Families salute Class of '83
Some fourth regiment cadets got so excited at the prospect of recognition that they left their shoes at the Graduation Parade. They're to be lost and found now — alas! If you wish to claim them, The shoes can only be used on Sundays by plebes to walk the area ... any takers?  

[photo by Ron Mikus].

**Athletic shoes for sale**

After negotiations with the Army, the Army and Air Force Exchange Services agreed to sell shoes at a discount. According to an Army Logistics Official at the Pentagon, a selection of shoes — to break for men and shoe for women — are available in all areas, with "major troop concentrations," including basic training sites, divisional installations, and some overseas locations. Many more areas, he added, have at least some of the athletic shoe selection available.

Most exchanges carry the shoes that have been displayed in their military clothing sales stores. Officers explain, and prices range from $11 and $38.

The purchased shoes are identified in exchanges by a special sign indicating the lower price supports the Army physical fitness program, "Fit to Win."

As part of a renewed emphasis on physical fitness in the ranks, the Army had originally tried to get a $12 "Clothing Bag" allowance approved for the purchase of athletic shoes. The request was killed because of fiscal constraints.

**Sports jobs available here**

Nonappropriated Funds has job openings for Office of the Director of Interscholastic Athletics (ODIA) sports season 1983. There are no full duty hours. Employees will work weekends and evenings as needed for various athletic contests. Applicants must be 16 years of age or older. Civil service employees, active duty military officers and current full time non-appropriated fund (NAF) employees may not apply. All positions require only general experience. Applications will be accepted for Lead usher, $4.08; Ticket Seller, $3.82; and Identification Checker, $3.56. Applicants for these positions are available at the Personnel Office, Receptionist Desk, Bldg. 637, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and the closing date is Sep. 30 with early referral July 1.

**Bass tourney slated**

The West Point Rod and Gun Club will be sponsoring a bass fishing tournament on Sat-Sun, July 2. The tournament will be conducted on Lake Stew and Lake Poplar. All contestants must pre-register. A drawing will be held following registration to determine partners and which lake contestants will fish.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three stringers by weight. There will also be a prize for the fishermen catching the largest fish by weight. Only 24 contestants will participate. If more than 24 register, a drawing will be held to determine who will fish.

Details and registration forms will be published in the West Point Daily Bulletin.

**Class A's a must**

Starting July 7, soldiers traveling in uniform public places — including transportation terminals — must wear their complete class A uniform. Include dress coat.

The new policy, designed to improve the Army's image, affects all soldiers traveling or to and from their home stations on temporary duty, permanent change of station or leave. It does not apply to soldiers traveling within or around their duty stations, or for commuting or travel from work.

Other travel and uniform guidelines according to the new policy are when traveling on TDY, PCS, or leave through the public sector, soldiers may not wear the black windbreaker or pullover sweater instead of the dress coat. When actually wearing above a public mode of transportation, soldiers may remove the green coat.

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**Club card**

West Point Officers' Club: Tonight is TGIF Happy Hour from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Then enjoy the music of Partymaster from 6-11 p.m. Tomorrow Night will furnish a variety of music from 7-11 p.m. Sunday try our delicious Champagne Brunch from 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Every Tuesday, don't miss a terrific buy, Bring your family to "Two for One Steak Night," from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday enjoy a delicious dinner from our Supper Menu from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Stewart Officers' Club: Tonight, don't miss Happy Hour from 4:30-6:30 p.m. and it's "Make Your Own Taco Night." Then dance to a variety of music performed from 8 p.m.-midnight. Tomorrow enjoy our weakend special, Try our combinations of Lobster Tails and Prime Rib of Beef from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday's are "Two for One Steak or Shrimp Night," from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday select a delicious entree or fresh seafood from our Blackboard menu, from 6-9 p.m. Thursday is "All You Can Eat Spaghetti Buffet." Special prizes for kids under 12.

West Point NCO/ENL Club: Tonight is "Two for One Steak Night," dine from 6-9 p.m. on the patio. For your discating pleasure, a variety of music will be performed from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Tomorrow don't miss out "All You Can Eat BBQ Chicken Dinner" from 6-9 p.m. Soul music will be performed by Bandmaster for your entertainment from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Wednesday is Happy Hour from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Thursday is Happy Hour from 5-6 p.m. Monday through Friday, lunch is served from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Stewart NCO/ENCL Club: Don't miss "A Class Act" Happy Hour every Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Tomorrow is Country Band Night. The Nick Sweeney Band will perform some foot-stomping music for your entertainment from 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday come to Happy Hour from 5-8:30-5:30 p.m. Then stop by and try our sandwich bar.

