



# NMMI ALUMNI RELATIONS



**New Mexico Military Institute**

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## The NMMI Alumni E-Newsletter



Colonel Armijo:

Greetings Fellow Alumni:  
I hope this letter finds all of you healthy and that life is good.

First of all, we are about ready to publish our NMMI Alumni Sally Port Magazine.

It looks awesome and my personal thanks goes to Jennifer Rawdon, who has been instrumental on its success.

As always, we continue to raise the bar higher, and this is no exception, you are in for a real treat. There are some great articles in it!

This year has been very exciting for us, because we have been able to travel to your locations and meet with many of you. At every one of our NMMI Alumni "Meet and Greets", our attendance has been awesome and it has been an honor

to meet with all of you. We will be in [Houston](#) on 7 April. Stay tuned for updates, of where we will be and when we will be there.  
We would love to see you attend one of our "Tattoos".

Our second annual NMMI Alumni Motorcycle Rally, is officially open, as of March 20<sup>th</sup>. Plan on either the full ride or partial riding around the Taos, NM area, the "Enchanted Circle" or our 2<sup>nd</sup> leg around Ruidoso and Cloudcroft. Some may want to ride down to Carlsbad Caverns. We have negotiated a block of rooms for both Taos and Roswell. [Sign up here!](#)

Our 29<sup>th</sup> NMMI Alumni Trail ride is just about ready to be open for registration. We are finalizing just a few more logistic concerns, then we will be open. We again, would love to see you attend a Trail Ride. Once you have been to one, it gets into your blood stream and you never want to miss another one. So please join us! No, you do not have to have a horse!

As a final remark and request, I would like to ask all of you to send us a small testimonial of your time spent here on the hill? When we travel from city to city, I continually hear awesome remarks and comments from all of you, of what it meant to attend NMMI. What you took away, when you left?

How did it prepare you for your next journey? We are currently working on a testimonial blog, where each of you can share your thoughts so others can read them. [Send us your testimonial.](#)

Take care, always travel safe and thank you for our continued support. As always, please stop by our office if you are in town. We would love to see you.  
With Best Personal Regards,  
Danny

Our most recent NMMI Alumni conference call was held on 13 March. If you missed the call and would like to listen to the recorded call, simply call (605) 475-4099 and use access code 416844# and enter the # key. The recording will be available until our next NMMI Alumni Conference call, schedule for 24 April 2018 at 6pm "Old Post Time".

Our last Conference call included Guest: LTC George Brick, Vice Dean/ HS Principal, Dean of Academics

Topics were:  
-Accreditation  
-On the road in Eastern US  
-NMMI Alumni Chapel  
-Glass Complete  
-Corps Turning (Crucible)  
-Upcoming Events



## NMMI Alumni Meet 'n Greet

Houston, TX

Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

3:30 Social Time

5:30 BBQ Dinner



Hosted by **Lance S. Easterling 1983 HS-1985 JC** and Mrs. Jayne Easterling  
and **Lee G. Jones 1968 JC** and Mrs. Diane Jones

Come meet New and Old Alumni from the Houston area

Representing NMMI will be Director of Alumni Relations and Institutional Advancement,  
**Danny L. Armijo, II 1972 JC**, Kris Ward, Development Officer and LTC Jonathan Graff,  
Commandant of Cadets

**Tait Ranch Log House**

**1167 Tait Ranch Rd**

**Columbus, TX 78934**

**Please RSVP - NMMI Alumni Relations Office**

**Phone: (575) 624-8257 or email: [alm\\_pub@nmml.edu](mailto:alm_pub@nmml.edu)**

**Dress: Business Casual**



**Saturday,  
April 14th, 2018  
- 2pm Start  
Alumni, Patrons  
Friends & Families  
are all Welcome!**



*Please Join Us For The Fifth Annual  
Cost-Free Alumni Chapter Event!*

At the Beautiful Home of  
**Greg Peebles '77JC & Denise Kawas**  
10901 Oakland NE 87122  
(North of Paseo del Norte, East off of Eubank)



*This Fun & Festive Event  
will feature a  
Mardi Gras theme with  
Cajun Cuisine & Zydeco Music...  
...and it is all FREE!!!*

Email [nmmi.abqalumni@gmail.com](mailto:nmmi.abqalumni@gmail.com)  
Please include names  
for a good head count and nametags!



