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Certification protocol



Sean Reagan, a firefighter and EMT raises the boom of a ladder truck during the aerial portion of his certification on board NCBC Gulfport, Jan. 28. Reagan must go through a series of checks with minimal mistakes and pass his Emergency Vehicle Operators Course before he becomes certified to drive the vehicle. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician 3rd Class Dustie Bond/Released)

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Expect traffic delays, reduced services on base during annual SC/CS 2015

By Rob Mims
NCBC Gulfport
Public Affairs Officer

Force Protection and Anti-Terrorism exercise Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield (SC/CS) 2015 will impact installations in the Southeast Region, including the Naval Construction Battalion Center, through Feb. 13. Personnel can expect to see increased security measures and elevation of Force Protection Conditions (FPCONs) during this period.

SC-CS 2015 is conducted by Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command (USFF) and Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) on all Navy installations in the Continental United States to allow Navy security personnel to sharpen training skills and situational readiness through real life training scenarios.

Military personnel, civilian employees, retirees, and family members should be prepared for traffic delays on roads near the base, as well as at installation gates. The base will totally lock down from 8 to 9 a.m., Feb. 6. The gates will be closed during that time and no entry or exit will be allowed. All movement on base will be restricted. It's recommend that people add time to their travel plans to avoid being late for appointments on board the installation. Although the Navy Exchange (NEX), Com-



missary and Naval Branch Health Clinic are not highly affected during most of the exercise, all facilities on board the installation, with the exception of the Navy Exchange Mini-Mart Gas Station, will be closed Feb. 12 until 1:30 p.m. or later. The clinic will only have minimum manning that day, as well. Drivers will experience significant delays at Pass Road gate on the afternoon of Feb. 11 and morning of Feb. 12. Everyone must have proper identification for entry onto the base and follow all directions from installation security personnel.

All personnel should review safety and security procedures, and inform family members of the pending disruption to base services and base access.

The assistance of everyone will ensure smooth access to facilities while allowing military and civilian personnel who are actively involved in exercise events to get the most out of their training.

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NAVSEA employees return to Washington Navy Yard home

By Brian Leshak
NAVSEA Public Affairs

Forty-three million seconds, 725,000 minutes, 12,000 hours, 504 days, 72 weeks or one year, four months and 17 days. However the time is interpreted, it is a long time to be away from home, but that is how long employees from the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) have spent away from theirs, since the tragic shootings of Sept. 16, 2013 at the Washington Navy Yard (WNY).

NAVSEA Commander Vice Adm. William Hilarides officially opened the doors to the command's newly renovated workplace during a christening ceremony held Feb. 2 on the steps of the Humphreys Building, Building 197.

"Seventeen months ago we got knocked down. But, we didn't stay down. We returned to work, kept NAVSEA going, supported the fleet, the Navy and each other," said Hilarides during the christening ceremony.

"We did so thanks to numerous people both at the Navy Yard and in the neighborhood. Though today is about looking forward and getting back to where we belong, we'll never forget those we lost that terrible day. They will always remain a part of us, the Navy, and NAVSEA."

Following Sept. 16, employees were displaced across the Washington D.C. metro area as authorities conducted a multi-month investigation inside Building 197. A decision was quickly made to renovate the building upon conclusion of the investigation, but it would be more than a year before the workforce could return.

With employees working in borrowed workspaces in neighboring commands or teleworking from home, NAVSEA leadership worked feverishly to find a way to bring the workforce back together under one roof until the Humphreys Building could be



Bill Deligne, left, executive director of Naval Sea Systems Command; Rear Adm. Katherine Gregory, commander of Naval Facilities Command; Vice Adm. Willy Hilarides, commander of Naval Sea Systems Command; and Beverly Hilarides render honors during a christening ceremony for the Humphreys Building, Building 197, at the Washington Navy Yard. (U.S. Navy photo by Scott Adam Webb/Released)

repaired and renovated.

Coincidentally, just a few blocks away, at Buzzard Point in Southwest Washington, D.C., members of the U.S. Coast Guard were vacating their headquarters building and moving to a new location.

NAVSEA leadership worked with the General Services Administration to put together an occupancy agreement allowing NAVSEA to temporarily move into the building. The 850,000-square foot building, dubbed by employees as "NAVSEA West," would serve as a temporary workplace for nearly 2,800 employees until renovations were completed. "The building really fell into our laps and it could not have come at a better time," said Hilarides.

With employees back together under one roof, the temporary move to NAVSEA West was symbolic of the workforce collectively taking their first step forward together. The year that followed would prove difficult for many, both emotionally and logistically.

"We've been here for a little more than a year now and we've obviously had our challenges, coming and going, but it's been a good year, a year to prepare ourselves, both spiritually or emotionally to go back," said Capt. Karin Vernazza, director, NAVSEA Total Force Management, one of the NAVSEA employees who returns to the Navy Yard this week. "I believe we're stronger and better prepared to handle the challenges ahead. Over the past year we have grown closer as a result of the incident and we are committed to our mission to get the job done. That's what we're all about, supporting the fleet, so now it is about going to go back to where we belong - in the Navy Yard."

NAVSEA's workforce will continue to transition back to the Navy Yard in the coming weeks. The last wave of employees is scheduled to return by the end of March. While it won't be the first time many employees have been in the building, it will have a new look and feel.

In addition to repairing the damage, building renovations were also made. They include a new main entrance, a remembrance area and redesigned atriums. NAVSEA's renovation team also made a concerted effort to maintain the historical facade of the building.

