Honoring “Old Ironsides” for Army-Navy Game

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Army-Navy Week Force Protection message

By Thomas Slater
DPTMS Plans Force Protection Officer

Army-Navy Week takes place from Monday through Dec. 10 at West Point, and various cadet activities will involve the implementation of force protection measures that include the following:

- **Monday and Tuesday (March-on Rehearsal):** Traffic along Washington Road in front of the Superintendent’s Quarters and along Ruger Road leading to Shea Stadium will be blocked in order to support the movement of cadet formations marching to the stadium.
  
  Traffic will be blocked in the vicinity of Shea throughout the rehearsal on both days from 4-7 p.m.
  
  Anyone who parks in the Eisenhower Hall parking lots and/or around Building 667A may experience a temporary delay of exiting these areas during this time.
  
  Additionally, in preparation for the bonfire on Wednesday, 20 spaces on the north end of Clinton Lot will be reserved Monday evening through the morning of Dec. 8.
  
  Any vehicles parked in these spaces will be subject to towing.

- **Wednesday (Goat-Engineer Games/Bonfire):** The Goat-Engineer football games will take place at Daly field. The men’s game begins at 5 p.m., while the women’s game will commence at 6:30 p.m.
  
  The bonfire will take place on the northern portion of Clinton Lot at 8:20 p.m.

- **Dec. 8 (Marathon Team Departure/Cadet Tree Lighting):** At 5 p.m., installation senior leaders and members of the community will observe the departure of the Marathon team from Q100 under police escort enroute to Philadelphia.
  
  The intersection of Washington Road and Ruger Road will be temporarily closed as the team departs.

  Be watchful for the team on the roadways as they exit post.

  Additionally, Washington Road will be temporarily closed approximately 7:50-8:30 p.m. for the Cadet Holiday Tree Lighting.

  Motorists should be cautious while driving through this area due to the large number of people attending this event.

- **Dec. 9 (Bus Staging):** Clinton Lot

  and Thayer extension will be blocked on Friday on/about 5 p.m. for the purpose of staging of buses that are transporting cadets to the stadium on Saturday.

  As always, we ask that everyone — Soldiers, civilian employees, family members and contractors — to remain vigilant and aware of their surroundings and to report any suspicious activities to the Military Police Desk at 938-3333.

  If you See Something, Hear Something, Say Something.
West Point hosted the Health Benefits Fair, which provides the opportunity for retirees and federal employees to get information regarding health care plans, on Nov. 17 at Eisenhower Hall. Each year, professional plan representatives meet with retirees and federal employees during a safe and coordinated time to make important decisions about their health care plans, insurance and other benefits resulting in desired and affordable options.  

Photos by Jorge Garcia/PV
USMA Math professor earns Armywide recognition for promoting STEM education, outreach in 2022

By Meghan Dower-Rogers
Academic Research Division

Lt. Col. Andrew Lee, assistant professor in the Department of Mathematical Sciences, recently received the Department of Defense’s Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Advocate of the Quarter Award for the third quarter in Fiscal Year 2022.

The award recognizes outstanding STEM education and outreach efforts that advance the DOD mission. Lee’s mentorship and advocacy for STEM education, particularly planning, coordinating and executing West Point’s virtual and in-person summer STEM camps, has been integral to encouraging the next generation of scientists and engineers.

Cadets from the Center for Leadership and Diversity in STEM (CLD STEM), which seeks to recruit and retain African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, females and other under-resourced populations in STEM, serve as mentors, group leaders and hosts to the middle and high school students participating in the annual program.

Since 2016, CLD STEM has performed more than 160 mobile STEM workshops across the country, supporting more than 3,000 middle school and high school students.

These workshops demonstrate Lee’s immensely positive impact in West Point’s STEM outreach efforts and for the nation’s youth.

Brig. Gen. Shane Reeves, 15th Dean of the Academic Board, emphasizes the impact on both cadets and the community.

