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## NMCB 74 closes out homeport with Family Physical Fitness Training



Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74 and their families participate in a physical training (PT) session on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC), Gulfport. NMCB 74 is scheduled for a six-month deployment to more than 15 locations in the Pacific area of operations and relieves NMCB 40 with a complete turnover by mid-July. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Michael Lindsey/Released)

Everyone is invited . . .  
All Hands Basewide Picnic  
July 6, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Seabee Lake

## New NAVFAC Commander, Chief of Civil Engineers named

**From Catherine Norton**  
Naval Facilities Engineering  
Command Public Affairs  
Naval Facilities Engineering Command  
(NAVFAC) Pacific Commander Rear  
Adm. Katherine "Kate" L. Gregory re-  
ceived her new assignment June 18 as  
the commander, Naval Facilities Engi-  
neering Command (NAVFAC) and Chief  
of Civil Engineer Corps in Washington,  
D.C.



Rear Adm. Katherine Gregory

Civil Engineer Corps during these chal-  
lenging, exciting times."

Within the Naval Construction Force  
(Seabees), Gregory has served with  
Amphibious Construction Battalion  
(ACB) 1, Naval Mobile Construction  
Battalion (NMCB) 1, as the command-  
ing officer of NMCB 133, commander  
of the 30th Naval Construction Regi-  
ment (NCR), and as the chief of staff  
for the First Naval Construction Divi-  
sion (1NCD).

Gregory's facilities and project man-  
agement assignments include tours in  
Yokosuka, Japan; Naples, Italy; San  
Francisco, Calif.; Adak, Alaska; and  
Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. She has also had  
staff tours in Washington, D.C., serv-

"I'm extremely honored and hum-  
bled," said Gregory. "I appreciate the  
opportunity to continue to serve, and  
work with the Navy workforce on the  
challenges and opportunities ahead."  
Gregory will pin on her second star  
prior to her assuming command  
scheduled for the fall in a ceremony to  
be held in Washington, D.C., A suc-  
cessor for Gregory at NAVFAC Pacific has  
yet to be named.

"I'm thrilled that Rear Adm. Gregory  
will be relieving me," NAVFAC Com-  
mander and Chief of Civil Engineer  
Corps Rear Adm. Christopher Mossey  
wrote in a message to NAVFAC em-  
ployees. "She is abundantly qualified,  
both by vast experience and superb  
leadership, to lead NAVFAC and the

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# MCPON: Summertime, Think Safety

**By MCC (SW/AW) Sonya Ansarov**

Office of the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy

Summertime means fun in the sun, vacations and a myriad of outdoor activities, and the Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) wants Sailors and families to think safety first.

"Benjamin Franklin said, 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,' and in the case of summertime, it's worth a pound of safety," said MCPON (SS/SW) Rick D. West. "Each year the Navy loses service members to senseless and avoidable mishaps, and the summer season brings the potential for increased risk."

According to the Naval Safety Center, summer deaths spiked in 2008 then decreased in 2009 and 2010, but unfortunately increased again last year. In 2011, between Memorial Day and Labor Day, 16 Sailors and 15 Marines lost their lives. One in an ATV wreck; three drowned; three during recreational activities; 11 in motor vehicles; and 13 on motorcycles.

"Losing even one Sailor or Ma-

rine is too many, especially when most of the incidents can be avoided with the proper planning and training," said West.

Training is the priority when it comes to motorcycle safety. According to Naval Safety Center, motorcycle fatalities increased from six in 2010 to 13 in 2011, which is more than a 100 percent increase. Motorcycle training and safety starts with the command having a designated motorcycle safety representative (MSR).

"Closing the training gap on motorcycle safety needs to be top priority for our leaders," said West. "Personal motor vehicle accidents are the second highest cause of fatalities in our Navy, and motorcycles are the primary causal factor with sports bikes remaining at the top of the list. MSRs play an important role in mitigating this risk by mentoring and educating our Sailors, and more importantly, ensuring they are registered and complete all required motorcycle training."

The Naval Safety Center's summer campaign "Live to Play, Play to Live," also focuses on alcohol

awareness, water and boat safety, sexual assault, and suicide awareness, and summer sports activities.

"Fourth of July is just around the corner so start planning safety now," said West. "Whether you are on the highways, waterways or in the backyard, safety must come first. And if you drink, don't drive and have a plan to get home."

When traveling long distances, remember to use TRIPS, the on-line, automated risk-assessment tool that helps users recognize and avoid the hazards they face on the highway: fatigue, not buckling up, and driving too far. TRIPS is located at <https://www.nko.navy.mil>.

"You and your families are important to the Navy," said West. "Use the tools the Navy provides and remember to think safety first."

Safety is one of the key areas of the 21st Century Sailor and Marine initiative which consolidates a set of objectives and policies, new and existing, to maximize Sailor and Marine personal readiness,



**MCPON (SS/SW) Rick D. West**

build resiliency and hone the most combat-effective force in the history of the Navy and Marine Corps.

To learn more about the Naval Safety Center's summer campaign, visit [www.safetycenter.navy.mil](http://www.safetycenter.navy.mil).

For more information regarding the Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Safety program visit: <https://www.ncic.navy.mil/gulfport/OperationsAndManagement/Safety/index.htm>

**A Reminder from NCBC Public Safety regarding Fireworks . . .** Except for command controlled displays, the possession of explosives and fireworks for sale, storage or use of any description on board NCBC Gulfport property, are strictly prohibited. Fireworks are spectacular to watch, and make great noises, but can be extremely dangerous in the hands of amateurs. Fireworks can turn a joyful celebration into a painful

memory when children and adults are injured while using fireworks. NCBC Fire Prevention Division recommends attending public fireworks displays because shows are safer and have better visual displays than what might be accomplished at your home. Stay safe this 4th of July!