Hilarides explained that among his priorities of helping to restore normalcy, he wanted to ensure the building had a new sense of space, felt safer and brighter for employees and also had a space for employees to reflect.

"The Remembrance Area inside the building is the physical manifestation of that truth. It's also a place where those of us who were physically and emotionally affected by the 16th can go for quiet reflection and healing," said Hilarides. "Getting to this day hasn't been easy. It's been a long road - physically, mentally and emotionally but we're back. Our work home is complete."

Restoration Advisory Board Meeting: The next NCBC Gulfport Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) Meeting is scheduled for Feb. 9, from 6-7:30 p.m. at the Isiah Fredericks Community Center in Gulfport. The meeting will be held in an "availability session" format, meaning that the technical content will be presented using display boards and handouts and that the Environmental Restoration Program scientists and engineers will be available to discuss the content with the RAB members and interested community members. RAB meeting content will include a new topic, Environmental Restoration Activities at the Disaster Recovery Disposal Area (Site 1) and the World War II Landfill (Site 2) as well as an ongoing topic, The History of Dioxin at the Seabee Center. Point of contact for more information is Gordon Crane at: 228-229-0446 or gordon.crane@navy.mil.

Notice: Due to Exercise Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield (SC/CS) 2015 the Seabee eCourier and Inside the Gate will not be published Feb. 12. The next publication date for both products is Feb. 19.

Safe Helpline
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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.



Lutrina Keaton Evans, a computer assistant operator at the base commissary reviews freezer stock on board NCBC Gulfport, Jan. 30. Due to Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield 2015, the commissary will open no earlier than 1:30 p.m., Feb. 12. The commissary will also be closed Feb. 16-17 in observance of President's Day. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician 3rd Class Dustie Bond/Released)



Pfc. Aadarsha Gurung, left, and Pvt. Aviata Faaloua check their measurements before they build steps to their model house on board NCBC Gulfport, Jan. 27. Students are required complete a model house in order to graduate the second phase of Builder "A" School. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician 3rd Class Dustie Bond/Released)

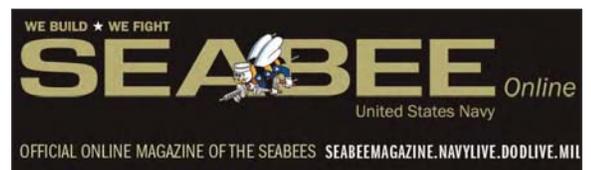


Chief Equipment Operator George Linneman, attached to Naval Construction Group (NCG) 2, cleans the windshield of a Sailor's vehicle at the Mini-Mart on board NCBC Gulfport, Jan. 29. The Chief Petty Officer Association hosted the Gas & Glass to raise funds for the 2016 Khaki Ball. (U.S. Navy photo by Builder Constructionman Samantha Opyoke/Released)



VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) is offered on board NCBC Gulfport and located in Building 60, room 116Z. Hours of operation will be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday – Friday. VITA is also looking for military volunteers to assist people with filing their taxes. Volunteers must complete the IRS online training course and complete hands-on training before they begin. To make an appointment or volunteer, call 228-871-2620.

Arrive Alive ... Do NOT Text and Drive



NCBC Firefighters gear up for annual training and certification

By CE3 Dustie Bond
NCBC Public Affairs

During February, Naval Construction Battalion Center's (NCBC) Fire Department will complete their mandatory annual training. This training is being conducted on board NCBC Gulfport.

Segments of the annual training include: positioning of an aerial apparatus, high angle technical rescue and several trips through a mobile fire trainer.

The positioning of an aerial apparatus focuses on how to correctly position the ladder and elevated platform or bucket attachment and gaining familiarity with controls.

"While positioning the apparatus, care was taken to give adequate clearance of all overhead obstructions while maintaining a safe, but workable, distance from the building being used," said Sean Reagan, a firefighter and EMT for NCBC's Fire Department.

The high angle technical rescue familiarizes firefighters with common life safety knots and technical rescue equipment. Additionally, firefighters have to rappel from an elevated platform four stories back to the ground.

According to NCBC's Fire Inspector, Demitrius Baldwin, the fire trainer teaches firefighters about fire behaviors and fire hose handling requirements.

"The fire trainer is a class 'A' trainer. Anything that is ordinarily combustible, such as wood, paper, fabric, plastic and most trash is used as fuel for the fire," said Baldwin. "NCBC's Fire Department will use wood for their training. The fire trainer allows the firefighters to see thermal layers of the fire itself. It also teaches the firefighters about proper hand line operation and ventilation."

"Precautions are taken to keep the firefighters as safe as possible," said Baldwin. "Every firefighter goes through self-checks and



Two NCBC firefighters exit the fire trainer on board NCBC Gulfport, Feb. 2. The fire trainer allows the firefighters to see thermal layers of the fire itself. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician 3rd Class Dustie Bond/Released)

buddy checks to help ensure their safety."

According to Baldwin, the training will be completed by the end of the month and their annual training certifications will be current for another year.



NCBC firefighters practice proper hand line operation and ventilation while in the mobile fire trainer. Personnel from NCBC's Fire Department must complete their annual certification training during the month of February. (U.S. Navy photo by Construction Electrician 3rd Class Dustie Bond/Released)

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Kudos to NCBC Navy Lodge Employees



Laundry Worker Kate Downs folds clean bedding for current and incoming guests at the Navy Lodge on board NCBC Gulfport, Jan. 29. The lodge is rated as being in the top 20 percent of Navy Lodges world-wide.



Maintenance Worker Rus Arnold deep cleans the carpet in the lobby of the NCBC Gulfport Navy Lodge.



