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NMCB 11: Cuadros says goodbye, Brown now in charge

By Brian Lamar
NCBC Public Affairs

Cmdr. Jorge Cuadros relinquished command of the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Eleven to Cmdr. James Brown in front of a sea of crisp, white uniforms during a change of command ceremony in the Training Hall June 2.

Cuadros commanded NMCB 11 since November 2014 and believes that his successes are all due to the Seabees of NMCB 11 working daily to complete the mission.

During the ceremony, Cuadros told the stories of 11 Sailors in his command who embodied the spirit of the entire battalion's "Can Do" attitude.

"I am proud of these 11 Seabees of NMCB 11. They represent the hard work, attitudes and professionalism of the rest of the battalion," Cuadros said.

During the ceremony, Cuadros reflected on the highlights of the Seabees during his 19-month command.

For two years in a row, the battalion won the Navy Good Neighbor Award for their dedication to community service in the community. The award recognizes the best year-round, volunteer-supported program or special project that promotes outreach activities to establish and restore hope to the community, according to a November Naval memorandum highlighting the 2015 winners.

Incoming commander Brown, who is arriving



Cmdr. James E. Brown, Capt. Paul J. Odenthal Commander, Naval Construction Group Two, Cmdr. Jorge R. Cuadros, Commanding Officer, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11, Command Master Chief Todd Poage, NMCB 11 and Lt. Twig Sargent, NMCB 11 Chaplain stand at attention while the colors are presented and the National Anthem is sung during NMCB 11's change of command in the Training Hall. Cmdr. Brown relieved Cmdr. Jorge R. Cuadros during the NMCB 11 ceremony. (U.S. Navy Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Michael C. Barton/Released)

from his most recent tour as the public works officers at Naval Base Ventura County, is excited about the command that he is receiving.

"My goal is to continue the great work and legacy of NMCB 11 that has been established here," said Brown.

NMCB 1 command change brings Flood of new ideas



Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1's Command Master Chief Michael Lopez, right, carries the NMCB 1 flag during change of command ceremony aboard Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport, Mississippi, June 28, 2016. During the ceremony, Cmdr. Kemit Spears transferred authority and responsibility as the Commanding Officer of NMCB 1 to Cmdr. Lance Flood. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brannon Deugan/RELEASED)

By Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brannon Deugan
NMCB 1 Public Affairs

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 1 held a change of command ceremony aboard Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport, Mississippi, June 28.

The ceremony is a military tradition that represents a formal transfer of authority and responsibility of a command from one commanding officer, Cmdr. Kemit Spears, to another, Cmdr. Lance Flood.

Spears served as the commanding officer since June 2014, in which time his command completed a deployment that spanned 29 detachments operating throughout Europe, Africa, the Middle East, and Pacific theaters in support of humanitarian and strategic

Combatant Commander's objectives. He led more than 750 Sailors in the execution of 50 projects, including the construction of the Shipboard Electronic Systems Evaluation Facility to support Fleet operations in Rota, Spain.

Under Spears, NMCB 1 was the first battalion to successfully execute the Optimized Fleet Response Plan, which streamlined pre-deployment inspection requirements and increased readiness. He also was the first to lead multiple units in a joint expeditionary forces exercise during Exercise Bold Alligator 2014.

In a speech to the command, Spears expressed his gratitude to the Seabees who made his tour with NMCB 1 a successful one.

"Another thing I'm immensely proud of you is that you refuse to never accept the status

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Naval Construction Battalion Center dumpster project

Equipment Operator 3rd Class Kara Scott with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 11 uses a level to check her work as she lays brick columns during a more than 40-day construction project to build dumpster enclosures.

This is one of several dumpster enclosures to be built on base to add to the organization and aesthetics of the Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport.

(U.S. Navy Photo by Brian Lamar/Released).



Buzz on the Street

By Brian Lamar
NCBC Public Affairs

What is your favorite Independence Day memory or story?



"I was deployed to an undisclosed location and we didn't have fireworks so we improvised."

SW2 Francis Rodriguez
NMCB 11



"My best memory was when I was swimming as a kid in Miami and almost drowned. I was saved."

LS2 Tariq Selver
NMCB 11



"Never celebrated it before. Hoping to have one this year. It will be my first fireworks show."

EO3 Lorisha Reece
NMCB 11



"Shooting firecrackers trying to scare people in my neighborhood as a kid."

