Celebrating Hispanic Heritage

The Cadet Spanish Club and Salsa Club (Above and right) entertained guests at the annual Hispanic American Heritage Month luncheon Oct. 6 at the West Point Club. Bob Archuleta, the new U.S. Military Academy Board of Visitors appointee and current Los Angeles County Commissioner of Military Veteran’s Affairs and U.S. Army Advisory Board for Military Recruitment in Los Angeles County, was the guest speaker. See Page 4 for story and photo.

Photos by Kathy Eastwood/PV
**Combined Federal Campaign—“You Can Change a Life”**

Dear West Point community,

On Tuesday, we kicked off the 2015 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) at West Point. The theme for this year’s campaign is “You Can Change a Life.”

Created in the 1960s by President John F. Kennedy, CFC was designed to give federal employees a chance to donate to a variety of charities once per year without constant solicitation by individual organizations.

It is the only government-authorized charity organization that provides you an opportunity to donate to a charity of your choosing.

Through the CFC, you can donate to any of the thousands of local, national and international charity organizations of your choice, or to CFC as a whole.

Historically, West Point raised more than $150,000 each year for CFC, and in many years, exceeding $200,000, making us the largest contributor for the Hudson Valley CFC Campaign. Echoing this year’s campaign theme, through your generosity, the West Point community is changing lives here at home and around the globe.

Participation is strictly voluntary. Our only goal is ensuring we’ve contacted everyone to give you the opportunity to give, if you so choose.

While the traditional paper donation forms are available, in order to save paper and administrative processing time consider making your pledge (via payroll deduction) through the CFC nexus website at https://www.cfcnexus.org/.

Please consider supporting the Combined Federal Campaign. Through your support, you can change a life!

Beat Navy!


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**Gary Sinise to receive the 2015 Thayer Award**

By West Point Media Relations

Actor and humanitarian Gary Sinise will receive the prestigious Thayer Award in a ceremony hosted by the U.S. Military Academy’s Association of Graduates Oct. 22.

The Corps of Cadets will conduct a parade in his honor at 5 p.m. on the Plain, prior to the award presentation dinner. The parade is open to the public.

During his distinguished career as a film and theater actor and director, Sinise has won many accolades, including an Emmy, an Obie and a Golden Globe Award, and he has been nominated for both an Academy Award and a Palme d’Or.

Sinise co-founded the Tony award-winning Steppenwolf Theatre Company in Chicago in 1974, and his first major critical success as an actor was in 1982 when he directed and starred in Steppenwolf’s production of “True West,” for which he earned an Obie Award.

Sinise has starred with fellow actor Tom Hanks in three critically-acclaimed films: “Forrest Gump,” “Apollo 13” and “The Green Mile.”

In addition to using his acting skills to help tell the story of America’s servicemen and women, Sinise has also served as their passionate advocate off screen for over 30 years. His activism began in the early ’80s with his support of Vietnam Veterans and the creation of Vets Night, a program offering free dinners and performances to veterans at the Steppenwolf Theatre in Chicago.

His commitment continued into the 1990s, when he began working on behalf of the Disabled American Veterans organization, which he continues to actively support.

It was Sinise’s portrayal of Lieutenant Dan Taylor in the 1994 Academy Award-winning film “Forrest Gump” that created an enduring connection with U.S. servicemen and women throughout the military community.

After participating in several USO tours, Sinise formed the “Lt. Dan Band” in 2004 and began entertaining troops serving at home and abroad. The band now performs almost 50 shows a year for military bases, charities and fundraisers supporting wounded warriors, Gold Star families, veterans and troops around the world.

Sinise has received numerous honors for his service to the military and veteran communities, including the Presidential Citizens Medal in 2008, the second-highest civilian honor awarded to citizens for exemplary deeds performed in service of the nation, as well as the Outstanding Civilian Service Award, which he received from former Army Chief of Staff, Gen. Raymond Odierno, USMA Class of 1976.

The Thayer Award, established in honor of Col. Sylvanus Thayer, “Father of the Military Academy,” is presented to an outstanding citizen whose service and accomplishments in the national interest exemplify the military academy’s motto, “Duty, Honor, Country.”


Last year’s recipient was Condoleezza Rice.

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**Funded Legal Education Program**

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is now accepting applications for the Army’s Funded Legal Education Program (FLEP) through Nov. 1. Under this program, the Army projects sending up to 25 active duty commissioned officers to law school at government expense.

Selected officers will attend law school beginning in the fall of 2016 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Army MILPER Message 15-013 and AR-27, Chapter 14 to determine their eligibility.

This program is open to commissioned officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain with between two to six years of active federal service.

For details on the FLEP application process, contact Yvonne Caron at 703-545-2843 or email yvonne.m.caron2.civ@mail.mil.

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Parents Weekend a success as 800 family members, friends visit cadets

Story and photo by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

Roughly 800 family members and friends joined their cadets for the weekend of Oct. 9-11 for Parents Weekend, which is designed to give families and friends a chance to see what campus is like through a variety of activities and generally includes a football game. Parents Weekend began last year because at most colleges and universities, it is an integral part of college life and gives parents an idea of what life is like at a particular college.

West Point often has events where parents visit, such as Plebe Parent Weekend in March, and events that highlight milestones in a cadet’s career like the Ring Ceremony, but Parents Weekend is strictly for cadets and their families.

Parents attended informative briefings from instructors, talked to tactical officers, toured West Point, visited the barracks and viewed a physical education demonstration at the Indoor Obstacle Course Test.

During this time, cadets had abbreviated classes and were granted extended walking privileges, but needed to be back at West Point by TAPS. Many parents dined with their cadets at the Mess Hall for dinner Oct. 9.

Class of 2017 Cadet Levi Rosdhal, a mechanical engineering major, was visited by his parents, Rhonda and Keith, and his aunt and uncle, Cadu and Jennifer Medina, who traveled from Prescott, Arizona.

“We just got in last night,” Rhonda said. “We’ve never been here before. We spoke to some of his instructors. It’s great being able to spend time with Levi and go to an Army Football game.”

