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Builder 1st Class Jason Katzenberg, from Saginaw, Mich., assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1, levels wet concrete with a float during a concrete placement on Naval Station Rota, Spain, Oct. 5. The concrete placement was for a Shipboard Electronic Systems Evaluation Facilities

project. The facility will be used to provide test and evaluation services to U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard and Military Sealift Command activities as well as allied foreign navies. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brannon Deugan/Released)

## Center Events

CDC Character Parade  
Friday, 9 a.m.

Child Development Center

Characters are needed to attend the annual parade in costume. Arrive by 8:45 a.m. to pick up treats to pass out. Trick-or-Treaters will consist of the 2-year-old classes through Preschool classes. Everyone is welcome to attend the parade, in costume or not.



Annual Fright Night  
Friday, 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Ladd Circle

FREE fun for everyone!

Contests, Games, Treats, Hayrides,  
Haunted Houses and much more!  
Park on the big grinder

# October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

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## From Fleet and Family Support Center Gulfport

Domestic violence is defined as a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner. Domestic violence can include physical, sexual, emotional, economic, psychological actions or threats of actions that influence another person. The color purple of the awareness ribbons is to recognize victims of domestic abuse as well as to celebrate survivors.

### Strangulation

Strangulation is a behavior often used by domestic abusers and



**Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 5 form a purple ribbon in support of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.** (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class John P. Curtis/Released)

is a silent killer. Under a new Mississippi law, strangulation is a felony. While the terms "strangulation" and "choking" are used interchangeably, they are completely different things. Choking refers to the accidental blockage of the windpipe caused by an object, such as food. Strangulation is the restriction of the flow of blood or oxygen through an intentional strangling act. Strangulation is extremely dangerous and can lead to permanent health problems and death. Strangulation does not always result in visible injuries; therefore, it is important that any victim of strangulation be medically examined immediately.

## NCBC Weapons Policy

Navy regulations require that all privately owned weapons brought on board a U.S. Navy installation be registered with Base Security and approved by the Installation Commanding Officer (ICO) BEFORE bringing a weapon on board.

For personnel who request Temporary Stor-

age, personnel MUST declare the weapon upon arriving at any Entry Control Point. Personnel residing in government family quarters may keep their weapons at their quarters, AFTER approval of the ICO.

Persons residing in the barracks are required to

store their weapons with the Base Security Department.

All weapons owners desiring to store a privately owned weapon in their family quarters or with the Security Department must complete weapons registration forms and documentation relating to the Lautenberg Act.

All registrations must

be approved by Base Security Forces.

Persons found bringing unauthorized weapons on board NCBC will be subject to criminal and administrative penalties to include base debarment and loss of base driving privileges.

For further information, refer to NCBCGPTINST 3593.1.

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](http://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.

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 AUDRA means "nobility and strength" in French  
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 This group offers a safe, open atmosphere for discussion and activities to facilitate the healing process  
 For Active Duty females who have been sexually assaulted as adults  
 Call FFSC at (228) 871-3000



Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) hosted a Career Fair on board NCBC Gulfport, Oct. 20. Local employers were on hand to provide information about their organizations and interview prospective employees. (U.S. Navy photo by Builder Constructionman Elizabeth Mills/Released)



The NCBC Gulfport 2015 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) kicked off with a breakfast at Colmer Dining Facility on board Naval Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport, Oct. 20. The CFC is now in full swing and everyone is encouraged to visit [www.greatermcfc.org](http://www.greatermcfc.org) to learn more about this year's campaign. If you would like to donate, go to Pledge Online to find the code for your unit. Search charitable organizations by hovering over the "For Donor" tab and clicking on "Search Charities." To narrow down the search, click "More Search Options." Then, log into MyPay and go to Combined Federal Campaign contributions and follow the screen prompts. For more help, contact your departmental or command representative listed below. (U.S. Navy photo by Builder Constructionman Elizabeth Mills/Released)



Electronics Technicians 3rd Class Taylor Wells, left, and Chris Monge, both assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 133, perform maintenance on a satellite dish during a Command Post Exercise (CPX), Oct. 23 on board Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport. The CPX is used to help the battalion prepare for future deployments. (U.S. Navy photo by Builder Constructionman Elizabeth Mills/Released)

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# Buzz on the Street



BUCN Elizabeth Mills  
NCBC Public Affairs

*"What are you going to be for Halloween this year?"*



"I'm going to be Rafael the Ninja Turtle!"

**Avery**  
NCBC Child Development Center



"I'm going to be Elsa from Frozen the movie!"

**Lily**  
NCBC Child Development Center



"I want to be Ironman!"

**Xavier**  
NCBC Child Development Center



"I am going to be a police woman!"

