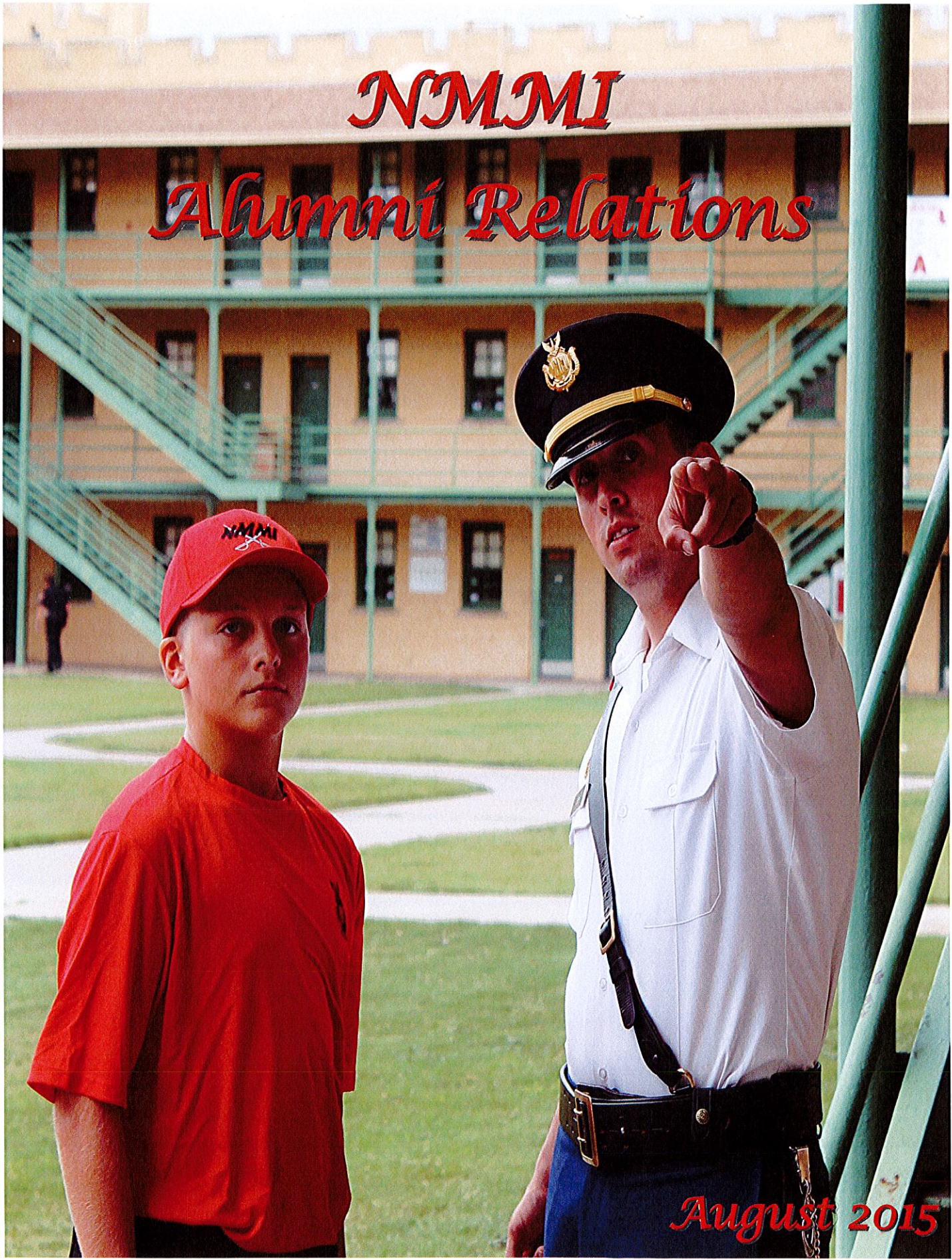


*NMMI*

*Alumni Relations*



*August 2015*



Each year Shawn and I have challenged alumni, family and friends in the months leading up to the General's Cup. We continue to do this because the impact this event has on current/future cadets can't be put into words or overlooked. Over the course of that time, this event has created an endowment of approximately \$180,000 and has also provided over \$30,000 in scholarship funds to prospective and current cadets. This year will be no different, Shawn and I have made an initial contribution of \$1,000 dollars to the 4th Annual General's Cup and would like to personally challenge you to match us.