Class of 2019 Cadet Ethan Palelei also enjoyed spending time with his grandparent Peggy Hernandez, sister Cadina Palelei and mom Catherine. Palelei is an offensive lineman for Army, so the Duke-Army Football game was definitely on the agenda.

A little sibling rivalry may have been the reason Ethan decided to attend West Point.

“My brother graduated from the Naval Academy, so I decided I wanted to go to West Point,” Ethan said. “He graduated, but he went into the Marines.”

His mom said she was a little surprised he decided to go to West Point, but his grandfather had a different idea.

“He’s very intelligent and we are a football family,” Hernandez said. “I wanted the best education he could get and you can’t get any better here. You get the best of everything and they can go anywhere.”

Another plebe, Class of 2019 Cadet Isaiah Meuchelboeck from San Antonio, enjoyed spending time with his parents Peter and Lottie. His dad is a retired Air ForceSenior Master Sgt., but Isaiah decided on West Point.

“I just thought there were a lot of opportunities here and it’s different,” Meuchelboeck said. “There are a lot of good people here, so being a plebe isn’t all that bad. A lot of my friends think being a plebe is a lot worse than it is, and yet I have gotten a couple of my friends interested about going to a military academy. I have two brothers and two sisters. One sibling went into the Air Force and the other is in the National Guard.”

His mom Lottie said that he is used to the military family and was not surprised he decided to attend West Point.

“We were excited and it was his choice,” Lottie said. “He is service oriented so it was not a surprise. He went to private schools, but because his family has military backgrounds he was in that culture early.”

Selfless service instilled into cadets through Soldiers for Citizens

Submitted by Class of 2017 Cadet Chandler Cole

Embedded in the very identity of the academy, selfless service permeates all that the West Point community does every day. From cadets attending to their duties to families supporting the staff and faculty, everyone plays an essential role by lending their abilities and time to the worthy cause of service to the nation.

With even the most mundane routines and menial tasks contributing to an ultimate goal of altruism, it becomes far too easy to restrict ourselves to the defined roles before us: cadet, instructor, staff member, spouse, friend.

Particularly in the case of cadets, this can manifest itself in a way that limits their sphere of influence and directs their attention inward, rather than outward toward the national community they came here to serve.

There is a vast disparity between the quantity of community service hours performed by cadets before coming to West Point and that during their time at the academy.

While measures are being taken to amend this reality, including the Superintendent’s initiative to improve our relationship with New York City and the Dean’s efforts to incorporate community service into various academic programs, true change begins within the Corps of Cadets.

Soldiers for Citizens is a cadet-run community service club functioning under the Cadet Community on Civil-Military Operations.

Now collaborating with the Brigade Community Service Officer, Class of 2016 Cadet Michael Auten, the club offers and organizes a variety of community service events to the Corps in the hope of capitalizing on and See SOLDIERS FOR CITIZENS, PAGE 4
West Point celebrates National Hispanic Heritage Month

Story and Photo by Kathy Eastwood
Staff Writer

National Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from Sept. 15-Oct. 15 to recognize the contributions and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans. West Point honored the Hispanic and Latino Americans with a celebration Oct. 6 at the West Point Club.

The theme for this year’s celebration was “Energizing Our Nation’s Diversity.”

Bob J. Archuleta, the Pico Rivera City Council member in California and the newly appointed and first Hispanic American to serve on the Board of Visitors to the U.S. Military Academy by President Obama, was the guest speaker.

Archuleta has received Congressional Recognition Awards and proclamations for service and has been recognized by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Hispanic American Airborne Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and 11th Airborne Division Association.

“The Superintendent said we must be a winning culture, a winning team,” Archuleta said. “We can’t have a winning team without diversity. Diversity leads to better problem solving.”

Hispanics have contributed much in the military. Forty-three Hispanics have received the Medal of Honor for service in the Vietnam War. A total of 62 Hispanics have received the Medal of Honor since the Civil War.

The first recipient was Cpl. Joseph H. DeCastro of the Union Army for his actions in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, during the American Civil War. The most recent Hispanic recipient was Sgt. 1st Class Leroy Petry for his actions in Afghanistan.

The Cadet Spanish Club and Salsa Club demonstrated a rousing salsa and a solo dance to the captivated audience.

“What you saw on the dance floor, that is America,” Archuleta said.

Archuleta spoke of Hispanic Astronaut Jose Hernandez who was raised as a migrant worker and had just a third grade education, but when Hernandez saw the television reports of Eugene Cernan walk on the moon in 1972 during the Apollo 17 mission, he began dreaming of becoming an astronaut.

“He didn’t get to be an astronaut immediately,” Archuleta said. “It took him 12 times before he was admitted to the astronaut program and became a member of the STS 128.”

America has always prided itself of having instituted the principles of equality which we can trace back to Thomas Jefferson.

However, few know that 200 years before Jefferson, Hispanics were laying the foundation for equality, for the legal and moral traditions of the New World.

In the mid-1500s, Friar Bartolomeo de las Casas was enthusiastically defending the dignity and advocating equality of the native inhabitants of North America.

Two centuries later, Father Junipero Serra, founder of the California missions, became a pioneer in the fight for human rights for the Native Americans.

U.S. Military Academy Superintendent Lt. Gen. Robert Caslen Jr. speaks to the guest speaker Bob Archuleta at the Hispanic American Heritage Month celebration Oct. 6 at the West Point Club. Archuleta is a presidential appointee who serves as a member on the USMA Board of Visitors. He is the first Hispanic American to be appointed by any President as a member of the board.

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inspiring an increased desire to serve.

In the first half of this semester alone, Soldiers for Citizens has successfully facilitated over 350 man hours of community service, sending cadets to Habitat for Humanity builds, a foster home, a local food bank and a New York City homeless shelter.

Offering different service opportunities allows cadets to participate in something that they are passionate about, thereby ensuring that they build strong bonds with the organizations and give back to the local community that inspired them to serve in the first place.

The cadets’ hard work on these trips has proven to be an integral part of their success. Each project serves as a positive experience for both the volunteers and the citizens that they work with.