**The tube**


**The screen**

Today — "Spring Break," (R) 102 mins.*

Tomorrow — "Bugey Malinos," (G) 94 mins., 2 p.m. and "The Black Stallion Returns," (PG) 103 mins.*

Sunday — "Party's," (R) 98 mins.*

Tuesday — "Table for Five," (PG) 124 mins.*

Wednesday — "Tough Enough," (PG) 107 mins.*

*All movies will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Movies will not be shown on Mondays and Thursdays, due to the summer schedule.

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Jogging

Chaplain runs on to Ft. Campbell

By Chaplain Bob Covington, Jr.

Some have asked where I got the title for this column. Others have asked where in the world the ideas come from. Some have been unkind enough to say, “what ideas?” Yes, it’s true that I sometimes get ideas while jogging. In fact, I do a lot of things while jogging: think, plan, pray, hurt, breathe deeply, and wish I never started!

It was not my intention to promote jogging at all! It was my intention to jog minds and jog hearts here at the Academy! I did not want to write a column like a chaplain’s corner that only religious people would read. I did want to write a column that would touch on the values and issues of life and to show the relation of faith to life.

I did not always succeed and I admit to many mistakes. I do appreciate the kind words and letters received over the last two years and, just as much, those whom I jogged the wrong way! I believe a fair, open, honest exchange is one of the things that our country is all about. I am delighted to be a part of it!

The cadets are all but gone now except for those who love it here so much they stayed around for summer school. Aren’t they terrific! They are more uncertain, questioning, idealistic and dedicated. God love them all.

One of my real joys has been to see them come here on July 1, take the pressure of Beast Barracks, grow and graduate! They are among our churches’ and country’s finest.

They are fortunate, too. I don’t know of any other institution that provides the care and direction that this staff and faculty do. I see TACs up late at night and waking early. P’s are teaching and testing not only in class but in airplanes, corps squad trips and in the hospitals. Homes, hearts and refrigerators are open to cadets. I sometimes feel that I have several sons and daughters, and my wife has spent many hours at the kitchen table just talking with cadets! It has been fun!

Things we’ll remember: the view from Trophy Point, fog across the Plain; the move summer Hitch at “Brave Old Army Team” in the fall; the grass drills and morning runs during Beast, the march with new cadets to Frederick and the welcome back; the dining-ins and most of the processionals in the Cadet Chapel with the mystical touch of Dr. Davis on the organ.

Now we go to serve with the 11th Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell and leave you with two thoughts: “Beat Navy” and “Air Assault!”

Editor’s Note: The staff of the Pointer View wishes to thank Chaplain Covington for his hard work and efforts in writing the Jogging column for the past two years. Best wishes to Chaplain Bob Covington at Ft. Campbell!

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Outstanding '83 Army cadets 'down-to-earth'  

Cadet Talk

by Richard Lacquement

Four years ago, when the class of 1983 began their four-year journey through the West Point maze, all members of the class started with a clean slate and from a position that made it almost impossible to ascertain who would become the renowned members of the class of 1983. It will be the same with every new plebe class in the past, and will continue to be that way for what we hope will be a long time to come. Yet now, as the class of 1983 takes their place in the fine of new lieutenants who have entered the military from West Point, it is possible to survey these men, we at the Pointer View sought their views on the four years that they had just completed at West Point and what they saw ahead of themselves in the future.

Larry Kinde has had the honor for the past year of being the Brigade Commander of the Corps of Cadets, the highest position in the Corps and one of considerable responsibility. Currently from Minneapolis, Minn., Kinde is 21 years old and, after going to US Army Ranger School, will be headed to Oxford, UK for two years as a Marshall Scholarship recipient where he plans to pursue Modern Middle Eastern Studies at St. Anthony's College.

At West Point, Kinde's company was A-3 ("I'm an armadillo," he quoted proudly). Pursuing the Arabic language as his field of study, Kinde was a starman (top 5 percent of his class), Captain of the National Championship (USMA) Army team, and an active participant, in other activities such as the USMA hosted Student Conference on United States Affairs (SCUSA).

Mark Martins (of "Mount up" F-3) was the Deputy Brigade Commander, graduated first academically in the class of 1983, one of a few remaining Rhodes Scholars. The 22 year old Martins is from Adelphi, Md. A literature concentrator during his academic pursuits at West Point, Martins has chosen to use his Rhodes Scholarship to study politics, philosophy and economics at Oxford's Balliol College. Like Kinde, Martins will go to Ranger School first before reporting to Oxford.

When asked what were the most valuable things he would take away from West Point, Kinde replied with three. First, Kinde noted the people he had met and worked with at the Academy. "I feel that relationships mean a lot and I will always value the people I've met here." Kinde added that the academy had given his spiritual life a more meaningful dimension as it tested his faith and helped him to understand the strong integration between religion and his pursuits as a cadet. Also, Kinde felt that he is taking away "a greater appreciation and a desire to learn more about the multi-faceted dilemma of leadership."

