

## Sports shorts

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### BFH hours

Barnes Field House facilities' hours of operation in support of ICW Wrestling are:

- Basketball Courts: Closed Friday from 8 a.m. to Saturday at 9 a.m.
- Nautilus Room: Closed Friday from 10 a.m. to Saturday at 9 a.m.
- Entire Facility: Closed Friday from 4 p.m. to Saturday at 9 a.m.
- Eifler Gym will be available during these times when BFH is not.

### Reserve sports fields

Units or individuals requesting to reserve a sports field may call the Sports Branch, Directorate of Community Activities, at 533-5031 or 533-3180. Reservations can be made beginning at noon the day prior to the date required. Call or stop by the Sports Office at Barnes Field House.

### AUSA hosts golf tourney

The Association of the United States Army Fort Huachuca/Sierra Vista Chapter is hosting a four-person-scramble golf tournament at 12:30 p.m., April 24 at the Mountain View Golf Course.

Cost is \$25 per player including cart. Reservation forms for the golf tournament are available at the Armed Forces Bank on Fort Huachuca near the Post Exchange and also at the Mountain View Golf Course.

### Fun Run set for Saturday

In conjunction with Army Community Service's Spring Youth Fest there will be a Fun Run Saturday for children and parents. Registration forms are available at Murr Community Center, New Beginnings Child Development Center, Youth Services or register starting at 8 a.m., Saturday on Geronimo Field. This is a free run, with T-shirts and prizes.

### Walk to the border

The Thunder Mountain Trekkers and Coronado National Memorial will co-host a Walk to the Border Saturday in honor of National Parks Day. This credit-only event is an American Volkssport Association sanctioned event. The start/finish will be at Coronado National Memorial picnic area. Start anytime between 7:30 a.m. and noon. Finish before 4 p.m.

This event is open to all. An adult must accompany children under 12. No pets allowed on these trails. Fees are \$6 for Oktoberfest Series Award & Credit, \$3 for all other "B" awards, \$2 IVV credit only and free for the walk only. For more information about trail ratings or anything else, call 378-1763.

### Special Olympics golf tourney

The Kiwanis Club of Sierra Vista will host a four-person scramble golf tournament in support of the Special Olympics on Sunday at the Fort Huachuca Mountain View Golf Course with a shotgun start at 8 a.m.

The proceeds from the tournament will go directly to Special Olympics athletes to attend state and local events, uniforms, equipment and offset travel expenses for athletes and chaperones. Local merchants have provided prizes to hold a raffle at the end of the golf tournament, and with a possibility of winning a car with a hole in one.

The fee is \$45 per person for non-members and \$32.50 for members, including 18 holes of golf, green fee and barbecue. For registration, call Ken Edwards at 459-6711 or for more information call Larry Hodges at 452-4460 or Steve Conroy at 459-1205.



Photos by Sgt. Sharron L. Stewart

A ranger leads the way into a cooling mist. A mister was set up to cool off the marchers from the hot desert sun.

## Memorial march

### Soldiers, civilians remember Bataan

By Sgt. Sharron L. Stewart  
 Scout Staff

Hundreds of soldiers and civilians from Fort Huachuca participated in the 14th Annual, 60th Commemorative Bataan Memorial Death March held at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., Sunday.

Over 4,200 people from all over the world, including Germany, Egypt, the Netherlands, Great Britain, Canada and Japan participated in this year's event that round around 26.2 miles of rocky desert terrain. The route included 13 water points and four first aid stations that had more than 100 medics nurses and doctors on hand. At mile 15, one of the survivors shook the hands of participants and said, "God bless you," to every one that passed by.

The Fort Huachuca Dust Devils, the Dust Devils team captain, the team was not able to practice together until the Saturday before the march. This is the third year the team has been together. One member even flew in from Virginia to participate. "It is such an honor to participate. It's so emotional to think about what the survivors sacrificed in order for us to have our freedom. That motivated us," Laszok



David O. Telle, a former prisoner of war who survived the Death March was as happy to meet memorial marchers as they were to meet him.

said. The 309th Military Intelligence Battalion Desert Coyotes II came in 11th in the military light coed division with a time of 6:41:25, but Desert Coyotes I was disqualified due to injuries. The 309th also had an individual male military light competitor. "I thought the event was harder this year

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## New safety device required for propane cylinders