At the food bank, over 6,000 pounds of food were sorted by just 14 cadets. The children at the foster home deliberately and insistently asked the cadets to return for another visit, the Habitat for Humanity groups shocked volunteer coordinators with their willingness to get dirty and work hard, and the homeless shelter trips allowed companies to bond over a desire to help others.

All in all, it is clear that the apparent lack of community service performed by cadets is not due to an absence of desire, but an absence of knowledge.

Soldiers for Citizens is seeking to remove that absence by advertising its volunteer opportunities to the Corps. Through the work of CIC Cadet Saverio Macrina, Brigade Community Outreach Officer Cadet Michael Auten, and the support of company representatives, staff and faculty, the club is making headway and looks forward to offering even more volunteer opportunities as the semester continues.

Now, Soldiers for Citizens is only limited by the support of West Point staff and faculty as trip OICs and institutional support for transportation and trip sections.

As new community service opportunities are created, new relationships will be formed, more cadets will experience personal growth and our institutional definition of selfless service will expand, becoming a fuller representation of what it means to serve the nation and its people.

With the continued support of staff and faculty, the local community and cadets themselves, Soldiers for Citizens and other volunteer-driven programs can move forward toward their destination of making the world a better place in whatever capacity they can.
2015-16 Cadet Club Activities

**Judo:** The Army West Point Judo team competed in a Judo Tournament in Princeton, New Jersey, Oct. 4 in order to prepare for Collegiate Nationals and future competitions against the Navy Judo team.

For this tournament, the Army West Point Judo team took 16 Novice competitors, which means they have the rank of Green Belt and below.

The Judo team also took two senior fighters, the rank of Brown Belt and above.

Eighteen Judokas competed in more than 40 three-minute matches in both the Novice and Senior Divisions.

Overall, the team won a total of 19 matches and had several place in their weight class. First-place winners were Class of 2019 Cadets Sheldon Dillman and Nicholas Chinea.

Second-place winners were Class of 2018 Cadet Alexander Caudullo and Class of 2016 Cadet Tiara Hansen. The third-place winner was Class of 2019 Cadet Aidan Baxter.

Overall, the primary mission of preparing for Collegiate Nationals was accomplished and the cadets were exposed to a variety of fighting styles.

**Marathon:** The West Point Marathon team cadets took home first place in the Military Academy and ROTC category at the Army Ten Miler Sunday in Washington D.C.

All the men ran under an hour with Class of 2018 Cadet Aaqib Syed and Class of 2017 Cadet Jake Schmitz leading the way, both running a 54:45. Close behind was Class of 2017 Cadet Christopher Boyle who ran a 56:36.

The women also ran very well with Class of 2016 Cadet Jennifer Moore running a 1:11.27 and Class of 2018 Cadet Nikita Price running a 1:12.23.

**Debate:** The U.S. Military Academy Model United Nations team traveled to Columbia University’s Model United Nations in New York Oct. 1-4. CMUNNY is an extremely competitive conference featuring approximately 50 schools and every top-tier team on the Model United Nations circuit including Harvard University, Georgetown and the University of Chicago.

The West Point team engaged in heated debate throughout the weekend on topics ranging from the Vietnam conflict to the Colombian drug war and others.

The West Point team capped the conference by winning the Outstanding Small Delegation award over approximately 30 other schools, including the U.S Naval and Coast Guard academies.

The following cadets were recognized with awards for individual performances: Class of 2017 Cadet Jack Bagdadi: Best Delegate—first place (Ad-Hoc Committee of the Secretary-General); Class of 2017 Cadet Daniel Hogestyn: Best Delegate—first place (Joint Crisis: Hamas/IDF 2014); Class of 2016 Cadet Anthony Veith: Outstanding Delegate—second place (The Medellin Cartel); Class of 2018 Cadet Carolyn Williams: Outstanding Delegate—second place (Merina Kingdom Madagascar, 1828); Class of 2018 Cadet Dubinas Rokas: Verbal Commendation (Menelek II’s Ethiopian Committee); and Class of 2018 Cadet Daniel Sharp: Verbal Commendation (Parlament de Catalunya 2014).

The following cadets were also integral to the team’s success: Class of 2017 Cadet Shiv Arya: (Kublai Khan’s Kurultai); Class of 2018 Cadet Nathaniel Librizzi (The Bloomberg Mayoralty); Class of 2018 Jon Paul (Harmony Restoration Council 100 AD); Class of 2018 Cadet Christine Sidhu (Secret Summit of der Bundesrat); Class of 2019 Cadet Benjamin Denn (Johnson’s Tuesday Lunch Group); and Class of 2019 Cadet Patrick Rogers, ’19 (Marvel Civil War).

**Glee:** Eighteen members of the Glee Club traveled to New York City in order to perform the National Anthem at the home opener of the NHL’s New York Rangers.

In front of a crowd of more than 18,000 in Madison Square Garden, the Club brought a bit of West Point to Manhattan and helped to enhance the academy’s relationship with NYC.

The performance was well-received by the boisterous crowd.
The Wall That Heals is coming to West Point from Oct. 22-25

Staff Reports

As part of the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War and West Point’s role as a commemorative community, The Wall That Heals will visit the U.S. Military Academy and the greater West Point community Oct. 22-25.

This traveling exhibit, also known as The Moving Wall, includes a 250-foot replica of the original memorial in Washington, D.C. and a mobile education center.

Each year, millions visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, which honors the millions who served their country during the Vietnam War.

Tens of thousands gave their lives during the many years of conflict and their names are etched into the black granite.

It will give those who have not been able to make the journey to our nation’s capital, the opportunity to renew their relationship with veterans of all wars, honor and respect those who have fallen, and reflect upon the contributions and sacrifices of the millions of Americans who have served.

The exhibit is free and open to the general public. It will be located on Trophy Point, in the area just behind the Sedgwick statue.

The opening ceremony will be held at 8:40 a.m. Oct. 22, and the regularly scheduled hours of operation are from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Oct. 22-24 and 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Oct. 25.

