

# NMMI Alumni Relations

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Lefty Stecklein Memorial Golf Tournament Thursday, 17 October 2013

NMMI Golf Course, Roswell, NM

- =1:00 pm Scramble start
- -\$75 per person golf and cart Proceeds support the Lefty Stecklein Scholarship Fund

Homecoming 2013
Alumni Luncheon and Hall of Fame

Friday, 18 October 2013
11:30 am - Alumni Luncheon followed by the Hall of Fame Ceremony (Bates Dining Hall)





# NMMI Alumnus achieves Flag Rank







In typical NMMI fashion, one of our alumni has achieved Flag Rank in a most unusual way. COL John A. Wilcox, USA (Ret) 1980 JC, retired as an Army Colonel, but is now a member of the Federal Government's Senior Executive Service (SES) as a Brigadier General equivalent. He is currently serving as the Director, J6 and Chief Information Officer (CIO), U. S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) at MacDill Air Force Base, FL. He works with marine MG James B. Laster, **USMC 1977 JC** who is currently serving as the USSOCOM Chief of Staff and COL James B. Herson, Jr., USA **1980 JC**, who is the SOCOM Command Historian.

Colonel Wilcox started as a 6th Classman in 1974 and attended NMMI for six years finishing his cadet time as a Squadron Commander and Chairman of the Honor Board. Graduating from NMMI in 1980, Colonel Wilcox enlisted in the Army in 1982. He subsequently attended Officer Candidate School and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Signal Corps in 1983.

While the Army counted Colonel Wilcox as a Signal Officer, the only Signal organizations he ever served in were the Signal Battalion and then Signal Brigade he commanded. Starting with his time as a platoon leader in E/51st Infantry (Long Range Surveillance), Colonel Wilcox shaded towards the Special Operations world both as an Operator and Communicator, and has served with SOF in Desert Storm, Bosnia, Somalia, Iraq, and Afghanistan. Colonel Wilcox commanded two companies, one Military Intelligence and one Special Forces. He also commanded three times at the LTC level, two Special Forces units and a Signal Battalion, and then finished his command time as the Commander of 160th Signal Brigade during Operation Iragi Freedom. He also served as a field artillery instructor, Military Intelligence Battalion Signal Officer, Special Forces Group Signal Officer, and Director C4 Systems, USSOCOM.

Colonel Wilcox's final job on active duty was as the Senior Army Adviser for the State of Minnesota,

retiring in 2009 with more than 27 years of service. Since 2009, he has served in his current position as the Senior SOF Communicator and is responsible for operating and maintaining USSOCOM's global C4 network providing support to more than 66,000 special operations personnel.

In addition to his AA degree from NMMI, Colonel Wilcox completed his bachelor's degree at the University of Maryland, his MBA at Oklahoma City University, and his Masters of Strategic Studies from the U. S. Army War College at Carlisle Barracks.

His awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, and two Bronze Stars. Colonel Wilcox also proudly wears the Military Freefall Badge, the Master Parachutist Wings, and the Ranger Tab.

He is married to Toni Derr, who formerly flew Blackhawk helicopters in the Army . They have a daughter Crystal, 23, and a granddaughter Sophia, 3.



# The Rat and His Rifle

By COL Niven J. Baird, USA (Ret) 1950 JC

Artesia, NM, was just down the road about 45 miles, but on that September afternoon in 1946, home seemed a long way away. As I got out of the old '41 Dodge, leaving my parents to watch me walk through the Sally Port, the sight of people running everywhere, being shouted at and lined-up in groups and "marched" away was sensory overload.

Soon we had been assigned to something called a "Troop", and addressed by guys who, for some strange reason, were all very angry. We did all the things that succeeding generations recognize-short hair cut, an awkward manner of sitting while trying to get some of the food in the mess hall, learning who to and when to salute, and most of all, running every where when not actually in formation.

In just a few days, however, we were marched by Troop over to the arms room/rifle range, and each of us were issued a Springfield 03-A3, .30 caliber rifle. For most of us, that was the only pleasant thing that had occurred in over a week! We kept the rifles in our wall locker. We quickly memorized the serial number and nomenclature, and started learning the manual of arms. Who would ever have thought an inch of error in arm position would be "rewarded" with screams of rage, and if repeated, many, many push-ups. But, we learned to field strip and clean the thing twice daily, and actually started to gain some feeling of pride as we marched and performed the manual of arms flawlessly.