Guest Services Representative Kristi Boyd straightens up the lobby after the continental breakfast at the NCBC Gulfport Navy Lodge, Jan. 29.

The Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Navy Lodge has been recognized for outstanding customer service by Navy Exchange Services Command Vice President and Director of the Navy Lodge Program, Michael Bockelman. The lodge received a 4.86 out of 5.0 guest satisfaction rating for the third

quarter of 2014, which ranks it in the top 20 percent of Navy Lodges worldwide. The lodge has been on a mission to make modifications and improvements in several areas including: the Breakfast Program, use of lobbies as social space, becoming more pet-friendly, constructing family suite additions and updating

the lodge to a contemporary interior design. All of the improvements were made in order to deliver an exceptional guest experience every day and night. The NCBC Gulfport Navy Lodge is managed by Janice Baker. (U.S. Navy photos by Builder Constructionman Samantha Opyoke/Released)

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Buzz on the Street

By CE3 Dustie Bond, NCBC Public Affairs

"What do you like most about the Mardi Gras season?"



EOCN Nathan Dieatrck
NMCB 133
Hometown: Wichita, Kan

"I am excited. It's my first time experiencing Mardi Gras so it is new to me."



CMCN Natasha Ruys
NMCB 133
Hometown: Westport, Wash.

"I like the festive decorations, the parades and the carefree atmosphere."



HM3 Terrill Albury
NCBC
Hometown: Riviera Beach, Fla.

"I like the fact that people are happier and they are enjoying the season."

Laissez les bon temps roulez! (Let the Good Times Roll!)

Coast Mardi Gras Parades

The Gulf Coast Mardi Gras season is in full swing. The season's festivities will culminate Fat Tuesday, Feb 17. Here is a listing of parades that are rolling in the local communities. For a map of the parade routes visit: <http://www.sunherald.com/2015/01/27/6040248/2015-mardi-gras-parade-maps.html>

Feb. 7

Biloxi Children's Mardi Gras Walking Parade takes to the streets Feb. 7 at 10 a.m. Bay St. Louis Krewe of Kids rolls Feb. 7 at 11 a.m. Krewe Of Lil Rascals Mardi Gras Parade in Pascagoula rolls Feb. 7 at 1 p.m. This children's parade begins at the Pascagoula Library.

Second Liners Mardi Gras Club Parade in Biloxi rolls Feb. 7 at 1 p.m. 25th Mystic Krewe of Pine Island Mardi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 7 at 1:30 p.m.

Moss Point Mardi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 7 at 3 p.m.

Carnival Association of Long Beach Mardi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 7 at 6 p.m.

Gautier Men's Club Mardi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. in Gautier.

Feb. 8

48th Krewe of Nereids Mardi Gras Parade rolls



Feb. 8 at 1 p.m. between Bay St. Louis and Wave-land.

Feb. 13

Seventh Ocean Springs Carnival Association Mardi Gras Night Parade rolls Feb. 13 at 7 p.m.

Feb. 14

Krewe of Diamondhead Mardi Gras Parade rolls in Diamondhead on Feb. 14 at noon.

Jackson County Carnival Association Mardi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 14 at 1 p.m. in Pascagoula.

46th Krewe of Gemini Mardi Gras Parade in Gulfport rolls Feb. 14 at 2 p.m. through downtown.

Krewe of Neptune Mardi Gras Parade rolls in Biloxi

on Feb. 14 at 5:30 p.m.

Feb. 15

85th St. Paul Carnival Association Parade in Pass Christian rolls Feb. 15 at noon.

North Bay Association Mardi Gras Parade in D'Iberville rolls Feb. 15 at 1:30 p.m.

Feb. 16

Mystic Krewe of the Seashore Lundi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 16 at 6 p.m. in Bay St. Louis.

Collegiate Carnival Parade rolls Feb. 16 at 6 p.m. through downtown Wiggins.

Feb. 17

Gulf Coast Carnival Association Mardi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. in Biloxi.

8th Krewe of Diamonds Mardi Gras Parade rolls Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. through downtown Bay St. Louis.

46th Krewe of Gemini Mardi Gras Night Parade rolls Feb. 17 at 5:30 p.m. through downtown Gulfport.

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Seabee Ball

March 28, 5:30 - 11 p.m.

Mississippi Coast Coliseum

Guest Speaker: Fleet Master Chief (AW/SW/IDW) Chuck Clarke
Uniform: Dress Blues or equivalent civilian attire. If dual military, one may wear an evening gown (females) or suit (male).

**Cost: E1 - E4: \$25; E5 - E6: \$30; E7 - O3;
Warrant Officers, Retirees and Civilians: \$40; O4 and up: \$50**

Point of contact: BUC Eric Van Norman, email: eric.vannorman@navy.mil
Tickets will go on sale Jan. 30 through your command representative
CBC rep: MCCS Jeff Pierce: jeffrey.j.pierce1@navy.mil



NMCB 1 tests skills during command post exercise

By MCC Kim Martinez
NMCB 1 Public Affairs

"We Build, We Fight" has been the motto of the Navy's deployable engineering force since World War II. Seabees throughout the Naval Construction Force (NCF) are continuously tested on how well their skillsets exemplify this adage.

In keeping with the NCF's standards, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 is being evaluated in a series of training evolutions, including its final command post exercise (CPX), which kicked off, Jan. 26, on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport.

"This exercise demonstrates our ability to effectively operate a widely dispersed battalion in a tactical or contingency environment," said Cmdr. Kemit Spears, NMCB 1 commanding officer. "It also allows us to conduct several smaller certification events such as communications, embarkation and chemical/biological/radiological (CBR) skill sets prior to deploying."