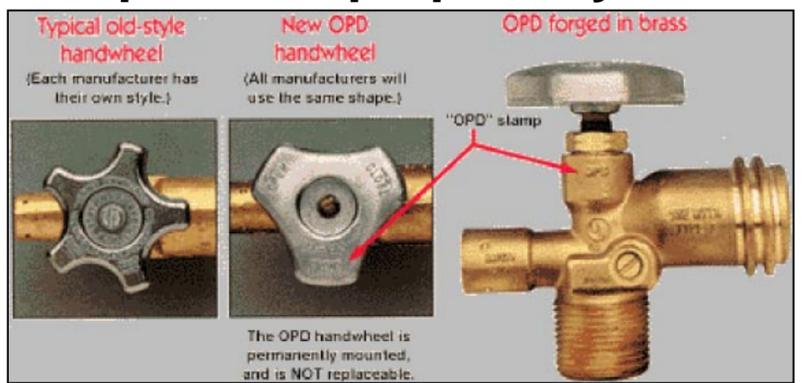
By Sgt. Jessica Inigo  
 Scout Staff

Outdoor gas grill propane cylinders weighing between four and 40 pounds are now required to have an overfilling prevention device, per a safety code developed by the federal National Fire Protection Association.

Commonly called an OPD, this safety valve shuts off the flow of gas to a cylinder after 80 percent capacity has been reached, which limits the potential of release of gas when the cylinder is heated, and thus averts a fire hazard or personal injury.

Since 1998, all new propane cylinders have been equipped with OPDs and require no change. Older cylinder models must now be retrofitted with the device before refilling or should be discarded properly and replaced with an OPD-equipped cylinder.

Many filling outlets have the capacity to retrofit or recycle obsolete cylinders. In many parts of the United States exchange cylinder racks can be used to swap an empty cylinder without an OPD for a full cylinder equipped with an OPD, for a nominal fee, eliminating the need to dispose of the cylinder or to have it retrofitted.



Graphic courtesy of [www.lpg.com/old/opd.html](http://www.lpg.com/old/opd.html)

However, non-compliant cylinders will not be filled on post nor exchanged, according to David G. Wall, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Rents manager. Individuals on post who have non-compliant cylinders must take them off post to either exchange or retrofit their old cylinders.

All cylinders on post meet the new federal requirement, Wall said.

Obsolete cylinders have either a round or star-shaped hand wheel valve.

Though the majority of OPD-equipped cylinders have hand wheels that are triangular in shape, a small number of early production cylinders did not. These are stamped OPD on the brass valve body.

Costs to upgrade or replace a cylinder vary. For information on discarding an older cylinder, please contact your propane refiller, hazardous waste collection site, or local fire department. See [www.lpg.com/old/opd.html](http://www.lpg.com/old/opd.html) for more information.

## In the Spotlight

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



### Spring Youth Fest celebrates Month of the Military Child

#### MWR release

The Spring Youth Fest, honoring April as the month of the Military Child, is Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Youth Services, building 40913, and Geronimo Field.

The day will be filled with food and fun. Festivities will include pony rides from B Troop, a Water Wise display, School-Age Services activities, arts and crafts, face painting, sand and water table play station, laser tag, slot car racing, paintball, music by the Smith Middle School Band and a dunk tank. Call Richard Brown at 533-3205 or Marty Johnson at 533-8385 for information.

A Youth Fest road race begins at 9:15 a.m. for children ages 8 and up. The entry fee is \$2 and parents must sign a registration form. The race categories are: ages 8-9; ages 10-11; ages 12-13; and ages 14 and up. There are prizes for boys and girls divisions. Relay teams of parents and children may compete for first, second and third place prizes. A fun run will begin at 9:20 a.m. for children under 7. Parents are invited to participate.

The Fort Huachuca Military Police will conduct police dog demonstrations at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. "Kids on the Block" puppet shows will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Also, School-Age Services is planning special participation themes for each day in April. A science fair is planned for today from 2:15-5 p.m. Other activities and themes scheduled include: April 19, Computer Lab Open House at Murr Community Center 1-6 p.m.; April 22, Earth Day Spring Clean-up; Friday, Movie Day, PJs and stuffed animals; Wednesday, Crazy Sock and Slipper Day; April 25, Volksmarch, Crazy Hat Day, MP Bike Patrol at 3:30 p.m. and Job Match Day; April 26, Relay Day; April 29, Watermelon Day; April 30, Bingo with Youth Services 3:30-5 p.m. Call 538-1198 for more information.

April 25 is the next Job Match Day at Smith Middle School. Eighth graders are matched with a professional mentor for the morning from 8:15 to 11:30 a.m. Military and civilian mentors are needed to match students in their career field of interest. Call 459-8967 or 533-1133 for information or to volunteer.



