Company D-2 (top right) and nine other cadet companies, to include the Black and Gold teams, are the 12 U.S. Military Academy teams destined to compete in the annual spring Sandhurst Military Skills Competition in April, which will include Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps units from other universities, all the service academies and 16 international teams. The 10 companies earned the right to compete in the spring by placing in the top 10 at the 2022 fall Sandhurst Competition Oct. 28-29. The announcement of the top teams took place in a ceremony after the fall Brigade Championships at Daly Field Monday. See Brigade Finals photos on Page 3 and a graphic of the Sandhurst winners at top left.

Company D-2, nine others head to spring Sandhurst

By Sgt. 1st Class Luisito Brooks
West Point Public Affairs NCOIC

The U.S. Military Academy held an award ceremony on Monday to recognize the 2022 fall Sandhurst Competition top 10 teams at Daly Field at West Point.

The fall Sandhurst Competition, which took place on Oct. 28-29, was meant to determine the top company teams who will move on to the official Sandhurst competition in the spring.

The top 10 teams were in order:

1. D-2 Dragons;
2. H-1 Roothawgs;
3. F-2 Zoo;
4. F-1 Firehouse;
5. E-2 Brewdawgs;
6. A-4 Apaches;
7. G-2 Gators;
8. C-2 Flying Circus;
9. B-4 Buffaloes;
10. C-1 Celts.

“These teams have been training extremely hard over the past two and a half months, and more than 400 other cadets were involved in planning and running the individual events,” said Capt. Zackary Miller, the officer-in-charge of the fall competition. “It is quite a large operation that we have put a lot of time and effort into planning.”

Class of 2023 Cadet Jonathan Parent said the fall Sandhurst competition’s difficulty level exceeded his expectations.

“I have been a part of many Sandhurst competitions over the years here at West Point, and this is one of the most challenging competitions I’ve experienced,” Parent said, the squad leader for the Company D-2 team. “It was a good competition because it was not only physically demanding, but it also hit on many technical aspects as well.”

The first part of the competition consisted of a round-robin-style series of events focusing on various military skills such as grenade throwing, weapons assembly and disassembly, first aid, call for fire and a ruck march. Other unique events included the cognitive challenge, also known as “The Apparatus.”

The Apparatus is an event where competitors were given an assortment of objects and were required to assemble them into a portable device that can transport equipment across an entire field.

“Each lane required a unique level of skills from everyone on the team, so it took a great deal of teamwork to make it,” Parent said. “As a matter of fact, without teamwork, it is impossible to succeed in this competition.”

The competition was neck and neck through the first day and even closer toward the end of the second day.

“The spread between most team’s scores were extremely close,” Miller said. “It really came down to pure physical fitness and teamwork that separated the teams that made it into the Top 10 versus everyone else.”

Even though only 10 teams will go on to compete in the international competition in the spring, Miller said how proud each competitor should be for giving their all out there.

“I think the training was both fun and challenging for the competitors and also entertaining for those cadets who came out to cheer on their companies,” Miller said. “I’m extremely impressed with the small group of cadets, tactical officers and noncommissioned officers who were responsible for planning and resourcing the event.”

He explained that it was a lot of moving pieces and hard work to ensure the event was safe and successful.

“I also want to emphasize that this would not be possible without the support of all of the different agencies on West Point,” Miller said. “This includes the Directorate of Emergency Services, the Directorate of Public Works, the Logistics Readiness Center, the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobility and Security, Range Operations and the Arms Room.”

These 10 teams will be joined by the USMA Black, Gold and Prep school teams as they move on to compete in the spring competition.

The annual Sandhurst Military Skills Competition is generally held during the last week in April. The 2023 two-day competition will feature teams from West Point, Army Reserve Officers’ Training Corps units from other universities, all service academies and 16 international teams from across the globe.

“What I want to tell the teams moving on to the spring Sandhurst Competition is don’t let off the gas now, and keep training hard to prepare yourself,” Miller said. “We have company teams that will be extremely competitive, and we want to show all of these international teams, service academy teams and other ROTC programs what USMA is made of.”

For more photos of the actual competition, visit https://www.flickr.com/photos/west_point/albums/72177720303285037.
The U.S. Military Academy Library unveiled the tiny art exhibit — Magnificent Miniatures — of 95 pieces of original artwork on Oct. 23 and is now open to view. The idea to host a Tiny Art Show, featuring miniature canvases painted by USMA cadets, came from Programming and Event Librarian Lori Mullooly’s (bottom left photo to the right) vision. Miniature art is a genre of small-scale art that includes paintings, prints, sculptures and more and has a long history of its own. This program and exhibit demonstrate the passion for creating programming and producing exhibits for the USMA community that enhance cadets’ critical-thinking skills. Lisa Gomez, West Point’s exhibition librarian (bottom left photo to the left), explains that exhibitions are significant to academia and serve as an alternative form of scholarly output, allowing viewers to engage with the art, materials or historical documents in a thought-provoking and visually-stimulating manner. There will be one winner for each category. There are QR codes for voting that are at the two end panels of the exhibit. Voting will run through Dec. 9, and the exhibit will stay up until the end of the semester.

