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### Commissary hiring

The Fort Huachuca commissary is hiring high school and college students for part-time jobs through the Student Temporary Employment Program. The commissary can offer a student flexible hours, opportunities for advancement, and career training programs. The commissary student employment program provides income, early job responsibilities, and exposure to the latest retail and information technologies. Students can learn from a variety of work assignments that support the grocery business in areas such as retail sales, inventory control, merchandising, information systems, and marketing.

To be eligible, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least 16 years of age, carry a half-time course load or greater in an accredited school, and have an overall grade average of "C" or better.

Interested students may get application forms from the commissary office.

For additional information, call the Fort Huachuca commissary at 533-5540 ext. 100, 101 or 102.

### Fitness training

Authorized Morale, Welfare and Recreation patrons can participate in free variety training and strength training classes during their lunch break. On Mondays and Wednesdays participate in a healthy combination of high and low impact aerobics, step and bench, body sculpting, sports conditioning, strength and weight training and Circuit training. On Tuesdays and Thursdays participate in strength training and equipment orientation. All classes are held at Barnes Field House and taught by Kathy Gray, a certified personal trainer, certified biomechanics of resistance instructor and certified nautilus instructor. Call 533-3180 or 533-5031 for more information.

### Tennis

The Parks and Leisure Service is conducting after school tennis lessons beginning Wednesday. Beginner lessons will begin will be taught from 4:30-5:30 p.m., while advanced beginner and intermediate lesson will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Lessons are for youth 6-17 years of age and will run for four consecutive weeks. Registration is \$50 per student, with each class limited to eight students. Lessons may also be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays as determined by registrations. A certified U.S. Tennis Association instructor will teach lessons. Session III will start Nov. 4. Registration is on going at the Oscar Yrun Community Center, the Ethel Berger Center and at the Cove. Call 458-7922 for additional information.

### Volleyball players wanted

Sports For Youth Foundation inc. is currently accepting applications for the 2002 Volleyball Exchange to Europe. Players 21 years old and over, who are accomplished volleyball players and want to sightsee, play volleyball and meet new people are encouraged to enroll. From Nov. 29-Dec. 15 you could be playing volleyball in London, England; Paris, France; and Venice, and Rome, Italy. For additional information contact The Sports For Youth Foundation at [info@sportsforyouth.com](mailto:info@sportsforyouth.com).

Visit [www.volleyballtours.com](http://www.volleyballtours.com). For additional tour information, contact the Sports For Youth office at (425) 255-8102.



Photo by Sgt. Jessica Inigo

**1st Lt. Monroe Mann, currently attending the Military Intelligence Officer Basic Course, recently premiered in the box office hit, Swim Fan. The officer has his sights set on winning an Oscar in his future acting career.**

## Oughtta be in Hollywood...

By Sgt. Jessica Inigo  
Time Out Editor

There's a star in our midst – and he's a regular renaissance man.

He's part struggling actor, part movie star, part patriotic citizen, and part warrior – and he has ruthless aggression toward it all.

Currently attending the Military Intelligence Officer Basic Course, the seemingly average Army lieutenant, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Monroe Mann, is anything but ordinary.

Mann recently debuted in the box office hit movie, *Swim Fan*, as Jake Donnelly. He played the ex-boyfriend of star, Erika Christensen. Though he was only on the big screen three separate times in the movie, it got him his first movie credit.

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Photo by Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart

**Above, Richard Cooksley, a Bataan Death March survivor addressed the crowd, just prior to the walk-a-thon. At right, AmVets Chapter 89 and other veteran organizations also participated in the event.**



Photos by Sgt. Jessica Inigo

## POW/MIA walk held to commemorate

By Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart  
Scout News Editor

Civilians and servicemembers from the Fort Huachuca community showed their appreciation and respect to current and former Prisoners of War during a walkathon held at Chaffee Parade Field Friday. The event had a two-mile and a five-mile course.

Richard Cooksley, a Bataan Death March survivor addressed the crowd. During the infamous Death March, Cooksley said he went three days without food or water. He eventually lost over 70 pounds.

According to Cooksley, during the Bataan Death March, over 500 people died daily. He was in the Korean War from 1950-1952. He extended his appreciation toward the service and community members who participated. AmVets Chapter 89 and other veteran organizations also participated in the event.

Sgt 1<sup>st</sup> Class DeLand Hayden, Company A, 306<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Battalion, his

daughter Napua, 12, and their dog Ki Ki, 2, participated in the event as a way to pay tribute to POWs and as a way to bond as a family.