“These civic engagement initiatives are important to developing a love for learning in the next generation and bridging connections between our military and the communities we swear an oath to protect,” Reeves said.

“CLD STEM has executed these outreach events for years, and the recipe for success is twofold: Cadet mentors and competitions,” Lee said. “Every student that attended this event were not only inspired toward STEM careers, but they had genuine fun interacting with peers and peer-mentors.”

As cadets impact the success of CLD STEM, so too has the program impacted the cadets, even before enrolling at the academy. Forty-seven Class of 2026 cadets stated that they had participated in a West Point STEM event as a middle or high school student.

Further, the CLD STEM workshops are a unique leadership opportunity for cadets with over 250 participating annually in the programs, serving as small groups leaders as well as hosts to groups that attend the STEM Camps at West Point.

During STEM workshops, they are challenged to teach and lead by example as they help educate the next generation. The cadets gain valuable awareness of diversity issues and receive excellent service, mentorship and leadership experience as they help develop and teach the workshops alongside faculty.

“In addition to learning about the depth and creativity involved in STEM,” the cadet-in-charge of STEM Camp, Andrew Medrano, said, “we got the privilege to learn about building teams and forming lasting relationships.”

The students mentored by the cadets also learn a great deal. The program aspires to provide participants with the confidence to know their goals are within reach with the right mindset and determination.

As one 2022 camper explained, “All the hard work, fun times and materials that I learned at the camp have made my experience there unforgettable.” A parent went on to express how the camps instill the love of learning Reeves extols.

“My son,” she explained, “had an incredible time and is even more eager to focus his future studies around STEM related topics.”

Comparisons of pre- and post-surveys for each camp reveal a similar trend; the number of students that strongly agreed with “I am considering pursuing a career in STEM” rose from 35% to 90% as a result of their participation of the STEM camp.

The CLD STEM mission aligns with the nation’s need to offset the shrinking pool of talented STEM experts by increasing their numbers, thus enabling the country to drive innovation, compete internationally and protect national security.

This need is equally critical to that of the Army, which requires officers with a higher level of scientific and technological literacy who can effectively lead in an increasingly complex operational environment.

This makes the impact of STEM outreach profound for West Point, the Army and the Department of Defense.

The Center for Leadership and Diversity in STEM is housed in the Department of Mathematical Sciences. Under the leadership of Lee, faculty and cadets come together from across the academic program to develop and inspire the next generation of STEM talent.

Departments and centers providing mentors and STEM enthusiasts on a normal basis are Systems Engineering, Geography and Environmental Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Civil and Mechanical Engineering, Physics and Nuclear Engineering, and the Department of Military Instruction’s Simulations Center.
The Cadet Fly Fishing Club was all in to hook, line and sink Navy as it participated in the second annual Army-Navy Flyfishing Competition on the South Branch of the Raritan River in New Jersey in early November. Caitlin Blevins, Brady Foisy, Kelly Kruger and Colton Snodgrass made up the victorious team. Morning preliminary fishing was to determine which two would fish the afternoon final “Star” match. With all the caught fish, Kruger and Foisy advanced. Prelim totals ended with Army 159” to Navy 119.” Last year, Kruger, the only returning contestant, and Matt Donze (USMA ’21) had to catch multiple fish in the final 15 minutes to come from behind. No such drama this year, in the afternoon final, Kruger caught five fish in the first 30 minutes of the 120-minute final to put up a lead that Navy could never catch. Foisy also caught multiple fish in the final. The final score was Army 88” to Navy 40.” Kruger had the overall individual most inches caught.

Photos by Ron Hasz/Army Flyfishing Team
Community Connections helps families with special needs enjoy their environment

**Story by Capt. David Hoy**
**West Point Public Affairs Officer**

The doors open as energetic teenagers enter the West Point Bowling Alley, thunderous laughter fills the air, and a group of boys enjoys one final evening together before their friend moves away. Shouts of elation, applause and laughter abound. The kids are having a great time as bowling pins tumble down, TVs flash the latest game, and lights flicker. But not all kids would feel comfortable with the constant barrage of noises of elation. For many children and adults with autism and sensory needs, the overstimulation in this scene would be a stressful and scary situation.