Despite all our private doubts, the Christmas break actually did arrive, and we returned to the arms room to turn-in our rifles prior to heading home. We knew we would be re-drawing them in a couple of short weeks. Upon returning in January, we once again headed for the arms room to retrieve our 03-A3s. Instead, we were each handed a long block of cosmoline, with assurance that

somewhere inside that greasy mess was a rifle. We had heard the rumor that the Springfield's were gone and we were to get the famed M-1 Garand, and for once the rumor mill was correct! We headed back to our barracks area, and were told by our squad leaders that the rifle would be inspected the next morning, and of course, anything less than sterile would be dealt with severely.

We were not given anything with which to clean the mess, so t-shirts were sacrificed. It had been made quite clear that taking the rifle to the "sinks" for emergence in hot shower water was punishable by death or some such thing, but as I have thought about it over the years, it was obvious that was exactly what we were expected to do, even though the Regular Army NCOs would have been very displeased should they had learned of the act.

I think our TAC officers. Captains Nestor D. Sanchez 1950 SC and Bill Bosworth and perhaps even the Commandant, LTC Stapp, as he walked to his quarters at the apex of HQ and A Troops, each chose not to look into the sinks after Taps on nights before inspections!

So, the next morning we brought clean M1s to formation, and with them, the need to learn the new Manual of Arms-and especially Inspection Arms, which required the bolt to be opened and closed. We need not go into the hazards and accompanying pain of getting an M1 thumb, but at some time, sooner

or later, most of us acquired a new nail on our right thumb!

Almost everyone reading this has an indelible memory of Saturday morning inspections in ranks on the concrete walks of the Quadrangle. As the heat of the New Mexico sun beat down, the grease captured in the pores of the rifle metal and wooden stocks started seeping

It was simply no use to try to tell the inspecting officer why his hands were getting greasy, and it took a huge quantity of hot water over numerous weeks of cleaning before the rifles stopped "sweating" grease when exposed to the sun.

I think most of us acquired a life-long love affair with our M1s. I know I did, and many years later found myself on the Army highpowered rifle team in Germany, plugging holes in a target 1,000 yards down range. It just doesn't get much better than that.





# Michael J. Haggar 1963 HS and 1965 JC, LTC, USA (Ret) 1945-2006

Mike was a classmate, friend, devoted husband, father, and patriot to America and NMMI. He dedicated a majority of his time to support the Corps of Cadets. In addition to serving on the Alumni Board and Foundation Board of Trustees for more than 12 years, he gave his time, money and technical skills to establish the computer network at the Alumni Office and he designed, developed and was the webmaster of the NMMI Alumni website.

Mike wanted all cadets to have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of clubs and activities that are not funded by the State or cadet fees - only by private donations from alumni and patrons. These contributions go directly to support the Corps' Cadet Activities each year such as marching band, chorus, drill teams, rifle teams, debate club, drama club, Close-up, etc. The beauty about this is that this fund goes to support all cadets; not just a select few.



This year in honor and in memory of Michael J.Haggar 1963 HS ~ 1965 JC, Roger Blakey 1963 HS ~ 1965JC is donating a 20" x 30" wall-size canvas print of his Sally Port Sunset Photo ©1962-2013 to be raffled off at the Alumni Luncheon, 18 October 2013.

Al<mark>l of the</mark> money raised wi<mark>ll be giv</mark>en as a memorial

gift through the NMMI Foundation, Inc., from the Class of 1963 in memory of Michael J. Haggar to support cadet activities. Tickets are \$20 each - 2+ for \$15 each. Tickets may be purchased at Homecoming Registration check-in and at the Luncheon. The print will be displayed at both purchase locations.

# Ms. Delaware - Bridget Lambert 2003 JC



My adventures began when I chose NMMI over the Naval Academy, in order to be a part of the first college volleyball team at NMMI.

During my two years there, I received the opportunity to compete at a high level of volleyball, while making the best friends anyone could ask for. I graduated as a Cadet Officer with my own platoon, and strived to make a difference in lives along the way. NMMI provided me with a

priceless understanding of true leadership and camaraderie.