"I believe in honoring and rendering respect to our country. My grandfather was in World War II and I had an uncle who was in the Vietnam Conflict," Hayden said. He has come across a Missing In Action bracelet that

honors an Air Force pilot who has the same last name but they are not related. Hayden and his daughter made a sketch of the pilot's name when the Vietnam Moving Wall memorial visited Sierra Vista.

Before the participants took off, they were given an added boost of inspiration by the 36<sup>th</sup> Army Band who played the theme from the movie "Rocky."



**Soldiers and civilians were encouraged to walk the event, rather than run, in remembrance of the prisoners of war and missing in action.**

## Different strokes for different Hispanic folks

By Sgt. Jessica Inigo  
Time Out Editor

To embark on a journey through any culture can be as easy as escaping into their cuisine. Authentic flavors and cooking techniques seem to sing into the hearts of those who consume it, teaching much more about a culture than ever imagined.

Sure, textbooks teach languages and brochures show pretty pictures, but nothing describes the soul of a culture more than their typical dishes.

The Hispanic culture contains a host of nationalities, with a lifestyle as different as their meals.

Hispanic Heritage Month runs through Oct. 15. This year's theme is "Strength in Unity, Faith and Diversity." There will be a free celebration Friday, at 11:15 a.m. at Murr Community Center.

There will be cultural displays, entertainment and food samplings from the following ethnic cultures: Argentine, Brazilian, Colombian, Mexican, Cuban, Puerto Rican, Peruvian, Dominican and Panamanian.

The keynote speaker is Mayor Marco A. Lopez Jr. of Nogales, Ariz., the youngest elected Hispanic Mayor in the state of Arizona.

With more than 22 million people of Hispanic descent currently living in the United States, Hispanics are becoming the fastest growing population, according to recent surveys.

From the fair to dark skinned Latinos, the



Graphic by Angelica Pequeño

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## Arizona Cardinals Cheerleaders cheer for the troops at Barnes



Courtesy photo

### MWR release

Recreation Services Division proudly announces the appearance of the Arizona NFL Cardinals Cheerleaders Oct. 4, at 4 p.m. at Barnes Field House. This event is presented as a morale lifter to all soldiers, especially soldiers recently returning from deployment. The event is free. Tickets are required for entry. Tickets are available in limited numbers at MWR Box Office and Sierra Vista Safeway. Call 533-1690 for information on this event. Interested persons may access information concerning the Cardinals Cheerleaders on the Web at [www.azcardinals.com/cheerleaders](http://www.azcardinals.com/cheerleaders).

# Thunder Mountain Powerlifting Open debuts at Barnes Field House Oct. 19

### MWR release

The 2002 Thunder Mountain USA Powerlifting Open will debut Oct. 19, at 10 a.m. at Barnes Field House. This first-time event on Fort Huachuca is a USA Powerlifting sanctioned event. Powerlifting is a sport where the lifter attempts to lift as much weight as possible in three different disciplines.

Powerlifting has become increasingly popular over the past three decades. From humble beginnings in several countries, to well organized international competition, the International Powerlifting Federation has unified strength athletes across the world. The IPF is celebrating its 33 year and the sport has gained world-wide popularity. IPF affiliate nations include more than 250,000 participating athletes.

Powerlifting remains, primarily, an amateur sport. While there are several professional competitions each year, World Championships do not involve awarding any prize money.

Each competition is divided into three lift categories; the squat, the bench press and the deadlift. Placement is determined by the total lifted in three attempts in each discipline.

The squat is a test of leg strength where the lifter rests the bar on his back, then descends until the hips are lower than the knees and comes back up, straightening the legs.

The bench press is by far the most popular lift and displays upper body strength. Muscles used include the chest, shoulders, triceps and lats (back). In a powerlifting meet, the lifter must pause with the bar motionless on the chest for ap-

proximately one second, then push the bar to a complete and even lockout. Bouncing the bar or raising the hips is not allowed in a powerlifting meet.

The final lift, the deadlift, is a test of back and leg strength. The bar sits on the floor and the lifter hauls it up to the waist with the arms hanging straight down. In a powerlifting meet, the lifter is not allowed any jerking of the bar up and down. The lifter must stand erect with the shoulders and back straight.

The discipline, focus and strength involved in this sport translate into a sound mind, stronger body and overall sense of well-being.