LS2 Brandinette Haynes
NMCB 11

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Back in Time: Seabee History

June 27

1942: The Naval Construction Training Center (NCTC) Camp Endicott was established at Davisville, Rhode Island. It was named in honor of Rear Adm. Mordecai T. Endicott, the first Civil Engineer Corps (CEC) officer to be appointed Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks. It was necessary to transfer personnel from the Naval Construction Training Center at Norfolk, Virginia to operate the station. Therefore, it wasn't until August 12, 1942, before the first battalion started training at the camp. The capacity of the camp provided for 10 battalions in training, totaling approximately 350 officers and 15,000 men. This capacity was reached early in November 1942. Both primary and advanced training were given at Camp Endicott.

1958: Two members of NMCB 1, Telemat Albert H. Matthews and Builder 2nd Class Robert A. Wurst, were returning to Naval Station Guantanamo Bay from Guantanamo City, Cuba, when the report of a gun brought to a halt the civilian bus in which they were riding. Stopped by a jeep full of Fidel Castro's soldiers, the bus driver, with his passengers including the two Seabees, was ordered to head up into the hills. When the bus could no longer make the steep mountain grades, its occupants were ordered to abandon it and proceed on foot. After walking most of the night they reached a small encampment. There they were given fruit and coffee. They were then loaded aboard a truck and carried deeper into the hills to another camp. Here the prisoners were not harmed, although living conditions were far from comfortable and consisted of eating mainly beans and rice. The release of the prisoners was subsequently obtained through negotiations with the rebel soldiers, and the two Seabees were picked up by a Navy helicopter and flown out of the hills.

1965: NMCB 9 on the USNS Blatchford, arrived in Da Nang Harbor, RVN. The battalion departed Port Hueneme June 3, 1965.

1968: Two officers and 24 enlisted men from Seabee Teams 0101 and 0102 deployed via one C-130 aircraft from Davisville, Rhode Island to Saigon, RVN.

1969: NMCB 1 advance party arrived in Camp Campbell, Phu Bai, RVN.

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1968: NMCB 7's advance party, consisting of eight officers and 108 enlisted men, arrived at the Dong Ha Combat Base, RVN, to perform the Battalion Equipment Evaluation Program (BEEP) and effect a smooth turnover of Camp Barnes from NMCB 5.

1969: Seabee Teams 0103 and 0104 arrived in RVN.

1969: NMCB 9's main body, consisting of 19 officers and 657 enlisted men, begins returning to Naval Air Station Point Mugu, California, on two 707s, two Super DC-8s, and one C-141 cargo flight from Kadena Air Force Base, Okinawa, Japan.



A rock quarry used by Mobile Construction Battalion 9 Detail Echo, Camp DeShurley, Republic of Vietnam, 1968. (Photo Courtesy of the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum)

2003: Joint Army, Navy and Marine engineers finished construction of a 762-foot floating steel bridge in Zubaydiyah, Iraq. Seabees from NMCB 7, NMCB 133, Naval Construction Support Team 2 from Port Hueneme, ACB 1, and ACB 2 worked with their Army and Marine partners to construct and emplace the bridge.

June 29

1906: Congress passed a law restricting the office of Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks to officers of the CEC.

1942: The 9th Naval Construction Battalion (NCB) was established at NCTC Norfolk, Virginia.

2007: Rear Adm. Richard Cellon, CEC, relieved Rear Adm. Robert Phillips, CEC, as commander, 1st Naval Construction Division, Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek, Norfolk, Virginia.

July 1

1967: Senior Chief Petty Officer Joseph R. Herrera of NMCB 11 was driving a truck near the Da Nang Air Base in the RVN. Before the day was out, he was involved in one of those thriller episodes. At 0640, a lone Viet Cong trooper shot a poisonous dart at the Chief. The dart shattered the wing glass of the truck and deeply gashed his arm. As soon as he realized he was under attack, he turned off the ignition and bailed out. Then as he ran toward the back of the truck, a rifle bullet hit his belt loop. To protect himself from the enemy hidden in a grove of trees, Chief Herrera withdrew his pistol and ran across the road to a ditch. When he saw the enemy trooper, he fired four rounds and then chased him. As the Chief approached a sand mound, the enemy soldier hurled a hand grenade and the Chief, seeing an object flying through the air, dropped to the ground. The grenade landed about 30 feet from him. However, after a short wait, the grenade failed to explode. Chief Herrera rose and slowly approached the grenade. As he examined it, he noticed that the pin was

still partially inserted and thus, it was prevented from detonating. Rather than press his luck further, he returned to his truck and signaled nearby Marines for help.

