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Sports shorts

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Running club hosts race

The Thunder Mountain Running Club will host a 10K race Sunday at 9 a.m. starting at the Highway 90 and Moson Road intersection east of Sierra Vista.

Cost is \$2 or free for TMRC members. Register race day beginning at 8 a.m.

Awards are ribbons to top three finishers per age group. Age groups are 14 and under, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, and 70 and over.

There will be post-race refreshments and prize giveaways. This is a fast flat course.

For more information, call race director, Paul Valentin, at 459-1281.

Valentine's Jazz

Cupid's workin' overtime with a little help from Bisbee's Cool Jazz Trio. On Feb. 14, Valentine's Day, come to Cafe Roka, 35 Main Street to hear Bisbee's own Cool Jazz Trio present your romantic jazz favorites from 5-9 p.m.

Catch us Friday nights at Roka, too! As always, reservations are highly recommended. Call (520) 432-5153 for further information.

Trek Arizona

The Thunder Mountain Trekkers will meet Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. at Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, 311 Wilcox, Sierra Vista.

Discussions will be held concerning upcoming events both locally and in the surrounding area. The next event is planned for the Coronado National Memorial in Hereford.

For more information, call Wendy or Dave Breen at 378-1763.

Tucson Open free

Tournament chairman Morgan North announced that active military personnel would be admitted free to this year's Tucson Open PGA TOUR golf tournament.

The offer is valid February 18-24 with presentation of identification at the entrance gate at Omni Tucson National Golf Resort & Spa.

The offer extends to military personnel from local and regional bases, as well as personnel visiting the area from military bases throughout the United States and world.

The 2002 Touchstone Energy Tucson Open is February 18-24 at Omni Tucson National Golf Resort & Spa.

For more information, call the Tucson Conquistadores at (520) 571-0400, toll free at 1-800-882-7660, or online at www.tucsonopen.pgatour.com.

Voices take flight

The U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Chorale and Phoenix Boys and Mens Choirs will host a concert March 2, from 7 to 9 p.m. at Phoenix First Assembly, 13613 North Cave Creek Road, Phoenix.

The concert will benefit Lou Gehrig's disease. A special guest appearance by Curt Schilling, Arizona Diamondbacks Pitcher and 2001 World Series Co-Most Valuable Player.

Dress is evening attire (black tie optional). Tickets provided in advance for a minimum suggested donation of \$20 per ticket, otherwise tickets are held at Will Call until 10 minutes prior to the concert.

For tickets or information, call Mandi Glenn or Maria Garcia at (480) 609-3888 or e-mail mandi@alsaz.org.



Photos by Sgt. Sharron L. Stewart

At left, Staff Sgt. James Dobson, of Company E, 305 Military Intelligence Battalion, gets graded on administering PT.

Drill Sergeant of Year named

By Sgt. Sharron L. Stewart
Scout Staff

Staff Sgt. James Dobson of Company E, 305 Military Intelligence Battalion was named the U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca Drill Sergeant of the Year on Feb. 1.

Three drill sergeants from the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade competed in the three-day event. They had to take an Army Physical Fitness Test, appear before a board and complete common soldier task training.

Dobson, a radar and signal analyst, has been a drill sergeant for one year and seven months and has loved every minute of it.

"I would choose to do this even if I didn't have to get up and go to work every morning. I feel like I have the best job in the Army," Dobson said. "I love the opportunity to influence and train all these soldiers who are just entering the military. As a drill sergeant I will be their idea of a noncommissioned officer for the rest of their career, and I want to make a lasting impression."



Second in, Dobson is waiting to take a physical fitness test during the 111th MI Brigade's Drill Sergeant of the Year competition. Now he will compete in the Training and Doctrine Command's Drill Sergeant of the Year competition in June.

His said his first platoon sergeant at his first duty station had a very big influence on him. "Every time I saw him, his uniform was outstand

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Change is coming to Mountain View Golf Course

By Spc. Jessica Espinosa
Scout Staff

Everyone could use a little change. So with that in mind, the Mountain View Golf Course has implemented many upcoming renovations and additions to further improve the quality of life and recreation for Fort Huachuca.