Amy Estey, whose daughter Parker has autism, explains it by saying, “Kids with autism have a cup, and they’re always hearing things, and there is a constant drip coming out of the faucet and filling up their cup. It’s all the noise that we don’t notice. It becomes overstimulating. It’s like being in a disco with booming and flashing lights, and how that can get to you after a while. That Parker’s world on a daily basis.”

That is why the West Point Bowling Alley, working in cooperation with Community Connections, sets aside one hour each month for sensory-friendly bowling. Community Connections is a nonprofit organization in Highland Falls that organizes many opportunities for families with special needs to get together in a safe and comfortable environment, for both children and parents alike.

The West Point Fire Department came out to support November’s sensory-friendly bowling event on Nov. 9. It all started because Chief Alex Rivera came to Jill Mitchell, one of the founders of Community Connections, and asked how they could help.

“They have been our strongest allies,” Mitchell said. “I didn’t ask. When they came to me and said, ‘What can we do?,’ that meant everything.”

Rivera credits his team of firefighters, “They understand that we have the ability to influence in ways that maybe a lot of other folks don’t, and to take advantage of that in a positive way is very important. It can’t always be about emergency response. That’s what we do about 2% of the time. Outside of the preparation piece, it’s really about interacting with the community. You don’t know what’s going on behind closed doors sometimes, and it gives you compassion for people. From a personal perspective, it goes back to the fact that we have families, we have firefighters who have family members with disabilities, and we live this as well.”

Vicki Jackson, the installation’s new EFMP coordinator, notes that when the fire department teams up at these events, it “allows the kids who are non-verbal to be familiar with their faces. If there is a fire, they are less likely to run and hide because now they know the uniform means help, it means fun, not loud noises and scary.”

“When it comes to first responders, our kids are very fearful of them. They’re very fearful of the uniforms, the noises and lights,” Mitchell said. “After a recent event, one of the moms told me that her son had a horrible fear of firetrucks before that, and now he loves fire trucks. He was able to get over a fear that would have prevented him from coming out for help.”

Jackson commends Mitchell for her mission to help kids with sensory issues.

“Having an advocate like Jill, who is very approachable, is so helpful for all of us professionals, because then we can say, ‘How do we make this more inclusive?,’ and then when we do that, ‘How do we interact and make a safe environment for our families?,’” Jackson said. “After COVID, we all saw how isolating it can be, and now because I experienced that, I got a little small window into how isolating it can be for families with disabilities.”

And it can be isolating.

“I didn’t leave my house for 10 years. My child was a very abusive non-verbal child. He’s scratching, biting and screaming for hours,” Mitchell said. “You’ve got every type of person imaginable and they’re trying to hold it together and it’s a very isolating and difficult social aspect. We want to go somewhere we feel comfortable, where we feel like we can breathe, where our kids are happy, we know they are safe, and the people around them want the best for them and are willing to do what it takes.”

The fire department has certainly demonstrated that willingness. While bowling with the families of Community Connections, you see firefighters cheering for the kids as they bowl with the lights up and music down. They help keep them inside the building and patiently wait for them to be ready to bowl again. While watching them interact with the kids, you can’t help but notice the smiles on the parents’ faces — they, too, seem relaxed and welcomed.

Free from judgment, the firefighters are giving these families that place to breathe. The kids are happy, and they are safe. Those around them want what’s best for them and are doing what it takes.

All the while they’re gaining valuable experience interacting with non-verbal members of the community, and should the need ever arise, they’re more prepared to help them. You can see the results in real time, as the very next day it was all smiles and hugs as the kids played basketball with those same firefighters at the department’s open house. They feel safe, not scared, and it shows.