July 2

1943: Lt. j.g. George Stephenson, CEC, and Lt. Irwin Lee, CEC, of the 24th Naval Construction Battalion, were killed on Rendova in the Solomons, the first CEC officers to be killed in action in World War II.

1944: Less than a month after D-Day in France, while the Normandy invasion was still underway, the 81st NCB experienced one of those odd happenings of war on which legends are built. Early on the morning of July 2, Lt. Cmdr. Richard Anderson, Seabee medical officer for the recently-landed battalion, was visited in his foxhole by a breathless American military policeman. A woman in the nearby village of Sainte-Marie-du-Mont was about to have a baby and a doctor was urgently needed. Anderson immediately dispatched his assistant medical officer, Lt. Douglas Butman.

Butman arrived at the house only to discover that the young woman had spontaneously delivered her child, a little girl, only moments before. The doctor immediately rendered the appropriate postnatal care. In the days that followed, the medical staff of the battalion paid many visits to the home of Henri and Marie Fouchard. Finally, the time came for christening the baby girl. The mother asked Commander Anderson if the baby could bear a part of his wife's name. Anderson delightedly suggested the initials of his wife's maiden name, C.B., for he knew that such a choice would serve a two-fold purpose. The initials would honor his wife and also would honor the battalion as "Sea Bee." Thus, Sea Bee Paule Fouchard was christened in honor of an informal battalion of godfathers who had attended her birth at the height of fighting in Normandy.



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quo or doing something simply because 'this is the way we've always done it,'" said Spears. "Let me encourage you to keep finding smarter and better ways to do things. Keep charging, keep fighting through adversity, I have had no greater privilege or honor in 21 years of service than to serve as your Commanding Officer. I am humbled and inspired by you and bursting with pride at all you have accomplished in these two years. I cannot thank you enough."

Spears received the Meritorious Service Medal from guest speaker, Capt. Paul Odenthal, commodore of Naval Construction Group Two in Gulfport. Spears will now transfer to Naval Facilities Engineering

Command Atlantic.

Flood recently transferred from Naval Facilities Engineering Command Far East, where he served as the Public Works Officer for Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia.

"In this time of great global uncertainty, your service matters, your family matters to me, and the leadership of the United States in this global war that we fight every day matters to me," said Flood. "So, I appreciate you for volunteering and I appreciate you for what you do. So humbled and I look forward to serving with you. To the families, thanks for allowing me the opportunity to serve with your Seabees."

Cmdr. Lance Flood addresses the audience during NMCB 1's change of command ceremony aboard Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport, Mississippi, June 28, 2016.



(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brannon Deugan/RELEASD)

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Gulfport, NCBC Fire Departments team up for special training

By Brian Lamar
NCBC Public Affairs

The Naval Construction Battalion Center Fire Department spent four days combined with members of the Gulfport Fire Department learning how to save themselves and each other if things go bad during a structure fire during a Rapid Intervention Team Training course here June 27-30.

The training was conducted by instructors from the Alabama Fire College. Ten NCBC fire station and six City of Gulfport Fire Department personnel teamed and began training on search and rescue techniques, practiced declaring a mayday emergency, and learned to extricate fire fighter personnel from a hazardous scene, which included descending with victims from multiple floors on a ladder.

"This training is not an annual requirement. It is in addition to our usual requirements. It is just good knowledge to have," said Derrick Walley, the NCBC Fire and Emergency Services fire chief.

Personnel also received additional classes in thermal imaging cameras, self-extrication and advanced rope work and conducting search patterns.

"This training improves the ability to rescue each other and to retrieve

fire personnel who are trapped," said Walley.

Due to the working relationship between Gulfport FD and NCBC personnel and the mutual aid agreement for fire support between the base and city, additional slots for training were offered.

"Training together with our host city partners is important so we have the ability to understand how each other operate to increase interoperability. It also helps us to be familiar with each other's equipment and procedures," said Walley.

The firemen believed that the training was worth spending four days in the hot South Mississippi sun donned in several layers of protective gear because of the significance of the curriculum.

