MILLERSBURG MILITARY INSTITUTE PRESENTS THE 1975 – 76 SNIPER
The 1975-76 Sniper is dedicated to Master Sergeant William A. Gay in appreciation of his nine years of service to MMI. Cadets will always look back on "Sarge's" classes with vivid memories, and upon "Sarge" personally as possessing rare sincerity and limitless patience. "Sarge" describes his past nine years at MMI as... "rewarding in the fact that I have made many lifelong friends among the students and parents, channeling their thoughts and actions toward good citizenship and patriotism."
ADMINISTRATION

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Health Education

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Business Education

PATRICIA LETTON,
Social Studies

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Mathematics

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Senior Army Inst.

MSG. WILLIAM GAY,
Army Instructor

SFC. ROBERT GEDDINGS,
Army Instructor

DAVID STECK,
Music

JENNINGS BARNETT,
Science

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Jr. Division

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Management Analyst

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JERRY KRAUSE,
Alumni Secretary

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Head of Maintenance

LILLIE BAKER,
Housekeeper

HIRAM SANDERS,
Dietician

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Bookkeeper
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Millersburg, Kentucky

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Cincinnati, Ohio

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Cincinnati, Ohio

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Louisville, Kentucky
David Geiss
Cincinnati, Ohio

Jeffery Geiss
Cincinnati, Ohio

Jacob Haber
Middletown, Ohio

Kevin Hadley
Millersburg, Ky.
Anthony Haritopoulos  
Cincinnati, Ohio

William Hasmann  
Palatine, Ill.

Jon Julnes  
Bellevue, Wash.

Ronald Kenney  
Paris, Ky.
Paul Leibfarth
Cincinnati, Ohio

Eric Moeckel
Cincinnati, Ohio

David Moran
Paris, Ky.

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Cincinnati, Ohio
Randy Sadler
Cincinnati, Ohio

Kevin Strong
Cincinnati, Ohio

Eugene Wagoner
Millersburg, Ky.

Jeffery Walson
Cincinnati, Ohio
James Williford  
Detroit, Michigan

Mark Worrell  
Sao Paulo, Brazil

MMI
CLASS WILL

Eric Moeckel leaves his "con" operations to "Mo" Presser.
Mark Calkins leaves third base to Stan Schmitler.
Darryl Baker leaves his frog legs and agility to Shawn Haag.
Jeff Geiss leaves his genius in electronics to Kent Cable.
Jeff Walson leaves his charm for the women to "Stud" Player.
David Geiss leaves his red hair and glasses to Radar Young.
Gene Wagoner leaves his bloodshot eyes to Mike Clark.
David Moran leaves his punctual habits and thirst for knowledge to Rouzier.
James Williford leaves his friendship with Kern to Tony Niehaus.
Kenney leaves his school attendance record to Jim Osborne.
Bill Hasmann leaves his popularity to Mike Leach.
Mark Worrell leaves his long hair to Griff Geiss.
Kevin Strong leaves his rank and good looks to Don Geiss.
Mark Carter leaves his sweet disposition to Niel Nielsen.
Mike Niehaus leaves his hard head to Willard Harris.
Tony Haritopolous leaves his cave to Rouzier.
Richard Campbell leaves his roommate to the women of the world.
Jon Julnes leaves his gentle manner to Player.
Randy Sadler leaves his knowledge to Hillbilly Pennington.
And Kevin Hadley leaves his name to carry on at this school.