Entry fees are \$25 for the first division entered and \$20 for each additional division. Team entry is \$40. Entry deadline is Oct. 8. There will be an additional \$5 entry fee for registrations after Oct. 8. Admission price for spectators is \$5 per person. Children 12 and under may attend free of charge.

There are many divisions and weight classes. Awards will be given to 1st-5th places in all divisions. Call 533-3180 or 533-5031 for information.



## Fort Huachuca Directorate of Community Activities 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 our MWR Marketing Director, Paula German, at 538-0836 or send an e-mail to [paula.german@hua.army.mil](mailto:paula.german@hua.army.mil).



### AFTB Level III class

Army Family Team Building Level III classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Oct. 8 from 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Preregistration is required. Call 533-5686 for information. Level III classes are only offered a couple times a year and upon special request. This level is intended to enhance the professional growth and leadership development opportunities of family members, especially those who are in leadership roles within the community and military unit.

### New at Lil' Skeeters

Quick Shot Bonanza Bingo may be played at Lil' Skeeters during lunch and dinner hours. Participants can win up to \$50. Prizes are paid on the spot, "in cash!" The cost is only \$1 per play. Drop in at Lil' Skeeters and ask the friendly staff for payout information. Lil' Skeeters invites all to come in, relax and play Bonanza Bingo while you eat. Call 533-3837 for information.

Learn to play Quick Shot and then try your luck with the Big Bingo Program offered at La Hacienda. La Hacienda Bingo is offered Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 6:45 p.m. and Sundays at 12:45 p.m. Call La Hacienda at 533-7322 for information.

The Mega Mushroom Burger is the special at Lil' Skeeters this month. The burger may be purchased alone for \$3 or as a combo with fries or a side salad and a medium drink for \$5.

A Smoker's Sampler Plate is now available. The sampler includes smoked pulled pork, brisket, Saint Louis ribs, and smoked turkey, served with combread for the low price of \$4.95. This new item is worth a return visit to Lil' Skeeters to sample all their specialty items at once.

Lil' Skeeters is open for lunch Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and open for dinner Wednesday and Thursday, 3:30-7:30 p.m. and Friday 3:30-8 p.m. Call 533-3837 for information or takeout.

### Sportsman's Center activities

Night Paintball is Friday, from 7-12 p.m. Range fee is \$5 and rental packages are available for \$20.

On Saturday, the Sportsman's Center will hold a Sportsman's Flea Market. This is a great opportunity for sportsmen to sell their unwanted fishing or hunting equipment. Table rental is \$5.

The next Hunter Safety Course will be conducted Oct. 7, 9, 10, 15 and 17. Range day will be Oct. 19, at 8 a.m. to noon. This course is sponsored by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. Certified instructors will teach safe handling of firearms and ammunition in the home and in the field, safe hunting habits, proper outdoor manners, outdoor survival and wildlife management techniques. The cost is \$5. Call 533-7085 for information.

A Basic Reloading Course will be held Oct. 16. Call 533-7085 for details.

Patrons of the Sportsman's Center who fill out a comment card have a chance to win a prize. Comment cards will be judged each month and the winning comment or suggestion will win a \$20 gift certificate. Call 533-7085 for information on any of these events.

### MWR Rents activities

During September, patrons at MWR Rents may rent all towed barbecue grills for \$5 off the day rental fee. Patrons who fill out a comment card have an opportunity to win a monthly prize. The winner receives a \$20 gift certificate good for any rental at MWR Rents.

An all-day boater safety class is scheduled for Saturday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Completion of a boater safety class is necessary to rent boats from MWR Rents. Call 533-6707 for information.

MWR Rents will begin new winter hours Tuesday. Hours of operation will be Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. The facility will be closed Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Out-processing will be conducted during all regular business hours. These hours will remain in affect through Dec. 31.

### Lynda's Barber Shop

Lynda's Barber Shop proudly welcomes Jose Nuñez to their staff of professionals serving Fort Huachuca's soldiers and their

families. Nuñez is one of Sierra Vista's finest women's hairstylists.

Lynda's offers a free haircut on your birthday and the staff is willing to make an appointment that fits your schedule. Lynda's Barber Shop is open seven days a week and is located inside Desert Lanes Bowling Center. Call 417-9150 to make an appointment.

