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Adm. William Gortney, commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command (left), cuts the Seabee Ball birthday cake with Capt. Rick Burgess, commanding officer, Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport, (center left) and other distinguished guests, along with the youngest and oldest Seabees in attendance during the Seabee Ball at the Mississippi Coast Convention Center in Biloxi, Miss. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Ryan Williams/Released)

## Seabees celebrate history at 71st Ball

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

Military members from the Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Army joined the Atlantic Fleet Seabees of Gulfport, Miss. for the 71st annual Seabee Ball at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum, March 23.

The ball was a grand celebration of the 71st birthday of the U.S. Navy Seabees, 146th birthday of the Naval Civil Engineer Corps and the 171st anniversary of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command.

Guest speaker for the evening, Adm. William Gortney, commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, expressed his appreciation for being invited to speak to the room of both active duty and long since retired Seabees, civilians and spouses.

"It's truly my honor to preside over the 71st Seabee Birthday ceremony, and it's

a fantastic room full of Seabees, past and present, some just returning from deployment . . . 133, others coming back from a training exercise in the field," said Gortney.

The theme for the 2013 Ball was "remembering the past, building the future."

"We honor your birth, and that of the Civil Engineer Corps, and commemorate the anniversary of the founding of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command. We reflect on your heritage, your history; we remember your past. By doing so we help form the present and the blueprints we must draw to build your future," said Gortney. **With the**

With the decommissioning of one East Coast Seabee battalion and a regiment, along with the closing of Camp Morell See **CELEBRATE** page 4

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## NMCB 133 homecoming



Family and friends welcomed home more than 280 Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133, Main Body, at the Training Hall on board NCBC Gulfport as they returned from deployment, March 21. For more than six months The Runnin' Roos have been operating forward deployed to the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility (AOR) in support of construction operations throughout Afghanistan. NMCB 133 is returning home as the last active duty Seabee battalion to deploy to Afghanistan. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Katchen Tofil/Released)

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## Legal: Trusts vs Custodial Accounts

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There is a concept in the law that allows one to transfer their property to another individual in order for it to be managed to benefit a third-party. This is known as a "trust." In such an arrangement the property owner, often called the "grantor," transfers their property to someone else, generally referred to as a "trustee," with one purpose in mind - for the trustee to manage the property they were given to benefit a third party. This third party is the "beneficiary." Often, grantors are parents, trustees are trusted family members or financial professionals, and the beneficiaries are the grantor's children. Such arrangements can be crafted in order to achieve different goals.

One such goal may be to provide a non-citizen spouse with the unlimited marital deduction set forth in the Internal Revenue Code. For federal estate tax purposes, married people who are citizens of the United States may transfer an unlimited amount of wealth between each other without paying federal gift or estate tax. If, however, one spouse is not a U.S. citizen then the ability to transfer wealth during their life or at death is severely limited. If one makes use of a qualified domestic trust they can obtain the same tax benefit otherwise available if their spouse was a U.S. citizen.

Another goal of a trust may be to make a gift to a family member who receives some sort of means-tested public benefit without the gift jeopardizing their ability to continue to qualify for that benefit. These may

consist of any means-tested benefit, e.g. food stamps, and Medicaid. Since the beneficiary receiving such benefits only qualifies to do so if they meet very modest income and asset limits, their benefits will be lost if they inherit even a small amount of wealth. In such an instance a special needs trust may be useful. Instead of the inheritance going directly to the beneficiary it will fund a special needs trust and to be used to supplement their care. Thus, the beneficiary retains the public benefits and the inheritance serves to improve their standard of living.

These are two somewhat sophisticated examples of the use of trusts. Most often people use trusts to more effectively manage money intended for their

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## Pentagon delays furlough notification

**By American Forces Press Service**

--WASHINGTON, March 21--

Pentagon officials have put off sending furlough notices to civilian employees until they've had a chance to analyze how pending legislation that would fund the federal government for the rest of the fiscal year will affect the Defense Department.

Officials now estimate that furlough notices will go out on or about April 5, Navy Cmdr. Leslie Hull-Ryde, a Pentagon spokeswoman, said.

"The legislation could have some impact on the overall number of furlough days, but no decisions have been reached, especially since the legislation hasn't been signed into law," Hull-Ryde said.

"The number of furlough days at this point remains at 22."

Pentagon Press Secretary George Little said the delay makes sense. "We believe the delay is a responsible step to take in order to assure our civilian employees that we do not take lightly the prospect of furloughs and the resulting decrease in employee pay," he said.

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# Buzz on the Street

By CECN(SCW) Lucinda Moise  
NCBC Public Affairs

**"What do you miss most about your deployed Seabee?"**



"Having date nights."

**Megan Winkel**

Hometown: Clarksville, Tenn.



"I miss having fun with him playing Pokemon and football."

**Javyn Albert**

Hometown: Gulfport, Miss.



"I miss her all around presence."

**Anthony Brown**

Hometown: Albany, Ga.