"Rapid intervention training is very important. It's probably one of the most important things that we'll do, because if we have a down firefighter inside of a structure and we can't get to them, they need to know how to get out themselves," said Demetrius Baldwin, NCBC Fire Department fire inspector.

This type of training is not required, but the fire department received additional funding this year to use for professional development of the firefighters.



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Naval Construction Battalion Center firefighters partnered with Gulfport Fire Department firefighters during a four-day Rapid Intervention Training June 27-30 2016. The purpose of the training was to teach firefighters how to save themselves if trapped or incapacitated while fighting structure fires.
(U.S. Navy photos by Brian Lamar/RELEASED)



NEX Customers Donate to Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society

By Kristine M. Sturkie
Special to the Courier

Rear Adm. Robert J. Bianchi (Ret), Chief Executive Officer, Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) presented a ceremonial check for \$194,984 to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society from money donated by NEX customers.

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Blue Angels Resume Show Schedule

Courtesy www.navy.mil

The U.S. Navy Blue Angels will return to its 2016 demonstration schedule July 2-4 in Traverse City, Michigan, Commander, Naval Air Forces announced.

The Blue Angels temporarily stood down, canceling three weekend shows following a crash on June 2 during a practice in Smyrna, Tennessee, in which Marine Capt. Jeff Kuss was killed.

The Team will fly a modified five jet demonstration in Traverse City, along with Fat Albert, the Blue Angels C-130.

"The Team is proud to resume the Blue Angels mission, representing the pride and professionalism of the Navy and Marine Corps, and inspiring a culture of excellence," said Cmdr. Ryan Bernacchi, commanding officer and flight leader. "The Blue Angels are looking forward to flying in Traverse City, Michigan, Fourth of July weekend, and are also honored to have the opportunity to perform in celebration of our great nation's Independence Day. Our fans and the entire air show industry

have been extremely patient as we have navigated through this very difficult loss of our teammate, and for that, we will always be grateful."

The Blue Angels will pick up with their schedule with Traverse City, Gary, Indiana, and Pensacola, Florida.

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'The Meat & Potatoes of Life'

By Lisa Smith Molinari
Special Contributor

Reconstructing Patriotism

Back in 1976, it was our country's Bicentennial, and I was in the 4th grade. At East Pike Elementary, Ms. Degatano's class was picked to reenact life in 1776. For five months until school let out for summer, we wore bonnets and three-cornered hats, churned butter, sewed our own flags, ran a general store, and did our classwork by candlelight. Not only was it an excellent way to learn our nation's history, it was really cool.

When Independence Day rolled around, copious hot dogs were grilled, watermelon sliced, and cobs of corn boiled as friends and family gathered in honor of this exceptional national birthday. With bellies full of barbecue, we bent our faces upward to see what our forefathers saw in The War-torn sky two centuries ago. We "ooed" and "aaahhed" as the fireworks imitated "the rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air," and we took it for granted that Americans are special.

But nowadays, thanks to the complex quagmire of extremes in modern society, the mere act of being patriotic has become a political statement subject to judgment, debate, and controversy.

Webster's Dictionary defines "patriotism" simply as "love for or devotion to one's country," but the complicated gridlock of ideas regarding politics, economics, religion, domestic issues, gender

roles and sexual norms has politicized national pride.

A person can no longer identify as "patriotic" without suggesting that he or she might also be pro-life, pro-gun, pro-war, anti-gay, anti-amnesty, or racist. How did patriotism become bogged down with so much extra baggage?

Terrorist attacks have become a regular part of our 24/7 news stream, and rather than banding together the way Americans did after 9/11, public discourse degrades into bitter debates over gun control, administrative failures, race and religion. The "new normal" for political campaigns includes tabloid-like press coverage, bitter personal attacks, Twitter wars, and violent protests. Extreme divisiveness has the public defensively poised, ready to pit black against white, gay against straight, atheist against believer, male against female, choice against life, and animal against human in an all-out fight for who has rights.

In recent years, scholars, pundits and pop stars have pontificated over whether patriotism is the quiet and unpretentious love of the best ideals of one's homeland, or ferocious blind faith jin-

goistic nationalism that incites excessive military action. (See <http://www.thenation.com/article/what-patriotism/> and <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/how-do-you-define-patriotism/>.)

