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NMCB 74 performs CCCT at Camp Shelby



Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74's Water Well Team, remove a piece of drill steel during a water well drilling exercise on board Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center (CSJFT), Mississippi, June 19. The water well drilling was part of a week-long field training exercise which was the culmination of a month-long training evolution at Contingency Construction Crew Training (CCCT). NMCB 74's water well team is now certified to deploy anywhere in the world where a sustainable source of potable water is required. (U.S. Navy photo/Released)

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Comedian Bernie McGrenahan presented *Comedy is the Cure*, a stand-up comedy with a message program, that addressed serious issues, such as high-risk drinking, driving under the influence (DUI) reduction and suicide prevention through a mixture of comedy relief and personal testimony at the Training Hall on board NCBC Gulfport, July 18. *Comedy is the Cure* was the final presentation of a 3-day Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) and Suicide Awareness Workshop presented by U.S. Fleet Forces Command representatives, July 15 - 18. (U.S. Navy photos by Chief Mass Communication Specialist Ryan G. Wilber/Released)

Command climate key to sexual assault and suicide prevention

By MCC(SCW/SW/AW)
Ryan G. Wilber

NCBC Public Affairs

Representatives from U.S. Fleet Forces Command (FFC) were on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport to present a Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (SAPR) and Suicide Prevention and Awareness Training Workshop, July 15 - 18.

The workshop is designed to help eliminate sexual assaults and suicide behaviors through direct leadership engagement, education and training, and

through the use of command programs and resources.

This training, given to command leadership, program managers and first line leaders, culminated with an all-hands comedy show with a message at the Training Hall.

Marie Parker, FFC SAPR program manager and one of the presenters, said it is important to present the training annually to keep everyone up to date on current policy so that all commands throughout the Fleet stay on the same sheet of music.

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Legal: MILES Auto Loan Refund for Service members

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Have you obtained an auto loan through the Military Installment Loans and Education Services (MILES) auto loan program since 2010?

If so, you could be one of approximately 50,000 service members who will receive refunds from U.S. Bank and Dealer Financial Services (DFS) for extra costs related to their use of deceptive marketing and lending practices under MILES.

Why Am I Getting a Refund?

On June 27, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) ordered U.S. Bank and DFS to refund \$6.5 million dollars to service members who obtained sub-prime auto loans through MILES.

The MILES program was conditioned on payments being made by allotment; however, borrowers were not informed of the extra costs associated with the allotment and the method for processing payments. Specifically, the

CFPB found that the finance charges (such as the allotment fee), annual percentage rate, payment schedule, and total payments for the loans were not disclosed to borrowers. In addition to refunding the extra costs charged due to these omissions, the CFPB also ordered U.S. Bank and DFS to stop deceptive practices, provide refunds or credits without any further action by consumers, stop requiring the use of allotments for future loans, improve disclosures, and require reporting on their redress plans.

How Much Is My Refund and How Will I Receive it?

If you have an outstanding MILES auto loan and you obtained it after Jan. 1, 2010, you are likely entitled to a refund. According to the American Forces Press Service approximately 50,000 servicemembers will get refunds averaging \$100 and some will receive refunds that are much higher. The refunds will be provided to the service members by U.S. Bank or DFS in the form of an account credit or by a check in the mail. This should require no further action on your part BUT you should call MILES to

ensure they have your current address on file, especially if you have moved since you received your loan. To do so you can call the MILES Allotment/Service Contract/GAP Assistance hotline at 800-293-2040. They will ask for your social security number to access your account and it will also probably be helpful to have your account information on hand when you contact them.

Should I Set Up an Allotment in the Future?

Allotments have traditionally been helpful to military members because they ensure payments are automatically made even if you deploy or move. A creditor may actually require a military member to pay by allotment. Before you set up an allotment, the CFPB cautions against several factors. First, be aware that there may be extra costs associated with third parties processing your payment. Second, you will have less flexibility in the event of a financial emergency. Because the payments come directly from DFAS it will be more difficult to adjust your budget than if the payments were being pulled from your bank account. Third, you will not be able to contest an allotment payment as an unauthorized charge as you would be able to if sent from a bank account. Finally, lenders may set up a separate bank account in your name to receive the allotment payment from DFAS – this may result in a variety of additional fees. If the creditor will allow it, a

good alternative to an allotment may be setting up an Automated Clearing House (ACH) payment which draws money from your bank account rather than directly from your pay. This method is usually free, easy to set up, and will give you more control over the transfer of your money.

A Word of Caution for ACH Accounts.

While an ACH account avoids the dangers of an allotment, there are a few potential drawbacks that you need to be aware of. First, an ACH is actually a debit that gives creditors access to and information about your bank account. Second, a creditor or business may incorrectly bill you. Third, you might overdraw your account if there is not enough funding to cover the amount billed (whether the business bills you correctly or you are overcharged). Therefore, if you choose this option it is important to be vigilant of charges to your bank account so you can correct any potential errors that occur.

Additional information on MILES auto loan refunds can be found on the CFPB website www.consumerfinance.gov.

If you would like to set up an appointment with a legal assistance attorney for further guidance, Region Legal Service Office Southeast is here to help you. Please visit us at http://www.jag.navy.mil/legal_services/riso/riso_southeast.htm to find the location of the legal assistance office closest to you.