To help with the set up on Wednesday, volunteers are needed. Volunteers need to be at Trophy Point at 1 p.m. to set up. Also, volunteers will be needed to break down as well on Oct. 25 at 2:30 p.m. For details on volunteering, contact Gus Fishburne at gfishburne62@aol.com or 845-446-4055.

Since its inception in 1996, over 2 million people have visited the Memorial Fund’s traveling exhibit.

It has made stops in nearly 250 U.S. locales in addition to an April 1999 tour of the Four Provinces of Ireland and a visit to Canada in 2005.

For details, visit http://www.vvmf.org/twth.

The Wall That Heals
The Traveling Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Museum

The Band presents “Red, White and BOO!”

By the West Point Band

The West Point Band will present a concert titled “Red, White, and BOO!” at 8 p.m. Oct. 30 at the United Palace of Cultural Arts. The United Palace of Cultural Arts is located at 4140 Broadway at 175th St. in New York City. This concert is free and open to all; however RSVP at www.unitedpalace.org/events.

Join the West Point Band, America’s oldest Army band, for a family-friendly night of music sure to get you in the Halloween spirit. The band will play a diverse program with works ranging from Edvard Grieg’s “In the Hall of the Mountain King” and Paul Dukas’ “Sorcerer’s Apprentice”—to jazzy vocal tunes “Punky Punkin” by Rosemary Clooney and Screamin’ Jay Hawkins’ “I Put a Spell on You”—to “This is Halloween” from The Nightmare Before Christmas and Eric Whitacre’s “Godzilla Eats Las Vegas.”

Featured soloists will be West Point Band vocalists Master Sgt. MaryKay Messenger and Staff Sgt. Jeremy Gaynor. Special guest Otis Murphy, saxophone professor at Indiana University’s Jacobs School of Music, will also perform “Le Ronde des Lutins (Dance of the Goblins)” by Antonio Bazzini.

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

For concert information, cancellations and updates, call 938-2617 or visit www.westpointband.com.
FEATURED ITEMS

DFL-sponsored Opera
As part of its Performing Arts series, the Department of Foreign Languages invites you to Coeur en Autome, an operatic gala concert featuring celebrated Metropolitan Opera soprano, Olga Makarina, while accompanied on the piano by Albert Stanziano, at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Eisenhower Hall.

You will be asked for ID when entering West Point. For military members, wear Mess Dress or Dress Blues and civilians should wear black tie or evening attire.

RSVP to Dr. Rajaia Chauriat at 845-938-8796. Admission is free.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gift Shoppe openings in October
The West Point Spouses’ Club has a wonderful Gift Shoppe with West Point and military-themed gifts, crafts and memorabilia, perfect for friends, family and colleagues.

The Gift Shoppe is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. every Wednesday in October.

The Gift Shoppe is inside Bldg. 695 (formally the ITR office), located in the parking lot behind the West Point Cemetery.

For details, contact Julie Horton at 446-2950.

West Point Civilian Employee Council meetings
The executive committee of the West Point Civilian Employee Council will meet at 1:30 p.m. today at the Garrison Conference room, second floor, Bldg. 681.

The mission of the West Point Civilian Employee Council is to be an advisory council to West Point leadership. It serves as a forum for discussion of issues affecting non-union and non-Title 10 members of the West Point civilian workforce.

Meetings are open to all full-time West Point government civilian employees less bargaining unit and Title 10 personnel.

Walk to Defeat ALS
Walk the longest pedestrian bridge in the world in support of the 2015 Hudson Valley Walk to Defeat ALS, presented by the ALS Association Greater New York Chapter.

The Walk is Sunday on the Walkway Over the Hudson in Poughkeepsie with refreshments and lunch provided.

For details or to register, go to http://webgny.alsa.org/goto/ndclub.

Awana kicks off
Awana meets on Sundays from 5-6:30 p.m. and kicks off this Sunday.

Cubbies (3-year-olds and Pre-K) meets in the Post Chapel Nursery and Sparks (Kindergarten-second grade) and TnT (third-sixth grades) meet at the Youth Center.

Email Kristi Culver at WestPointAwana@yahoo.com to register your child and include their name and age/grade.

Personally Owned Firearms Range
The Personally Owned Firearms Range for Saturday is cancelled. An additional range will be added on Oct. 31.

The remaining POF Range is 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Nov. 7 will still be available for all authorized military and civilian personnel.

All personnel attending this event must bring ANSI 12.42 approved hearing & ANSI Z78.1 approved eye protection, targets and target frames. Authorized weapons are pistol, shotgun and rifle up to 7.62mm or .308.

For details, contact Alec M. Lazore, DPTMS Range Operations range officer, at 938-3007.

Murphy Club
The West Point Chapter of Excellence Sergeant Audie Murphy Club has SAMC monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of every month.

The SAMC monthly meeting takes place at Washington Hall Room 4101.

The club is about improving tomorrow’s Army, its Soldiers, the installation and the local community through commitment, caring, mentoring, teaching and training.

For details, contact SMAC President Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Robinson at 254-768-8414 or Vice President Stuart Sword at 757-816-0256.

Construction Alert
Due to construction on the Palisades Interstate Parkway and Route 6 between Woodbury and the Palisades, U.S. Army Garrison West Point will be temporarily opening Mine Torne Road to through traffic.

This will serve as a temporary, alternate route for local residents looking to avoid significant traffic.

The road will remain open for the duration of the construction, which is scheduled to be finished by December 2015.

Tax Center seeking volunteers to assist during Tax Season
The West Point Tax Center is looking for volunteers to assist with tax returns and administrative support during the tax season (January-April 2016).

Volunteers receive all necessary training and obtain valuable work experience.

For details, contact Capt. Emily Haigh at emily.haigh@usma.edu or 938-6373.

EDUCATION and WORKSHOPS

Upcoming West Point Soldier For Life—TAP Transition Workshops
Transition Workshops are designed to assist separating or retiring service members and their family members in preparing for a smooth transition to civilian life.

The workshops provide information on entitlements and services available, including the Department of Veterans Affairs’ Benefits Briefings.

The Department of Labor also conducts an extensive employment workshop.

Service members are required to begin the SFL-TAP no later than 12 months before transition.

