



*United States Military Academy*  
*Class of 1981*  
*25<sup>th</sup> Reunion*  
*September 7-10, 2006*

27 May 2006

Dear Classmates:

As I am writing this it is 25 years to the day from when we graduated and, as the calendar works, the class of 2006 graduated on exactly the same date and also had the President speak at their graduation. It was a great day and we are looking forward to celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our graduation during the first weekend of September this fall. We have already had over 190 classmates sign up so far and we hope that you will use this opportunity to sign up as well.

Enclosed find the **Event/Registration Form** you must return to sign up for meals and events. To sign up for **Golf** or to order **Memorabilia** and **Football Tickets** refer to the enclosures. Additionally, please find copies of the current lists of **Classmates Registered** and **Lost Classmates** and a copy of the **Agenda** for the weekend. We have also included a **Menu Sheet** to assist in making your meal decisions. Note: If you did not register for the reunion earlier, you may do so now (last chance!). **This is the last mailing to go out to the entire class.**

**EVENT AND REGISTRATION FEES:** The registration deadline is **August 5th**. Complete the enclosed **Event Registration** form and mail in the enclosed envelope to: Class of 81 Reunion, PO Box 620, Skaneateles, NY 13152. Be sure to include the required \$150 registration fee if you have not already done so. Refunds of this fee are available until 1 July and event/meal money refunds are available until 12 August. The registration fee covers mailings, bus transportation all 3 days (on and around West Point as well as round trip from the hotel), administrative costs, down payments, and certain reunion mementos, which will be issued at registration. Upon arrival, your registration packet will include tickets for the events you paid for in addition to a class baseball cap, a class tote bag, a copper class mug, a lapel pin, key chain and lanyards with name badge. **Class widows are encouraged to attend and are not required to pay the registration fee.** Checks should be made out to the Class of '81 Reunion. Please note that meal events require a ticket and only an extremely limited number will be available for purchase at the door. Also, see on the web a list of area restaurants in the vicinity that can be used for cadet company events or other group gatherings which you may want to coordinate for Saturday evening.

**PARKING/TRANSPORTATION:** Please note that parking on West Point is very limited. Those planning to drive to West Point will be required to clear security via the Thayer or Stoney gates and park at Buffalo Soldiers Field or the old PX parking lot—and then walk or shuttle bus to Central Area. Washington Gate is for DOD sticker holders with Government ID card. There is NO PARKING for our class in Central Area. We strongly recommend taking the buses on Friday and Saturday. Please indicate on the event sign up form how many in your party will use the buses on each day so we can order the correct number of buses.

**FOOTBALL TICKETS:** Order by **12 August** using the separate form to order seats in the class reunion section. Mail the form directly to the Army Ticket Office, Holleder Center, West Point, NY 10996. Orders may also be placed by calling the ticket office directly at 845-446-4996 or at the AAA web site, www.goarmysports.com and click on tickets. Payment can be made by credit card and checks made payable to "Army Athletic Association". The ticket office will mail out tickets two weeks prior to the game or you can request they hold them at the will call window for pickup on game day or Friday of the reunion. **The new**

**ESPN television contract allows them to change the scheduled 1pm game start time up to twelve days out. We will adjust our agenda accordingly if necessary.**

**MEMORABILIA:** Use the separate enclosed form to place your orders for memorabilia. Payments can be made using a credit card or checks payable to “Everywear.” Mail the form to Everywear, P.O. Box 3254, Newburgh, NY 12550. For questions contact Natalie Hogan, (800)922-1079; e-mail: [info@the-corps-has.com](mailto:info@the-corps-has.com) or you can see what is available at <http://www.thecorpshas.com/>. A class baseball cap, a class tote bag, a copper class mug, a lapel pin, key chain and lanyards with name badge are included with your registration fee and will be provided at registration.