### Facilities announce summer hours

Summer hours are effective May 1 for the following facilities in the Recreations Services Division of the Directorate of Community Activities.

**Jeannie's Diner:** Mondays-Thursdays, 6:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m.; Fridays, 6:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m.; Sundays, noon-6 p.m.

**MWR Rents:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; closed Wednesdays and Sundays.

**Desert Lanes:** Mondays, noon-9 p.m.; Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.; Wednesdays, noon-10 p.m.; Thursdays, 4-10 p.m.; Fridays, noon-11 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sundays, noon-9 p.m.

**Sportsman's Center:** Wednesdays-Sundays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

**MWR Box Office:** Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

**MWR Arts Center:** Mondays-Thursdays, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed Sunday.

**Barnes Field House:** Mondays-Fridays, 5 a.m.-9 p.m.; Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Currently closed Tuesdays from 8:30-11 a.m. Beginning March 9, facility will be closed Thursdays from 8:30-11 a.m.

**Eiffel Fitness Center:** Mondays-Fridays, 5 a.m.-9:45 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 9 a.m.-7:45 p.m.

**Apache Flats R.V. Resort:** Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. for check-ins only.

**Ozone Fun and Sports Place:** Fridays and Saturdays, 6-11 p.m. Open special hours during holiday weekends.

**Barnes Field House Pool:** Mondays - Fridays, 5-7:30 a.m., lap swim; 7:30-11 a.m., open swim; 11 a.m.-1 p.m., lap swim; 1-4 p.m., open swim; closed Saturdays and Sundays; Memorial Day weekend, closed Saturday and Sunday, open Monday at regular hours.

### Pools open for summer May 25

**Grierson Pool:** Tuesdays-Saturdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. lessons; 1 p.m.-5 p.m. open swim; closed Sundays and Mondays; Memorial Day weekend open Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Monday noon-5 p.m.

**Irwin Pool:** Thursdays-Mondays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., open swim; closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays; Memorial Day weekend open Saturday, Sunday and Monday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

# Fort Huachuca welcomes ICW Friday

#### MWR release

International Championship Wrestling, Inc. will be hosted by the Directorate of Community Activities at Barnes Field House Friday. The action starts at 7 p.m.

Reserve seating is \$15 and general admission is \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door.

Tickets are available at Desert Lanes Bowling Center, MWR Box Office and MWR Rents on Fort Huachuca, and at Safeway in Sierra Vista.

Autograph sessions will be held at the Post Exchange from 5 to 6 p.m. and at Barnes Field House from 6 to 7 p.m.

The main event is a head-on altercation between Konnan and Disco Inferno. Konnan lays claim to one of the most expansive careers in the world of professional wrestling. Disco Inferno is well know for dancing his way through battles as the "Dancing King."

In addition to the main event, Good Gangrel will battle Norman Smiley. Both contenders are former WCW Hardcore Champions.

The tagteam match will feature the Native Warriors against

the Russian Assassins. The ladies' match will be a much anticipated battle between Sierra and Storm.

Tickets may be purchased through tomorrow at noon for the discount price of \$8.

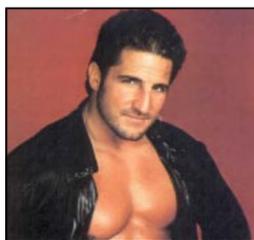
Tickets purchased at the door tomorrow evening are \$10. Call 533-2404 or 1-888-921-4745 for information.



Sierra



Storm



Disco Inferno



Konnan



Norman Smiley



Gangrel

## Fort Huachuca Directorate of Community Activities Updates

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

### Sports Branch seeks summer lifeguards

Summer is right around the corner. It's the time of year when the Sports Branch of the Recreation Services Division looks for responsible individuals to work as lifeguards at the Fort Huachuca pools. A lifeguard class will be held during April for interested applicants. The class is open to all military, military dependents and civilians. The class fee is \$170 per person. Upon completion of the class, students will receive three certifications that will qualify them to work at Fort Huachuca pools. For more information or to register, contact Karlie Jo Hale at 533-3835 or 940-2771.

### MWR Rents April specials

A boater safety class will be held Saturday at Murr Community Center from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Certification of a safety class is necessary to rent boats from MWR Rents.

Patrons who rent a 14' or 16' boat during April will receive a free motor rental. MWR Rents also offers a "Go Wild for the Weekend" special. Patrons may rent a cabin in the Huachuca Mountains for the entire weekend at a cost of \$50.