Upcoming schedule dates are:
• Monday-Oct. 23;
• Oct. 26-30 (Executive/Retirement Level);
• Nov. 16-20;
• Dec. 7-11.

Registration is required.
Contact the SFL-TAP Office at 845-938-0634 to register or for more details.

FAST class
Students who are interested in raising their General Technical (GT) score on the Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT) can take the Functional Academic Skills Training class 12:30-4:30 p.m. through Wednesday at the Army Education Center, 683 Buckner Loop (next to Subway).

For details or to obtain an enrollment form, call Nancy Judd at 938-2492. ACT. Pearson VUE offers licensing and certification exams. Most tests are free of charge to Soldiers.

Contact the Testing Center at 938-3360 or email gwenn.wallace@usma.edu for details or an appointment.

Employment Assistance Program
West Point Garrison offers an Employment Assistance Program that is a free and confidential counseling for civilians, family members and retirees.

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

For details, call 938-1039.

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

Call the Testing Center at 938-3360 or email gwenn.wallace@usma.edu for details or an appointment.

OUTSIDE THE GATES

40th annual Apple Time Fair
The Cornwall Presbyterian Church will be holding its 40th annual Apple Time Fair from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, at 222 Hudson Street, Cornwall-on-Hudson, rain or shine.

Come early for homemade apple pies, baked goods, handmade crafts and holiday items. Enjoy the gourmet coffee corner, while the kids participate in the children’s activities.

For details, Call 534-2903 or visit www.CornwallPresbyterian.org.
FEATURED EVENT

Thanksgiving Day Feast
Enjoy the West Point Club’s traditional Thanksgiving dinner Nov. 26. Two seatings will be available.
The first seating is at noon in the Pierce Dining Room. The second seating is at 2 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom. Reservations are required.
For reservations and pricing, call 938-5120.

JUST ANNOUNCED

Junior Black Knights Travel Basketball tryouts
Tryouts for JBK Travel Basketball are at 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Youth Center, Bldg. 500 for boys in grades 7 and 8. There is a fee for this program. For details, call 938-8896.

CYsitter Babysitter Certification course
The CYsitter Babysitter Certification course will be held between 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Oct. 23 at the Youth Center. The course is designed to familiarize teens with the responsibilities of babysitting and also teach skills and techniques needed for sitters to become competent and caring.
Students will receive training materials, a certificate of completion and a wallet size babysitting course card.
Garrison policy encourages all youth to pass a certified babysitting course and CPR/FA class to babysit non-family members. For details and to register, call 938-3969.

Superintendent’s Scramble
There is a fee associated with this event (fee includes cart, prizes and dinner). Registration deadline is Oct. 26.
For details, call the Pro Shop at 845-938-2435.

Recreation Basketball Coaches needed
Leagues start Dec. 7 for the Youth Sports Basketball Leagues. Four different leagues from ages 4-13.
For details, call 938-8896.

Help Wanted
The MWR Fitness Center is looking for a certified and insured massage therapist. Create your own hours, excellent location with ample parking and share your gift of massage with the West Point community. Serious inquiries only, call 938-6490.

FOR THE ADULTS

October trips with Leisure Travel Services

• Oct. 27—Pint Sized Picasso, 10:30-11:30 a.m. or 3:30-4:30 p.m. Ellsworth Kelly: Born right here in Orange County (Newburgh to be exact), Kelly shows us shapes and colors. Classes are for grades K-5.
• There is a minimal fee for the above classes. For details and to register, call 938-4812.

Introduction to GAT, MRT & ArmyFit Classes
Global Assessment Tool (GAT), Master Resiliency Training (MRT) and ArmyFit classes are designed for spouses and DOD civilians.
You will learn hands-on training and self-development tools by knowing yourself and to learn how to cope with adversity, perform better in stressful situations and thrive in life.
These classes can help you stay emotionally and psychologically strong for yourself and your family. The classes will provide an introduction to each of these three components above. The next classes are 10-11 a.m. Oct. 22 at ACS, Bldg. 622. These are the major components of the Comprehensive Soldier and Family Fitness Program (CSF2).
For details and to sign up, call 938-2519.

Spin Express
Revolutionize your evenings and Spin! A 45-minute class is scheduled at 7 p.m. Oct. 22, Nov. 5 and 19, Dec. 3 and 17 at the MWR Fitness Center.
For details, call 938-6490.

Yoga Workshop
There is a Yoga Workshop from 1-3:30 p.m. Oct. 25 with instructors Beth Wendell and Christine Heffington called Therapeutic Yoga for Beginners.
This beginning level workshop is suitable for all students. Register for your spot at the MWR Fitness Center front desk.
For more details, call 938-6490.

Ghoulish Halloween Scramble
Have a Ghoulish good time as the staff will test your skills with unique and fun challenges on the holes at the West Point Golf Course on Oct. 31.
Check in from 7:30-8:45 a.m., shotgun start at 9 a.m. For details, call 938-2435.

Thanksgiving Food Drive
BOSS will be having the Thanksgiving Food Drive Sort from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Buffalo Soldier Pavilion.
This will be in partnership with ACS, the Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts. Boxes for the food drop off will be at the Commissary, Keller Hospital, Dental Clinic, MP Company and ACS from Monday-Nov. 8. The Boy Scouts housing pick-up will be Nov. 7.
For details, contact Courtney Chidgey at 845-938-6497.

Sunday Brunch at the West Point Club
The West Point Club’s seasonal Sunday Brunch runs through Nov. 15 in the Club’s Pierce Dining Room from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Reservations are suggested. For details, call 938-5120.

Macy’s Thanksgiving Parade
Tickets are on sale now at Leisure Travel Services (LTS) for the Macy’s Thanksgiving Parade. This traditional New York City parade takes place Nov. 26.
Leave West Point at 6 a.m. Return immediately after the parade. There is a minimal transportation fee for this event.
For tickets and more details, call 938-3601.

NFL Sunday Ticket
The West Point Club now has NFL Sunday Ticket from 12:45-8 p.m. every Sunday.
Complimentary snacks, free Wi-Fi, weekly menu specials and a pub menu are available.
For details, call 938-5120.