The biggest transformation the Mountain View is going through will be completed this fiscal year, according to Heinz Steinmann, chief, Business Operations Division.

The Mountain View will have its own dedicated access. The only entrance and exit to the golf course will be via a new Wilcox Gate.

"If the Force Protection level were to raise, this new gate will allow people to continue to use the facility without any inconvenience," Steinmann said. The golf course would remain open to the public regardless of the status of post. There will be no access to Fort Huachuca through the golf course.

Along with the new gate, Mountain View will also remodel bathrooms and locker rooms, repair and change roads, improve vending machines and driving ranges, buy additional patio furniture, replace carpets and overhead canopies, plant more trees, as well as build a new maintenance facility all this fiscal year.

The old maintenance facility will be used as a storage area for those customers who own their own golf carts.

"The golf course much needed these changes. What we have now isn't the greatest in the world. Plus, there hasn't been a lot of maintenance done lately," Steinmann said. "This will definitely improve the quality of life and quality of play for the active duty per-

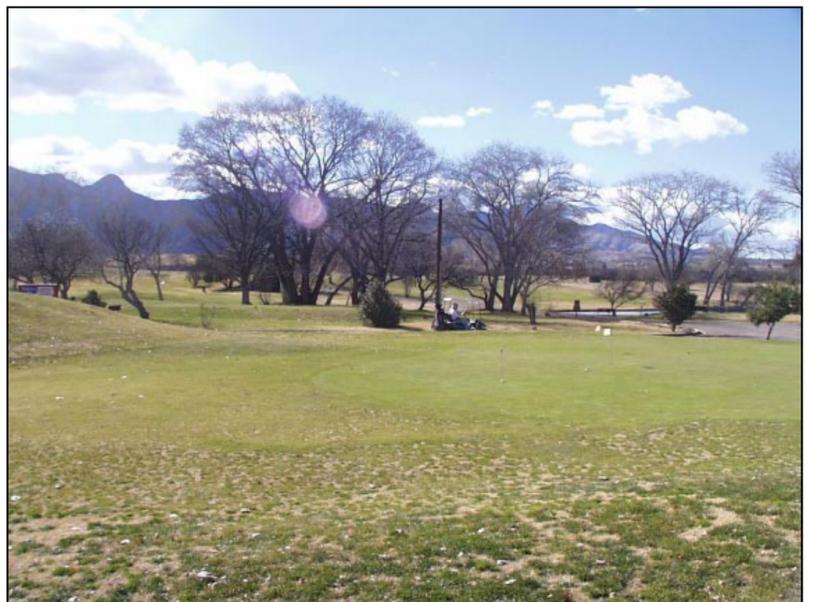


Photo by Spc. Jessica Espinosa

Everything but the view is changing at the golf course. Mountain View is scheduled to open its own dedicated access this fiscal year, along with many other renovations.

son and of course their family members and community.

A new golf course manager will also be hired who will be a certified professional golf association member. A professional teacher is also looking to be contracted out to teach patrons to hone their skills.

Future plans are being made to further improve Mountain View Golf Course in the upcoming years as well.

In 2003 a new irrigation system will be

installed, along with a reseeding of the grass. Plus, the possibility of an Army-themed restaurant, Mulligan's, into the 19th Hole may be added.

Even further into the future, Steinmann said the golf course is looking into remodeling the pro-shop and constructing a new cart pass.

The Mountain View Golf Course will remain open throughout the duration of these renovations.

In the Spotlight

See your MWR activity highlighted in The Fort Huachuca Scout, call 538-0836.

MWR Arts Center

MWR Arts Center adds airplane modeling to February schedule

Cw4 (R) Larry Lietzau will be the instructor for a new basic airplane modelling class scheduled to begin this month at MWR Arts Center. Lietzau became a model airplane enthusiast during his active duty days as a US Army helicopter pilot. The classes will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Interested persons may call 533-2015 to register or obtain information.

This class is one of many offered at the Center. Instruction is available for jewelry making, painting, pottery, stained glass, framing and ceramics. Call 533-2015 for information and class schedules.