MWR Rents has a lawn maintenance special available just in time for the warmer weather. Patrons who rent a lawn mower by the hour five times will receive a sixth lawn mower rental for free. This offer continues throughout the summer.

Picnic areas may now be rented at MWR Rents. The rental fee for the picnic area in lower Garden Canyon is \$25 per day. The middle Garden Canyon area is \$20 per day. The upper Garden Canyon area is \$15 per day. Call 533-6707 for more information on any of these specials.

### Athletic field closures

Bujalski Field and Smiley Field will be closed through April 30 for maintenance. Call 533-3354 for information. Both Warrior and Sentinel Fields, located behind the AAFES Mini Mart, will be closed to all personnel through April 30 for reseeding, aeration and watering.

### Desert Lanes news

Effective May 1, Desert Lanes will have new operating hours. The new hours are: Monday, noon to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Wednesday, noon to 10 p.m.; Thursday, 4 to 10 p.m.; Friday, noon to 11 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Sunday, noon to 9 p.m.

There are three Pro Bowler Association Sweepers scheduled for bowlers to qualify for spots in the Third Annual PBA Western Regional Tournament on May 10, 11 and 12. The first Sweeper was held on April 6. The next two Sweepers will be Sunday and May 4. Entry fee is \$60. Contenders bowl ten games across ten lanes and one out of seven will earn a spot in the tournament.

The PBA Senior Pro-Am is May 10 from 4-8 p.m. Entry fee is \$25. The PBA Junior Pro-Am is May 11 at 9 p.m. Entry fee is \$15. Trophies will be awarded for boys and girls. The PBA Adult Pro-Am is also May 11 at 9 p.m. The entry fee is \$30. Seniors and adult bowlers are eligible for cash and door prizes. All Pro-Am participants bowl three games with three different professional bowlers.

Spectators are invited to come watch the pros at the PBA Western Regional Tournament. Call 533-2849 for information.

### Sportsman's Center events for April

A Hunters' Banquet Potluck is planned for Saturday. The feast begins at 6 p.m. and wild game enthusiasts will not be disappointed. The first course of this potluck is provided by the Sportsman's Center in the English tradition of "dunk and suck." This term refers to the ancient ritual of dunking hard bread into the wild game juices in order to soften the bread and enhance the flavor. Hunters are encouraged to empty their freezers of their venison or mountain lion and exchange recipes. A prize will be awarded for the best "one that got away" story. Call 533-7085 for information.

A Paintball Sportsman's Challenge will be held April 27 at 9 a.m. Three person teams will compete for prizes which include three paintball guns. Entry fee is \$75 per team. There will be a sale.

### Commander's Cup Programs begin

Intramural golf competition begins May 20 at 3 p.m. Unit MOIs are due in the Sports Branch office at Barnes Field House by COB May 1. All rounds are played at Mountain View Golf Course. Coaches meetings are scheduled for Wednesday and May 1 at 10 a.m. For information contact Michelle Kimsey at 533-3180 or e-mail at [michelle.kimsey@hua.army.mil](mailto:michelle.kimsey@hua.army.mil).

Intramural softball league begins May 20. Unit MOIs are due in the Sports Branch office by COB May 7. Games will be played at the Sentinel and Warrior softball fields. The coaches meeting is May 7 at 11 a.m. Games are scheduled Monday through Thursday at 5:30, 6:45 or 8 p.m. For information, contact Norrise Kelley at 533-3180 or e-mail [norrisse.kelley@hua.army.mil](mailto:norrisse.kelley@hua.army.mil).

### Volkssport events set for April 27

The Sports and Fitness Branch of the Directorate of Community Activities has scheduled a Volkssport event on April 27. The course opens at 7 a.m. and check-in is from 6:30-11 a.m.

There are three scenic, un-timed courses; 5 kilometers, 10 kilometers and 20 kilometers in length. Registration fees are \$7 for an individual and \$18 for a group of three to five members per event. "B" Awards may be earned. Patches will be given to all Volkssport participants.

A Ruckmarch is another option open to participants of the Volkssport. The rucksack's minimum weight is determined by age and is weighed prior to the start and at the finish of the course. Trophies will be awarded to the first 20 ruck marchers at the finish line. Call Norrise Kelley at 533-5031 or 533-3180 for information.

