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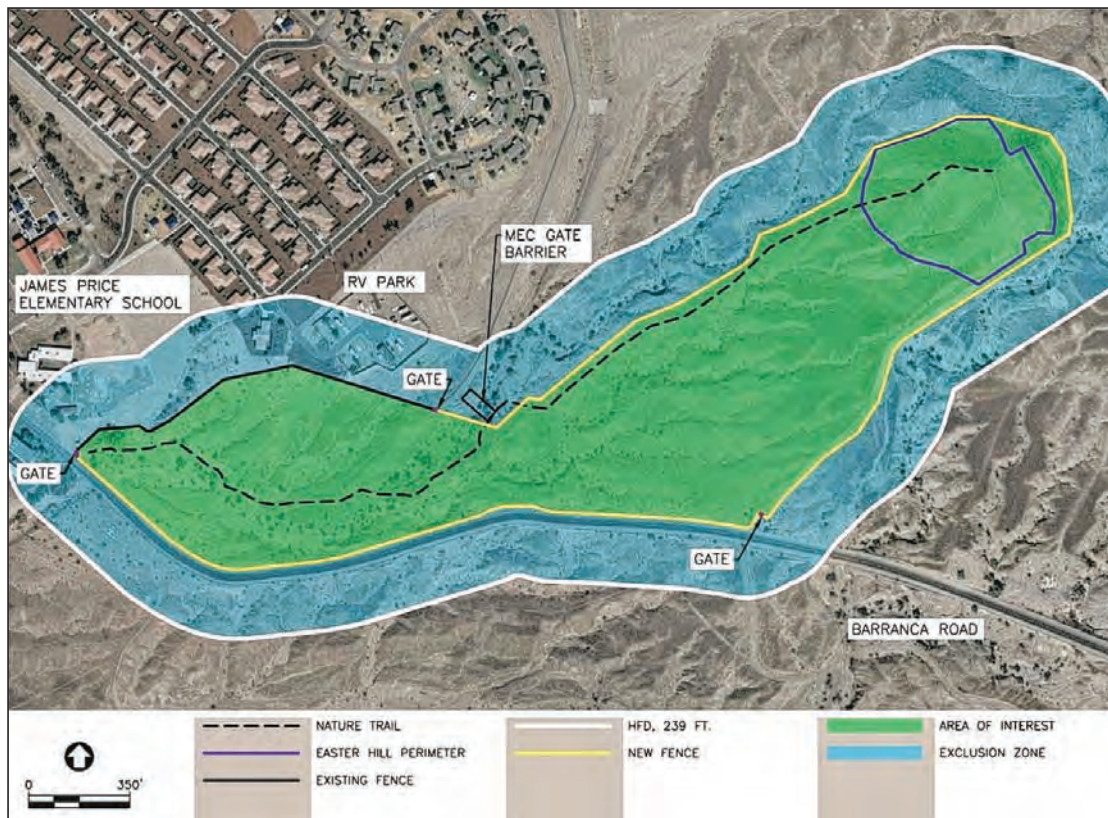
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## Munitions cleanup next year at 'Easter Services Hill'

By Charles Reurup  
Environmental Engineer

A contract kick-off meeting for the military munitions removal action at Yuma Proving Ground's "Easter Services Hill" behind the Main Administrative Area took place late last month. This meeting kicked-off the munitions cleanup process of the general use recreational area (shown in green on the map) which has been closed but will again open for YPG use when the process is completed. This area was used for desert warfare training during World War II between 1942 and 1944 as a part of General George Patton's Desert Training Center/California-Arizona Maneuver Area.

The purpose of the October meeting was for participants to form a project delivery team for the munitions removal action. Weston Solutions of Tempe will perform cleanup activities.



The firm will conduct several team meetings during the site cleanup process, keeping YPG staff and the public informed of the progress.

Cleanup will be performed

in several phases. Phase 1 will begin in April of next year by fencing the project area to protect the public from cleanup activities.