Courtesy Photo

Cw4(Ret.) Larry Lietzau displays his remote controlled "4 Star 40".

LakeSide to present Valentine's Gourmet Feast

The LakeSide Activity Centre is a community facility open to the public. The exciting new 2002 events schedule begins this month with one of their well known gourmet dinners, a Valentine's Gourmet Dinner.

Chef Chewy will provide delectible selections of appetizers, entrees and desserts. The cost is \$27.50 per person and reservations are strongly suggested to ensure seating. Dinner will be served from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The menu includes:

LakeSide Valentine's Day Gourmet Dinner Menu

SOUP: Oyster Mushroom

SALAD: Caesar

SORBET: Raspberry

AND CHOICE OF THE FOLLOWING ENTREES:

NEW YORK STEAK AU POIVRE:
Classic French Seared Pepper Steak,
Caramelized Onion, Whipped Potatoes, Vegetable Medley

LEMON GRASS JUMBO SHRIMP SKEWERS:
Served with Sticky Rice Vegetable Medley, and Plum Sauce

CHICKEN FLORENTINE:
Stuffed Chicken with Parmesan Risotto served with
Vegetable Medley topped with a Spinach & Garlic Sauce

ROASTED VEGETABLE CREPES:
Wild Rice and Mushroom Pancakes served
with Cheese and Roasted Chile Sauce

DESSERT:
White Chocolate Mousse Cake with Fresh Strawberries

All Dinners served with...
Freshly Baked Rolls and Butter, Coffee, Tea and Water

An evening with your sweetheart at the LakeSide will be delightful and memorable experience.

LakeSide Activity Centre hosts many dining opportunities and gatherings for everyone this season. The new Sunday Brunch, so popular in the past, is again offered on alternating Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The February dates are 10 and 24. The brunch menu includes the Omelet Station and Chef Chewy's special Eggs Benedict with pastries, and breads and a variety of specially prepared dishes of baked salmon, sausage, cod, pasta, pork, beef and chicken on a rotating basis.

A new Soup and Sandwich Bar is now open Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Sandwich selections include roast beef, ham, turkey and pastrami. Sandwiches may be served on nine-grain, sourdough, marble rye or Kaiser roll bread. Half

sandwiches are \$3 and whole sandwiches are \$4.95. Delicious hearty soups are \$2.75 per bowl or \$3.95 for a large crock. A combination of half sandwich and bowl of soup is only \$4.95.

CGs' Right Arm Nights are scheduled twice a month on Friday evenings from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The next one is tomorrow night and future dates are Feb. 22, Mar. 8 and 22. Free snacks and music are offered at the "pay as you go" bar.



Laughs begin February 16 at 'La Ha Ha' Comedy Show

February 16 is the date of the next 'La Ha Ha' Comedy night at La Hacienda. La Hacienda is well known for providing top notch comedy entertainment in collaboration with Grace Entertainment Productions and this event is no exception. Advance tickets are on sale now at La Hacienda for \$10 or may be purchased at the door for \$15. This is adult entertainment open to the public ages 18 years and older.

Headliner Evan Lionel is a graduate of Columbia College's esteemed Theater Program and has earned membership in the Actors Equity Association, SAG and AFTRA. He appeared on the syndicated series, "Born Free" as Harry Booker. He went straight into professional entertainment after completing his degree, doing legitimate theater and stand-up comedy. Lionel is an award winning actor, receiving a Joseph Jefferson award for "Best Ensemble" in the play "Pill Hill."

Lionel will be joined by Joey "J' Dub" Wells and Tess Drake. Wells is a recognized artist in his own right and has appeared on radio, television and film. He is also an excellent motivational speaker. These three top entertainers will present an evening with many laughs.

Bring your sweetheart for a great February night of comedy entertainment. The show starts at 9 p.m. La Hacienda reminds patrons to drink responsibly and see the manager for information on the Designated Driver Program. Call 533-7322 for information.



Fort Huachuca Morale, Welfare & Recreation Updates

The Directorate of Community Activities is responsible for content appearing on the MWR page in The Fort Huachuca Scout. Questions about this section should be directed to MWR Marketing Director, Paula German at 538-0836 or e-mail germanp@hua.army.mil.