### Karate classes at Eifler Fitness Center

Eifler Fitness Center offers Karate classes to students ages 5 years through adult on Mondays and Wednesdays. The class for 5-7-year-olds is at 5:30 p.m. The adult classes are at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. A Saturday class is also offered for all ages from 9:15 a.m. to noon.

Classes include empty hand self-defense, Kata, sparring and Okinawan Kobudo weapons. Classes are \$25 per person monthly with discounts available for families of three or more members. Sign-up and payment will be received only at Barnes Field House between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. For information, call 533-3180/5031 or stop by Eifler Fitness Center during scheduled class times.

### Buffalo Corral highlights

The Buffalo Corral offers its annual Overnight Tombstone Trail Ride Oct. 19 and 20. Riders in this event take part in the Hellorado Days Parade in Tombstone and stay at the Vigilante Hall. LakeSide Activity Centre provides all meals which include two box lunches, a great steak dinner and a cowboy breakfast. The ride is open to intermediate riders 18 years and older.

The cost is \$155 for authorized MWR patrons and \$200 for civilians. This ride requires selection of a proper mount and several camping equipment requirements, so reservations and the \$50 non-refundable deposit must be made in person by close of business Oct. 12. Full payment is required by Oct. 16. A minimum of 15 riders is required for the ride to proceed. For more information, call 533-5220.

### Red Cross Blood Drive

The next American Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday at Eifler Fitness Center, from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Call 417-2252 or 227-9822 for information or appointments.

### Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program will offer several classes on domestic violence prevention throughout the community on a reservation basis. All classes are held at the Army Community Service conference room. Dates and times are as follows: Oct. 3, 2-4 p.m.; Oct. 8, 6-8 p.m.; Oct. 17, 2-4 p.m.; Oct. 22, 6-8 p.m. Call 533-6873 for information. Domestic violence prevention displays will be highlighted throughout the community during October.

### BFH closures

Barnes Field House will host the 2002 Armed Forces Communication Electronics Association Wednesday and Thursday. Barnes will conduct business as usual except for the following two closures. The lower parking lot will be closed down today for set up of the exhibition tent and reopen Oct. 5. The main gym (basketball courts) will be closed to the public beginning Monday to allow AFCEA vendors time to set up all displays. The main gym will be available for use at 8 a.m., Oct. 4. For information, contact Richard Silva at 538-2022.

### Pool events

Scuba classes are offered now at Barnes Field House. The cost is \$150. A scuba class is available for children 8 years and older for \$50. For information, call 533-3858 or contact the instructor directly at 803-0308.

Barnes Field House Pool hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 5-7:30 a.m. lap swim; 7:30-11 a.m. open swim; 11 a.m.-1 p.m. lap swim and 1-2 p.m. open swim. Pool closes at 2 p.m. The pool also closes from 7:30-11 a.m. on Thursdays for cleaning and maintenance. Pool is closed Sundays. Call 533-3858 for information.

Barnes Pool will close all day Oct. 9 and from 5-8 p.m. for the German Badge Swim Competition. Call 533-3858 for information.

### Over 30 Basketball Program

The Over 30 Basketball Program begins Nov. 4. The coaches' meeting is Oct. 15, at 10 a.m. at Barnes Field House. All rostered players must be 30 years or older to participate. All teams must submit a letter of intent with team point of contact and duty phone. The \$100 entry fee will be due by close of business, Oct. 22.

Call Michelle Kimsey at 533-3180 for information, and eligibility requirements.



### TICKETS AVAILABLE AT MWR BOX OFFICE

#### TUCSON CONVENTION CENTER

|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Alice Cooper in Concert | Sept. 27       |
| "If You Ever Leave Me"  | Oct. 4-6       |
| Toy Story on Ice        | Oct. 9-13      |
| "Fame"                  | Jan. 24-Feb. 7 |
| "Stomp"                 | March 1 & 2    |
| "Cats"                  | April 4-6      |

#### OTHER LOCATIONS

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| Arizona State Fair in Phoenix | October 10-27 |
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#### CARDINALS FOOTBALL PACKAGES

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| vs. New York Giants     | Sunday  |
| vs. Dallas Cowboys      | Oct. 20 |
| vs. St. Louis Rams      | Nov. 3  |
| vs. Seattle Seahawks    | Nov. 10 |
| vs. Oakland Raiders     | Nov. 24 |
| vs. Detroit Lions       | Dec. 8  |
| vs. San Francisco 49ers | Dec. 21 |

Times and prices vary. Call 533-2404 for information or drop by the MWR Box Office located in the MWR Plaza, Building 52008, Arizona St.