**Rianne**  
NCBC Child Development Center

**See Something Suspicious, Say Something Immediately!** Report suspicious activity which is defined as any observed behavior that could indicate terrorism or terrorism-related crime. Public safety is everyone's responsibility. If you see suspicious activity, report it to local law enforcement. Call 228-871-2361 or 911.

## Back in Time: Seabee History - Vietnam Era

### Oct. 25

1963: U.S. Naval Ship Missile Systems Engineering Station officially dedicated at Construction Battalion Center (CBC) Port Hueneme, Calif.

### Oct. 26

1966: NMCB 1 main body left Da Nang, Republic of Vietnam (RVN) for Davisville, Rhode Island by C-141 aircraft via Japan and Alaska.

### Oct. 27

1943: During the invasion of Mono Island in the Treasury group of the Solomon Islands, a party of Seabees from Naval Construction Battalion (NCB) 87 landed within an hour after the assault began. The party, headed by Lt. Charles E. Turnbull, Civil Engineer Corps, U.S. Naval Reserve, also included Machinist Mate 1st Class (Construction Battalion – Equipment Operator) Aurelio Tassone and his 20-ton bulldozer. The assaulted troops



**Seabees with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11 repair the parking apron at Dong Ha, Republic of Vietnam which was damaged by enemy mortar fire, with M8A1 steel matting.** (Photo courtesy of U.S. Navy Seabee Museum)

were being held down by fierce Japanese gunfire from cannon and machine guns hidden in a strongly built pillbox. After some discussion, it was decided that Tassone would see what his dozer could do to it. Raising his blade for protection, and supported by Turnbull, who was armed with a car-

bine, Tassone rushed the pillbox. When he reached the obstruction, he exerted down pressure on the blade and tore into the barricade, covering the defenders with logs and tons of earth. None of the enemy troops emerged alive. Both Tassone and Turnbull were awarded the Silver Star Medal for

their bravery.

### Oct. 28

1965: At Marble Mountain, Da Nang East, RVN, Viet Cong bands with mortars and satchel explosives blasted an air facility and a badly-needed advanced base hospital being built by NMCB 9. The assault killed two Seabees and wounded over 90. Eight Quonset huts housing surgical, laboratory, X-ray and other wards lay in shambles. The Seabees paused to honor their dead and then set about rebuilding the hospital. They erected and outfitted the surgical and clinical wards, added living quarters, and opened the 400-bed hospital in less than three months.

### Oct. 29

1944: 9th NCR inactivated.

### Oct. 30

1966: Personnel of NMCB 7 assembled to pay tribute to one of their own.

In a brief ceremony, the battalion camp at Phu Bai, RVN, was dedicated in memory of a lost shipmate, Steelworker (Erector) 3rd Class Stanley Claus Campbell. On Aug. 25, 1966, Campbell gave his life on the defensive perimeter of the camp which now bore his name.

### Oct. 31

1941: The Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, Rear Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, authorized the Bureau of Yards and Docks to establish a Headquarters Construction Company of 99 men. Resident Officers in Charge of Construction (ROICC) were to utilize the men as engineering aids and administrators, and as inspectors and supervisors to oversee the work of civilian construction contractors at overseas bases. It was not contemplated that the company would do any actual construction work.

# Base Fall Clean Up Set for Nov. 10

## Greetings Team NCBC

The weather is starting to cool down and the leaves are beginning to fall. Accordingly, the base is planning a Base Clean Up, Nov. 10.

Tuesday will start with a "clean where you work" project. Base Housing residents are also encouraged to take opportunity of the nice fall weather and perform final fall yard cleaning. The following details provide instructions on how personnel can come out and participate. It will be a great opportunity to improve the areas where we live, work and play.

In order to help designate specific areas of responsibilities, each group and tenant has been provided an AOR map and checklist. These maps have been distributed to unit leadership and will help guide everyone's efforts Tuesday when personnel gather to "clean where you work." Mandatory for all NCBC Commands and Tenants

### ~ Indoor areas

- \* General housekeeping/purge old files

- \* Clean stairwells/entries

- \* Clean out storage rooms

### ~ Outdoor areas (Unit AOR)

- \* Pick-up litter/debris throughout AOR, tidy plant beds

- \* Don't forget common areas

- \* Unit parking lots and sidewalks (pull weeds and police debris/trash)

**NCBC Great Fall Clean-Up**  
**Tuesday, Nov. 10**

**For all NCBC Commands and Tenants**

**- Indoor areas**

- \* **General housekeeping/purge old files**
- \* **Clean entries, stairwells, and storage rooms**

**- Outdoor areas (Unit AOR)**

- **Pick-up litter/debris around respective facilities and fence lines**
- **Clean-up unit parking lots and sidewalks including weeds and debris/trash**

