers from across the West Point Community will pick up New Cadets from The Plain, allow them to communicate with friends and family and share light refreshments. It is a heart-warming event for both the volunteers and New Cadets.

It takes the entire community to make New Cadet Visitation Day a success. This is especially true this year, as the Class of 2023 will have over 1,200 New Cadets. If you volunteered in the past, I ask that you participate again this year. If you are new to the community or have not participated in the past, I strongly encourage you to consider supporting this year’s event.

There are a few important guidelines and expectations for New Cadet Visitation Day that must be reviewed during the sign-up process. Volunteers will be able to review the important information on the sign-up page at the Academy Management System (AMS) website that will active on 5 July 2019. You can find additional information in the *Pointer View* and on the Command Channel.

By hosting members of the Class of 2023, you play a key role in their early development as future leaders of character. Thank you for all you do for the United States Military Academy and the United States Army.

By

JASON M. HALLOREN
Colonel, Aviation
Acting Commandant of Cadets
Parade, concert highlight West Point’s Independence Day celebration

By Capt. Jannelle Alloong-Diakabana
West Point Public Affairs

On an unusually cool first week of July in the Hudson Valley, the Village of Highland Falls hosted their 51st annual Independence Day Parade and various festivities.

“When we walk out the gate, there will be thousands (of attendees). People in town don’t go on vacation until after the Fourth. All of their families come back,” Highland Falls Mayor Joseph D’Onofrio said.

Highland Falls, a small village adjacent to West Point, has remained a supportive and welcoming community attracting thousands of visitors every day.

According to D’Onofrio, the celebrations each year continue to transform and evolve. What was once a one-day event has become a four-day event.

Each year, various organizations, schools, marching bands and the West Point community provide participants to march in the parade.

This year, West Point provided the U.S. Military Academy Band, Color Guard and West Point Fire Department.

The Cadet Summer Training task force from the 3rd Infantry Division also provided more than 100 Soldiers and two tactical vehicles with mounted weapon systems to march in the parade.

“We have more floats this year, we have more participants. The one that tears at your heart are those troops right there. There will be applause nonstop, you will see,” said D’Onofrio referring to the Soldiers who were staging in preparation to march.

Roe Park was the center of attraction throughout the week, where events such as a 5K race, children’s fun run, watermelon-eating contest, egg toss, hula-hooping, bed races, a robust parade and fireworks show were all being hosted.

“Our parade is rather small, but our patriotic heart is large,” D’Onofrio said.

The West Point Band also hosted its annual concert on Sunday after being postponed due to weather. The event had more than 2,500 people from the West Point and surrounding communities in attendance and concluded with a fireworks show.

West Point would like to thank the people of the surrounding community, the mayor of Highland Falls, the 3rd Infantry Division, and West Point Garrison for their enduring support during this week of celebration.
ATTENTION: The West Point 5K/10K and Kids Fun Run on June 15 was postponed and now is scheduled for Saturday. Go to page 9 for details on the event.
The West Point Band will continue its Music Under the Stars concert series with a performance titled “Sunset with a Soundtrack” at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Trophy Point Amphitheater.

This eclectic concert will include military marches, concert band classics and top 40 hits. This performance is free and open to all. Please RSVP by visiting westpointband.eventbrite.com.

Registering for this event allows us to send you up-to-date concert information, including cancellations.

How do you make a Hudson Valley sunset even more stunning? Throw in a performance by the world-class musicians of the West Point Band, of course.

Join the band on the historic campus of the U.S. Military Academy for an evening of beautiful music and exquisite views as they set Trophy Point’s famous sunset over the Hudson River to a soundtrack of iconic classics and energetic pop hits.

Bring a blanket, a picnic and your most selfie-worthy smile, and enjoy an evening of Music Under the Stars at Trophy Point.

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 U.S. 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.

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

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**Campfire Safety**

Sitting under the stars by a crackling fire has its appeal. It’s where stories are told, sing-a-longs happen, and meals are cooked over an open flame. Campfires bring family and friends together. But campfire mishaps can cause injuries. With a few safety tips, you can prevent these accidents.