### Pony Tail Softball registration

Sierra Vista Pony Tail Softball registration and try-outs for senior division girls ages 15 to 18 will be today from 4 to 5 p.m. at 'C' field in Sierra Vista. For information, contact Youth Services at 533-3205.

### Army Family Team Building offers classes

The Army Family Team Building Program provides training and knowledge to spouses and family members to support the total Army effort. Level I courses are targeted toward people new to the Army or anyone interested in updating their skills or knowledge. Level II courses are targeted toward emerging leaders within the Army community. Contact 533-3686 or 533-2330 for information on scheduled classes.

### Installation volunteer recognition

Top installation volunteers who have helped the Directorate of Community Activities and all other organizations on Fort Huachuca during the past year will be recognized at a ceremony April 16. The event will be at Murr Community Center at 6 p.m. Brig. Gen. James A. Marks, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca commanding general, will announce the Volunteer of the Year. The ceremony will be followed with hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Call 538-4823 for information.

### Babysitting class scheduled

Child and Youth Services will offer Red Cross babysitting training classes on April 27 and May 18 at the Youth Services Building from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Students who complete the class will receive a Red Cross Babysitter card, and a 4H Babysitter certificate. Class graduates will be placed on the CYS babysitter referral list. Enrollment is \$17. For information, call 533-8385.

### Buffalo Corral Sunset Trail Rides begin

The Sunset Trail Rides begin April 25 at the Buffalo Corral. These seasonal rides are offered on Thursdays each week and leave the Corral at 6 p.m. The rides go through the flatlands and into the foothills of the Huachuca Mountains. The cost is \$12.50 for authorized MWR patrons or \$18 for civilians. Rides are open to riders seven years and older. Reservations and prepayment are required by COB the day before the scheduled ride. Call 533-5220 for information.

## Bataan from B1

than in the past, both the course conditions and the environment,” said Capt. Steve Sin, commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade.

“I’m proud of each and every one of the soldiers who participated, and also of those who trained with us but could not participate due to injuries. It was my privilege to be able to share this experience with them. I’m honored for the chance to serve with such fine soldiers,” he said.

This year two Fort Huachuca Boy Scout of America Troops participated. Troop 431 participated for its third year in a row with 11 Scouts and Troop 432 participated for its fourth year in a row with 12 Scouts.

According to Sgt. 1st Class Ernie Fedewa, both troops use this as a team-building activity and to meet Merit Badge requirements.

“This is without a doubt the hardest thing many of these Scouts have ever done. These young men come away from this event each

year with a better understanding of how important working together is and how far they can push themselves,” he said.

The soldiers who work at the Directorate of Installation Support undertook the challenge of the march for the many of the same reasons.

Sgt. Jason Artz said he simply wanted to push himself and wanted to render honor to the survivors.

Representing the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade and competing in the Female Light Military category were the “Iron Eagles,” consisting of team captain Spc. Valerie Twigger, Pfc. Carrie Galaway, Pvt. Rachel Howell, Pvt. Andrea Jones and Pvt. Cassidy Peters. The females placed fourth in their division with a time of 8:54. They were the only female Initial Entry Training team of to be represented in the march. Competing in the Male Light Military category were the “Echo Eagles,” lead by team captain Sgt. Joshua Larose, Pfc. Nathan

Disbro, Pfc. Alvaro Guevara, Pvt. John Seley and Pvt. Justin Boyle. The males placed 26th out of 45 qualifying teams with a time of 8:34. Competing in the Male Individual Heavy category was Spc. Jim Doster who completed the course in 18th place out of 173 with an impressive time of 6:59. Sgt. Michael Gibson competed in the Male Individual Civilian Light category and placed 63rd out of 425 with another impressive time of 5:24. Completing the representation was Pfc. Jonathan Wood who competed in the Male Individual Light with a time of 6:36 placing 67th out of 331 participants.

### Fort Huachuca results:

Team 1 EPG Gila’s came in 12th with a time of 7:27:8 in the coed civilian division.

Team 2 EPG Gila came in 22nd place with a time of 8:56:2 in the coed civilian and team.

Team All Woman Huachuca Rebels came in fourth place for the female light division with a time of 7:52:16.

The HHC USAG Aardvarks came in 15th in the male light team with a time of 8:02:18.

The Boy Scout of America Troop 431 Team 1 came in 16th in the male light division with a time of 8:22:57. BSA Troop 432 Roadrunners came in 20th in the male light team division with a time of 8:53:52. BSA Troop 432 Tortoises came in 24th in the male light team division with a time of 9:55:05.