In reply to the same question, Martins felt that he had acquired a valuable and effective set of working habits, a "more carefully considered set of principles" and he added smiling, "an FD hat."

Next, both Kinde and Martins were pleased to offer, as Martins put it, "not advice, but, recommendations or encouragement" to those who will still be at West Point next year. Martins urged cadets "to take advantage of West Point's laboratory to learn leadership... in anything. Clubs, sports, chain of command... learn and experiment. Try to be more than just mediocre and try not to settle into a 'just get by' attitude. Put more effort in. As an aside, Martins noted that this was also an area where West Point, as an institution, might provide greater reinforcement. "West Point is quick to recognize substandard performance and is also a very strong reinforcer of exceptional performance, however, there should be more institutional reinforcement for lower levels of improvement." Kinde replied by stressing that cadets should maintain their "commitment to their own values and principles — resist pressure to conform and seek individual innovations as you lead." Additionally, he encouraged cadets to "be boundary spanners," (people who bridge the gaps between organizations/units and the environment). Seek the common aspects of different groups to help them function together in a better way.

In a further insight about his cadet learning experience Martins added "if you've got responsibility, you're going to screw up sometime, but if you are loyal to your principles and they have been carefully formed, admit your mistakes — and learn from them. Don't become remorseful. Make your mistakes an exercise in learning, not an exercise in remorse." Adding to this, Kinde offered a quote from Gen. Wickham. "Competence is the antidote for fear and the basis for confidence." Kinde also added that he felt a greater appreciation for the principles of "squad leadership" (12 points learned as part of our plebe year). As he put it, "these principles are applicable at higher levels too, and should be recognized for their tremendous value."

Weinberger counsels pride, principles in speech

by Mike Merrill

Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger addressed the Class of 1983 at the graduation ceremony Wednesday. His third service academy speech, characterized by a significant lack of political dialogue, was short and to the point, containing advice specifically directed to the graduating cadets. In addition to protecting the nation's freedom, Weinberger told the new Lieutenants that "you are also the guardians of our nation's value, the keystone of the free world."

Weinberger, who served as an infantryman for four years in WWII, reminded the members of the Class of 1983 that the challenge still ahead. "To protect our nation's freedom will require of you great commitment some things you must make the ultimate sacrifice."

"But to protect our nation's values, far different things will be required of you. It will mean that every decision you make must be based on principle rather than expediency; it can mean that you stand steadfast while others around you choose an easier, more popular course of action. It can mean that you must stand alone, supported only by your conscience, before the ridicule or decision of many of your fellow countrymen."

Weinberger also spoke about the changing public attitudes the graduates would face as junior officers, saying "times have changed (and)... America's mood has changed. You now have the respect and even the envy of all Americans, young and old alike." Even so, he warned that "the attitudes that are fixed today can easily shift tomorrow. But if they do, you will be ready. You will be our island of calm and certainty in a sea of change."

When asked what changes should be made in the West Point program at a press conference before the ceremony, Weinberger stated that "it would be a little presumptuous of me to recommend changes in the academic curriculum of an institution that is as old and as highly respected as West Point. I have to say (that) I think the results of the Academy over the years... has been extraordinarily good. I always like to follow the basic advice of one of my predecessors at OMB, which is 'if it isn't broken, don't fix it.'"
**Ex-Firstie Schulz Stanford bound in 'civies'**

**by Bill Fresch**

After May 25th, most of the new lieutenants from the Class of '83 at the U.S. Military Academy will discard their well-worn gray uniforms for the newness of Army green — heading for basic officer training and their subsequent first assignments.

Cadet Bob Schulz will hang his gray at Stanford University, in the closet, too, but rather than don greens, Schulz will dress in “civies,” and head for a three-year “hardship” tour — at Stanford University.

Early in the academic year, Schuel was nominated by a committee here, and in March was named as winner of the Corps as a Senior Class of '83 comes in name only.

John Hertz, a wealthy businessman who passed away in 1961, set up a trust for a scholarship to be given each year to pay for the schooling of a promising student in any math, science, or engineering field, and Schulz fit that mold, according to Academy officials.

“I had high hopes of getting the scholarship,” said Schulz. “I had only Cs in English, but science and math were mazed.

Schulz had more than “mazed” math and science going for him. A member of the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society and a “Starman,” he spent his sophomore and junior summers doing research, which he says was instrumental in helping him win the scholarship.

“Between my second and third year I went to the Combat Development Directorate at Fort Bliss, and last summer I worked with chronometrics at the Chemical Systems Lab, Edgewood, Md., developing a model of butted proof vest.

“It’s important to give credit here to the Army for letting me do this research work,” said Schulz. “Not many undergraduate institutions can let students do things like that. Schulz shuns the stereotypical image of a “Starman.” “I don’t study a lot. Starmen aren’t guys who sit in corners with their noses buried in books.