“We’re trying to show EFMP families that it’s OK to come to these things, that their children can be themselves, they can make noises, they can do whatever it is they do. There is no judgement; the space is for them,” Mitchell said.

Jackson and Mitchell’s hard work is paying off, as sensory-friendly spaces are gradually working their way across post. First, it was sensory-friendly movie showings by AFFES, then bowling.

The next big event families with sensory needs can enjoy is the Army West Point Band concert on Saturday and Sunday. A space will be available before, during and after the 2 p.m. holiday concert in Eisenhower Hall Theater.

Inspired by the work of Mitchell and Jackson, Staff Sgt. Chrissy Rivers began planning for a sensory-friendly band experience at this year’s holiday concert.

“I saw these spaces at large sporting events and have heard friends say how welcomed it made them and their families feel. While studying how to create more inclusive spaces as part of a school librarianship degree, I realized with the right planning we could create the same sensory-inclusive atmosphere at our events,” said Rivers, the West Point Band’s marketing and communications NCO.

A designated space outside of the elevators, on the sixth floor of Eisenhower Hall, “will be a location for anyone with sensory needs at our event who needs a break,” she said. “The space will have fidgets, headphones, coloring activities, pink noise and low lighting.”

Rivers was inspired by “seeing more sensory-friendly events on West Point and recognizing a need in our community,” she said.

Supported by her command team, Rivers said she was proud to see it coming together in time for her favorite event of the year. “In addition to the sensory space, there will be a sensory-friendly program located at westpointband.com to let patrons know what pieces have flashing lights, louder instrumentation like drums and guitars, and when our very special guest, Santa, will arrive.”

When it comes to families with special needs, it’s important to know that you are not alone. Leaving the house can be difficult, as Mitchell said. That sentiment was echoed by Estey as well, “We never left our house to do anything because everywhere we went was a danger and too scary. It was hard for me, hard for my husband — it takes both of us to watch Parker.”

The work Mitchell, Jackson and others are doing is constantly improving quality of life for our exceptional family members.

“We found a family in Community Connections,” Estey said. “They keep an eye out for Parker too and it’s nice. We feel comfortable bringing her places when we’re going with the group. It has opened doors. Jill is fantastic, she’s a fighter, she’s been huge for me.”

When it comes to what people should know about kids and adults with special needs, Estey said all you really need “is understanding and patience. It’s a lot of misunderstanding, it’s a lot of judgement. If you take a second, there is a lot of magic in all of these kids. If people just open their hearts a little bit and were a little bit patient, they would see a whole new world and they would see the world from a different angle.”
Football honors company names for game

This year’s Army-Navy Game uniform not only highlights the legacy of the 1st Armored Division during Operation Torch and the North Africa Campaign of World War II, but it connects the rest of the Corps of Cadets with the players on the field. On the field of friendly strife, the Army players carry with them their cadet regiment and company names, bringing the spirit of the Corps on the field with them.

Photo by Danny Wild/Army Athletic Communications
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.

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.

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 4-5:30 p.m. and its thrift shop, open on Thursdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sunday Service Times:
- 8:30 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.

Highland Arts Alliance Photographers’ Salon
The Highland Arts Alliance Photographers’ Salon is hosting a yearly contributor photography exhibition from Jan. 11-28 at the Highland Falls Library, 298 Main Street in Highland Falls. See advertisement to left.