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

James Williford wants to be a professional basketball star, but we think he had better buy a bucket and a towel.
Mike Niehaus wants to be a general practitioner, but we see him clipping poodles at a vet's office.
Kevin Strong wants to be a business man, but we see a future for him hawking tips at River Downs.
Jeff Geiss hopes for a future in electronics. He'll get it, all right—the electric chair.
Randy Sadler wants to be a career bum. He will be.
Mark Worrell wants to go to college, and we think he will—hair dressers' school.
Kevin Hadley wants to attend Artic Circle University so he will be as far as possible from MMI. We see him teaching eskimo literature right back here.
Jon Julnes wants a career in literature. He will—selling newspapers in Seattle.
David Geiss wants to be a forest ranger. We can see him posing for Smokey Bear ads.
Jake Haber dreams of being a physical education teacher. We see him as a stretcher in a jock strap factory.
Pau Leibfarth wants to be a history teacher and return to MMI. Somehow we see him carrying Smiling Eddie's tool box.
Bill Hasmann wants to go into the army, and we see that too—wearing a corporal's stripes in the WAGs.
Mark Carter wants to be a lawyer. That's possible. He's had enough experience with the law.
Eric Moeckel wants to be a chef. He will come close, peddling hotdogs at Atlanta Braves’ games.
Harry Haritopolous wants to be a pilot. He’ll come close too---driving a get-away car.
Kootchie Kenney wants to take up forestry, but we think there will be so many trees in the way he won’t be able to see the woods.
Jeff Walson wants to be a stock-car racer. Sure, he’ll take third place in the soap-box derby.
David Moran wants to be a pitcher for the Reds. His great grand-children will be in the bleachers.
Eugene Wagoner dreams of being an agriculturist. He’ll come close—a narcotics agent for him.
Richard Campbell plans a future as a professional tennis player. Not quite. He’ll string rackets.
Mark Calkins wants to study broadcasting in college. No way! He’ll bootleg hi-fi tapes.
Darryl Baker wants to play basketball in college. We see him demonstrating pogo sticks.
Proclamation
BY THE
Governor
OF THE
Commonwealth of Kentucky

To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Millersburg Military Institute is the only remaining military college-preparatory school in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and has served the youth of our state and nation with distinction for over 83 years; and,

WHEREAS, Millersburg Military Institute has adhered to a tradition of excellence in academic and leadership training throughout its long existence and has developed the character of thousands of youths and assisted them in attaining positions of responsibility in their respective communities throughout the world; and,

WHEREAS, It has been a bastion of good citizenship, motivation, leadership, and Christian fellowship; and,

WHEREAS, It has fielded championship teams on the playing fields of Kentucky in pursuit of both physical development and good sportsmanship and it has produced in its role as a training ground, hundreds of valiant soldiers, sailors and airmen serving our nation in peace and in war on the fields of life; and,

WHEREAS, The motto of the school, "Right Training is Better Than Riches," is as applicable today as it was 83 years ago and it is appropriate in this bicentennial year of 1976 that Millersburg Military Institute should be recognized for its long and distinguished service;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JULIAN M. CARROLL, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim Thursday, April 15, 1976 as MILLERSBURG MILITARY INSTITUTE DAY in Kentucky in order to recognize the invaluable contribution made to education in Kentucky by this fine institution.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort, this the 9th day of March, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-six and in the year of the Commonwealth the One Hundred eighty-four.

JULIAN M. CARROLL
GOVERNOR

Drexell R. Davis
Secretary of State
IN COMMEMORATION OF

MMI DAY

15 APRIL 1976

PROCLAIMED BY JULIAN M. CARROLL
GOVERNOR, STATE OF KENTUCKY

Left to right: Honorable Chontrelle Layson, Mayor of Millersburg, Col. Hadley, Governor Pro Tem Joe Prather, Brigadier General W. R. Buntin, Jr., Assistant Adjutant General Col. Keith, Major Patterson, Major Owens.
Governor Pro Tem, Joe Prather
Col. Paul Leibfarth '76, Miss Audra Mann, and Senator Joe Prather.

Mr. Jim Miller '09, Miss Vickie Bowman, and Senator Joe Prather
Homecoming Queen---Miss Gail Dunnivant
Sponsored by Mark Calkins
Col. J. B. Leer, Miss Mary Whaley, Homecoming Queen 74-75, MSG Spring, and Col. Hadley.

101st Air Assault Division Demonstration Team.
GRADUATION
GRADUATION

Col. Alvan Hadley, Jr.
President of M, M, I.