Southern Arizona Entertainment Books are available this month. Books are \$35 each and offer discounts for hotels, restaurants, shows in the Tucson area, cruises, airlines and even rental cars. These books pay for themselves the first time they are used.

MWR Box Office is available to assist in making hotel reservations for Tucson or Phoenix and purchasing discount tickets for California and Arizona attractions.

Special Disney character watches may be purchased for only \$21 each. The Box Office has a large variety including: Bugs Bunny, Mickey and Minnie Mouse, Scooby Doo, Tazmanian Devil, Marvin the Martian and more.

**MWR Box Office  
Open Mon - Fri  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

# Coronado National Forest recreation fees waived Saturday

USDA Forest Service release

Coronado National Forest joins the nation-wide celebration of National Public Lands Day, Saturday, by honoring our public land stewards and volunteers and waiving recreation use fees at almost all campgrounds and trailheads on the Coronado National Forest. The only exceptions are Rose Canyon and Spencer Canyon Campgrounds, the privately managed campgrounds on Mount Lemmon on the Santa Catalina Ranger District.

With more and more Americans interested in volunteering, the National Environmental Education and Training Foundation, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, and the U.S. Forest Service have partnered to establish

National Public Lands Day, a nationwide event to encourage all Americans to pitch in to protect our country's natural resources. The goal of the partnership is to increase volunteerism, educate more Americans on environmentally sensitive land use and to promote recreation.

"National Public Lands Day is an excellent opportunity for the nation and Forest Service employees to work together to improve the land," says Dale Bosworth, Forest Service Chief. "It is a time to reinforce our tradition of public-land stewardship in partnership with local communities."

"Come out and enjoy your public lands on National Public Lands Day," encourages John McGee, Coronado National Forest Supervisor.

On the Coronado National Forest, there will be no day use fees for hiking and picnicking on that Saturday. Those

seeking to use areas covered under a daily pass system will not need to purchase a pass to use these areas on Saturday. Campers who arrive on Saturday will not have to pay a fee if they leave on September 29. Those who plan extended visits will need to resume fee payment on Sunday through the duration of their visit.

Campers who arrive prior to Saturday, but plan to depart that Saturday are required to pay the camping fee. The fee waiver is for arrival on Saturday only, for either day use or one overnight stay.

National forests and grasslands provide healthful, outdoor recreation opportunities for millions of Americans and international visitors.

For more information about the fee waiver on the Coronado National Forest, call (520) 670-4552

## ACTOR from B1

But the actor doesn't let his dreams of stardom come between him and his country.

Mann has been in the Army since 1999 as an all-source intelligence analyst for the New York National Guard and said he has never been more proud of his decision to serve his country.

Mann said he knew his calling for the Army when he seen the movie, *Saving Private Ryan*. "I just knew something was missing," he said.

"I wanted to serve my country without sacrificing my acting ambitions. The National Guard popped up, and though it may have deterred my acting career by missing auditions and movie roles, overall it was the best decision I've made in my life," Mann said. His father was also an intelligence ana-

lyst, during World War II.

Mann said his most poignant moment in the military came when he was activated Sept. 11, 2001, to ground zero.

"The two years of training I received through the Army was well worth the privilege and honor I felt assisting during this crisis. That one experience alone made it all worth it," Mann said, who initially helped to pull debris and rubble in the search efforts.

"One fireman was found alive. It was a tremendous moment. It was as if we scored a touch down. Everyone was cheering and tears came to my eye. I couldn't believe someone was actually found in that heap. It was amazing."

Soon thereafter Mann was transferred to a family support center. He assisted family members who were looking for their missing relatives.

"I had to console these people and tell them it would be OK. I had to answer their questions. It was really hard because I pretty much knew the facts, but they wanted to believe so much that they would find their loved ones. It was amazing to see how much hope these people had. I didn't want to be the one who destroyed their hope," Mann said.

Now, as much as he may not want to be deployed, he said he would take the orders

in stride. "I'd just pick up where I left off," Mann said. "I'm thrilled to be in the Army, especially right now."

Prior to joining the Army, Mann took advantage of an opportunity to study abroad and received a Bachelor of Arts in International Economics and French from Franklin University in Lugano, Switzerland.

Mann, originally from Maine, not only has stars in his eyes, but he is also a producer, writer, and founder and president of a business school for actors, called "Unstoppable Actors." He also said he will win an Oscar within the next three years.