Open to Photo Salon participants, HAA members and non-member photographers. For details, visit www.highlandsartsalliance.org/photographersonal.
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
- 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 j Kết hợp với Disney++

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 families, 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:
- Monday, 6 p.m., Dog Tales—For grades K-12. Read to a furry friend from Hudson Valley Paws for a Cause. Register via the library’s online calendar for a 15-minute time slot of your choice — 6, 6:15, 6:30 or 6:45 p.m. Registration is required.
- Tuesday, 2 p.m., Holiday Wreath Making Workshop—Get into the holiday spirit with a fun afternoon of wreath making. Registration required via the library’s online calendar. A $10 non-refundable fee is required to confirm registration. If registration is full, call the library at 845-534-8282 to be placed on a waiting list.
- Wednesday, 5 p.m., Sports Medicine Symposium, location: Munger Cottage—A panel of local experts, led by Dr. Wasik Ashraf, will offer presentations on sports medicine topics such as injuries, treatments and hospital services. Provided in partnership with Montefiore St. Luke’s Cornwall. Registration is required.
- 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 invested in each other’s lives.
To facilitate this, childcare is provided for
Keller Corner: Weekly updates, COVID-19 info

For a one-stop shop of all updated coronavirus information, Keller Army Community Hospital notifications, how to stop the spread of COVID-19, federal/state/local guidance and the U.S. Military Academy and Army Garrison West Point webpages, visit https://kach.amedd.army.mil/West-Point-COVID-19-INFO/.

KACH VAX clinic provides Flu and COVID vaccine

The Keller Army Community Hospital Vaccination Clinic is open on Fridays.

The Vaccination Clinic is available for:
• Influenza (Flu) vaccine;
• The monovalent (prime series COVID-19 vaccine) and bivalent (the booster dose which addresses the original and omicron variant of COVID-19) Pfizer vaccination.

To schedule an appointment for the flu vaccine, COVID vaccine, or both, 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.

The clinic is open every Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. COVID 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 Moderna.
• 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.

Flu vaccine times will be scheduled from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

The West Point 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/third 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.

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West Point Club Dinner-To-Go

New days 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 westpointclub.com or call 845-446-5506/5504.

Spirit Luncheon at the West Point Club

The last Football Spirit Luncheon for the Army-Navy Game takes place Wednesday in the West Point Club’s Grand Ballroom.

The doors open at 11 a.m. and the luncheon begins at noon. Tickets are 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. For reservations, call 845-938-5120.

For more details, visit westpointclub.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 date for Wee-Play is Dec. 13. Wee-Read will take place from 9-10 a.m. bi-weekly, on Wednesdays. The upcoming date for Wee-Read is 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 Learn to Play Ice Hockey

The Child and Youth Services Learn to Play Ice Hockey sessions will be played on Sundays from 1-2 p.m. through Feb. 26 at Tate Rink. It is open to youth ages 4-12 registered with CYS. Registration is now open at Parent Central, located at 140 Buckner Loop.

Volunteer coaches are needed and the program is tentative based on volunteer coaches. Open to players with little to no experience in the game of ice hockey.

For a complete list of equipment that is needed, visit westpoint.armymwr.com.

There is a nominal cost for these sessions. For more details, call 845-938-3208.

Cadet Appreciation Day at the Tronsrue Marksmanship Center

The Tronsrue Marksmanship Center is offering cadets a special discount for range fee and firearm rental on Tuesday.

Ammo and targets are available at regular listed price. The center is open from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays and from 6:30-9 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays.

This appreciation program is available to cadets only. For more details, call 845-938-1700.
**FEATURED EVENT**

(NEW) **Breakfast with Santa at the West Point Club**
   The traditional family event of Breakfast with Santa takes place Dec. 10. Seatings are available at 9:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and noon.
   There is a nominal cost for this event. Reservations are required by calling 845-938-5120.
   Gate pass required for non-West Point residents and non-DOD card holders.
   For more details and pricing, visit thewestpointclub.com.

(NEW) **ACS Holiday Open House including Sensory-Friendly Portion**
   ACS invites you to join it for a very merry evening at its Holiday Open House from 4-8 p.m. Dec. 9 at the ACS Building located at 622 Swift Road.
   Enjoy games, crafts, activities, light refreshments and live holiday music from the West Point Band — plus a photo opportunity with Santa Claus.
   The first half-hour of this event will be sensory-friendly. To reserve a spot for the sensory-friendly portion, call 845-938-5655. This event is free and open to all DOD ID Cardholders.