After NMMI, I continued on to Delaware to graduate with a science degree, moved to California to pursue my dream of professional volleyball. I traveled the country and went to Europe and Asia to play beach volleyball.

With hopes of making volleyball a career, I was close to realizing that my purpose in life was far greater than I had imagined.

I held on to volleyball because I love the sport; if you know me, then you know when I'm playing on a beach, you see the best version of me. More important than my love for the sport, is the fact that volleyball always served as a platform for me to give back to humanity.

While ending my "career," I was given many opportunities to give back to society including being nominated for the Maryland Chapter Woman of the Year for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, working with Dreams for Kids, Extreme Recess, Registering Dreams for Kids Dallas, Texas and starting "blankets for the homeless."

Luckily, the list goes on, but the most recent and hopefully most impactful opportunity is with the Miss United States family. I was appointed Ms. Delaware United States 2013 and given the chance to pick my own platform.

Most people choose already existing charities, but I decided to create my own. It's called the IMPACT pledge which stands for Influencing Memories and Positive Actions by Compassion and Thoughtfulness. This pledge is for all of us to make a difference in our everyday lives.

The camaraderie and friendships NMMI taught me really helped mold this pledge into what it is today. It's to remind us that the everyday moments matter. While I clearly think volunteering with organizations is an amazing thing, I encourage people to take advantage of the moments we're given.

Thank a solider, shake a hand, send a smile, give a hug or compliment, volunteer, whatever it is, share something positive with someone. Sign the Pledge at www.impactpledge.us and write about your experiences.

#### Donor Bill of Rights

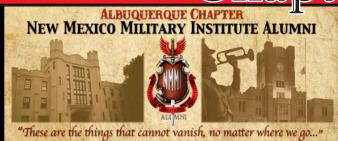
Did you know that there is a **Bill of Rights** for you as a Donor? Know your Rights!

Philanthropy is based on voluntary action for the common good. It is a tradition of giving and sharing that is primary to the quality of life. To assure that philanthropy merits the respect and trust of the general public, and that donors and prospective donors can have full confidence in the not-for-profit organizations and causes they are asked to support, we declare that all donors have these rights:

- 1. To be informed of the organization's mission, of the way the organization intends to use donated resources, and of its capacity to use donations effectively for their intended purposes.
- 2. To be informed of the identity of those serving on the organization's governing board, and to expect the board to exercise prudent judgment in its stewardship responsibilities.
- 3. To have access to the organization's most recent financial statements.
- 4. To be assured their gifts will be used for the purposes for which they were given.
- 5. To receive appropriate acknowledgment and recognition.
- 6. To be assured that information about their donations is handled with respect and with confidentiality to the extent provided by law.
- 7. To expect that all relationships with individuals representing organizations of interest to the donor will be professional in nature.
- 8. To be informed whether those seeking donations are volunteers, employees of the organization or hired solicitors.
- 9. To have the opportunity for their names to be deleted from mailing lists that an organization may intend to share.
- 10. To feel free to ask questions when making a donation and to receive prompt, truthful and forthright answers.

The text of this statement in its entirety was developed by the American Association of Fund-Raising Counsel (AAFRC), Association for Healthcare Philanthropy (AHP), Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), and the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), and adopted in November 1993.

# Chapter News



#### ATTENTION IN THE AREA! ATTENTION IN THE AREA!

THIS IS YOUR FIRST CALL
FOR THE
ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER FALL BARBEQUE!
AUGUST 24TH, 2013 5PM - 9PM

EVENT SPONSORED BY PHILL (67HS) & NANCY INGRAM AND GARY (66JC) & KATHIE WILLIAMS

Don't miss this Smokin' Cookout! We will be featuring: Applewood-smoked Baby Back Ribs; Hickory-smoked Green Chile Brisket; Pulled Pork, Brats, & Turkey Plus: Superb Side Dishes for your Dining Pleasure... Limited Beer, Wine & Sodas will be provided, or BYOB!

SPACE IS LIMITED - GET YOUR RESERVATION EARLY! EMAIL: NMMI.ABQALUMNI@GMAIL.COM WITH NAME(S)

PAY AT EVENT BY CASH OR CHECK ADULTS=\$25 ALUMNI IN COLLEGE=\$15 KIDS=\$10

PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT CHAPTER EVENTS, AND THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE CORPS!