BSA Troop 431 Team 3 came in 25th in the male light team divisions with a time of 9:58:58.

BSA Troop 432 coed team Tortoise with Karen Nieto came in 10:31:50.

The 18th Military Police Detachment had four teams. Soldiers from Headquarters Company, 306th Military Intelligence Battalion; and two teams from Army Signal Command, Renegades 1 and Renegades 2, competed in the march.

To view a list of the entire races results, visit [www.wsmr.army.mil/paopage/PAGES/BMDM/index.htm](http://www.wsmr.army.mil/paopage/PAGES/BMDM/index.htm).

# Commentary

By Sgt. Sharron L. Stewart  
Scout Staff

The sobering truth hit me at mile 17; it was going to take me longer to complete the Bataan Death March than it took for me to go into labor and give birth.

I’m still undecided about what was more painful.

To say the 26.2-mile route was tortuous or arduous would be a waste of time.

Even though I had the opportunity to train for the event and was able to carry a portable fan that sprayed water, had on running shoes specifically designed for flat feet, carried trail mix and beef jerky and was listening to my favorite Gospel CD on my portable head phones, not to mention that either water or a sports drink and oranges were available to me every two miles, I still was grumbling as I hobbled across the finish line.

The only thing that kept me going besides prayer, was the obsessive thought of what in the world enabled those soldiers to survive 60 years ago.

Reflecting upon the pictures of the youthful faces of those who died, I won-



Courtesy photo

**Sgt. Sharron L. Stewart takes in feelings from the past from this larger than life memorial of the Bataan Death March.**

dered to myself how did they maintain their sanity? I knew that eventually the route would end but they didn’t.

I wondered about the soldiers that died. What was their last thought before they faced their God? How many of them used their last breath to call out for their mother, or a sweetheart? Did they die realizing or even hoping their blood, sweat and tears would continue to sow the seed of freedom and peace for future generations?

How many of them were prepared for death or were cut down without warning and without mercy?

I wondered how did the survivors maintain their sanity?

How many of them were able to keep their mind numb by thinking about their favorite sports team, their favorite food or the hope of their

heart’s deepest desire — freedom.

Did they persevere because of hate and the desire for revenge?

Or was it because of the love of God and country that must of burned in their heart.

Or were they human beings like you and me who simply took each step as it came and met each challenge as it arose.

Before leaving, a colleague and myself visited a memorial that had been erected to honor the survivors.

A beautiful elderly couple asked me if they could take my picture because they had heard I was a soldier that had made the march.

Upon further conversation I learned that the gentleman was a World War II veteran who taught English to Puerto Rican soldiers when he was only 18 years old. He had a cousin that died on the March and a brother who was buried at Normandy. His wife told me that they had also been to visit Pearl Harbor six times.

Never in my life have I ever felt more humble and yet proud than at the moment I posed for that particular picture.

Our freedom is not free and by the grace of God I was allowed the privilege of honoring those who gave their life and those who suffered as prisoners of war. Despite the fact that many were boys looking for adventure or men who wanted to do their duty for their country, they did not break.

It came to me later why I didn’t give in to the desire to quit despite the blisters on my feet and my concept of hunger and thirst; I’m an American — I’m not supposed to.

## Marcher humbled and proud

## Davis-Monthan hosts airshow for Arizona

### 355th Wing PAO release

DAVIS-MONTHAN AIR FORCE BASE, Ariz. — Davis-Monthan AFB hosts Aerospace & Arizona Days 2002 April 27 and 28. The two-day airshow will feature more than 30 military and civilian aerial demonstration each day and more than 100 static display aircraft from across the United States.

The U.S. Navy Parachute Team, the “Leap Frogs,” and the U.S. Air Force Academy Parachute Team, the “Wings of Blue,” are among the featured demonstrations.

This year’s theme, “Service for Freedom,” pays tribute to military and civilian Americans who serve to protect and ensure the freedom of the United States. Keeping with that theme, members of the Tucson Police Department, Fire Department, Rescue Services, Pima County Sheriff, and the U.S. Border Patrol are participating in the opening ceremonies, and offer ground static displays featuring their departments and missions.

### Transportation/traffic

Sun Tran will be operating a shuttle service for A&A Days 2002. The shuttle service will operate from three locations and transport passengers directly to Aerospace and Arizona Days 2002 Show Center.

The shuttle pick-up and drop-off locations will be Park Place Mall, Pima Air and Space Museum, and Tucson Elec-

tric Park. Wheelchair accessible buses will be available at all boarding locations. For more information, call Sun Tran at 792-9222.