FOR THE FAMILIES

EFMP Families: Family Fun Night Series
Join us at ACS, Bldg. 622, from 3:30-5 p.m. for our Family Fun Night Series. The upcoming dates are:
• Nov. 19—Family Game Night—we will have different stations of games to enjoy with your friends and family;
• Dec. 10—ACS Holiday Social—Join Santa, ACS and the entire community for some punch, cookies and holiday spirit.
Bring the whole family to each event.
Contact Josephine Toohey or Anne Marshall at 938-5655/0232.

Circus of Fear
Something wicked comes this way from 6-9 p.m. Oct. 23 at Camp Buckner with the Circus of Fear. Discounted admission with costume. For details, call 938-4690.

CYSS Football Childcare
A required minimum of 15 paid children is needed in order to provide care on Army West Point football game days. Care is located at the Stony CDC, Bldg. 1207.
Care will begin one hour before the game and children must be picked up within one hour of the game’s end. Meals and snacks will be provided.
Children must be registered with CYS Services.

Radio City Christmas Spectacular starring the Rockettes
Tickets are on sale now at Leisure Travel Services for Radio City Christmas Spectacular starring the Rockettes. This holiday tradition has three available show dates—Dec. 3, 10 and 17. Leave West Point at 1 p.m., for a 5 p.m. curtain. Return immediately following the show. Motor coach transportation is provided.
For details, call 938-3601.

FOR THE YOUTHS

PAWS for Kids
The Exceptional Family Member Program presents the American Red Cross PAWS for KIDS.
All sessions take place between 3:30-5 p.m. at ACS on the following dates:
• Tuesday, Nov. 3 and 17, Dec. 1 and 8.
For details, call 938-5655 or Josephine.toohey@usma.edu.

Youth Sports Basketball Leagues
Four divisions of Youth Sports Basketball Leagues are available:
• Little Shooters for 4 year olds. From 10-10:45 a.m. Saturday mornings;
• Training League for 5-6 year olds. From 5-6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays;
• Collegiate League for 7-9 year olds. From 6-8 p.m. Monday and Wednesdays;
• Junior NBA for 10-13 year olds. From 6-8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
The season starts Dec. 7. Registration opens Wednesday for residents, and Nov. 4 from non-residents. Registration closes Nov. 18. There is a fee for the leagues. For details, call 938-3550/8896.
Keller offers a Childbirth Education Class

Are you expecting a child this summer? Are you nervous because you’re not sure what to expect? If so, join Keller Army Community Hospital’s Obstetric Unit for their Childbirth Education Classes.

The class is 6-9:30 p.m. Wednesday at Keller Army Community Hospital in the 4th floor classroom.

To register and/or get more information, contact Keller’s Obstetrics Unit at 938-3210.

Keller Army Community Hospital clinics transition to the Brian Allgood Ambulatory Clinic

The following Keller Army Community Hospital clinics, and administrative offices, have transitioned to the Brian Allgood Ambulatory clinic and are operational:

- Patient Administration;
- Health Benefits Advisor;
- ENT/Otorhinolaryngology;
- Optometry;
- Primary Care (Red/Blue Team);
- Orthopedic;
- Podiatry;
- Physical Therapy.

Parking remains the same near Keller’s main building, with some additional patient parking located closer to the Allgood Clinic.

Refer to the Keller Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/kellerarmycommunityhospital, Internet page at http://kach.amedd.army.mil, or the Pointer View for parking updates.

KACH recognizes National Hospital and Health-System Pharmacy Week

October is American Pharmacist Month and Keller Army Community Hospital will recognize National Hospital and Health-System Pharmacy Week, through Friday, to underscore the many new and vital roles pharmacists now play in patient care.

The evolution has been especially dramatic in recent years as pharmacists have moved beyond compounding and dispensing medications to become vital members of multidisciplinary patient-care teams. Many patients are not aware that pharmacists play a critical role in preventing medication errors, advising prescribers on the best drug choices and working directly with patients to ensure they understand how to use their medications safely and effectively.

Pharmacy Week is a great way to educate the public about how pharmacists can help them get the most benefit from their medicine.

Hospital and health-system pharmacists have been able to take on enhanced patient-care roles because of a number of factors, including the deployment of highly trained, certified technicians and new technologies like robotics that dispense medications.

As technology evolves—such as the addition of machine-readable codes to medication labels—patients will have greater opportunities to have a pharmacist involved in their care.

Pharmacists are experts on the thousands of medications available today, how each one works in the body and the ways to use each one safely and effectively.

Pharmacists who graduate today receive six years of education focused on medication therapy, and many pharmacists practicing in hospitals and health systems also complete post-graduate residency programs.

Allgood Ambulatory Clinic adds clinical addition to Keller hospital

By Robert Lanier
Keller Army Community Hospital PAO

The Brian D. Allgood Ambulatory Clinic was ceremonially opened during a ribbon-cutting event Oct. 7, during a morning ceremony in front of the new clinic.

This Military Construction Project began as a ‘clinic addition’ to Keller Army Community Hospital.

The ground-breaking ceremony for this project occurred on March 15, 2012, under the command of then Hospital Commander, Col. Beverly Land.

In May 2014, Lt. Gen. Robert L. Caslen, Jr., Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy, announced, by memorandum, that the Museum, Historical and Memorialization Committee voted in the affirmative, in December 2013, and he approved the recommendation to name the new clinic after Col. Brian Allgood, USMA Class of 1982 and commander of Keller Hospital from 2002-04.

The $31.4 million project adds more than 51,000 gross square feet to Medical Command West Point, as it houses Primary Care, Orthopedics/Podiatry, Physical Therapy, Optometry, TRICARE services center, staff and administration support.

The design facilitates the consolidation, corrections of space inequities and interdepartmental adjacencies, and is overall a boon to patients’ access to care.

Lt. Gen. Robert L. Caslen, Jr. (fourth from left), Superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy, and Bradley Allgood (to Caslen’s right), Col. Brian D. Allgood’s brother, unveil a plaque in the Brian D. Allgood Ambulatory Clinic at Keller Army Community Hospital Oct. 9.