Congressman John B. Breckinridge

Col. Paul Leibfarth
Valedictorian

2nd Lieutenant Kevin Hadley
Senior Oration
Awards Day

MSG Tom Harris
Distinguished American High School Student

LTC Kevin Strong
Distinguished American High School Student

Col. Paul Leibfarth
Valedictorian Award

Capt. Don Geiss
Distinguished American High School Student

Col. Paul Leibfarth
Distinguished American High School Student
LTC Kevin Strong
Algebra Award

Ken Ward
Social Studies Award

Daryl Adams
Best New Wrestler
ACADEMIC AWARDS

Distinguished American High School Student
MSG. Tom Harris
Capt. Don Geiss
LTC. Kevin Strong
Col. Paul Leibfarth

Bausch and Lomb Science Award---Capt. Mark Calkins
German Award---1st Lt. Amell Hope and MSG John Karau
French Award---MSG Tom Harris
Business Award---Capt. Mike Niehaus
English Award---2nd Lt. Kevin Hadley
Math Award---Col. Paul Leibfarth
Algebra Award---LTC Kevin Strong
Algebra II Award---Capt. Mike Niehaus
History Award---Col. Paul Leibfarth
Biology Award---2nd Lt. Richard Campbell
General Science Award---1st Lt. Amell Hope and MSG John Karau
Physics Award---2nd Lt. Kevin Hadley
Music Award---MSG Tom Harris
Health & PE Award---SSG Gregory Ravenscraft
Art Award---2nd Lt. Kevin Hadley
Highest Freshman Grade Point Average---Cpl. Mark Player
Highest Sophomore Grade Point Average---MSG Tom Harris
Highest Junior Grade Point Average---Capt. Ellis Bingham
Highest Senior Grade Point Average---Col. Paul Leibfarth
Highest Grade Point Average for the Year---MSG Tom Harris
Valedictorian Award---Col. Paul Leibfarth
Rotary Citizenship Award---SFC Matthew Mitchell and MSG James Dale Ritchie
Oration Award---2nd Lt. Kevin Hadley

JUNIOR SCHOOL ACADEMIC AWARDS

Junior School Academic Awards
English Award---Charles Harris
Math Award---Charles Harris
Science Award---Ken Ward
Social Studies Award---Ken Ward
Health & PE Award---David Ferrell
Reading Award---Ken Ward
Music Award---Fred Palazzi
Region Award---Matt Mitchell
Highest Grade Point Average---Charles Harris
Most Academically Improved---Rod Moore
PE Award---Daryl Adams and Tony Ponsetto
MILITARY AWARDS

General Military Excellence---Col. Paul Leibfarth
Scholarship Excellence---MSG Thomas Harris
Distinguished Senior---LTC Kevin Strong
Association of the US Army---Cpt. Ellis Bingham
Association of Military Colleges---MSG. John Karaus
Daughters of the American Revolution---2nd Lt. Kevin Hadley
Daughters & Founders & Patriots of America---Cpt. Kent Cable
Reserve Officers' Association---Capt. Don Geiss
Sons of the American Revolution ROTC Medal---MSG Michael Finn
Superior Cadet Award LDII---Sgt. Gregory Ravenscraft
Superior Cadet Award LDII---LTC, Kevin Strong
Superior Cadet Award LDIII---1st Lt. Arnell Hope
Superior Cadet Award LDIV---Maj. Anthony Haritopoulos
Most Improved Cadet---SFC. Daryl Bogard
Military Honor Society LDIV---Maj. Anthony Haritopoulos
Military Honor Society LDIII---1st Lt. Arnell Hope
Military Honor Society LDII---MSG. John Karaus
Military Honor Society LDI---Sgt. Gregory Ravenscraft

ATHLETIC AWARDS

Football Letters
Bill Hasmann
Kevin Hadley
Mark Carter
Dale Ritchie
David Geiss
Mike Niehaus

Managers
Lorey Parker
Griffin Geiss
Shawn Haag
Todd Young

Football Stars - Tri Captains
James Williford
Paul Leibfarth
Mike Niehaus

Football Bars
James Williford
Paul Leibfarth
David Moran
Jeff Walson
Ellis Bingham
Wayne Heines
Niel Nielsen
David Rouzier
Kent Cable
George Palloyras
John Karaus
Mike Finn