## SEABEE MUD RUN 2012 is coming soon, register now

Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport will host SEABEE MUD RUN 2012 Sept. 8. Registration/check-in begins at 6:30 a.m. and the race begins promptly at 8 a.m. The course is just over four miles with mud, water, mud, dry obstacles, mud, water slide, mud, hills and of course ... mud standing between the runner and finish line. To register for this



event, visit <http://www.active.com/running/gulfport-ms/seabee-mudrun-2012>

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## Updated List of Area Off-Limit Locations

The following establishments have been declared "Off Limits" to all Armed Forces personnel by the Armed Forces Disciplinary Control Board as of May 17, 2012:

- Biloxi:**  
*YaYa's*, 2751 Pass Road
- Gulfport:**  
*Herbal Alternatives*  
 1909 East Pass Road  
*Herbal Alternatives*,  
 11530 Highway 49  
*BJ's Bar (Club 228)*,  
 17920 16th Street  
*Michael's Night Club*,  
 9475 Highway 49
- Sinsations Night Club*  
 1809 30th Ave.  
*Nates Sports Bar and Grill*  
 11444 Highway 49  
*The Quarter Night Club*  
 2504 13th St.  
*Nick's Place*,  
 12460 Highway 49
- Pascagoula:**  
*Bunk Small Apartments*  
 708 South Pascagoula Street

Service members are ordered not to enter or patronize these off-limit establishments of their locations. This does not apply to Armed Forces police on duty or others on official business. Violations of this order are punishable under Article 92, Uniform Code of Military Justice.

# Buzz on the Street



By CECN Lucinda Moise  
NCBC Public Affairs

What is your favorite outdoor activity?



"Grilling, especially since it's summer."

CM3 (SCW) David Russel  
CBC

Hometown: Panama City, Fla.



"Relaxing at the beach with my kids."

RP1 Chalmatta Mccaleb  
CBC

Hometown: Gainesville, Fla.



"Sightseeing around town."

RPSN David Gumbs  
NMCB 11

Hometown: St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

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# Around the Center



A Seabee assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 sprays down uniforms and civilian clothing with permethrin on the mini grinder on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport, June 20. Permethrin is an insect repellent Seabees treat their clothing with to repel disease carrying insects, such as mosquitoes, while deployed to high risk areas of operation. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician Constructionman Lucinda L. Moise/Released)



Cmdr. Mark Butler (right) assumes command of Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Professional Development Center (NMOPDC) from Cmdr. John Daziens during a change of command ceremony held at Seabee Memorial Chapel on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC), June 22. Located on NCBC, NMOPDC provides training and education on the physical environment to enable decision superiority across the full range of military operations. (U.S. Navy photo by Chief Mass Communication Specialist Ryan G. Wilber/Released)



Firefighter Alvarez Casildo checks firetruck water pump valves at the Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Fire Station, June 18. The valves are inspected daily to ensure proper functioning. Located in building 321, the Fire Department is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. In addition to emergency work, the firefighters are available to provide fire prevention and awareness training to personnel on the Center and in the community. The routine phone number at the station is 228-871-2414 and the phone number for on base emergencies is 228-871-2333. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician Constructionman Lucinda L. Moise/Released)

# Chief Petty Officer quotas announced



## From Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

Quotas from the Fiscal Year (FY) 13 Active Duty E7 Board show Navy's force management initiatives are having some positive results, resulting in advancement opportunity increasing 5.73 points from 18.23 percent in FY12 to 23.96 percent for the FY13 board.

With approximately 4,400 quotas for this board, the Navy is ensuring the fleet has the right mix of Sailors with appropriate skills and experience to meet the Navy's mission.

The expected improvement in advancement opportunity is the result of balancing the force across ratings, and it is expected that opportunity will move slightly downward in coming years and level off.

The selection board convened June 18 in Millington, Tenn. and will review the records of approximately 18,900 E-6s.

Notable opportunity this cycle is in the Logistics Specialist (Submarine) (LS grp 1) with 100 percent opportunity and 22 quotas, rising from 73.8 percent opportunity and 31 quotas from FY12 rates. Also showing strong opportunity is Yeoman (Submarine) (YN Grp

1) at 55.77 percent and 29 quotas from 33.93 with 19 quotas in FY12.

Communities seeing a decrease from FY12 include the Firecontrolman Technician (FT), down from 38.46 percent with 35 quotas to 12.50 percent with 10 quotas for FY13. Aviation Structural Mechanic - Equipment (AME) also saw a drop this board with FY12 having 29.73 percent opportunity with 33 quotas to 11.70 percent with 11 quotas for FY13.

The full list of quotas and advancement opportunity by rating, as well as opportunity from the last two cycles, is available at [http://www.navy.mil/docs/FY13\\_E7\\_Quotas.pdf](http://www.navy.mil/docs/FY13_E7_Quotas.pdf). For more information on the FY 13 E7 board, visit [www.npc.mil](http://www.npc.mil).



**Capt. Rick Burgess, commanding officer Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC)/ commander 20th Seabee Readiness Group (SRG) and Culinary Specialists 1st Class Michael Morel and Tomeeko Young pose for a picture after being presented culinary awards at Colmer Dining Facility on board NCBC, June 19. Morel and Young won first place in the Commander Navy Installations Command (CNIC) Culinary Competition.** (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician Constructionman Lucinda L. Moise/Released)

## NCBC Sailors take first place in CNIC Culinary Competition

By **CECN Lucinda L. Moise**  
NCBC Public Affairs

Two Sailors attached to Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport, Culinary Specialist 1st Class Michael Morel and Culinary Specialist 1st Class Tomeeko Young, both assigned to NCBC Colmer Dining Facility, placed first in the 4th Annual Commander, Navy Installations Command Culinary Competition held on board Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, Calif., June 13.

The competition consisted of 12 teams assigned to galleys world-wide. Each team had two members who worked together to showcase their culinary skills. The teams were given 90 minutes to prepare two entrees using turkey breast and a "secret ingredient." Minutes before the competition commenced, shallots, a type of small red onion, were announced as the "secret ingredient."