Fencing around the site

(yellow line) will become permanent except along Barranca Road. The fence along Barranca Road will be in place during cleanup

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## From the commander

This holiday season is the time of year when we reflect on our blessings of peace and freedom. As we cherish the closeness of Family and the company of good friends this Thanksgiving, take all precautions to ensure the safety of all those whom we hold dear. Be aware of your surroundings and integrate effective safety practices in all you do, especially as you travel on the road during this season.

During these troubling times, we find particular assurances from our Thanksgiving traditions, which remind us that we always have reason to hope and trust, despite great adversity.

Let us now give thanks for the selfless sacrifices of those who have responded in service to others during this period of resistance against the terrorists who would eliminate our values and way of life. On this day of Thanksgiving, let our spirit of gratitude be revealed in the

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# Army Child Care fees increase throughout DoD for 2011-2012 school year

By Karla A. Seijas  
Installation Management Command  
Public Affairs

Fees for Army child care and related child and youth programs increase between now and Dec. 1 as part of a phased program designed to reduce the impact of a changed Department of Defense policy.

The second step in a three-year program to align Army fees to the 2010 DoD fee policy, the Army child care fee policy for school year 2011-2012 increases most fees by \$4 to \$8 per week.

Despite the increase, Child, Youth and School Services "continue to be a great value for Army Families

because of the quality of the programs, the support they provide for a military lifestyle and the fee assistance provided by the Army for all patrons in every income category," said Mary Nelsen, of Parent and Outreach Services, with the Installation Management Command's Family and MWR Programs.

Each year, DoD reviews fee ranges in all categories of child and youth service programs.

In 2010, the Army analyzed that year's DoD fee policy and worked to mitigate the financial impact on Army Families through an exception to policy. The DoD exception to policy established an Army-specific transitional fee structure for

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PHOTO BY MARK SCHAUER

Families with children have been notified of child care increases at the YPG Child Development Center and throughout the Department of Defense.

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## El Toro Bowl Dec. 3

The El Toro Bowl is only weeks away. The game will be played on December 3, at Veterans Memorial Stadium on the campus of Gila Ridge High School. For more information, visit the El Toro Bowl website at [www.eltorobowl.com](http://www.eltorobowl.com)

Ticket information - Reserved tickets are \$14; general admission: \$10, however, pre-game day prices are available now through December 2. Reserved tickets are \$12 and general admission, \$8. Ticket sale locations are on the website.

On game day, gates will open at noon with a number of pre-game activities and entertainment beginning at noon. In addition, a

variety of football fan food will be available for purchase at the stadium.

This event is an opportunity to showcase our community. Pre-game and halftime activities will include Yuma Proving Ground and Marine Corps Air Station Yuma participation, local high schools and other entertainment to be announced.

All proceeds will benefit the Arizona Western College Athletic Program, The Arizona Western College Foundation for scholarship opportunities

and the Caballeros de Yuma for re-investment in our community providing donations and support to local events and groups.



## VIEWPOINTS

People celebrate Thanksgiving in a variety of ways and different places. How do you celebrate this holiday?



**Christy Cook**  
Engineering technician

I usually spend the holiday with family and friends. We cook a big meal and do a little overeating. We have turkey and lots of side dishes such as green bean, cream corn and stuffing casseroles and lots of desserts.



**Anthony Vila**  
Test officer

I plan to travel to Cleveland and spend Thanksgiving with my grandparents on my father's side of the family. We'll have a quiet turkey dinner with the trimmings and squeeze the family into a small dining room. Compared to my mom's side of the family with her eight brothers and sisters, this year will be a quiet holiday.



**Ben Seay**  
Engineering technician

My family and I like to deep fry a turkey and go camping in Flagstaff, Ariz., or we camp at Metry Lake. I'm looking forward to the holiday.



**Rob Bailey**  
Operations manager

This year we are traveling to Provo, Utah, to be with family and my parents who are both 90 years-old. Our Thanksgiving dinner can be anything from a potluck to a pizza dinner. We are all looking forward to a nice visit, since we don't see much of each other very often.