**Mark your  
Calendar now  
& don't miss  
this great annual  
Chapter event!**



**NMMI Alumni Meet 'n Greet**  
**COLORADO SPRINGS**  
Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
1700



Hosted by **Stephen C. Helbing, Jr. 1971 HS**

Come meet New and Old Alumni from the Colorado Springs area  
Representing NMMI will be Director of Alumni Relations and Institutional Advancement,  
**Danny L. Armijo, II 1972 JC** and **Kris Ward, Development Officer**

**Oskar Blues Brewhouse**  
**118 N Tejon**  
**Colorado Springs, CO 80903**

**Light hors d'ouvres will be provided**  
**Cash Bar**

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**NMMI Alumni Meet 'n Greet**  
**Cherry Hills Village, CO**  
Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018  
1800 to 2000



Hosted by **R. Kent Dawkins 1967 HS** and **Mrs. Sharon Dawkins**

Come meet New and Old Alumni from the Denver area  
Representing NMMI will be Director of Alumni Relations and Institutional Advancement,  
**Danny L. Armijo, II 1972 JC** and **Kris Ward, Development Officer**

**Cherry Hills Country Club**  
**4125 S University Blvd**  
**Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113**

**Refreshments and light hors d'ouvres will be provided**

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**NMMI Alumni Meet 'n Greet**  
**Amarillo, TX**  
Friday, May 4th, 2018  
**Time: 1800**



Hosted by **Kenneth L. Burgess 2000 HS-2002 JC**  
Come meet New and Old Alumni from the Amarillo area  
Representing NMMI will be Director of Alumni Relations and Institutional Advancement,  
**Danny L. Armijo, II 1972 JC** and **MAJ Kris Ward, NMMI**

**First Capital Bank of Texas**  
**3900 S Soncy Rd**  
**Amarillo, TX 79119**

**Refreshments and light hors d'ouvres will be provided**

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**NMMI Alumni Meet 'n Greet**  
**FORT WORTH, TX**  
Friday, July 13, 2018  
**Time: 1800**



Hosted by **Richard R. "Dick" Varnell 1962** and his wife **Emilie Varnell**

Come meet New and Old Alumni from the Fort Worth area  
Representing NMMI will be Director of Alumni Relations and Institutional Advancement,  
**Danny L. Armijo, II 1972 JC**, **Kris Ward**, Development Officer and **MG Jerry Grizzle, USA (Ret)**  
**New Mexico Military Institute Superintendent**

**412 Edgehill Rd**  
**Fort Worth, TX 76116**

**Refreshments and light hors d'ouvres will be provided**

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**NMMI Alumni Meet 'n Greet**  
**San Pedro, CA**  
**Friday, July 27th, 2018**  
**Time: 1800**



**Hosted by Kirk D. Felmar 1983 HS-1986 JC**  
Come meet New and Old Alumni from the Los Angeles area  
Representing NMMI will be Director of Alumni Relations and Institutional Advancement,  
**Danny L. Armijo, II 1972 JC and MAJ Kris Ward, NMMI**

**Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club**  
**211 W 22<sup>nd</sup> St**  
**San Pedro, CA 90731**

**Refreshments and light hors d'ouvres will be provided**

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# 2ND ANNUAL NMMI ALUMNI MOTORCYCLE RALLY

