## Door to the Past- Quick Draw

The re-creation of Quick Draw's Tavern Door was done by local artist

Gloria A Smith ( Gran Ma Gigie) . Gloria is a friend of the late artist /proprietor

Paul Modlin's widow, June and , daughter Page. While interviewing them she found the most interesting fact to be the name stemmed not from the caricature with his gun drawn at the ready, actually it was because when customers entered the family restaurant and tavern Paul himself would greet them and draw their caricature on the wall. Page's fond memories are of the the baseball players from the training facility at the Francisco Grande. She states they loved her Dad's place. John Wayne was also a frequent visitor

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History of Quick Draw Tavern and Family Restaurant- It was purchased in the 1960's by Paul Modlin at that time it was an old log cabin bar, serving beer. Paul purchased a liquor license and started renovations. The concrete bar inside, the one women kept tearing their nylon hose when the two would meet, he covered with a fence from outside and the result was no more snags, hoorah! In 1961 or 62 Paul's brother Dick joined the business and that is when they added the dining room. In 1963 they sold the property to Eddie Armenta. No one remembers when it was demolished. It sat on Highway 84, Gila Highway on the way to the Francisco Grande.

Paul Modlin was the forerunner for all of the local artist of today. He held the first Art in the Park –Peart Park as described in the Dispatch's book, the article is an excerpt from the book, "A Century of Progress"