

Huachuca Historical Program Strategic Plan 2010







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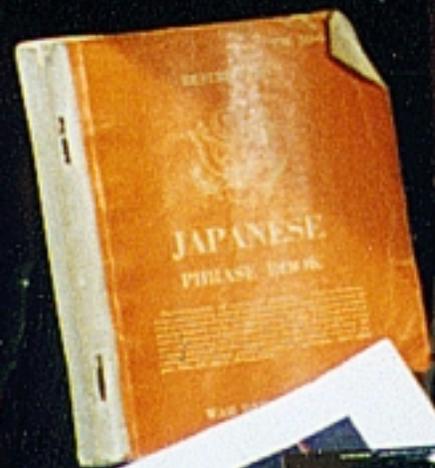
The history program at Fort Huachuca is a unique fusion of resources, combining the traditional Historian role with the two major museums to preserve the vitality of U.S. Army traditions on this southwestern frontier. The results have been encouraging. Heretofore, the museums, while enjoying an immense popularity with the general public, did not formally reach into the Intelligence School to connect with the training. Now, every new exhibit or program on the drawing board has as its purpose the edification of the soldier student.

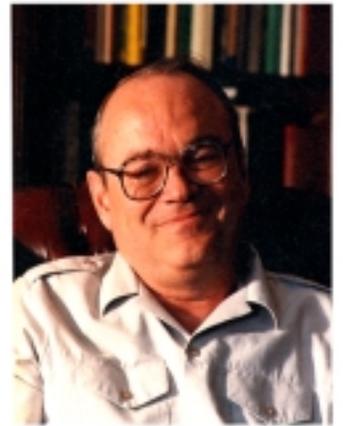
History has been a tool for guiding change. Here at the Intelligence Center, it concentrates on providing a context for MI leaders by recording, teaching and preserving their history and values. It accomplishes this in the classroom, in the museums, and in its publications, both printed and electronic.

While the history program still supports classroom training with research, lesson plans, tours, reading lists, staff ride planning and educational programs, there has been a shift in recent years to making history inescapable outside the classroom. Curriculum changes have greatly reduced the number of hours available for history. This trend necessitated a change in planning. Realizing there would be little or no more time in the school day for formal history training, the history program shifted its efforts away from classroom support to making history not only accessible but an entertaining diversion during the students' own time. One example of this is the series of graphic arts posters which portray the MI tradition and values. They, along with display cases, are placed in academic buildings to confront the students with their history at every turn.

I am confident that planning initiatives such as this one will ensure that the history program continues its dynamic approach to bringing the power of history to the soldier student.


JOHN D. THOMAS, JR.
Major General, USA
Commanding





It is difficult to remember a time when the History Program at the Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca was not undermanned, overworked and successful. It owes its success to an ensemble performance of dedicated people who have recognized that the history program stands for certain values that transcend the interests of any one individual.

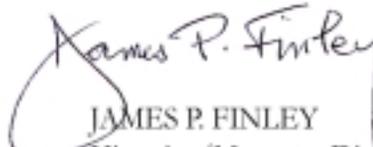
The Fort Huachuca Museum's brochure bears this slogan: "Duty, Daring and Distinction in the Apache Southwest." These words have a twofold meaning. They, of course, refer to the myriad stories of individuals who have passed this way before us, those stories that the museums strive to tell. But the meaning reaches even further to include the staff and supporting organizations of the history program. They too adhere to the principles of duty, daring and distinction.

Associates in the history program are daring because they must constantly innovate if they are to create an atmosphere for learning and solve the problems that always come with the territory of doing more with less.

They are distinctive because of their focus. They do work that no one else in the Army establishment does. They tend to a small corner in the vineyard of history that no other history worker thinks about. Their distinct emphasis is upon the U.S. Army in the Southwest and the evolution of military intelligence within the U.S. Army. They interpret these stories uniquely, with a style and quality that has repeatedly set the Fort Huachuca History Program apart from other institutions.

And finally, we must address the word "duty." Partners in the Fort Huachuca History Program feel strongly their duty to the past, a duty that involves making the lessons of yesterday both accessible and trustworthy. They recognize their duty to the future, a role which is laden with the freight of educational responsibility. And finally and most importantly, they accept their duty to the customer. History can be meaningless without people to perceive it.