**Steve Aguirre**  
Supervisor

I don't celebrate holidays due to my Christian beliefs so I won't be having a turkey dinner. However, I will take advantage of the time off and spend quality time with my family.



**Luis Parada**  
Test coordinator

My family gathers at my house and we have a turkey dinner. The following day we go to the sand dunes to ride our dirt bikes. We take the jeep and quads out too.

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**School Carnival @**

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# Combat support experience proves invaluable to employee

By Mary F. Flores

The words “youthful, enthusiastic and patriotic” aptly describe newcomer, Jacki Dumas, office automation assistant in the Strategic Planning Division. Bringing along her talent, creativity and “cando” attitude, she earned a green belt in the Lean Six-Sigma Program (LSS) and is currently leading a team to examine and focus operations of the Security and Intelligence office.

“In February of this year I was assigned an LSS project by my boss,” said Dumas. “In order to earn my green belt, it must be completed and certified soon. I anticipate this date to occur next month.”

Dumas came to YPG in May of last year in the Maintenance Division of the Ground Combat Systems Directorate. There she was an administrative assistant for division chief, Jeff Tatar, performing an array of administrative tasks.

From tracking mandatory training and completing travel authorizations for employees, Dumas currently faces the challenge of juggling duties

between her former and current job until the position in the Maintenance Division is filled.

“In addition to my LSS project and other duties, there is a big conference coming up,” she said. “I have been tasked with updating the contents of a brochure used at past YPG conferences. I’m self-taught in the PowerPoint and Publisher software programs, which I used to update the brochure. I enjoyed the challenge of completing it and hope to continue broadening my skills.”

Before civilian life and working at YPG, Dumas served in the Marine Corps between 2002 and 2006. There she loaded bombs on Harrier jets with the use of ground support equipment in support of a wide variety of missions. She was deployed to Iraq in 2004 and 2005.

Coming from a military family, her father retiring from the Air Force and an older brother serving in the Army, Dumas decided to continue the tradition by enlisting in the Marine Corps.

Against her mother’s wishes, she joined one year after high school

graduation. A native of Germantown, Md., Dumas felt she could gain practical experience and receive a formal education in this way.

“Being a Marine was enjoyable because I like to run and stay physically fit,” she said. “I wasn’t on the front lines overseas pulling the trigger in Iraq, but I supported the mission, which provided me great job satisfaction. I definitely learned the military environment.” For her, working in aviation ordnance was exciting because calls often came in indicating military personnel were getting hit and everyone pulled together as a team.

Dumas, who managed to work toward a business degree at Arizona Western College while serving in the Marines, is currently enrolled in online courses from Arizona State University, where she is working toward a degree in technical communications.

When she’s not at work, Dumas enjoys going to the gym, running and fishing with her husband, John, who also works at YPG. “I like my job a huge amount and the people



PHOTO BY MARY FLORES

Jacki Dumas, office automation assistant in the Strategic Planning Division, recently earned a green belt for her talent and creativity in the Lean Six Sigma Program.

I work with are great,” she said. “I love supporting the warfighter and contributing to this effort gives me huge satisfaction.”

## Heritage Center Museum now open Saturdays

U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground’s Heritage Center, containing a wide variety of historical displays, is now open between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday of each week on a trial basis. The museum formerly had been open only on weekdays. The facility is open to the public at no admission charge.

The heritage center is located in the proving ground’s main administrative area. It is situated off Laguna Dam Road, an approximately 30 minute drive from Yuma. The heritage center building, originally constructed as Yuma Proving Ground’s headquarters, was built in 1948.

The museum contains a wide variety of historical artifacts and exhibits portraying the dramatic Yuma Proving Ground story that began during World War II and continues today. The installation began as a troop-training center and testing area that has evolved into the Army’s busiest test center today. Work conducted at the proving ground supports all the military services, friendly foreign nations, private industry, and NASA.