# Around the



# Center

Paula Ingram, Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) Gulfport educator, and Marie Chasse, Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) personnel security manager, instructs an "Adjusting to the Economy and a Furlough" class coordinated by FFSC on board NCBC, March 20. The class was designed to help employees with security clearances, finances, and emotional and mental adjustments, while making the transition to less pay as a result of being furloughed. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Katchen Tofil/Released)



Pfc. Cyntara Hill, 169th Engineering Battalion Charlie Company, cuts felt paper for a roofing project in Builder "A" School on board NCBC, March 21. Laying felt paper for roofing is one of the many trades taught to the students of Naval Construction Training Center (NCTC) while attending Builder "A" School. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Katchen Tofil/Released)

Capt. Rick Burgess, commanding officer, NCBC and Julie Herring, general manager, Navy Exchange (NEX) Gulfport, cut the ribbon for the grand opening of the new wireless advocates at the NEX on board NCBC, March 20. The new wireless advocates are a third party dealer for AT&T, Verizon, T-Mobile and Boost mobile, and are on hand to take care of all wireless needs for base personnel. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Katchen Tofil/Released)

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# Seabee Ball 2013

“Remembering the past,  
building the future.”



Clockwise top left: (1) Adm. William Gortney, commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command, (right), Awards the Presidential Unit Commendation to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74 Commanding Officer Cmdr. David McAlister, NMCB 74 Command Master Chief Lisa Hall and Construction Mechanic 1st Class Kevin Stinson, NMCB 74 Sailor of the Year, during the Seabee Ball at the Mississippi Coast Convention Center in Biloxi. (2) A Sailor assigned to the Prisoners of War, Missing in Action (P.O.W./M.I.A) Detail stands at the ready during the P.O.W./M.I.A. ceremony during the Seabee Ball. (3) Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Commanding Officer, Capt. Rick Burgess makes

opening remarks to guests at the Seabee Ball. (4) Adm. William Gortney presents Construction Electrician Constructionman Joshua L. Detrick with a Navy Achievement Medal at the Seabee Ball. (5) Guests at the Ball were entertained by Navy Band New Orleans, a DJ and area band Red Room aRRangement. (6) Sailors assigned to the Ceremonial Guard Detail, present Colors during opening ceremonies. The ball was a grand celebration of the 71st birthday of the U.S. Navy Seabees, 146th birthday of the Naval Civil Engineer Corps, and the 71st anniversary of the Naval Facilities Engineering Command. (U.S. Navy photos by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Ryan Williams/Released)

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in Kuwait, the primary hub for Seabee deployments to and from Iraq and Afghanistan, the Seabees have experienced much change over the past year. But, even in the midst of change, Seabees are still proud of their heritage and say they would not have chosen anything different.

“I hope everyone enjoyed themselves tonight, honoring our past and looking forward to the future. I have never regretted my choice to become an equipment operator and a Seabee,” said Senior Chief Equipment Operator Karen Clough, 2013 Seabee Ball mistress of ceremonies.

After dinner, the guest speaker’s remarks and a number of door prizes, dancing was the order of business for many.

Following the Navy Band, New Orleans’ several musical selections, Red Room aRRangement, a pop cover variety band based out of the Mississippi Gulf Coast region took the stage. For many, the after-ceremony entertainment is the highlight of the evening.

“It’s great to get dressed up and celebrate our great Seabee history, but the night wouldn’t be the same without entertainment and dancing,” said Builder 1st Class Lou Taylor, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1, who was accompanied by his

wife Jackie.

Along with the one percent of Americans who have volunteered to serve in the country’s military are those who must make sacrifices for freedom serving right beside them, military families. Gortney took time to recognize their place in the military.

“Time and time again our families are there for us, and in the case of Reserve Sailors our employers and coworkers are there for us too, shouldering the burden that we leave behind. They make up the extended Navy family, who has a common understanding of the challenges that our way of life brings,” said Gortney.

Seabees have long been known

for being the first into a hostile area and living in austere conditions, doing what many cannot or will not, preparing a place for those about to go into harm’s way. The admiral recognized that fact in his remarks.

“From where others flee, you go, you build and fight. You along with the rest of our Navy operate around the globe each and every day, 24-hours a day, 365-days a year. You’re always ready to defend our national security while providing assistance to those in need. You bring with you determination, and are recognized by and for your expertise, your reliability, quality of work and your Can Do spirit,” said Gortney.

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# Navy's annual Stethem Award goes to NMCB 11 Seabee

By **MC1(AW) Jonathan Carmichael**

NMCB 11 Public Affairs  
Builder 1st Class (SCW)  
Nicholas R. Mileham, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11, was awarded the Steelworker 2nd Class Robert D. Stethem Award during a ceremony in Crystal City, Va., March 9.

One recipient is chosen each year for the award which recognizes outstanding individual moral courage in support of the traditions of the Seabees while in the course of actual operations.

Mileham, a native of Oakfield, N.Y., was selected for the award based on his exceptional meritorious service in connection with combat operations against the enemy while serving as a member of the Construction Management Training Team (CMTT), the first

of its kind, for NMCB11 from February to August 2012 during a U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) deployment in Afghanistan.

"Winning the award has been kind of humbling," said Mileham. "It makes a person wonder how they would have acted in the same situation as SW2 Robert Stethem found himself in."

As a CMTT member, Mileham trained 22 Civil Affairs Marines, local Afghan contractors and crews, and a Quality Control Inspector with the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan (GIROA) in construction methods and management of six infrastructure projects valued at over \$1.6 million.

He also led over 19 foot patrols and served as vehicle commander and team navigator on 72 mobile convoys to



Naval Facilities Engineering Command Commander and Chief of Civil Engineers, Rear Adm. Kate Gregory, right, and retired Rear Adm. Benjamin Montoya, left, present Builder 1st Class Nicholas R. Mileham, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11, the 2012 Steelworker 2nd Class Robert D. Stethem award for his outstanding achievements during the year. The Stethem award recognizes outstanding individual moral courage in support of Seabee traditions while conducting actual operations. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Chris Thien / Released)

assess remote construction sites.