Local 24/7 Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program Contact #: (228) 596-0697; Your installation Sexual Assault Response Coordinator's Contact #: (228) 323-4717; Alternate Sexual Assault Response Coordinator's Contact #: (504) 762-0224; Click: www.Safe-Helpline.org; Call: 877-995-5247; Text* 55-247 (Inside the U.S.); Text* 202-470-5546 (Outside the U.S.) *Text your location for the nearest support resources

Navy Court Martial Results January - June 2013

From Defense Media Activity-Navy

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- The following reports the results of every Special and General Court-Martial convened within the United States Navy from January through June 2013. The cases are separated by the Navy Region in which they were tried.

http://www.navy.mil/docs/MasterCourtMartialSummariesRegionalized_01-062013.pdf

Buzz on the Street

By **CECN(SCW) Lucinda Moise**, NCBC Public Affairs

"What do you like most about working at Colmer Galley?"



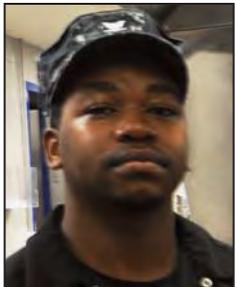
"Feeding the troops and uplifting their spirits."

Julia Kennedy
Colmer Dining Facility
Hometown: Gulfport, Miss.



Learning different skills and how to be a professional culinary specialist."

BUCN Jeremy Vickman
NCBC
Hometown: Arcade, N.Y.



"Greeting galley patrons."

CS3 Kwaski Burns
NCBC
Hometown: Pace, Miss.



Seabees assigned to 22nd Naval Construction Regiment (22 NCR), simulate operating in a contingency environment, tracking and monitoring units and routes, using a Command and Control Personal Computer (C2PC) during a Command Post Exercise (CPX) on board NCBC Gulfport, July 22. 22 NCR executed the exercise to reinforce command skills and knowledge that may be needed during a deployment. (U.S. Navy photo by Utilitiesman Constructionman Alicia Fluty/Released)



NCBC teens enjoyed the evening at the community pool during Teen Night, sponsored by Balfour Beatty Communities July 19! Pizza, pop-sicles, chips, music and drinks were provided to the enthusiastic crowd during the celebration. Be sure and track all the events available to community members by searching NCBC Gulfport Homes on Facebook. (Photo courtesy of Balfour Beatty Communities/Released)

Tawana Troup, customer service representative for Information Tickets and Travel (ITT), assists a customer with information on a theme park over the phone at the ITT office on board NCBC Gulfport, July 18. Office hours are: Mondays-Fridays, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturdays: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The ITT office is a full service travel agency that offers information, sells tickets and books trips for local, national and international attractions at negotiated military discounts for the benefit and enjoyment of the military and civilian employees. For more information call ITT, 228-871-2231 (U.S. Navy photo by Utilitiesman Constructionman Alicia Fluty/Released)



CAT recruiting new members

By **CECN(SCW) Lucinda L. Moise**
NCBC Public Affairs

The Command Assessment Team (CAT) on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport is interested in adding members to assist with tracking the pulse of the command.

The CAT is a group of command personnel trained to plan and conduct command climate assessments. They are also trained to analyze the data they collect. The team is made up of a diverse group of people who differ in their skill set, and demographic background, such as gender, race and paygrade. The CAT looks at the health and functioning of a command, focusing on its mission accomplishments, productivity, morale level and retention readiness.

According to CAT member Yeoman 2nd Class Cody Macomber, the CAT is beneficial because the results from the surveys are taken seriously and the team mirrors the diversity of the command.

"The Skipper reads the result of the command surveys and all opinions of his Sailors, no matter how inconsequential someone might think their opinions are," said Macomber. "Why I feel the CAT is beneficial to the command is because junior personnel are on equal ground with senior personnel."



Colmer Dining Facility Lead Culinary Specialist and NCBC Command Managed Equal Opportunity (CMEO) Culinary Specialist 1st Class Michael Luzunaris prepares data for the Command Assessment Team (CAT) meeting. The NCBC CAT is looking for new members. Civilian and military personnel are invited to join the team. For more information call 228-871-2194. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician Constructionman Lucinda L. Moise/Released)

The CAT is made up of officer, enlisted and civilian men and women from surface and Seabee rates from a plethora of backgrounds just like those they survey.

The Team is looking for civilian employees in all grades and military personnel from seaman recruit to lieutenant commander. CAT meetings are held weekly on Tuesdays at 8 a.m.

People interested in becoming a member of the CAT must complete the Chief Naval Education and Training (CNET) 9210 course on Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) and have a

special request chit signed by their department head.

Colmer Dining Facility Lead Culinary Specialist and Command Managed Equal Opportunity (CMEO) Culinary Specialist 1st Class Michael Luzunaris expressed what he thinks is the best part of being a CAT team member,

"We are the eyes and ears of the Command", said Luzunaris, "The best part of being a part of the CAT is being heard and making a difference."

For more information, contact CS1 Luzunaris at Michael.Luzunaris@navy.mil or call 228-871-2194.

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U.S. Surface Forces Atlantic Force Master Chief James Williams and Eric Hipple, University of Michigan (U of M) outreach specialist and former National Football League (NFL) quarterback were also presenters.

Hipple shared his personal experiences with suicide and rape, and how he eventually came to work at U of M's Depression Center, presenting strategies to recognize symptoms of stress when uncontrolled and understand stress control. He said that suicide and sexual assaults are preventable through education, awareness, stigma reduction and intervention.

Williams also stressed the importance of prevention, training, professionalism and a positive command climate.