Photos by Elizabeth Woodruff/USMA PAO and Jen Chess/USMA Library
IN FOCUS: FALL BRIGADE FINALS

Company teams fight, earn fall brigade titles

The Company Athletics Fall Brigade Championships in soccer, flag football, submission grappling, functional fitness and basketball took place Monday at Daly Field and the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center. The brigade finalists in company athletics competed in the championships as a part to enhance esprit de corps within the Corps of Cadets. The brigade winners and runner-ups were Company D-1 over Company C-4 in soccer, Company D-1 defeating Company D-3 in flag football, Company C-2 was victorious over Company C-4 in basketball, Company G-1 triumphed over Company H-2 in functional fitness and Company A-3 took the submission grappling title over Company I-1. The individual submission grappling titles were won by Samuel Budoff (125 pounds, Company I-1), Evan Vertuli (140 pounds, Company A-2), Giovanni Biondo (155 pounds, Company H-2), Blake Dority (170 pounds, Company I-1), Joshua Rhodebeck (185 pounds, Company A-2), Harry Combs (205 pounds, Company E-3), Tanner Traugutt (205-plus pounds, Company I-1), Jessica Ho (134 pounds women, Company A-3), Kaylah Ajram-Wright (166 pounds women, Company B-2) and Ijeoma Akubueze (166-plus pounds, Company I-3).

Photos by John Pellino and Christopher Hennen/USMA PAO
IN FOCUS: SCUSA

Cadets engage with civilian students during SCUSA event

Story by Jorge Garcia
PV Staff Writer

This year, cadets and students from across the Nation continue the tradition of working together to refine American policies and improve the state of affairs in the country during the annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs (SCUSA) event from Nov. 2-5 at the U.S. Military Academy.

In 1949, West Point hosted the first SCUSA event. Since then, the academy has hosted SCUSA every fall, with approximately 200 undergraduate students from over 100 colleges and universities attending.

“One of the most important aspects of a cadet’s mission is to engage with our civilian partners,” Class of 2024 Cadet Kenneth Gentry said. “I know the Dean’s theme this year has been all about civilian and military relations, and SCUSA really embodies that.”

Throughout the conference, cadets and students engaged in panel discussions, received advice from subject matter experts on various policy topics and attended a keynote speaker event featuring Linda Thomas-Greenfield, the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

The delegates also worked in teams through roundtable discussions to address national and international affairs and develop policy recommendations that focused on essential topics in U.S. foreign policy.

Moreover, West Point facilitates the SCUSA event to develop lasting civil-military relationships among future leaders in the military, government and private sector.

In addition, the teams were tasked with developing proposals for different policy problems that focused on multiple issues such as political economy, social media defense concerning the spread of misinformation, public health, and climate change, among others.

Roundtable sessions lasted about six hours, with each day culminating with a West Point showcase. The showcase included a walking tour through the historical monuments of West Point and a presentation from West Point clubs such as the Black Knight Drill Team, the Pipes and Drums team and the Parachute team, among others.

Juliet Welk, a junior from Scripps University, worked alongside Gentry during roundtable discussions on how the U.S. and Africa should work together.

“We debated on what the approach for the U.S. should be as a whole, keeping in mind that this is a giant continent with distinct regions and countries,” Welk said. “There are many linguistic and cultural differences that you have to keep in mind and so you can’t have a blanket policy for an entire continent of 54 countries. That’s impractical.”

The Africa/U.S. roundtable team created a policy idea that represented each region and addressed the current political situation of each country.

The team also studied the current U.S. relationship with each country.

From a military perspective, Gentry said he was thrilled to work jointly with his civilian counterparts and felt like this experience would elevate his leadership acumen when he commissions into the big Army.

“The biggest takeaway I got from the entire conference was just the conversations and the relationships that I and my cadet counterparts had with our civilian delegates that came,” Gentry said. “From a military perspective, we’re all in that military security mindset, especially when we talk about development issues, rights of women and children, and humanitarian issues. We don’t always focus on these things at West Point, so it was enlightening to hear those perspectives from outside the institution.”

Members of the Africa/U.S. roundtable team take a group photo at Trophy Point during the walking tour of the annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs event on Nov. 4 at the U.S. Military Academy.

Photo by Kyle Osterhoudt/USMA PAO

Cadets present a cadet saber to Linda Thomas-Greenfield, the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, during the keynote speaking event of the annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs event on Nov. 3 at Eisenhower Hall.

Photo by Kyle Osterhoudt/USMA PAO
By Meghan Dower-Rogers  
Academic Research Division

The Department of Social Sciences conference room in Lincoln Hall was buzzing with activity Nov. 1 as cadets prepared for the 73rd annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs (SCUSA). The four-day event ran from Nov. 2-5 and was attended by over 200 undergraduate students from across the country and around the world who engaged in discussions about domestic and foreign policy issues facing the United States.

This year’s theme was “American Foreign Policy in an Era of Polarized Politics and Revisionist Powers.” It is the largest conference of civilian and military relations of its kind.

To prepare for the event, cadets cut name tags, filled packets with booklets, notebooks and tumblers for the participants, and dashed in and out to and from various tasks, including picking up delegates from their respective points of arrival.

Class of 2023 Cadet Benjamin Mayo, commander of the SCUSA 73 staff, explained the significance of this year’s event for the cadets. It is the first conference since 2019 to be held in person. In 2020, the event was cancelled due to COVID-19, and while it resumed in 2021, it was at half capacity, with restrictions.

“We’re glad to see it coming back to its normal capacity,” Mayo said.

The SCUSA executive team was made up of Mayo, Class of 2023 Cadet Alex Inman, the command sergeant major, and Class of 2024 Cadet Zach Vernier, the executive officer, who handled the day-to-day operations and planning for the conference, which included helping the cadets coordinate their schedules as they juggled several activities outside of SCUSA.