Among the projects Mileham was instrumental in successful completion of were two schools, a sports complex, a health clinic, a bridge connecting two small villages, and the Nawa District Agriculture Training Center.

After the Taliban destroyed two schools in the Nawa District, Mileham was a key player in surveying this as well as the replacement of a U.S. military bridge, both considered to be future stabilization and quick-impact projects for local construction.

Mileham also assisted in the quality assurance of the Nawa – Lash, a critical road connecting the Nawa district to Lash Kar Gah district.

Mileham's actions in the days following a suicide bomber at-

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## NCBC welcomes Save a Life Tour



Sailors attached to Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport attend a "Save A Life Tour" presentation, which travels around the U.S. educating people about the dangers of driving drunk, at the Training Hall, March 22. According to the Kramer Entertainment website, the tour, a national high impact alcohol awareness program, brings a shocking approach to alcohol awareness through a tragic video, personal stories of lost loved ones and a simulator that gives participants a completely realistic, sober perspective on the effects of driving while intoxicated. (U.S. Navy photos by Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Katchen Tofil/Released)

# Reserve Seabees build Gulf Coast community relations

By MC2 Daniel Garas  
NMCB 15 Public Affairs

Reserve Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 15, volunteered for a community relations (COMREL) event at the Feed My Sheep program March 21, 2013.

Sailors cleared brush and debris, and removed waste from the charity's property line in an attempt to prevent drug-use and prostitution in-and-around the shelter and beautify the property.

"Trash, tires, debris, all of this stuff has all been piling up and it's become a safety hazard," said Builder 2nd Class Nicholas Holland. "Especially for people who are trying to recover from addiction."

Holland is one of 11 volunteers from NMCB 15 to come and support the local charity. "We came out here to donate some time and helping hands to help out the community."

Feed My Sheep is a faith-based program dedicated to providing meals to the home-

less and needy of the Gulfport. Since opening its doors 29 years ago, the group has served over 460,000 meals.

Christina Lipke, Office Manager for Feed My Sheep, said that having the sailor's help to clear out this trash is extremely beneficial to their mission and the community.

"Many of the homeless have problems with alcohol, drugs and prostitution," said Lipke. "This will help keep them from having a hiding spot to do that sort of activity."

"She's wanted to clean this out for the last couple of years, but she just didn't have the manpower," said NMCB 15's Chaplain Lt. Greg Trujillo.

"It's a safety hazard along with a health issue," Trujillo added. "We're cleaning it up to help the community."

NMCB 15 is a reserve battalion headquartered out of Belton, Miss., and was mobilized in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit arrived in Gulfport at the end of November and has been volun-

teering to help local charities ever since. Volunteers from the battalion have helped to rearrange food warehouses and help sanitize kitchens and distribution points.

Trujillo said that the charity contacted him about three months ago, asking him if the unit could help. Trujillo said he could and he's brought volunteers with him each time.

"Whenever they come out, it's wonderful," said Lipke. "People see these sailors out here and it makes them want to help us too."

Construction Electrician 3rd Class Gary Chin was among the volunteers.

As he pulled a tire from a clump of trees he said, "I've done volunteer work for breast cancer, but nothing like this before."

Chin is volunteering to help for the third time since his unit has mobilized here.

"I feel pretty good and I want to give back to the people," said Chin.

"I think it's been great that



Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 15, volunteer to help a local soup kitchen as they clear brush and trash from their property. The thick brush allows the homeless a hiding spot to abuse drugs and alcohol. NMCB 15 is currently deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and is an expeditionary element of U.S. Naval Forces that act as combat engineers and support various units worldwide through national force readiness, humanitarian assistance, and building and maintaining infrastructure. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Daniel Garas/Released)

so many people are willing to volunteer their time off right before we deploy to come and help the community," said Hol-

land. "It's definitely a benefit all the way around."

For more news from NMCB 15, visit [www.navy.mil](http://www.navy.mil)

## NMCB 27 Seabees improve their skills



Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 27 sharpen their carpentry skills at the Tech Trainer Site on board NCBC Gulfport, March 22. NMCB 27, the "Cold Weather Battalion," was established in July, 1968 and is headquartered out of Chicopee, Mass. The Tech Trainer site is an area where Seabees can practice their construction skills and gain knowledge and experience through on the job training. (U.S. Navy photos by Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Katchen Tofil/Released)

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# NMCB 133 Main Body receives warm welcome upon return



*U.S. Navy photos courtesy of Chief Mass Communication Specialist Ryan G. Wilber, Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Jonathan Carmichael, Construction Mechanic 3rd Class Katchen Tofil and Construction Electrician Constructionman Lucinda Moise/Released*



Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133 disembark an aircraft and board busses en route to reunions on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport. Family and friends welcomed home more than 280 Seabees assigned to NMCB 133, Main Body, at the Training Hall on board NCBC Gulfport as they returned from deployment, March 21. For more than six months the

Runnin' Roos have been operating forward deployed to the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility (AOR) in support of construction operations throughout Afghanistan. Another reunion is scheduled soon for NMCB 133's delayed party. It is only fitting that the Roos, who were the first active duty Seabee battalion into Afghanistan, will be the last active duty battalion out of Afghanistan.