All participants were judged on six aspects of

their cooking skills: taste of the dish, presentation, cooking method, knife skills, proper safety and sanitation measures.

Morel and Young were announced as the team with the best overall score and presented glass first-place trophies. According to Morel, the competition was no easy task.

"The biggest challenge was coming up with our menu once we found out what the food was. We were halfway through thinking 'should we change this, what should we do?' We were constantly making changes, but it came out to be the best," said Morel.

Young and Morel said they are looking forward to next year's competition, but presently have their sights on a shorter-range goal.

"There is supposed to be an all service competition in D.C. in September, and we're planning to go to that one," said Young.

There may be another trophy in the near future for these two culinary champs.

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Comedy is the Cure . . . Fleet and Family Support Center will present Comedy is the Cure, Inc. 'HAPPY HOUR', an Alcohol, Drug and Sexual Assault Prevention Training Program, July 11 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in the Training Hall. For more information, contact LaTasha Banks at 228-871-3736.

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## Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo

June 29 - July 4, Long Beach Harbor, Highway 90

Gates open June 29, 5 p.m. until Midnight  
Gates open June 30 - July 3, Noon - Midnight  
Gates open July 4, Noon - 10:30 p.m.

Rides, Displays, Kids Fishing Tournament  
Visit <http://www.mississippideepseafishingrodeo.com>

# 'Lucky Eleven' Seabees celebrate mid-deployment, remain focused on fulfilling project goals

By MC1 (AW) Jonathan Carmichael  
NMCB 11 Public Affairs

Seabees and Sailors assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 11 celebrated their deployment's midway point June 17 with sports activities, food and games in Afghanistan.

On Camp Leatherneck, Seabees had the opportunity to take some time off of work and enjoy volleyball, corn hole (beanbag toss), wrestling in sumo suits, Frisbee, a dunk tank, a bench press competition, and a pull-up and dip competition.

The games and sports activities were followed by a meal served by the battalion's chiefs and officers. Door prizes were awarded to ranks E-5 and below whose names were randomly drawn, and winners from the earlier competitions were announced and posed for photos before cake was served.

A water balloon fight capped off the day's events.

All events on Camp Leatherneck were planned and coordinated by the battalion's First Class Petty Officer's Mess.

Detachments spread over various locations in Afghanistan held similar celebrations of their own, and those that have not yet are planning them for the near future.

According to Cmdr. Lore Aguayo, commanding officer of NMCB 11, an over-the-hump party is the way that Seabees traditionally celebrate the halfway point of a deployment.

"Even though we are on a contingency deployment to Afghanistan, we were not about to break Seabee tradition, in particular to celebrate the numerous exceptional accomplishments the Seabees of NMCB 11 have completed," said Aguayo.

Equipment Operator Constructionman Lashonda P. Bridges, originally from Chicago, summed up the general consensus of the Seabees when she stated that the over the hump celebration was "a good morale booster."

Families and friends of NMCB 11 in their hometown of Gulfport, also celebrated the occasion. The battalion's Family Readiness Group grilled hamburgers and hot dogs and

provided activities for children of deployed Seabees such as a Bouncy House, a water-slide and water balloon "fights" at Seabee Lake on Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC).

"It is an official recognition that we, our wives, husbands and significant others, have made it halfway," said FRG adviser and husband to Aguayo, Jeff Campbell. "It reminds everyone that our loved ones will be home soon and that if they've weathered the challenges of separation, managed their households and contended with periods of loneliness thus far, they will make it to the finish line."

Tessa Grimes, an ombudsman for the battalion explained that an over-the-hump celebration serves two purposes for families of deployed service members.

"In the beginning of the deployment, it gives the spouse an attainable goal, something to look forward to. After reaching the half way point, it gives us all a boost in confidence. We know we have made it this far; we 'can do' the rest!"

NMCB 11 deployed earlier this year and has completed a significant amount of work throughout Afghanistan. Some of their completed projects include multiple water-wells, an adviser compound for Marines who are advising Afghan Uniformed Police and a Recruit Training Center for Afghanistan army recruits.

Many projects are ongoing, such as the Dwyer road construction project in which Seabees are partnered with the Afghan National Army working toward repairing and improving large stretches of road in Helmand province, and helicopter landing zones which Seabees are constructing in partnership with Italian coalition forces in Farah province.

"As I look back at our operations for the first half of the deployment, I am amazed at how our Seabees have used their dedication and ingenuity to overcome the challenges that often face us in a contingency deployment and have safely executed every mission we have been tasked to carry out," stated Aguayo.

In addition to completing and continuing work on a multitude of projects, NMCB 11



**Construction Mechanic 2nd Class Mark D. Paystrup, from Levan, Utah, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11, competes against fellow Seabees in a bench press competition on Camp Krutke, Camp Leatherneck as part of an over-the-hump celebration to recognize the battalion's passing of the halfway point of their deployment.** (U.S. Navy photo/Released)

Seabees continue to strive for personal and professional excellence. Fifty-nine Seabees advanced in the petty officer ranks and 50 Seabee Combat Warfare Specialist (SCWS) qualifications have been earned to this point.

"The over the hump party was a great thing because it brought the unit together to celebrate our hard work and dedication to duty thus far in the deployment," said Machinery Repairman 1st Class Sean P. Philby, originally from Medusa, N.Y. Philby began the deployment as a petty officer second class and was one of the 59 who advanced in rank in addition to being one of the 50 to earn a SCWS qualification in the first half of the deployment.

Just like all American service members serving in a contingency environment, Seabees know they must remain focused on their mission and avoid complacency. Though returning home to family, friends, and the freedom and comforts of the country they defend are something all will welcome when that moment

arrives, NMCB 11 Seabees will continue to employ the skills, methods, and procedures that safely and successfully propelled them through the first half of the deployment.