**16-20 MAY**  
**1ST LEG IN TAOS, NM**  
**2ND LEG IN ROSWELL, NM**

**[SIGN UP NOW!](#)**



# NEW MEXICO MILITARY INSTITUTE



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**23-26 AUG  
2018**

Tele: (417) 574-6250  
Cel: (931) 624-4994

# NMMI ALUMNI MISSOURI BOAT RIDE & BIVOUAC

**HOSTED BY**



9441 Farm Rd 1195  
Aurora, MO 65605

### Thursday 23 Aug 2018

- ❖ Early Arrivals
- ❖ Socialize and Settle in

### Friday 24 Aug 2018

- ❖ 0900 – 1100 Coffee social ,coffee provided by Got Your Six Coffee Co.
  - ❖ Location: Creek Pavilion
- ❖ 1100 – 1300 Lunch on your own in surrounding area (List provided)
- ❖ 1300 – 1600 Visit to white mule Distillery
  - ❖ Specialty Labeled, NMMI Themed Bottles will be available
  - ❖ Car Pool Available
- ❖ 1700 – 1830 Dinner at Cross Owl Cattle Co. Courtesy Darrell & Michele
  - ❖ (RSVP required two weeks prior)
  - ❖ Location: Creek Pavilion
- ❖ 1830 – 2030 Music and Social at Creek
  - ❖ Location: Creek Pavilion
- ❖ 2030 – UTC Movie/ Popcorn at the Creek
  - ❖ Location: Creek Pavilion

### Saturday 25 Aug 2018

- ❖ 0900 – 1100 Coffee social ,coffee provided by Got Your Six Coffee Co.
  - ❖ Creek Pavilion
- ❖ 1200 – 1330 Lunch
  - ❖ 4B Burgers and Fixins
  - ❖ Location: Creek Pavilion
- ❖ 1330 – 1730 Socialize, Wine Tasting, and Silent Auction
  - ❖ Location: Creek Pavilion
  - ❖ Those wanting to participate in the Wine Tasting bring A bottle of your Favorite Wine
  - ❖ Special NMMI Item Will be Auctioned off.
- ❖ 1730 Depart for Branson Belle (2000 hrs Dinner Cruise)
  - ❖ Cost: \$55.00 Per person
  - ❖ (RSVP & Payment required 4 weeks prior)
  - ❖ Location: Table Rock Lake Branson
  - ❖ 2 hour Cruise
  - ❖ <https://www.silverdollarcity.com/showboat-branson>
- ❖ 2200 Return to lodging
- ❖ 2300 Camp Fire Die hards

### Sunday 26 Aug 2018

- ❖ We Say our Farewells and Thanks For Attending

Bivouac Location: Cross Owl Cattle Co. :9441 Farm Rd 1195, Aurora, MO

Email: [otherbro@aol.com](mailto:otherbro@aol.com) Tele: (417) 574-6250 Cel: (931) 624-4994 FB Msgr@darrellhovland

# NMMI

## April

7th - [Houston, TX](#)  
14th - Albuquerque, NM Ragin' Cajun  
19th—[Colorado Springs, CO](#)  
21st - [Denver, CO](#)  
26th - [Tucson, AZ](#)—TBD

## May

5th—[Amarillo, TX](#)  
17th-20th [NMMI Motorcycle Rally](#)  
23rd-27th - [Mexico Chapter Reunion](#)

## June

12th-16th - [29th Annual NMMI Alumni Trail Ride and Rendezvous](#)  
29th - Chicago, IL (TBD)

## July

13th—[Fort Worth, TX](#)  
27th - [Los Angeles, CA](#)