# 'The Meat & Potatoes of Life'

By Lisa Smith Molinari  
Military Spouse Contributor

## For the love of candy



No matter how much we hammer the religious significance of Easter into our children's little heads, their minds default to one thing this time of year: the candy.

Sure, they put on flouncy dresses and stiff ties, kneel angelically in prayer and pose for pictures on the church steps. But secretly, every kid is patiently awaiting the main event: the Easter Egg Hunt. Once released from the confines of the church, kids all over the world run like crazed prison escapees across lawns, through apartments and between houses, viciously knocking each other over in search of sugary confections packed into brightly colored plastic eggs.

Back in the 70s when I grew up, the objects of our hunt were slightly different. Somehow, the Easter Bunny broke into our house every year, found the hard-boiled eggs that we dyed and scattered them around our yard.

After church, my brother and I would burst from the family station wagon and race through the yard in search of the eggs and our baskets. Usually, the eggs, which had apparently been hidden for more than an hour, were smeared from the dewy grass, and the drippy food coloring often got on the

white gloves I wore with my crocheted Easter dress each year.

My older brother didn't particularly like hard-boiled eggs, but the competitive nature of the hunt sent him on a wild rampage. He often whizzed past me, swooping in to grab his prize. I didn't mind much, because I knew that the Easter Bunny had my back. I knew there was candy somewhere especially for me. Sure enough, I would eventually find it – an Easter basket behind a shrub or under a sawhorse in the garage, with my name on it, packed with sweet treats.

My brother and I also always had one filled egg or a chocolate bunny in the center of our baskets – surrounded by what seemed like an eternal supply of Brach's jellybeans, marshmallow "Peeps," and tiny foil-covered Hershey chocolate eggs nestled in the strands of plastic grass. For the most part, my parents allowed us free reign to dive into the spoils of our hunt, provided we ate the obligatory slice of ham and plop of scalloped potatoes at supper.

Back then, however, I exhibited some early hoarding tendencies, and was known to squirrel away the basket in my room for safekeeping. I would ration slices of my filled egg for as long as I could, until it eventually became a hardened, crystallized lump that I had to throw away. In retrospect, I wish I had stuffed my face while I could, because later, during my chunky years, the Easter Bunny inexplicably brought me sugarless gum and packs of raisins.

Today, however, the Easter Bunny has more options. The

fruit and nut-filled eggs of the past have been replaced by an endless array of individually wrapped chocolate confections, all miniaturized to fit into a bright plastic egg that won't ruin one's Easter dress.

Gone are the days when purple jellybeans reigned superior – those candy dinosaurs have been edged out by tiny one-inch square miniature candy bars in every brand: Snickers, Milky Ways, Reese's, Whoppers, Baby Ruths, M&Ms, Kit Kats, Butterfingers, Hershey Bars, Peppermint Patties, Twizzlers, Starburst, and Skittles, to name a few.

All these relative newcomers have replaced old beloveds like Mallow Cups, Zagnuts, Gold Mine Gum Sacks, Necco Wafers, Good-N-Plenty, Sugar Daddies, Razzles, Chuckles, Circus Peanuts, Chick-o-Sticks, Boston Baked Beans, Charleston Chews and Bubblegum Cigarettes. Even though the packaging is different, the sentiment is still the same: Kids want candy on Easter and lots of it.

One might conclude that candy is the evil vice that has sucked the meaning out of the holiday. But I like to think that the tiny tasty confections are just our children's rewards for donning itchy dresses and suits, sitting on hard wooden pews, and choking down rubbery ham and soggy green beans. And besides, watching the joy on their faces during an Easter egg hunt is really God's gift to us on Easter, and He doesn't mind us indulging in that sweetness one bit.

Get more wit and observations from Lisa at her blog, <http://the-meatandpotatoesof-life.com>.

# Health Watch:

## Completing the Physical Activity Risk Factor (PARFQ) process

By HM3 William Lowery  
NBHC Gulfport

With Physical Readiness Training (PRT) season just around the corner, many of you may have been receiving a plethora of reminders from your chiefs and Command Fitness Leaders (CFLs) to complete and turn in your PARFQ forms. Of course you've prob-

ably been preoccupied with preparing to max out your PRT scores, so finding time to navigate the PARFQ site may present difficulty for some. To make the process easier, below is a step-by-step guide to walk you through the PARFQ process and help stop those email reminders from clogging up your inbox.

### To complete your PARFQ:

1. Google Bupers Online "BOL," and click on the first link.
2. Log into BOL (Bupers Online)
3. Click on "PRIMS"
4. Click on "Member"
5. Click the expand arrow icon to the left of your personal information
6. Click "PARFQ"
7. Click "Add PARFQ"
8. Select the appropriate PRT cycle, fill out the date, and answer the questions truthfully
9. Click "Save PARFQ"

### To print your PARFQ:

1. Start from "Member" screen (detailed in steps 1 - 4 above)
2. Click on the "Member Reporting" icon to the left of your personal information
3. Scroll over "Filled NAVPERS 6110/3 (PARFQ)"
4. Click on the appropriate PRT cycle from the pop up list
5. Click on "Print this report" icon to the left of "Parameters"
6. Click "Export" when pop up appears to export file to PDF format
7. Click "Open" to open file
8. Print the PDF file of your completed PARFQ

If you answered YES to any of the PARFQ questions: Your PARFQ will need to be signed off by a medical provider for clearance to participate in the PRT and/or you may require a separate form to waive participation. The number of waived PRTs allowed before a service member must be considered for a medical board is two waivers given in a three year period, or three in a four year period. If a PRT waiver is required you must print off and bring the appropriate form to your medical appointment for completion. Again, if you have ANY yes answers you MUST book a medical appointment for clearance.