“In my time at the Academy, I’ve spent a lot of weekends away. I didn’t take any leave the summers I did my research, but it was more than worth it,” he adds.

Schulz will do his graduate work at Stanford in the field of electrical engineering. For each year of graduate work, he incurs three years of obligation to the Army, a fact that might scare some people right out of the scholarship in the first place.

“The purpose of the scholarship is for me to develop things that will help in the defense of the nation,” said Schulz. “Whether in the Army or not, I think I’d want to help — either way, I end up a better person for it,” he said. A native of Queens, Schulz attended Archbishop Malloy High School before coming to the Academy. While at West Point, Schulz served as President of the Cadet Academic Council, Vice President of the Cadet Fine Arts Forum, President of the Math Forum, New York Coordinator for the Cadet Public Relations Council, Regimental Activities Officer for 2d Regiment and last semester, Company D-2’s Academic Sergeant. He is interested in everything from audio engineering to music, and hopes to take piano lessons at Stanford. For his final project in Electrical Engineering here Schulz designed and built a graphic equalizer for his stereo system.

“I didn’t know anything about equalizers,” he said. “I studied the subject, then designed and built one. My sponsor here, Maj. Edwards of the Math Department, advised me early on to be more liberal in my course selection, rather than limit myself to only math and science, which I wanted to do. I think that advice has helped me to be receptive to many different subjects.

“That really means a lot to me,” said Schulz. “Doing more than what is required means working harder, but I get a lot of satisfaction in knowing I put forth that effort.”

Research in electrical engineering is not confined to national defense projects. Here, 2d Lt. Bob Schulz demonstrates the equalizer he designed and developed for his stereo system as his final course project.

**Maturity ruling factor for President Royalty**

**by Bill Fresch**

Presidents are normally treated with a great deal of respect, and in America they are the closest thing we have to “royalty.” Royalty, however, for the president of the USMA Class of ‘83 comes in name only.

Newly commissioned 2d Lieutenant Arlen Ray Royalty was elected as the “proud-to-be-83” president at the end of yearling year. “A few months before the elections, I established campaign representatives in each company,” said Royalty. “I wanted the class to have a voice, and the president’s slot was a way to serve my class."

The son of a retired first sergeant, Royalty plans on using his noncommissioned officers to accomplish his active duty mission, something his father and also his sponsor, SFC Larry W. Peterson, known throughout the Corps as a “hard core” infantry soldier, have advised him on.

“I think all new lieutenants should give themselves a bit of time to mature as officers, before charging into their duties,” said Royalty. One thing West Point has given me is patience and a sense of mission accomplishment.

Royalty was a pre-law student at Northwestern University in his home state of Louisiana prior to coming to West Point. He will serve his first tour of duty as an Infantry Officer at Ft. Polk. “The only way Peterson would sponsor me is if I went Infantry,” joked Royalty.

Summing up his time at West Point, he said, “I think all the cadets were working toward a common goal — to graduate!”

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Royalty entering Royalty, no actually it's '83 class president Arlen Ray Royalty taking time out from a hectic graduation schedule to welcome MIA New Jersey, Ann Marie Buccino. Her visit was highlighted by being guest of honor at the Graduation Parade as well as an interview on West Point radio station WKDIT. [photo by Dave Olsznik].

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Proud to be — West Point Class of '88

"I, ******, having been appointed an officer in the United States Army, in the grade of second lieutenant, do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter — so help me God."

Pride and sunshine filled Michie Stadium on May 25, as the one hundred and eighty-fourth Graduation Exercises commenced at USMA. Eight hundred and sixty-one caps were commissioned as 2nd Lieutenants, bringing the total number of Academy graduates to over forty thousand — a long way from the original class of two! Michie was filled with family and friends cheering for the fifty-eight cadets; enlisted personnel from USMA; and friends and Quads who will be going on to varied assignments around the globe. Michie graduates will begin their careers in locations ranging from Hawaii to Panama, and will continue with Secret Weinberger as President.
13 graduates

With happy parents, boyfriends, and relatives, as their personal favorites, the Class of '83 is diverse; it includes women, and six foreign born who were previously soldiers, and 123 who attended prep. The new lieutenants will soon to branch assignments as Armor, Military Intelligence, and Medical Corps. Eighteen went to medical school after graduation. More than half the class will be stationed in the United States, Alaska, or Hawaii, 10 percent will be in Europe, and 10 percent in Korea and Japan. The class feels a strong sense of community. The new lieutenants will be stationed in the United States, Alaska, or Hawaii, 10 percent will be in Europe, and 10 percent in Korea and Japan. The class feels a strong sense of community. The new lieutenants will be stationed in the United States, Alaska, or Hawaii, 10 percent will be in Europe, and 10 percent in Korea and Japan. The class feels a strong sense of community.

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He told them to be proud of what they had done and for what they stood. "Proud to be '83" — we’re as proud of you as you are of each other and should be of yourselves.