Mayo and Inman explained that the staff worked as a battalion-level operation to prepare for the conference. Mayo described how the process worked.

“We (he and Inman) are at the pinnacle of the battalion staff and then below us we have our different shops, as they’re called, that function within the SCUSA staff to put on the conference,” Mayo explained.

According to Inman, preparation began as early as August, when the cadets returned to campus.

“That’s the point where the staff (began) meetings,” Inman said.

At these gatherings, the staff discussed where delegates were seated and how they would get on post, among other matters.

Both Mayo and Inman said that the cadets were given a great deal of autonomy, teaching them a lot about the battalion operations process.

“(The planning) leaves a lot of responsibility on not just the command team, but all the way down to the individual staff member,” Inman said. “This is all done by cadets, researched by cadets. The whole process is executed by us and it’s incredibly informative.”

That process clearly played out in the conference room, where SCUSA staff Personnel Officer (S1), Class of 2024 Cadet Megan Nkamwa, explained her role, which involved receiving delegates and preparing packets, the latter of which she was engaged with as she discussed some of the challenges of her position.

“You have to be able to anticipate problems,” Nkamwa said. For example, she said that some delegates arrived early, needing transportation and lodging arrangements made quickly. Additionally, Nkamwa said that in the case of international delegates, there could be a language barrier.

Nkamwa noted that the packets were a significant aspect of the conference, as they gave delegates a sense of belonging and participation in the event.

Other S-shop leaders included Class of 2024 Cadet Isabella Chirico, security officer (S2), and Class of 2023 Cadet Caroline Sheard, operations officer (S3).

Mayo credited Sheard with being the “glue” holding everything together. Her responsibilities included reserving conference rooms and communicating with the various departments involved with the conference.

Completing the S-shop were Class of 2023 Cadet Jachen Bales, supply officer (S4); Class of 2024 Cadet Aaron Voudrie, public affairs officer (S5); and Class of 2024 Cadet Benjamin Dubetksy, communications officer (S6).

The staff also included commanders who oversaw specific operations. The operation commanders were Class of 2024 Cadet Enrique Mendoza, transportation commander; Class of 2023 Cadet Derick Henderson, cadet point of contact; Class of 2024 Cadet Christian Espos, task force commander; and Class of 2023 Cadet Chiara Wurdack, virtual conference commander.

Mayo said that this year marked a change in the job distribution from past years. S-shops are currently run by both first and second class cadets, previously run by only first class cadets, with third and fourth class cadets working in other roles, which were previously held by second and third class cadets.

Besides learning how a battalion operates, the cadets also learned leadership qualities, such as how to function within the staff and how to delegate.

“It’s a massive opportunity for professional development for cadets,” Mayo said.

Inman agreed, adding, “It’s invaluable to us.”

The most important aspect of the conference, according to Mayo, was exposing the cadets to civil-military relations, an important initiative for Dean of the Academic Board Brig. Gen. Shane Reeves.

“We have the ability to communicate directly with contemporary students across the U.S. and in some cases different parts of the world,” Mayo said. “This is one of the first, if not the first, opportunity to lay a good foundation to have those successful relationships in the future here at West Point, which is why we believe it’s so important to have that discourse between civilian and military delegates.”

In addition to the U.S. civilian students the cadets interact with, they had the opportunity to also work alongside international students, strengthening our international partnerships and exploring international perspectives to enduring challenges.

To learn more about the SCUSA conference, visit https://www.westpoint.edu/academics/academic-departments/social-sciences/conferences/student-conference-on-us-affairs/73.
Planting for the future at Constitution Island

By Cynthia Thomas
Constitution Island Association

With the help of a generous grant from the Daughters of the United States Army, West Point chapter, and a dedicated group of volunteers, the gardens at Constitution Island remained in full bloom this season. It was as though Anna Warner, herself, brought to life the words from the preface of her book, “Gardening By Myself” published in 1872:

“I wish everybody had a garden, and would work in it himself — the world would grow sweeter-tempered at once.”

As the season progressed, returning gardeners were joined by new volunteers and local home-schooers. The West Point ferry faithfully took gardeners to both South Dock and Garrison from April through October on Wednesday afternoons.

The weekly group averaged between 8-12 people who volunteered 650 hours to keep the gardens thriving.

One of the great successes this year is what is referred to as the ‘back door’ or kitchen Herb Garden. An education showpiece that represents traditional homestead herbs, but was allowed to go dormant through the Warner House restoration, was completely restored and replanted.

Some herbs were grown from seed, a few others were bought with a small donation from Adam’s Fairacre Farm, and others came from our volunteer’s own gardens.

Dozens of new perennials were added to the Walkway Garden, in keeping with Anna Warner’s month-by-month gardening book. Some of the standouts were a reblooming Lilac, a gorgeous ‘Mandarin’ honeysuckle and garden obelisk to support it. A few traditional heirloom plants like Bleeding Heart and Montauk Daisy came from local gardens and others from seed. Improvements were also made to the watering system.

The two ‘Autumn Glory’ maples that were planted last October by a previous DUSA grant established themselves nicely and gave beautiful fall color — despite a very dry summer.

The gardeners spent their final day of the season recently planting spring bulbs to welcome the public back to the Island in 2023.

For anyone interested in supporting the Constitution Island Association, join us for a holiday Champagne Brunch and annual members meeting at the Thayer Hotel from 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Dec. 4. See above right for the advertisement.