Loved ones will continue to support their service members from afar and continue to look forward to their safe return home.

"The main concern has always been the safety of our Seabees, but as we pass the half way mark, most are focusing on homecoming," said Grimes.

Campbell added, "With the inevitable fatigue that sets in as deployments progress, combined with the heat of the desert region, we hope that our men and women will find ways to deal with those challenges, avoid any injury, and stay positive all the way through the plane ride home."

"I am extremely proud of our Seabees," exclaimed Aguayo. "Their 'can do' attitude and their understanding of the difference they are making in our collective ISAF efforts in Afghanistan drive all of their actions."

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## JOPPA SHRINERS GUN SHOW

Joppa Shriners will sponsor a gun show June 30, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and July 1, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Joppa Shrine Center, Old Highway 67, Woolmarket. Admission is \$5 for adults, children under 12 free. There will be 140 vendors of guns and ammo. For more information, visit the website at <http://www.joppashriners.org/>

## New FFSC Centralized Scheduling Center . . . Fleet and Family

Support Centers (FFSCs) in the Southeast Region now have one-call service available for selected appointments. Contact the Centralized Scheduling Center for individual, marriage and family counseling, class reservations, individual resume assistance, financial counseling, relocation assistance or deployment and mobilization support anywhere in the Southeast Region. Call 1-866-293-2776 for an appointment or details.



# Seabees build PEB to prepare for upcoming deployment

By Sue Brink

Naval Facilities Engineering Command SE Public Affairs

Naval Air Station (NAS) Meridian Public Works Officer inspected a project completed by Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74, June 11.

"Projects like this help Seabees build on their skills," said Lt. Cmdr. Lance Coe, NAS Meridian Public Works officer. "This was perfect timing for their upcoming deployment."

The project, for the Meridian security forces, is a pre-engineered building (PEB) intended to be a shelter at the shooting range.

"Building this PEB is a great learning experience for me right before deployment where I'll be working on building a couple more," said Builder 3rd Class Builder Joseph Morales. "Home-port projects like this are a vital training tool in the preparation needed, in order to be ready for deployment when timeframes



Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74 work on a pre-engineered building (PEB) project on board Naval Air Station Meridian in preparation for an upcoming deployment to 15 locations in the Pacific area of operations. (U.S. Navy photo/Released)

are tighter and logistics are more difficult."

This is the first time Seabees have operated on Naval Air Station (NAS) Meridian in more than 10 years.

"Having the Seabees here has been a great opportunity for the base and we look forward to having them return for future projects," said Coe.

Coe stated that there are already several more projects on file in Meridian for Seabees in the future.

"The Seabees from NMCB 74

have been great ambassadors for the whole Seabee community," said Coe.

"This has been a great crew to work with," said Construction Electrician 1st Class Daniel Harper, project supervisor. "They are always willing to work hard and learn new things."

This was a great opportunity for the crew since none of them has ever built a PEB before. Despite this, the crew charged ahead and completed the project ahead of schedule showing the true meaning of "Can Do."

## NMCB 133 recognized by Gulfport School District



Gulfport Central Middle School Principal, Dr. Michael Battle, second from left, shakes hands with Builder 1st Class Bo Hartley, as Hartley, Builder Constructionman Michael Laino and Utilitiesman 3rd Class Lina Monroy accept the 2012 Community Partner of the Year Award on behalf of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133. The battalion is in partnership with the school as part of an Adopt-A-School Partnership in Education charter. Other activities that make up the charter include mentorship, guest speaking, field day support and minor construction projects. (U.S. Navy photo/Released)

# Career Opportunities

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## Race Engines, Dirt Bikes, ATV's, Cigarette Boats, Zodiacs

Are you up to the challenge of hard work and repairing unique SOF equipment?

Naval Special Warfare Development Group is seeking active duty Construction Mechanics and all other Seabee rates.

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- Pass Navy PFA
- E4 - E6
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## Underwater Construction Team (UCT) ONE

is searching for highly motivated Seabees and CEC Officers looking for a career and lifestyle change



Join an ELITE force and travel as a small, professional team. Execute specialized construction, diving and demolition skills with the latest and greatest technology and equipment.

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# NCBC FRAMES

**Gunners Mate 1st Class (SW) Jason Maurer**  
20th Seabee Readiness Group (SRG)  
Range Safety Officer/M9 Block Leader

## FREEZE FRAME



By MCC (SCW) Ryan G. Wilber, NCBC Public Affairs

FF: What single experience during your career stands out the most and why?

**GM1: Helping with explosives on "Pearl Harbor," the movie, while in NAVSTA SEC, Pearl Harbor.**

FF: What has been your biggest motivation throughout your career?

**GM1: Learning new weapons and equipment.**

FF: What advice would you give

to future Seabees/Sailors?

**GM1: Learn all you can outside your rate. Be competitive.**

FF: What is your favorite thing about working with Seabees?

**GM1: Teaching small arms is my favorite part. I have never worked with Seabees before, but from what I have seen, they can do anything.**

FF: Who was your most influential

mentor during your career, and why?

**GM1: FCC McGrath. He took me under his guide and showed me how to look out for your troops and keep them motivated.**



## Long Beach student sails for Team USA

**Ricky Welch, 11-year-old son of Naval Construction Training Center (NCTC) contractor Freddie Welch and Christy Welch, was recently selected for the U.S. Nationals Sailing Team in the Optimist class. A student at Harper McCaughan in Long Beach, Welch has been sailing since 2007, but is following in the footsteps of his father, grandfather and great grandfather. As a member of Team USA, Ricky will train for international competition over the next year in Rhode Island, Louisiana, Texas and Florida. (Submitted photo)**

### Hurricane Season

Do you know what you and your family will do if a hurricane is headed toward the Gulf Coast? — Visit Emergency Management at [https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Gulfport/Service\\_Organizations/EmergencyManagement/index.htm](https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Gulfport/Service_Organizations/EmergencyManagement/index.htm) to help you answer the question. Do you know how to get info about current tropical cyclone conditions and base actions? There are several avenues to get accurate info quickly including the Base Website at [www.cnic.navy.mil/gulfport](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/gulfport), Facebook (sign up for SMS alerts) at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Gulfport-MS/Naval-Construction-Battalion-Center-Gulfport/161404016711?ref=mf>, Twitter at <http://twitter.com/SeabeeCenter>, Base Marquees, AtHoc (CAC card holders only), and 228-871-4777.