"If you know what 'right' looks like, and every individual is doing what they are supposed to do, they begin to set a tone and environment within a command," said Williams. And, I believe that the environment or culture of a command has a lot to do with the way things happen or don't happen at that command. If you have someone who is just a predator, in terms of sexual assault, ... if you have the right culture in a command it's hard for those folks to thrive. They kind of stick out like a sore thumb."

The workshop culminated in a unique training for All Hands with comedian Bernie McGrenehhan presenting "Comedy is the Cure," a stand-up comedy with a message that addresses high-risk drinking, driving under the influence (DUI) reduction and suicide prevention through a mixture of comedy relief and personal testimony.

McGrenehhan said he doesn't ask people not to drink, but to drink responsibly and recognize the signs before it becomes a problem.

"I hope they realize that alcohol can enhance an evening or event, a barbecue, a football game," said McGrenehhan. It can enhance our time off, but it can also, when consumed frequently, or daily, obstruct us in our personal relationships, our job mission and our future. Alcohol is a drug and we need to respect it."

He encouraged service members to seek help when they know they need it.

Although the subjects covered are very serious and at the forefront of the Navy, audience members laughed and listened as the comedy program was presented.

"It was enjoyable, definitely different, said Steelworker 2nd Class Danielle Lang, assigned to NMCB 74, Bravo Company.

"It was a lot more relatable, and not as boring as PowerPoints. It's a real person versus just reading slides."

Some in attendance said they could identify with McGrenehhan's life story and they enjoyed the training.

"It was great, and real funny," said Builder Constructionman Cyrus Laumatia, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74, Charlie Company.

"I could relate to a lot of what he was saying, so it was really good."

For more information about SAPR contact NCBC Sexual Assault Response Coordinator Michael Jordy at 228-871-3000.

If you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted contact your command Victim Advocate or call the Safe Helpline at 877-995-5247.

Fraud, Waste and Abuse Hotline: Due to limited IG resources throughout the Southeast Region, all Fraud, Waste and Abuse hotline work will now be handled by the Region. To report Fraud, Waste and Abuse, contact the Region at: Toll Free 1-877-657-9851 Comm: 904-542-4979 DSN 942-4979 FAX: 904- 542-5587, E-mail: CNRSE_HOTLINE@navy.mil.

Rise to the Challenge, become a Seabee Diver!

Underwater Construction Team One Dive Motivators will be on board NCBC Gulfport Aug. 6 - 9, from 9 a.m. - noon at the Fitness Center searching for highly motivated E-5 and below personnel who are looking for a career and lifestyle change. If you think you are you up to the challenge, come out and learn more or call Chief Master Diver Bryans at 757-513-9145 to set up an appointment during the recruiting visit.



NCBC FRAMES

FREEZE FRAME

Equipment Operator Constructionman (SCW) Shakenia Ceazer NCG2

By UTCN Alicia Fluty
NCBC Public Affairs



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

SC: My tour to Afghanistan stands out the most because it made me realize how important my job is in the Navy. Seabees play a big role in providing for other branches of military in Afghanistan.

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

SC: My motivation has been working with my fellow Seabees because they keep the morale up and keep me focused on the mission at hand.

FF: What advice would you give to future Sailors?

SC: I would advise future Sailors to stay motivated throughout their careers and always strive to do their best at the task at hand.

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

SC: I would have to say the people I work with because we work well

as a team.

FF: Who was your most influential mentor during your career, and why?

SC: Chief Terry Spain was my most influential mentor. He has opened up more doors for me than any other mentor I've had in my Navy career.

Navy Region SE Family Readiness Program conducts Emergency Response exercise

By MC1(SW) Greg Johnson
Navy Region SE Public Affairs

Commander, Navy Region Southeast (CNRSE) Family Readiness Program hosted phase two of an Emergency Family Assistance Center (EFAC) exercise at Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville July 17.

The training was an installment of a three-phase exercise designed to test the region's ability to establish and sustain EFAC operations in the days and weeks following the landfall of a hurricane.

Phase I, conducted on May 30, involved more than 30 Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) representatives from NAS Jacksonville, Naval Station (NS) Mayport and Naval Submarine Base (NSB) Kings

Bay, as well as installation and training officers and emergency management personnel from all three bases. Phase II incorporated a variety of additional base organizations, such as the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, Navy Legal Service Office, Navy Gateway Inns and Suites, base housing and many others.

"This training is vital because it's not a matter of if one of our installations will be affected by a hurricane, it's a matter of when," said Commander, Navy Region Southeast Rear Adm. John C. Scorby Jr. "Our ability to bring together multiple organizations and people to work as a cohesive unit is crucial to our recovery efforts in this kind of scenario, and I think training like this has a huge impact on our

ability to respond when the real thing does happen."

The EFAC exercise is essentially a continuation of the region's HURREX 2013, which tested the region's hurricane preparedness through a scenario involving multiple simulated storms that made landfall near installations throughout the Southeast Region. While HURREX focused on pre-landfall preparations, the EFAC exercise was designed to focus on the recovery phase of disaster response.

In this scenario, NS Mayport and NSB Kings Bay residents were evacuated prior to landfall and each base suffered extensive flooding damage as the simulated storm passed. FFSC personnel from all three participating bases worked with emer-

gency management, training personnel and other installation departments to establish an EFAC on board NAS Jacksonville.

"Phase II of this exercise had a lot more moving pieces due to the fact that we brought in a variety of additional agencies to participate," said Carol Lucius, CNRSE Family Readiness Program work and family life coordinator. "To incorporate all these different people into this exercise is invaluable because we will be working together in the event of a real disaster and establishing roles, responsibilities and relationships is crucial."