### To print waiver form:

1. Start at "Member Reporting" screen (detailed in steps 1-2 above)
2. Click on "Filled NAVPERS 6110/4"
3. Print the report using steps 5 - 6 above

Please note: the PARFQ form WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED if filled out by hand – it must be completed and saved electronically before printing. Once you have completed the necessary steps above, turn the forms in to your CFL. Congratulations! You no longer have to worry about recurring PARFQ reminders or hit lists . . . until the next PRT cycle that is!

# Focus on Education

## Opportunity for students to attend STEM Camp at U.S. Naval Academy

From Kevin Byrd  
NCBC School Liaison Officer

The Naval Academy Summer STEM Program is offered to rising 8th -11th graders.

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how things work - even better! Creativity, persistence and the desire to make the world a better place are also important qualities. Becoming an engineer requires hard work and a good education. Our summer program will be a great start to your career in science and engineering.

Applications close April 15 and all applicants will be notified of their status by May 1.

All students selected to participate will be required to provide a nominal fee of approximately \$200 which will include room and board, meals, as well as a variety of materials. Plan on bringing extra cash for snacks and souvenirs.

Each student is responsible



for arranging transportation to and from the Naval Academy. Those flying commercial air should make arrangements to arrive at Baltimore-Washington International airport (BWI) between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Day 1 of the program, and depart after 3 p.m. on the last day of the program.

Buses and midshipmen escorts will be on hand to get you to and from the Academy and BWI.

To learn more about the program, visit:  
<http://www.usna.edu/Admissions/stem.htm>

## Volunteer opportunities at area schools

**GULFPORT CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL** is asking for 10 proctors April 10, from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. If you can help, please contact Erwin Gilliam, 228-870-1020.

**HARRISON CENTRAL ELEMENTARY** is asking for 15 - 20 volunteers to supervise and manage field day activities being performed by approximately 610 students, ages 5 - 9 years old April 19, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. Lunch, water and Gatorade will be provided. Contact James L. Smith, [Jlsmith@harrison.k12.ms.us](mailto:Jlsmith@harrison.k12.ms.us) or 228-832-2701.

**ORANGE GROVE ELEMENTARY** is in need of six volunteers May 1, to serve as test proctors and 35 volunteers, May 14, 15 and 16 to serve as proctors. Volunteers are asked to report to the school by 7:30 a.m. If you are interested, please contact Stephanie Schepens, 228-365-0204 for more information.

**LONG BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT** has requested proctors for the May State tests. Please contact Christ Spinks, Assistant Superintendent, at 228-864-1146 for more information.

## March 2 Success . . . March 2

Success is a free tool designed to help students on the ACT, SAT, ASVAB, test prep, and college admissions. The website is found at <http://march2success.com/>. This is a great resource for our high school students.



NCBC School Liaison Officer

Kevin Byrd is located at MWR Building 352  
1706 Bainbridge Ave. NCBC, 228-871-2117  
or email: [kevin.r.byrd@navy.mil](mailto:kevin.r.byrd@navy.mil)

## See Something Wrong, Do Something Right!

NCIS has two new 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: SZU5 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](http://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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tack and multiple Improvised Explosive Devise strikes in the Nawa District, built trust with the civilian population and enhanced security and overall health and well-being of the local people when he participated in six security shuras and assisted in the training and installation of two operational solar powered reverse osmosis water purification and power generators for the local health clinic.

When he completed his work in the Nawa District Mileham instructed 120 members of the Afghan National Army's (ANA) Engineering Kandak, the first of its kind, in construction safety, quality control, tools and their uses, framing and security fencing. He also mentored them in managing their manpower, material, equipment and tools.

The assistance Mileham provided to the ANA was done as a member in the multinational training team on Camp Black

Horse in Kabul, Afghanistan during a time of high tensions between locals, ANA trainees, and multinational military trainers, and he greatly impacted current and future Kandak's ability to complete expeditionary construction and survivability projects in a combat environment.

"Looking back at the CMTT mission and the ANA training missions from deployment, I hope the impact that I made was a lasting one," reflected Mileham.

"Teaching the people of Afghanistan, and the ANA to be self-sufficient hopefully improved their quality of life at least a little, and I hope training the contractors and the Quality Control Inspector helped build trust between the people of Afghanistan and the legitimate GIROA government," Mileham concluded.

Mileham has made six deployments to date in his 11-year Navy career: two to Okinawa, Japan, two to Iraq, Detail San Diego, and

Afghanistan. Before being assigned to NMCB 11 Mileham was a member of NMCB 133, and Navy Recruiting District Pittsburgh.

The award is named after Steelworker 2nd Class Robert D. Stethem who was killed by terrorists on board TWA flight 847 while returning from an underwater construction team project in Greece in 1985. Stethem was posthumously awarded the bronze star medal and advanced to Steelworker 2nd Class.