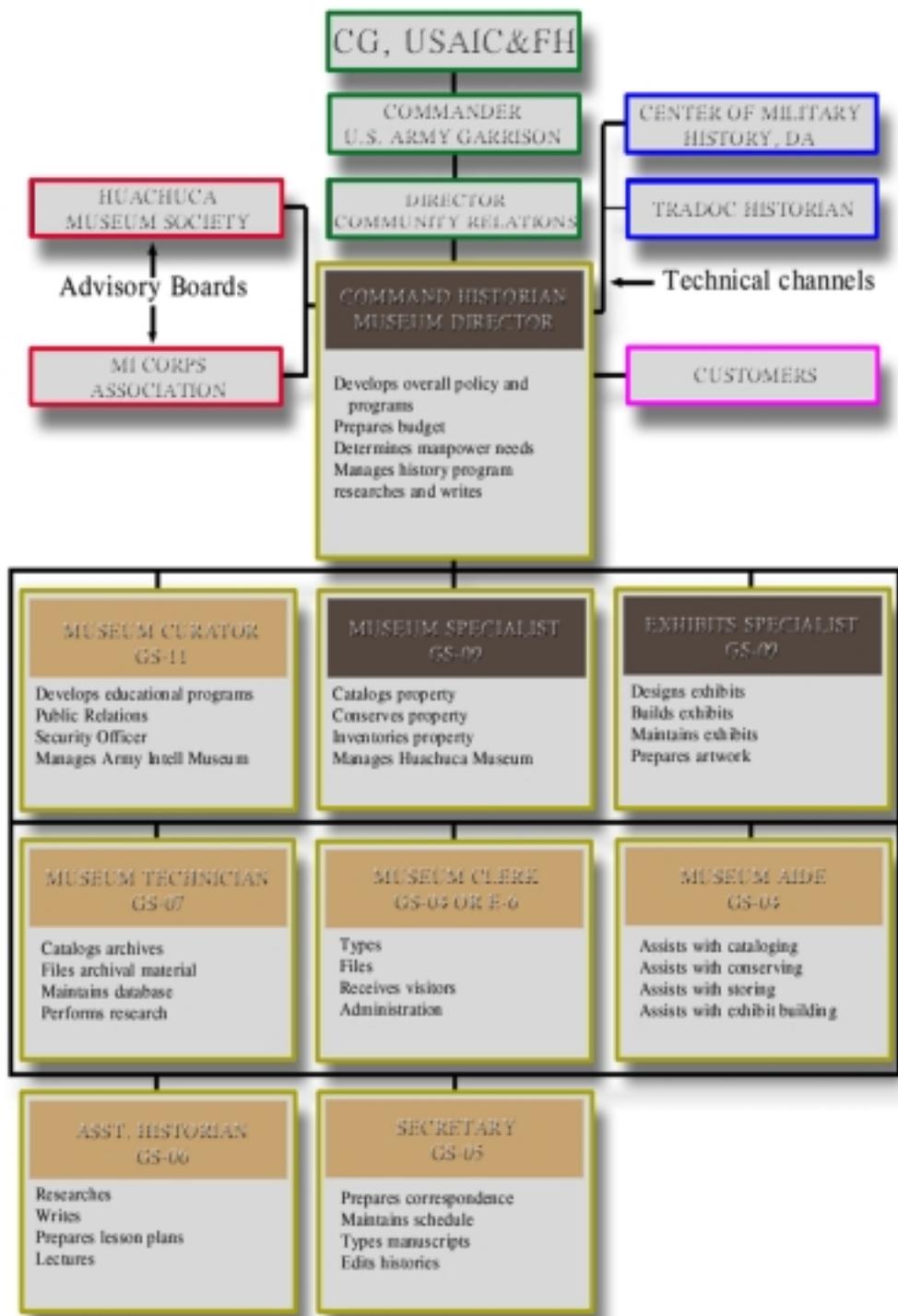
The values of the Fort Huachuca History Program are embodied in this simple mission statement: "Our job is to create, with duty, daring and distinction, the highest quality history experience, one that will improve the lives of those who avail themselves of our services."


JAMES P. FINLEY
Historian/Museums Director

LIFELIKE



The museum staff and the historian have been in the museum for so many years that they can only be described as "lifelike." The professional staff numbers three. Between them, they represent over 70 years of museum and history experience. Pictured here are from left to right: Barbara Tuttle who takes care of the collection; Tim Phillips who does the exhibits; the guy with the black hat who is the only one without a pulse; Un Ja Morales who keeps the buildings looking good; and Jim Finley who researches and writes the history.





Vision

The Huachuca History Program

Purpose: The basic purpose of the history program at the Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca is to shape and channel the historical consciousness of its clients.