(NEW) **Connecting with Kids Workshop**
   Join Army Community Service for a free Connecting with Kids Workshop, focused on helping military families with children navigate difficult circumstances during the holiday season from 4-6 p.m. Dec. 8 at the ACS Building (622 Swift Road).
   Presented by the American Red Cross, and facilitated by a licensed clinical social worker, this interactive session will help parents learn how children react to stress and trauma, and teaches effective ways to help them cope through difficult times. Both parents are encouraged to participate.
   A light dinner will also be provided. This workshop is free and open to the West Point community. Due to its interactive nature, it has a limit of 20 participants. When registering, you’ll be entered into a drawing for an American Girl Doll. Must be present at the workshop in order to win. To register, email vicki.l.jackson20.civ@army.mil or call 845-938-5655.

**MWR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**West Point MWR Annual Holiday Tree Lighting**
   The annual Holiday Tree Lighting will be held at 6 p.m. Monday at the West Point Exchange. Join MWR for musical performances, magnificent lights and a Holiday Tree Giveaway supported by Trees for Troops and your West Point Boss Program.
   For more details, visit westpoint.armymwr.com or call 845-938-6497.

**Lunchtime Lap Swim at Crandall Pool**
   Lunchtime Lap Swim takes place from noon-1:45 p.m. on Wednesdays only at Crandall Pool. Crandall Pool is located in the Arvin Cadet Physical Development Center. It is free and open to active duty personnel, DOD civilians, retired personnel and West Point community family members.
   Please note the pool depth is between 8-16 feet and is not recommended for use by young children as there are no shallow areas. For more details, call 845-938-7060 or visit westpoint.armymwr.com.

**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. 13 and 21, leave West Point at 4 p.m., curtain at 8 p.m., return immediately after the show.
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   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**
   SLAM (Sweat Like A Mother) Fitness Class with Krista. 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.

**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: Sunday, Dec. 11, Jan. 15, 22, 29 and Feb. 5, 12 and 26.
   Special Christmas break times dates are: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:45-3:45 p.m. Dec. 20, 21 and 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.

**December trip with Leisure Travel Services**
   MWR Leisure Travel Services is offering a trip to New York City in December. Shopping in New York City takes place Saturday with the departure from West Point at 9 a.m., and 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 League**
   The MWR Intramural Sports Office is offering a Community Adult Intramural Hockey League.
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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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 Cacter).

UPDATED CFC KEY DATES

17 OCT 22  CFC SOLICITATION BEGINS
16 DEC 22  CFC SOLICITATION ENDS
Hockey stays hot, collects road win at Canisius

By Conor McCorry
Army Athletic Communications

Army West Point hockey (4-7-2, 3-3-1 AHA) took down Canisius (3-9-2, 2-4-2 AHA) 3-1 on Saturday afternoon to wrap up the weekend series on the road in Buffalo, New York. Army jumped out to a 2-0 lead with goals from Joey Baez and Noah Wilson while Gavin Abric made 28 saves in net to preserve the lead throughout.

Army remains unbeaten in its past four contests and has collected 10 of 12 points in the conference across that span.

Army had over a minute with a 5-on-3 opportunity just over five minutes into the game but were unable to produce a goal. Abric was busy early on for Army and would go on to make 12 saves altogether in the first period.

With less than 30 seconds remaining in the period, the puck would fall to Baez in the Army defensive zone, who poked it forward to set himself up on the breakaway. Baez remained cool under pressure and slotted home a shot into the roof of the net to give Army a 1-0 with 14 seconds left in the first period.

Army picked up where it left off to begin second period, scoring again in the first minute of the frame. In the neutral zone, Kendrick Frost lofted a pass that would find its way into the path of a charging Wilson. Wilson made his move right in front of the net and tallied his second goal of the campaign, with Frost and Patrick Smyth collecting the assists.