West Point Archaeologist Paul Hudson will give a presentation about the artifacts found during the Warner House foundation excavation. For more details, call 703-499-3380 or visit the website at www.constitutionisland.org.
There is something about the winter months and curling up with a good book by the fireplace. But did you know that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths? With a few simple safety tips and precautions you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

**BE WARM AND SAFE THIS WINTER!**

- Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet (one metre) away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Have a three-foot (one metre) “kid-free zone” around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer’s instructions.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month.

**Heating Equipment Smarts**

*Install* wood burning stoves following manufacturer’s instructions or have a professional do the installation. All fuel-burning equipment should be vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning.

*Install* and maintain CO alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning. If you *smell* gas in your gas heater, do not light the appliance. Leave the home immediately and call your local fire department or gas company.

**FACT**

Half of home heating fires are reported during the months of *December, January, and February.*
invested in each other’s lives.

To facilitate this, childcare is provided for children ages 0 to 6 in the Chapel Nursery (Building 791). For up-to-date information, follow our Facebook page (West Point PWOC) or Instagram at @pwoc.westpoint. For more details, email wp.pwoc@gmail.com.

(UPDATED) Mine Torne Road closure

Due to personally-owned weapon firing ranges, Mine Torne Road will be closed to the public from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday.

For more details, contact Joseph Middlebrooks, range operations, at 845-938-8556.

West Point Community Gymnastics Club

The West Point Community Gymnastics Club is now in session for fall recreational gymnastics classes at the Gross Center. Fill out registration forms and send them in as soon as possible to reserve your child(s) class time. When you are filling out the forms, please designate your first and second choices.

On your first day of class, sign the By Law form by the front door. The days and times that WPCGC are offering for classes are as follows:

- Ages 5-6 ad 7-9 (girls)—Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.;
- Ages 10-18 (girls)—Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.;
- Ages 5-6 (boys)—Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.;
- Ages 7-18 (boys)—Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

There is a fee and the fee breakdown is as follows per month:

- Annual registration — $75 one child, $85 per family;
- One child — $85;
- One child twice a week — $153;
- Two children — $161.50;
- Two children twice a week — $306;
- Three children — $238.

Tuition checks can be either mailed to WPCGC, P.O. Box 211, West Point, NY 10996 or brought in during class time.

(NEW) Episcopal Church of the Holy Innocents Services, Food Pantry and Thrift Shop

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Innocents welcomes West Point residents to its historic church community, founded in 1847 by academy chaplains and professors, and located at 401 Main Street in Highland Falls, just a short walk from the main gate.

The church is a Christ-centered community of compassion with a mission to share God’s love through worship, nurture and witness to its diverse and dynamic community. All are welcome in this place.

All are welcome to its food pantry on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month from 8-9:30 p.m. and its thrift shop, open on Thursdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sunday Service Times:

- 8-9:30 a.m. at St. Mark’s Chapel (Fort Montgomery) with Holy Communion;
- 10-11 a.m. — Family service at Holy Innocents with Holy Communion;
- 5-5:30 p.m. — Shortened service with Holy Communion.

We look forward to seeing you. Visit our website at https://holyinnocents2.wixsite.com/hihf/home.
Army Education and Workshops
The Army Education Center’s college courses are offered through the Army Education Center at West Point, located at 683 Buckner Loop.

Graduate studies
• John Jay College of Criminal Justice — master’s degree in public administration. For details, email Kim Heyman at kheyman@jjay.cuny.edu.
• Long Island University — master’s degrees in school counseling, mental health counseling, marriage and family counseling — call Mary Beth Leggett at 845-446-3818 or email marybeth.leggett@liu.edu.

AEC — Testing Office
The Army Education Center at West Point offers the following Army Personnel Tests (APT) — AFCT, DLAB, DLPT and SIFT. We also offer the TABE and GT Predictor.

Testing is offered by appointment only. To make an appointment, call 845-938-3360 or email Janet Browne at janet.p.browne.ctr@mail.mil or Melissa Siry at melissa.e.siry.ctr@mail.mil.

The AEC is also an Authorized Pearson VUE Testing Site, open on a space available basis to Soldiers, civilian personnel, military contractors and family members who hold a government ID card.

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 TAP workshop.

Transitioning service members can contact Heyman at kimberly.i.heyman.ctr@army.mil.

Exchange teams up with Disney+ for military-exclusive streaming discount
The Army & Air Force Exchange Service is offering a special discount on Disney+ annual subscriptions, available exclusively to members of the military community.

Service members, military family members, honorably discharged veterans and all other authorized Exchange shoppers worldwide get 25% off annual Disney+ annual subscriptions when they sign up via ShopMyExchange.com.

Disney+ brings you Disney, Pixar, Marvel, Star Wars and National Geographic in one place. Available to new and returning users, this exclusive offer will provide discounted year-over-year pricing for Disney+, the flagship direct-to-consumer streaming service from the Walt Disney Company.

The offer is accessible to U.S. military members and families based both domestically and abroad in more than 80 countries and territories. Prospective subscribers must have a ShopMyExchange.com account and be 18 or older.

Grace Baptist Church of Highland Falls Services
The West Point community 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 less than three miles from Thayer Gate and only two miles from the Bear Mountain Bridge.

The church holds services on Sunday morning (Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.; Worship service at 10:30 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 students.

Grace’s church family encourages a warm, inviting atmosphere of worship and genuine friendliness.

This unique body of believers love Jesus Christ and desire spiritual growth, as well as service-oriented care and concern for others.

Transportation is provided as needed. For any questions, visit the church website at www.gracebaptistny.org.