This opportunity is unique and for a just cause, all of the funds generated from this challenge will not be used to offset the cost of the tournament as can be the case with sponsorship dollars. In fact, each dollar raised through this challenge will go directly into the NET proceeds and will either increase the endowment or be used this year to provide a scholarship to a worthy and needy cadet.

These unrestricted scholarships and funds are vital. There are several reasons these Funds are so important, first, they allow NMMI the ability to offer that Number 1 Draft Choice, who wants to attend NMMI, and we want him or her to attend NMMI, a scholarship right then and there. With these funds, we have the ability to shock the system and tell that young person "We want you, and here's a scholarship that shows them we mean business! This is referred to in the Army as an "impact award" and it delivers an impact!"

We hope that you see the positive effect this event, and challenge has had in recent years and we look forward to you meeting the challenge. Our commitment to keeping NMMI relevant, affordable and a place young people want to be. NMMI is always a topic of conversation and with your help and ours we are doing just that. Each person who accepts the challenge will receive a custom challenge coin, sponsorship recognition, and access to the Friday and Saturday night events located at Quarters 1 and the Golf Course.

Sincerely,

Jerry W. Grizzle, Ph.D.  
Major General (USA Ret)  
Superintendent/President

## GENERAL'S CUP HONORS NMMI DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS



William C. "Bill" Wyles, a member of the NMMI Hall of Fame, graduated from NMMI's high school division in 1967 and the junior college in 1969. With a family legacy of service to NMMI, Bill has spent his life promoting the NMMI ideals of Duty, Honor, and Achievement.

Promoting team ideals over self-interest, his personal life, professional achievements, and abiding love for and service to NMMI exemplify the objectives of his alma mater. Giving much to so many is part of his character and his worth to his school, its cadets, and the many who call him friend is incalculable.



# Upcoming Events

## Homecoming 2015

Honored Classes ending in "5" All classes are welcome!

Please [pre-register](#) to avoid delays at registration! (It's free)

See the tentative schedule below:

### Thursday, 22 October

Senior Class Luncheon (Senior College and guests only)

Lefty Stecklein Memorial Golf Tournament ([paid event](#))

Silver Taps

Superintendent's Social (Alumni & Guests)

### Friday, 23 October

Alumni Luncheon and Hall of Fame Ceremony ([paid event](#))

Alumni Rappelling and Ropes Course Demonstration

Bronco Alumni Baseball Game

Alumni Love Feast ([paid event](#)), no cadets and no one under 21)

### Saturday, 24 October

Crossed Saber Society Members Breakfast (Invitation only)

Drill Team Demonstration and Changing of the Flame Guard

Visitation of Barracks

Alumni Honored Class march and Homecoming Parade

Alumni and Guests Tailgate Party ([paid event](#))

before the Homecoming Game

Alumni Honored Class Dinner ([paid event](#)), no cadets and no one under 21)

Find your [class leader](#)

**\*\*Note - Pre-registration ends 19 October**

**(Paid events will increase by \$5 per ticket excluding golf)**

# Upcoming Events

## Homecoming 2015

If you haven't heard, there are a lot of things happening in Roswell during the month of October besides the 2015 Homecoming. Because of this, it is really important to make your reservations right away.

Here is a list of [lodging](#) in Roswell.

The special prices for NMMI Alumni are below. **Just mention that your visit is for NMMI Homecoming.**

### **Best Western Sally Port Inn & Suites**

(21<sup>st</sup> – 20 rooms, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> -36 rooms each)

The special offer while they last is \$70 for a double and \$75 for a suite

575-622-6430 (talk to Amy)

### **Budget Inn**

\$59 double and \$54 king

575-623-6050

### **Candlewood Suites** (21<sup>st</sup> – 10 rooms, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup> -20 rooms each)

The special offer while they last is \$109 for a single and \$119 for a double

575-623-4300

### **Days Inn**

Full Breakfast

\$75 (double or kind) (60 rooms available)

575-623-4021

### **Fairfield Inn & Suites**

The special offer while they last is \$109 for a standard for a \$119 for a suite