**SAFETY AROUND THE FIRE**

- Before setting up a campfire, be sure it is permitted. Check with your local fire department.
- If campfires are permitted, they need to be at least 25 feet away from any structure and anything that can burn.
- Clear away dry leaves and sticks, overhanging low branches and shrubs.
- Avoid burning on windy, dry days. It is easier for open burning to spread out of control when it is windy and dry.
- Watch children while the fire is burning. Never let children or pets play or stand too close to the fire.
- Attend to the campfire at all times. A campfire left alone for only a few minutes can grow into a damaging fire.
- Keep a campfire small which is easier to control.
- Never use gasoline or other flammable or combustible liquids.
- Always have a hose, bucket of water, or shovel and dirt or sand nearby to put out the fire. Make sure to put it completely out before leaving the site.
- If your clothes catch fire, stop, drop, and roll. Stop, drop to the ground and cover your face with your hands. Roll over and over or back and forth until the fire is out.
- Treat a burn right away. Cool the burn with cool water for 3 to 5 minutes. Cover with a clean, dry cloth. Get medical help if needed.

**FACT**

Campfire accidents send thousands of people to emergency rooms with burn injuries every year.

W.P. Fire & Emergency Services

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[Image of campfire]

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By Frank Shala
Army Athletic Communications

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“This is an absolutely amazing honor for a tremendous cadet-athlete,” Army West Point Men’s Lacrosse Head Coach Joe Alberici said. “Griffin represented the very best of us on the field and off the field. His efforts made his teammates and the coaching staff better.”

The defender joins James Yastrzemsky (1997), Craig Massie (2008), Brendan Buckley (2013), Sam Somers (2015), Jimbo Moore (2016), Austin Schultz (2016) and Daniel Grabher (2017) who were also named Scholar All-Americans while on the Black Knights’ roster.

Of Army’s eight Scholar All-Americans, seven have been during Alberici’s tenure.

Schultz boasted a 3.774 grade-point average with an Economics Major and Systems Engineering Track.

The senior has made the Dean’s List all seven eligible semesters and has achieved a 3.5 GPA and above each semester. In his limited spare time, Schultz tutors his teammates in economics and physics.

He donned the Golden Wreath and Golden Star on his uniform to signify the Superintendent’s Award for Achievement and as a Distinguished Cadet. Schultz ranked 214 among his classmates.

The Lancaster, Pennsylvania, native helped anchor Army’s defense which allowed just 8.61 goals per game ranking second in the country.

He started in all 18 contests and contributed 18 ground balls, 10 caused turnovers and one assist.

West Point Summer Softball League Standings

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After a stellar spring rugby 7s season, rising senior Sam Sullivan has been awarded the inaugural Prusmack Award by the United States Rugby Foundation as the top female collegiate 7s player in the country.

“She just works her tail off and flat out outworks people,” Women’s Rugby Head Coach Bill LeClerc said. “When she got here [to USMA], she had never played rugby before and she has just grown exponentially and look what she’s done with it. All we’ve done as coaches is pointed her in the right direction and she took off.”

Sullivan followed that up with another three try effort in the semifinals against Penn State—a 24-12 win to send the Cadets to the finals.

In her three 7s seasons with Army West Point Women’s Rugby, Sullivan has scored 88 career tries and tallied 444 total points.

In addition to her on-the-field accomplishments, Sullivan is a member of the new Hawk Eye ID Program at the USMA. She is also the first ever USMA Brigade Trust Captain, heading up a committee of cadets to highlight sexual assault and sexual harassment, while creating a culture in which every cadet is empowered to protect their teammates.

Lindenwood University senior Christian Rodriguez was this year’s male recipient of the Prusmack Award. More than 60 collegiate coaches from across the country were asked to submit nominations.

This annual award is named in honor of the late A. Jon Prusmack, who was a champion for the sport of rugby in the United States, particularly 7s rugby.

For more on Army West Point Women’s Rugby, follow on Twitter at ArmyWestPoint_WRugby.