# Focus on Education

## Academic Achievement



Dr. David Drye, Coastline Community College representative, presents Construction Electrician 2nd Class (SCW) Garrett Birnbaum of 20th Seabee Readiness Group (SRG) with his Associates of Arts degree in Supervision and Management from Coastline Community College. (U.S. Navy photo by Kim Guillemette/Released)



Navy College Director, Dr. Alex Carter, presents Construction Mechanic 2nd Class Brandon Hysong with his Associates of Applied Science in Emergency Response and Operations from Mesa Community College. Hysong is assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74. (U.S. Navy photo by Kim Guillemette/Released)



Dr. David Drye, Coastline Community College representative, presents Construction Mechanic 2nd Class (SCW/FMF) Donald Wharton with his Associates of Arts degree in General Studies and Associates of Science in Business. Wharton is assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1. (U.S. Navy photo by Kim Guillemette/Released)

## Free SAT/ACT prep programs for military and family members

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### From eKnowledge

Tremendous challenges face America's military families, especially when frequent relocations are involved. Military families move approximately every two years and military children will attend six to nine different schools between kindergarten and high school graduation. Students face the stress of making new friends and leaving others behind. They must become acquainted with new schools at awkward times, and the stress can affect their school performance. It is especially difficult for high school students preparing for college.

The SAT/ACT exams are one of the most important tests in a child's life. Above average scores result in thousands of dollars in scholarships, and acceptance to preferred universities. The best way to improve score results on the SAT or ACT, and thus increase a student's odds of receiving scholarships and getting into the school of their choice, is to practice. By practicing students become ac-

quainted with the format, the timing, and the subject-matter on the tests.

But, families do not need to spend a fortune preparing their students for SAT and ACT exams. In alliance with the Department of Defense, and supported by patriotic professional athletes from the NFL and MLB, eKnowledge is donating \$200 SAT and ACT PowerPrep Programs to Military families worldwide. The DVD offers self-paced practice that fits the military student's needs and lifestyle. The PowerPrep Programs contain 11 hours of video instruction, animation, graphics, and thousands of sample questions and practice tests. Students can select the training they need and study at their own pace. Research shows that students who study for their college entrance exams are more comfortable, more confident and better prepared, resulting in higher test scores.

To place an online order: [www.eKnowledge.com/MilNews](http://www.eKnowledge.com/MilNews), or telephone 951-256-4076 (refer to Military News).

Need assistance with local schools? Contact NCBC School Liaison Officer Kevin Byrd, MWR building 352, 1706 Bainbridge Ave. NCBC, 228-871-2117 or e-mail: [kevin.r.byrd@navy.mil](mailto:kevin.r.byrd@navy.mil)

## CBC Gulfport Shelter Info

The location for ALL personnel to shelter onboard NCBC Gulfport has changed. ALL personnel will shelter in the MCOOC Warehouse, building 217. Personnel using the shelter will continue to park on the CBC parade field (grinder), where shuttle service will be available for transport to building 217.

CBC Quarterdeck: 228-871-2555  
Emergency Info: 228-871-4777  
Gulfport Muster: 1-877-733-7303  
CNRSE Muster: 1-866-203-6004  
FFSC: 228-871-3000  
Navy Help: 1-877-414-5358

### Resources for Disaster Preparedness Information

American Red Cross: 1-866-GET-INFO (1-866-438-4636)  
Mississippi Emergency Management Agency: 1-800-222-MEMA (1-800-222-6362)  
Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT): 1-866-521-MDOT or [www.MSTraffic.com](http://www.MSTraffic.com)



# OPERATION MAGIC



Service members and their families enjoyed a night of standup comedy, juggling and mind reading at the Operation Magic show, June 21 at the Training Hall on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC). The evening began with a dinner for active-duty service members and their family members. The entertainment began shortly afterward with comedian David Beck, followed by the husband/wife duo of Jeff and Kim-

berly Bornstein. The husband/wife duo, known as "The Bornstein Experiment," amazed the crowd with their mind-reading and magic act. The troops and their families were able to get into the act by being called on stage to participate in the experience. Operation Magic is dedicated to supporting military personnel and performing for service members throughout the world.

*U.S. Navy photos by Nicole Lewis and Construction Electrician Constructionman Lucinda L. Moise/Released*

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## 'Are You Ready?' Commissary patrons advised to stock up for emergencies

By Jessica Newby

DeCA Public Affairs Specialist  
This year marks the 20th anniversary of Hurricane Andrew, which slammed into South Florida Aug. 24, 1992, devastating Homestead, Florida City and parts of Miami before it crossed the Gulf of Mexico to strike the Louisiana coastline. It's a somber reminder that the commissary wants to help make sure everyone is prepared for any disaster.

Disaster preparedness can help improve the odds for survival, and the Defense Commissary Agency and its industry partners are working together to offer items needed for severe weather survival kits at low prices, said DeCA Director of Sales Chris Burns.

9 "Andrew's anniversary drives

home the point that everyone should be prepared," Burns said. "Your commissary can help you do that. We've got lots of items to stock up your survival kit."

Since April 1, canned chicken, powdered milk, batteries, weather-ready flashlights, all-weather tape, first aid kits, lighters, matches, candles and hand sanitizer have been reduced in price as part of DeCA's severe weather promotional package that runs until Oct. 31.