575-624-1300

### **Hampton Inn**

The special offer while they last is \$109 for a single and \$119 for a double

575-623-5151

### **La Quinta** (Only has 15 rooms available)

The special offer while they last is \$107.10 for a double

575-622-8000

### **Leisure Inn of America**

\$55 double (30 rooms available)

575-622-2575

### **National 9**

\$49 per room (60 rooms available)

575-622-0110

### **Motel 6**

\$50 standard or double (25 rooms available)

\$60 suite (2 queen and a sofa bed) (5 available)

575-625-6666

### **Super 8**

\$78 group w/ double (up to 4 people)

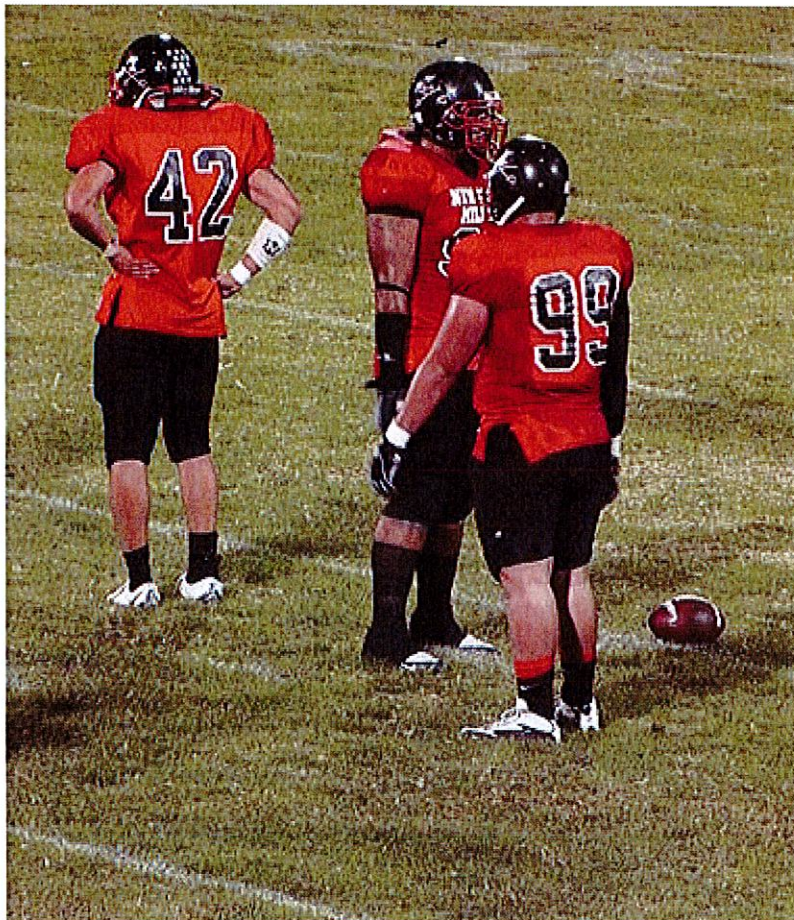
\$70 king (2 people)

(40 rooms available)

575-622-8886

# NMMI Chapters

## PHOENIX CHAPTER



**Come** celebrate and cheer on the NMMI Bronco football team on 19 September at 7pm at Glendale Community College. We welcome alumni, parents and friends of the Institute to have a good time at the residence of Lisa Drummond from 4-7pm.

Location:  
6607 West Ironwood Drive  
Glendale AZ 85302

This is walking distance from the stadium.

Tail gate grub will be hamburgers and hotdogs and all the sides will be provided for. Bring your own adult beverage if you would like to. Please **RSVP** so we can get a good head count.

**Joseph Altman 87 HS**  
[cvaltman@cox.net](mailto:cvaltman@cox.net)  
602-684-0852

**COL Richard E. "Dick" Minor, USA 57 JC**  
[danddminor@aol.com](mailto:danddminor@aol.com)

**Robert R. "Robby" Drobek, Jr., 1968 JC**  
[teamdrobek@gmail.com](mailto:teamdrobek@gmail.com)

**Lisa Drummond, President**  
602-524-4157

Hope to have a great turn-out and take  
the Broncos to victory!