**Do: Recycle – paper,, cardboard, plastic, and metals in appropriate bins/containers**

**Don't: Put HAZMAT/HAZWASTE in dumpsters or throw out**

- \* Fence lines (police debris/trash)

- \* Clean around smoking areas

### ~ Dos and Don'ts

- \* Do recycle – paper, cardboard, metals in appropriate bins/containers

- \* Do not dispose/recycle of PII

- \* Do not throw away Hazardous Materials in dumpsters; including bulbs, batteries, POLs,

paints and cleaners

Residents are asked to remove grass and weeds from parking areas and sidewalk cracks. Walk around your neighborhood and pick-up trash/litter from common grounds. All family member participation is encouraged. This is an excellent opportunity to get to know your neighbors and give a helping hand in improving your housing and living areas.

If you have questions on the Cleanup, please contact Lisa Noble, Environmental Director, 871-2026. For the Recycling Center at Building 275, call 871-4738 or 323-300 and for assistance with hazardous materials for disposal contact Hazardous Waste Manager, Stanley Smith, 871-2338/ 323-1654 or Hazardous Waste Handler, Jerry Laster, 323-9877.

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## Health Watch

### KAFB to hold Mammoth

From 81st Training Wing (AETC) Public Affairs

Keesler Medical Center will hold its fourth annual "Mammoth" Nov. 6 from 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. for all eligible TRICARE beneficiaries.

The event supports Breast Cancer Awareness Month with walk-in mammograms and a variety of cancer and health screening services.

To qualify for a mammogram participants must be at least 40 years old, due



or overdue for their annual screening mammogram and be eligible for care at Keesler Medical Center.

The event is located in the Keesler Mammography Clinic,

room 1A219.

For anyone unfamiliar with Keesler Air Force Base, the medical center is located at the end of Larcher Boulevard, which leads from the White Avenue gate (Main gate).

Enter the medical center at either the Outpatient Clinic or A Tower entrances. Staff members will be available to provide directions to the various locations.

For more information, please call the Mammography Clinic at 228-376-0475.

**fall backward**

Remember to set clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday. Daylight Saving Time ends Nov. 1

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Members of Expeditionary Combat Readiness Center (ECRC) Deployment Processing Team/Fly Away Team assist Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 22 as they check in for mobilization processing. ECRC provides processing, equipping, training, certification and proactive family support to ADSW Sailors, Individual Augmentees and provisional units throughout all deployment phases in support of COCOM requirements, contingency operations, or national crises. (U.S. Navy photo by Chief Mass Communication Specialist James C. Brown/Released)

## NMCB 22 mobilizes with assistance from ECRC

By MCCS(SCW/SW) Jeffrey J. Pierce  
22 NCR / NCG 2  
Public Affairs Officer

Over 200 Reservists from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 22 began their mobilization process on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport, Oct. 19, but the process is new.

A team of 40 personnel from the Expeditionary Combat Readiness Center (ECRC), headquartered at Norfolk, Va., flew down to Gulfport to assist.

ECRC's mission is to provide processing, equipping, training, certification and proactive family support to Active Duty for Special Work (ADSW) Sailors, Individual Augmentees (IA) and provisional units, such as NMCB 22, throughout all deployment phases in support of Combatant Commanders requirements, contingency operations or national crises.

According to ECRC's Commanding Officer, Capt. Joseph Rehak, this is normally done in Norfolk.

"We're here in Gulfport to exercise ECRC's strategic mission for a large-scale reserve mobilization," Rehak said. "NMCB 22 gave us the opportunity to move the strategic responsibility out of Norfolk which allows us to shape the mobilization toward the specific mission."

According to Rehak, by sending 40 personnel from ECRC to Gulfport instead of sending over 200 Seabees to Norfolk then on to Gulfport, not only saves the Navy money, but also allows the battalion to mobilize as a unit.

Rehak feels that this test of mobilizing a large reserve unit was successful because everyone was engaged in the process.

"This has been a team effort," Rehak said. "Navy Expeditionary Combat Command, Naval Construction Group TWO, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133, Naval Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport and tenant commands on base, such as Personnel Support Detachment and the Naval Branch Health Clinic, Gulfport made this effort a success."

According to NMCB 22's Executive Officer, Lt. Cmdr. Ed Simmons, personnel from NMCB 22 feel this is a better process as well.

"From what we've heard from the troops who have mobilized before, this is a much easier process," Simmons said. "From my past experience, this is light years ahead. We were able to establish relationships with NMCB 133 earlier, go through training, personal gear issue and medical here instead of Norfolk."

NMCB 22's Command Master Chief, CMDCM Jimmy Cochran feels this new process has many advantages.

"It's easier for everyone involved since they only have to unpack once," Cochran said. "It's nice coming here because on top of everything else it's where we've mobilized in the past and the troops have an extra week to establish relationships and learn the lay of the land."