The clinic addition supports the future flexibility of the Keller Medical Campus by providing the transition space and feasibility of a high-priority, overall hospital renewal; and creates a modernized ambulatory environment for the provision of ‘World Class Healthcare’ at West Point, the jewel of the United States Army and home of the U.S. Military Academy.

SHARP Resources

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Volleyball downs Navy to win first "Star" in 2015

By Alexandra Keirn
Army Athletic Communications

With tonight’s performance, senior setter Vanessa Edwards surpassed the 2,000 career assist milestone and joins just six others in program history who bear that distinction. Edwards totaled 47 assists on the night to push her career total to 2,007, while also adding 11 digs and one ace.

Sophomore middle blocker Vanessa Wesley led the offense with 17 kills and also tallied three block assists. Senior outside hitter Nicole Perri recorded 14 kills, while sophomore middle blocker Carolyn Bockrath added 11 and sophomore outside hitter Jaden Pickell totaled 10. Sophomore libero Shannel Chong led the team with 17 digs and Pickell chipped in 10.

In the fifth set, junior outside hitter Olivia Fairfield forced the ball down the middle to make it 3-all. Wesley hit an off handed shot and earned a kill to go up 4-3, but Navy tallied a kill to re-tie the score at 4-4. Wesley recorded another kill to give Army a one-point advantage. Navy called timeout after trailing 6-4 when they recorded an attacking error.

After the timeout the Midshipmen earned a point to bring the score to 6-5, but another kill by Wesley gave Army a two point lead. Navy and Army traded kills to make the score 8-6 in favor of the Black Knights.

With the score tied at 10-all, Perri stepped up to the net to tally a kill. Freshman defensive specialist Maria Velicu came off the bench to serve for Army in the critical time of the match. Wesley notched a kill before a Navy error gave the Black Knights a 13-10 lead. Navy scored a point on a kill to bring the set to 13-11, still in favor of Army.

A service ace by Navy set Army up for the match point. Navy would fight back and earn a kill and regain the serve at 14-13. However, a service error by the Midshipmen would give Army the match point to win the Star.

In set one, Army was down 6-1, but multiple points by Bockrath and Wesley kept Army in the set and tied it at 15-all. Perri gave Army the go-ahead point at 17-16 with a tip to trip the Navy defense. She then tallied a kill to give the Black Knights a two point lead.

Perri added another kill when she shot cross court on an assist from Edwards to bring the score to 20-18. She added two more kills for Army’s 23rd and 24th points and a joint block by Fairfield and Wesley sealed the set for the Cadets.

The Black Knights continued to excel during set two. The blocking duo of Fairfield and Wesley joined together again to give Army a 13-11 lead before Wesley tallied another kill on the night. Army earned another point to take the second set 25-19.

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Bockrath placed a kill down the line to push the score to 19-15 in favor of Army. She had a solo block two points later to make the score 21-15 and joined with Edwards on a block to set the Black Knights up for set point. Navy earned another point, but Edwards assisted to Perri to win set two 25-19.

After the break, the Midshipmen bounced back to win sets three (25-20) and four (25-19). Army and Navy battled back and forth, but the Mids came out on top until set five where the Black Knights bounced back to win the match.
Guerry’s late goal lifts Men’s Soccer past Lehigh

By Harrison Antognioni
Army Athletic Communications

Senior forward Cody Guerry scored two second-half goals, including the game winner in the 89th minute, that gave Army a 3-2 win over Lehigh Sunday at Clinton Field.

Guerry netted the go-ahead goal for the Black Knights just 2:35 later after scoring on a second-chance shot. Junior defender Tanner Voswick sent a free kick on target that was saved by a diving Gottwald before Guerry knocked home the rebound to give Army a 2-1 lead in the 57th minute.

Army found the equalizer not long into the second half, when junior forward Nick Williams scored on a right-footed shot inside Lehigh’s 18-yard box on a cross from the right wing by classmate defender Christian Clark in the 54th minute.

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Clark directed a hard shot wide of Lehigh’s left post in the 63rd minute before Justin Worley’s chance in the 72nd minute was stopped by a diving Gottwald before Guerry knocked home the rebound to give Army a 2-1 lead in the 57th minute.

The Black Knights took the contest at 2-2 in the 88th minute, when Worley scored off a free kick from Luchini.

The Black Knights took their second lead of the afternoon just 20 seconds later as Guerry netted his second goal of the game, and third of the season, following a cross from the right side by junior Trase Stapley in 89th minute.

“ar couldn’t be happier for Cody,” Payne said. “He was goal-dangerous the whole game. It was a very unselfish game for him, and that’s the kind of a player he is. For him to get on the board for two goals is huge. Goals haven’t come as easily for him over the last year, but they’re starting to for him at the right time.”

Sprint Football lights up Mansfield 42-0, gains fourth shutout

By Stephen Waldman
Army Athletic Communications

With the spotlight from ESPN3 on, the Army West Point Sprint Football team showed that it is a force to be reckoned with this season in the 89th minute that broke a 2-2 tie and gave the Army West Point Men’s Soccer team a 3-2 shutout-victory over Mansfield on the road Oct. 10 in Mansfield, Pennsylvania.

The shutout is the fourth of the season for the Black Knights (4-0, 4-0 CSFL), rivaling only the 1958 team for best start in program history.

These two marks are also matched by the 1965 team, who ended its season with four consecutive goose eggs.

Army’s defense overpowered the Mountaineers (1-3, 1-3 CSFL) at Van Norman Field, allowing just 99 yards of total offense.

Mansfield gained negative 13 yards on 40 rushing attempts and completed only 40 percent of its passes with its three quarterbacks.

They were pressured all night long as the Black Knights recorded 11 sacks for 73 yards to go along with the six turnovers that were forced.

The Black Knights stormed out to a 7-0 lead after a four-yard pass from freshman quarterback Brady Miller was hauled in by junior running back Marqus Burrell 4:11 into the contest.