The teams played even strength through the entirety of the second period, with Army outshooting the Golden Griffins, 7-6, in the frame.

The Black Knights took a lead into the third period once again in the series, looking to secure a successful four-point weekend.

After a four-on-four spell, Wilson scored once again on the doorstep, but the goal was disallowed due to an offsides call.

Abris made 11 stops in the third to maintain the advantage for Army, as Canisius headed to just its second power-play of the contest with 2:41 to play.

With the empty net making it a six-on-four scenario, the Army defense buckled down before John Keranen broke free just after the penalty had ended to put away the empty netter which ultimately made it a 3-1 final.

Army collected its third win in its past four contests and has allowed just five goals across the span.

Inside the Box Score
- Baez scored his seventh goal of the season in the first period, which moves him into a tie for second place in goals scored in Atlantic Hockey.
- Abric made 28 saves in net to register his second straight victory. The junior tabbed 28 saves in both wins, allowing just three goals across the six periods.
- Wilson scored his second game-winning goal of the season. The senior has collected four points in his past seven contests.
- Brett Abdelnour picked up two assists to log his second multi-point game of the season. Abdelnour becomes the third Black Knight to reach double figures in points (3G, 7A).
- Frost added his first point of the season with an assist on Wilson’s goal. Patrick Smyth collected his first assist and second point of the campaign on the goal.
- Keranen scored his third goal of the season to ice the game in the final minute and has posted four points across his past four games.
- Shots were fairly even with Canisius putting 29 on goal compared to Army’s 28.
Tyler’s three touchdowns paves way in dominating win

Army West Point senior quarterback Tyhier Tyler had an afternoon to remember, rushing for three touchdowns and 101 yards in the first half leading the Black Knights to a dominating 44-7 win over Massachusetts in Amherst, Mass. Tyler punched in scores from 27, 4 and 1-yard out to pace the Black Knights offense. With his rushing scores, Tyler now has 12 touchdowns on the season and became the first Army quarterback with 10-plus rushing touchdowns since Kelvin Hopkins Jr. totaled 17 in 2018.

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

**Sports calendar**

**Women's Basketball**

Today, 4:30 p.m. — Sacred Heart University, Christl Arena.

**Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving**

Friday, 4 p.m. — Navy, Crandall Pool.

**Hockey**

Saturday, 1 p.m. — Wagner, Christl Arena.

Saturday, 4 p.m. — Niagara, Tate Rink.

Wednesday, 7 p.m. — NJIT, Christl Arena.

**Football**

Dec. 10, 3:30 p.m. — Navy, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (TV: CBS)
By Eric Szczepinski
Director of Athletics Communications

The 2022 Army West Point football uniforms were revealed Monday for the 123rd Army-Navy Game and tells the story of the Soldiers of the 1st Armored Division during World War II.

This year marks the 80th anniversary of Operation Torch and the commencement of American ground operations against Axis forces in the European theater, which included North Africa.

Operation Torch marked the 1st Armored Division’s entry into the crucible of combat. The resilience, grit and commitment demonstrated by the Soldiers ultimately resulted in the defeat of Axis forces in North Africa.

In the harsh desert against a determined enemy, the members of the 1st Armored Division were forged into “Iron Soldiers” and learned the lessons that would guide them to success in subsequent operations in Italy and Western Europe.

This is the seventh season that Army football and the U.S. Military Academy history department have collaborated with Nike on the specialty uniform for the Army-Navy Game.

On Dec. 10, Army West Point football honors the “Iron Soldiers” of the 1st Armored Division and take the field in Philadelphia inspired by the story of “Old Ironsides.”

In honor of their legacy, the team will proudly wear their patches and adopt their mottos to propel the squad to victory on the field of friendly strife.

For complete coverage and information about Army’s uniform, visit the microsite at https://oldironsides.football/.

Football reveals its Army-Navy Game uniform