After a real disaster, the EFAC would function as a hub for FFSC case workers and emergency response personnel to provide a wide range of support services

for affected family members. According to Lucius, much of that support is managed through the Navy Family Accountability and Assessment System (NFAAS).

"After a disaster, people can go into the 'Needs Assessment' portion of NFAAS and specify what they need, then our case managers can go in and see what those needs are. We will then call them back and get them the appropriate resources," she said.

Although NFAAS is one of the primary methods for EFAC personnel to assess needs after a disaster, people can also come directly to the EFAC for assistance, Lucius added.

"Circumstances can change very quickly in the days and

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Can you hear me now? NMCB 1 Seabees conduct CPX

By CE1(SCW) Joshua Thonnissen

NMCB 1 Public Affairs

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 Seabees stationed at Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport, began their third Command Post Exercise (CPX) June 24, in preparation for the battalion's upcoming Field Training Exercise (FEX).

This CPX was an extension of previous exercises designed to establish basic communica-

tion procedures in contingency environments.

The exercise pulled from previous lessons to combine each scenario and create a week-long operation designed to test communication effectiveness between the Main Body and the Air Detachment through various situations.

During the CPX the battalion was tasked with relocating its headquarters and communication hub approximately 45 minutes away to the Wool-

market Range while not losing communication up or down the chain of command.

It is vital that the battalion be able to sustain a good line of communication even in the worst of combat environments. These exercises ensure the flow of information, whether requesting material for a project or reacting to an enemy attack, is properly routed and tracked for accountability of all government assets.



Construction Mechanic Constructionman Apprentice Andrew Beam, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1, chains down a forklift as part of the vehicles being staged for the movement to the Woolmarket range as part of NMCB 1's Command Post Exercise. NMCB 1 is currently homeported in Gulfport. (U.S. Navy photo courtesy of NMCB1/Released)



Volunteers with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11 make improvements to Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 2539. Projects undertaken included painting and making repairs to chain link fence. (Photos courtesy of Charles Purchner Jr./Released)

Volunteers with NMCB 11 spruce up local VFW Post 2539

By MC1 Jonathan Carmichael

NMCB 11 Public Affairs

Eleven Sailors assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11 helped the local Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 2539, complete property improvements last week.

Utilitiesman 1st Class Mohammed Islam, originally from Keyport, N.J., led the NMCB 11 volunteers in painting the VFW building and making needed repairs to a portion of the chain link fence.

Islam arranged the improvements with VFW Department of Mississippi, State Chief of Staff Charles Purchner Jr. as part of the preparation for a larger coordinated pre-deployment fair event hosted by the VFW Post 2539 for NMCB 11.

In addition to Islam, the following NMCB 11 Seabees voluntarily assisted in the improvements: Construction Electrician 1st Class Aishia Williams, Builder 1st Class Ina Baca, Equipment Operator 1st Class Leon Downes, Construction Mechanic 1st Class Roy Mihil, Construction Electrician 2nd Class Porfirio Pimentel, Builder 3rd Class Timothy Gonzales Jr., Logistics Specialist Seaman Tariq Selver, Logistics Specialist Seaman Sean Leverette, Logistics Specialist Seaman Robert Wallace, and Construction Electrician Constructionman Apprentice Manyara May.

NMCB 11 is a Seabee battalion specializing in contingency construction, disaster response, and humanitarian assistance. The battalion's homeport is in Gulfport.

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NMCB 74 drills for water during CCCT training

By E02 David Earley Jr.

NMCB 74 Public Affairs

Drilling and completing water wells entail unique skill sets which require team members to be handpicked to complete missions wherever duty calls. Water well teams are sent out to remote locations across the globe to support military forces in theater and provide a basic necessity for people that lack a local source of water. The team is trained to be experts in completing wells that provide water suitable for human consumption.

The Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74 were recently tasked with month-long training evolution at Contingency Construction Crew Training (CCCT) which involved classroom instruction, practical applications and a Field Training Exercise (FTX). The 26 Seabees were instructed by CCCT instructors who provided classroom and field instruction under the parent command of Naval Construction Group (NCG) 2.

Practical applications in Gulfport were essential prior to the one hour convoy north to Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center (CSJFT) to give the team a more hands on experience. Practical applications included set up of the T2W water well rig, rebuilding the T2W mud pump, tripping (loading) in/out drill steel, and performing mud tests. The support truck, also known as "tender," accompanied the T2W rig.

One of the most important elements of a successful drill is an effective mud pro-



Builder 3rd Class Amanda Miller, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74's Water Well Team, loads galvanized steel for air and water development in Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center (CSJFT), Mississippi during the battalion's Field Training Exercise (FTX), June 20. The (U.S. Navy photo/Released)

gram. The primary purpose of the mud is to lubricate and cool the drill bit and drill steel as well as remove cuttings from the hole. Having an ineffective mud program will create problems "down-hole" and damage the mud pump. Rebuilding the mud pump can cause an unduly amount of downtime.

While performing 24 hour drilling operations, NMCB 74 used three towers that were rotated every eight hours. Drilling to 200 feet took approximately two days to complete. Of the major steps in well production, making the water potable, took the most time. It took approximately three days to effectively flush out all of the clay and sand from the well casing.

According to CCCT instructor, Construction Mechanic 2nd Class Mike Weston, the drilling was extremely efficient.

"In my three years instructing, you guys . . . drilled to 200 feet in record breaking time and produced some of the clearest water to ever come out of Camp Shelby," said Weston.