Every year around this time, new polls on patriotism ask questions such as: "Would you describe yourself as patriotic?" "Do you feel this country has gotten off track?" "Are you proud to be an American?" "Do you think the United States has a unique character that makes it the greatest country in the world?" Each statistic is broken down by gender, race, age and political party, so that inferences can further separate individual groups. (See <https://www.aei.org/publication/aei-public-opinion-study-polls-on-patriotism/>.)

Despite the attempts to deconstruct patriotism, the intangible notion of "The American Spirit" remains intact, having transcended current governments and political parties. Ever since our forefathers signed the Declaration of Independence back in 1776, America has been a truly unique melting pot of democratic values, personal liberties, military superiority, industrial and

scientific advancements, and humanitarian responsibility.

As a military family, we have daily reminders of how fortunate we are to be Americans. Every morning, we pause reverently to face one of the many flags flown on base, hands over hearts, to hear "The Star Spangled Banner." "United States" is in the job title of every military serviceperson. War monuments and memorials on base remind us of those who fought and paid the ultimate price for our democracy and freedom. For us, patriotism is a lifestyle.

But average Americans caught up in the complications of the 21st Century may need to be reminded that patriotism is not a political statement - it is an expression of our undying American Spirit.

This July 4th, keep it simple. Wear red, white and blue. Fire up the barbecue. Fly the flag. Raise your face to the night sky. Wipe away the tangled web of rhetoric and divisiveness, and remember what it means to be free.

*A 21-year Navy spouse, Lisa and her family are currently stationed in Newport, R.I. Her self-syndicated columns appear on her blog, www.themeatandpotatoesoflife.com, and she recently co-authored *Stories Around the Table: Laughter, Wisdom, and Strength in Military Life*. Follow Lisa @MolinariWrites."*



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The Hive	871-4009	School Liaison	871-2117
Fitness Center & Aquatics	871-2668	Shields RV Park	871-5435
Child Development Center	871-2323	The Grill	871-2494
Seabee Cinema	871-3299	Youth Activites Center	871-2251
CR Tickets & Travel	871-2231	Liberty Center	871-4684

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Building 114
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Office hours: Monday - Friday
8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Free services: Through Reading program,
FAX, Send and Receive: Computers with web cams,
228-575-5225, Copies, United Internet/email access, X-Box

Family Enrichment Retreat at: Flint Creek Water Park and Campgrounds

Sign up Now!

July 22-24 2016

For a fun weekend, come join us at Flint Creek Waterpark and Campgrounds, Wiggins, MS. Cabin spaces **are limited!** For Active Duty, Reservists, and Retirees.

Contact your Seabee Memorial Chapel for more information!
228-871-2454



8:45pm
Best Viewing Locations:
Jones Park
Gulfport Municipal Marina
Beach south of Hwy 90 west of Hanes Ave.
Parking north of HWY 90

*Buffer Zone: Firework free area from 15th Street to HWY 49, south of HWY 90

*Moses Jetty will close at 6am due to firework setup

For more details, call the Department of Leisure Services at:
228-868-5881

2016 Fed's Feed Families

The Department of the Navy
is committed to combating hunger around the world!
Get Involved: June 1 - Aug 31

Drop off non-perishable food items in any donation box located at:
Navy Exchange, Seabee Memorial Chapel, Fleet & Family, Commissary and the Navy Gateway Inn and Suites.

For more information, please contact:
RP2 Shoemaker: 228-871-2454

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Seabee Memorial Chapel What's happening at the chapel?

Sunday

9:15 a.m. - Sunday School
10:30 a.m. - Protestant Service
11 a.m. - Children's Church

Wednesday

11:30 a.m. - Praise Break (20 minutes of praise and worship through music)
11:30 a.m. - Men's Bible Study
Noon - 1 p.m. - Protestant Women of the Chapel Bible Study



Sunday

9 a.m. - Mass
10 a.m. - CCD Class

Monday, Tuesday & Friday

11:15 a.m. - Mass

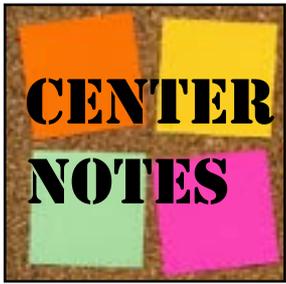
Thursday

5 p.m. - Holy Hour
6 p.m. - Mass
6:30 p.m. - Fellowship

Please visit the Seabee Memorial Chapel Facebook page for updates on chapel events at: <https://www.facebook.com/nbcchapel>. We may be reached by email at gulfportchapel.fct@navy.mil or by phone at 228-871-2454.