CPX tests the battalion's command and control of communications, construction operations, embarkation process and other fundamental skills neces-

sary to execute a successful mission in a diverse area of operations.

"This is really our last dress rehearsal before we head into the field and work toward our 'ready to deploy' certification," said Spears. "We have the opportunity to fine tune our command and control capabilities from the battalion to the small unit level. I'm pleased with the motivation and professionalism that our Seabees are displaying during this exercise."

During the CPX, NMCB 1 set up company and detail command posts throughout NCBC Gulfport and Woolmarket and is working through multiple scenarios designed to test its efficiency and response. Additionally, the Sailors will have to show their ability to operate in an environment undergoing CBR, a potential real-life threat in some of the theaters where the battalion may deploy.

"The battalion is graded on how quickly we can don our MOPP gear," said Chief Utilitiesman Todd Maxwell, NMCB 1 CBR team chief petty officer-in-charge. "We have nine seconds to put on our masks and eight minutes to get into our suits. Our board standers are evalu-

ated on how well they plot chemical agent information on the boards, if they correctly identify the agent and how well the survey team does amongst other things associated with the decontamination process," Maxwell said. "There are 120 of us assigned to the CBR organization and we have been training for our final evaluation for about two months."

The scenarios during CPX are created to give the battalion insight into what to expect during FTX and deployment. The Seabees will also interact with the local populace of their notional host country, engage enemy aggressors and are required to maintain fluid communication internally and externally.

"Being a part of CPX training is what builds teamwork," said Senior Chief Information Systems Technician Sunny Williamson, NMCB 1 Communications department leading chief petty officer. "We are all focused on being best trained for worldwide deployment. This exercise is where our COMMS support team takes its training and brings it all together in a high tempo, operational atmosphere. The training here at NMCB 1 is very realistic and as support staff and Seabees alike,



Steelworker 1st Class Jesse Guardado from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 Detachment 2, welds material during a command post exercise. (U.S. Navy photo by Chief Mass Communication Specialist Kim Martinez/Released)

we must push the limits of training to be as realistic as possible," Williamson said.

The CPX exercise is scheduled to wrap up within a week, giving the battalion time to adjust from its experiences in time for the largest and final graded evolution.

NMCB 1 is homeported in Gulfport, and is one of

three active-duty battalions operating on the Gulf Coast. Seabees complete civic action projects and conduct humanitarian operations, worldwide.

The First and the Finest continues to build global partnerships and conduct construction operations in support of combatant commanders in every area of operations.

February 2015 NCBC Commissary operating schedule changes - The commissary will open no earlier than 1:30 p.m. Feb. 12, due to a security exercise on the installation. It is recommended to call prior to visiting store to confirm opening. All other days will be regular operat-

ing schedule. For additional information call 228-871-2039 or check the store website at: <https://www.commissaries.com>. The Gulfport Commissary will be closed in observance of President's Day Feb. 16 and 17.



Chow time for NMCB 11

DEVESELU, Romania - Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11, along with American and Romanian contractors, line up for lunch in the Naval Support Facility (NSF) Deveselu galley, Jan. 21. The Seabees are helping construct a U.S. Aegis Ashore Missile Defense System on board NSF Deveselu. Once completed, Aegis Ashore will support the European Phased Adaptive Approach to ballistic missile defense. (U.S. Navy photo by Lt. j.g. Alexander Perrien/Released)

Spotlight on Navy Operational Support Center



U.S. Navy photo/Released

Rear Adm. Eric Coy Young, commander, Navy Reserve Forces Command (CNRFC) and CNRFC Command Master Chief Daryl Green speak to Sailors attached to Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Gulfport, Jan. 11. Young and Green discussed the new Navy Reserve Vision 2015-2025 and the upcoming Navy Reserve Centennial. Young also presented challenge coins to the NOSC's Senior Sailors of the Year, Personnel Specialist 1st Class Candace Evans and Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Latara Hall; Junior Sailor of the Year, Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Gary Groves; and Blue Jacket of the Year, Cryptologic Technician Seaman Apprentice Daniel Laird. During the All Hands call, NOSC Ombudsman, Mrs. Taren Salter,

was recognized for the dedicated support she provided to Sailors of Navy Cargo Handling Battalion Thirteen during a Deployment Readiness Training (DRT) brief in August. The Navy Reserve marks its 100th year March 3. The Centennial provides an opportunity to highlight the Navy Reserve's extraordinary Sailors, past and present. The Centennial year will feature events that showcase the Navy Reserve history and heritage by informing the American public, especially in non-Fleet concentration areas, and the Active Component Navy about the value and capabilities of the Navy Reserve. The Centennial celebration will run through December 2015. Visit <http://navyreservecentennial.com> for more information.

Energy Savings Tip:

That gap will get you ... The door leading from the outside or garage into the house is a common area for air leakage. By installing a door sweep to seal the air gap you can prevent conditioned inside air from escaping while blocking outside air from getting in. This helps keep the indoor living space comfortable and energy bills low.



NMCB 3 Seabee saves unconscious man from burning vehicle

By MC1 Chris Fahey
NMCB 3 Public Affairs

When a Seabee from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 3 came across a wrecked truck, flames shooting across the hood and top, along a wet roadway near downtown Ventura, Calif., Nov. 1, his reaction wasn't to call for help, rubberneck or wonder who is going to do what – he took action, pulled an unconscious man from the inferno and saved his life.

