WPPC-MA NEWSLETTER



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All club newsletters are posted on our website, www.wppc-ma.org, & on our Facebook page

WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR AT WEST POINT

Congrats to our MA Cadets!

Now that A Day is over, the Corps is once again at • full strength. Most Cows affirmed on Sunday evening and all cadets are back in class and participating in their fall activities after weeks of military training and academic/professional enrichment experiences this summer.

Your WPPC-MA Leadership Team has been busy preparing for a fantastic year. In order of urgency, we will list the actions you may want to take now:

Register your cadet and his/her friends for the Labor Day bus. (There are a

limited number of seats available on the outgoing trip.)

- Join the WPPC-MA to get discounts on the bus and custom name tags to wear at all West Point events and to support Massachusetts cadets throughout the year.
- Support the clubhosted 2016 New **England All Service Academy Holly** Ball by sponsoring the event, by purchasing an ad in the program or both! We are hoping for a strong showing by our Massachusetts families at this spectacular event.

- Email Social Media Specialist Brad Whitehall to become part of the WPPC-MA Facebook Group.
- Get a 2017 calendar our events that have been scheduled through May 2017.

Join our Leadership Team!

We hope you will consider joining our Leadership Team & having a direct impact on your cadet's 47 month journey. We are seeking volunteers to assume the following positions:

- ⇒ Event Coordinator
- Newsletter Editor

and record the dates of

1st GENERAL MEETING & YUK BOODLE BASH ON Oct. 2nd

General Meeting #1 at 1 PM

At our first General Meeting of the year, we will discuss topics that will impact our club and cadets throughout the year. All are encouraged to attend our meetings and be part of the decision-making process.

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS A BOODLE BASH?

Several times a year, our club gathers to stuff care packages for cadets and deployed grads. Often there is a theme, but certain practical items, such as toothbrushes & cleaning wipes are always welcome. All families are invited to all boodle bashes.

Yuk Boodle Bash at 3 PM

During our first boodle bash of the year, we will collect Halloween-themed treats to send to our yearlings..The Yuk Boodle Bash is the perfect time to include younger siblings.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

2016

♦ SEPTEMBER 10th

WPPC-MA Tailgate

(See next page for link to DISCOUNTED FOOTBALL GAME TIX)

♦ OCTOBER 2nd

First General Meeting &

Yearling Boodle Bash

♦ DECEMBER 9-11th

Army Navy Weekend

♦ DECEMBER 30th

All Service Academy Holly Ball

(Hosted by WPPC-MA)

2017

♦ JANUARY 29th

Second General Meeting &

Cow Loan Boodle Bash

♦ APRIL 2nd

Third General Meeting &

Firstie Celebration

RSVP for either event:

alanbeaulieu@verizon.net

"THE WEST POINT CLASS OF 1970

(CLASS OF 2020 AFFILIATES) IN
PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION AT WP, THE WP
GARRISON AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF WP, HAS DEDICATED
FUNDS TO REOPEN AN HISTORIC TRAIL
(BETWEEN FLIRTATION WALK &
KOSCIUSZKO'S GARDEN) IN EXISTENCE
FROM THE TIME OF THE REVOLUTION...."

*DR. BETSEY BLAKESLEE, PRESIDENT OF THE FRIENDS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AT WEST POINT, INC. AS QUOTED IN THE POINTER VIEW DATED 8/11/16 AND WRITTEN BY MAJOR SCOT

Helpful

Resources

WWW.WPPC-MA.ORG

WWW.WESTPOINTAOG.ORG/ WPSNE

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WPPC-MA Bus

The next WPPC-MA sponsored bus will operate:

Labor Day weekend

A limited # of seats are available in one direction

For details, go to:

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

Bus Coordinator:

stansbury40@yahoo.com

Carpool Coordinator:

pbedard1@gmail.com

Holly Ball Coordinator:

denisetherese@hotmail.com



Administrator:

brad.whitehall@gmail.com

Friends & Family Are Welcome at Our Festive Tailgate

Reserve your discounted tickets by following the link below and sit with your fellow club members to cheer Army to victory over the Rice Owls at Michie Stadium on September 10th. Having access to the discounted tickets creates a unique opportunity to invite guests to share in the best game day experience in America. It gets even better because you can then treat them to a Mexican feast at our post-game tailgate at South Dock.

Early September is beautiful along the shores of the Hudson. Don't pass up the chance to share this exciting part of your family's West Point journey with your loved ones. South Dock can be easily accessed by hopping on a shuttle bus in front of the AOG Building or by taking a shuttle to the Plain and then walking down the stairs/ ramp behind Cullum Hall. The few extra steps required to get to South Dock will be more than worth the incredible views, gentle breezes and spectacular sunset.

When you RSVP to Tailgate Coordinator, Alan Beaulieu, please provide the number in your party including your cadet and his/her friends and specify if you intend to make a food or drink donation.

RSVP:

alanbeaulieu@verizon.net



CADETS FROM MA AND THEIR GUESTS POSE FOR A PHOTO AT THE 2015 WPPC-MA POST-GAME TAIL GATE

Discounted group tix to the Army v. Rice Game:

https://

www.groupticketwindow.com/ groupticket/college/army/ group/

Username: WPPCMA
Password: GOARMY

Be a Not So Secret Santa for the Holly Ball!



Holly Ball Coordinator Denise Kenneally has not taken the summer off and

has been busy preparing for the 2016 New England All Service Academy Holly Ball. Don't miss out on the opportunity to advertise in the program, sponsor the event, or give a Shout Out to your cadet during this unique opportunity when the

WPPC-MA is hosting the event. Check out our website and Facebook page for all of the details.

As you set your holiday schedule, be sure to include the Holly Ball. A ticket to the Holly Ball is the perfect gift for grandparents and other relatives, especially those who may not be able to travel to West Point to see their favorite cadet. Seeing cadets and midshipmen from all of the service

academies together and cadets from all classes at West Point celebrate together is wonderful. The firsties will be honored along with the "seniors" from the other service academies. Contact Denise Kenneally with questions or to volunteer:

denisetherese@hotmail.com



Impressive Turnout for WPPC-MA Class of 2020 Hail and Farewell

More than half of the Cadet Candidates and their families attended the 2016 Hail and Farewell that was held on Fathers' Day in centrally located Shrewsbury. Affiliates from the Class of 1970 Jim Price, Tom Bradley, and Toby Quirk welcomed the CCs to the Long Gray Line. WPSNE liaison Iris Sobczak shared her insights with the CCs and their families. Several members of the Leadership Team

offered practical advice for the first few months of the West Point journey. But the best counsel of all came from Cow Luke Beaulieu and Yearling Bradley Whitehall, who spoke

with the CCs for almost an hour. We are here so that you can "ask local".

CADET CANDIDATES FROM MA ARE
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OF 1970 AT THE 2016 HAIL &
FAREWELL IN SHREWSBURY ON JUNE

