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Top 3-5 events, activities, and newsworthy happenings UPCOMING in the next 30 days.

1. From 24-28 July, Dr. Patrick Baker (G&EnE), will attend the Joint Meeting of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists in Snowbird, Utah. He will present research related to the PEO Ammo Algae and Biofuels project.
2. From 28 July to 3 August, CPT Nathaniel Sheehan (G&EnE) will attend the Army Public Health Course in Fort Dix, NJ.
3. From 29 July to 10 August, MAJ Ben Sylvester (G&EnE) will lead four cadets on an AIAD to Iceland. While there they will conduct an analysis of Icelandic physical and cultural geography.
4. From 4-6 August, LTC Ben Wallen and CPT Nathaniel Sheehan (both G&EnE) will attend the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Post Leaders Workshop (PLW) in Bonita Springs, FL. They are attending as representatives for USMA for the SAME Student Chapter. A major goal of this event is to increase communication and interaction of the major military engineer producing schools, including AFIT, USMA, the Citadel, USAFA, and several more

Top 3 events, activities, and newsworthy happenings FROM THE PREVIOUS 7 days.

1. LTC Mindy Kimball (G&EnE) was interviewed by her graduate school alma mater, California State University East Bay. The article, featured in the summer issue of the alumni magazine, focused on her current academic interests and the role that CSU East Bay played in preparing her for teaching at West Point.
<https://www.ebtoday.com/stories/environmental-security>
2. On 28 June ROTC Cadet Jackson McInvale of Duke University finished a 3-week internship with GENE. He worked with faculty on two environmental engineering research projects: an analysis of West Point soil lead with LTC Ben Wallen, and an indoor air quality study with COL Phil Dacunto.
3. On 1 July, LTC Chris Fuhriman returned from the International Conference of Military Geosciences at the University of Padova in Italy. LTC Fuhriman gave a presentation titled "The Battle of Marathon: A Geographic Analysis." His research was presented in

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the same lecture hall used by Galileo when he was on the faculty at the University of Padova.

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1. 7-21 July: **Dr. Max Margulies, Director of the Rupert H. Johnson Grand Strategy Program** will attend the Summer Workshop on the Analysis of Military Operations and Strategy (SWAMOS), sponsored by Columbia University. The workshop aims to foster a network of academics with competence to evaluate military policy choices, support policy-relevant academic research and teaching on strategy and maintain expertise and resources for informed judgment on military issues within the civilian community.
2. 24 July: **CTC Director Brian Dodwell** will interview the Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, **The Honorable Joseph Maguire**, in Washington D.C. for an upcoming edition of the CTC Sentinel.
3. 21-24 July: **Dr. Michael Kofoed and Dr. Alex Smith** will attend the National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute in Cambridge, Massachusetts. NBER is the premier national conference in the field of economics; fulfilling the offer to attend will allow Drs Kofoed and Smith to raise the USMA and SOSH profile in the broader community while gaining insights on the most recent economics research in education and defense.

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1. 1 July: **CTC Director Brian Dodwell and CTC researcher Audrey Alexander** presented at an event organized by the FBI and U.S. Attorney's Office and hosted by the Army's Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth. The event was attended by both law enforcement and military personnel from around the region. Mr.

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Dodwell provided a briefing on Islamic State resiliency, while Ms. Alexander presented on her research on technology and terrorism.

2. 24 June: SOSH Economics AIAD cadets were recognized at a New York Yankees game. **Mr. Greg Shufro** of Shufro Rose & Co. coordinated with **MAJ Tom Bazemore** and **MAJ Kyle Stramara** of SOSH to have all ten NYC-based AIAD cadets from across four different firms recognized at the game. Building on relationships established by way of West Point Projects & Projects Day, these Econ AIAD cadets were afforded a behind the scenes tour at Yankee Stadium and on-field recognition during the game.
3. 20-21 June: **Combating Terrorism Center Director Brian Dodwell, Director of Research Daniel Milton, and Director of Strategic Initiatives Don Rassler** presented research at the 2019 Society for Terrorism Research Conference in Oslo, Norway. The general focus of their presentation was the use of captured enemy material for strategic understanding of terrorist organizations, with specific presentations focused on the Islamic State's Khorasan branch and the Islamic State's media activities.