Swan and Craycroft gates open at 8:30 a.m. to the general public. The Swan gate closes to inbound traffic at 1 p.m. and all four lanes become outbound until 6 p.m. when the gate will close. The Craycroft Gate will close to general public inbound traffic at 4 p.m.

### AMARC tours

There will be tours of Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Center on both days of the Airshow. The tours are from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the base is providing a bus shuttle to AMARC for the tours.

### Restrictions

Backpacks, large purses, camel backs, coolers and pets are not allowed in the airshow. This will be strictly enforced due to the potential security risk and Foreign Object Damage hazards on the flight line. Baby bags will be allowed but searched. All personnel (and their belongings) entering the airshow are subject to search.

For detailed information about A&A Days 2002, visit D-M’s Web site at [www.dm.af.mil/aa](http://www.dm.af.mil/aa).

For more information, call the 355th Wing Public Affairs Office at 228-7842.

## College presents ‘Plaza Suite’

### Cochise College release

Cochise College actors kick off four nights of “Plaza Suite” April 25 in the library commons on the Sierra Vista campus.

The Neil Simon comedy is the first play put on by the college’s theater workshop in more than a decade. Directed by Jennifer Meeker, the cast includes full- and part-time college students of all acting levels, as well as a high school student and a local professional.

The plot focuses on the events that occur in Room 719 at The Plaza hotel in New York City. The Hollywood version of “Plaza Suite” starred Walter Matthau and Maureen Stapleton, who played the lead characters in all three acts. The Cochise College version includes 10 actors in 12 parts.

To obtain their parts, Cochise College actors enrolled in the theater class and performed several “cold readings” to show their skill levels. In addition to performing, the cast also participates in every aspect of the production, including marketing, set design and construction, costume selection, prop selection and lighting.

“This is the first play I’ve directed, and I’m loving every step of the way,” Meeker said. “It’s a very neat cast.”

Playwright Neil Simon is known for such works as “The Odd Couple” and “Lost in Yonkers.” The play is showing April 25 and 27 and May 3 and 4. All shows begin at 7:30 p.m.

April 25 is preview night; tickets cost \$5. Noise may be a factor that evening, as the library will still be open. General admission tickets for April 27 and May 4 and 5 cost \$10; student and senior citizen tickets cost \$8.

For tickets, call 515-0500.

## Mist unable to dampen Army’s spirits following Friday scrimmage

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WEST POINT, N.Y. (April 12, 2002) — Toiling under heavy clouds and a steady, misting rain, Army’s football team marked the midpoint of its 2002 spring slate Friday as the Black Knights conducted their second scrimmage in seven days, an abbreviated hour-long affair at Michie Stadium.

Head coach Todd Berry’s spring talent evaluation case study continued, despite a practice shortened due to the required attendance

of the plebes at a dinner celebrating the unveiling of the Class of 2005 crest.

While there were several big plays on offense and defense, Berry was pleased with the team’s showing despite his offensive unit putting just one touchdown on the board in the 60 minutes.

“The intensity is good. We are enjoying the game and we are flying around to the football. We are doing the things that we need to do to be successful. But it’s also important for the

players to enjoy playing the game. Then, they don’t dread coming out to practice. When they come out every day, they are excited about playing. And when that happens, you get better, and you keep getting better.

“I’m not worried about whether the offense is scoring or the defense is making plays. It is still all about the individuals right now, not about the whole team. Will we be able to line up 11 guys on offense and 11 guys on defense who can play next year? We’ll be able to do that.

Now it’s about if we have another 11 behind that and 11 behind that, and seeing how people have grown.

“You hope that you grow a little bit every day that you come out to practice, and you want to see that move forward in a live scrimmage situation,” Berry said.

“I’m real pleased with where we are at right now, with our installation. Even though we are

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# Arizonans should think safety first when temperatures soar

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I know it's hard to believe, but really hot weather is just around the corner. Here in Arizona, things tend to warm up a little earlier than you may be used to. Spring is here and by the end of May the temperatures will begin to soar. So start planning now.

The use of sunscreen is essential and the higher the UV value the better. On a hot summer day, you can burn in as little as fifteen minutes and children's soft skin burns even faster. If you're planning on being around water make sure the sunscreen is waterproof and you re-apply often. Hats and sunglasses can also help protect you from the sun's hazardous rays.