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N.M.M.I. Broncos vs. Phoenix College Bears

# ROAD TRIP!

Arrangements have been made for a Herrera Coaches new 56-Passenger Bus to take us to and from Phoenix for the game at a round-trip cost of \$64 per person (if enough folks sign up!)

Depart Albuquerque at 7am on Saturday, Sept 7th to arrive in Phoenix at 2pm for Phoenix Chapter tailgate party - Game 7pm

Depart Phoenix Hampton Inn Midtown at 8am Sunday to arrive in Albuquerque at 3pm



Hampton Inn has set aside rooms at \$75 (\$84.17w/Tax)

Double Occupancy - 2 Queen Beds or 1 King Bed

#### Join us for only \$106 (Hotel & Transportation)

Email: nmmi.abqalumni@gmail.com or call Jordy (808) 489-8226



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Just a reminder — Artesia and surrounding area alumni are cordially invited to attend an Alumni Meet 'n Greet at the Artesia Country Club, 2703 West Richey Avenue, on 15 August 2013 from 6-8 pm. Please RSVP to Glede W. S. Holman 1981 JC via phone to 575-347-3993 or by email to: tholman727@gmail.com.

This is a great time to get involved with an NMMI Alumni Chapter. Don't see a Chapter in your area? Give us a call at 575-624-8250.

We can help you get started!

### Alumni/Chapter News



Frank X. Spencer, III 1996 HS receiving the Top 500 Hispanic Businesses Award, ranking 402nd out of 500. Frank's Company, Aztec Contractors is located in El Paso, TX.



Frank X. Spencer, III 1996 HS accepted the award from the Top 500 Hispanic Businesses by HispanicBuisness.com.

Aztec Contractors was established in 1989 and now has 36 employees and over 4 million in revenue.

The company designs/builds, does engineering, surveying, mapping and construction management.

Frank tells us that his company is pleased and honored to have received this award!

Congratulations, Frank!

Albuquerque Chapter get-together..... El Pinto's

on Saturday, 17 August at 7:00 pm. Looking forward to seeing friends, old and new. El Pinto's is located at 10500 4th Street, NW in Albuquerque, NM.



We had a great Phoenix Chapter get-together on 27 July with lots of new people and some very adamant participants in helping our Chapter go forward, and supporting NMMI, the Corps of Cadets and all of its programs. Thank you to Dale and Terina Thompson Brandsberg 1984 JC, for hosting our Swimming and BBQ Social. Thank you to all of the new attendees who came and helped make it a smashing success.

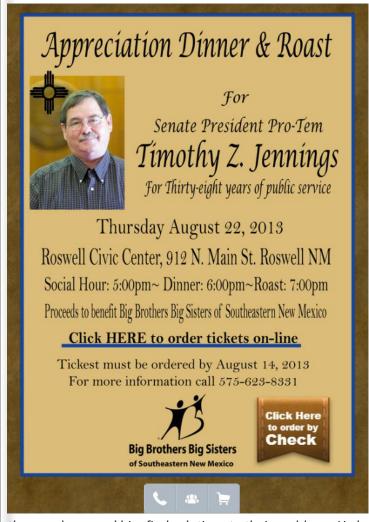
James D. "Jim" Lowe 1967 JC drove in from Roswell; Liz Miller from Fort Huachuca; Alan L. Hotchkiss 1965 HS and his wife Vickie from Prescott; P. Kirch French 1983 JC from Queen Creek; his twin sister Katherine S. (French) Rhodes 1981 HS from Chandler; Gabriella R. Ketchum 1987 JC from Phoenix; and many others .

We plan to officially invite the Roswell and Artesia Chapters, the Albuquerque Chapter, the Las Vegas Chapter and all others who want to come to the NMMI-Phoenix Bears football game on 7 September to a tailgate party before and after the game. See Albuquerque travel arrangments on page 6. We plan to have a train ride to the Diamondbacks, as a Chapter get-together, to watch Arizona as soon as we can select a game. The Phoenix Chapter is on the march, thanks to a bunch of new blood.