**LODGING:** We have a block of rooms reserved at the Woodcliff Lakes Hilton in Montvale, NJ, which is the official site the reunion (same location as our 10<sup>th</sup> reunion). The hotel is located just off the Garden State Parkway, very close to the intersection of the New York State Thruway and the Palisades Parkway, on the West Point side of the Hudson River. The special room rate at **Woodcliff Lakes Hilton** is \$115 per night (plus tax) single or double occupancy and will only be held until 7 August at 5 p.m. Their number is **201-391-3600** or (800) HILTONS and ask for the “West Point 1981 reunion” rate.

**GOLF:** Ray Lilly has agreed to organize a class golf tournament at West Point on Thursday of our reunion weekend. The outing begins with a light continental breakfast followed by shotgun start. You must return the enclosed form (bottom portion only) with your payment to be included in the tourney. Contact Ray at 203-294-1423 or [RELilley2@aol.com](mailto:RELilley2@aol.com) if you have any questions.

**AGENDA/DRESS:** The enclosed agenda lists the times and events for the weekend. Thursday evening’s supper reception is golf casual (sport shirts and slacks or equivalent). Friday daytime activities are casual dress with comfortable walking shoes. The agenda allows time for touring the Central Area, visiting Nininger Hall, the newly renovated Arvin Gym, and shopping in the usually “closed to the public” Cadet Store. The Friday evening dinner/dance will be a dressy affair (suits or sport coats for the men, equivalent attire for women). On Saturday, Class A’s, a sport coat, or equivalent attire is expected for classmates as the corps will be paying their respects to us at the parade. We’ll also wear the class ball cap included in the registration packet to the parade. We will have Lincoln Hall (near the soccer field) open for people to change out of Class A’s after the photo. Guests can be in casual attire—in their “as for football” dress for all Saturday events.

**Questions/Updates:** If you have specific questions or comments please contact Mike Meese, Reunion Committee Chair, at [michael.meese@us.army.mil](mailto:michael.meese@us.army.mil) or (845) 938-3353 or Joan Emmer, Reunion Coordinator at [wplaxmom@aol.com](mailto:wplaxmom@aol.com). Watch the class web page at <http://www.west-point.org/class/usma1981/reunion25.html> to follow reunion updates. The class web site will also have a list of restaurants close to the hotel so those who want to arrange company or small group gatherings on your own on Saturday night can do so.

We are looking forward to a terrific 25th Reunion. It will be a time to renew old friendships, see the latest Academy developments, and remember fallen classmates. Thanks to all for the great response to date. Encourage even more classmates to join us in September.

**Strength as One!**

**The Reunion Committee**

**Enclosures:**

1. Event Registration Sign up Form-**Return** with check by **August 5** to **Joan Emmer**
2. Football Ticket Order-**Return/Reply** by 12 **August** to the **Army Ticket Office**
3. Memorabilia Catalog Sheet
4. Memorabilia Order Form-**Return/Reply** directly to *Everywear—or order on line*
5. Current Agenda
6. Menu Sheet
7. Golf Sign Up –**Return** bottom of form to **Joan Emmer with payment**
8. List of Classmates Registered
9. Return envelope



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Academy  
Class of 1981  
25<sup>th</sup> Reunion  
Tentative Agenda 6/10/06**