And don't forget water, the dry Arizona heat will dehydrate you in no time. Never travel without plenty of water, whether on foot or in your car. Consider moving strenuous activities like mowing the lawn or jogging to the early morning or evening hours when it's cooler.

Another hazard of our high temperatures involves leaving anything in a car. This means children or pets especially, and just cracking a window is not going to do it. In less than five minutes the temperature inside a vehicle will reach in excess of 120 degrees and quickly become lethal.

On average 20 children die nationally every year from being left in the car. Law enforcement and rescue personnel will not hesi-

tate for a moment to break your car window if you have left a child or an animal inside.

First time "Arizonians" should also familiarize themselves with our wildlife. Here on Fort Huachuca we have a wide variety of wildlife, most is beautiful and harmless as long as you don't bother them. But there are a few to watch out for, black bears, mountain lions, javalina and rattlesnakes all call this home.

Most will not come looking for you but it's wise to know they are here and keep an eye on your children and pets when picnicking, hiking or camping. This part of Arizona is also a rabies quarantine area, so you should insure that all of your pets' vaccinations are up to date and see a doctor about any animal bites, no

matter how minor.

In addition to these, in the last few years, Africanized Honeybees have moved into this area of the country. These bees are more aggressive than the European Honeybees you are probably used to. If attacked, protect your face and eyes and get indoors as quickly as possible, if there is no indoors, then run and keep running, though fast, the bees tire very quickly and will stop chasing you after about half a mile. Don't try the old jumping in water trick, they'll only be waiting for you when you come back up.

Arizona is a beautiful place but like any place else new, you need to acquaint yourself with the local dangers and be prepared.

## Scrimmage from B3

just eight practices into the spring, we've exposed our guys to some difficult situations.

"We've got everything in on both sides of the football. That's causing a lot of the guys who have not had a wealth of playing time to do a lot of thinking, and that is what we want. If you call easy plays, you are not going to find out a lot about your younger players. Today we backed off a bit as coaches, because we need to find out what the players truly know."

Running backs Marcellus Chapman and C.J. Young churned up large chunks of turf at times, with Chapman amassing 39 yards on just four carries while Young's yeoman-like effort yielded 43 yards on eight totes.

Chapman, who was among the top performers last spring but was hampered by injuries in the fall, ripped off three runs of longer than 10 yards. D.J. Blackledge added 22 yards on eight carries.

Young's 1-yard burst to paydirt accounted for the day's lone touchdown, capping a 14-play, 95-yard drive engineered by freshman quarterback Cory Sherk.

On the drive, the offense posted five plays of 11 or more yards, including a 25-yard completion from Sherk to class-

mate Aaron Alexander that moved the squad to the 34-yard line.

Two plays later, Young's 19-yard off-tackle cut back run put the ball on the 12-yard line. Following an incompletion, Chapman scampered 11 yards to the 1, setting up Young's off dive.

Sherk finished the afternoon 1 of 5 passing for 25 yards. Matt Silva completed 7 of 17 aerials for 71 yards, but was intercepted once. Reggie Nevels misfired on his four attempts, but continues to demonstrate tremendous poise in the pocket. Alexander led all receivers with three receptions for 61 yards.

Freshman defensive back Jonathan Lewis outdueled Alexander to register the afternoon's only pickoff.

Lewis also posted a tackle for loss.

The defense forged four quarterback sacks, with one each by Ryan Johnson, Greg Washington, Brian Hill and Zane Galvach.

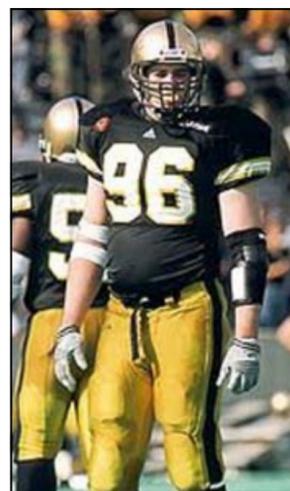
Washington also had a tackle for loss, as did Paddy Heiliger. Curt Daniels enjoyed a tackle for loss and a pass breakup.

"The guys that we know can play have been playing well, and there have been some pleasant surprises amongst some young guys we were anxious to see play," Berry said.

"Today was about figuring out where a player stands developmentally and what he needs to work on. Next week we'll look more toward really being in groups to where we are a bit more functional." The Black Knights have a scrimmage Friday.

The Black Knights opened their third week of practices on Tuesday, beginning a run of four consecutive days of drills.

The week will culminate with a scrimmage at 4:30 p.m. Friday.



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Paddy Heiliger