Whether it is mixing mud, performing mud tests, maintaining equipment or drilling, every Seabee on the water well team has a specific and important role to continually perform for a well executed mission. NMCB 74's water well team is now certified to deploy anywhere in the world where a sustainable source of potable water is required.

This water well FTX was one of many milestones NMCB 74 needed to accomplish in the 2013 homeport to be certified to forward deploy.



NMCB 15 continues support of Operation Enduring Freedom

CAMP KRUTKE, Afghanistan - Electronics Technician 2nd Class Jarrod Long, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 15 searches through different Mine Resistant Armored Protected vehicles as he removes communications equipment from them. NMCB 15 is currently mobilized in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and is an expeditionary element of U.S. Naval Forces that support various units worldwide through national force readiness, civil engineering, humanitarian assistance, and building and maintaining infrastructure. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Daniel Garas)

Focus on Education

Navy volunteer education support hours lessened during furlough

By Susan D. Henson

Center for Personal and Prof. Development Public Affairs

The Virtual Education Center (VEC) and all Navy College Offices (NCOs) are closed each Friday during the Defense Department furlough of civilian employees this fiscal year, said officials at the Center for Personal and Professional Development July 18.

The VEC and NCOs worldwide are staffed by government civilians, who began furloughs of one day per week in early July for 11 weeks. During this period, the VEC is open to serve customers Monday through Thursday from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern Time. NCOs are generally open Monday through Thursday with hours varying by location.

"Closing NCOs on Friday has the least impact on Sailors and our support to the fleet," said Jon Richardson, who works for CPPD as Voluntary Education Regional Director West. "Many local commands schedule in-house activities for Fridays. Also, the majority of our academic institutions that provide on-base, instructor-led programs do not schedule classes on Friday."

School representatives cannot be on base or offer instruction if an NCO representative isn't available unless specific permission is granted by the host command, he said. Visiting academic institutions and counselors/advisors have adjusted schedules and are available Monday through Thursday, matching NCO work schedules.

The workload of voluntary edu-

cation staffs cannot be picked up by contractors, who are not allowed to advise Sailors on using tuition assistance, which allocates government resources for their education. Additionally, a memo regarding civilian furloughs from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Readiness and Force Management dated June 28 stipulates that government civilian workloads cannot be shifted to contractors to compensate for productivity loss as a result of the furlough.

While Richardson said it's too early to foresee all the impacts of these office closures on Sailors, one he anticipates is an increase in waiting time for customers. "Since we've only been closed one Friday, the real business impact is unknown. It appears the number of Sailors visiting NCOs has increased during our open hours. That could be hiccup, but we won't know until we have more data."

Wait times for VEC customers may also rise, according to Sharen Richardson, VEC supervisor. "We encourage Sailors to do a few things to lessen the impact of the reduced hours," she said. "First, ensure you submit your Tuition Assistance (TA) request up to 30 days prior to your class start date. Then track it to ensure your command approves and forwards it to the VEC with enough time for staff to review and authorize it."

She said Sailors who wait too long to submit their TA request may not be able to begin a class on time. "Don't start a class without an approved TA voucher in

hand," Richardson said. "We can't process a TA request after a school's advertised add/drop date, so it's the Sailor's responsibility to follow up with his or her command to track that TA request."

Sailors wanting to speak to a VEC advisor should be aware that the high-volume call times are primarily between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Eastern Time, she added.

Along with TA, another impact to Sailors resulting from the VEC closure is an increase in processing time for requests for Joint Services Transcripts (JSTs) and changes to JSTs, including updates and adding degrees from schools, according to VEC Evening Shift Manager Emmett Williams. "We have a lot of requests and messages to go through each Monday, and we're doing our best to respond to each customer as quickly as possible," he said. "The best time for Sailors to contact the VEC for assistance is Monday through Thursday between 6 and 10 a.m. and after 5 p.m. Eastern Time," he said.

The NCBC Gulfport NCO is located at 1800 Dong Xoai Ave, building 60, room 239. Hours of operation are Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. To contact the Gulfport NCO by phone, call 228-871-2784 or 228-871-2785. The website is [https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Gulfport/Service Organizations/Navycollegeservices/index.htm](https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Gulfport/Service%20Organizations/Navycollegeservices/index.htm)

For more information about the Navy College Program and the Virtual Education Center, visit: <https://www.navycollege.navy.mil/>.

Seabees lend a hand to area preschool



Equipment Operator Constructionman Ronald Ling and Utilitiesman 3rd Class Nathan Gaffney of the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133 Air Detachment paint walls during a volunteer event at the First Baptist Church Preschool in Long Beach. The pair were among a group of nine Seabees and their families who repainted more than 10,500 square feet of wall space in the classrooms. (U.S. Navy photo by Builder Constructionman Caleb Monplaisir /Released)

Area School Links

Links to area schools are provided to assist parents and students with registration and other important information for the upcoming school year.

www.biloxischools.net
www.gulfportschools.org
www.lbsdk12.com
www.harrison.k12.ms.us
www.pc.k12.ms.us
www.jcsd.k12.ms.us
www.ossdms.org
www.hancock.k12.ms.us

Coastline continues fall registration

Registration for Fall A Term will continue for Coastline Community College until Aug. 6. Fall Term A begins Aug. 26 and ends Oct. 20. Completion

of Tuition Assistance (TA) requests must be completed and sent to Coastline by Aug. 6 as well. For additional assistance or information, please

contact Dr. David R. Drye in the Navy College Office, Building 60, Room 239, call 228-871-3439 or email to ddrye@coastline.edu.