(NEW) Cornwall Public Library events
The Cornwall Public Library, located at 395 Hudson Street in Cornwall, offers community events for all ages to enjoy.

Below is a list of some upcoming events at the Cornwall Public Library:
• Today, 11 a.m., Teen Tech Tutoring — Got tech questions? Let our savvy teen volunteers assist you. Bring your devices and your questions. No appointments needed — first come, first served.
• Friday, 11:30 a.m., Veterans Day Program — The library invites the Cornwall community to join us in honoring those who have served in our nation’s military. There will be displays featuring maps of service areas, vintage uniforms and a “Wall of Honor” showing photos of Cornwall veterans. Visitors will also have an opportunity to make cards for Soldiers. Light refreshments will be served. This is a drop-in event for all ages.

For all registration, if needed, visit the library’s online calendar at https://www.cornwallpubliclibrary.org/calendar/.

Tuesday Morning Protestant Women’s Bible Study
Join Protestant Women of the Chapel for weekly worship and devotions from 9-11 a.m. Tuesdays.

All women connected to West Point (including spouses, active duty, retired, civilian employees/contractors and their spouses) are welcome to meet at the Post Chapel (Building 692 Biddle Loop) for fellowship over breakfast, worship, hear a devotion from a fellow PWOC member and participate in a Bible-based book study with a small group.

PWOC provides an opportunity for women from any denomination or religious background to join a community of believers.

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Keller Corner: Weekly updates, COVID-19 info

**KACH COVID clinic updates Friday schedule**

The Keller Army Community Hospital has updated the COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic Friday hours. The COVID Vaccination Clinic has both the monovalent (prime series COVID-19 vaccine) and bivalent (the booster dose which addresses the original and omicron variant of COVID-19) Pfizer Vaccination.

For appointments, call the Keller Appointment Line at 845-938-7992 or 800-552-2907, from 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. to schedule a vaccination time. Walk-ins will be accepted based on availability and only during the appropriate age group times.

The clinic is open every Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. and specified times are:

- Friday, from 8-11:30 a.m., for the adult population (ages 12 years and older), for Pfizer monovalent or bivalent.
- Friday, from 12:30-1:30 p.m., for the pediatric population (6 months – 4 years old), for Pfizer.
- Friday, from 2-4 p.m., for pediatric population (ages 5-11 years old), for Pfizer.

The Bivalent Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine is authorized for use in individuals 12 years of age and older as a single booster dose administered at least two months after either:
- Completion of primary vaccination with any authorized or approved monovalent COVID-19 vaccine, or;
- Receipt of the most recent booster dose with any authorized or approved monovalent COVID-19 vaccine.

The West Point COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic is located on the main/first floor in Keller Army Community Hospital, Room 1C20 — between the Pharmacy and the entrance into the Allgood Clinic.

As a reminder:
- Vaccine recipients must present a Uniformed Services ID card or their DOD Beneficiary ID card at their vaccine appointment.
- The SECOND DOSE of the primary series should be scheduled at least 21 days after the FIRST.
- The MONOVALENT BOOSTER/3RD DOSE should be scheduled at least six months after completing your primary COVID-19 vaccination series (fully vaccinated).

While we understand COVID guidelines are reduced in New York and neighboring states, and throughout West Point, the Defense Health Agency requires masks be worn while inside all military treatment facilities, including Keller, Mologne, DENTAC, etc. Please bring and wear your mask when getting your COVID vaccine, and please continue to maintain hand hygiene, sneeze/cough etiquette and social distancing when possible.

We thank you for your patience as we work diligently to provide high-quality, world class healthcare to the Greater West Point community and our beneficiaries.

**MHS GENESIS implemented at KACH in January 2023**

Keller Army Community Hospital will transition to the new electronic health record system — known as MHS GENESIS — in January 2023.

The new electronic health record, shared by the Defense Department, Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Homeland Security’s U.S. Coast Guard, delivers data to healthcare teams wherever a patient receives treatment.

In the past, a patient’s medical record resided within the facility where they received care.

The new shared record makes a patient’s record available digitally anywhere they receive care.

MHS GENESIS is being implemented at DOD hospitals and clinics in a phased approach over the next several years.

The goal for MHS GENESIS is to consolidate health information into a single platform and provide a continuum of care at any military treatment facility worldwide.

Once members are registered in the MHS GENESIS system, they will have 24/7 secure access to personal health information and lab results through the Patient Portal. Users can even access patient health education materials related to health concerns and medications.

With the MHS GENESIS Patient Portal, a patient can:
- Manage primary care medical and dental appointments.
- Review clinical notes, lab and test results.
- Request prescription renewals.
- Exchange secure messages with their health care team.
- Monitor health information and view their portal profile.
- Complete a pre-visit, dental health history questionnaire online.
- Look up high-quality, provider-approved health information related to health issues, lab results and medications.

The MHS Genesis transition team has been working with the Keller providers and staff for the last year, with online and facilitator-led training, to make the transition as smooth as possible.

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**promptly after the parade;**

- Dec. 3 — Shopping in New York City. Depart West Point at 9 a.m., leave NYC at 4 p.m.

There is a nominal fee for transportation. For reservations, call LTS at 845-938-3601.

**2022-23 West Point Community Adult Intramural Hockey Sign-Ups**

The MWR Intramural Sports Office is offering a Community Adult Intramural Hockey League. Games will be played through April 30 from 6:30-7:30 a.m. Mondays and Thursdays and noon-1:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Tate Rink.