Photos by Robert Demetry, Ron Mikus, Ed Morris and John Tweedly.

A new lieutenant holds up his diploma in triumph.

Becoming a lieutenant has its fringe benefits.
Graduation is a family affair

Editor's Note: We see them. We have an idea who they are and why they have come to West Point, but do we really know them? And why are they here?

People who live and work here probably have asked that question many times before — so the staff of the Pointer View decided to do something about it. So armed with paper, our pens poised and our cameras clicking the PF staff went out during graduation week and found them — those family members — of the Class of '83. What we found in our interviews was a refreshing look at the real "backbone" of the graduating Class of '83 Cadets.

For Cadet Kyle Rogers' parents Gary and Rita, from San Diego, Calif., their first trek to West Point was a "totally exciting experience." "We're here for the first time and we are just caught up in the whole experience," noted father, Gary.

Rita, Kyle's mom was so proud, she said. "Kyle's the first to graduate from West Point in our family — and we are so proud, it's hard to explain," she said. Rogers is headed to Ft. Huachuca, Ariz. for his assignment.

"Backbone" is a word that sums up the Rogers, but nonetheless, said. "Gary. The Edward Grenchus family didn't have to travel far to West Point as the Rogers, but nonetheless, McConkey was awarded a five point star for excellence and the Electronic Engineers Award.

Cadet Steven Smith's family from Wytheville, Va., caught up in the beauty of the area in their first visit. "I never realized that West Point was in such a beautiful setting," remarked Steven's mother. "It's just gorgeous here."

Cadet Kim Dee, the recipient of the Constance Smith Award and the Captain of the Woman's Tennis Team because a tour guide for her family's first visit to USMA. Her parents, grandmother and sister, all of La Palma, Calif. found the Hudson Valley "unlike" their California home. The Dees' felt like they were a part of history while at the Academy.

"It was a privilege to be in this wonderful place and an honor to have our daughter graduate from West Point. Before Kim came here, we didn't know very much about the military life — now we appreciate it more — and we are delighted for Kim and her classmates."

Dee will be continuing her career in flight school at Ft. Rucker, Ala.

Cadet Richard McKiddie's family, after West Point graduation, headed to Oklahoma for another commencement exercise — his twin brother's at Oral Roberts University in Tulsa. Rudolph and Diane McKiddie of Portola, Calif. and Richard's grandmother Irene Church of Oakland were all on hand for the graduation ceremony.

"Words cannot describe how happy we are," remarked Rudolph embracing his newly commissioned 2nd Lt. son.

For Cadet Allan Tiquero of San Diego and his jubilant family, it was a time of celebration and reunion.

The family found the trip to West Point "spectacular" and felt their son had really accomplished something by graduating from the 'Point.'

Cadet David Sacha's parents, Robert and Mary, are as proud of their son, a member of the sailing team, as any mom and dad could be, they said. The Sacha's hail from Annapolis, Md., so why is David here?

"The Army's better than the Navy!" he said. Cheryl Zywicki would agree. She's been writing for applications to West Point since age 10. A Deerfield, Ill., native, she was 19 on R-Day and has the distinction of being the last cadet to graduate by the alphabet list. Parents Bob and Barbara praised her determination.

Father and son embrace after graduation ceremonies viewed by more than 20,000 spectators at Michie Stadium. The crowd watched the 'Proud to Be Class of '83' graduate from West Point last week. [photo by John Tweedly].
Wedding bells ring in first nuptials

by Bethanne Kelly

Here at West Point, wedding bells are heard soon (and frequently) after commencement. As soon as the cadet’s white caps are tossed in the air, sabers are lifted and graduation marches tum to wedding marches. The chaplain’s have their hands full, with ceremonies every couple of hours for most of graduation week and throughout the summer. This year’s first cadet nuptials were held in Holy Trinity Chapel on May 25.

Newly commissioned 2nd Lt. Stacey Powell wed 2nd Lt. Arthur Cody, Class of ’82, at 1:30 p.m., a scant hour and a half after graduation. "We didn’t specifically plan on getting the first wedding," said Cody. "But with graduation and my assignment, today was the only day we could have everybody here." They were engaged last May and reserved the chapel at that time.

Most of the weddings at Holy Trinity are later in the week, so they had no problem getting the time they needed. Powell and Cody will be together, while she has a month’s leave, at Rutger Flitzg School where he is stationed. She will then go on Military Police Basic at Ft. McLellen, Ala. After she is finished, they hope to be stationed in Europe together. The traditional arch of ’82, at 4:30 p.m. was John Charles Hare and Patricia Ann Bland, May 26, Michael Bohr and Francesca Millet, Michael Longo and Rita Coddington, Stanley White and Laura Gaddy, William Thames and Lisa Weidig, and John Moeller and Laura McNary, May 27, Joseph Rangitsch and Maureen A. Page and Paul Morgan and Kelly Adason, May 28, Will Merrill III and Robin Hall, John Fitzgerald and Karen Cribbs, and in the Cadet Chapel, Rory Radovich and Susan Kasper: May 29, Martin Stefanelli and Barbara Ana Jackson, Talvies Quintan and Mary Dunegone, and Kevin Batule and Laurie Biddles.

