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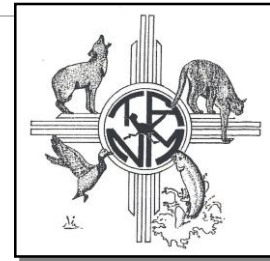
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NMTA President's Message

The 2016 27th Annual NMTA Convention is now in the history books. I am honored to provide the President's message as your next NMTA President. I say "Next" instead of "New" because this is not a "New" position for me, and I am anxious to help restore the NMTA to some of the old ways that have been forgotten along the way as well as bring some fresh ways of doing things going forward.

We really enjoyed seeing and visiting with old friends and meeting some new ones. We hope that everyone enjoyed the convention and got some new inspiration from the seminars and/or the judges. We were excited to have it back in Albuquerque for the 1st time since 2004 when the NMTA hosted the 2004 Western Regional's. I am also excited to announce that the

NMTA will host the next Western Regionals in Albuquerque in 2018. We will be setting up a Western Regional's Convention Committee at the Summer meeting, so don't miss it, we need everyone's help so we can show all the other western states that the NMTA can put on an Awesome Event.

Bill Bowen
NMTA President

2016 Summer Meeting

WILDLIFE WEST **EDGEWOOD, NM**

Date: Sat. JULY 9, 2016

Time: 10:00 am

All NMTA members are cordially invited to The 2016 Summer Meeting/Seminar to be held at the Wildlife West Nature Park in Edgewood, NM. The NMTA will be serving Pizza from Gino's Pizza Barn.

This meeting won't be an ordinary meeting because this summer meeting includes seminar with a conservation purpose.

Some Meeting Highlights:

1. Western Regionals Committee designation & assignments
2. Western Regionals Location & Date selection
3. Conservation Seminar

Seminar Objective:

To provide a Mule Deer mount to the Duke City Chapter of the Mule Deer Foundation on behalf of the NMTA, for conservation and educational purposes, and to strengthen the relationship between our 2 great organizations.

Seminar Purpose: To assist the Mule Deer Foundation in conservation awareness.

Seminar Cost:

The NMTA board members will provide all the supplies, cape, & form for the mount so this seminar will not cost the NMTA or its members anything.

Any questions please contact Michelle at 505-401-5929

**HOPE TO SEE
YOU ALL THERE!**



GO TO OUR WEBSITE:

www.nmtaxidermy.org

For all 2017 NMTA

Convention Information

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Where in the USA is Mr. Whiskers?

Mr. Whiskers was adopted by Rackhandler Express at the 2016 Convention and has already been to the East Coast & back to the West Coast, soaking up the sunshine and simply just being a beach bum. Thank you Rackhandler Express for attending our show and for taking care of our Mr. Whiskers for us. You can keep up with his travels around the country on the NMTA Facebook page.

**Mr. Whiskers is my name;
Traveling around is my game.
How many years can I keep going;
As my personality just keeps growing.
If you win me in the auction;
My next upgrades are your option.
So take me home and give me more gear;
Just don't forget to bring me back next year!**



RAFFLES & FUNDRAISERS

2016 Raffle WINNERS

A Huge Thank you to our members who sold tickets and to all who supported the NMTA by purchasing tickets.

WINNER - GAVINO

1st Prize – Guided Barbary Ram Management Hunt

WINNER – JOE GAMMILL

2nd Prize – Rugar American 30/06 Rifle w/Redfield Scope

WINNER – ROBERT FLORES

3rd Prize – 3 Day Guided NM 2017 Spring Turkey Hunt

WINNER – WILLIAM ABETA

4th Prize – Custom Designed Cooking "Disc-It"

2017 RAFFLE IDEAS, SUGGESTIONS, DONATIONS/SPONSORS NEEDED

The NMTA is preparing their 2017 Raffle tickets. Please let us know if you have any hunts or major prizes you can donate/sponsor for the NMTA 2017 ANNUAL Fundraising Raffle. Please contact **Dwayne Bercier 505-400-8392**

START NOW FOR 2017 AUCTION Items Needed Please Consider Bringing Donations!