Resumé class offered

A resumé class is being offered by the Employment Readiness Program at Murr Community Center. Class is scheduled for Feb. 28 and Mar. 1 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and is open to family members of active duty, retired military personnel and DoD civilians. For details, contact Beverly Kaufman at 533-6870 or 533-2330.

Desert Lanes announces coming events

Soldier's Day will be held Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. On this special day, active duty military with an identification card may bowl for seventy-five cents per game. Shoe rental is also seventy-five cents.

A special Rock & Bowl Bash is planned for IET and AIT students only on Feb. 17 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Bowl all you want for three hours at a cost of only \$5 per person. Price includes shoe rental and Desert Lanes offers free prizes and lots of music.

A Midnight Marathon Singles Tournament takes place on Feb. 23. Entry fee is \$40 per person with a guaranteed first place award of \$300. Handicap is 80% of 200 and pay-out is one to five entries. Sign up now to ensure space reservation. Call 533-2849 for information.

Box Office offers entertainment tickets

February 13 will be a big night for rhythm and blues fans. B. B. King will perform at Tucson Convention Center. MWR Box Office has tickets on sale now. Call Brenda at 533-2404 for information.

The Tucson Rodeo La Fiesta de Los Vaqueros is Feb. 17 through 24. Rodeo grounds prices vary, so drop by the MWR Box Office for information Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Box Office is located in building #52008 in the MWR Plaza, across from the Commissary.

Youth Services offers Tae Kwon Do

Youth Services offers Tae Kwon Do classes for ages four through adult at the Youth Services Center, bldg. 49013 located on Cushing St. across from Smith Middle School. The classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Classes cost \$25 per month with discounts available for families of multiple participants. The first class is free for all participants, so feel welcome to attend a class and try it out. Call 533-3205 for more information.

Youth Sports set registration

Sierra Vista Ponytail registration and tryouts are scheduled for Feb. 16 and 23 at "C" Field, located behind the Sierra Vista Police Dept. The season starts April 6. Registration fees are \$35 for T-ball and coach pitch, \$40 for ages ten to 14 division and \$50 for seniors division. A birth certificate, registration fee and completed registration form are required to register. Con-

tact Vickie Bernard at 533-3180 or Felicia Brown at 439-4351 for information.

Sierra Vista Little League registration is scheduled for this Saturday and Feb. 23, at Big 5 Sporting Goods store. From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The season starts April 6. Little League is open to players ages five through 16 years. Registration fees are \$45 for T-ball and coach pitch, \$55 for minors, majors, juniors and seniors.

Families with more than two league players need only pay \$25 for each additional player. Call Vickie Bernard at 533-3180 or Nancy Milo at 459-6923 for information.

MWR Rents February Specials

MWR Rents offers a Cabin Rental Package now through March. The cost is \$25 per day or \$50 for the entire weekend and includes cabin rental, two lanterns, an ice chest, two chairs and a five-gallon water can. Also during February, the Water Mouse is available for \$25 per day or \$50 for the weekend.

MWR Rents is located on the corner of Irwin and Hunter and is open Monday through Saturday from noon until 6 p.m. Call 533-6707 for information.

Lil' Skeeters adds new food items

Lil' Skeeters is now offering Sara Lee desserts; apple or cherry pie for \$1.95 and pecan pie for \$2.25 each. Whole jalapeño peppers are also available, five for \$1, or twenty-five cents each.

Visit Lil' Skeeters restaurant for great barbecue, located across from Barnes Field House. Hours are Monday through Thursday 11L00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for lunch and 3:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. for dinner; Fri. 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for lunch and 3:30 to 9 p.m. for dinner; Sat. 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. for lunch and dinner; closed Sunday. Lil' Skeeters has a "family/party pac" menu for take-out or any holiday party gathering. Call 533-3837 or 533-3876 for more information.