The package coincides with the prime times for tornado and hurricane seasons in the United States. Tornado season runs from April to July. The National Weather reports that 2011 was a record breaking year; it was the second most active year in recent memory, with a total of 1,690. April 2011 has the great-

est monthly total of tornadoes in modern record keeping with 758. April also holds the record for the greatest number of tornadoes on one day – April 27 – with 200.

The Atlantic hurricane season runs from June 1 through Nov. 30 and includes the North Atlantic Ocean, the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is predicting a less-active season this year versus other years. Predictions from the NOAA call for a 70 percent chance for about nine to 15 named storms, four to eight of which could become hurricanes; and one to three are expected to be major hurricanes. These predictions do not include which hurricanes will make landfall, because it's not possible to plot

landfall weeks or months ahead of a storm, the NOAA website said.

"Although the NOAA is calling for a less-active hurricane season, it still pays to be prepared," Burns said. "All of our customers – no matter where they are – should be prepared for any disaster. The commissary can supply our customers with what they need to survive."

DeCA recommends that customers take advantage of their commissary benefit and its average savings of 30 percent or more to stock up on emergency items that can sustain them during a crisis.

For more information about the 2012 hurricane season or on ways to prepare for emergencies, visit the following websites: The National Oceanic and At-



mospheric Administration:  
<http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/outlooks/hurricane.shtml>

The Centers for Disease Control:

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/diseases/foodwater/prepare.asp>;

The Red Cross:

<http://www.redcrosslv.org/disafter/materials.html>

The Federal Emergency Management Agency:

<http://www.fema.gov>



## At the MOVIES

**June 29:** Safe House, R, 7 p.m.

**June 30:** CANX - Due to official activity

**July 1:** Dr. Seuss' The Lorax, PG, 2 p.m.; Wanderlust, R, 4:30 p.m.

**July 4:** Dr. Seuss' The Lorax, PG, Noon; Mirror, Mirror, PG, 2 p.m.

*All movies are FREE!*  
Be sure to call the Movie Hotline at 228-871-3299 to check for movie schedule updates.

## Upcoming Events

**RACQUETBALL LEAGUE SEASON 2** Sign up NOW through July 1. Season determined by number of sign ups. Captain's Cup points will be awarded.

**DODGE BALL CHALLENGE** June 29, 7:30 a.m. Sign up NOW through June 28. Captain's Cup points will be awarded.

## PLAN Your SUMMER FUN Now with ITT!

**SHIP ISLAND EXCURSION** tickets are \$24 for adults and \$15.25 for children ages 3 - 10 years old. Vouchers are good for the entire 2012 Ship Island Season (now through October 28), but will be void after the season is over. No refunds for unused vouchers.

**ISLAND STRIKZ CERTIFICATES ON SALE!** For \$35 get a certificate good for two hours of bowling for five people, five pairs of shoes, and a large pizza. You can also purchase a birthday certificate for \$120 which includes one hour of bowling for 10 people, shoes, two large pizzas, two pitchers of soda and a souvenir bowling pin for the birthday boy or girl.



**GULF ISLANDS WATER PARK** day passes for only \$18.50! You may upgrade these day passes to season passes for \$25 + tax at the water park front gate. Call 228-871-2231 for details.

**JOIN ITT AS WE TAKE A TRIP TO GULF ISLANDS WATERPARK** Aug. 19, 10 a.m. \$5/shuttle fee and \$18.50/ticket. Grab your swimsuit and go wild! Children 6 and under must be in a passenger restraint device not provided by MWR. Minimum of six, maximum of 12 people for this trip. Sign up by Aug. 15. This is a joint trip with the Liberty Center Program so space is limited. Contact ITT, at 228-871-2231 for more info.

**LIBERTY'S PENSACOLA BEACH WEEKEND GET-AWAY**, Aug. 24 - 26 (Staying at the Days Inn Pensacola Beach located on the Pensacola Beach. Last day to sign up is Aug. 14. ONLY \$85/person. Book now by calling the Liberty Center, 228-871-4684.



**ITT HAS YOUR 2012 - 2013 SAINTS TICKETS!** Tickets go on sale Aug. 3. Prices: \$10 for pre-season, \$52.25 for regular season, and parking passes are \$40. Tickets go on sale two weeks prior to each game with first week of sales open to Active Duty only. During the second week tickets will be available for purchase to all eligible MWR patrons (Active Duty, dependents, Retirees, Reservists, and DoD) with proper identification. Limit two per Military ID Card. Call ITT, 228-871-2231 for details.

**June 28 ISLAND STRIKZ BOWLING TRIP**, (Liberty Center) 6 p.m., Free Shuttle

**BONUS BUCK AUCTION** (YAC) 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., FREE

**June 29 DODGEBALL CHALLENGE** (IM Sports), 7:30 a.m.

**GULFPORT PREMIUM OUTLETS** (Liberty Center) 11 a.m. Free shuttle.

**POOL PARTY**, Fitness Center Pool (YAC) 6 - 9 p.m., \$4, limited to 50 youth who attend YAC

**June 30 BILOXI BEACH TRIP** (Liberty Center), 11 a.m. Free shuttle.

**12 AND UP CINEMARK MOVIE TRIP** (YAC), G.I. Joe, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., \$5, limited to 30. Lunch needed.