Any & All donations are appreciated for the Saturday night NMTA fundraising live and silent auctions. Here are some ideas of items to donate:

- Spare Forms
- Tools
- Supplies
- Reference Books
- Wildlife Arts/Crafts
- Items for Kids & Ladies are also much appreciated for the silent action

2017 Convention - Taos, NM – April 20-23

2017 Competition Judges

GREG BRUMFIELD
Gameheads/Lifesize

JEFF MOURNING
Birds/Fish/Reptiles

2017 VENDORS/SUPPLIERS

JETZ TAXIDERMY SUPPLY
TRUFITT TAXIDERMY SUPPLY
GREG BRUMFIELD
And
MORE...

UPCOMING
IN 2018
THE NMTA WILL HOST
THE WESTERN
REGIONAL
CONVENTION IN
ALBUQUERQUE, NM

2017 Live Competition– Gemsbok or Scimitar Oryx - Gamehead Seminar

NMTA Members are Invited to participate in
a the Live Competition / Seminar

GEMSBOK or SCIMITAR ORYX Gamehead

RULES:

- Seminar Purpose-To provide a hands on Seminar that is educational & entertaining.
- Entry Fee: \$20 (All Entry Fees placed into the pot for the winner)
- Eligibility: Open to 2017 NMTA Registered Members Only
- Timed Event: 4 Hours (30 min Re-check will be allowed the next day before judging)
- 2017 Gamehead: Gemsbok or Scimitar Oryx
- Pre-Seminar Prep: Hide prepped including ear cartilage removed, Form roughed to prevent messy foam prep at seminar, Horns Set
- Tools: Bring your own box of tools (Air Compressors optional, will have 1 available)
- Judges Criteria: Best **Visual** Commercial Barbary Sheep Mount
- Competition Winner takes all Entry Fees
- Winner will choose next year's Live Gamehead Seminar Specimen
- To be held during the Friday Night 5pm to 9pm during Social Hour
- Last Year's Seminar was the largest participation of 6 entries, So Come Join in on the FUN and let's beat last year's number!!!

About the Hotel:

2017 NMTA Convention
Taos, NM
April 20-23, 2017



Host Hotel

Sagebrush Inn & Suites
1508 Paseo Del Pueblo Sur
Taos, NM 87571

1-575-758-2254

www.sagebrushinn.com

Book by March 21st at 5pm

**Be sure to mention the
NMTA group rates:**

Courtyard Room - \$82
Historic Fireplace Room - \$93
Studio Suite - \$93
Junior Suite - \$99
Deluxe Fireplace Suite - \$135
Executive Suite - \$135

A historic Taos landmark, Sagebrush Inn opened in 1931 as a 17-room hotel, catering to guests traveling by carriage along the trade route between New York and Arizona.

Today, the newly restored Sagebrush Inn & Suites offers a mix of modern comforts and conveniences surrounded by historic Southwestern charm.

Stroll through the Inn's traditional Southwest grounds and spacious courtyards, enjoy a dip in the outdoor pool or hot tubs, or relax by our many kiva-style fireplaces. And don't miss the newly restored Sagebrush Grill & Cantina. This hotspot for locals and visitors alike offers an authentic Southwest dining experience, daily Happy Hour, live entertainment and much more.

The most historically charming of Taos hotels, the Inn's scenic grounds offer graceful portals, patios, and traditional brick walkways connecting courtyards ideal for gathering, all with spectacular views of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains as well as:

Conveniently located just minutes from Taos Plaza, less than five miles from Taos Pueblo and 22 miles from Taos Ski Valley - easy access to all the action yet ideal for a peaceful escape and Taos lodging.

156 graciously appointed guestrooms and suites featuring classic Southwestern art, traditional kiva-style fireplaces, authentic hand carved furniture and other historic touches unique among hotels in Taos.

All stays include our daily signature hot breakfast featuring classic morning dishes as well as regional specialties.

Newly restored Sagebrush Grill & Cantina offering authentic Southwest dining, daily Happy Hour, live entertainment and much more.