For his heroic efforts, Construction Electrician 1st Class Brian Nielsen received Life Saving Medal from the Ventura County Fire Department during an official awards ceremony Friday, Jan. 29, at Simi Valley.

"These rescuers disregarded their personal safety and exposed themselves to immediate danger for two complete strangers," says Chief Deputy Vaughan Miller. "Brian never said anything to his command after the rescue. His command only found out when the fire department was looking for Brian so we can award him for his heroic act."

According to Nielsen, his actions and resulting credit represent a simple fact – God put him in the place he was meant to be at the time he was meant to be there. A fact he feels applies to all those responsible for individual and national security.

"If you walked out to your car this morning and your car was still in the driveway, then thank a police officer," said Nielsen. "They maintain order in our community and wear a bullet proof vest to work for a reason. If your house is still standing, thank a fireman. If you consider



Construction Electrician 1st Class Brian Nielsen with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 3 together with Maria Esparza, receives the Life Saving Medal award during an official award ceremony of the Ventura County Fire Department at Simi Valley. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Debra Daco/Released

yourself educated, thank a teacher. If you live in the freedom filled country of the United States, then thank a service member."

The naval construction force is a vital component of the U.S. maritime strategy. The force provides deployable battalions capable of providing disaster preparation and recovery support, humanitarian assistance and combat operations support.



Tulane Green Wave Military Appreciation

At 6 p.m., Feb. 18, the Tulane Green Wave Men's Basketball team will host Central Florida during a Military Appreciation Day basketball game. Tulane is offering complimentary tickets to the first 500 military personnel and their families to arrive at the game. To gain admission, military fans will need to show their military ID at the gate. Directions to Devlin Fieldhouse, which is located at the corner of Freret Street and McAlister Place in New Orleans are provided at: <http://www.tulane-greenwave.com/genrel/011102aaa.html>. For more information, please contact Murray Littlepage, Tulane University Department of Athletics, 504-865-5357.

Focus on Education

DeCA Scholarships for Military Children

Applications for the 2015-2016 school-year scholarship awards are available at commissaries worldwide or on the Internet at <http://www.militaryscholar.org>. Deadline for application submission is Feb. 13.

CCC Scholarships

Coastline Community College Scholarship applications are available now! Scholarships can assist you in achieving your academic goals, allows the freedom to seek topics of curiosity, and demonstrate your talents through education. The application is available online at: www.coastline.edu/scholarships. Application deadline is Feb. 16. For questions, contact scholarshiphelp@coastline.edu.

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

Coastline Community College Registration

Registration for Coastline Community College's Spring "B" term is open until March 30. The spring "B" terms begins April 6 and ends May 31. Additional information can be obtained by calling Dr. David Drye at 228-871-3439, DDRYE@COASTLINE.EDU or visiting the Navy College Office in Building 60, Room 239.

Baby Boot Camp

Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) will hold a Baby Boot Camp class for expecting and new parents, 8 a.m. until noon, Feb. 26. Sue Maters, New Parent Support Home Visitor, will instruct the class. Call FFSC at 228-871-3000 for more information or to reserve your space.



NCBC Gulfport Fleet and Family Support Center Job Fair

When: Feb. 18
Where: Fleet and Family Support Center, Building 30
Time: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Phone: 228-871-3000 for additional information



The goal of the fair is to give potential employees a chance to speak with employers who are currently hiring. Bring a resume and come prepared to interview. Spouses are welcome.



Mission Valentine

Bring the kids and their Valentine's Day list to 609 Palm Court. We will provide cards/candy for them! Monday, Feb. 9, 4 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.

Yard Sale in Base Housing

Yard Sales are permitted in Base Housing once a quarter. The next one is scheduled for Sat., Feb. 21, 8 a.m. until 1p.m. Place the items for sale in your front yard. All signs advertising your yard sale are only permitted to be displayed in your front yard. We will post advertising info on our Facebook page. The months that yard sales are permitted: February, May, August, and November. They will be held on the 3rd Saturday of those months. If you have any questions please feel free to call the Housing Office at 228-863- 0424 or email lladner@bbcgrp.com

Pinterest Party

Make your own mason jar organizer! 609 Palm Court Tuesday, Feb. 24,

4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Nat'l Chili Day

Stop by the Community Management Office to say Hi & celebrate National Chili Day with a free bowl of chili! Thursday, Feb. 26, Noon - 2 p.m.

Terracycle

Did you know that we have an ongoing project to help our environment while benefiting our local Humane Society? Save all your personal beauty product bottles for us, we recycle them and the Humane Society receives \$0.02 for each container! Help us help the Humane Society! Empty bottles can be dropped off at the Community Management Office or call us we will pick them up.

Fire Safety Briefing

All new residents are required to attend a Fire Safety Briefing. Briefing is held the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. in the Base Chapel.

Resident participation in all Lifeworks activities is voluntary and all activities, seminars and events are FREE! Please free to email lladner@bbcgrp.com if you have suggestions. Be sure to like us on Facebook to stay updated. Search "CNBC Gulfport Homes."



Naval Branch Health Clinic Gulfport News

Sports Physicals ... It's that time of year! Try-outs for many sports will take place in the next 2-3 months. A sports physical is required by all of the schools in order to try out for sports. Naval Branch Health Clinic (NBHC) Gulfport will be scheduling sports physicals over the next three weeks on Thursday afternoons so that we can accommodate children. Dates and times: Feb. 5, 12 and 19, 12:50 – 3 p.m. Call 228-871-4033 to schedule an appointment

Limited Care due to Solid Curtain-Citadel Shield (SC-CS) 2015 ...