NMCB 22 will supplement NMCB 133 during their upcoming deployment to AFRICOM and CENTOM areas of operation.

## NMCB 1 improves training during Trident Juncture

By MC1 Brannon Deugan  
NMCB 1 Public Affairs

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 supported the NATO-led exercise Trident Juncture 2015 with construction of two training structures at Sierra del Retin, Spain, which began Oct. 16.

The training structures are on one of three sites that NMCB 1 had constructed for exercise Trident Juncture. The structures provided a realistic training environment for the participating forces to use during exercise scenarios.

According to the battalion's acting assistant operations officer Lt.j.g. Jason McGee, the construction opportunity provided multiple benefits.

"NMCB 1's construction throughout this exercise is significant. It enables us to sustain the trust, improve relationships with NATO Allied Forces and partnered nations, and increase interoperability enabling us to align our efforts with NATO and partnership goals," said McGee.

Along with the houses in Sierra del Retin, Spain, NMCB 1 constructed shoot houses in Chinchilla, Spain and Setubal, Portugal as well as constructing doors for breaching pre-existing structures enabling joint force training during the

"We are supporting SOCEUR [Special Operations Command Europe] gear up for Exercise Trident Juncture by building two shoot houses [live-fire close quarters combat building] to provide realistic training," added Builder 1st Class Alex Eneix. "Shoot houses will be used for specific task tailored training. A simulated town will be set up for the forces to come in and train."

Trident Juncture is the largest NATO exercise to be conducted in the past 20 years with around 36,000 troops from more than 30 nations, to include both NATO allies and partners.

For more news from Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa/U.S. 6th Fleet, visit [www.navy.mil/](http://www.navy.mil/)



SETUBAL, Portugal - U.S. Navy Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 measure and cut wood for doors in a training structure in Setubal, Portugal, Oct. 20, 2015. NMCB 1 constructed training structures to provide a realistic training environment for participating forces to use during exercise Trident Juncture. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Brannon Deugan/Released)



Seabees assigned to NMCB 133's Detail Montana crew work diligently to prepare an 18.4-acre site for a housing development that will create 27 homes for the Fort Belknap American Indian Community in Montana. (U.S. Navy photo/Released)

Seabees assigned to NMCB 133 stand in front of their equipment and respectfully place their hard hats on the ground, while Edward "Buster" Moore blesses them with traditional Native American prayer, Fort Belknap, Mont. Buster fills the air with the burning aroma of sweet grass tobacco, symbolically immersing the Seabees in a cloak of blessing that will protect and strengthen them. (U.S. Navy photo/Released)

# Runnin' Roos' bring hope to Fort Belknap

By EA3(SCW) Jessica Couvillier  
NMCB 133 Public Affairs

A team of 18 Seabees from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133 arrived at the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation, Montana, recently to begin site preparation for a future housing development as part of the Department of Defense's (DoD's) Innovative Readiness Training (IRT), a program designed to improve military readiness and simultaneously provide services to underserved communities.

The Fort Belknap IRT mission is to provide much-needed housing for families of the local Assiniboine and Gros Ventre tribes. The lack of housing is an increasingly pressing issue within the Fort Belknap community. With more than 300 families on the waiting list for housing, community directors began to look for a solution in 2008, and after several years of planning, the Eagle Valley Housing Development was conceived.

Fort Belknap leadership collaborated with Marvin Thurman, program manager, Operation Walking Shield (OWS), to garner support for the project. OWS is an organization that strives to improve the quality of life for American Indian families by coordinating programs

that provide shelter, healthcare, community development support, education assistance and humanitarian aid.

The request for IRT support and funding was reviewed by the Congressional Committee for Civil-Military Programs and approved by the Secretary of Defense. The final tasking to execute the project went through DoD channels and was ultimately received by NMCB 133.

After six weeks of hard work, NMCB 133 Seabees moved 40,000+ cubic yards of soil, establishing 27 house pads, four roads and two alleys, turning what was once a field of tall grass into the beginning of a 160-unit housing development. The IRT project significantly benefited the Fort Belknap Reservation, providing over \$650,000 worth of construction service to the community.

"I hope that one day, they'll be holding the keys to their own homes," said Tribal President Mark Azure during the groundbreaking ceremony, Sept. 2.

Fort Belknap Transportation Director John Healy expressed hope that once the initial housing development site is established, a new Wellness Center can be constructed to promote health and wellness within the community. Additionally, discussions began for long-term

green energy production with wind turbines and solar panels. The IRT project was an excellent training opportunity for the NMCB 133 'Bees. Over a 40-day period, the crew received extensive on-the-job training with various construction activities involving multiple pieces of construction equipment. Each crew member accumulated 250+ hours of equipment operation time including dozers, graders, scrapers, rollers, loaders, dump trucks and water trucks. They also learned the process of project planning from beginning to end.