## Easter Egg Hunt Extravaganza for Base Housing Residents

March 29, Noon - 3 p.m., Seabee Lake  
Bring your family out to Seabee Lake for an Easter Egg Hunt Extravaganza! Don't forget to bring a basket for eggs! The Extravaganza features pony rides, boiled crawfish, hot dogs, thousands of Easter Eggs, prizes, Live DJ.

March 28, 2013

Seabee Courier



FREE Movie Program at the Training Hall: Take a load off. Sit back and watch the big screen all by yourself for some alone time, or make it a family night and

bring the whole crew! Stop by the Snack Bar on your way in to get that buttered movie popcorn and those other goodies that help you get lost in the moment. Forget what was playing? No worries - put the movie hotline in your phone, 228-871-3299 and call anytime!

**Friday**, "Rise of the Guardians," PG, 6 p.m.  
**Saturday**, "Life of Pi," PG, 11 a.m.; "Lincoln," PG13, 1:45 p.m.;

"Cloud Atlas," R, 4:45 p.m.  
**Sunday**, "Twilight: Breaking Dawn Part 2," PG13, 2 p.m.; "Skyfall," PG13, 4:45 p.m.

### Fitness

CDC Fitness Intramural sports makes working out fun. This season, sign up for softball or three on three lunchtime basketball. Get a group together and motivate each other to push that work out a little further with some healthy competition. Sign up today at the Fitness Center. Call 228-822-5109 for info.

Want an alternative work out? Try swimming laps. Swimming is excellent for cardio and toning. Come before work or on lunch. The pool is open Monday - Friday, 5:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. If you or the little ones don't know how to swim, don't worry. The Fitness Center offers swimming lessons, too.

Summer is right around the corner. Are you ready for the beach? The CDC Fitness Center has everything you need to help lose pounds, tone up target areas or just plain feel better. The Center has top of the line cardio and strength training equipment and plenty of it - so you don't have to stand around waiting for machines. There are also racquetball and basketball courts, softball and soccer fields, and a running track. Equipment is available for rental at the front desk. And don't forget to finalize that healthy routine with a relaxing visit to the sauna.

### Information, Tickets and Travel

On a budget? No worries - you can still afford to get away with ITT's military discounted prices that

aren't available anywhere else - not even online. Design a fun-filled, high quality custom trip for you and your crew. Whether you have a day or a week, there is fun around the corner at the local breweries, beaches and hotels. Mobile, New Orleans and Pensacola are only a short distance away. Stop by today to design your worry free adventure.

Visit Disney World or enjoy an exciting Disney Cruise where dreams come true! Stop by ITT beside the NEX and receive a FREE child's Disney growth chart the last Wednesday of every month.

Active Duty, Reservist, National Guard, USCG and Retirees are now eligible for a complimentary Universal 3 Day Park-to-Park ticket and Blue Man Group Ticket at children's price! All dependents and DOD personnel are eligible for discounted Universal 2 Day, with Third Day Free tickets!

Getting ready for a Spring Break Getaway? Get up to 60 percent off lodging rates for military and DOD personnel at more than 450 hotels, resorts, condominium resorts, vacation homes, log cabin rentals and Bed & Breakfast Inns throughout the US. Available at ITT through the Military Ticket Voucher program!

### Liberty Center

The Liberty program offers multiple recreation opportunities for the single sailor or unaccompanied active duty personnel of NCBC Gulf-

# Easter Egg Hunt

**March 30**  
**9 a.m. - noon**  
**Athletic Fields across from the CBC Fitness Center, Building 361**

**This event is for children ages 12 and under. Call 228-871-2251 for more information**

port. This FREE facility has Wi-Fi, pool tables, individual TVs with headphones that play cable or movies, a big screen with recliners, computers and a fully equipped video game room. Liberty also provides FREE shuttles to shopping and dining areas and an exciting monthly calendar of trips offered at discounted rates. Call or visit NCBC Liberty on Facebook for hours of operation and additional details. Search NCBC Liberty.

### Navy Outdoor Rec

You can be sure to find the best prices around at NOR. Stop by and pick up a price list for all of your spring outdoor plans from boats and camping gear to party favorites like bounce houses. NOR's pricing can't be beat. NOR is open Monday, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., Thursday and Friday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

### Food and Beverage

Don't sit around in your room bored when you could be having fun with friends at the Beehive. Sit back and enjoy the flat screens, play a little pool, and just have fun! With an excellent beverage selection, you are sure to find your preference. Call 228-871-4009 for info.

Don't let a busy work week ruin your eating habits. The Grill has healthy food options on the menu. Just look for the apple! Need a menu for your office or want to place a delivery order, call 228-871-2494. The Grill is open Monday - Friday from 6:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

and offers lunch delivery 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Got a morning meeting scheduled? Why not meet over breakfast at The Grill. The Grill is open as early as 6:30 a.m. and offers a variety of tasty options from French toast plates to breakfast burritos or traditional eggs and bacon. The Grill is located at the corner of Colby and 7th Street.

Anchors & Eagles: Great service and good times are what you can expect at Anchors & Eagles. Open Tuesday - Thursday 2 - 9 p.m. and designated for Chiefs and Officers. Stop by and shake off the day with comrades.

### Youth Activities

Make Friday night an Easter celebration with the Youth and Teen Easter Egg Hunt Extravaganza! One Easter egg hunt will be held for youth 5 (enrolled in kindergarten) through 12 years of age. Another hunt will be held separately for Teen Center participants. Cost is

only \$2 per person. Sign up today before space runs out. Children must be registered prior to the event to participate. Drop off is at 6 p.m. and pick up is 9 p.m., sharp.