Football Camp Award---Kent Cable, Ellis Bingham
Best Offensive Lineman---Mike Finn
Best Defensive Lineman---James Williford, Niel Nielsen
Best Offensive Back---Mike Niehaus
Best Defensive Back---David Rouzier
Leadership Award---Paul Leibfarth, Jeff Walson
110% Award---John Martin
Most Improved Player---Dale Ritchie
Team Service Award---Lorey Parker
Big Stick Award---David Rouzier
Most Valuable Player---David Moran

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Basketball Letters
Ronald Kenney
Stan Schmittler
Greg Ravenscraft
Mike Leach
Mike Duvall

Basketball Bars
Eugene Wagoner
Amell Hope
James Williford
Darryl Baker
Paul Leibfarth
David Moran
Dale Ritchie

Most Valuable Player---Eugene Wagoner
Most Improved Player---Amell Hope
Best Free Thrower---Eugene Wagoner
Most Rebounds---James Williford
Best Defensive Player---Darryl Baker
110% Award---Paul Leibfarth
Leadership Award---David Moran
Most Valuable B-Team Player---Dale Ritchie
Best Field Goal Percentage---Ronald Kenney

Baseball Letters
Matthew Mitchell

Baseball Bars
Eugene Wagoner
David Moran
Paul Leibfarth
Amell Hope
Mark Calkins
Jacob Haber
Bill Hasmann

Best Batting Average---Eugene Wagoner
Most RBI's---Dale Ritchie
Best Hurler---David Moran
Most Versatile---Paul Leibfarth
Best Defensive Player---Jacob Haber
Team Service Award---Matt Mitchell, Lorey Parker

Tennis
Co-Captains
Ellis Bingham
Wayne Heines

Varsity Letters
Ellis Bingham
Wayne Heines
Don Geiss
John Karaus
Mike Finn
Fred Palazzi
Kent Cable
Talbott Summers

Most Valuable Player---Ellis Bingham
Most Improved Player---Don Geiss

Wrestling
Best New Wrestler---Daryl Adams
Most Improved---Kent Cable
110% Award---Jeff Walson
Leadership---Don Geiss
Best Wrestler---Dave Geiss

Wrestling Letters
Daryl Adams 1
Kent Cable 2
Jeff Walson 3
Don Geiss 2
Dave Geiss 2
Alonzo Linner 1
Tony Ponsetto 1

Junior School Basketball
Most Improved---Matt Mitchell
110% Award---Charles Harris
Leadership---David Ferrell
Most Valuable Player---Alonzo Linner
FINAL PARADE
Left to right: Col. J. B. Leer '31, Chauncey Suter '46, R. Thompson Vimont '16, and D. McShane Shropshire '16.
FEDERAL INSPECTION

Col. R. Baugh, Mr. D. Elder,
Mr. C. Lee and Col. Hadley
Military Ball Queen, Ann Shelburne
Algebra
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Eng III - Due yesterday

History Assignment

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CLASSES
JUNIOR
CLASS

Ellis Bingham III

Kent Cable

Donald Geiss

Shawn Haag

Wayne Heines

Anthony Niehaus

Niel Nielsen

James Osborne

Maurey Presser

W. VanVelkinburgh

Gregory Woods
SOPHOMORE CLASS

Michael Clark
Mickie Duvall
Michael Finn

Terry Foerst
Thomas Frazier
Thomas Harris
Arnell Hope

John Karaus
William Parker
G. Ravenscraft
Dale Ritchie

David Rouzier
John Smith
Samuel VanMeter
Mark Wheeler

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FRESHMAN CLASS

Daryl Bogard
Scott Brooks
Griffin Geiss
Willard Harris
Michael Leach
Harry Martin
Carl Owens
Lorey Parker
Mark Player
Stan Schmittler
Jettrey Smith
Todd Young
8TH GRADE

Eric S. Anderson
William Martin Boyd
Russell Alan Clark
Charles Keith Harris
Matthew Thurman Mitchell
Frederick Bernard Palazzi III
Anthony Combs Ponsetto
James F. Swartz
Kenneth Edwin Ward
Organizations
BAND
ANNUAL STAFF