NCBC Command Chaplain (Lt. Cmdr.) Ammie Davis

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SUPPORT

NMCB 11 Family Readiness Group (FRG) invites friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the second Monday of every month at the Youth Activities Center, building 335. Meetings are from 6 - 8 p.m. Children are welcome and baby sitting is provided during deployment.

NMCB 11 FRG invites friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the last Monday of every month at 6 p.m. The meetings are held at the Youth Activities Center on board NCBC Gulfport. Children are always welcome and child care is provided at no cost. Please join us for fun, food, and to meet and socialize with other NMCB 11 families and friends. For more information, please contact us at nmcb-11frg@gmail.com or like us on our Facebook page, NMCB 11 FRG.

NMCB 133 FRG invites all friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center. Children are welcome and baby sitting is provided. Please bring a dish to share. For more information, contact FRG President Jaime Royal at 317-730-4064 or email NMCB133fsg@gmail.com. Log on to the FRG site, <http://www.wix.com/NMCB133FSG/133frg>.

FOCUS - Families Overcoming Under Stress provides resiliency training to service members and their families by teaching practical skills to help meet the challenges of military life, including how to communicate and solve problems effectively and to successfully set goals together. Confidential and free with family-friendly hours, contact FOCUS today! Call 228- 822-5736 or email Gulfport@focus-project.org

Gulfport Officer's Spouse Club is a social organization that has fun while helping our community. We meet monthly and have special interest groups for almost everyone! For more information, email goscgulfport@gmail.com or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/gosc.gulfport>. We hope to see you soon!

Navy Wives Clubs of America, Inc., is interested in reestablishing a club in the local area. If you are interested in joining an organization that

promotes the health and welfare of any enlisted member of the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard, please contact Darlene Carpenter at 228-342-2271 or Tina O'Shields, 228-357-0513. Visit www.navy-wivesclubsof-america.org for more information on NWCA.

NMCRS - The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Thrift Shop is located in building 29 on Snead Street. The Thrift Shop is staffed entirely by volunteers, and child care and mileage are reimbursed. Retail hours of operation are Tuesday and Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome. Visit the NMCRS offices at the Fleet and Family Support Center, building 30, suite 103 or call 228-871-2610 to find out how to become a part of the NMCRS volunteer team!

Gamblers Anonymous - The Fleet and Family Support Center offers GA meetings every Thursday at 11 a.m. GA is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other. All meetings are confidential and facilitated by GA. Come to a meeting or call Jim Soriano at 228-871-3000.

TRAINING

Naval Sea Cadets - The Gulfport branch of the Naval Sea Cadets are recruiting youth ages 11 to 17 for Sea Cadets, a nation-wide organization that helps youth achieve personal success through nautical training. Meetings are the third Saturday of the month from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m., building 1, second floor conference room. Point of contact is Lt. Cmdr. Thomas O. Klomps, NSCC, at Region63@juno.com or 850-890-6792.

SOCIAL

Miss. Gulf Coast First Class Association is always looking for new members. Meetings are every Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in the Fitness Center classroom. For more information, contact Association president, CE1 Daniel Shaver, 228-871-2145.

NCBC Multi-Cultural Diversity Committee is seeking members. Meetings are held weekly on Wednesdays at noon at the ECS, building 122 in the second floor conference room. Contact MCDC President, PS2 Handley at natashia.handley@navy.mil or Vice President, BUCN Miller at tariqah.miller@navy.mil for info.

VFW Post 3937 Long Beach - Open Monday - Thursday, noon - 8 p.m., Friday, noon to 10 p.m., Saturday, 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 7 p.m. Steak Night is every Friday, 5 - 8 p.m., and

breakfast is available every Saturday, 7 - 10 a.m. VFW meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. New members are always welcome. Contact Post 3937 at 228-863-8602 for details.

Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW 3937 Long Beach now VFW Auxiliary - Ladies Auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign Wars 3937 Long Beach, Miss., now invites men to join. The Auxiliary is now the **VFW Auxiliary**. Our organization supports veterans, their families and current service members. We help in Veterans Affairs Hospitals, have voices in Legislation, help promote patriotism in our youth, offer scholarships to youth, teachers, and members. Members must be directly related to a veteran who has served in a foreign war. Meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at 213 Klondyke Road, Long Beach, Mississippi. Contact Carol Fetters, President at 228-832-4893 or email cfetters@cablone.net for more information.