It is open to active duty personnel, DOD civilians, retired personnel and West Point family members. There is a nominal ice time fee for these games. To sign-up, call MWR Intramural Sports at 845-938-3066 or visit westpoint.armymwr.com for more details.

**West Point Community Noontime 3-on-3 Basketball**

The MWR Intramural Sports Office is offering a Community Noontime 3-on-3 Basketball League. Games will be played Nov. 28 through April 14 on Monday and Thursday afternoons from 12:15-1:15 p.m. at the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center’s second floor.

It is open to active duty personnel, DOD civilians, retired personnel and West Point family members.

To sign-up, call MWR Intramural Sports at 845-938-3066 or visit westpoint.armymwr.com for more details.

**West Point Community Noontime 4-on-4 Volleyball**

League

The MWR Intramural Sports Office is offering a Community Noontime 4-on-4 Volleyball League. Games will be played Nov. 29 through April 29 on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 12:15-1:15 p.m. at the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center’s second floor.

It is open to active duty personnel, DOD civilians, retired personnel and West Point family members.

To sign-up, call MWR Intramural Sports at 845-938-3066 or visit westpoint.armymwr.com for more details.

**West Point Club Dinner-To-Go**

New dates and new menu items are available at the West Point Club. A few of the menu items to include baked ziti, rack of barbecue ribs, salmon w/dill butter, barbecue pulled pork, macaroni and cheese and individual cheesecakes.

The West Point Club’s Dinner-To-Go is available Wednesday through Friday.

Place your order by 2 p.m. that day and specify a pick up time between 4-6:30 p.m. and pick up your meal at the West Point Club’s Benny Haven’s Lounge. Servings for four or six are available for a nominal fee.

For pricing and menu items, visit thewestpointclub.com or call 845-446-5506/5504.

**Spirit Luncheons are back at the West Point Club**

The Football Spirit Luncheons are back and will be held in the West Point Club’s Grand Ballroom. The doors open at 11 a.m. and the luncheons begin at noon. Tickets go on sale now for a nominal fee and can be purchased at the WPC Admin Office, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Purchase tickets in advance and save on day of luncheon pricing. Each luncheon is a Pep Rally for that week’s game. Luncheon dates are as follows: Nov. 17—UConn and Dec. 7—Navy. For reservations, call 845-938-5120.

For more details, visit thewestpointclub.com.

**ACS Wee-Play and Wee-Read Program**

West Point Parents, the ACS Family Advocacy Program’s new Wee-Ones schedule through December is now available.

Wee-Play will take place from 8:30-10 a.m. bi-weekly, on Tuesdays. The upcoming dates for Wee-Play are Tuesday and Nov. 29, and Dec. 13. Wee-Read will take place from 9-10 a.m. bi-weekly, on Wednesdays. The upcoming dates for Wee-Read are Wednesday and Nov. 30, and Dec. 14.

Both will take place in the Youth Center Gym (Building 500).

Wee-Ones programming is free and open to all ranks and DOD civilians with children ages 4 or under.

Space is limited, so registration is required. Call 845-938-0633 to register. For more details, visit westpoint.armymwr.com.

**Child and Youth Services Winter Sports Program**

The winter sports season runs from Dec. 5 through Feb. 24. Registration runs through Nov. 10 for Military/DOD civilians.

The program includes basketball, volleyball, bowling and home school gym, which will be offered to various age groups.

For a complete listing of youth ages, dates and times, visit westpointarmymwr.com.

For more details and to register call 845-938-4458/1362.
MWR events/offering

**FEATURED EVENT**

West Point Club Thanksgiving Dinner Buffet

Join the West Point Club for its annual Thanksgiving Dinner Buffet on Nov. 24. Reservations will be taken every half hour from noon-2 p.m.

There is a nominal cost for this dinner buffet. For a complete menu and pricing, visit thewestpointclub.com. To make reservations, call 845-938-5120.

**West Point Club Thanksgiving Dinner-To-Go**

All of the West Point Club’s Thanksgiving Dinner-To-Go orders must be placed no later than 2 p.m. Wednesday. Meal pick-up is between noon-5 p.m. Nov. 23. Re-heating directions are provided.

No refunds for cancellations after Wednesday. An a la carte menu is only available with purchase of a full (To-Go) order.

For a complete menu, visit thewestpointclub.com. For more details and to place an order, call 845-938-5120.

**MWR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

West Point Club’s Benny Haven’s Lounge is Open

Attention faculty, Soldiers, family members and civilians… The West Point Club’s Benny Haven’s Lounge is open for business. The lounge will be open from 4-9:30 p.m Thursdays and Fridays with new pub menu items available from 4-8:30 p.m.

For a complete menu, visit thewestpointclub.com. For more details, call 845-938-5120.

West Point Community Noontime Indoor Pickleball League

The MWR Intramural Sports Office is offering a Community Noontime Indoor Pickleball League. Games will be played Wednesdays only through March 8 at the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center’s second floor courts.

It is open to active duty personnel, DOD civilians, retired personnel and West Point family members.

To sign-up, call MWR Intramural Sports at 845-938-3066 or visit westpoint.armymwr.com for more details.

Morgan Farm Fall Weekend Kenneling

Morgan Farm is now offering fall weekend Kenneling specials (available only for active duty, DOD civilians and retired military) for a Veterans Day weekend special — Stay four nights and get one free. Drop off today, pick up Monday. You must book at least four nights to receive discount.

There is also a Army/Navy weekend special — Stay three nights and get one free. Drop off on Dec. 9, pick up Dec. 12. You must book at least three nights to receive discount.