# NMMI Chapters

## MEXICO CHAPTER

The Mexico Chapter held its annual reunion in picturesque San Carlos, Sonora, Mexico, the weekend of July 20. Eighteen alumni, the Alumni Relations Director **LTC**

**Danny Armijo, NMMI 1972 JC**, his wife, Lisa and Admissions Counselors Ray and **Nancy Burrola (COL/NMMI Ret)** attended along with many alumni wives and families.

San Carlos is located four hours south of Tucson through a hassle free zone very friendly to international travel. The Mexico Chapter invites all NMMI alumni to participate in their yearly reunions usually held in June.

This summer's reunion was flawlessly organized by **Victor M. Anaya Acosta 1996 HS** and was dedicated to the memory of **Jose Roberto "Tito" Hegeretty 2002 HS**, a practicing attorney in Mexico City who unexpectedly died at the age of 32. Tito would have approved the gathering to re-connecting with old friends, making new friends, reliving old times and making new memories.

The weekend began with a welcome reception on the beach as we watched the beautiful San Carlos sunset. Early Saturday morning **Mario A. Astiazaran Gutierrez 1998 HS** caught in a 125 pound Marlin which was prepared to perfection by the yacht's chief along with coconut shrimp, shrimp shish kabobs, and ceviche. The day was spent on the yacht and on speed boats on Sea of Cortes sunning, swimming, eating and enjoying the interaction among RAT buddies, alumni and NMMI staff. Saturday night the Chapter held its business meeting. LTC Armijo addressed the group updating them on NMMI's mission. Ray Burrola also address the group, thanking them for their recruitment assistance, underscoring the number of Mexican Cadets recruited for 2015-2016 and requesting their assistance for the upcoming recruitment season. The group expressed an interest on the status of the NMMI Mexican scholarship and an update on the current funds donated for the scholarship. They were assured that the current donations are intact and more information would be forthcoming on renewing donations to NMMI. Victor Anaya volunteered to serve as the point of contact for the Mexico Chapter.



Back left to right: Jorge E. Zaragoza Patino 2007 HS, Eduardo B. Almada Bouvet 1999 JC, Nancy Burrola (COL, NMMI (Ret)), Alfredo Gonzalez, Mario A. Astiazaran Gutierrez 1998 HS, Victor N. Anaya Acosta 1996 HS, Ray Burrola, Arturo Cazares Carvajal 1996 HS.

Kneeling right to left: Ricardo A. LaPorte 1996 JC and Victor M. Guerrero Silva 2003 HS and in front right is Francisco E. Buelna Felix 2005 HS.



In summary, the Mexico Chapter was appreciative that NMMI staff participated in the reunion. Collective, the alumni and others were ready to renew their pledges but will hold off until the pending court decision is finalized. All the participants had a great time and look forward to the Chapter meeting for June 2016.

Right: While in San Carlos, LTC and Mrs. Armijo and Nancy Burrola (COL, NMMI Ret) and husband Ray visited the family of "Tito" Hegeretty 2002 HS.

# NMMI Chapters

## ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER



### Abq Chapter Annual Fall BBQ Saturday, August 29th, 2015 - 4pm - 9pm

Hosted by Phill '67HS & Nancy Ingram and Gary '67JC & Kathie Williams

**SILENT AUCTION ITEMS WILL BE UP FOR BIDS TO RAISE  
MONEY FOR THE ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER AND THE  
N.M.M.I. ANNUAL FUND**

*Hickory-smoked Green Chile Brisket, Pulled Pork, Smoked  
Ribs, Sausages and Turkey - Plus Superb Side Dishes!  
Beer, Wine & Sodas provided, or BYOB!*

Adults: \$25

Kids: \$10

Students: \$15

Cash, Check,  
or Credit Cards  
- Pay at Event -

**FOR RESERVATIONS AND MAP TO EVENT,  
EMAIL ATTENDEE NAMES TO:  
NMMI.ABQALUMNI@GMAIL.COM**

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# NMMI Chapters

## DFW CHAPTER

In the past we have tried to organize for a group of alumni to go to the football game that NMMI has in Ranger, TX, or Cisco, TX. I just spoke to the Athletics Department, this year NMMI is NOT playing in Texas, but they will in 2016. We might want to plan for 2016 a trip to West Texas to support our NMMI football team. Also, depending on how many people go on the trip, we would rent a passenger van or we possibly charter a bus. Please let us know if this is something you would be interested in doing.