Corral offers variety of rides

Buffalo Corral is the place to enjoy horseback riding, scenic trails and beautiful Arizona weather. A variety of rides are available for beginning and experienced riders. Weekend trail rides are offered on Sat. and Sun. from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunset trail rides are available each Thursday from April through September at 6 p.m. The cost is also \$12.50 per person and reservations are required by close of business on Wednesday before the ride. Moonlight trail rides will start in May. They are offered every full moon through September and the rides begin at 7:30 p.m.

All of these trail rides are \$12.50 person and rides are two hours in length. Rides proceed through the Fort Huachuca flat lands and into the Huachuca Mountains. Trail rides are open to riders seven years of age and up. Prepayment is required by close of business the day before the scheduled ride.

The Buffalo Corral is now open Thursday through Sunday from 9 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 533-5220.

Murr Movies start February 18

Murr Community Center in cooperation with AAFES and MWR will be offering movies each Wednesday and Sunday beginning February 18. The movies start at 7 p.m. and will be projected on a large screen television. This service is offered during the closure and renovation of the Cochise Theater from Feb. 13 through April 15. Admission is free and so is the popcorn. A movie schedule will be available in the future. For more information, call 533-3212 or 533-3205.

Army Community Service holds classes

The Family Advocacy Program at Army Community Service, bldg. 50010 will offer a class on family violence prevention. This class will be held in the ACS conference room on Feb. 21 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The community is invited to attend. You may register at the ACS building or call 533-2330 for information.

Parent/Tot Play Group meets

The Parent/Tot Play Group meets every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Youth Services Building, 51301. This group is open to parents and children from birth to five years of age. Class is designed to provide activities for parents and their young children and interaction with other parents and children. The program is free, but reservations are encouraged. Volunteers are always welcome. For information or registration, call the Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program at 533-2330.

AFTB offers Level I "marathon" session

March 2 is the date set for a Level I marathon class of Army Family Team Building. The entire level will be completed in only one session from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This is a rare opportunity, so call now to take advantage of this class. Preregistration is required. To register or obtain more information, call 533-3686 or 533-2330.

La Hacienda plans special bingo session

La Hacienda is planning a special Presidents' Day bingo session on February 18. Play will begin at 1 p.m. The session will begin with a free buffet. Enjoy the holiday at La Hacienda with great food and the chance to be a big winner. Call 533-3802 for information.

Eifler closed for maintenance

The Eifler Fitness Center will close at 5 p.m. Sunday for routine maintenance on the floors. Normal operating hours will resume Monday. Call George Thompson or Sfc. Daugherty for information at 533-4723.

Rolling Thunder girls soccer team wins international tournament

By Sgt. Sharron L. Stewart
Scout Staff

Both the will to win and discipline have been the main ingredients which have made the Rolling Thunder girls soccer team a success so far this season.

The team, which is part of the city league, is made up of 13 players; four of the players have parents who are on active duty and five players have parents who are retired military members.

According to Stacey Nielson, who works on post and is a "soccer mom," the team, which is made up of fourth- and fifth-graders, won an international tournament Jan. 18-20 in Fort Lowell, Ariz.

"I think that the girls are successful because they have fun playing together, they share common interests and because they are totally supported by their parents," Nielson said. "I know that several of the girls have played on co-ed teams in the past and they feel like they didn't get as much playing time simply because they are girls," she said.

Staff Sgt. Luis Creager, Company A,

309th Military Intelligence Battalion and Kevin Keckler, who also works on post, took over coaching responsibilities in November when the former coach was offered a full time coaching job.

"We simply wanted to help anyway we could," Keckler said. "The team would have had to fold up. But to watch them come together has been amazing. One of the most enjoyable aspects of coaching this team is witnessing their spirit. These girls desire to win so they get out there push themselves. Their diverse back grounds and their unity definitely contributes to their strength."

The Rolling Thunder also plays in the Pima League in Tucson and recently won the Girls Under 11 Bronze Bracket, Keckler said. They will play in the Ostrich Fest tournament in March.

Team members are: Danella Coppolla, Angela Godman, Jazzy Quick, Ashley Serrano, Maria Bowman, Jessie Creager, Jessica Nielsen, Sarah and Suzy Hanson, Ashley Simpson, Brady Johnson, Kriston Gustavson, Rachael Lodge and Viona Miller.