NCBC School Liaison Officer Kevin Byrd is located at MWR Building 352, 1706 Bainbridge Ave., Phone: 228-871-2117, email: kevin.r.byrd@navy.mil

'The Meat & Potatoes of Life'

By Lisa Smith Molinari
Military Spouse Contributor

Over the river and off the beltway



"Grams, could we make brownies?" my daughter asks, already knowing the answer.

"Is the Pope a Catholic?" replies my husband's mother, smiling up at Anna, who has at least a half a foot on her.

Short but feisty. Born of Irish heritage. Humbly brought up in Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J. Married 53 years to a quintessential Italian. Raised five children. Hates housework and cooking. Loves her nine grandchildren.

Digging through her cupboards, Grams is surprised by what she has stockpiled. "Jesus, Mary and Good Saint Joseph, here's some coconut -- ever made Girdle Stretchers, Anna? Oh, and I've got a bunch of cake mixes, and here's raisins, and a helluva lot of chocolate chips."

Anna removes a baking pan, inadvertently causing a small but noisy avalanche, sending Grams' Westies, Patty and Murphy, scrambling into the dining room. Grams laughs, assuring her granddaughter that there's nothing she'll ever do to make her angry.

Anna and her sister transform the cozy blue kitchen into a science lab, eventually producing a batch of triple chocolate peanut butter chip cupcakes, in which Grams happily indulges, despite her diabetes.

A few days later, we are back in Grams' kitchen, saying goodbye. The Beltway and I-270 lead us out of urban sprawl and into pastoral hills and forested mountains. Three hours into our drive, signs of civilization dwindle to tiny towns, coal trucks, and soft serve ice cream joints, as our minivan rolls deeper into rural Western Pennsylvania.

While the kids snooze, I make a mental "To Do" list of the things I need to do when we arrive at our final destination. Thankfully, our ninth military move from Mayport, Fla., to Newport, R.I. has made our summer visits with the grandmothers a bit easier, since they both live on the way.

"Kids, wake up! We're almost at Grammy's house!" I say, peering into the rear view mirror at open mouths, drooping heads and sprawled legs.

Once in the driveway, the girls run giggling from the minivan, sneaking up to Grammy's kitchen window to scare her. Mercifully, their plan is foiled by Oscar, the stereotypically Napoleonic dachshund, whose sharp bark is as good as any home security system.

Grammy appears at the side door, miniature Cujo at her feet, forcing the girls to settle for a lame "Boo!" from the shrubs.

"Wait! Go back!" Grammy pleads, "You have to come through the Secret Garden!"

My mother was a first grade teacher for 30 years. Despite retirement, it's still in her blood.

Sticking to the schedule, Grammy leads us back to the driveway so that we must walk through the trees that she had carefully pruned and adorned with lanterns and birdhouses.

With Step 1 of her plan complete,

we finally hug and kiss hello.

Much like Grams' house, we congregate in the kitchen. With us seated at the booth she painted with red apples so many years ago, Grammy seizes the opportunity to have our undivided attention. She reaches into a kitchen drawer, retrieving four typed handouts; each colorfully highlighted and decorated with sparkly smiley face stickers.

"Kids, during your stay here at 'Grammy Camp,' there are some rules which must be followed," she says only half-seriously.

"Seriously?" Anna replies, only half-seriously.

The girls look at each other and smile. They know how Grammy is. A mix of Romper Room's corny but nurturing Miss Patty, Hodgepodge Lodge's nature-loving Miss Jean, and Magic School Bus' scatter-brained Miss Frizzle.

She goes over her "Camper's Guide to Health & Happiness," explaining the finicky plumbing which still uses well water, and upcoming "mandatory" participation in creative activities like making gourd birdhouses.

In the days to follow, we follow her plan. Before we know it, we are back in Grammy's kitchen, saying goodbye.

As my minivan heads northward again to our next home in Rhode Island, I wonder what it would be like if we weren't in the Navy and lived closer to family. Between the exits I realize: the rarity of our time with Grams and Grammy is precisely what makes it so precious.

Get more wit and observations from Lisa at her blog, <http://themeatandpotatoes-oflife.com>.

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weeks following a hurricane, so our recovery efforts need to be flexible and our services have to be adjusted accordingly," Lucius said. "It's important for us to identify exactly who we need to have in the EFAC based on what peoples' needs are. The EFAC is not staffed with only FFSC personnel, but there are a lot of other organizations involved, such as chaplains, medical, legal, housing and a long list of others. Part of this exercise is to establish a clearer picture of what resources we are likely to need in the EFAC at different times in the recovery process."

After an actual hurricane, EFAC personnel would also coordinate with a number of civilian agencies and local officials in order to get people the help they need. Lucius said most people who seek help are in need of food, shelter, clothes or some other physical need, which makes it important to conduct this kind of exercise in order to be better prepared for recovery efforts when a real-world scenario occurs.

"The nature of an emergency or crisis event is that of unpredictability," she said. "However, even though things will inevitably happen that we don't necessarily expect, we still need to have a plan in place so that our people are confident in

themselves, confident in their leadership and confident in the plan."

Lucius said training like this is essential for preparing emergency management and FFSC personnel for an actual event, but it is equally as important for family members and dependents to know what to do in the event of an emergency.

"They really need to know about NFAAS. They need to know that it is essential for them to have their personal contact information updated in NFAAS so that when a disaster strikes, they can be contacted and they know how to contact somebody for help," she said.

