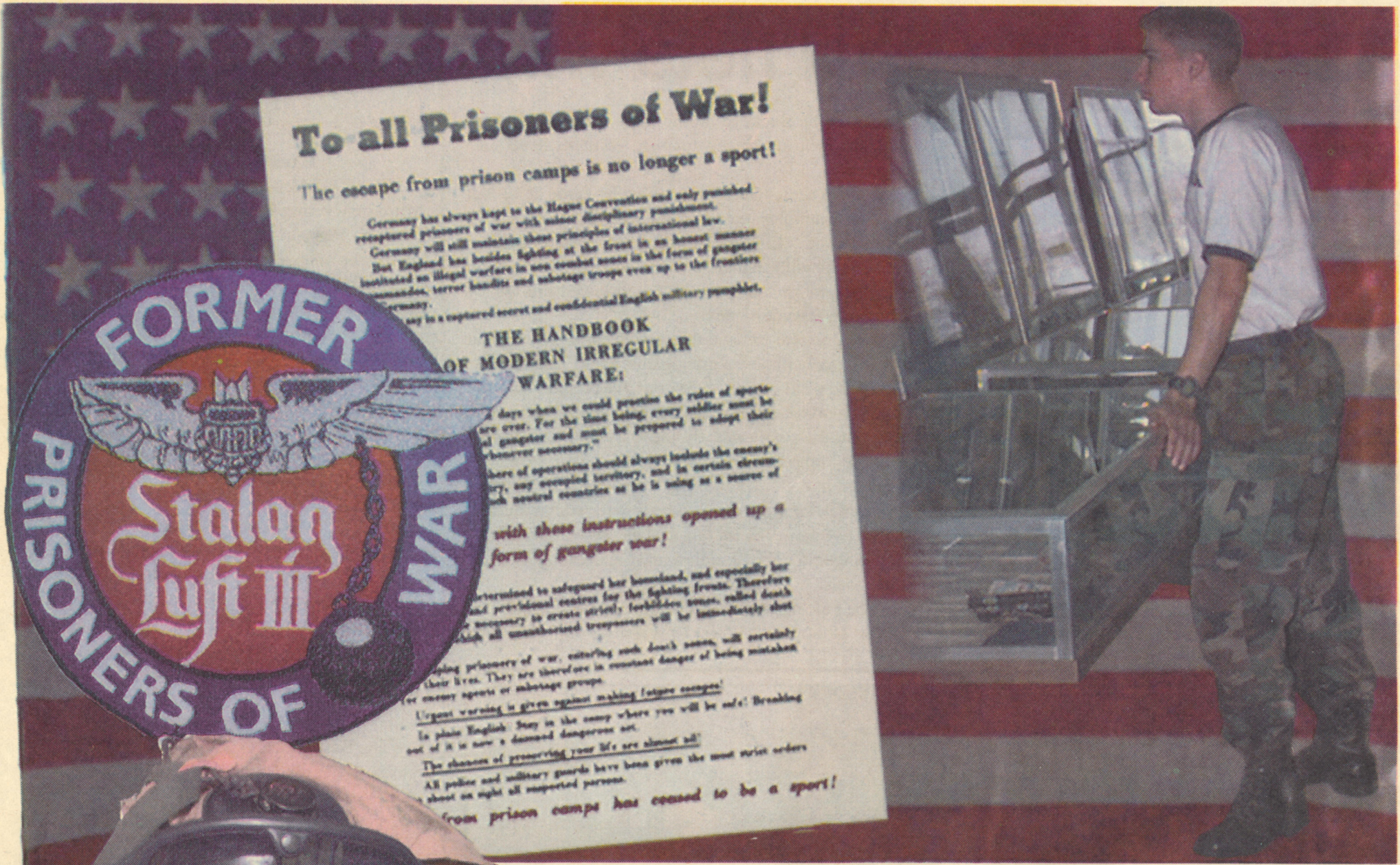


Academy feature



# Prisoners of war — NO MORE

Cadet 2nd Class Chad Connor (above), checks out the Stalag Luft III exhibit in the library. The exhibit tells the story of Allied airmen who were shot down over Europe during World War II and held in a German prisoner of war camp, called Stalag Luft III, in Silesia (now Poland). Stalag Luft III was the POW camp on which the film "The Great Escape" was based. The display includes escape route maps and tools, shown as they were concealed — in the lining and epaulettes of a jacket and inside card decks (left). The display also includes hundreds of photographs taken in the camp, as well as weapons, survival equipment, a German-made American flag and memoirs of two Luftwaffe commandants. Much of the collection came from Gen. A. P. Clark, a former Stalag Luft III POW and the Academy's sixth superintendent. The collection, featured by The Friends of the Air Force Academy Library, will be on display until June 15.

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