Burrell would add a rushing touchdown later in the quarter, also from four yards out, to double the margin after sophomore Tanner Andrews snagged his third interception of the season. Burrell totaled 70 yards on the ground on 19 carries.

Miller tossed a 10-yard touchdown pass to junior wide receiver Austin Breed for his second touchdown through the air on the night after an interception by senior defensive back Alfred McQuirter set up the drive. Army took a 21-0 advantage into the locker room.

In the fourth quarter, sophomore defensive lineman Curtis Jerzerick scooped up a fumble after senior defensive lineman Philip Choi forced the ball out on a sack in Army territory.

Jerzerick torted the ball 61 yards down the field for the score less than a minute into the fourth quarter.

A 14-yard scamper by sophomore running back Quay Gilmore with 3:02 left in the game increased the lead to 35-0 before sophomore linebacker Jake Marchillo recorded the team’s fourth interception of the night and returned it 24 yards to the house to cap the scoring.

Staff and Faculty Noontime Ultimate Frisbee

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| OCT. 24  | 7 P.M. — Women’s Rugby vs. Norwich, Anderson Rugby Complex. |

** To see the upcoming Army Athletics Schedule, visit www.goarmysports.com.
By Kelly Dumrauf
Army Athletic Communications

Taking to Morgantown, W.Va., for the second of five road contests to close out the season, the fourth-ranked Army West Point Men’s Rugby team downed Rugby East opponent West Virginia 63-13 Oct. 10.

Eight different Black Knights found the try zone on the afternoon as the team improved to 5-0 on the season.

Army got the jump early, as senior fullback Andrew Rorer scored in the seventh minute. Sophomore fly half Thomas Del Pino converted the kick and the Black Knights took the 7-0 lead.

Del Pino would score a try of his own in the 20th minute to put the Cadets up 12-0.

Just four minutes later, senior No. 8 Jack Ireland dotted down to put the game at 17-0 in favor of the Black Knights.

Captain senior prop Donny Goff found the try zone in the 32nd minute as Del Pino added his second conversion of the afternoon.

West Virginia would score its first points of the game in the 36th minute, and freshman center Torran Raby answered just two minutes later to send Army into the break with the 29-7 advantage.

Goff started the scoring for the Black Knights in the second half, recording his third try of the season and second of the game in the 43rd minute.

Vice-captain senior scrum half Jacob Banarhall dotted down in the 54th minute as Del Pino converted both kicks.

“He believes he got that from his squad. “It is important for us to develop depth as a team for multiple reasons,” Sherman said. “Fortunately for us, we have multiple guys deserving of opportunities through their level of commitment and play. It was great to see some new guys make the most of that opportunity today and push our depth and standard higher.”

With the win, Army moves to 5-0 on the season, sitting in sole possession of first place in the Rugby East with 25 points.

Each victory has come against a Rugby East opponent, as the team is in search of its second consecutive conference title.

By Matt Faulkner
Army Athletic Communications

In front of a sellout crowd of 2,761 fans, freshman forward Trevor Fidler scored his first collegiate goal and junior goaltender Parker Gahagen stopped 35 shots, but top-ranked Boston College jumped out to an early lead and defeated the Black Knights, 5-1, Oct. 9 at Tate Rink.

Army (0-1-0) saw Fidler tally his first collegiate goal in his first game as a Black Knight. He scored the goal early in the third period with hard work in front of the net.

Sophomore defenseman Mike Preston and sophomore forward Conor Andrle added assists on the play. Gahagen stopped double-digits shots in each period and stopped multiple breakaway chances throughout the game.

The Eagles (1-0-0) got goals from five different skaters and were led by Miles Wood, who posted three points on the first three goals of the game.

He broke the scoreless tie in the first period and added assists on the two Boston College tallies in the middle frame. Alex Tuch chipped in with two assists, while goaltender Thatcher Demko finished with 23 saves, including 10 in the second period. Head coach Brian Riley came into the game wanted his team to step up to the challenge and he believes he got that from his squad.

“Two years ago, I shook Coach York’s hand and said we are going to be a better team and we obviously were tonight,” Riley said. “A lot of good things I saw from tonight as we expect effort from our guys every game, but we want to be hard to play against and I thought for the most part we were hard to play against tonight.”

The Black Knights came out blazing and had some great opportunities with Andrle connecting on a one-timer in transition and junior forward C.J. Reuschlein getting a chance in the slot, but Demko came up with the stops.

Boston College had its first great chance with a shorthanded breakaway, but Gahagen made the pad stop to keep the Eagles off the board. Boston College kept the pressure on and it paid off in the offensive zone as Army turned the puck over with a cross-ice pass.

Wood swooped in from the blueline and stole the pass and beat Gahagen for the 1-0 advantage. The Eagles had 12 shots in the first period to Army’s eight.

With 7:59 left in the second period, the Eagles added to their lead with Chris Calnan breaking in on Gahagen on a 2-on-1 chance and beating the netminder.

The Black Knights were caught in Boston College’s zone and didn’t recover. The Eagles increased their lead to 3-0 with a power play goal from Casey Fitzgerald with assists from Scott Savage and Wood. For Wood, it was his second helper of the period and third point. The Eagles extended their lead 3:26 into the final frame with Chris Brown scoring on a nice feed from Tuch and it was 4-0 in favor of the visitors.

The Black Knights got back in the game with a tough power play goal from Fidler. He went into the teeth of the defense and swatting the puck past Demko, who thought he had it covered up. Preston and Andrle were given helpers on the goal after getting the puck to the front of the net.

Boston College put the game away with a power play goal from Zach Sanford and came away with the 5-1 victory over the Black Knights.

“I think the game started off well and our structure was pretty good,” Gahagen said. “We just got into a little bit of penalty trouble and they pushed the momentum into the opposite direction. I think overall there is some positives, but also plenty of things we can work on.”

The Eagles had a 40-24 shot advantage in the game and both teams scored on the power play.

No. 4 Men’s Rugby blows by West Virginia

Senior prop Donny Goff reached the try zone twice to help Army West Point Men’s Rugby team to a 63-13 victory over West Virginia Oct. 10 in Morgantown, West Virginia.