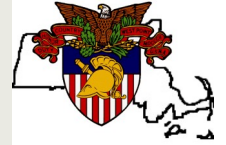


WPPC-MA NEWSLETTER



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2nd OF 3 GENERAL MEETINGS & COW LOAN BOODLE BASH ON JAN. 31st

Our second General Meeting of the year will take place at 1 PM on January 31st, at the home of:

Jeanne & Kevin McGuire

203 Elliot Ave.

Quincy, MA

We hope that more than just the parents of Cows will join us, especially for the General Meeting. We are revisiting our by-laws and taking some important votes that will affect your future experience with the WPPC-MA (e.g. decisions relative to the bus). We value the opinions of all of our members. Please join us to learn about and discuss some potential changes.

Cow Loan Boodle Bash

3:00 PM

We will break up the Gloom Period and gather to stuff boxes of financially-themed fix in's to mark the Cow Loan milestone for the Class of 2017 cadets. Even if you are unable to attend the General Meeting, we encourage parents of all cadets to participate in the Cow Loan Boodle Bash.

Be sure to RSVP to our Event Coordinator:

alanbeaulieu@verizon.net



DATES TO REMEMBER

◆ AUGUST 1st

Annual Membership Drive begins

◆ JANUARY 23rd

Army Navy Basketball at Madison Square Garden

◆ JANUARY 31st

Second General Meeting & Cow Loan Boodle Bash

◆ FEBRUARY 28th

Deployed Grad Boodle Bash

◆ MARCH 19th

WPSNE Founders' Day Banquet / Cadet Candidate Reception

◆ APRIL 3rd

Third General Meeting & Firstie Celebration

◆ SEPTEMBER 10th

Post-Game Tailgate

◆ DECEMBER 30th

N.E. All Service Academy Holly Ball

Club Highlights from 2015!



"2015 marks enormous advances for women"

from

WWW.ARMY.MIL

The official website of the US Army

WASHINGTON

Army News Service

Dec. 28, 2015

"Women's strides made big news throughout 2015, with graduating from Ranger School, to the appointment of the first black female Army surgeon general to Defense Secretary Ash Carter opening up all military occupational specialties, or MOSS, to women."

Also noted is Brig. Gen. Diana Holland, the first female commandant at the USMA after serving as the first female general of the 10th Mountain Division.



Online resources for West Point Families of New England:

WWW.WPPC-MA.ORG

WWW.WESTPOINTAOG.ORG/WPSNE



WPPC-MA Bus

The next WPPC-MA sponsored bus will operate:

Spring Leave RETURN ONLY

Registration opens 30 days prior to departure date.

For details, go to:

<http://wppc-ma.org/the-bus/>

Membership Drive Continues as We Expand Offerings

Though our events and services are available to any West Point families, we hope that you will lend your support to our initiatives so that we can continue to expand our offerings.

If you attended last year's Firstie Celebration, participated in the September tailgate, or saw the stunning ad in the 2015 Howitzer, then you have seen our members' contributions at work.

Thanks to the membership fees paid this academic year, donations, and profit from the bus, we have been able to increase our support of West

Point families from New England and beyond.

Show your pride in where you come from at every West Point event when you proudly wear your complimentary WPPC-MA nametags that are a perk of membership.

Our website:

WWW.WPPC-MA.ORG

is constantly updated and timely messages are posted on our Facebook page so be sure to check both often. With our full calendar in 2016, there will be many updates and photos, etc.

To join our  Group, email our

**Social Media Specialist,
Brad.Whitehall@gmail.com**

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*We are currently seeking volunteers to join our*

*Leadership Team and serve in the following roles:*

**Events Coordinator**

**Membership Co-Coordinator**

## WPSNE Fills 2016 with Family-Friendly Events

Our partner in serving West Point families, the WPSNE, has filled the 2016 calendar with many family-oriented events and they welcome participation from all West Point families. Events currently scheduled include:

**Annual Meeting** on 2/6 at 10:30 AM at the Boxborough Holiday Inn; **WPSNE Night at the Celtics** on 2/25 (TICKET SALES DEADLINE IS 1/21); **WPSNE Day at the Red Sox** on 7/10; **USMA Founder's Day Celebration and Cadet**

**Candidate Reception** on 3/19 at a NEW LOCATION...Devens Common Center. Donations for the WPSNE Silent Auction supporting **Operation Troop Support and the Directorate of Cadet Activities** that will be held in conjunction with Founder's Day are appreciated!

Join us as we cheer Army sports teams in action in across New England this winter: Men's Basketball at Holy Cross 1/20; M & W Track & Field in Boston

1/23, 2/13, 2/27; Women's Basketball at Holy Cross 2/17; Men's Basketball at BU 2/23; Hockey at Bentley 2/27; Women's Lax at UMass Lowell 2/28; Women's Basketball at BU 3/2; Gymnastics at Springfield 3/6; Women's Lax at Holy Cross 3/30.

Details of all of these events are in the WPSNE Newsletter and posted on the WPSNE website: [www.wpaog.org/wpsne](http://www.wpaog.org/wpsne)

-Chairperson, Dale Kurtz

## 2016 New England All Service Academy Holly Ball Set for December 30th

2016 Holly Ball Coordinator, our own Denise Kenneally who organized this special evening a year ago for the USAFA, has secured a date with the Seaport Hotel...DECEMBER 30th. The Friday night between Christmas and New Year's is an ideal time to host this incredible event. We will be the first to know all of the details. If you would like to assist, please contact Denise directly:

[denisetherese@hotmail.com](mailto:denisetherese@hotmail.com)

Go to our website for a link to view all of the photos of the WP families who attended and appeared in the Boston Globe.

We are hoping to lead the way with guests in 2016. Over the past 3 years, we have brought family members ranging from 9 year old cousins to 92 year old grandmothers. Everyone has a blast at "Family Prom"!

**FIRSTIE DANIEL POLANOWICZ AND HIS FAMILY WERE CAPTURED BY THE GLOBE PHOTOGRAPHER AT THE 2015 ALL SERVICE ACADEMY HOLLY BALL**