## August

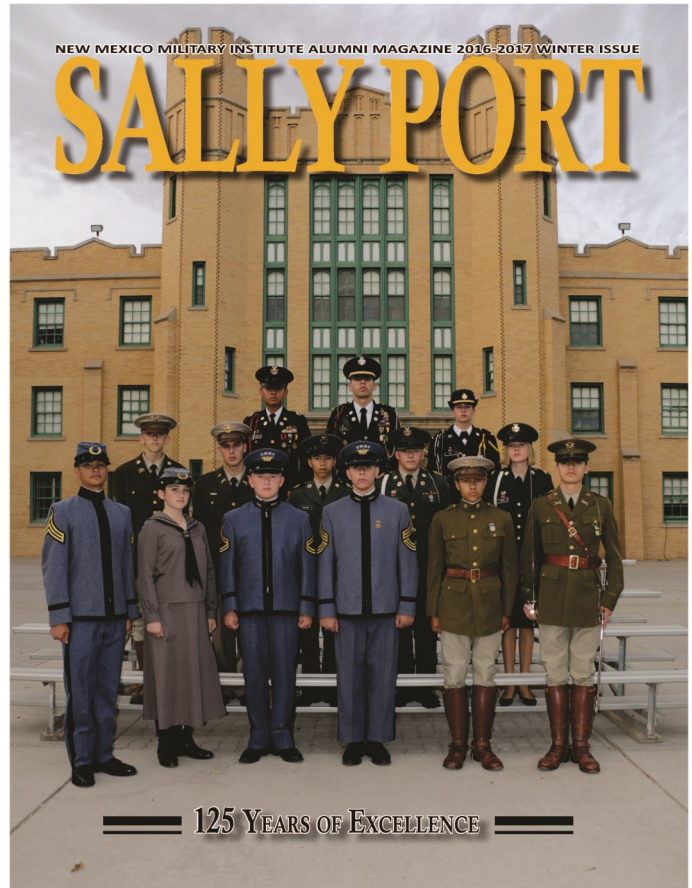
18th - Albuquerque, Ingram Summer BBQ  
22nd-26th - [SW Missouri Bivouac](#)

## September

7th - Tailgate-Kilgore, TX  
8th - Kilgore vs NMMI  
21st-23rd - NMMI General's Cup  
27th - Tailgate-Tyler  
28th - Tyler vs. NMMI

## October

12th - Tailgate-Navarro, TX  
13th - Navarro vs. NMMI  
18th-20th - [2018 NMMI Alumni Homecoming](#)  
26th - Tailgate-Blinn vs NMMI  
27th - Blinn vs NMMI



Want your story in the *Sally Port* magazine? Send us your story and pictures for consideration to [karen.yerby@nmmi.edu](mailto:karen.yerby@nmmi.edu)

or

[rawdon@nmmi.edu](mailto:rawdon@nmmi.edu)







## NMMI 2nd Annual Motorcycle Rally

**Save the date for 2018**

**16-20 May**  
**Register Now!**

## NMMI Alumni Trail Ride & Rendezvous

**Save the date for 2018**

**12-15 June**

**Registration opening soon!**



**Terrance J. Brown (Honorary)** started an endowment with earnings to encourage young alumni to attend. The Trail Ride has a lot of things to do, rent a horse, bring your ATV or just hang around camp and have some great conversations and some adult beverages.

The Terrance J. Brown Trail Rider Scholarship is available to alumni who are five years or less from leaving NMMI. We can award the scholarship to three young alumni. If you can commit to Thursday and Friday of the Ride, please call our office and talk to Karen or Kris.

Hope to see you there!

## NMMI Alumni 2018 Homecoming

**Save the date for 2018**

**18-20 October**

**Register now!**

**Paid events will be posted soon**

**Homecoming 2018** will honor classes ending in "8". Although, everyone is welcome!

If you are interested in being the **class leader** for you class, please call!

[karen.yerby@nmmi.edu](mailto:karen.yerby@nmmi.edu)

575-624-8251

This past Homecoming, **CW3 Darrell B. Hovland, USA (Ret) 1981 HS-1983 JC** took a group of alumni and friends to the South Park Cemetery in Roswell to visit the gravesite of CAPT Joseph C. Lea, NMMI. He provided history and took a cadet to play taps. Many thought this was a great tribute and since we have a lot of influential NMMI people there, he has agreed to make it a yearly event, based on interest. He is preparing a map of where the graves are. If you are interested in going, please let our office know so we can add it to the Homecoming 2018 schedule! 575-624-8251.



## Place an order through Amazon and provide scholarship money to the Corps of Cadets!

Do you shop through Amazon? If your answer is yes, make sure you are signed up with AmazonSmile before you make your next purchase; and that the NMMI Foundation, Inc. is chosen as your favorite charity.