For further information about the heritage center or to arrange school/group tours, call 328-3394.

## Price Elementary School Walk-A-Thon

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# FEES

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installations that would otherwise have significant fee increases. As a result, the DoD fee increase is being phased in over the next two to three years.

Depending on total family income, most fees for a full day of child care will increase by \$4 to \$8 per week in school year 2011-2012. Families with multiple children using child and youth services programs will receive a 15 percent discount for the second and each subsequent child enrolled.

Child care fees remain based on the total family income, not the military rank or civilian grade. Child care fees may differ from one installation to the next until the beginning of school year 2013-2014, when the phase-in process is complete.

The National Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (NACCRRRA) -- billed as the nation's leading voice in child care -- assists

in ensuring families have access to high-quality, affordable child care. In 2009 NACCRA reported, "DoD ranks No. 1 on standards and oversight criteria. DoD stands alone as a model."

A U.S. Senate report in 2002, also noted that the Military Child Development Program is a model for the nation for providing high-quality affordable child care.

Civilian child care facilities charge a flat rate per child, while the Department of the Army subsidizes the cost military families pay. Parent fees cover less than half of the cost of child care and the Army pays the remainder.

"The military's systemic approach to child care continues to serve as a model for our nation's civilian child care needs. The military's child care improvements over the past 15 years offer significant lessons for the civilian child care sector," according to a 2004 National Women's Law Center report.

The Army maintains its

commitment to provide quality affordable child care and youth programs by providing fee assistance to maintain prices that are lower than comparable non-Department of Defense child care facilities for all Army families using child care services.

The fee increase impacts all services associated with the installation child development center, school age care, part day preschool programs, hourly child care, CYS Services outreach programs, youth sports and Army community based child care programs.

Wounded Warriors, Warriors in Transition and Families of fallen Soldiers pay the lowest fee category available, and a 20 percent fee reduction is available for qualified Families while a Soldier or Department of the Army civilian parent is deployed.

For specific information regarding installation fees, parents should contact their local CYS Services program offices.

# COMMANDER

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compassionate support we render to our fellow citizens who are grieving loss, and let us reach out with care to those in need of food, shelter, and words of hope.

If you will be traveling this holiday weekend, to Mexico, etc. please take care and be watchful of your surroundings.

I wish you and your families a safe and happy Thanksgiving Day weekend and good health and happiness. Please remember, "MISSION FIRST, PEOPLE ALWAYS" and "NOBODY GETS HURT."

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# The return of the M1A2 to Cold Regions Test Center

By Clara Zachgo

The familiar sight of seasonal personnel settling into offices for the winter and the arrival of a vast array of military equipment, mixed with cold, white weather were sure signs that the winter test season had arrived at Army Cold Regions Test Center (CRTC).

The first of many test items arrived early in October and some were familiar sights. The M1A2 Abrams System Enhancement Package Version 2 (SEP v2) returned to CRTC for completion of natural, cold environment testing as part of a larger, four vehicle test being conducted in conjunction with Yuma Test Center and Aberdeen Test Center.

The M1A2 SEP v2 applies lessons learned from recent M1A2 Abrams SEP reset efforts and aims to bolster the reliability and durability of tanks. SEP v2 includes improved displays, sights, and power. It represents the most technologically advanced Abrams tank and can accommodate future technological improvements.

Testing this winter is a continuation of the testing conducted during the 2009/2010 winter test season, but will be also focus on some of the findings from previous testing. Over the next six months, the test team plans to drive the tank thousands of miles over snow-covered terrain, fire rounds in subzero temperatures, and conduct cold weather specific tests, concluding a three year long test.



LOANED PHOTOS  
An M1A2 conducts test firing at night in extreme cold at Washington Range two years ago.

The M1A2 tank is racking up miles at the test track at Cold Regions Test Center.