"Being in Montana has taught me how a group of individuals, though inexperienced, can accomplish great things through training such as this," said Construction Mechanic Constructionman Tyler Hattenbach, who had the opportunity to spend more time behind the wheel than under the hood during this project.

As the Seabees departed Fort Belknap, they hope to return and continue what they have started. "The impact of what our Seabees accomplished here will be felt for many years to come," said Ensign Alex Liu, Detail Montana officer in charge. "This IRT was an awesome way to give back to the community. I hope Seabees will have the opportunity to come back and continue to make contributions in the future."

## Energy Savings Tip:

Try light-emitting diode (LED) holiday lights this year. LED lights use less energy than incandescent lights. Because of their energy efficiency, LED Christmas lights have minimal effect on electric bills. From an environmental standpoint, this is good news: When less energy is consumed, less carbon dioxide is produced. With over 4,000 hours of life, LED bulbs are hands down more durable than incandescent lights. Although the initial cost of LED bulbs is higher than the cost of incandescent bulbs, consumers won't have to purchase replacement bulbs or light strings nearly as often, because LED lights do not burn out nearly as quickly as incandescent Christmas tree lights.



# 'The Meat & Potatoes of Life'

By Lisa Smith Molinari  
Special Contributor

## The story of the Tell-Tale Tooth

I was nervous, dreadfully nervous.

True, the tooth had haunted me both day and night, but my senses were only sharpened, not destroyed. I was certainly not mad! In fact, my awareness was so acute as to render me excruciatingly sane.

So listen carefully, ye with endodontic woes, and hear the ghoulish story on this All Hallows' Eve . . .

Oh, the nerve of that dreaded tooth! An angry nerve, indeed. I cannot claim credit for the murderous idea; it was my dentist who suggested that I schedule a root canal.

Last Wednesday, I arrived promptly at 9:30 a.m. in the endodontist's waiting room. Like a snake charmer, his Assistant lead me down a narrow passage to an oxblood red vinyl chair in the surgical chamber, scattered with various

metal instruments and machines.

Suddenly, the Doctor appeared at my side like an apparition. Wearing an ominous surgical mask and cap, I could only see his vexing blue eyes . . . which is why I didn't notice the tiny tire iron he was welding in his latex-sheathed hand.

"Let's confirm that Tooth Number Three is our culprit," he said, before wrapping the metal instrument three times against my tender molar like he was chipping ice for his martini. The inflamed pulp shot searing daggers into my battered nerves.

"Ungghh!" I groaned, giving him the confirmation he needed to begin the lethal procedure.

The Doctor administered the first shots of Novocain into my gums with such an angel's touch, I was wholly unprepared for the poisoned pitchfork he thrust



mercilessly into the roof of my mouth.

While the injected anesthetic seeped into my cells, the Assistant - is her back slightly hunched? - scurried around the chamber, preparing me for the wretched task at hand. She lassooed Tooth Number Three with a "rubber dam" that covered the rest of my mouth like a miniature tarp. I feared I might suffocate if the Rubber of the Damned suctioned against my nervously heaving nostrils.

Finally, Assistant Hunchback jammed a doorstop between my back molars to make it impossible for me to scream.

With Tooth Number Three sufficiently numbed, the Doctor extended a monstrous mechanical arm from the wall, lowering the Hubble Space Telescope over my face. With his evil

blue eye peering into the complex series of magnifying lenses, I wondered if I'd be burned alive like a helpless insect on a sidewalk.

As much as it had abused me over the last several weeks, I was not entirely convinced that Tooth Number Three should be sentenced to death. It had served me faithfully since my youth - through braces, fillings, unpopped kernels, Sugar Daddies, pistachio shells, and night grinding. Is it really necessary to strip the thing of its life-giving innards in such a barbaric way?

My eyes darted from Assistant Hunchback to Doctor Evil Eye, trying in vain to communicate my reluctance. But, alas, it was of no use. All I could do was lie back as they committed the dastardly deed, listening to the quickening flamenco melody oozing from the chamber's sound system.

Assistant Hunchback passed Doctor Evil Eye a series of hideous instruments - probes, forceps, clamps, excavators. A switch was flipped, and through the whir and grind of the drill, I could hear the frantic strumming of a rosewood guitar.

A puff of putrid dust rose from my hollowed molar, exposing its inflamed pulp. With the Hubble Space Telescope in my face, I could only smell the odor of household bleach and burnt flesh, and see the glint of metal probes.