While phase II of the exercise included about 30 more participants than phase I, phase III of the exercise will expand even further and will include a number of civilian agencies and organizations, including the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Salvation Army and others.

Sailors, dependents and government civilians can log into NFAAS at:

<https://navyfamily.navy.mil> where they can update their contact information, report their status or submit a needs assessment.

For more information about hurricane readiness or NFAAC, contact your local FFSC.

Due to the Government Fulough, the NCBC Commissary is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays. This closure is expected to remain in effect throughout the furlough.



See Something Wrong, Do Something Right!

NCIS has two anonymous ways to report crimes or suspicious behavior with the use of discreet and secure online or texting tip lines.



To report information by Cell text:

1. Text "NCIS" to the short code 274637 (CRIMES) from any cell or smart phone.
2. Receive a response, for example: "Your alias is: S2U5 Call 911 if urgent! If replies put you at risk, text "STOP"
3. Begin dialogue

To report information Online:

1. Go to www.NCIS.navy.mil, click on the "Report a Crime" tab and select the icon for "text and Web tip Hotline."
- There is a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to a felony arrest or apprehension.*



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For more information call ITT at 228-871-2231.

Bench Press Challenge!

WOD Challenge

CBC Fitness Center
 August 7 2013, 1800

Sign-ups start July 29th 2013



Rules:

- One warm up set
- No bouncing off of chest
- Lift off but no help lift
- Once bar touched, lifter disqualified for that lift
- Must touch chest with bar, pause then lift
- Feet and back must remain on bench
- Gloves, wraps, and bench shirts approved
- Three chances to lift!



PRIZES to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place
Active Duty participants!

For more information please contact Michael McLaughlin at 822-5108.

FREE Movies at the Training Hall!

Check out what's playing this week! Bring along your copy of MWR's July calendar and get a FREE REFILL on your L/XL popcorn all month long! Always know what's playing with the movie hotline number - 228-871-3299.

Friday: **Evil Dead**, R, 6 p.m.;

Saturday: **The Croods**, PG, Noon; **G.I. Joe: Retaliation**, PG13, 2:15 p.m.;

Oblivion, PG13, 5 p.m.;

Sunday: **The Big Wedding**, R, 6 p.m.



Summertime Fun



8 Weeks of Family Fitness Classes

July 13th – August 31th



Fitness Center

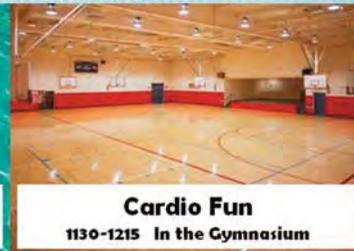
Saturday Mornings

All age groups are welcome! Parents must participate with their children.
 Join us for one or both!

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 1030-1115 In the Pool



Cardio Fun
 1130-1215 In the Gymnasium



For more information on NBC MWR, like us on Facebook!
 Or, Text CBCFun, CBCMWR(Liberty) or CBCFitness to 30364 to be the first to know about upcoming events and specials!



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 Auto Skills Center
 Beehive All Hands Club
 Child Development Center
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 Information, Tickets &
 Travel
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 Navy Outdoor Recreation
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 The Grill
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NCBC Helping Hands volunteer opportunities

USS ALABAMA NEEDS HELP - The Navy is looking for volunteers with construction expertise for a rewarding experience. The battleship USS Alabama anchored in Mobile Bay needs help from individuals that can work with wood, steel, and concrete for work aboard ship and around the grounds. Work includes, but is not limited to: constructing 10 picnic pavilion covers, roofing a 40-by-20 maintenance shed, fabricating display cases. Point of contact is Owen Miller,

251-433-2703 or cell 251-767-0157.
VOLUNTEER TO PROVIDE ROOF REPAIR ESTIMATE - The Retired and Senior Program needs a volunteer to perform roof estimation for a veteran in Gulfport. If you are able to help, please contact Susan at the Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC), 228-871-3640.

BILOXI VA AMBASSADORS - The Biloxi VA is trying to get volunteers in uniform from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. on a daily basis to help with a new pro-

gram. The volunteers will provide assistance to Veterans entering the medical center with directions and general information and whenever possible, escort the Veterans and family members to their destination. Point of contact for more information is Sharon Ladner at 228-523-5786 or Susan Smith 228-871-3640.

VOLUNTEERS TO BUILD RAMPS - Volunteers are needed to build handicap ramps in Saucier and Biloxi. If you are interested in helping, please con-

tact Susan at Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC), 228-871-3640 or 228-424-2947.

USO GULF COAST - Interested in volunteering? We need volunteers every day to assist at our centers throughout the Military community. Whether you're interested in providing coffee and conversation to our traveling troops or assisting in deployments the USO Gulf Coast has a special opportunity for you. We are also looking for volunteers to assist in community outreach events scheduled throughout the year. To become a USO volunteer, you'll need to create a volunteer profile through www.usovolunteer.org. This website allows you to keep track of your hours and if you move to another location your hours will transfer with you to any USO in the world. If you have any questions please feel free to contact USO Gulf Coast's Program Manager, Nicole Lewis at

nlewis@uso.org. We look forward to having you on our volunteer team!
NAVY MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY - The NMCRS Thrift Store is experiencing a severe shortage of volunteers to work at the Thrift Store. Due to volunteer shortages, the store will be closed during July. Those who are interested in volunteering in August are asked to call 228-871-2610.
COAST SALVATION ARMY - Volunteers are needed for various projects throughout the year. Contact Shawna_Tatge@uss.salvationarmy.org if you have a bit of spare time to help out.
HELP SENIORS AND DISABLED CITIZENS - Harrison County RSVP needs retired plumbers, electricians, carpenters, skilled and unskilled laborers to join a team of handywomen. If you are interested in helping in the community, call Mag Holland, 228-896-0412.