Mission: It accomplishes this more specifically by preserving and presenting our nation's heritage, especially as it applies to the U.S. Army's role in opening and developing the southwestern frontier, and to the evolution of Military Intelligence into the professional force it is today.

Vision: The program seeks to achieve its purpose by energetically recording, teaching and preserving the history and values of the U.S. Army.



Major Focus

The History Program at Fort Huachuca, which includes the Command Historian's Office and the Museums, will accomplish its strategic vision by concentrating on five major objectives. They are Information Technology, Products/Services, Outreach, Education, and Program Management. For the purposes of this plan, they are not prioritized and will receive equal weight. They coincide with the major focus areas at the Center of Military History, DA.

1. Information Technology.

Goal: Everything that we know is shared with the soldier and the public electronically.

2. Products/Services.

Goals: Our customers receive timely, accurate, and comprehensive historical information and services.

3. Outreach.

Goal: History is made accessible not only within the museums' walls and in the classroom, but is carried out to the military and civilian communities through the use of imaginative programs.

4. Education.

Goal: The Fort Huachuca, Intelligence Center, and academic communities have a greater historical awareness.

5. Program Management.

Goal: Both the Fort Huachuca Museum and the Army Intelligence Historical Holding are certified and meet or exceed all of the standards of the profession. Likewise, the command historian function meets all of the requirements of higher headquarters.

Objectives

1. The library of the Army Intelligence Museum will be enlarged and much of its holdings made electronically accessible.
2. Historical publications and exhibits will be put online.

Information Technology

Goal

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Museums

Fort Huachuca Museum
 U.S. Army Intelligence Museum

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NEW

Huachuca HISTORY Program

Objective

1. A catalog is maintained online of the products and services offered by the Huachuca History Program.

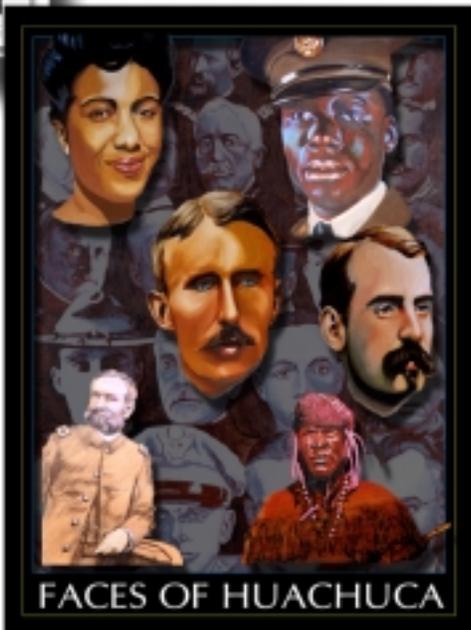
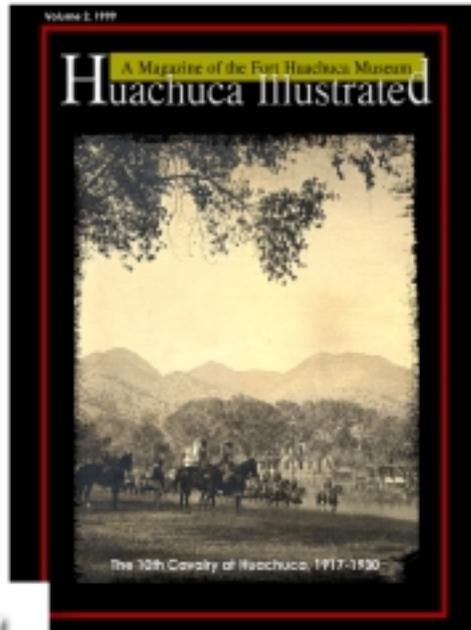
Products/Services

Goal

Our customers receive timely, accurate, and comprehensive historical information and services.



2



Objective

1. Modular exhibits will be designed that can be set up in academic buildings around the post.
2. An interactive web site offers educational exercises and games for the student interested in MI history.

Outreach

Goal

History is made accessible not only within the museum walls and in the classroom, but is carried out to the military and civilian communities through the use of imaginative programs.





Reuben Horner
HUACHUCA HONOR ROLL
 Defining Values



It's all about values.