Courtesy photo

The Rolling Thunder girls soccer team recently won an international tournament and will be playing in another, the Ostrich Fest Tournament, in March.

Drill Sergeant, from B1

ing, his PT was outstanding. He always set a very professional example. Right now he is a command sergeant major," Dobson said.

"I believe that as a drill sergeant I have to set the example at all times. That pretty much sums up my leadership philosophy," he said. He also believes that he needs to be stern yet approachable. "These soldiers come to me with all of their concerns whether they are having medical, financial, relationship or PT problems. I believe in having that type of open, frank relationship with them,"

"Some people refer to them as kids but I don't. Even if they are getting chaptered out of the military or if they are getting into all types of trouble, at one point in time they made up in their minds that they wanted to be a soldier. I try to give every one of them the benefit of a doubt and offer them guidance."

He went on to acknowledge that his wife, Toni, has contributed to his success in many ways. "She totally supports me and even gives me a kick in the pants when she thinks I need to study. She knows that my success is her success because we are a team," he said. The couple has two children and is expecting their third in May.

Dobson said he has had to use time management in order to prepare for the competition. His workday starts at 6 p.m. and ends at 6:30 a.m. and consists of doing PT three times a day, marching troops to class and dealing with soldier issues.

"When I drive back and forth to work, I recite the Soldier's Creed, the NCO Creed and the Drill Sergeant Creed," he said. Simply doing his job keeps him knowledgeable of training modules and Army regulations.

Now he will compete at Fort Monroe, Va., in the Training and Doctrine Command Drill Sergeant of the Year Competition in June.

Theater sets renovation dates, lists showings

AAFES release

Cochise Theater will now be open an additional week before renovating projects begin. The new closure date is Feb. 18 instead of Feb. 11 as originally planned.

The contractor will spend the first week working on seats on either side of the theater and leave the center section for customers. While it will reduce the number of seats, the center section has enough seats to handle attendance on most nights.

Please understand the theater will not be open for organizational use during this time, as the contractor will be working during the day.

Cochise Theater will be showing the following movies during its final week at 7 p.m. unless otherwise stated:

Today

Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius

Animated — Jimmy and his friends await the opening night of the Retroland Amusement Park. When his parents forbid him to go, he and his friends sneak out. While having the time of his life, Jimmy wishes that his parents would vanish. Meanwhile, all the parents are kidnapped by aliens. Celebrating the absence of their parents, Jimmy and his classmates quickly discover that they have no one to turn to when things don't go right. They not only need, but *want* their parents back. Rated G. 82 min.

Friday

ALI

Will Smith, Jamie Foxx — With wit and athletic genius, and with defiant rage and inner grace, Muhammad Ali forever changed the American landscape. Fighting all comers, Ali took on the law, conventions, the status quo and the war— as well as the fists in front of him. Ali both ignited and mirrored the conflicts of his time and ours to become one of the most admired fighters in the world. Rated R (some language and brief violence) 157 min.

Saturday (showing at 2 p.m. as well)

Lord of the Rings:

The Fellowship of the Ring

Elijah Wood, Bill Boyd — Frodo battles against the Dark Lord, Sauron, to save Middle-earth from the grip of evil. Frodo and The Fellowship embarks on a desperate journey to rid the earth of the source of Sauron's greatest strength, the One Ring.

A ring like this is one of such power that it cannot be destroyed, but Frodo and the Fellowship must find a way or never live peacefully again. His extraordinary adventures across the treacherous landscape of Middle-earth reveal how the power of friendship and courage can hold the forces of darkness at bay. Rated PG-13 (epic battle sequences and some scary images) 165 min.

Sunday

Lord of the Rings:

The Fellowship of the Ring

High Desert Gardening and Landscaping Conference Feb. 21, 22

WWES release

The 9th Annual High Desert Gardening and Landscaping Conference is set for Feb. 21-22, at the Windemere Hotel and Conference Center Sierra Vista.