#### Attention Las Cruces/El Paso area!

The following non-political invite is from COL C.D. Huestus, USAR (Ret) 1948 HS:
NMMI is a "sponsor" for the 18 & 19 Septemeber "Domenici Conference" at the Las Cruces Convention Center. This is your chance to participate in this prestigious event and network with our community as an NMMI Alumnus. The Conference is centered around Energy, Health Care and Foreign Policy issues, and features renowned speakers in all these areas of concern. Registration is being handled by NMSU and began 1 August. Conference attendance cost is \$50.00 per person and registration is open online at www.domenici.nmsu.edu - the site also has a Conference Agenda and list of Scheduled Speakers.

# Alumni Updates



Rancher and businessman **Timothy Z. Jennings 1986 HS**, served as the state senator from Roswell from 1979 to 2012. He was elected Senate President Pro Tem in 2008 and re-elected each year through 2012. He previously served as majority floor leader and majority whip.

As the second-longest serving member of the Senate, Jennings was a member of numerous standing and interim committees, including those studying the topics of state finances and investments, tax policy, education, conservation, and health and human services, a passion he shared with his late wife, Patty.

He served as co-chair of the interim Legislative Council, chairman of the Senate Committees' Committee, and a member of the Legislative Finance Committee, Capitol Building Planning Commission, Interim Legislative Ethics Committee, Public School Capital Outlay Oversight Task Force, Revenue Stabilization and Tax Policy Committee, Senate Rules Committee and Senate Indian and Cultural Affairs Committee.

Jennings began his political career in 1974 when he ran for and was elected to the first of two terms on the Chaves County Commission. When his state senator was appointed a U.S. attorney in 1978, Jennings was appointed to run for the vacant seat. He served as the state senator for District 32 through 2012, representing parts of Chaves, Eddy, Lincoln and Otero counties. A conservative Democrat with allies from both parties, Jennings served as majority whip from 1989 to 1996 and as majority floor leader from 1997 to 2007.

Although he began his political life reluctantly, Jennings saw his role as a public servant as someone who can help

the people around him find solutions to their problems. He believes government should help people help themselves. Jennings was born in Roswell on 4 September 1950, to Frances and James T. Jennings Jr., an attorney. He has a twin brother, **Thomas E. Jennings 1968 HS**, who has been a Roswell mayor, and four other brothers and sisters. Another brother, **John M. Jennings 1966 HS**, served as mayor of Rio Rancho.

He graduated from New Mexico Military Institute, earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from Creighton University in Nebraska and took courses in agriculture at New Mexico State University.

After graduating from Creighton, he was a manager for a group of Goodyear stores in California, but he was drawn back to Eastern New Mexico and went to work for the Peñasco River Ranch before taking over the family ranch.

Although best known as a sheep rancher, Jennings now raises cattle because predators made it difficult to successfully raise sheep.

Jennings has five children, including one in medical school, one in college and one in high school. His son Timothy Z. Jennings Jr., is a new cadet at NMMI this year. His older children have careers in health and agriculture. He and his wife, Patty, who died in 2008 from cancer, shared a passion for health policy and the legislative process.

For his efforts on behalf of New Mexicans, Jennings received the Outstanding Leadership Award from New Mexico State University, the Friend of the Profession award from the New Mexico Society of Certified Public Accountants, the Soaring Eagle Award from the New Mexico Association of Counties, and honorary membership from the New Mexico Medical Society, and honored for his commitment and support in the battle against cancer from the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center among others.

# Alumni Updates



Welcome to the world, Mariabelen, born on 26 June 2013. Congratulations to **Miguel Salido Guterriez 2001 JC** and his wife Arizbeth on the birth of their daughter.



COL Paul G. Dixon, USAR 1985 JC is working in Kabul, Afghanistan with the Center for Army Lessons Learned as the Senior LNO. He sends greetings to all cadets, past and present. "Life is what you make of it. Each of us has the potential for greatness and NMMI gives us the foundational tools," he says. While in Kabul, he met with BG William A. Hall 1987 JC, Commander of the 136th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade (MEB) at Camp Phoenix, Kabul a few months ago. Hall is Army National Guard and already redeployed.



Congratulations to **2LT Stephen J. Crouch, USAR 2007 JC** and his wife Kelsey who welcome a new baby daughter into their family.