# Give visitors a reason and they will come

By Chuck Wullenjohn

Destinations attract visitors for various reasons – relaxation, educational opportunities, scenery. Military installations are different, for though they don't function for the purpose of becoming tourist destinations, they attract visitors for a mixture of reasons.

In Yuma Proving Ground's case, sightseers and vacationers are attracted by outdoor displays of military equipment and museum exhibits inside our Heritage Center museum. Retirees come to patronize the commissary or exchange, or, perhaps, visit our library or bowling center. That number, while significant, is not high. Most of the proving ground's visitors consist of skilled professionals who come to participate in sometimes lengthy test projects and military personnel who arrive for training activities.

The number of YPG's visitors last year numbered 26,000, the vast majority of whom were test customers from other parts of the country. Some came from friendly foreign nations like Great Britain, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Canada, and India.

The economic impact of these visitors on the Yuma region was tremendous and amounted to many tens of millions of dollars. The number is difficult to gauge with any level of accuracy, for no single office centrally manages it.

Think of the countless ways travelers to our area spend their dollars. Many patronize airlines serving Yuma's airport, and then set out in rental cars. A shortage of temporary military housing exists, meaning the majority make use of local motels for periods ranging between a few days and several months. And what about the impact

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**PAUL ROGERS, HOLIDAY INN  
GENERAL MANAGER**

on local eateries and stores? Total it up and we're talking real money.

Paul Rogers, general manager of Yuma's Holiday Inn constructed six years ago on Hotel Hill astride the intersection of Interstate 8 and Highway 95, says his 121 room facility is 75 to 80 percent filled each night with travelers tied to activities at Yuma Proving Ground or Marine Corps Air Station Yuma. He has managed the hotel since the beginning and is past president of the Yuma Innkeepers Association.

"We'd be a hurting industry in Yuma if we did not have YPG," he said. "The tourism, agriculture and medical areas are major players in our economy but, in my mind, nothing can touch YPG. It's a unique entity that many locals don't understand



Sgt. 1st Class Jose Cervera (right) explains details of a heavy cargo load to Yuma County Supervisor Casey Prochaska, one of thousands of visitors who come through the gates of Yuma Proving Ground.

PHOTO BY YOLIE CANALES

— the base has grown tremendously over the past ten years."

He recalls a group of 23 from Britain that stayed five months at the hotel about one year ago for an unmanned aircraft test taking place at the proving ground. "They had people coming and going all the time," he said with a smile. "Frequently they used our banquet room until 3 or 4 in the morning to hash things out."

Rogers points out that many of YPG's 26,000 annual visitors remain in Yuma for many weeks and contribute major dollars to the economy. As an example, he cites

a large military cargo aircraft that flies into Yuma regularly with a crew mostly made up of foreigners who stay at his hotel. They spend hundreds of dollars on clothing at local department stores, even more on electronic equipment that demands much higher prices at home and indulge in local food.

The visitors attracted to YPG and MCAS Yuma make up a largely hidden but major part of the local economic scene. Most importantly, this is a year-round impact that helps keep Yuma chugging along even during the hottest months of the year.

# Holiday hours of operation for YPG facilities

## POSTAL SERVICE

The YPG Postal Contract station will be open Monday-Friday, 8 am-3 pm for all of your holiday shipping needs. The station will be closed on December 26.

*Holiday dates for military mail calculated for December 25, 2011.*

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ZIP 090-092	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Nov. 12
APO/FPO/DPO AE			
ZIP 093	Dec. 3	Dec. 3	Nov. 12
APO/FPO/DPO AE			
ZIPs 094-098	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Nov. 12
APO/FPO/DPO AA			
ZIP 340	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Nov. 12
APO/FPO/DPO AP			
ZIPs 962-966	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Nov. 12