MILLERSBURG MILITARY INSTITUTE
FOUNDED 1893

RIFLE TEAM
ALLEN HALL (Administration Building)

RANKIN HALL (Middle School)

MILLER HALL
BASKETBALL

VARITY TEAM
JUNIOR VARSITY TEAM
TENNIS

BASEBALL

MILLERSBURG MILITARY INSTITUTE
WRESTLING TEAM
**Varsity Football**

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SCENES AROUND CAMPUS
In July, 1893, Col. Meade Best and his wife came from Virginia to Kentucky to establish a school for boys. Millersburg had been an educational center since colonial times, and the Bests secured the property of the old Kentucky Wesleyan to establish the Millersburg Training School, operated in conjunction with the Methodist Church.

In 1898, the school became the private property of Col. Best. Shortly thereafter the military feature was added, and the name of the school became Millersburg Military Institute. A barbecue was held by the community at which time funds were raised to purchase guns and swords for the cadets enrolled. The first graduating class was that of 1899 with one graduate.

In the spring of 1920, Col. Best resigned and the buildings and grounds were sold to the Bourbon County School Board. The citizens of the Millersburg community determined that MMI would continue, and they formed a corporation to perpetuate the school. The old Allen home, a stately colonial mansion built in 1852, was purchased. It became the nucleus of the school and still serves as the Administration Building and President's home.

Col. W. R. Nelson, who had been Commandant under Col. Best, became the head of the school and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1953. During these years Moffett Hall, the athletic field and stadium, Rankin Hall, and a gymnasium were added. The field was later named Rees Field to honor Major J. Ward Rees who served as coach and teacher for forty-seven years.

In 1946 a new gymnasium was erected and dedicated to the memory of the cadets who had lost their lives in World War II. Miller Hall became the school's next building, a dormitory named for Mrs. W. M. Miller, a long time member of the Board of Trustees.

Col. Nelson retired in 1953, and Col. Leslie C. Blankenship became the President, serving in this capacity until 1962. Col. W. D. Haynes became the fourth head of MMI in 1962, serving as President until 1968. In September 1963 the dining hall which had been the original gymnasium, was destroyed by fire. Funds which had been raised for a swimming pool, plus a generous donation from the Gamble brothers, made possible the construction of the present dining facility.

In July, 1968, Col. Joseph R. Johnson was selected to become Superintendent of MMI. He retained this post until 1975.

July 1, 1975, Colonel Alvan C. Hadley, Jr. assumed the Presidency of the Millersburg Military Institute, following his retirement from the United States Army. Colonel Hadley still retains this position.

For more than eighty years MMI has striven to fulfill the promise ".....to develop the moral character and true manliness of each student. Self reliance and self responsibility will be insisted upon and a clear conception of honor, truth, and duty will be carefully taught."

To cling to valuable tradition and yet move with the rapid changes in modern society is the dual purpose under which instruction must operate. Preparation for further education is the basic purpose of the institution and RIGHT TRAINING IS BETTER THAN RICHES remains the motto for Millersburg Military Institute.
1 August 1976

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and Staff and Faculty I offer heartiest congratulations to our bicentennial class of 1976. In the 200th year of our nation and the 83rd year of this Institution we have graduated 21 young men to take their places among adult society and nine middle school graduates to join the high school ranks. Some of the seniors will continue their education, some will enter the armed forces, and others will enter business, farming or industry. We wish them well and look forward to their future association with MMI as honored alumni.

Congratulations are also in order for the underclassmen of both the high school and the middle school. You worked hard and can be justly proud of a job well done. Everything awarded was well earned and we share in your success. For those of you who didn't win that academic award, any special recognition, honor roll or dean's list status, military rank, or athletic letter we offer them to you as a challenge in your future efforts.

Mrs. Hadley and I want to thank the parents, alumni and friends of MMI for their continuing and most beneficial support to us during this past year. We have enjoyed the association and look forward to this friendly relationship from here on in.

With best wishes,

ALVAN C. HADLEY, JR.
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