Heated outdoor swimming pool and three hot tubs ideal for a relaxing soak.

Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the Inn and grounds.

Pet-friendly accommodations.

Complimentary parking for all Inn guests.

2016 NMTA MAJOR AWARD WINNERS

More pictures on the website: www.nmtaxidermy.org

Best Novelty: Chad Smith - Deer Euro

Best Habitat: Susan Heath - Whitetail Deer habitat

Best Amateur: Jose Ontiveros - Whitetail Deer

Professional Division:

Best of Category Gamehead: Rhyan Peralta - Bighorn Sheep

Masters' Division:

Best of Category Fish: Jeff Mourning - Cutthroat Trout

Best of Category Bird: Drew Widetich - Black Scoter

Best of Category Gamehead: Robert Major - Audad

Best of Category Large Life-Size: Bill Bowen - Coues Deer

Starfish Award: Mark Williams - Bluegill

Polytranspar Award: Jeff Mourning - Cutthroat Trout

Southwest Award: Bill Bowen - Coues Deer

2016 Taxidermist Challenge - Coues Deer - Bill Bowen

Collective Artists: Rhyan Peralta and Robert Major - Mountain Lion

NMTA Best Antelope: Rhyan Peralta

NMTA Best African: Jesse Casaus - Scimitar Horned Oryx

Mule Deer Foundation Award-Best Mule Deer - Jayson Raysinger
(Sponsored by Duke City Chapter of the Mule Deer Foundation)

McKenzie Best Bird: Drew Widetich - Black Scoter

McKenzie Best Fish: Jeff Mourning Salmon and Cutthroat

McKenzie Best Whitetail: Bill Bowen Life-size Coues deer

McKenzie Best Life-Size: Bill Bowen Life-size Coues Deer

McKenzie Distinguished Service Award: Josh Jensen

People's Choice: Lee Gallegos - Big Horn Sheep

Taxidermists Choice: Bill Bowen - Life size Coues Deer

WASCO Award: Jeff Mourning - Cutthroat Trout

Roy Cogburn Award: Jeff Mourning - Cutthroat trout

President's Choice Award: Rhyan Peralta

UTA Artisan Award: Rhyan Peralta & Robert Major - Mountain lion

Breakthrough Award: Robert Major - Audad

NTA Taxidermist of the Year Award: Robert Major - Audad

Judge's Choice Best of Show: Jeff Mourning - Cutthroat Trout



**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED
THE 2016 NMTA CONVENTION WITH DONATIONS,
BY PROVIDING A SEMINAR &
BY ATTENDING OUR SHOW AS A VENDOR/SUPPLIER.**

Please help us show the following donors/vendors our appreciation the next time you speak to them or the next time you place an order by personally thanking them.

VENDORS/SUPPLIERS:

Jetz Taxidermy Supply
Rackhandler Express
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United Taxidermist Association

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Fins & Feathers Taxidermy
Rustic Creations
Southwest Java
The Duke City Chapter – Mule Deer Foundation
Jason Raysinger – Durango Silverton Railroad
Suzy's Taxidermy

SEMINAR INSTRUCTORS

Bill Bowen
Brenda Duvall
Rick Krane
Adam Gomez
Vera Jaramillo
Michelle Bowen

We apologize if we missed anyone who donated items or time to our convention. We truly appreciated everyone who contributed to make the 2016 convention a success.

THANK YOU !

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About our Association

The Purposes of the NMTA is to:

- Promote the art of Taxidermy and related fields.
- Promote the high standards in the art of taxidermy and to strive to produce high quality work.
- To foster understanding in the general public about the field of taxidermy and other related outdoor sports industries.
- To assist members of the NMTA and the general public in their understanding of the Federal and State Game and Fish Laws.
- It will be the objective of the NMTA to assist in any way possible the conservation of all our natural resources for future generations.
- To engage in such civic, charitable, educational, and business activities that the NMTA shall deem appropriate.

Become an NMTA Member - \$15/year

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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See us at:
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