Each time you place an order, AmazonSmile will make a donation to the NMMI Foundation, Inc. All AmazonSmile donations will support the NMMI Annual Fund, which in turn provides recruiting and retention scholarships to the Corps of Cadets.

Just click this link to sign up today: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/85-6010718>

# TAPS

## Reported deceased since the last Newsletter on 25 January 2018

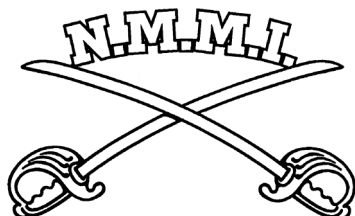
Name	Deceased date
Mr. Joseph Lacy Wood, Jr. 1942 JC	18-Feb-18
Mr. George Voorhees Kane, Jr. 1944 JC	22-Jan-18
Mr. John J. Miles, Jr. 1950 HS	29-Jan-18
Mr. Robert Randel Bradshaw 1953 HS	14-Jan-18
Mr. David Dreyer Farrand 1953 SC	21-Nov-17
Mr. William A. Moffett 1953 JC	27-Apr-14
Mr. Robert P. Byron 1954 SC	05-Feb-18
Mr. John C. Dickson 1954 JC	01-Jan-18
Mr. John D. Wilt 1954 HS	02-Jan-18
Mr. Jack David Garrett 1956 HS	
Mr. Norman D. Rosenberg 1959 JC	
Mr. Robert S. Wenning 1962 JC	03-Mar-18
MAJ Charles D. Sankey, USA (Ret) 1965 JC	25-Jan-18
Mr. Ralph D. Lee 1965 JC	14-Feb-18
Mr. Frank B. Rose 1965 JC	13-Jan-18
Mr. Warren Z. Buck 1970 HS	06-Nov-17
Mr. Mike D. Cullins 1971 JC	09-Jan-18
Mr. Russell W. Chapman 1972 HS	07-Mar-18
Mr. Peter R. Woods 1981 JC	20-Feb-18
Mr. Mark A. Duran 1982 JC	01-Jan-10
Mr. Robert L. Young 1982 JC	06-Mar-18
Mr. Kenneth A. Barnhill 1983 HS	23-Jan-17
Mr. Jonathan A. Michaud 1994 HS	

Memorial donations can be made to the NMMI Foundation by calling 575-624-8035 or email Jennifer Rawdon at [rawdon@nmmi.edu](mailto:rawdon@nmmi.edu).



Get your **NMMI Alumni car emblem**. \$18 shipped or \$15 if you pick it up in our office (or at the Motorcycle Rally or the Trail Ride)

[Click here!](#)



Young Alumni!  
Want to attend a couple of days of the NMMI Alumni Trail Ride? Scholarship available!



Get the newest Alumni Challenge coin! Stop by our office and pick them up for \$10 each or buy them on the store and get them shipped to you for \$13. Alumni must have! 1 3/4" diameter. [Buy yours now!](#)



Do you have a brick in the NMMI Alumni Plaza? Each of the twelve rays of the Zia in the Plaza represent a troop. The price for a brick is now \$50. You can put three lines of twenty characters each. If you would like to buy a brick, [click here](#) or call our office and put in your order. 575-624-8257.



View the NMMI [Alumni Calendar](#)

View the NMMI [Athletics Calendar](#)

Planning a visit to the Old Post?

[Schedule your visit NMMI POST](#) page.

News and views from our cadets, parents and faculty

The date has been set for the **2018 Trail Ride!** Mark your calendars for 12-16 June 2018. Our location for next year will be near Quemado, NM. Our hosts will be the Easterling Family. The site will not be the El Caso Peak location. We are looking at several sites in the area. More later!  
The **Terrance J. Brown, Honorary Life Member** and 24 time Trail Rider, started an endowment to encourage young alumni to attend. Every year at Trail Ride, he donates one or two of his Trail Ride drawings to be auctioned at the Friday night dinner to support the scholarship. The criteria requires that no more than five years have passed since your time at NMMI and you must be 21 years of age by the date of the Trail Ride. If you are interested, please call our office at 575-624-8250 and talk to Karen or 575-624-8158 and talk to Kris.