The Andulusians stamped their feet to the ricocheting guitar strings, while Doctor Evil Eye reamed bits of meat from the bloody canals. Tooth Number Three would not surrender easily. The clapping dancer whirled to a frenzied crescendo as the Doctor made one last stabbing probe deep into the root. "Ole!" spurted from the speakers just as the last nerve ending was plucked, and the deed was done.

Nevermore will I open a bottle with my molars!

*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](http://www.themeatandpotatoesoflife.com), and she recently co-authored *Stories Around the Table: Laughter, Wisdom, and Strength in Military Life*. Follow Lisa @MolinariWrites."*



### Toys For Tots - Oct. 30 sign up deadline

Military families can apply for the annual Toys For Tots program at the Fleet and Family Support Center (Building 30) until Oct 30. Stop by 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday - Thursday or 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., on Fridays. Applications will be accepted for E6 and below (all others on a case by case basis). Service members or spouses will be asked to show military ID and complete a brief application. For further information, please call 228-871-3000.



# Focus on Education

## Education Notes

### Smooth Moves Workshop

Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) will host a Smooth Moves Workshop Oct. 29, 9 - 11:30 a.m. at FFSC, Building 30. Guest speakers include representatives from Personnel Support Detachment (PSD), Housing and Personal Property. Call 228-871-3000 for more information.

### Thankful for Resiliency

FOCUS (Families Overcoming Under Stress) would like to invite everyone on board NCBC to a Thankful for Resiliency workshop Nov. 4, 4:30 - 6 p.m. This workshop is designed to assist individuals in long distance relationships with problem solving and communication skills in the digital age. Only one person from the relationship needs to attend. RSVP by Nov. 2 at: 228-822-5736 or email: Gulfport@focusproject.org.

### Genealogy for Beginners

Interested in tracing your ancestry? Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) Gulfport is hosting Genealogy for Beginners, Nov. 19, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. The course will be taught by Joyce Griffith and Anne Anderson, both genealogy subject matter experts. Everyone with authorized base access is invited. Sign up by calling FFSC, 228-871-3000.

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

## Local school children stop by Seabee Cinema



Kevin Byrd, Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) School Liaison Officer, talks to students from Lyman Elementary prior to the showing of "Muppets Most Wanted," on board NCBC Gulfport, Oct. 28. The movie was a reward for the students for completing the semester with outstanding grades and behavior. (U.S. Navy photo by Builder Constructionman Elizabeth Mills/Released)

## Halloween Safety Tips

### From NCBC Public Affairs

Halloween is a night of fun for both adults and children. By following a few safety tips you can ensure the night is enjoyed by all.

- ~ Buy or make costumes in light colored material and make sure costumes fit properly
- ~ Add reflective tape to costumes so that motorists can spot children
- ~ Use non-toxic face paints rather than a mask. A mask may obstruct vision or breathing
- ~ Supervise younger children and have older children travel in groups
- ~ Only approach houses that are well-lit
- ~ For older children, draw a map outlining what route they should follow
- ~ Cross the street at corners and crosswalks; never cross between parked cars
- ~ Have children carry a flashlight so they can be seen
- ~ Feed children a nutritious meal before trick or treating so they will not be tempted to eat treats before they are thoroughly inspected. Clear yards of hoses, planters and anything that could be a trip hazard
- ~ Never enter anyone's home or enclosed porch



## Note from NCBC School Liaison Officer regarding Alternate School Districts

Parents: If you live on base and want to take advantage of the law that allows your children to go to an adjacent school district you do not need a district transfer. The key is "live on base." If you live off base you will need a district office transfer form signed by the superintendent. Point of contact for further information is Kevin Byrd, 228-871-2117 or kevin.r.byrd@navy.mil.

# NCBC Helping Hands

**PETER ANDERSON ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL** - Volunteers are needed for the 37th annual Peter Anderson Arts & Crafts Festival in downtown Ocean Springs, Nov. 7 and 8. Volunteers will be placed at information or hospitality booths. Sign up to volunteer at [www.peterandersonfestival.com](http://www.peterandersonfestival.com).

**GULFPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSISSIPPI READING FAIR JUDGE** - A volunteer is needed to judge a district-level Reading Fair at Bayou View Elementary School Dec. 2 at 8 a.m. Judges will determine which projects in each category proceed to the next round of competition. To volunteer, contact [patricia-cooper@gulfportschools.org](mailto:patricia-cooper@gulfportschools.org).

**GULFPORT HARBOR LIGHTS WINTER FESTIVAL** - Volunteers are needed to help the city of Gulfport with their winter festival at Barksdale Pavilion in Jones Park Dec. 10, 11, 17, 18 and 19 between 4 and 9 p.m., with a variety of duties including assisting at the Santa station, cookie decorating, kids workshop, photo booths, train, carousel and horse carriage rides. Please contact [Katie King@kking@gulfport-ms.gov](mailto:Katie.King@kking@gulfport-ms.gov) or Brittany Dyess at [bdyess@gulfport-ms.gov](mailto:bdyess@gulfport-ms.gov) or 228-868-5881 if you are interested in volunteering.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** - Volunteers are needed to load donated groceries into vehicles at the St Vincent de Paul Society D'Iberville office at 10046 Lemoyne Blvd., on Tuesdays, between 5 and 5:30 p.m. To volunteer, call Sandra Babuchna, 228-392-2113.