Sponsored by the Cochise County Master Gardeners in conjunction with the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension, the conference is for gardeners of all levels of expertise who are interested in the challenges of desert gardening. In addition to the twenty-one sessions featuring state and local expert speakers, there will be numerous exhibitors, vendors, and door prizes.

John Miller, the Fort Huachuca Installation Forester, will talk about "What I've learned about trees and landscaping since I've lived in Arizona."

John's entertaining slide show will discuss landscaping from the perspective of tree and

plant selection, water harvesting and irrigation, design principles and basic tree and shrub maintenance.

Ginger Maxey, the Energy and Water Conservation Educator for the Water Wise and Energy Smart Program, Fort Huachuca, will present the "Groundflow Water Model." The model is an interactive simulation of an underground aquifer.

Water is pumped from the aquifer to demonstrate how water moves underground, and the effects of groundwater pumping. The model is also intentionally "contaminated" during the demonstration, with some interesting results.

The presentation focuses on the current science rather than the current political issues, so it is very informative while allowing people to form their own ideas.

Cheri Melton, Plant and Landscape Tech-

nician, Water Wise and Energy Smart, Fort Huachuca, will speak about "Why am I happy that all my plants are damaged? aka gardening with butterflies" which will cover the basics of desert butterfly gardening to include the butterfly life cycle, habitat requirements and plant selection.

Other session topics include:

- Global Climate Change
- Mediterranean Landscaping Principles
- Water Gardening
- Weed Control Principles
- Salt Tolerance of Ornamental Plants
- Compost and the Garden
- Basic Tree Care
- Growing Chiles and other Vegetables
- Native Grass Revegetation Revisited
- Propagation of Native Plants
- Principles of Landscape Design

way in the West Valley. Exit Olive Avenue west and follow it until it ends at the park's entrance. For further information contact White Tank Mountain Regional Park at: (623) 935-6056.

There are over 675,000 AARP members in Arizona. AARP is a nonprofit, non-partisan membership organization for people 50 and over. We provide information and resources; advocate on legislative, consumer, and legal issues; assist members to serve their communities; and offer a wide range of unique benefits, special products and services for our members.

These benefits include AARP Webplace at www.aarp.org, Modern Maturity and My Generation magazines, and the monthly AARP Bulletin. Active in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP celebrates the attitude that age is just a number and life is what you make it.

B2C offers free military entrance

Columbia University release

TUCSON, Ariz. — In appreciation of Tucson-area military personnel serving the nation, Columbia University's Biosphere 2 Center will provide free general admission to the servicemen and women stationed at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base and Fort Huachuca through Feb. 28.

The open gate admission will also apply to Department of Defense civilians working at the two installations as well as retired military personnel. The "Biosphere 2 Center Patriot Days" special recognition program concludes Feb. 28.

"Opening Biosphere 2 Center's gates to the servicemen, women and civilians who serve our nation at Davis-Monthan and Fort Huachuca, as well as those who once served in the military, is our way of recognizing and showing appreciation for their contributions," said Chris Bannon, chief of staff and vice president, operations and facilities.

During this period, military and civilian personnel with a valid I.D., who are based at Davis-Monthan and Fort Huachuca and retired military with a valid I.D., will be pro-

vided free regular admission to the Biosphere 2 Center facility. In addition, one adult and children under 12 will be admitted as guests at no charge. Admission to the Center's premium "Under the Glass" tour still applies.

The Biosphere 2 Center open gate program offers military and civilian support personnel the opportunity to explore and visit the many facilities that make-up the Center including self-guided tours, exhibits, ocean-viewing gallery and the new B2C visitors film, "Exploring Earth's Future," hosted by William Shatner. Regular admission is \$12.95 for adults, and \$8.95 for children ages 12 and over and \$6 for children ages 6 to 12.

B2C is Columbia University's 250-acre western campus devoted to deepening the understanding of earth systems vital to the policies and decisions that will affect Earth's future.

B2C is equipped with a 3.1 acre, glass-enclosed, research laboratory, and offers academic programs in earth systems for high school, undergraduate and graduate students as well as educational programs for 180,000 annual visitors and local school children a year.