New lieutenants

by Steve Negus

Getting through West Point is no cakewalk. Of the members of the Class of 1983 passed their hats into the air May 25, they celebrated the last moments in four years of rigorous training. But while it’s tough for cadets to meet the academic, military and physical standards that lead to a gold lieutenant’s bar, it’s even tougher to reach for more to be among the athletes that compete at an intercollegiate level or the two percent of the graduating class that goes on to medical school.

Six cadets in the Class of 1983 managed to squeeze all this into their years at West Point. By lunchtime last Wednesday, these cadets had earned commissions in the Army, varsity letters and acceptance to medical school. The new Medical Corps lieutenants are Edward Arrington, Kevin Murphy and Joseph Tenuta of the football team, James Ecklund and Dallas Homas of the wrestling team and Paul Morgan of the basketball team. Ecklund, Homas, Morgan and Murphy will attend the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md. Arrington will go on to the Philadelphia College of Medicine, and will attend the Virginia Medical School in Charleston, Va.

This combination of athletics and premedical study requires not only a wide range of talents, but also a lot of work. Participation in any intercollegiate sport demands a two hour workout every day during the off-season. Once the season starts, practices intensify as the competition begins, and teams begin to spend many hours on the road traveling to away games.

Morgan and the basketball team, for example, spent 18 days during the last football season traveling to or from away games and tournaments.

All this time and energy invested in becoming a successful athlete on a successful team is time away from the books, a tradeoff that contributes to the stereotype of the athlete as all muscle and no brain.

But for the cadet-athletes who aspire to medical school, there can be no tradeoff. Entrance to medical school is not unrelated. Tenuta, for example, has four older brothers who played college football, and he became interested in medicine by seeing their sport-related injuries heal.

The six med-school bound athletes who graduated from West Point May 25 set some lofty goals for themselves. There were long days when, exhausted after hours of practice, they had to buckle down and finish a lab report or study for a test. But they’d do it all, and they did it well because they wanted it all.

Athletes headed to Army medical school

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Army teams in '82-'83 record high

There was a slight improvement percentage-wise this year over last year as the athletes from Army won a total of 254 out of 422 contests, at a percentage of 60.1.

Here is a short synopsis of how the teams fared:

Women's cross country

The women's cross country team completed their dual meet season undefeated, 6-0, for the second straight year. Included in their victories was a 18-38 romp over rival Air Force. The closest any team came to the women cadet's dominating season was by Barnard.

In the NCAA Division II District Championships Army placed fifth.

Men's cross country

The men's cross country team ran to a 250 out of 422 contests, at a percentage of 59.1. This record was accomplished even though they had missed boards shots and averaging 9.3 a game. Included in these losses were two overtime squeakers and a one point loss. Navy defeated Army 80-69.

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Men's tennis

The men's tennis team closed out its season by winning the Eastern Intercollegiate Tennis Championships, and 16-11 record for coach Paul Aulani. Included in this season losses was a loss to Navy for the 14th straight season, but the 5-4 score was the closest since Navy started the streak.

Women's softball

A disappointing 6-16 mark spoiled the return of coach Lorraine Quinn, who sat out last season with an injury. Louise Chriamsen led the cadets offensively by hitting over .300.

Wrestling

The wrestling team started off its season by winning its first twenty meets, but finished at 23-4 after meeting up with some of the best in the country toward the end of the season. In the Eastern finals, Army finished sixth and qualified three for the nationals, Larry Biesel, Bill Turner and Ed Wohlwend. Coach Ed Steers was voted the New York State Wrestling Coach of the Year.

Women's tennis

A victory in its final season match against New York University evened the Lady Netters' record for the spring season at 5-5 after going 2-7 in the fall. Coach Peter Castellano said, "We started off the season on the wrong foot, but I felt that a 5-5 season was attainable. Everyone contributed with hard work." "This record was accomplished even though they had only three returning letter winners.

Men's outdoor track

The Army track team finished its dual season with a 250 out of 422 contests, at a percentage of 59.1. This record was also an Army best. Many records fell during the '82-83 season for the Academy by pulling down a record 261 points in one of the meets.

Frank Giordano, a first-inline lacrosse team member, tests Syracuse goaltender in a contest earlier this season. Army defeated the eventual national champion Orangemen at Michie Stadium. [Photo by John J. Tierney]

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Men's gymnastics

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All-American Cardell Williams was a double winner against Navy, including a Army-Navy meet record in the 800 meters.