Events in the Alumni DFW Chapter:

Once per month alumni would get together for breakfast, normally on the first Saturday of each month in Bedford at the "Le Peep" Restaurant. This is where we would organize an event to bring all the DFW Alumni together for planning and fellowship.

Events to think about: Golf, Horse races, happy hours, Dallas Cowboy Game in a private room, Dallas Star Game, car races, gathering at an alumni ranch or lake house and any other fun events that we can get everyone together.

I have been overseas now for 2 years, I think I will be back in September and we can get the Chapter going strong again. We look forward to hearing from area alumni!

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# NMMI Chapters

## DC CHAPTER



16-Aug-15 found Washington DC Alumni enjoying an evening of perfect weather, good food and valued camaraderie.

Pictured from left to right: **COL Josef S. Hatch, USA 1996 JC**, Mike Siebert, Sandra Hatch, **Lindsay T. Lee 1999 JC**, Catherine Mortensen, **Paul E. Hugh-ey 1993 HS~1995 HS**, **Lawrence J. Moon, Jr. 1983 JC**, **Gregory B. Mortensen 1985 HS**, **Dr. Rodney W. Smith 1965 HS~1967 JC**, Dorothy Green, **CDR Michael P. Green, USN (Ret) 1962 HS**, **John A. Glover, Ph.D., 1970 HS**, **Elizabeth A. "Liz" Daniels 2001 HS~2003 JC**, **Janet Smith, MAJ Steven C. Fahlenkamp, USA 1994 JC**, **Gregory D. Sampson 1994 HS~1996 JC** and Joanna Sampson.

Want to get involved with the DC Chapter? Visit them on the web at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/137202116479851/>. Watch for our next event coming in February 2016!

## News from the Hill

NMMI is working to get *The NMMI Dispatches* and *The Sally Port* magazine online. If you would like to receive either of the publications online instead of US mail, please sign up below!

[The NMMI Dispatches](#)

[The Sally Port magazine](#)



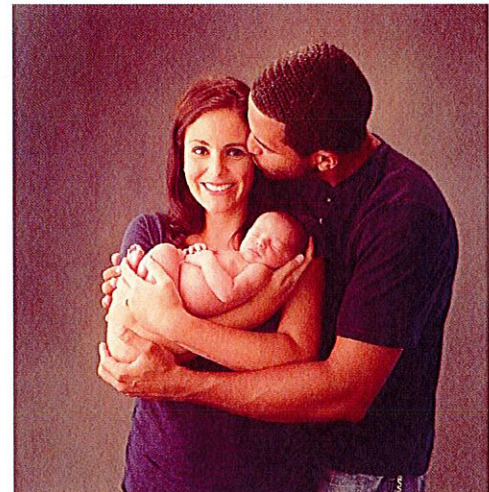
NMMI and Harris Connect have partnered to prepare the next NMMI Alumni Directory! Harris Connect may be contacting you to make sure that we have the most current information for you. The Directory is set to be published in October 2016.

# Alumni Updates

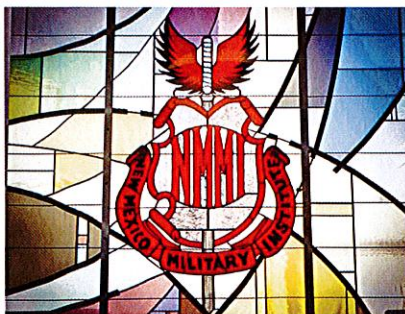


Update from **COL Neil C. Schuehle, USMC 1984 JC** - Relinquished command at Marine Special Operations and now Commanding Officer NROTC Unit, The Citadel.

Congratulations to **Michelle R. (Baca) Reilly 1996 HS** and her husband Lee on the birth of Callum Codey on 8 July 2015. Callum joins the family with big brother Ally.



Congratulations to **Jared A. Greathouse 2003 HS** and his wife Erica on the birth of their son, Derek, on 19 July 2015.



Do you have updates? Have you moved, married, had children or been promoted? Send us your stories and pictures to share with your fellow alumni.

Send to [alumnioffice@nmmi.edu](mailto:alumnioffice@nmmi.edu) or go online at <http://www.nmmi.edu/alumni/aluminfo.htm>.