VFW Post 4526 Orange Grove is open daily from Noon to 10 p.m. and located at 15206 Dedeaux Road, Orange Grove. Meetings are the second Saturday of the month at 1 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Call 228-832-0017 for information.

NMCB 62 Alumni Group - Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 62 was recommissioned in Gulfport in 1966 and decommissioned in 1989. To become a member or for links to historical sites, visit: <http://nmcb62alumni.org>.

Disabled American Veterans (DAV), Chapter 5 invites veterans and future veterans to monthly meetings held the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Call service officer, Silva Royer at 228-324-1888 to find out more information.

Navy Seabee Veterans of America (NSVA) Island X-1 - Gulfport is always happy to welcome new members. You do not have to be retired to be a member. If interested, please join us on the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 5 building, 2600 23rd Ave., Gulfport, for the monthly Island X-1 business meeting and see what we're all about. For more information, visit www.nsva.org.

HERITAGE

The Seabee Gift Store is located in the Seabee Heritage Center Training Hall, building 446. Hours are Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The shop has a variety of Seabee related memorabilia, books and DVDs. Contact them at www.seabee-museum-store.org or call the gift store at 228-871-4779. The gift store is closed weekends and federal holidays.

NCBC Helping Hands

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF PASS CHRISTIAN - Volunteers are needed to put together picnic tables at the Pass Christian Boys and Girls Club. To volunteer, please contact Leah Ladner, 228-863-0424 or lladner@bbcgpt.com.

VETERAN NEEDS ASSISTANCE - An elderly veteran is in need of a few minor home repairs. To volunteer, please call Carol Keyes at 228-832-5250.

MISSISSIPPI CITY CEMETERY - Volunteers needed to spruce up the Mississippi City Cemetery located south of Pass Road and Washington Ave in Gulfport. Point of contact is Chuck McKinley, 228-326-4006 or email cmckinley@cablone.net.

HOME REPAIRS - Volunteers are needed to help a disabled widow of a retired Seabee with some home repairs. If you would like to help out, please contact Ms. Savage at 228-206-3367.

GULFPORT SCHOOLS NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS - The Gulfport Battalion of Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) is looking for adult volunteers willing to help the area's youth succeed in life. NSCC is a non-

profit, nautically-oriented, youth training and education organization, which is run by the Navy League with support from the U.S. Navy. Although a great plus, no prior military experience is required; all we need are adults who are passionate about mentoring America's youth. Point of contact is Lt. Cmdr. Thomas O. Klomps, NSCC, at Region63@juno.com or 850-890-6792.

DISABILITY CONNECTION - Disability Connection provides support to individuals with disabilities, including military veterans. Volunteers are needed to build ramps and provide home inspections for needed material lists. Call 228-604-4020 or email office@disabilityconnection.org.

NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY - The NMCRS Thrift Store is experiencing a severe shortage of volunteers. Call 228-871-2610 to volunteer.

USO GULF COAST - The USO Gulf Coast is seeking passionate volunteers to give their service at the USO Gulf Coast located on board NCBC Gulfport. Our lounge volunteers primarily serve as host, ensuring guests sign in, offer snacks and beverages,

and sign out computers and gaming equipment. We do require that all volunteers go through mentor shadowing training, which usually lasts two hours. Please visit www.USOVolunteer.org and register.

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME - Volunteers are needed to assist with a variety of activities at AFRH. Please contact volunteer coordinator Jennifer Briley at 228-897-4417 or jennifer.briley@afrh.gov to find out more information.

FEED MY SHEEP - Feed My Sheep, 2615 19th Street in Gulfport is looking for volunteers to help feed the homeless who are in need of a hot meal. To volunteer call Christina Lipke, 228-731-4883.

COAST SALVATION ARMY - Volunteers are needed for various projects throughout the year. Point of contact is Shawna_Tatge@uss.salvationarmy.org.

HELP SENIORS/DISABLED CITIZENS - Harrison County RSVP needs retired plumbers, electricians, carpenters, skilled and unskilled laborers to join a team of handymen/women. Point of contact is Mag Holland, 228-896-0412.