**July 1 CINEMARK MOVIE TRIP** (YAC), (Liberty Center) 6 p.m., Free shuttle. 7 p.m.

**July 2 TEXAS HOLD EM' POKER TOURNAMENT**, (Liberty Center), 7 p.m. Prize for 1st Place!

**JULY 3 CROSSROADS MALL TRIP**, (Liberty Center), 6 p.m., Free shuttle.

**TORCH CLUB AND NEWCOMER ORIENTATION NIGHT**, (YAC), 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., Free



**July 4 GULFPORT BEACH FIREWORKS SHOW**, (Liberty Center), 7 p.m., Free shuttle.

## We've got Deals

**MWR has the perfect picnic area** for you next function located at Seabee Lake with covered playground, basketball court, paintball course,



dog park, ample parking, barbecue grills, picnic tables, and more. Remember all Active Duty personnel and their dependents receive a 20 percent discount on all rental items. All Military, Retirees and their Dependents receive a 10 percent discount on all rental items. 228-871-2127

**Outdoor Recreation Rental Center** has a wide variety of gear ranging from tents to sports equipment. For those summer cookouts or rummage sales, the Rental Center offers tables and chairs, canopies and coolers for rent. The MWR Rental Center is offering new rental items for this season, such as new A-Liner Expedition Campers that include both heat and AC. Also available are kayaks and paddle boats.

**Coast Rifle and Pistol Club Shooting Range Passes** - MWR has 10 passes available through Outdoor Recreation. Passes are free, but you must attend safety training/briefing before you can check out a pass from ODR. Passes are for Active Duty Only and are available on a first come first served basis. Patrons must bring their own gear, targets, weapons, safety equipment (for guests too), and ammunition. Range is open daylight to dark. Available ranges are: Archery, Skeet Shooting, Trap, Pistol 15 - 30 yards, Pistol 30 yards, Shotgun, Pistol unimproved range, Rim fire 50 yards, Rifle 50 yards, and Rifle 300 yards. Black powder weapons may also be used.



# Naval Construction Battalion Center Helping Hands Volunteer Opportunities



**4TH OF JULY FESTIVITIES** - The city of Gulfport is looking for volunteers to help out at their annual 4th of July festivities. Volunteers are needed at Jones Park July 4 from 4 - 8 p.m. Contact Brittany Dyess at 228-860-4444 if you can help out.

**CITY OF GULFPORT** - Gulfport is hosting the Global World Series Baseball Parades to kick off the series play in July. Seven

volunteers are needed to help stage parades July 11 and July 18 at Jones Park in Gulfport. Interested volunteers should contact Brittany Dyess for details at 228-860-4444.

**FOSTER CARE PARENTS** Youth Villages, a private nonprofit organization dedicated to helping children and families live successfully, is looking for caring adults, single or married, aged 25 years

old and up to become foster care parents. If you are interested, please contact Jimmy Frazier at 601-572-3717 or jimmy.frazier@youthvillages.org

**COAST SALVATION ARMY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** - Volunteers are need for various projects throughout the year. The Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center in Biloxi is always in need of assistance in the Ath-

letic Department, Fitness Center, Arts and Music Department, Aquatic Center, and marketing. Many other opportunities are available with this organization. Contact Shawna Tatge at Shawna\_Tatge@uss.salvation-army.org for information.

**HARRISON COUNTY YOUTH COURT** - HCYC is looking for volunteers to make a difference in the life of a child. Volunteers

who are bilingual in Spanish and Vietnamese are needed. You can help by becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate (C.A.S.A.) or volunteer to become a mentor for C.H.A.N.G.E. (Cultivating Healthy Achievements in the Next Generation of Excellence). Contact Beth Casey at 228-865-7000 if you are interested in making a difference in the life of a child.

## Seabee Memorial Chapel



### Center Chaplains:

**Lt. Cmdr. Paul Smith, Protestant Chaplain**  
**Lt. Yoon Choi, Protestant Chaplain**  
 For information concerning other faith groups,  
 call the chapel office at 228-871-2454

### Services:

**Gospel Service: 8 a.m.**  
**Sunday Catholic Mass: 9:30 a.m.**  
**Weekday Mass: Tuesday, 11:15 a.m.**  
**Divine Worship: Sunday, 11 a.m.**  
**Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.**



## GULF COAST USO

901 CBC 3rd St., Building 114  
 228-575-5224

<b>FREE Services:</b>	<b>United Through Reading Program</b>
<b>Fax - Send/Receive:</b>	<b>Computers with web cams</b>
<b>228-575-5225</b>	<b>Internet and Email Access</b>
<b>Copies</b>	<b>X-Box</b>
<b>Snacks/Drinks</b>	

**Office hours:**  
**Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**  
**Saturday, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. (Closed Sunday)**

## Chapel Offerings:

**Women's Bible Study** takes place Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m.

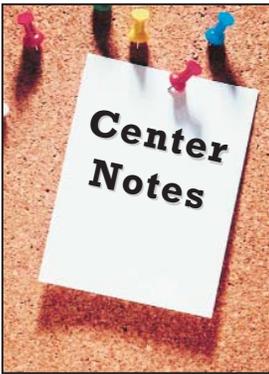
**LIGHT** is a Young Adult Group for members of the military. Meetings are Wednesdays at 6 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall.

**Seabee Pantry** - Donations are now being accepted to restock the Seabee Pantry. Everyone affiliated with NCBC is eligible to draw from the Seabee Pantry.

**Praise and Worship members needed** - The Seabee Memorial Chapel is looking for new members for the Praise and Worship Team for the Divine Worship Service at 11 a.m. Sundays. If you can sing or play an instrument, you are cordially invited to come share your gift.

**Looking for a church?** The Seabee Memorial Chapel holds services every Sunday that might just suit your needs. Protestant Services include a Gospel Service at 8 a.m., Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., and Divine Worship Service at 11 a.m. Catholic Services include Catholic Mass at 9:30 a.m. There is also a Catholic Mass Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m.

For more information, call the Chapel at 228-871-2454.



### SUPPORT

#### Family Readiness Groups

**NMBC 1 FRG** invites friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the second Monday of every month at the Youth Activity Center, building 335. A potluck dinner is served at 6 p.m., followed by a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Children are welcome and baby sitting is provided during deployment. Contact FRG President Mary Belanger, e-mail nmcbonefrg@gmail.com.