**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](mailto:Region63@juno.com) or 850-890-6792.

**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.

**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@disability-connection.org](mailto:office@disability-connection.org).

**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.

**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](http://www.usovolunteer.org).

## 2015 Angel Tree Program

Sign up today for the 2015 Angel Tree Program at the Seabee Memorial Chapel.

E-6 and below are eligible. Active Duty only  
Sign up deadline is Nov. 30

Call 228-871-2454 for more information



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# Seabee Memorial Chapel

## What's happening at the chapel?

### Protestant

**Sunday**

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

**Wednesday**

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

### Catholic

**Sunday**

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

**Monday, Tuesday & Friday**

11:15 a.m. - Mass

**Thursday**

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

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

**NCBC Command Chaplain: Lt. Cmdr. Ammie Davis**



**OCT 30-  
NOV 5**



Regular movie showings Thursday- Sunday of every week!  
Showing this weekend: Black Mass; Pan; Hotel Transylvania 2;  
Sicario; Maze Runner: Scorch Trials  
For more information, call the 24-hour  
Movie Hotline at 228-871-3299 for show times.



**ANNUAL  
FRIGHT NIGHT**  
Friday, October 30, 2015  
From 6:00-8:30pm  
at LADD Circle  
Bring the family for a night of FREE Halloween fun!  
Parking on the Grinder

USO, at&t, USAA



**NEW FITNESS HOURS**

M-F 4:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. • SAT & SUN 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.  
All Month – Yoga, PIYO, Functional Fitness, Zumba  
and NOFFS workouts available  
11/6 – Family Yoga Night 5 p.m.  
11/16-20 – Preseason Basketball Tournament  
11/20 – Turkey Trot 5K 6:45 a.m.  
Call the Fitness Center at 228-871-2668 for more  
information.

October 29, 2015

**LAUGHCATCHERS  
COMEDY TOUR**

SATURDAY, NOV. 7 • 7:30 PM

**SEABEE CINEMA**

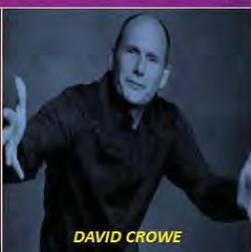
**FREE CHILDCARE\* AVAILABLE AT CDC  
BEGINNING AT 5 PM**

**CALL 228-871-2323 FOR INFO**  
\*Pre-registration required 1 week prior

OPEN TO ALL HANDS. ADULT COMEDY. 18 AND OLDER. ONLY PLEASE.  
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- 10/31 – All Day, Scary Movie Marathon
  - 10/31 – 6 p.m., Guess the Candies in the Jar, Win the candies!
  - 11/1 – 9 a.m., Saints vs. Giants, \$40
  - 11/3 – 6 p.m., Tournament Tuesday: Football Trivia, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Prize
  - 11/4 – 6 p.m., Sign Language Lessons, FREE
- For more information, call  
Liberty @  
228-871-4684

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**MWR Program Telephone Numbers**

Facility Name	Phone	Facility Name	Phone
Anchors and Eagles	871-4607	MWR Admin	871-2538
Auto Skills Center	871-2804	Outdoor Recreation	871-2127
Beehive	871-4009	School Liaison	871-2117
Fitness Center	871-2668	Shields RV Park	871-5435
Aquatics	871-2668	The Grill	871-2494
Child Development	871-2323	Youth Activities	871-2251
Seabee Cinema	871-3299	Liberty Center	871-4684
ITT	871-2231		

To Celebrate Month of the Military Family  
**Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**  
5pm

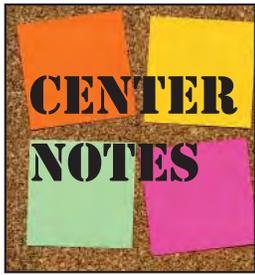
**Family  
Yoga  
Night**

Enjoy 1 Hour of  
**VINYASA Flow (Dance)**  
Yoga for all ages

**FREE!**  
Fitness Center

Prizes raffled off for the whole family:  
Yoga Mat & Backpack w/ Water Bottle

Call 228-871-2668 for more info



**SUPPORT**  
**NMCB 1 Family Readiness Group (FRG)** invites friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the second Monday of every month at the Youth Activities Center, building 335. Meetings are from 6 - 8 p.m. Children are welcome and baby

sitting is provided during deployment.