Bring on spring with the YAC. Come over Saturday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. for the Spring Fling Field Day; includes moon bounces and more. Enjoy the excitement for only \$4 per person. Seats are limited so call today!

Become an ALL-STAR! Sign up today until March 29 for Iddy Biddy T-Ball. Children must be age 3 or older by April 1 to be eligible. The program is open to youth ages 3 - 4. A \$35 fee includes uniform, participation award and end of season banquet expenses. Call J.J. Atkinson, Youth Programs Supervisor, 228-871-2251 for info.

If you haven't taken the opportunity to check out the YAC's Before and After School Program Power Hour, then you are missing out. Stop by Monday from 2 - 5:30 p.m. and check out all of the fun.

### MWR Program contact information

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|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Anchors & Eagles              | 228-871-4607 |
| Auto Skills Center            | 228-871-2804 |
| Beehive All Hands Club        | 228-871-4009 |
| Child Development Center      | 228-871-2323 |
| Fitness Center                | 228-871-2668 |
| Information, Tickets & Travel | 228-871-2231 |
| Liberty Center                | 228-871-4684 |
| Seabee Heritage Center        | 228-871-3619 |
| Navy Outdoor Recreation       | 228-871-2127 |
| Shields RV Park               | 228-871-5435 |
| The Grill                     | 228-871-2494 |
| Training Hall                 | 228-871-4750 |
| Youth Activities Center       | 228-871-2251 |
| Main Office                   | 228-871-2538 |

# NCBC Helping Hands volunteer opportunities

**DISABLED COUPLE NEEDS HELP** - A disabled Gulfport couple is looking for volunteers to repair their fencing and do other minor projects. If you are interested in helping, call Edward Austin at 228-596-8565. **ART IN THE PASS** - Approximately 25 volunteers are needed for Art in the Pass April 5 - 7 at the War Memorial Park. Art in the Pass is a not-for-profit organization; made possible through the hard work and dedication of volunteers. Volunteers are asked to work two hour shifts. Work includes setting up booths, carrying sound equipment, setting up tables/chairs/displays, park maintenance, handing out program pamphlets, working with food vendors, and selling tickets for water and other beverages. Volunteers are needed April 5 from 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Contact Ernestine

Allison, 228-216-5741 for details. **RESTORE COASTAL ALABAMA PARTNERSHIP** - RCAP is looking for 100 - 1,000 volunteers to create four reefs at Pelican Point in Fairhope, Ala. Once constructed, the reefs will protect the adjacent shoreline and enhance habitat for fish, shellfish and birds, providing opportunities for fishing, bird watching and sightseeing from land, kayak or boat. Volunteers will meet April 6 at 8 a.m., at Pelican Point, Baldwin County, Alabama, near the mouth of Weeks Bay, 10299 County Road 1, Fairhope, Ala. Sign up for this opportunity at [www.100-1000.org](http://www.100-1000.org). Contact Kandice O'Grady, Alabama Coastal Foundation at 251-990-6002 for additional information. **2013 ZOMBIE RUN** - Ten volunteers are needed for the 2013 Zombie Run April 6, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Harrison County Fairgrounds. Proceeds raised during the

race will help cover the cost of surgery for 15 children in need of cleft lip and palate repairs. Although there is a lot of fun and play throughout the race/obstacle course, the benefits are life changing. Contact [kirsty\\_cullumber@navyfederal.org](mailto:kirsty_cullumber@navyfederal.org), or stop by the Orange Grove Navy Federal Credit Union branch located in the Crossroads Shopping Plaza to sign up. **GULFPORT CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL - GCMS**, 1310 42nd Ave, Gulfport is asking for 10 proctor/hall monitors April 10, from 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Contact Erwin Gilliam, Guidance Counselor, 228-870-1020. **SMOKIN' THE SOUND AND SMOKIN' THE LAKE** - Smokin' the Sound and Smokin' the Lake, April 26 - 28, and Smokin' the Lake, May 4 - 5, are returning to the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Race organizers are asking for volunteers to sell

and attach wrist bands to event spectators, director spectators to viewing areas and perform other volunteer services. Volunteers will be provided with a meal. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Chief Ryan Wilber at [ryan.wilber@navy.mil](mailto:ryan.wilber@navy.mil) or stop by the NCBC Public Affairs Office, building 1, room 205, no later than March 30 to sign up for a shift. **LONG BEACH SCHOOL DISTRICT** has requested proctors for the May State tests. Contact Christ Spinks, Assistant Superintendent, at 228-864-1146 for more information. **ORANGE GROVE ELEMENTARY** - Orange Grove Elementary, 11391 Old Highway 49, Gulfport is in need of six volunteers May 1, to serve as test proctors and 35 volunteers, May 14, 15 and 16 to serve as proctors. Volunteers are asked to

report to the school by 7:30 a.m. If you are interested, please contact Stephanie Schepens, 228-365-0204 for more information. **COAST SALVATION ARMY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** - Volunteers are need for various projects throughout the year. Contact Shawna Tatge for info, [Shawna\\_Tatge@uss.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Shawna_Tatge@uss.salvationarmy.org) **USO GULF COAST** - Get involved with USO Gulf Coast. Thanks to dedicated volunteers, our USO Gulf Coast Centers operate to provide a place to unwind, to connect to families back home or whatever else is needed to ease the burden. Even if you are not able to volunteer on a regular basis, our local USO Gulf Coast Centers often have programs and events that need your support. Interested in becoming a USO volunteer? Visit [usovolunteer.org](http://usovolunteer.org).