At the Heptagons, Williams and Blake Hawkey won individual titles to lead Army to sixth place finish. Williams won the 800 meters and Hawkey took the pole vault competition.

Women's volleyball

The 35-11 netters, set a school record for victories this year under coach Gail Bennett. The won-los record was also an Army best.

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Football

A disappointing 4-7 season was closed out by an even more disappointing loss to Navy in the annual rivalry in Philadelphia.

The big news about Army football came following the Navy game. Jim Young, former-mentor at Purdue, was hired as head coach and it was announced that the Army-Navy game will be played in Pasadena, Calif. next season.

Mike Williams, Army's tough defensive back, gathered in third-team All-American honors and was invited to play in the Hula Bowl.

Golf

The Army golf team completed its season at 6-1, a mark that gave the cadets the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) title.

The only blemish on their record was a sudden death loss to Navy. In the Eastern Championships, Army finished third and missed qualifying for the NCAA's by two strokes.

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Men's Hockey

By winning 22 of its last 26 games, including victories over Division I powers Brown and Northeastern in one week, the cadets set an Academy victory mark by finishing their slate at 25-10-1, including an 11-game win streak.

What's more amazing about the year is that the cadets looked like an average team after games that forced the team to play as many as nine
to win.

Injuries held Gerald Walker, number 40, from becoming Army's all-time leading rusher. Walker was co-captain of this year's team along with Mike Williams. [Photo by John J. Tierney]

Baseball

Injuries, weather and a tragedy dictated to Army’s baseball team during the 1983 spring season. What started out as a fairly promising season turned out as a disaster as Army compiled a 12-25-1.

Injuries to Kevin Batule, Pete Foster and a tragic auto accident to a player, plus the postponement of games that forced the team to play as many as nine games in six days kept the teams morale low. Included in this year’s losses was a twin bill sweep by the Middies of Navy.

An eighth place finish in the nationals closed out a successful season for the squash team who finished their season with a 12-5 record, including a victory in the Navy Squash invitational.

The high point of the season was a victory over Pennsylvania University who had beaten Army every year since the 1963-64 season, for coach Paul Assiante’s squad. Navy edged the cadets in the season finale, 6-3.

Three players, team captain Dan Kellas, Grant Hayne and Kurt Wangenheim closed out the season with individual 12-5 records.

The men's swimming team finished their season with a 9-5 mark that included a 65-48 decision to Navy in a meet where the Middies outscored the cadets 21-4 over the last three events to capture the contest.

In the Eastern Seaboard Swimming and Diving championships the cadets finished ninth, led by victories by Andy Martin and Jerry Schlabach in backstroke events.

Women's swimming

Three women swimmers qualified for the NCAA's for the women cadets, who finished their season by winning four of its last six meets to close at 5-7.

Lisa Palmirotto, Elaine Kempisty and Katie Lunsford were top swimmers for the mermaids. Lunsford tied an Academy record at the NCAA's in the 58-yard butterfly.

Rifle

An 11-1 season, including a third straight trip to the nationals, highlighted a fine year for the rifle team.

Led by first team All-American Dave Cannella, plebe second team All-American Rhonda Barush and team captain Jim Turner the cadets were able to finish fifth nationally.

Cannella and Barush tied an Army record with a .386 score in air rifle.

Lacrosse

A school record for wins and a bid to the NCAA tournament highlighted a great season for coach Dick Edell's stickmen.

An eleven victory season broke the Academy record for victories. Included in the victories were a stunning upset over number-one-ranked Syracuse. Wins over nationally-ranked Rutgers and traditional rivals, Yale and Hofstra.

Senior Frank Giordano and Junior George Slabowski were voted first team All-Americans. Mike Riccardi was elected to the second team and Paul Cino to the third.

They finished fourth nationally.

Men's indoor track

The men's indoor track team finished the season undefeated in dual meets by stomping six opponents including Navy in the season finale, 69-67.

Top performances include a second place finish by the mile relay team at the Miero games in New York.

Bob Mabrey set an academy record in the 500 meter dash with a 1:04.62 clocking.

At the Heptagon Championships, the Cadets finished fourth led by Cardell Williams third straight Rep title in the 800 meter run. This effort set an academy and Rep record at 1:50.73.

Blake Hawkey won the pole vault and the 3200 meter relay team broke a Hep and Army record with a time of 7:26.75.

Men's soccer

In his first year as soccer coach, Joe Chiavara responded with a 11-4-1 record, highlighted by a 2-1 overtime victory over rival Navy.

The cadets, who were ranked eighth in the New York State soccer poll, were led by what Chiavara called "our strength all year," the defense.

Steve Stirling and Dave Schimkus were the squad's leading scorers.

Pistol

The Army pistol team completed its season by going 13-4 under coach John McClellan.