<b>DAY</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 09/07/06	Golf Outing	approx. 9:00-3:00pm	West Point Golf Course
	Registration/Check In	3:00-10:00pm	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton
	Bus to West Point	6:15pm	WL Hilton to WP (rd trip cost included in reg. fee)
	<i>Supper Reception**</i>	7:00-10:00pm	USMA-Herbert Hall (AOG)
	Registration	7:00-10:00pm	USMA-Herbert Hall (AOG)
	-only for those attending reception		
	Bus to Hotel	10:00pm	Herbert Hall
<b>Friday</b> 09/08/06	Registration	7:00-9:00am	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton
	<i>Continental Breakfast**</i>	7:00-9:00am	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton
	Early Buses to West Point	8:00am	WL Hilton to WP (rd trip cost included in reg. fee)
	Free Time at West Point	9-11am	Visit Cadet Store, First Division, Bookstore, etc.
	Tours	9-11am	Kimsey Center, Arvin Gym
	Later Buses to West Point	9:45am	Hilton to the Chapel
	Memorial Service	11:15-12:00pm	Cadet Chapel
	Registration	12:00-2:00pm	Eisenhower Hall
	<i>Luncheon Buffet**</i>	12:15-1:15pm	Eisenhower Hall Cadet Restaurant
	Superintendent's Briefing	1:30-3:00pm	Eisenhower Hall Auditorium
	Class Meeting	3:15--4:00pm	Eisenhower Hall Auditorium
	Buses to Hotel	4:00pm	Eisenhower Hall Tunnel
	Registration	6:00-8:00pm	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton
	<i>Cocktails (cash bar)</i>	7:30-8:15pm	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton
<i>Dinner Dance**</i>	8:15-12:00am	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton	
<b>Saturday</b> 09/09/06	Registration	7:00-8:30am	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton
	<i>Continental Breakfast**</i>	7:00-8:30am	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton
	Buses to West Point	8:45am	Hilton to USMA (rd trip cost included in reg. fee)
	Parade	10:00-10:30am	The Plain
	Class Photo	10:30-11:00am	Parade Seats
	<i>Pre Game Luncheon**</i>	11:15-12:30pm	Cadet Mess Hall
	<i>BEAT Kent State**</i>	1:00-4:00pm##	Michie Stadium
	Early Bus to Hotel	30 minutes after game	Eisenhower Hall Tunnel (level 1)
	<i>Post Game Party **</i>	4:30-6:30pm	Eisenhower Hall
	Buses to Hotel	5:30-6:30pm (as filled)	Eisenhower Hall Tunnel (level 1)
	Last Early Bus to Hotel	6:30pm	Eisenhower Hall Tunnel (level 1)
	Evening on own	6:30pm -	Company/small group gatherings
Late Bus to Hotel	10:00pm	Buffalo Soldiers Field Parking Lot	
<b>Sunday</b> 09/10/06	<i>Breakfast Buffet**</i>	8:00-11:00am	Woodcliff Lakes Hilton

\*\*Requires a ticket for admission

## Game time subject to change up to 12 days prior to date

**EVENT REGISTRATION SIGN UP FORM**  
**"Strength as One" 25<sup>TH</sup> REUNION**

**Title** \_\_\_\_\_ **First** \_\_\_\_\_ **Maiden** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last** \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUR Badge Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Please print names as you want them to read on your name badge)

**SPOUSE/GUEST Badge Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
 (if more than 2, please add on reverse side)

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **ST** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE** Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

**OCCUPATION** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title /Position/Rank** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Firm/Organization/Unit** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cadet Company** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>Per Person Cost</b>		<b>Number</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>Thursday—September 7</b>					
Golf -active duty/retired	\$65.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
-all others	\$80.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
Supper Reception (Herbert Hall-beer wine soda included)	\$20.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
<b>Friday—September 8</b>					
Continental Breakfast (Woodcliff Lakes Hilton)	\$15.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
Luncheon Buffet (Eisenhower Hall)	\$15.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
Class Dinner (Woodcliff Lakes Hilton-Cash Bar)	\$60.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
<b>Saturday—September 9</b>					
Continental Breakfast (Woodcliff Lakes Hilton)	\$15.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
Pre-Game Meal (Cadet Mess Hall)	\$17.00	X	_____	=	\$_____
Football Game	\$29.00				order tickets directly through AAA with enclosed form
Post-Game Party (Ike Hall) (Beer, wine, soda, snacks included)	no charge	X	_____		!! Need # for planning purposes!! (Cost included in registration fee)
<b>Sunday—September 10</b>					
Breakfast Buffet (Woodcliff Lake Hilton)	\$20.00	X	_____	=	\$_____