Call 845-938-3926 to book your reservation today. Reservations can be made Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Required vaccinations include Rabies, Distemper and Bordetella for dogs, and Rabies and Distemper for cats. Reservations must be made with a valid credit or debit card.

Boarding cancellations will be accepted up to 48 hours prior to reservation time. Late cancellations and no shows will be charged two days worth of boarding per animal. For pricing and more details, call 845-938-3926.

(NEW) Tronsrue Marksmanship Center Daily Specials at the Range

The Tronsrue Marksmanship Center is offering Tuesday and Wednesday lunch time specials from 11 a.m.-2 p.m for valid Military/DOD identification holders to receive a $10 range fee and $5 firearm rental.

(NEW) Zumba Classes with Ginella

November is the final month of Zumba classes at the MWR Fitness Center. Classes with Ginella will be held Mondays and Wednesdays throughout the month and this Saturday from 9:15-10:15 a.m. There is a nominal fee for the classes.

To register, visit westpoint.armymwr.com. For more details, call 845-938-6490.

Sensory Friendly Meet and Greet with local First Responders

For some children with disabilities, the bright lights and loud noises from emergency vehicles can be very overwhelming. But learning to interact with emergency responders is just as important for these children as it is for the responders. Join ACS as it hosts a Sensory Friendly Meet and Greet with local first responders.

This event is free and open to the West Point and Highland Falls community and will take place at Fire Station 2 on Stony Lonesome Road from 4-5:30 p.m. today. Light refreshments will be provided. For more details, call ACS at 845-938-3655, or EFMP at 845-938-5655.

Radio City Christmas Spectacular Starring the Rockettes tickets on sale now at LTS

Tickets can be purchased at Leisure Travel Services for the Radio City Christmas Spectacular starring the Rockettes from 8 a.m.-4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Available show dates and times are as follows:

- Dec. 15 and 20, leave West Point at 1 p.m., curtain at 5 p.m., return immediately after the show.
- Dec. 13 and 21, leave West Point at 4 p.m, curtain at 8 p.m., return immediately after the show.
- Orchestra seating for all shows. A Ticketmaster account is needed for ticket purchase. LTS is located at 683 Buckner Loop.

For more details and pricing, visit westpoint.armymwr.com or call 845-938-3601.

SLAM (Sweat Like A Mother) Fitness Class with Krista

The Sweat Like A Mother (SLAM) fitness class with Krista will be held Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30-10:30 a.m. through March 31 at the Youth Center Gym located at 500 Washington Road.

There is a nominal fee for these classes and you can also bring your kids. Tickets on sale online or at the Fitness Center. For more details and pricing, visit westpoint.armymwr.com or call 845-938-6490.

ACS/TAP Hiring Event

The ACS Employment Readiness Program (ERP) will be co-hosting a hiring event with the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday in Building 622, Swift Road.

Join them as they welcome over 20 employers looking to hire you.

Connect with local and regional employers to discover current job opportunities (including nationwide telework) for transitioning service-members, spouses, family and more.

Bring your resume, and dress for success. Need to make some edits to your resume? Resume assistance is available through the Employment Readiness Office.

This event is free and open to active duty military, their dependents and civilian federal employees.

For more details, contact the ERP Office at 845-938-0232, or the TAP Office at 845-938-6383.

West Point Community Skate Program

The West Point Community Skate Program will be held from 3-5 p.m. on Sundays from December through February. This season dates are: Dec. 4, 11, Jan. 15, 22, Feb. 5, 12 and 26.

Special Christmas break times dates are: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:45-3:45 p.m. Dec. 20, 22, 27 and 29.

This program is free, but you must supply your own skates. For more details, call the West Point Skate hotline at 845-938-2991.

(NEW) November and December trips with Leisure Travel Services

MWR Leisure Travel Services is offering trips to New York City in November and December, see trips offered below:

- Saturday — Walk the Highline in New York City. Depart West Point at 9 a.m., leave NYC at 4 p.m.
- Nov. 23 — Macy’s Balloon Inflation and Museum of Natural History. Depart West Point at 9:30 a.m., leave NYC at 4:30 p.m.
- Nov. 24 — Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade. Depart West Point at 6 a.m., leave NYC
Join the 2022 CFC and change the world

MEMORANDUM FOR ACTIVITY DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: 2022 West Point Combined Federal Campaign

1. The 2022 West Point Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) will run from 17 October - 16 December 2022. CFC is the world’s largest workplace giving campaign and the official workplace giving campaign for federal employees and retirees. Last year federal employees raised $78.1 million for charitable organizations across the country and overseas.

2. I request your assistance to ensure Soldiers and employees are afforded the opportunity to contribute to the participating charities of their choice again this year. Last year West Point contributed $49,961. Our goal this year is $50,000 with an emphasis on increased participation.

3. Please inform your respective activities about this year’s campaign. Most people respond favorably when asked to donate to a worthy cause, but especially when leaders take the time to give their support and when volunteers make one-on-one contact within their workplace.

4. Enclosed are suggestions for a successful campaign as well as key dates for department/activity volunteers. Please review and consider them as you work to provide our Teammates the opportunity to participate in this important campaign.

5. Thank you for supporting your community and ensuring a successful campaign.

6. The point of contact for this memorandum is Mr. Michael Eagan at michael.eagan@westpoint.edu, (845) 938-4364.

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Go Army!

STEVEN W. GILLAND
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army
Superintendent

2022 WEST POINT COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN (CFC)

SUGGESTIONS FOR SUCCESS

1. Identify highly motivated individuals within departments and regiments to volunteer to distribute CFC information (ideally, one volunteer for every 25 employees).