On the afternoon of Feb. 11 and the morning of Feb. 12, NBHC Gulfport will be providing limited care due to the annual readiness exercise SC-CS 2015. Patients who need to speak with a health care provider at the Clinic during this time should call 228-822-5792 and the Clinic will provide assistance over the phone. Those who are experiencing an emergency and are unable to reach the Clinic, should dial 911.

'The Meat & Potatoes of Life'

By Lisa Smith Molinari
Special Contributor

When the power goes out ...

"Do you think you bought enough?" I asked sarcastically, as my husband dropped multiple Stop & Shop bags on the kitchen floor.

Winter Storm Juno was on its way, and Francis was determined to be prepared. I had casually mentioned that we might need a gallon of milk and maybe a loaf of bread. Two hours later, he returned to the house with enough supplies for our entire base neighborhood: bags of food, packages of batteries, five cases of water, two lighters, and 27 candles.

But of course, like a true Navy man, my husband's first stop was the base Package Store where he bought beer, wine, red Solo cups, and enough rum, limes, and ginger beer to make "Dark & Stormy" drinks from now until summer vacation.

I wasn't sure whether he was preparing for the storm or opening a tavern.

After unloading the bags, Francis marched out to our garage to retrieve our shovels, road salt, and sleds for "when the power goes out and the garage door opener is disabled." Then, he drove each car to the gas station to fill up for "when the power goes out and the stations are closed."

Then he drove to the ATM machine on base and withdrew half our life savings in cash, for "when the power goes out and ATMs shut down." And even though we don't have a usable fireplace, he brought home seven starter logs for "when the power goes out and we don't have heat."

"Don't you think you're going a bit overboard, Hon? I mean, we don't even know if we're going to lose power at all."

His head, topped by a Navy watch cap sprinkled with fresh flurries, snapped toward me. "It's not a matter of IF we lose power, it's a matter of WHEN we lose power, and I, for one, will be prepared. He stomped off to crank the thermostat up to an uncomfortable 74 degrees for "when the power goes out."

There was no reasoning with him. Much like our teenage girls who were excited about two snow days of sledding and lounging around in pajama pants, Francis was looking forward to playing hero, and he wasn't going to let common sense get in the way.

Still ensconced in his watch cap and an ill-fitting sweater, he removed his wet boots, poured himself a cold beer, and nestled in to await the impending

doom from the comfort of his Barcalounger while binge-watching DVR episodes of "House Hunters".

Secretly, I rolled my eyes at Francis' predictions of "Snowpocalypse", but the wind howled so loud that night, I wondered if my husband had been right all along.

Surely, the unrelenting gusts will snap a power line, I thought. By the time the chill wakes us, it'll be too late -- in the darkness, we'll fumble for candles, wrap ourselves in blankets, and huddle together until the house succumbs to the bitter cold. Then, shivering, we'll hunch over a smoldering starter log in our patio fire pit, our shallow breaths of survival barely visible in the dim light ...

But instead, our radiators pumped out heat nonstop while we ate like kings, took long hot showers, watched way too much TV, drank cocktails in the afternoon, put together a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle, and slept with our mouths open.

On the third morning, the skies cleared. "I guess we won't be needing these," Francis moped around the house before heading to work, lighting one of the seven cinnamon-scented jar candles he had purchased for "when the power goes out." Sensing his dis-



appointment, I mustered my best damsel in distress. "You know, Hon, thank goodness you were so prepared, because the power definitely ... um, really did ... uh, almost go out. I shudder to think of what almost happened to our family. I mean, you pretty much saved our lives."

Francis threw me a suspicious glance, then made the split decision to accept the compliment shamelessly. With his watch cap to protect him from the bitter winds, he paused on his way out the door to announce, "Another storm's coming in a couple days, but don't worry, I'll stop by the store on the way home."

My hero.

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

NEXs to again sell benefit sales ticket for NMCRS

From NEXCOM Public Affairs

Navy Exchange (NEX) customers at the Gulfport NEX can show their support for the Navy Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) by purchasing a \$5 benefit sales ticket until March 29.

The benefit sales ticket will entitle customers to specific percent-off discounts for a one-time purchase from March 27 - 29. As it has been done for the past several years, the entire \$5 donation will be passed onto NMCRS on behalf of NEX customers.

Merchandise storewide is 10 percent off, excluding tobacco, alcoholic beverages, electronics, cameras, computers, video games and systems, uniforms, gas, DVDs, CDs and concession departments, home delivery, Keep it New plans and Tempur-Pedic. It also excludes previously purchased merchandise, existing layaways and special orders. The discount also cannot be applied to purchases made on MyNavyExchange.com, any gift cards or prepaid cards, NEX Car Care Centers and the Exchange Catalog.

The benefit sales ticket also offers 10 percent off the entire stock of fine jewelry, excluding Rolex and Cartier watches, Maui Divers, Pandora and clearance jewelry. With the benefit ticket, customers will receive 20 percent off the entire stock of regular priced apparel, shoes, watches and sunglasses.

Already reduced furniture with prices ending in .94, .96 or .97 will be 30 percent off. The maximum discount for any transaction is \$250.