# NMMI



Limited Edition 2017 NMMI Alumni Trail Ride buckle. With gold colored beads on the buckle edge with flowery designs and the Bronco.

Designed by **Terrace J. Brown, HON Life Member**. This is the 6th buckle Terry has designed for Trail Ride.

This is a beautiful buckle that you will want to add to your collection!  
\$30 includes shipping and handling cost.

Buy yours [here](#)!

## Tax deductible giving

You can receive a tax deductible receipt for you charitable contributions made payable to NMMI or the NMMI Foundation.

Can you help NMMI?

Call Kris Ward at 575-624-8158

We found this history of Challenge coins on [Curious.com](#). Here is a link to read it!  
["A literal token of Appreciation"](#)



Interested in working at NMMI?  
See what is available at the Old Post

[Jobs at NMMI](#)



# Ways to Give

- **Bequest** — a provision in a will or estate plan that allocates all or part of the individual's estate to NMMI.
- **Charitable Remainder Trust** — an irrevocable trust that pays a specified annual amount to one or more people for a fixed period of years (often the life of the individual). At the end of the term of the trust, the remaining trust assets are distributed to NMMI. A charitable remainder annuity trust provides a fixed payment; a charitable remainder uni-trust pays out a fixed percentage of the trust value each year.
- **Charitable Lead Trust** — Similar to a charitable remainder trust, but the principal reverts to the donor or his or her designated heirs at the end of the trust term. If the principal reverts to the donor, he or she gets a charitable income tax deduction; if an heir, that person gets a charitable gift tax deduction.
- **Charitable Gift Annuity** — an irrevocable transfer of property (e.g. securities) in exchange for a contract to pay the donor an annuity for life. Because the value of the property exceeds the value of the annuity, it is partially a gift to the institution.
- **Life Insurance** — an arrangement in which a donor gives a life insurance policy to NMMI. The cash value of that gift is tax deductible, as are any future premiums the donor may opt to pay on that policy. Note that only life insurance policies that are paid in full qualify as planned gifts. (needs a not regarding proper way of doing this.)
- **Life Estate** — an arrangement in which a donor gives his/her home to NMMI while retaining the right to live there for the remainder of his/her life. The donor receives an immediate income tax deduction. NMMI may sell the property upon the donor's death.
- **Pooled Income Fund** — an arrangement, similar to a mutual fund, in which a donor contributes to a fund and receives a share of the proceeds based on the percentage of his contribution. Donors pay no capital gains on the transfer of appreciated property. When the donor dies, his shares transfer to NMMI.
- **Endowments** — A fund created by your bequest can carry your name or the name of a family member or other person you wish to honor. Named funds, because of the support they offer to programs and people, are a way to share what is meaningful to you within the institute family well into the future. *Note that minimum gift amounts required for creating named, endowed funds vary, so please contact the NMMI Foundation for further information.*
- **Unrestricted Gifts** - are among the most valuable to NMMI, because they allow the institute to allocate funds wherever the need is greatest, and to take advantage of unique opportunities as they arise. Your unrestricted contribution may be used to support costs associated with financial aid, educator development, cadet equipment, facilities, and much more.
- **Matching Gifts** - An easy way to double or even triple your donation to NMMI is to find out if your company has a matching-gift program. Such programs typically match all or a percentage of employee contributions to charitable organizations, making the employer a partner in employees' personal philanthropy. Simply obtain a matching-gift form from your employer's personnel office, fill it out, and provide it to NMMI with your contribution.
- **Non-Traditional** — Boats, cars, land, jewelry, paintings etc..

Call Kris Ward at 575-624-8158 or email to [wardk@nmmi.edu](mailto:wardk@nmmi.edu) or go to [Support NMMI](#) to contribute.