**NMBC 7 FRG** remains available to assist NMBC 7 families. Although the NMBC 7 Family Readiness Group is no longer conducting general meetings, the Ombudsmen and FRG officers continue to serve the battalion's family members. For information or assistance contact the FRG at nmcb7frg@gmail.com or visit the NMBC 7 FRG facebook page.

**NMBC 11 FRG** For more information regarding the NMBC 11 FRG, please visit the FRG and Ombudsman website at <http://nmcb11.webs.com>.

**NMBC 74 FRG** All families of NMBC 74 are invited to the 74 FRG meeting the third Monday of each month. Meetings are at the MWR Youth Activities Center, building 335, behind the Grinder on NCBC. Socializing begins at 5:30 p.m., and meetings begin at 6 p.m. Bring a covered dish to share at our potluck dinner.

Children are welcome. Email nmcb74fsg@yahoo.com or visit our Facebook page at "NMBC74 Fearless FRG" for more information.

**NMBC 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 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 send an email to NMBC133fsg@gmail.com. To receive updates, log on to the FRG site at <http://www.wix.com/NMBC133FSG/133frg>

#### Gulfport Officer's Spouse Club

The Gulfport Officers' Spouses' 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, please email noscgulfport@yahoo.com. We hope to see YOU soon!

#### 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, Wednesday 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 & 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 for information.

#### TRAINING

**COMPASS** is a team of trained seasoned military spouses mentoring other Navy spouses. Classes are intimate and informative. The three-day course is offered the last week of the month. The course and child care are FREE! Contact Kim at 228-832-5343 to sign up.

#### 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 help 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, 2nd floor conference room. Contact Lt.j.g. Bowling at 228-313-9035 or coachcb@yahoo.com for information.

#### SOCIAL

**Miss. Gulf Coast First Class Association** is seeking new members. Meetings are every Wednesday at 3 p.m. at CBC's Beehive, building 352. Call BU1 Tony Boldrey 228-871-2577 for more information or just come and join us at a meeting.

**CBC/20SRG Second Class Petty Officers Association** is seeking members. Meetings are Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. in the Fitness Center classroom. Contact the Association's Public Affairs Officer LS2 Matthew Wasson at [matthew.t.wasson@navy.mil](mailto:matthew.t.wasson@navy.mil) or President LS2 Earl Simpson at [earl.simpson@navy.mil](mailto:earl.simpson@navy.mil) for information.

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**NCBC Multi-Cultural Diversity Committee** is seeking members. Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of the month at 9 a.m., at the Seabee Memorial Chapel. Contact BU1 Jerma Cloude at 228-871-2454 for details.

**VFW Post 3937** Long Beach is open Monday - Thursday from Noon until 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday from Noon until 10 p.m., Sunday from noon until 7 p.m. The first Friday of the month is Seafood Night, the remaining Fridays are Steak Night. Breakfast is served from 7 to 10 a.m. on Saturdays. VFW meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. New members are always welcome. Contact Post Commander Bill North at 228-863-8602 for 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 first Wednesday each month at 7 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Call 228-832-0017 for more info.

#### NMBC 62 Alumni Group

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

**Seabee Veterans of America Island X-1 Gulfport** are seeking Active Duty, Reserve, Retired or Seabees who left the military after a short period of time. Island X-1 Gulfport meets the first Thursday of each month at Anchors & Eagles at 7 p.m. Contact Joe Scott (secretary) at 228-669-8335 or [elevenoaks58@cableone.net](mailto:elevenoaks58@cableone.net) or log onto [www.nsva.org](http://www.nsva.org) for information.

**Navy Ball Committee needs help to put on this year's Navy Ball** The 2012 Navy Ball Committee is looking for six volunteers to work on the committee for this year's Mississippi Gulf Coast Navy Ball. Committee members will be expected to attend monthly meetings to discuss fundraisers and ideas for the Navy Ball. If interested, contact AG1 Jordan at 228-871-3667.

#### 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., and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The shop has a variety of Seabee related memorabilia, books and DVD's. Contact the museum at [www.seabeesmuseumstore.org/shop/index.php](http://www.seabeesmuseumstore.org/shop/index.php) or call the gift shop at 228-871-4779 for information.

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ing as the Seabee action officer and CNO Overseas Bases planning and action officer.

Gregory assumed command as commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific and the Pacific Fleet Civil Engineer in July, 2010. She is a registered professional engineer in the Commonwealth of Virginia, a qualified

military parachutist, and Seabee combat warfare officer.

Rear Admiral Gregory is a native of St. Louis, Mo., and a 1982 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy. She holds graduate degrees from the University of Southern California and George Washington University and has completed the Senior Executive Program at the London School of Business.



### Interested in celebrating humanity?

The Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Multi Cultural Diversity Committee would like to increase their membership numbers. Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of the month at 9 a.m., at the Seabee Memorial Chapel. Contact BU1 Jerma Cloude at 228-871-2454 for more information.

## United States Marine Corps 237th Marine Corps Ball



**When:** Nov. 10, 2012, 6 p.m.  
**Place:** Hollywood Casino, Bay St. Louis, Miss.  
**Price:** \$50 (per ticket)

**Uniform:** Marines - Blue Dress "B" or Blue Dress "A"  
Army - Army Blue (Bow Tie)  
Navy - Dinner Dress Blue Jacket or Dinner Dress Blue

**Air Force - Mess Dress, Civilians - Black Tie**  
**See I&I First Sergeant, 1st Sgt. Coston, building 114 (NOSC) or call 228-871-3104**

## NCBC Gate Hours

**Pass Road:** 24 hours, 7 days a week  
**Broad Avenue:** 5 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sat/Sun and Holidays  
**28th Street:** 5 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday-Friday and 5 - 7 p.m., Outbound Only  
**Commission Road:** CLOSED

Watch out for pedestrians . . . Remember, they have the right of way! Unless otherwise posted, the speed limited on board NCBC is 25 m.p.h.