**NMCB 11 FRG** invites friends and family members to attend FRG meetings the last Monday of every month at 6 p.m. The meetings are held at the Youth Activities Center on board NCBC Gulfport. Children are always 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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 entirely by volunteers, and child care and mileage are reimbursed. Retail hours of operation are Tuesday and Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome. Visit the NMCRS offices at the Fleet and Family Support Center, building 30, suite 103 or call 228-871-2610 to find out how to become a part of the NMCRS volunteer team!

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

**TRAINING**

**Naval Sea Cadets**

The Gulfport branch of the Naval Sea Cadets are recruiting youth ages 11 to 17 for Sea Cadets, a 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](mailto: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 noon at the ECS, building 122 in the second floor conference room. Contact MCDC President, PS2 Handley at [natashia.handley@navy.mil](mailto:natashia.handley@navy.mil) or Vice President, BUCN Miller at [tariqah.miller@navy.mil](mailto:tariqah.miller@navy.mil).

**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 now VFW Auxiliary** - Ladies Auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign Wars 3937 Long Beach, Miss., now invites men to join. The Auxiliary is now the **VFW Auxiliary**. Our organization supports veterans, their families and current service members. We help in VA Hospitals, have voices in Legislation, help promote patriotism in our youth, offer scholarships to youth, teachers, and members. Members must be directly related to a veteran who has served in a foreign war. Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at 213 Klondyke Road, Long Beach, MS Contact Carol Feters, President at 228-832-4893 or email [cfeters@cablone.net](mailto:cfeters@cablone.net) for more information.

**VFW Post 4526 Orange Grove** is open daily from Noon to 10 p.m. and located at 15206 Dedeaux Road, Orange Grove. Meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Call 228-832-0017 for 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 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 happy to welcome new members. You do not have to be retired to be a member. If interested, contact Eugene Cowhick at [eugene.cowhick@navy.mil](mailto:eugene.cowhick@navy.mil) or 228-871-3877. Please join us on the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 5 building, 2600 23rd Ave., Gulfport, for the monthly Island X-1 business meeting and see what we're all about. For more information, visit [www.nsva.org](http://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. Contact them at [www.seabeesmuseumstore.org](http://www.seabeesmuseumstore.org) or call the gift store at 228-871-4779.

**Long Beach Veterans Day Parade and Concert**

The annual Veterans Day Parade and Patriotic Concert organized by the First United Methodist Church of Long Beach will take place Nov. 8 at 1 p.m. The parade down Jeff Davis Avenue will include all branches of the military. Various veterans organizations, service organizations, and area churches highlighting their veterans are invited. Following the parade, a patriotic concert will be held on the Town Green where free refreshments will be served. Area choirs, bands, and soloists that would like to perform are welcome.



It is a great day for everyone to come and show their support for our nation's armed forces and military veterans. Point of contact for more information is Susan Taylor, 228-332-1083.

**Long Beach Middle School to Honor Veterans**

In recognition of our military's service and sacrifice, Long Beach Middle School will honor all local veterans and current or former military members at their 2015 Veterans Day Program Nov. 10 at 9 a.m., inside the school gymnasium. All veterans and military members are welcome to the patriotic Veteran's Day celebration presented by the Student Council. A reception will immediately follow the program. Long Beach Middle school is located at 204 N. Cleveland, Long Beach.



**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](mailto:CNRSE_HOTLINE@navy.mil)

**RED WHITE & BLUE**  
**IN JONES PARK**  
**FOOD  $\pi$  MUSIC  $\mu$  VENDORS**  
**FUN FREE FAMILY FESTIVAL!**  
**Saturday, November 7, 2015 10am - 4pm**  
 Sponsored by the City of Gulfport and Gulf Coast Veterans Parade, Inc.  
 For More Information Contact Laurie Toups at 228-868-3414  
 Gulfport Main Street

# October is Energy Action Month!



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**High heating bills can make any house feel haunted. Get a grip on energy leaks before the big chill!**

# 15th Annual Gulf Coast Veterans Day Parade

**RED WHITE & BLUE in JONES PARK**  
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**Honoring the  
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**NATIONAL GUARD**

**SATURDAY  
November 7, 2015  
Gulfport, MS  
Parade at 11am  
FESTIVAL 10am-4pm**

**COME JOIN US!**

**Antique Military Vehicles, Floats, Military Marching Units,  
Marching Bands, JROTC Groups and all the pomp and  
circumstance!**

This event is **FREE** to the public. Our Veterans have already paid the price!

For more information:

Website: [www.msveteransparade.com](http://www.msveteransparade.com)

FB: [www.facebook.com/veteransday.parade](http://www.facebook.com/veteransday.parade)

Phone: (228) 669-4997