## 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, 10:30 a.m.**

**EASTER CELEBRATION**  
SEABEE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

**EASTER SUNDAY - March 31**  
Sunrise Service - 6:30 a.m. (at chapel)  
Catholic Mass - 9:30 a.m.  
Protestant - 10:30 a.m.

*Gospel Revival Services*  
March 28 - 11:30 a.m.  
March 29 - 11:30 a.m.

*Holy Week Mass*  
March 28 - 7 p.m.  
March 29 - 3 p.m.  
March 30 - 7 p.m.  
\*No Tues Mass\*

EASTER EGG HUNT WILL BE HELD MARCH 31 FOLLOWING PROTESTANT SERVICE.  
FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW

## Chapel Offerings

### Looking for a church?

The Seabee Memorial Chapel holds services every Sunday that might suit your needs. Protestant Services include a Gospel Service at 8 a.m. and Divine Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. Catholic Services include Catholic Mass at 9:30 a.m. There is also Catholic Mass Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m.

### Seabee Pantry

The Seabee Pantry needs restocking. During the holidays, the need for food donations is at its highest level. Please donate as many canned goods and other nonperishables as possible. Donation drop-off sites are located at the Navy Exchange, Chapel, Commissary, Fleet and Family Support Center and Armed Forces Retirement Home. The Seabee Pantry is for anyone affiliated with NCBC.

### Praise and Worship

The Seabee Memorial Chapel is looking for new members for the Praise and Worship Team for the Divine Worship Service at 10:30 a.m. Sundays. If you can sing or play an instrument, you are invited to come share your gift.

### Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study is held Wednesdays at 11 a.m. at the Seabee Memorial Chapel. Free child care is available. For more information on all offerings that are available, contact the chapel at 228-871-2454.



## SUPPORT

### Family Readiness Groups

**NMCB 1 FRG** invites friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the first 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 babysitting is provided during deployment. Contact FRG President Mary Belanger, e-mail nmcbonefrg@gmail.com.

**NMCB 11 FRG** For more information regarding the NMCB 11 FRG, please visit [www.facebook.com/nmcb11frg](http://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 more information.

**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 pro-

vided. 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/NMCB133\\_FSG/133frg](http://www.wix.com/NMCB133_FSG/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](mailto: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](mailto: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.navywivesclubs-ofamerica.org](http://www.navywivesclubs-ofamerica.org) for more information on NWCAs.

### 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 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](mailto:coachcb@yahoo.com) for details.

### 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 welcome 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. 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.

**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.

### 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](http://www.seabeeuseumstore.org) or call the gift shop at 228-871-4779 for information on all that is available.

To publicize your organization, send information to [seabeecourier@navy.mil](mailto:seabeecourier@navy.mil)

## Gas prices got you down?

If you live in the Slidell area, but work on NCBC, a 10-person van pool is being formed. The hours and details are negotiable and will be decided upon by members of the pool. Interested parties are asked to contact [pam.fairbanks@navy.mil](mailto:pam.fairbanks@navy.mil).



## Veteran Resource Workshop

**FREE!** April 8, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

D'Iberville Civic Center, 10395 Auto Mall Parkway

*"What services are in the community and how can I access them?"*

Get the answer to this question and more from local veteran service and community organizations.

**Registration is required to attend**

Contact: Kenya Miniard  
[kminiard@hfhmgc.org](mailto:kminiard@hfhmgc.org)  
228-678-9100, X1009

**Door prizes  
and  
refreshments**

For veterans, current military service members and their families

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children. In these cases, the grantor chooses the age when the child will receive their inheritance. Prior to that age, the property is held by the trustee and used for the child's health, education, maintenance, and support. Also, the inheritance need not be paid out all at once. Depending on the case, it might be appropriate for the child to receive one-third of their inheritance at age twenty-one, another portion at age 25, and the remainder at age 30.

Alternatively, one may wish to establish a significantly less formal arrangement. Known as a custodial account, this too can serve as a tool for management of a child's inheritance. There are substantially fewer reporting requirements and the necessity for action by a local court is

much less. That is the good news. The bad news is that a custodial account often cannot be maintained after the beneficiary's 21 birthday. Furthermore, the lack of formality and reporting requirements is a double-edged sword. Only where the custodian of such an account is abundantly trustworthy and known for keeping excellent records would this be appropriate.

The process for determining which of these may be desirable in your specific case starts with making an appointment to consult with a legal assistance attorney. If it is appropriate to do so, we can make sure your last will and testament contains one or more of these arrangements. This does not, however, include a revocable living trust given that legal assistance offices do

not prepare revocable living trusts. If you wish to delay a child's receipt of their inheritance past age twenty-one, have a non-citizen spouse, or want to make a gift to someone with special needs, do not procrastinate! Meeting to discuss these matters is only the first step; your legal assistance attorney is going to need time afterwards in order to properly prepare the required documents.

Please visit [http://www.jag.navy.mil/legal\\_services/rfso/rfso\\_southeast.htm](http://www.jag.navy.mil/legal_services/rfso/rfso_southeast.htm) for more information.

*This article is not intended to substitute for the personal advice of a licensed attorney. Contact the Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) legal office by calling 228-871-2620 for an appointment.*