Make **checks** payable to:  
 "Class of '81 Reunion"  
 Mail in enclosed envelope to:  
 1981 Reunion  
 PO Box 620  
 Skaneateles, NY 13152

**Event Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**\$150 Registration Fee** +\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (if not already paid)  
**GRAND TOTAL:** =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate how many tickets you will need to use the bus service included in the registration fee**

Thursday Bus \_\_\_\_\_ # Riding round trip from the Hotel/West Point-departing hotel at 6:15pm, return at 10pm

Friday Bus \_\_\_\_\_ # riding round trip from the Hotel/West Point -departing hotel at 8am or 10am, returning after the Friday class meeting at 4pm.

Saturday Early Bus \_\_\_\_\_ # riding round trip from the Hotel/West Point-departing hotel at 8:30am, leaving USMA immediately AFTER the football game (not staying for post game party).

OR  
 Saturday Regular Bus \_\_\_\_\_ # riding round trip from the Hotel/West Point -departing hotel at 8:30am, leaving USMA AFTER the post-game reception (by 6:30pm)

OR  
 Saturday Late Bus \_\_\_\_\_ # riding round trip from the Hotel/West Point-departing hotel at 8:30am, leaving USMA at 10 PM

**FOOTBALL TICKET ORDER FORM  
ARMY VS. Kent State**

**FOR THE CLASS OF 1981**

\*\*Please note that game time is scheduled for 1pm but may change up to 12 days in advance. \*\*

**Mail** this form and your **payment** payable to “**Army Athletic Association**” NLT **Aug 12th** to:

**Army Ticket Office  
Holleder Center c/o  
639 Howard Road  
West Point, New York 10996**

DO NOT MAIL THIS FORM BACK WITH YOUR EVENT FORM AS IT MAY NOT REACH THE ARMY TICKET OFFICE. .

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**Indicate the number and distribution of tickets you need on the order form below:**

# _____	Tickets at \$29.00/ticket	
	RESERVED SEATING with my class	\$ _____
	Handling/ Services	<b>\$ <u>8.00</u></b>
	Total	\$ _____

**Individuals holding season game tickets should make arrangements directly with the ticket office if interested in changing seats to the class seating for this game. 845-446-4996 or 877-TIX-ARMY**

**PAYMENT:**

- Check Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_
- Tickets can also be charged to a Visa, Master Card or American Express Card.

**Card #** \_\_\_\_\_ **EXP. Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME ON CARD (PRINT)** \_\_\_\_\_

**DELIVERY:** check one

- Mail Tickets to the above address: (tickets will be mailed two weeks prior to game)
- Hold Tickets at Will Call

\*\*Reunion Seating Tickets can also be purchased online at [www.goarmysports.com](http://www.goarmysports.com)



**CLASS OF 1981**  
**25<sup>th</sup> REUNION GOLF OUTING**  
**“Strength as One”**  
**Thursday September 7, 2006**



**WHEN:** Thursday 7 September 2006

**PLACE:** West Point Golf Course

**TIME:** 7:30 – start of breakfast service  
 9:00– Tee-off (Actual tee time needs to be confirmed—it may be as early as 8 am)

**FORMAT:** Four-Person Scramble -Shotgun Start, assuming we can get 72 golfers  
 (All foursomes start at one of the 18 tees)

**COST:** Active Duty /Retired \$ 65 per Golfer                      Civilian/Guest \$ 80 per Golfer

**INCLUDES:** Green Fees and Cart  
 Continental Breakfast, Lunch and beer keg  
 Contests and Prizes:

- Closest to Pin (men and women)
- Longest Drive (men and women)
- Straightest Drive (men and women)
- Team Prizes
- Individual Prizes

**Sponsorship opportunities for breakfast, lunch, prizes or other aspects of the Golf Tourney are available. If you are interested in sponsoring part of the tournament, please let Ray know.**