# Alumni Updates



**Steven G. Zabel 1968 JC** was inducted into the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame on 3 August 2015. Steve was inducted into the NMMI Alumni Hall of Fame in 1994. While at NMMI, he lettered in basketball; track, setting a school record in the high hurdles; and football, claiming All-American honors. Steve was recruited by the University of Oklahoma as a tight end in 1969 helping the Sooners to two Big Eight championships. He was selected in the 1970 NFL first round draft by the Philadelphia Eagles and was named the Philadelphia Eagle Co-MVP in 1971. In 1975, he was acquired by the New England Patriots, Steve retired a Baltimore Colt in 1979, ending his ten-year career in the NFL. Steve currently lives in Edmond, Oklahoma. Watch for more on Steve in the upcoming *Sally Port* magazine.

Congratulations to **H. Randy Huston 1978 JC** New Mexico rancher who won Outstanding Western album of the year with his daughter Hannah. Randy played for the Trail Riders in 2009 in Terrero, NM. Read more about Randy in the upcoming *Sally Port* magazine.



Update from **Chris Patten 1995 JC**— I attended NMMI in 1993-94 on a full tennis scholarship where our Bronco team had a lot of success over those two seasons and were regularly ranked in the top ten in the nation. More importantly the Bronco tennis team were a team of brothers and always enjoyed our road trips where we would play hard but also bond together. After NMMI we all went our separate ways, onto different colleges and different walks of life. I spent some time coaching tennis at The Citadel once I had obtained my degree and was fortunate to attend graduate school whilst there. I then returned to New Zealand where I was a high school teacher, Head of

Department and Assistant Principal. I am now in a management position as a Resource Teachers: Learning and Behaviour manager where I have 16 staff that work in 50 schools in our region supporting students with learning and behaviour challenges. I am returning to NMMI for the first time since I left in 1994 to attend Homecoming in October 2005. I am blessed to say that my old room mate as a RAT will also be attending as will a number of my old Bronco tennis brothers and other cadets I shared time with. It will be a mix of emotions stepping onto the NMMI campus again after twenty plus years and I am looking forward to seeing old friends and retracing some of my steps in Roswell. I would love to see even more of my old NMMI "mates", so please attend **Homecoming** if you can...would be fantastic to see you!

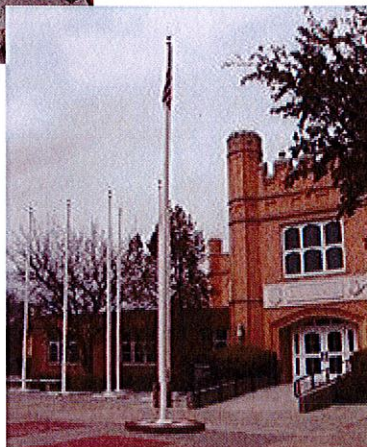
# Put your mark on NMMI

Check out the store website:

<http://www.nmmi.edu/alumni/benchesbricksandflagpoles.htm>

If you would like to purchase a brick paver, bench or flagpole or if you would like to make a membership contribution, please make checks payable to:

New Mexico Military Institute  
101 West College Boulevard  
Roswell, NM 88201-5175



For assistance making all other contributions, call the Alumni Relations Office at 575-624-8250 or Kris Ward at 575-624-8158

## **What NMMI Taught Me** **Andrés Castelo Rebeil 2014 HS**

- ◆ Popping-to taught me to be brave enough to speak up to people in spite of their power.
- ◆ Doing the RAT-walk taught me that no matter how many shortcuts we find on our way, the long route can take us further.
- ◆ The Honor Code taught me that the truth can cost us some pain, but a lie can cost us the world.
- ◆ Marching from place to place taught me that we can go anywhere we want by taking the right steps.
- ◆ Wearing the same uniform as my colleagues taught me that the real value of people is in their hearts and not on their clothes.
- ◆ Being away from my loved ones taught me that we can have more than one family.
- ◆ Having a tight schedule taught me to appreciate the value of time.
- ◆ Standing at the position of attention taught me to stand tall before uncomfortable situations.
- ◆ Being a leader taught me that leadership is not a noun... it is an action.
- ◆ NMMI taught me that every deed has a purpose; the real challenge is to figure out if they are worthwhile doing.