This Oscar won't come easy, but Mann said he knows the secret to success.

"It all goes back to confidence. For some weird reason, confidence is so rare. When you see the real thing exhibited by someone, people treat them weirdly. They confuse confidence for arrogance or cockiness," Mann said. "Confidence is nothing more than hard work and determination. That may sound trite, but everyone knows when you really want something, you go get it. Acting's the same way. It's not luck. You have to have the psyche of a star. You have to know where you're going before you get there. I know I'm going to win the Oscar."

He said the Army's can do attitude has rolled over into his attitude toward acting. "There are no excuses. Never give up and have the spirit and heart to succeed," he said.

Currently Mann is producing and writing a film about his favorite sport, wakeboarding. Once he graduates the

MIOBC course Mann is to Florida to scout out the perfect location. All he needs is a quick \$3.5 million and he'll be ready to make the flick. He is accepting donations.

Mann said attending the MIOBC course is a blessing for his military career and his National Guard unit.

"I was previously training for a War Fighter mission at my unit. I felt lost during the six to seven months I worked on it because it seemed as if there was no time for anyone to teach me how to do my job properly. Now having been in MIOBC I'll be ready to go back to my unit, dive right in, and take charge if necessary. I've been taught well. Kudos to Capt. Michael Pickett and Staff Sgt. David Rivera," Mann said.

"He takes on tasks and effectively completes them all. When he first got here he was overwhelmed by too many tasks, but he has learned to manage them better and complete them at the same time. He is talented and is an aggressive thinker," Rivera said, who is an intelligence analyst instructor. "I'm positive he's going to make it. He's the type of person that when he sets his mind to doing something he gets it done. He just keeps going and going and never stops until he reaches it. That's what makes him a great officer. He is a credit to his unit."

For more information on Mann look on the Web at [www.monroemann.com](http://www.monroemann.com), or on [www.unstoppableactors.com](http://www.unstoppableactors.com).

Also, for more information on the movie Mann is producing and writing check out [www.locodawn.com](http://www.locodawn.com).



Courtesy photo

Swim Fan star, Erika Christensen and 1st Lt. Monroe Mann acting as a couple for the box office hit. This is Mann's first movie credit.

## La Ha Hacienda

By Sgt. Jessica Inigo  
Time Out Editor

Three Latino comedians took the stage at La Hacienda, bringing the crowd to tears with their performances.

Headliner Shayla Rivera shocked the crowd with her no bull attitude and tell-it-like-it is jokes on everything from being Puerto Rican to becoming a rocket scientist.

Show opener, Michael Montijo, of Casa Grande, prepared the audience for a night of laughter and fun. His antics of dancing, singing and joke telling sent the crowd into a riot.

Ruben Quintana's story telling jokes of true to life Mexican living kept the crowd's spirits up. After the show he said he was amazed to see the diversity in the crowd and was honored to be at Fort Huachuca.

"I'm impressed to see how multi-cultural the show was," he said.

Michael Montijo makes the crowd go wild during his comedic act. Montijo said humor helps people come together and celebrate each other's diversity.



Photos by Sgt. Jessica Inigo



Shayla Rivera



Ruben Quintana

## 304th claims victory over 306th

By Maj. Daniel Larke  
Special to The Scout

On the early morning of Sept. 18 members of the 304th and 306th Military Intelligence Battalions met at Barnes Field House Stadium in a bid for the 112th Military Intelligence Brigade's Battle of the Battalions Soccer Challenge. Since 2000, this would be the third meet between the two units.

Having lost the first two matches, 6-1 and 3-1, the 304th endured more than a year and a half of hazing. "We have practiced too long and have too much talent in our ranks not to be the best in U.S. Army Intelligence Center," said Maj. George Peters, the 304th coach. Training focused on a very risky, offside defense, enabling the ball to spend most of the time in front of the 306th MI goal. For over two years, every Friday morning, 304th MI players dutifully reported to Foster Field for practice, because they could ill afford strike three.

Although the 306th MI scored a quick first goal, 304th MI dominated most of the play. Scoring their first goal in the second half, the 304th's momentum returned. Soon after, the 304th scored on a penalty kick by Chief Warrant Officer 2 David Ellis, the 306th answered with a final score late in the

second half to end regulation play in a tie 2-2. The ensuing overtime ended in a stalemate and the game moved to the penalty shot phase.