**WHO:** Class of '81 and Spouses and children over 16 / Guests are welcome

**OTHER:**                      **NO BUS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED**

- Dress Code-slacks or Bermuda –style shorts and collared shirt - Soft Spikes only
- A limited number of rental sets are available for a fee at the course (first come, first served) Call the golf course at 845-938-2327 to reserve.
- If desired, you will be able to shower at the club (Bring towel!)
- **Refunds: none after 31 August 2006 unless golf course is closed to safety or unplayable conditions (lightening or wash out)**

**QUESTIONS:** Contact Raymond Lilly at 203-294-1423 or [RELilley2@aol.com](mailto:RELilley2@aol.com) if you have any questions.

-----tear and return with event registration form-----

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cadet Company \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Number Paid (military) \_\_\_\_ @ \$65 \_\_\_\_ (civilian) @ \$80      Total \_\_\_\_\_

**Foursome Preference (list name and email):**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Checks To: Class of 1981 Reunion  
 (can be included with event form check) or mail to c/o Joan Emmer,  
 PO Box 620, Skaneateles, NY 13152

# ***CLASS OF 1981 REUNION MEALS***

## **Thursday Supper Reception:     \$20 per person   Buffet stations; limited seating**

Herbert Hall (AOG Bldg), West Point September 7

- crudités of vegetables and dip
- Swedish meatballs, stuffed mushrooms
- peppercorn pork tenderloin in brandy cream sauce
- Caesar salad
- Lemon chicken, wild rice pilaf, baby carrots
- penne ala vodka
- draft beer, wine, soda included in price

## **Continental Breakfasts:     \$15 per person   Buffet Style; open seating**

Woodcliff Lake Hilton- Approximately two hours

Friday, Saturday mornings September 8,9

- chilled orange, cranberry, and grapefruit juices
- sliced cantaloupe, honeydew, watermelon, pineapple, mangoes, oranges kiwi, strawberries, grapes
- variety of bagels, Madagascar cinnamon crumb cake
- plain and vegetable cream cheese, whipped butter and fruit preserves,
- assorted flavored yogurts,
- assorted cold cereals with whole and skim milk
- coffee, herbal teas, brewed decaffeinated coffee

## **Friday Luncheon:     \$15 per person Buffet Style; open seating**

Ike Hall Cadet Restaurant September 8

- Assorted breads and rolls
- Deli meat and cheese platters with lettuce, tomato, pickles, onions
- potato chips
- tossed salad with dressings; pasta salad
- cookies and brownies
- iced tea, coffee/tea/decaf

## **Friday Dinner:     \$60.00 per person Served Sit Down Dinner; open seating, tables of 10**

Woodcliff Lake Hilton September 8

- cocktail hour international and domestic cheese and fruit display
- trio of greens, belgian endive, radicchio, bibb, olives, mushrooms, artichoke hearts, balsamic vinaigrette
- grilled vegetables and fresh herbs in puff pastry with roasted red pepper sauce
- dual Entrée of roasted sliced chateaubriand with tarragon cream sauce and potato crusted salmon
- fresh seasonal vegetables, herb roasted Yukon gold potatoes
- dinner roll, butter
- cappuccino ice cream truffle with vanilla bean sauce
- brewed coffee and tea
- two bottles of wine on the table (house merlot and chardonnay)

## **Saturday Pre Game Meal:     \$17.00 per person; open seating, tables of 10**

Cadet Mess Hall, September 9

- served family style
- menu TBD by Cadet Mess Hall

## **Sunday Breakfast:     \$20.00 per person   Buffet Style; open seating**

Woodcliff Lake Hilton, September 9

- chilled orange, cranberry, and grapefruit and tomato juices
- sliced fruit display
- assortment of bagels, butter, margarine, cream cheese, fruit preserves,
- assorted flavored yogurts, assorted cold cereals with whole and skim milk
- scrambled eggs, bacon strips and sausage links
- hash brown potatoes, assorted breakfast pastries
- freshly brewed coffee, teas, decaffeinated coffee