



36th Army Band

Fort Huachuca, Arizona

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Summer 2003

Dear Friends,

It sure has been a long time since our last newsletter! Changes in post printing procedures have hindered our efforts to publish a new one since last fall. Our new goal is to send out two newsletters per year—one in the summer, one in the winter. These newsletters will be primarily retrospective in nature, so be sure to check our website for the most current concert and event information as well as snapshots of band members and activities. Sincere thanks to all of you for enthusiastically supporting the 36th Army Band. We hope to see you soon. Hooah!

Gary W. Dorrell, CW3
Commander and Bandmaster

The Year so Far...

The band has had a busy year. In addition to ceremonies on post and in Sierra Vista, we have traveled throughout Arizona and into parts of Texas, Nevada, and California, providing music for parades and other community events. Below are some of the highlights from the past few months.

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The 2003 Chamber Concert Series began with “An Afternoon of Brass,” which included music of J.S. Bach, Baden Powell, Lennie Niehaus, and Maceo Pinkard.

The Saxophone Quartet visited Buena High School to give students tips on arranging for small ensembles.

Sgt. 1st Class Andrew Bourke, Sgt. 1st Class Rod Lowery, and Staff Sgt. Eddy Nubine traveled to Toronto for the International Association of Jazz Educators conference.

Sgt. Terrina Anderson placed second in the Fort Huachuca NCO of the Year competition.

♦♦♦♦♦February♦♦♦♦♦

The concert band played a joint concert with the Buena High School Honor Band and provided musical support for Tucson’s Four Chaplains Memorial Ceremony.

The Stage Band performed at Colonel Johnston Elementary as part of that school’s Black History Month activities.

Sgt. Terrina Anderson was named Army Bands Junior NCO of the Year.

The Chamber Series continued with a concert that featured the Saxophone Quartet. The concert included music of Scott Joplin, Thelonius Monk, Irving Berlin, and Witold Lutoslawski.

♦♦♦♦♦March♦♦♦♦♦

The marching band participated in St. Patrick’s Day parades in Sierra Vista and Tucson.

Sgt. Daniel Welch and Spc. Brandon Taylor attended the Eastern Trombone Workshop at Ft. Myer, Virginia.

The Saxophone Quartet returned to Buena High School to perform student arrangements.

“Monsoon,” the 36th Army Band’s rock band, put on shows at schools in Flagstaff, Phoenix, and Prescott

during a Total Army Involvement Recruiting campaign.

The Dixieland Band was featured in a Chamber Series concert that also included music for clarinet and piano, trumpet and piano, and trombone choir.

TubaForce, the 36th Army Band's tuba quartet, performed during Career Day at Apache Middle School in Sierra Vista.

Sgt. Julio De La Rosa was selected as Unit NCO of the Quarter.

Sgt. Troy Allan and Spc. Brandon Taylor each received the Military Outstanding Volunteer Medal for completing more than one hundred hours of volunteer work in the community.

*****April*****

The Stage Band shared a concert with the Buena High School stage bands.

Monsoon and Sgt. Terrina Anderson presented workshops on playing and practicing techniques for Tombstone High School students.

The Concert Band provided music for the Pima County Fair and the Marching Band played for the ROTC awards ceremony at the University of Arizona.

The Brass Quintet performed for Singapore's Deputy Prime Minister in Marana.

The second biannual combined concerts with the 62nd Army Band from Fort Bliss took place on April 13 and 26. The concerts included music of Dmitri Shostakovich, Percy Aldridge Grainger, Joaquin Turina, and Glenn Miller.

The 2003 Chamber Series ended with a concert featuring the 36th Army Band Jazz Combo. The concert also included music for trumpet and piano, percussion ensemble, and solo clarinet.

*****May*****

Monsoon participated in Fort Huachuca's annual Festival of the Southwest and later traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada for another Total Army Involvement Recruiting tour.

The Dixieland Band played for the Fort Huachuca women's golf tournament.