Seabee Memorial Chapel



NCBC Center Chaplains:
Lt. Cmdr. Paul Smith, Chaplain
Lt. Yoon Choi, Chaplain
For more information about Chapel programs,
please call the Chapel at 228-871-2454.

Religious Services

Sunday:

Gospel: 8 a.m., Catholic Mass: 9:30 a.m., Protestant: 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Mass: Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m.

Chapel Offerings

Looking for a church?

The Seabee Memorial Chapel holds services every Sunday to suit your needs. Protestant Services include a Gospel Service at 8 a.m. and a Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. Catholic Mass is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday and the Chapel also holds a weekly Mass on Tuesday at 11:15 a.m.

Seabee Pantry

The Seabee Pantry is a valuable resource for those families needing a little extra assistance during the month. Please donate as many canned goods and other nonperishable items as possible. Donation drop-off sites are located at the Navy Exchange, Chapel, Commissary, Fleet and Family Support Center and Armed Forces Retirement Home.

Praise and Worship

The Seabee Memorial Chapel is looking for new members for the Praise and Worship Team for the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service and the Gospel choir at 8 a.m. If you can sing or play an instrument, you are invited to share your gift. For more information, please contact the Chapel at 228-871-2454.

Feds Feed Families Food Drive

The annual DoD, Feds Feed Families Food Drive, www.fedsfeedfamilies.gov, is taking place through September. Food banks across the Nation are facing severe shortages of non-perishable food items, just as summer begins and children are left without school supplied nutrition programs. Federal employees and members of the uniformed services are stepping up to meet this challenge by gathering food for families in need. The CBC Chapel hopes you will donate any non-perishable goods to help us meet this National goal. NCBC food donation drop off locations are NCBC Commissary (special prepackaged bags of food are available for purchase), Seabee Memorial Chapel, Navy Exchange, Fleet and Family Support Center, Command Quarterdeck, and Navy Gateway Inn. For more information please contact the Chapel, 228-871-2454.



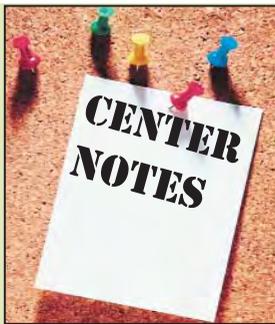
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SUPPORT

Family Readiness Groups

NMCB 1 FRG invites friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the second Monday of every month at the Youth Activity Center, building 335. Meetings are from 6 - 8 p.m. Children are welcome and babysitting is provided during deployment. Contact FRG President Jenny Richter, e-mail nmcbonefrg@gmail.com.

NMCB 11 FRG For more information regarding the NMCB 11 FRG, please visit www.facebook.com/nmcb11frg or email us at nmcb11frg@gmail.com.

NMCB 74 FRG All families of NMCB 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 "NMCB74 Fearless FRG" for details.

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 Center. Children are welcome and babysitting 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 (FOCUS), 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 & 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@focusproject.org

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, email goscgulfport@yahoo.com. We hope to see YOU soon!

Navy Wives Clubs of America, Inc.

The 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.navywivesclubsofamerica.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 for details.

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 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 more information.

PMI MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Project Management Institute (www.pmi.org) is recruiting project planning professionals for membership into the PMI Southern Mississippi Chapter. PMI is one of the world's largest not-for-profit membership associations

for the project management profession. Their professional resources and research empower more than 700,000 members, credential holders and volunteers in nearly every country in the world to enhance their careers, improve their organizations' success and further mature the profession. Contact Mike Saunders at saundersmt@earthlink.net or Len Krapcha at lkrapcha@aol.com for more information.

SOCIAL

Miss. Gulf Coast First Class Association is always looking for new members. Meetings are every Wednesday at 2:30 p.m., at 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 the first and third Wednesday of the month at 9 a.m., at the Seabee Memorial Chapel. Contact BU1 Jerma Cloude, 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 info.

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 of the month at 7 p.m. All are wel-

come and encouraged to attend. Call 228-832-0017 for more info.

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

D.A.V. - Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 5 invites Veterans and future Veterans to monthly meetings held the 3rd Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Call Service Officer, Silva Royer at 228-324-1888 to find out more about our organization.

Navy Seabee Veterans of America (NSVA) Island X-1, Gulfport is always looking to add new members.

You do not have to be retired to be a member. If interested, please contact Eugene Cowhick at eugene.cowhick@navy.mil, 228-871-2488 or Robert Smith at Robert.p.smith5@navy.mil, 228-871-2436. If you are already a member, please join us on the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in the A&E Chiefs and Officers Club, NCBC Gulfport, for the Monthly Island X-1 business meeting. For more information on NSVA Island X-1, 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., and Saturdays from 11a.m. to 3 p.m. The shop has a variety of Seabee related memorabilia, books and DVD's. Contact the museum at www.seabeeuseumstore.org or call the gift shop at 228-871-4779 for information on all that is available.

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To become an FLEx team member, speak with your management and gain their support.

Once you have their support, contact CFC campaign manager, Lt. Cmdr. Craig Clutts, 228-871-2830 or craig.clutts@navy.mil.