NCBC Helping Hands

GREAT DAY OF SOCCER - Volunteers needed for Great Day of Soccer - Approximately 25 volunteers are needed to help judge at the annual Great Day of Soccer competition Feb. 7, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. The competition, for kids 4 - 18 years old, will take place at the County Farm Soccer Fields on the east side of County Farm Road about five miles north of I-10 off Exit 28 (across from the Harrison county Equestrian Center). Judges will be involved with four different events which range from how fast a player can dribble a ball around cones; counting how many times a player can touch a ball before it touches the ground (without using hands or arms); figuring out how far balls are thrown and kicked in the air from a set point; and counting points when players kick at a goal. Training for judging will take place at 8 a.m., with competition beginning at 8:30 a.m. Meal vouchers will be provided for judges. For questions, or to volunteer, contact Jeff Bruni, 228-9861-6175 or jeffbruni@bell-south.net or jbruni@gulfport-ms.gov.

ART IN THE PASS - Pass Christian will once again host the Art in the Pass art show April 10-12, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., at the War Memorial Park. Volunteers are needed to work two hour shifts in the following areas: Help artist set up booths, carry and help set up sound equipment on gazebo stage, set up tents, tables, chairs and displays, perform routine park maintenance, assist food vendors in setting up and maintaining their areas, selling tickets, welcoming visitors and tending to scholarship boxes. Volunteers are needed April 10, 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., April 11 and 12, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information or to volunteer contact: Martha Hawkins,

228-265-2955; Jane Parrish, 228-596-3363/jparrish46@gmail.com or Jamie Bridger, 228-363-0450/jbridger49@aol.com.

BUILD HANDICAP RAMPS - Volunteers are needed to build handicap ramps for the disabled. If you would like to help, please contact Susan Smith at Fleet and Family Support Center, 228-871-3000.

DISABILITY CONNECTION - Disability Connection provides support to individuals with disabilities, including military veterans. Volunteers are needed to build ramps and provide home inspections for needed material lists. Point of contact is Ms. O'Keefe, 228-604-4020 or office@disabilityconnection.org.

READING TUTORS - Approximately 20 volunteers are needed to read with children 30 minutes a week at 28th Street Elementary School Mondays - Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. A teacher will be present in the classroom to offer assistance. Email nancy.miller@gulfportschools.org or call Dianna Miller at 228-867-2140. Reading volunteers are also needed at Central Elementary School, Tuesdays through Fridays, with the greatest need being Thursdays and Fridays from 12:25 - 12:55 p.m., and from 1:05 - 1:35 p.m. Email tammie.gray@gulfportschools.org or call 228-865-1933 to volunteer.

GULFPORT SCHOOLS NAVAL SEA CADET CORPS - The Gulfport Battalion of Naval Sea Cadet Corps (NSCC) is looking for adult volunteers willing to help the area's youth succeed in life. NSCC is a non-profit, nautically oriented, youth training and education organization which is run by the Navy League with support from the

United States Navy. Although a great plus, no prior military experience is required; all we need are adults who are passionate about mentoring America's youth. Point of contact is Lt. Cmdr. Thomas O. Klomps, NSCC, at Region63@juno.com or 850-890-6792.

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

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

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

USS ALABAMA ALWAYS LOOKING FOR 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. Point of contact is Owen Miller, 251-433-2703 or cell 251-767-0157.

USO GULF COAST - Interested in volunteering? We need volunteers every day to assist at our centers throughout the military community. To become a USO volunteer, you'll need to create a volunteer profile through www.usovolunteer.org. This will allow you to keep track of your hours. Point of contact is Nicole Lewis at nlewis@uso.org.

February 5, 2015

Seabee Courier

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Seabee Memorial Chapel

Religious Services Sunday:

Catholic Mass: 9 a.m.
Protestant: 10:30 a.m.
Weekday Mass:
Monday, Tuesday, Friday,
11:15 a.m.



NCBC Center Chaplain:

Lt. Cmdr. Ammie Davis, Chaplain

The Chapel is currently undergoing renovations and events schedule will be subject to change. Please visit the Seabee Memorial Chapel Facebook page for updates on chapel events: <https://www.facebook.com/ncbcchapel>, email us at gulfportchapel.fct@navy.mil with any questions, or call us at 228-871-2454.

What's happening at the Chapel?

Sundays: The Rosary/Confession: 8:30 a.m., Protestant
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m., Catholic
Mass: 9 a.m., Catholic CCD
Class (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine): 10:30 a.m., Protestant
Service: 10:30 a.m.

Mondays: Catholic Mass: 11:15 a.m.

Tuesdays: Catholic Mass: 11:15 a.m.

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

Thursdays: Catholic Holy Hour: 5 p.m., Catholic Mass: 6 p.m., Catholic Fellowship: 6:30 p.m., Catholic Bible Study: 7 p.m.,

Fridays: Catholic Mass: 11:15 a.m.

Workshops with You in Mind

Feb. 19: Are you the one, or Should I look for Another?

March 5: safeTALK

March 16-17: ASIST

March 26 - 27: PREP



FREE SNEAK PEEK of McFarland USA (PG)
Sun, Feb. 8 • Digital Cinema at the Training Hall
Tickets available at 1 p.m., 1 per person
Doors open at 2:30 p.m.; Show begins at 4 p.m.

