



**West Point Society of New England
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Newsletter**

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President's Column

The holidays seem just a little bit jollier this year. Could it be the erasing of 14 years of doom by defeating Navy or is it the overtime victory over North Texas State this week? I was in Baltimore for the Game and it was a very exciting afternoon, too exciting at some points, but a great win for Army. There will be more about the Army/Navy tailgate and the Game later in the newsletter.

We will publish a "Year in Review" in January to recap all of the highlights from 2016.

This newsletter will primarily focus on what is on tap for the next quarter of the New Year.

I am looking for some volunteers! Our Silent Auction will be held on 25 March at our Founder's Day celebration. We need donations of time shares, sporting event tickets, golf outings, hotel stays, airplane or other travel vouchers or cash to purchase such items. Our auction proceeds will go to support the American Legion Boys State/Girls State event. We are now participants in the event by conducting our Ethics in Leadership program which was so very successful last year. We need the donations in hand by March 3 to enable us to properly prepare for the auction. You may send your donations to me or any board member. Dena Caradimitropoulo is tracking our items for the auction. You may contact Dena, me or any board member if you have any questions.

I hope to see you at the Frozen Fenway game on January 5th and at the Army-Holy Cross Women's Basketball game in Worcester on January 18th.

Wishing you all a very prosperous and happy New Year!!

GO ARMY!!

Dale Kurtz

USMA '73

PS I have shamelessly posted a couple of pictures from my weekend in Baltimore in this newsletter!



BG Pete Dawkins, Heisman Trophy winner, all-American with Michel and Dale Kurtz at the Army/
Navy Gala

SERVICE ACADEMY MIXER ARMY VERSUS BENTLEY AT FENWAY PARK

Join us at the Service Academy Grad Mixer and Army versus Bentley Beer Call at "The Baseball Tavern" (1270 Boylston St, Boston, MA 02215 in the basement - 5 minute walk from Kenmore and Fenway T-Stations) located near Fenway Park anytime beginning at 5:30pm on Thursday, 5 January 2017. The WPSNE and USNAAA Boston Chapter are providing free appetizers. All are welcome.



This will be a joint Academy Grad mixer and Army versus Bentley Beer Call. The Black Knights take on Bentley starting at 7:30pm at Fenway Park as part of “Frozen Fenway.”

As of today, the Army Hockey team is in first place in the Atlantic Hockey Conference.

Come out and cheer on the Army Team!!

Contact Ike Kim, WP Class 93 at 703-618-8255 if you have any questions.



ARMY/HOLY CROSS BASKETBALL GAME

More Army sports teams in action in our area in January. Come cheer on the Patriot League Champions as the Army women's basketball team takes on the Holy Cross Crusaders in Worcester at 7pm. WPSNE will host its annual post-game tailgate for the team.



Ed Collazzo Calls the Founder's Day Celebration to Order

FOUNDER'S DAY

DATE: Saturday, March 25, 2017

LOCATION: The Devens Commons Center
31 Andrews Parkway
Devens, MA 01434
(Same as last year)

SPEAKER: TBD

Details to follow.

Questions, please contact Wayne White '78

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SILENT AUCTION

BENEFICIARY: American Legion Boys State/Girls State
WPSNE Ethics in Leadership Program

DATE: Saturday, March 25, 2017 at our Founder's Day Celebration

As mentioned in the President's Letter, your help is needed to make this a success.



25th ANNUAL ALL ACADEMY GOLF CHALLENGE

It's not too early to think about golf! WPSNE will host the 25th Annual All Academy Golf Challenge, The Ken Kronlund Classic at Stow Acres this summer. The date has not yet been set, but will be published very soon. Mark your calendar and plan to join us to make this the very best Challenge ever.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We have a new face! Visit us at www.wpsne.org. Contribute information, questions, articles and we will publish what we can on our web site or on our new Facebook page – West Point Society of New England. We are also on LinkedIn. Visit, post, read. Contact any board member directly via our website. Thank you to Dena Caradimitropoulo and Iris Sobchak for their work to improve our social media applications. Please send your comments, suggestions to Dena, Iris or me.



MEMBERSHIP

Update your membership. You can update your membership status on our web site www.wpsne.org. You can check your current status, renew your membership, find out if your classmate is a member (then convince her or him to join). Membership is now maintained on a rolling basis to make it easier for tracking. Remember that your membership dues enable us to support many of the activities that we have including our Leadership Awards, Candidate Receptions, support of the Field Force, Grad Mixers, team tailgates and other cadet activities.

JOIN TODAY!!



WPSNE COINS



We have a limited number of coins still available for sale, \$20.00. Contact Daniel Wells for information.

ARMY NAVY BOSTON TAILGATE

Nearly 150 Army and Navy fans and alums watched Army “beat the hell out of Navy” at the Boston Beer Garden. It was boisterous gathering in friendly competition and camaraderie at the Boston Tailgate as Army snapped its 14 year losing streak to Navy. Army clearly had the upper hand cheering for the Army team at the Boston Tailgate as alums did the rocket and sang “On Brave Old Army Team” several times. We not only had a good time, but we did some good raising funds for the New England Center for Homeless Veterans. It’s not too late to donate <http://nechv.org/> . The Navy fans in attendance were most gracious in congratulating Army’s fans on a hard fought victory. The whole experience echoed the idea that though we wear different colors, both Army and Navy are on the same team, The American Team.



Young Grads...John Gilmore, Tim Simmons, and David Amoit, all attending MIT



Board members John Duhamel and Ike Kim.



Board members Raul Alcala and Don Webber at the sign-in table.



One more self-promoting picture from the Army/Navy Gala!

Future Events

Young Grad Mixer
January 5, 2017

Details in the newsletter

Hockey
2017

Bentley Frozen Fenway

7:30p January 5,

Hockey
2017

Bentley Waltham, MA
AIC Springfield, MA

7:05p January 6, 2017
7:05p January 17,

Women's Basketball
2017

Holy Cross Worcester, MA

7:05p January 18,

Men's Basketball
2017

BU Boston

7:00p January 25,

Men's Lacrosse
2017

UMASS Amherst, MA

TBA February 11,

Men's Basketball
2017

Holy Cross Worcester, MA

7:00p February 15,

Hockey
2017

Holy Cross Worcester, MA

7:05p February 17,

Women's Basketball 2017	BU Boston	7:00p February 22,
Hockey 2017	AIC Springfield, MA	7:05pFebruary 23,
Women's Lacrosse March 1, 2017	Central Connecticut State	TBA
Women's Lacrosse 2017	Quinnipiac New Haven, CT	TBA March 5,
Men's Lacrosse	Holy Cross Worcester, MA	2:00p March 18, 2017
Men's Lacrosse	BU Boston	12:00p April 8, 2017
Softball	BU Boston	12:00p April 15, 2017
Softball	BU Boston	12:00p April 16, 2017

GO ARMY!