Each team gathered their five best kickers and lined up for the final challenge. The 304th MI missed their first kick, but Staff Sgt. Tony Bolvin, the 304th keeper and most valuable player, blocked 306th's next shot. By the fourth kick, 304th MI was up 2-1 in penalty shots. The game depended on Lt. Col. Brian Lesieur's shot. If he made it, 304th would cinch the win. With a twist and a fake, the shot went over the keeper's head into the upper left corner of the goal. The commander, under "no pressure," sealed the victory for the 304th MI.



Photo by Maj. Daniel Larke

The 304th and 306th Military Intelligence Battalions battle it out.

**HISPANIC from B1**

Hispanic culture on post has much to say about their unique heritage. They talked on what they missed most, how their nationality plays a role in their everyday life, and even the changes in heritage from living in America and being in the military.

A running theme throughout the Hispanic population has been their cuisine. Their savory meals not only enticed their palettes, but also reminded them of family, friends and fun.

“During Christmas time, with the festivities and the typical meals cooked in Puerto Rico, is what I miss most,” said Capt. Gerardo Rivera, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Army Signal Command. “Puerto Ricans have a lot of patriotism. Anywhere you go, if there is a Puerto Rican there you’ll see a flag flying. It helps us to feel more at home.”

Sgt. Kenneth Washington, Company B, 86<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion, who is Puerto Rican and African American, said he doesn’t understand why there is only one month to celebrate different ethnic groups. “Our heritage should be celebrated throughout the year. How much can we really celebrate in one month? By celebrating more often it helps everyone to relate and understand each other as individuals. It brings cultural awareness.”

Spc. Jerry Garcia, 69<sup>th</sup> Signal Company, said since he has joined the Army his Mexican family has become more patriotic toward the United States. “At first they said I was crazy and said ‘What if they ship you off to war?’ But now they are proud of me and they pay a lot more attention to the

news.”

Spc. Martin Cardenas, also Mexican and from the 69<sup>th</sup> Sig. Co., said it is important for everyone to remember their culture. “People sometimes forget their roots, especially in the Army because they don’t practice Spanish. I try to speak it everyday, but I get criticized at work a lot. I guess people don’t like hearing other languages. I think the Army should have a group to help get the Hispanics together. Kind of like a reunion.”

Cardenas said along with his mother’s cooking, he also misses Mexican radio stations.

But there are other nationalities besides Puerto Rican and Mexican, as Spc. Beverly Rodas of Headquarters Company, 306<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Battalion, pointed out. “People always ask me if I’m Puerto Rican or Mexican, but I’m neither. My family is from Honduras. That’s why it’s good to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, so you can see that there are many different Hispanic nationalities.”

Rodas said whenever she meets another Honduran she feels an instant connection with them. Her favorite aspect of the Honduran culture is the dancing, known as *punta*.

Sandra Calsetta, a family member on post, is most proud of the musical boom coming from Colombia right now. With stars like Shakira headlining the charts and coming up with Grammy’s in the Latin Grammy awards show, Calsetta said it is a big boost to the Colombian culture. She also mentioned other musical aspects of Colombia, such as the violin

music that “plays the most beautiful sounds you could ever imagine.” Calsetta also misses the weather and beaches of Colombia.

In Peru they are deeply rooted in their history, according to Yolanda Nesseth, Post Exchange front desk worker, who is from Lima. “Even though I am now a naturalized American I will never forget my roots,” she said.

Nesseth said the Inca Empire is one of the most interesting aspects of Peru. She also explained how the Spaniard’s conquest of Peru in 1532 was equally important. The Spaniards were in search of gold. They found plenty of it in Peru, but still killed off the last Inca Indian in their pursuit, but not before receiving a room full of it, as well as two more rooms full of silver before the Indian’s death. Because of this conquest, a new population was born called the *mes-tizo*, which was a mixture of the Spanish and Peruvian peoples. The Spaniards brought their language and religion to the land while the native Peruvians introduced potatoes to the Spaniards, as well as the rest of the world. There are some 1,000 different types of potatoes in Peru.

Though these are only a few of the many Hispanic nationalities on post and in the world, it easily portrays the “Strength in Unity, Faith and Diversity,” the Hispanic cultures have.

Help celebrate Hispanic Heritage Friday at the Murr Community Center at 11:15 a.m. and look for future articles in *The Fort Huachuca Scout* throughout the month.