Integrity Honor Duty
 Smile Selflessness
 Respect Selflessness
FORT HUACHUCA
A Wellspring of Values Since 1877

WGA of the 8th Infantry at Huachuca, 1901. (see Fort Huachuca History Collection)

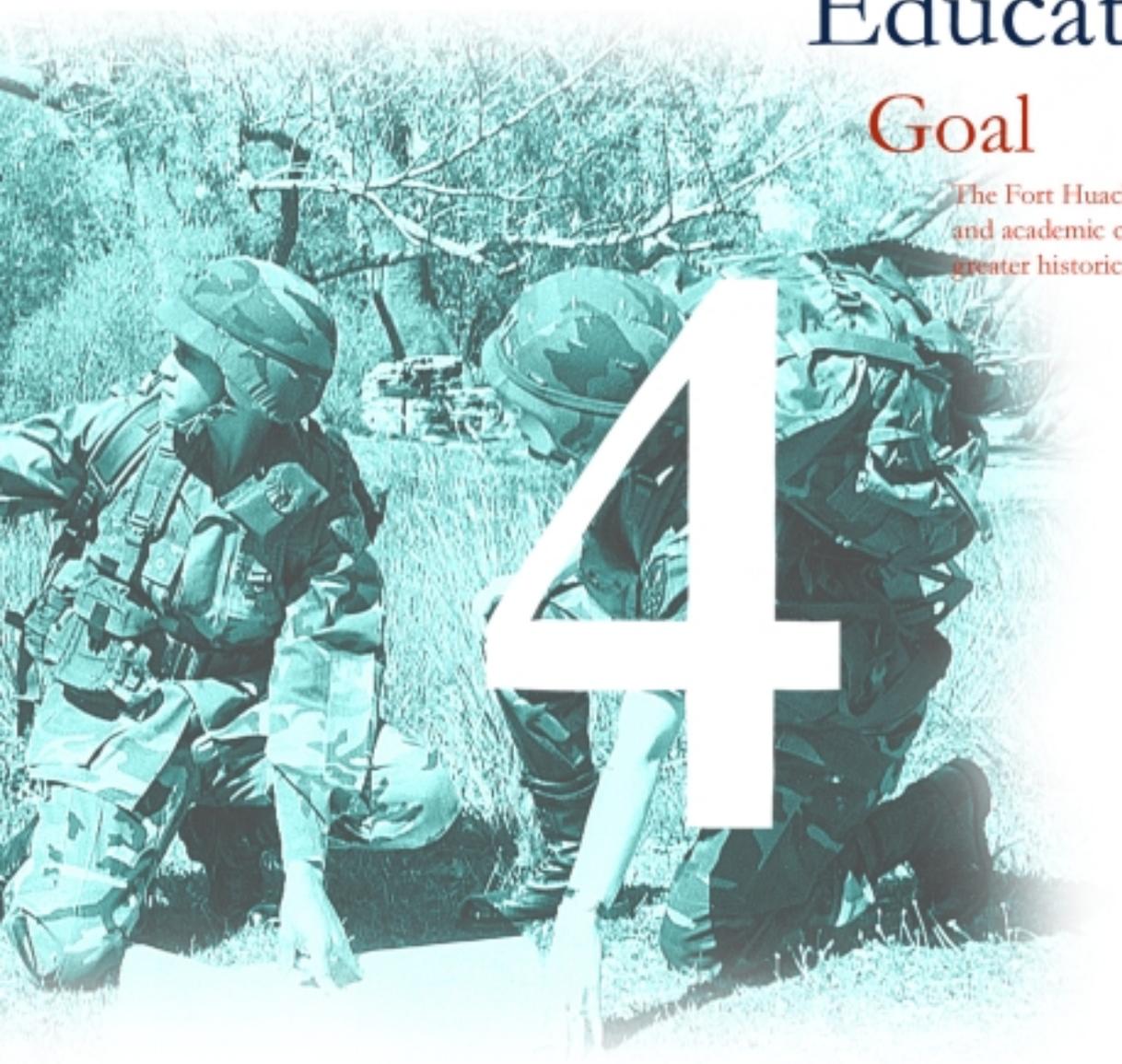
Objective

1. The history program will maintain a web site that offers a wealth of history resources for access by the soldier student and the general public.

Education

Goal

The Fort Huachuca, Intelligence Center, and academic communities have a greater historical awareness.



Objective

1. Progress toward maturing the Army Intelligence Museum to a point at which it can be certified by CMH.
2. Pursue the recruitment of a curator for the Army Intelligence Museum.

Program Management Goal

Both museums are certified and exceed the standards of the profession, and the historian function meets all of the requirements of higher headquarters.





"Thebes View," a Presentation of the Business History Program