Sgt. Terrina Anderson was selected to participate in a web advertising campaign for Army bands. Look for her picture and interview on www.band.goarmy.com in the fall.

The Jazz Combo performed for the 6th Recruiting Brigade conference in Laughlin, Nevada.

A small concert band provided music for Memorial Day ceremonies in Tucson and at Fort Huachuca.

Under the leadership of Sgt. Chris "Coach" Boltinghouse, the 36th Army Band softball team finished the season with a 9-10 record. Hooah!

*****June*****

The Marching Band took two TDY trips: first to Monterey, California to provide music for the Defense Language Institute change of command ceremony; and second to Yuma, Arizona to participate in the Warrior Welcome Home Ceremony for marines returning from Operation Iraqi Freedom. The marching band also performed at the Sidewinders' Military Appreciation Night in Tucson.

A small concert band performed at Flag Day festivities in Douglas, Arizona.

Sgt. Terrina Anderson attended the University of Oklahoma Clarinet Symposium.

Sgt. Andrew Joy and Spc. Brian Hall were selected as Unit NCO and Soldier of the Quarter.

Spotlight on...Sgt. Troy Allan

Hometown: Cedar City, Utah

Entered the Army: August 2001

Primary MOS: 02B, Trumpet Player

Married to Annette Allan for eight years. Annette teaches kindergarten computer classes at Ft. Huachuca schools.

First musical memory: I have three brothers, and we sang a lot when I was young. We'd go to rest homes and sing for the old folks, and we'd sing at church events. I was also in a lot of plays and musicals as a kid.

Life before the Army: After my first year of college, I went on a mission trip for my church for two years. When I returned, I taught music part-time while finishing my degree, then landed a full-time teaching job in that same district after graduation.

On playing the trumpet: When I was in fifth grade, my dad—who was the band teacher—said that I could play any instrument I wanted. He thought the trumpet would be best because it was, according to him, the most affordable. So he bought me a trumpet, and I played all the way through high school. I was more of a theater and choir person, but I played trumpet in pep band and for solo and ensemble contests. I'll never forget my first college audition. They asked me to play all the scales. To tell you the truth, I don't think I could play one scale then, because we didn't focus on that in high school. After the scales we did some sight-reading. I was horrible because I had basically learned everything by ear and didn't read music very well.

On joining the Army: I had a great time teaching, but deep down I always loved performing. Not necessarily performing on my trumpet, but just being out in front of people. So, after three years of teaching, I auditioned for the Army and enlisted as a trumpet player. I chose Fort Huachuca because it is closer to home than any of the other bands.

In his spare time: Annette and I are both avid bikers. One day, we said to each other, "Let's get a tandem bicycle and see what that's all about." That was four or five years ago. We tried some out and really liked them, but couldn't afford to buy one back then. So we saved our money and finally bought this one last February. We take it on camping trips, around the neighborhood, wherever. It's a lot of fun. Besides biking, we collect fresh-and salt-water fish. We had to part with our really big tanks when we moved down here, but we have a 29-gallon tank and a couple of smaller ones. Right now our collection includes angelfish, orange gouramis, a few little shrimp, albino catfish, a red tail shark, and an assortment of snails, hermit crabs, corals, and anemones.



Troy and Annette enjoy an afternoon ride around the neighborhood on their tandem bicycle.



Wanted: A Few Good Musicians

Almost every musician dreams of being able to make a living just by playing music. However, a good gig—one that pays enough to cover rent, health insurance, and other bills—is hard to find. The Army Band Program offers a steady income, free medical and dental care, paid vacation, and other benefits. It also has the most generous College Loan Repayment program of any of the armed services: loans up to \$65,000 can be paid off with only a four-year enlistment.

Any musician who is otherwise qualified to enlist in the Army and who can pass an audition given by an Army Bandmaster can serve in the Army Bands. Band members also have the option of choosing their first assignments, based on openings in bands around the world.

If you or someone you know may be interested in a career in the Army Bands, call or visit your local Army Recruiter.

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