Billy Wyles Jr 1991 JC had just finished his tour in Afghanistan and flew to Kandahar AFB from FOB Lindsey to wait on his next flight out; eventually ending up at Fort Lewis, WA.

By chance he was having dinner in the mess hall when **Ben Smith 1967 HS** saw him and they enjoyed good stories over dinner. Ben is an oral surgeon stationed at Kandahar Hospital. Ben is the oldest soldier in Afghanistan. Both are Lieutant Colonel's. We sure are proud of them and all those that have or are currently serving.



Laurie A. Pallesen 1981 updated the Alumni Office of a Ski Trip that she and CPT Daniel L. Castillo, USA (Ret) 1982 JC attended in Aspen, CO. This was Dan's first time in Aspen and Laurie's third trip. National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic April 2012 Aspen, CO.



Congratulations to **CPT Alexander M. Thyne, USA 1997 JC** and his wife Amy on the arrival of their son Elliott Charles, born 5 May 2013. He is pictured here with big sister Lillian.



Congratulations to Levi W.
Andrews 2006 JC and his wife
Jen on the birth of their
daughter on 25 June 2013.
Welcome to the world baby
Nora!



On 8 June 2013, Toni M. Rogers 2006 HS and CPL Joel H. Mahill, USMC 2004 HS were married on 8 June 2013. Congratulations Corporal and Mrs. Mahill!

### Alumni Updates



David J. Muttitt 2003 JC has qualified to challenge the world's top PGA golfers. David tied for 9th place at the PGA Professional National Championship in Sun River, OR, on 26 June. Above picture is a Golf Channel shot. David shot a final round 2-under 70 for a total of 1-under 286. The top finish qualified him for this year's PGA Championship in Rochester, NY, on 8-11 August. David is the Assistant Golf Pro at the Paa-Ko Ridge Golf Club in Albuquerque, NM. Way to go David!



Congratulations to MAJ Glen D. Renfree, USA 1991 JC and his wife Jennifer on the birth of their third child, Megan Elizabeth on 16 July 2013. Megan joins big brothers Michael and Matthew.



**R. Thad Pracht 1981 JC** and his new wife, Dawn Neely Rockel were married on 11 July 2013. Congratulations!



**Gino F. Sanchez 1982 HS** passed away on 8 July 2013.



Congratulations to **Sonia (Vazquez) Mahfouz 2001 HS** and her husband Richard on the birth of their son, Leonard Anthony, born on 17 July 2013.



LTC Thomas "Tom" Y. Woods, USA (Ret) Honorary Life Member, 86, of Clovis, NM, died Monday, 8 July 2013 at Plains Regional Medical Center. Graveside services with full military honors were held at the Santa Fe National Cemetery with Deacon Daniel Chavez Officiating.

Tom was born in Floyd County in Emma, KY, on 5 December 1926 to Robert Lee Woods and Virgie Sellards Woods. He is the 3rd born of seven children. The oldest sister Stella Mae Woods Family, brother Waller J. Woods and younger siblings Geraldine Woods, Jeanne Woods, Robert L. Woods, Jr., and the youngest Kenneth P. Woods in California. His father, mother, and all siblings except Kenneth preceded him in death.

He was inducted into the Army at age 18 and served until retirement in 1973. While serving in the Army in Bamberg, Germany near Nurnberg, he met and married Marion Kelsch on 3 November 1950. They had three children, Linda R. Woods Fetters of Palmdale, CA; Nancy A. Woods Bradberry of Lancaster, CA; MAJ Tyrone Y. Woods, TXARNG (Ret) 1976 JC of Roswell, NM. They also had two grandsons, David R. Fetters and Jesse R. Bradberry. All three children are school teachers. Tom served in three Wars, WWII, Korea and Vietnam during his military career.

Having traveled all over the world including a two-year assignment in Taipei, Taiwan and a one-year assignment in Vietnam at the height of the war, he spent most of the U. S. assignments in New Mexico. Upon retirement from the Army he was employed by New Mexico Military Institute as a training and control officer. After two years at this position he was promoted to the position of Adjutant (Assistant to the Commandant) and remained in that position until retirement in 1982 with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Since then he spent the rest of his life with beloved wife Marion; dividing their time at their home in Clovis, NM, and their lake house at Conchas Dam, NM, where he enjoyed fishing, camping and boating, as well as traveling to all parts throughout the U. S. and to some foreign countries.