*Holiday dates for international mail calculated for December 25, 2011.*

Destination	Express	Priority	First Class
Africa	Dec. 10	Dec. 2	Dec. 2
Asia/ Pacific Rim	Dec. 15	Dec. 9	Dec. 9
Australia/ New Zealand	Dec. 15	Dec. 9	Dec. 9
Canada	Dec. 16	Dec. 12	Dec. 9
Caribbean	Dec. 15	Dec. 12	Dec. 9
Central & S. America	Dec. 10	Dec. 2	Dec. 2
Mexico	Dec. 15	Dec. 9	Dec. 9
Europe	Dec. 15	Dec. 12	Dec. 9
Middle East	Dec. 15	Dec. 12	Dec. 9

*Holiday dates for domestic mail calculated for December 25, 2011.*

Domestic mail	Dates
First-class mail:	Dec. 20
Priority mail:	Dec. 21
Express mail	Dec. 22
Parcel post:	Dec. 15

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Saturday December 24, 2011, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
\*Regular store hours Tuesday December 27 through Friday December 30.  
Saturday December 31: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
The week prior to Christmas, December 19 - 23 is not yet confirmed, the commissary will be open; Monday December 19, for a few hours.

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# Chaplain's Corner

# Guilt-Free Thanksgiving

By Chaplain Douglas Ball

Each Thanksgiving, as I sprawl prostrate and bloated onto my couch to recover from gorging myself and to listen to my arteries harden, I feel a twinge of guilt. It seems ironic that in order to thank God for all He's given me, I eat more food in one sitting than some entire Third World countries do in a month. In what way do I honor God for all He's done by engaging in gluttonous revelry until I feel like the blimp hovering above the traditional post-banquet football game?

But then I think of the book of Deuteronomy. A strange thought, perhaps, but much more than just turkey-induced delirium. You see, in Deuteronomy 14, God commands the Israelites to bring the tithe of their fields and flocks to Him. If they live too far away to bring their produce, they are to sell it and bring the money to the Temple.

He then commands them, not to just give, but to eat their tithe in the presence of their God. He even tells them that if they brought money, they can buy "whatever their heart desires" to consume with rejoicing in the presence of the Lord. They are commanded to do so with their entire households and to include widows, orphans and foreigners in the land. In doing so, everyone learns to revere the Lord always and everyone recognizes that the blessings they are enjoying are from Him.

So, go ahead. This year, bloat yourself with the blessings and bounty of God. Glut yourself with His goodness. Gorge yourself on His grace. Consume His compassion towards you. Sate yourself in His salvation. But do it with the acknowledgement that all good gifts

**POST CHAPEL  
THANKSGIVING/CHRISTMAS  
EVENTS:**

**SUNDAY:** November 20: 5 p.m-7 p.m: Thanksgiving Community Dinner and Worship Service.

**THURSDAY:** December 8: 11:30 a.m: Mass (Feast of the Immaculate Conception)

**SUNDAY:** December 11: 6 p.m: Children's Christmas Play (Cookies/hot chocolate to follow)

**SATURDAY:** December 24: 6 p.m: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Chapel Services will continue on the regular schedule throughout the Christmas season:

**SUNDAYS:** 9:30 am - Catholic Mass

**SUNDAYS:** 11 a.m. - Protestant Worship

come from Him. For as we keep our minds on God, the source of those blessings, we honor and glorify Him through our enjoyment of what He has provided. And keep in mind that there is a greater feast to come, for those who believe in the name of His Son, Jesus Christ.



Mike Barron, Civilian of the 3rd Quarter, poses by a howitzer.

PHOTO BY MARK SCHAUER

## Mike Barron Civilian of Quarter

By Yolie Canales

Col. Reed Young, commander of Yuma Proving Ground, recently recognized Michael Barron, test officer for the Munitions & Weapons Division, with a certificate of achievement and commander's coin for being selected Civilian of the 3rd Quarter.

A government employee for over one year, Barron has worked at YPG for TRAX since 2007. His excellence in the planning, execution and reporting of tests contributed significantly to the XM395 cartridge being the first precision guided mortar round ever fielded. He also conducted demonstrations of the mortar for distinguished visitors several times, most notably for Army Vice Chief of Staff Gen. Peter Chiarelli, as well as numerous VIPs.