Navy Outdoor Recreation

Stop by NOR at Bldg. 456 (Corner of 7th & Colby) and let us tell you about the many amenities the Seabee Park and Recreation Area has to offer.
 Call 228-871-2127 for information

Fitness

2/13- President's Day 5K Run
 Sign up now for Volleyball & Pickle-ball
 Captain's Cup Leagues today!
 Call 228-871-2668 for information

Program Telephone Numbers & Hours

Anchors and Eagles	871-4607	Hours:	Tu - Th 2-6p, CLOSED 12/28-1/5/15
Auto Skills Center	871-2804	Hours:	W - Fr 11a-7p, Sat 9a-5p
Beehive	871-4009	Hours:	M - Th 4:30-10:30p, Fr 4:30-11:30p Sat 5-11:30p
CBC Fitness Center	871-2668	Hours:	M - Th 4:30a-8p, Fr 4:30a-7p, Sat-Sun 9a-4p
Aquatics	822-5103	Hours:	M-Fr 5:30a-1:30p, Sat 10a-4p
Child Development Ctr		Hours:	M-Fr 6a-5:30p
Free Movie Hotline	871-3299	Hours:	Open 30 min prior to movie showings
ITT	871-2231	Hours:	M - Fr 10a-4:30p, Sat 10a-2p
Liberty Center	871-4684	Hours:	Sun 10a-8:30p, M-Th:10:30a-1:30p & 4-8:30p, Fr 10:30a-1:30p&4-11p, Sat 10a-11p
Outdoor Recreation	871-2127	Hours:	M 8a-1p, Th - Fr 10a-6p, Sat 7a-1p
School Liaison Officer	871-2117	Hours:	M-F 7:30a-3:30p
Shields RV Park	871-5435	Hours:	M-Sat 8a-4p, Sun 8a-2p
The Grill	871-2494	Hours:	M - Fr 7am-1:30pm
Youth Activities Ctr	871-2251	Hours:	6-7:30a & 2:30-5:30p
SAC		Hours:	M - Th 3:30p-8:30p, Fr 3:30p-8:30p
Teen Center		Hours:	Tu-Th 5:30p-8:30p & Fr 6p-9p
Rec Center		Hours:	

Information, Tickets & Travel

ITT Can Now Book Cruises- Stop in to make your travel plans!
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Feb 6- All Day, Nutella Appreciation Day
 Feb 7- 10 a.m., Volunteer with HSSM
 Feb 8- 2 p.m., Football Hangover
 Madden 15 Tournament, 1st Place Prize
 Feb 10- 6 p.m., Tournament Tuesday
 NBA 2K15, 1st Place Prize

Digital Cinema at the Training Hall

Feb. 6

6 p.m.
Big Eyes
(PG13)

8:15 p.m.
The Imitation
Game
(R)

Feb. 7

2 p.m.
Into the Woods (PG)

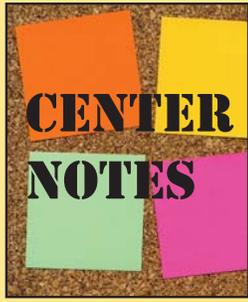
4:30 p.m. The
Hobbit: Battle of
Five Armies (PG13)

7:30 p.m.
American Sniper (R)

Feb. 8

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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 Activities Center, building 335. Meetings are from 6 - 8 p.m. Children are welcome and baby sitting is provided during deployment.

NMCB 11 FRG invites all friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the last Monday of every month at 6 p.m. The meetings are held at the Youth Activities Center on board NCBC Gulfport. Children are always welcomed and child care is provided at no cost. Please join us for fun, food, and to meet and socialize with other NMCB 11 families and friends. For more information, please contact us at nmcb11frg@gmail.com or like us on our Facebook page, NMCB 11 FRG.

NMCB 133 FRG invites all friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the first Monday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Youth Activities Center. Children are welcome and baby sitting is provided. Please bring a dish to share. For more information, contact FRG President Jaime

Royal at 317-730-4064 or email NMCB133fsg@gmail.com. Log on to the FRG site, <http://www.wix.com/NMCB133FSG/133frg>.

FOCUS

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

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

Navy Wives Clubs of America, Inc., is interested in reestablishing a club in the local area. If you are interested in joining an organization that promotes the health and welfare of any enlisted member of the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard, please contact Darlene Carpenter at 228-342-2271 or Tina O'Shields, 228-357-0513. Visit www.navywivesclubsof-america.org for more information on NWCA.

NMCRS The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Thrift Shop is located in building 29 on Snead Street. The Thrift Shop is staffed en-

tirely 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 nationwide 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. Point of contact is Lt. Cmdr. Thomas O. Klomps, NSCC, at Region63@juno.com or 850-890-6792.

SOCIAL

Miss. Gulf Coast First Class Association is always looking for new members. Meetings are every Wednesday at 2:30 p.m., 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 weekly on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m., at the Seabee Memorial Chapel. Contact MCDC President, SW2 Crayton at 228-760-1107 or Vice President, CE2 Tandberg, 850-384-7982 for details.

VFW Post 3937 Long Beach - Open Monday - Thursday, noon - 8 p.m., Friday, noon to 10 p.m., Saturday, 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 7 p.m. Steak Night is every Friday, 5 - 8 p.m., and breakfast is available every Saturday, 7 - 10 a.m. VFW meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Post 3937 at 228-863-8602.

Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW 3937 Long Beach Are you eligible? The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars 3937 would like to invite you to become a member. Our organization supports veterans, their families and current service members. In order to join, you must be the spouse, mother, daughter, granddaughter or sister of a service member who has served in a foreign war. Meetings are the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at VFW Post 3937, 213 Klondyke Road, Long Beach. Contact Carol Feters, president, at 228-832-4893 for more information.

VFW Post 4526 Orange Grove is open daily from Noon to 10 p.m. and located at 15206 Dedeaux Road, Orange Grove. Meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to at-

tend. Call 228-832-0017 for more info.

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

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 information.

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, 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. The shop has a variety of Seabee related memorabilia, books and DVD's. For info, contact the museum at www.seabee-museumstore.org or call gift store at 228-871-4779.

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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 SZUS. 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.

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, Email: CNRSE_HOTLINE@navy.mil.