# NMMI Football wins the 2013 NJCAA Football Media Guide Cover Contest!



Congratulations to New Mexico Military Institute Football on winning the 2013 NJCAA Football Media Guide Cover Contest! The guide will be released Monday, 19 August 2013. NMMI beat several schools with +20,000 enrollment.

We want to give a special thanks to everyone who participated!

### 2013 NMMI Football Schedules

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME (MDT)
Aug. 24	Sat	Mesa Comm. College *	Mesa, AZ	7:00 PM
Aug. 31	Sat	Glendale Comm. College *	NMMI Field	7:00 PM
Sep. 7	Sat	Phoenix College *	Phoenix, AZ	7:00 PM
Sep. 14	Sat	Air Force Prep	Col. Springs, CO	1:00 PM
Sep. 21	Sat	Eastern Arizona College *	NMMI Field	7:00 PM
Sep. 28	Sat	Snow College*	Ephraim, UT	12:00 PM
Oct. 5	Sat	Scottsdale Comm. College *	NMMI Field	7:00 PM
Oct. 12	Sat	Arizona Western College*	Yuma, AZ	7:00 PM
Oct. 19	Sat	Pima Comm. College *	NMMI Field	2:00 PM

2013 Broncos Football Schedule

\* Denotes Western States Football League game

Home games listed in BOLD, played at Colt Field on the NMMI campus

# 2013 Colts Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time/Results
Aug. 30	Hatch Valley	Hatch, NM	7:00 pm
Sep. 6	Tucumcari	Tucumcari, NM	7:00 pm
Sep. 13	Estancia	NMMI	7:00 pm
Sep. 20	Hagerman	Hagerman, NM	7:00 pm
Sep. 27	Mesilla Valley	NMMI	7:00 pm
Oct. 4	Capitan	NMMI	7:00 pm
Oct. 11	Hot Springs	Hot Springs, NM	7:00 pm
Oct. 25	Eunice	Eunice, NM	7:00 pm
Nov. 1	Loving *	Loving, NM	7:00 pm
Nov. 8	Dexter	NMMI	7:00 pm

Nov. 15-16: NMAA Class 2A State Quarterfinals

Nov. 22-23: NMAA Class 2A State Semifinals

Nov. 29-30: NMAA Class 2A State Championships

Home games in BOLD, played at Colt Field on the NMMI campus

\* indicates game is a District 4-2A contest



#### Major Sponsorship Opportunities

Duty Sponsor \$10,000 level

Honor Sponsor \$5,000 level

Achievement Sponsor \$2,500 level Bronco Sponsor \$1,000 level

Colt Sponsor \$250 level

Gala Sponsor \$100 level

#### Schedule of Events

#### Friday, 4 October

1200 Practice Round

1830 Tournament Mixer, Roswell Country Club

#### Saturday, 5 October

0700 Registration, Breakfast & Warm Up

0800 Round 1, Wave 1, Shotgun Start

1200 Registration & Lunch

1300 Round 1, Wave 2, Shotgun Start

1800 Reception & Gala, Quarters 1, Campus Circle

•Round 1 Scoring

Special Activities

#### Sunday, 6 October

0700 Breakfast & Warm Up

0800 Round 2, Wave 1, Shotgun Start

1300 Round 2, Wave 2, Shotgun Start

Scoring and Awards Presentation after Final Round of play is completed at the Golf Course.

#### The General's Cup Honors NMMI Professor Fred Miller



Lieutenant Colonel Fred A. Miller, NMMI Professor of Mathematics, was truly 'a man for all cadets.' Daily, he exhibited great passion, advocacy and service to the profession of education and to countless numbers of NMMI cadets. LTC Miller devoted his life to making a difference in the lives of others. He had a profound impact on so many cadets, peers and others. His perservering and positive attitude, his warmth and wisdom remain in the hearts of all who knew him.

For information specific to the tournament and to sign up to play please contact: Crae Fields, PGA Head Professional

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Priority entry given to sponsored teams!

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