These visits raised YPG's visibility by providing an excellent opportunity to display expertise in indirect fire testing and other test mission areas to personnel at the highest levels of the Army.

As senior test engineer, Barron works on the test and evaluation of a variety of munitions and weapons systems. "I really enjoy doing the work we perform at YPG. It's always interesting, can be challenging, and ultimately supports the warfighter," said Barron.

A native of El Paso, Texas, Barron was grateful to have been selected as the Civilian of the 3rd Quarter. "This was quite an honor and I really appreciate that my supervisors and peers felt I was worthy of the award," he said. In his spare time, Barron's hobbies include travelling, sports, cars, and music.

# Performer tells kids to stay clear of drugs

By Mark Schauer

Elvis with a remote control and hula hoop. That was the image seen by about 80 youngsters at YPG's Price Elementary School as Retro Bill, the tenaciously sunny 1950s alter-ego of performer Bill Russ, used props, songs, and humor to encourage kids to stay away from drugs and cigarettes, respect their peers and parents, and be good citizens. In the afternoon, Retro Bill took his message to Castle Dome Middle School, where he once again encouraged kids to, "stay on a positive channel" and "keep a good circle of friends."

Full of jokes, sight gags, and self-produced sound effects, the presentation was accomplished with a little help from Juanita Saez, YPG's alcohol and drug control officer, drug testing coordinator

Ana Estrada, Staff Sgt. Matthew Prager of the Airborne Test Force, Sgt. Clint Underhill of the YPG Police Department, and McGruff, the crime-fighting dog.

Russ, the son and brother of Soldiers, was particularly enthused about bringing his positive message to YPG during Red Ribbon Week.

"For me, what I do as Retro Bill is a way to serve my country by inspiring children to make healthy decisions and believe in their biggest dreams," said Russ. "I want young people here to know that their parents are heroes who are serving their country and protecting our freedoms."

The show was well-received by both kids and parents.

"He was very good," said Prager. "He definitely had a good message for the kids."



PHOTO BY MARK SCHAUER

1950s performer Retro Bill encourages YPG kids to "keep a good circle of friends" during his presentation to about 80 students from Price Elementary School on October 24th.

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activities and removed once the site is returned to public use. Phase 1 also includes searching for buried unexploded ordnance using high-tech metal detectors. Any reading from a detector will be marked for investigation. Phase 2 of the cleanup will be June 2012. Phase 2 will investigate and remove all surface and subsurface discoveries from the first phase.

During phase 2 of the cleanup, discovery of unexploded ordnance is possible. This old

ordnance is too dangerous to move for disposal and will be destroyed in place. This will be accomplished by placing explosive charges on the old ordnance. During disposal operations, the areas designated by the blue shaded area in the map will be evacuated. The blue area is a safety zone established to protect residents from flying debris caused by the destruction of old munitions found on site. Disposal of this nature will be scheduled when Price Elementary School is closed. During this operation, Barranca Road will also be closed. Residents of YPG will be given

notice of any disposal actions that may occur.

Residents need to understand that the fenced area is the only safe area for recreational use. Land outside the fenced area is considered contaminated from World War II activities.

Once all cleanup activities are complete, reports documenting the process will be prepared and reviewed by various government agencies for approval prior to opening the area to the general public. Project completion is scheduled for November 2014. For more information, call Donnett Brown at 328-2754.

### Next Outpost deadline is noon November 17

Seeking volunteers from the YPG workforce to write for the Outpost.

If interested, call Yolie Canales at ext. 6143 or email: yolanda.o.canales.civ@mail.mil

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In addition to caring for his patients at the Aiello Eye Institute, he is an examiner for the American Board of Ophthalmology, and a clinical instructor for the Midwestern School of Osteopathic Medicine in Phoenix. He is a Senior Flight Surgeon and State Air Surgeon for the Arizona National Guard.

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