2. Allow time for volunteers to reach out to all Soldiers and eligible employees and provide the opportunity to contribute to the CFC.

3. Most important, remind volunteers that one-on-one contact is the most effective method of reaching all eligible donors (Military, Civilian, and Contractor).

UPDATED CFC KEY DATES

17 OCT 22  CFC SOLICITATION BEGINS
16 DEC 22  CFC SOLICITATION ENDS
Kovaci Lee records 300th win as volleyball wins seventh straight

By Conor McCorry
Army Athletic Communications

The Army West Point volleyball team (17-8, 13-2) defeated the Colgate Raiders (21-5, 13-2) in four sets, securing their seventh consecutive win on Sunday at Gillis Field House.

Head Coach Alma Kovaci Lee recorded her 300th career win on Sunday afternoon, the second most in program history.

“I feel Honored and blessed to serve West Point but the credit goes to the awesome team now, the teams throughout the years and excellent coaching staff that I call (my) friends,” Kovaci Lee said. “Your team becomes your family. I am humbled and blessed to be part of a great army volleyball family.”

Match Synopsis
Army took the first set by a score of 27-25, scoring eight of the last nine points from trailing 24-19, highlighted by three straight kills, two by Paige Fixemer and one by Julia Johnson.

In the second set, Colgate responded with a 25-16 win. Army then rattled off wins in sets three and four by scores of 25-22 and 25-17.

Army rallied in the third set again from trailing 17-11, scoring seven straight to take a 18-17 lead, highlighted by back-to-back aces from Riley Parchment.

Colgate responded to tie in at 20 all, before Army scored five of the last seven points scored including back-to-back kills by Allanah Cutler to seal the set.

“I’m just incredibly proud of our team tonight,” Kovaci Lee said. “It is great to see the team play great ball toward the end of the season.

“Colgate is one of the best teams in the conference and, at times, they make opponents not play their best, Kovaci Lee added.

“Tonight, our team had an excellent combination of grit, passion and poise,” she concluded.

In the fourth and final set, Army led comfortably seeing leads of 11-5, 15-9 and a final of 25-17.

Cadets Capsules
• Diana Ethridge had a double-double with 49 assists, and 11 digs, her fourth double-double in the last five matches.
• Savannah Bray and Cutler also had double-doubles in the contest. Bray recording 11 kills and 13 digs and Cutler logging 17 kills and 18 digs.

Inside the Numbers
• Army extended its win streak to seven matches, which is their longest win streak this season.
• Kovaci Lee now has 300 career wins.
• Fixemer, Bray and Cutler each had 10-plus kills.

Women’s rugby takes down Sacred Heart, 40-17

Army West Point women’s rugby closed out the regular season with a 40-17 victory over Sacred Heart Saturday at Anderson Rugby Complex. The Black Knights finish the NIRA schedule with a 6-1 record and will advance to the NIRA national semifinals next weekend at Harvard. Codi Butt scored her team-leading seventh try of the 15s season. Cecilia Ollis tabbed her sixth try of the season while Sydney Schaaf scored her fourth. Kaylee Cargile and Jeannie Skidmore each collected tries as Alissa Eisenhart knocked in five conversions. Army will finish as the three-seed in NIRA at 6-1 behind 5-2 Harvard, as the NIRA standings seeding are based off points and bonuses earned through the fixtures rather than win-loss records.

Photo by Mady Salvani/Army Athletic Communications
Men’s soccer claims first PL regular season title in 26 years

Army West Point men’s soccer battled to a 0-0 draw at Malek Stadium at Clinton Field on Nov. 2 to Lafayette to close out the regular season. Once the final whistle blew, the Black Knights were crowned Patriot League regular season champions with 18 points in the conference (5-1-3). It marked the first time since 1996 that Army won the regular season title. Picked sixth in the Patriot League preseason poll, Army has suffered just one loss in its final 13 contests en route to the number one seed ahead of the Patriot League Championships.

Sports calendar

**View Army West Point Schedule at www.goarmywestpoint.com/calendar.aspx?**

**Men’s Soccer**
Saturday, TBA—TBD/Patriot League Championship, Malek Stadium at Clinton Field.

**Women’s Basketball**
Wednesday, 6 p.m.—Yale, Christl Arena.

**Wrestling**

**Football**
Saturday, 7 p.m.—Troy, Troy, Alabama. (TV: NFL Network).

**Hockey**
Nov. 18, 7 p.m.—Bentley, Tate Rink.
Women’s soccer bows out on penalty kicks in PL Championship

By Emily Swanson
Army Athletic Communications

Army West Point women’s soccer battled Bucknell to a 0-0 draw through 110 minutes, before falling on penalty kicks in the Patriot League Championship Sunday at Malek Stadium at Clinton Field.

The two sides failed to get anything going in the first half, with just one attempt on target between them coming from Bucknell’s Abbey Gearhart in the third minute.

Army came close in the 95th minute, with Brigid Duffy and Izzy Fontana seeing shots saved after a scramble in the Bucknell box. Teresa Deda tested Strohman again in net multiple times in the added time, with the Army All-league goalie allowing the game to reach penalty kicks.

Duffy was lively off the bench for Army, firing a game-high eight shots with four on target.

Army finished with an 8-0-2 overall record at home this season.

The Black Knights conclude the season with an 8-0-2 overall record after winning the Patriot League regular season title for the first time since 2010.