In the NRA Sectionals, Army finished first behind Frank Clark and freshman Richard Shelton.

In national competition, Army finished second in free and fourth in air.

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Back, and Eileen Mulholland, a two-sport star, were the most valuable service to athletics during their cadet career.

Chris Mozina and Cardell Williams also gathered top athletic awards. Mozina captured the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Merit Award for excelling in athletics and scholarship.

Cardell Williams won the AAA Award for outstanding achievement and exemplary leadership in athletic competition.

In capturing this award, Williams added one more honor to a long list of distinguished athletic awards. As a junior, Mike was named to All-ECAC, Associated Press (AP) and honorable mention All-American (AP) teams. This year, he was All-East (AP), Third-team All-American and All-ECAC. Williams was also invited to the Hula Bowl, which goes only to the best senior football players in the nation.

"This is a very nice award," said the Hampton, Va. native. "Especially when you consider the number of athletes here."

What really makes this award more amazing, is that Williams did not play organized football until his sophomore year at West Point.

"In my plebe year, I only played intramural baseball," said Williams, who was his battalion's S-3. "But my TA Officer and my mother convinced me that I should play a varsity sport."

So Williams went spring football in his plebe year and by the third game of the regular season the following fall, he was starting defensive back.

"It was tough at first, really a time crunch, playing a sport and being a cadet."

"During football season, beside studying academic work, you try to study the films of your upcoming opponent. It doesn't leave you time for much else."

But Williams is very happy about playing football here.

"For any athlete, playing sports can help you get a lot more out of your time here. It may hurt your grade average (Williams made the Dean's List in the first semester here, but not after that, even though he kept a 2.5 grade average). But I've had the opportunity to meet so many people, travel and you play a great schedule."

"Players from other schools really respect you," said Williams who will be an assistant football coach for six months at the United States Military Academy Prep School in Monmouth, New Jersey. "When I got to the Hula Bowl, some guys asked who we played."

The players from North Carolina, Missouri and Pittsburgh commented that they had played us. They also said the Army teams really hit. But they also have respect for your academic standards. Many thought that all the academy athletes were geniuses," said Williams, laughing.

"Curt Warner (Penn State's running back, who was a first round selection in this year's National Football League draft) told me how fortunate I was, with the education I received here," said Williams.

"He told me one good hit on my knees and it could be all over for me. Curt also mentioned the educational background to do. I have the educational background to do other things."

Williams said that over half the football players at the Hula Bowl would not receive degrees in four years.

"Williams is going into the Military Police branch. Following his coaching stint at USMAPS, he will attend the basic course at Fort McClellan, Ala. and then go on to his first duty assignment at Fort Ord, Calif.

Mulholland captained the women's softball team and played basketball. She played softball all four years here and basketball for three.

Mulholland also commented on the time availability of the student/athlete at West Point.

"Time is so limited," said the Mahopac, N.Y. native. "You are always coming from behind to get things done. But the rewards of being part of a team make all the sacrifices worthwhile."

By virtue of being the softball team captain in her first year, Mulholland also won the West Point Fund Award.

Mulholland will stay on at West Point following graduation to be a graduate assistant coach of the women's basketball team.

All-American half-miler Cardell Williams, also collected the Fred E. McKilloff Memorial award, which is given to the outstanding member of the track team. This award is presented by the Society of Daughters, United States Army West Point Chapter.

He also shared the William S. Beebe Award with Mozina for his distinction of being the cross country team's co-captain.

Mozina gives an example of why Williams merited the AAA award.

"In a meet against rival Navy, thought he had a severe case of shin splints, he continued to compete and won his event," said Mozina.

Cardell feels that the most important thing for a cadet to be successful at academics and athletics is to take the time to study under pressure.

"That's the difference between excellence and mediocrity," said the native of New Orleans. "No one else can do it for you. You need to discipline yourself to study while other cadets are off."

During his four years here, Cardell amassed a total of ten letters, one of the highest number ever achieved.

After graduation, Cardell will also stay at West Point to help coach the men's track and cross country teams.

Mozina also piled up other awards beside the ECAC award. Beside sharing the William S. Beebe Award with Cardell Williams he also won the Rumbaugh Family award going to the outstanding member of the men's cross country team.

The ECAC award is particularly a high honor because of the number of athletes involved.

Mozina accrued many academic awards also. He is a member of Phi Kappa Psi, National Academic Excellence Fraternity and a Distinguished Cadet (Star Man).

He was also assistant brigade adjutant.

Mozina, who hails from Brookfield, Wis., says, "If you want to be a corps squad athlete, any sacrifice you make is worth it. The sacrifices you make to find the time for studying, working out and sleeping will be beneficial in the end."

Mozina won eight varsity letters at West Point.

Mozina chose field artillery as a career field and will attend airborne school and possibly ranger school before reporting to his duty assignment, the 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii.