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## NCBC Gulfport Heritage Center hosted Army & Navy Nuclear Power Unit alumni



### Bottom Line Up Front (BLUF)

#### We're All About The Seabees

At the heart of the Navy Seabee Foundation mission is a promise: we're dedicated to the well-being of the Seabee/CEC Community—and their families. This support spans generations and takes shape in meaningful, tangible ways. From welcoming battalions home with pride to helping to provide an education through scholarships, here's how we stand beside the Seabee/CEC Community.

- Supporting Battalion Homeport Celebrations
- Scholarships to Children and Grandchildren
- Supporting All Seabee Reunions
- Supporting Family Readiness Groups
- Can Do Career Connection
- Annual Foundation Awards
- Supporting Navy STEM Camp
- Recognizing Seabee Centenarians
- And more, all thanks to your support!



Recently, Fort Belvoir Army and Navy Nuclear Power Unit alumni toured Gulfport and stopped by the Heritage Center onboard CBC.



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### NMCB 3 homeport operations

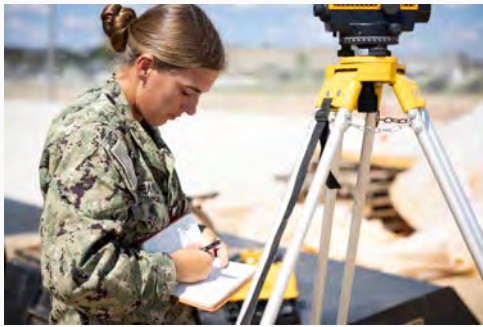
Seabees assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) conduct crew-served weapons training at Fort Hunter Liggett, California. The training enhances combat effectiveness and reinforces the battalion's expeditionary readiness. NMCB-3 is homeported in Port Hueneme, California, and consistently trains on high-quality construction, expeditionary logistics, and combat operations to support the U.S. and partner nations. (U.S. Navy photos by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Austin Ingram)



## NMCB 133 homeport operations

### Concrete Pad

Seabees, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133, prepare for a concrete pad placement on Naval Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport, Mississippi. NMCB 133 is conducting homeport operations as part of Navy Expeditionary Combat Command on Naval Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport during the advanced phase of the force readiness training plan (FRTTP). (U.S. Navy photos by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Andrew Waters)



### Alfa Co Maintenance

Seabees, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 133, conducts wheel hub maintenance on a Mk-28 medium tactical vehicle replacement on Naval Construction Battalion Center, Gulfport, Mississippi. (U.S. Navy photos by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Andrew Waters)



## NCBC Gulfport Holds Ribbon Cutting for Lakeside Barracks

Story by Petty Officer 1st Class Brittney Kinsey  
Naval Construction Battalion Center  
Gulfport

**Seabees assigned to Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC) Gulfport and Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11** participated in a ribbon cutting ceremony to mark completion of the renovation of the Lakeside Naval Support Facility barracks in Pascagoula, Miss., Sept. 29.

Seabees installed more than 34,000 square feet of durable vinyl tiling in barracks spaces for 250 active-duty residents living at Lakeside while assigned to pre-commissioning units at the Huntington Ingalls shipyard in Pascagoula.

"You guys did great work and should be very proud of this job because it makes a difference for the people living here. I think taking pride in the work and doing it well is a good model for why Seabees doing homeport projects like these is so valuable," said NCBC Executive Officer Cmdr. Nigel Morrissey.

Morrissey presented Seabees who completed the project with letters of appreciation and command coins during the event.

"We did a total of six floors, the gym and hallway areas here in the barracks. I'm happy with how the flooring turned out since we don't typically get to do these types of jobs," Project Lead Builder Third Class Avery Conrad explained.

In February 2025, Lakeside barracks received its own Navy Exchange (NEX) Micro Market. The first located in a private shipyard, the self-service market is accessible 24/7, offering food and beverages to unaccompanied Sailors stationed at the adjacent shipyard.

The facility also received \$240,000 in renovations to the fitness center, \$20,000 in enhancements of the multipurpose sports field, and \$15,000 in upgraded recreation and gaming areas within the barracks.

The improvements are a part of the broader effort to prioritize the Navy Quality of Life (QOL) mission to provide essential services that enhance well-being, resilience and retention through housing and support services for Sailors and their families.

Upgrades at Lakeside were spearheaded by Vice Adm. Scott Gray, commander, Navy Installations Command, after a visit to Lakeside where he spoke directly with Sailors to identify and address facility improvement needs.

"The Seabees did a wonderful job. It means a lot to us here at Lakeside when they come in and support our Sailors on

the ships," said Barracks Complex Manager Leigh Ann King. "It's important to make sure Sailors feel like they're at home in the barracks, and they loved it. It really boosted their morale when they saw the finished product."

Commander, Navy Installations Command is responsible for worldwide U.S. Navy shore installation management, designing and developing integrated solutions for sustainment and development of Navy shore infrastructure as well as quality of life programs. CNIC oversees 10 Navy regions, 70 installations, and more than 43,000 employees who sustain the fleet, enable the fighter, and support the family.



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## NMCB 4 deployment operations



**Pacific Partnership 2025 delivers “Grade-A” support!**

Sailors and Seabees assigned to the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Four provided essential repairs to the Aimeliik Elementary School in Aimeliik, Palau, Sept. 29, enhancing the learning environment for the Palau youth!

Pacific Partnership is the largest maritime humanitarian and civic assistance mission conducted in the Indo-Pacific. Each year, the mission team works alongside partners and allies to strengthen relationships, bolster host nation capacity to provide essential humanitarian services, and support efforts to reduce the risk of, prepare for, and respond to disasters.

If you would like to see more engagements from Pacific Partnership 2025, visit our unit page on DVIDS: <https://www.dvidshub.net/unit/C-LGWP>



### Multinational service members help make repairs at Aimeliik Elementary School

Sailors from the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Four repair a fence at Aimeliik Elementary School, in Aimeliik, Palau in support of Pacific Partnership 2025, Sept. 30. Now in its 21st iteration, the Pacific Partnership series is the largest annual multinational humanitarian assistance and disaster management preparedness mission conducted in the Indo-Pacific. Pacific Partnership works collaboratively with host and partner nations to enhance regional interoperability and disaster response capabilities, increased security and stability in the region, and foster new and enduring friendships in the Indo-Pacific. (U.S. Navy photos by Mass Communication Specialist Seamen Elijah Webb)



### NMCB 5 homeport operations



In a great example of how different commands work together to achieve a common goal, the Seabees are building a new fence for the base. This project not only improves the installation's infrastructure but also showcases the unique "We Build, We Fight" mission of the Seabees in a homeport environment.



## SEABEE OF THE MONTH

Highlighting an Incredible Sailor

BU2 Ortiz, from DET San Jose, stands out for his leadership, reliability, and commitment to his fellow Seabees. With over eight years of service, he continues to strengthen unit readiness through mentorship and initiative while serving as SCWS Coordinator, Safety Rep, ELD Rep, PAO and Squad Leader. Driven by a desire to take on something different and build lasting connections, he approaches every task with purpose and pride that inspires those around him.

Balancing his Navy duties with full-time studies at San Jose State University, BU2 exemplifies what it means to build in every aspect of life. Whether guiding Sailors through qualifications or preparing future students in the classroom, he carries the 'Can Do' spirit wherever he goes. His dedication to growth, service, and teamwork reflects the best of what it means to be a Seabee steadfast, humble, and ready to lead.

Bravo Zulu, BU2 Ortiz

BU2 Ortiz  
Jeremiah



October, 2025



## NCB 18

Throughout this training cycle, BU2 has been a cornerstone of readiness and development within his detachment. His leadership in training, evaluation support, and event coordination has strengthened both individual Sailors and the overall effectiveness of the unit. Whether leading by example in qualification efforts or ensuring the safety and organization of key battalion events, his reliability and initiative consistently raise the standard.

Beyond his Navy responsibilities, BU2 demonstrates the balance and discipline that define a modern reservist. While managing his duties within the battalion, he's also pursuing a Bachelor's in Social Science Teacher Preparation at San Jose State University and advancing his professional qualifications. His ability to excel in service, work, and academics embodies what it means to lead with purpose and perseverance.

Congratulations to BU2 Ortiz. Your dedication to both mission and mentorship continues to strengthen the foundation of NCB-18.

### NSU State Department operations and more

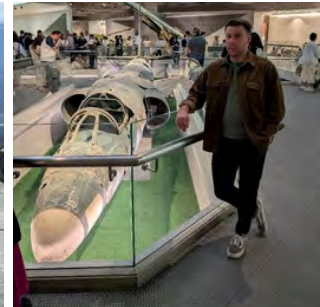
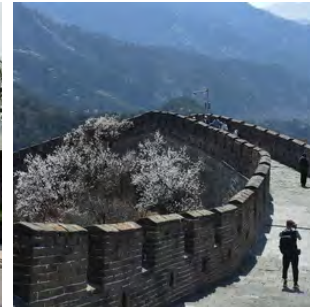


9/11 (additional coverage)

The 9/11 Stair Climb Challenge was held last month across NSU, sponsored by the POA. The goal of this event was to remember and reflect on the sacrifices made following the attack on the World Trade Center. Seabees from Vienna, Beijing, as well as Montevideo all participated and explained this was a humbling and challenging event. We are grateful for all that came out to support and remember that fateful day. Vienna, Austria.Beijing, China. Montevideo, Uruguay. Photos: CE2 Bond, EO1 Merriman, and BU1 Garcia.

### Beijing, China

Liberty Call: Our Seabees EA1 Ferguson, UT2 Kimpel, CE2 Lee at US Embassy Beijing along with their TDY crew experienced a great liberty call this past quarter! Exploring history, culture, and everything in between. A reminder of why we serve and what's out there to see. Photos: EA1 Ferguson, UT2 Kimpel, CE2 Lee.



### Astana, Kazakhstan

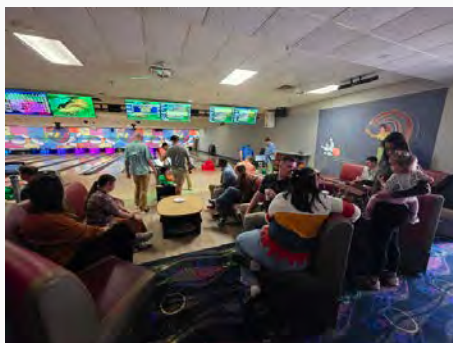
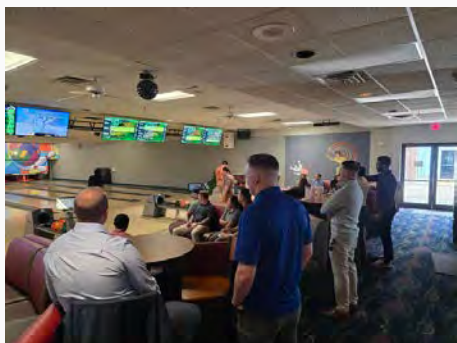
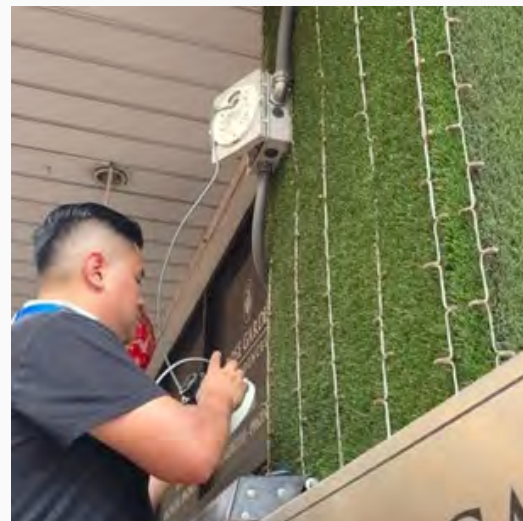
When every second counts, preparation matters. CM2 Kielty and his fellow STS Chandler got some action shots while participating in an Embassy-wide "Broken Apple" earthquake emergency response drill while posted at Astana, Kazakhstan. As part of the Medical Emergency Response Team (M.E.R.T.), they delivered first aid and rushed patients to triage for advanced care by the Embassy Medical Unit. Solid training CM2! Photos: CM2 Kielty, SCA Region PAO.



## NSU State Department operations and more

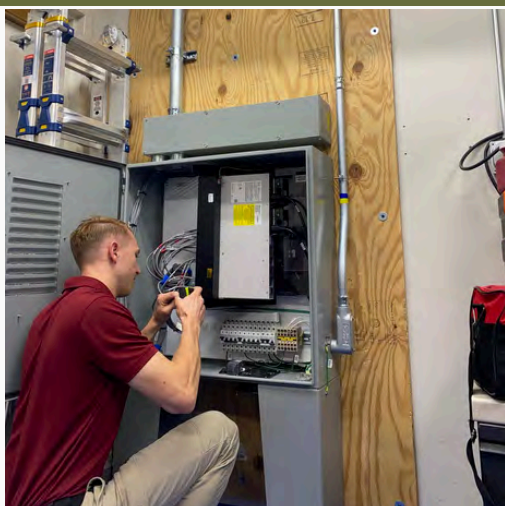
### Hanoi, Vietnam

Security just got a massive boost! EA1 Vilca is shown doing the installation of 40 new HD cameras for Hanoi, Vietnam's offsite post. This has been the largest post led HDSVS camera upgrade to date! That sounds like some serious bragging rights. Way to go EA1 and keep up the good work! Photos: EO1 Lofink, EAP Region PAO.



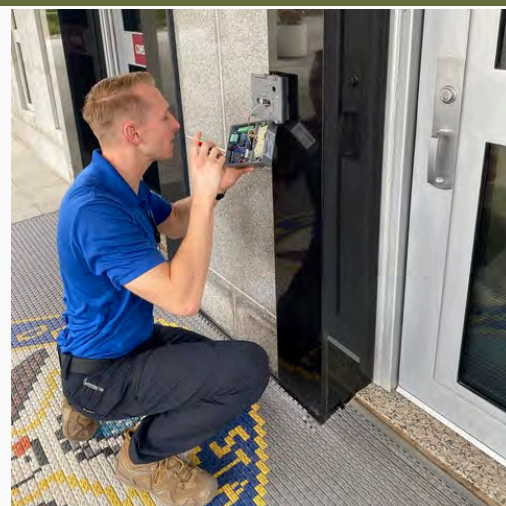
### Washington, DC

Strikes, smiles, and new beginnings! Huge shoutout to the CPOA and POA for sponsoring a fantastic command bowling social to welcome Class 26-01 and their families! NSU TDY Pool as well as HQ staff came to support a great evening of building connections and marking the start of Class 26-01's training pipeline. Photos: SW1 Ramos.



### La Paz, Bolivia

That's a wrap, final connection made! CM1 Cruickshank installs the final connection to all new access control systems at U.S. Embassy La Paz, as well as troubleshoot some HDSVS cameras. "Why is this offline?"- the eternal question, but our Seabees have answers. Excellent job out there CM1! Photos: CM1 Cruickshank, WHA Region PAO.



## NSU State Department operations and more



### Peshawar, Pakistan

Gear checked, systems cleared, and all green lights. BUI Meyering wrapped up with a thorough inspection of his SIC room while in Peshawar, Pakistan to ensure everything is squared away. Plus some camera issues to attend to in the RIC boxes, but its just another Tuesday morning. Photos: CM2 Kielty, SCA Region PAO.



### Algiers, Algeria

Exploring local culture, one bite at a time! From left to right: EOC Johnson, CE1 Dixon, CM1Dinello, HMI Brittany Tucker, and STS McDonald enjoying some of the local culture during a site visit to Algiers, Algeria. Complete with a full traditional Algerian meal. Rechta (noodles + chicken in sauce), fresh salad, water & soda, followed by sweet tea and pastries. The perfect way to wrap up the evening! Thanks CE1 Dixon for making us hungry! Keep up the good work! Photos: CE1 Dixon, NEA Region PAO.

## ...Always a Seabee!



### NW Pennsylvania

Once again, a week ago last Saturday, our gang gathered for our monthly breakfast Swarm here in NW Pennsylvania (Corry, Pa).. I was absent with other commitments but that didn't stop the hardcore from showing up... Thanks Laura for taking care of it... we even had one newbie... welcome aboard Michael St. John. And I think there may be another one (at least one) next month... so I hear!

Again this year we have One of our supporters hand crafting Christmas Tree Balls with the Seabee Logo... They are \$10 each, plus shipping (I'll have to work that cost up), or pick them up at our December Swarm (Dec. 6th)... message me and we will figure it out. See photo below and... Can Do It Fast, so you won't be left out.

Next swarm comes up on Sat. November 1st... mark the calendar NOW!! All's well here and a beautiful end of Fall with most of the weather going around us... don't know how that happened... not normal. See you next month... Echo Alpha Two Charley Whiskey... OUT!!!

### ...Always a Seabee!

#### SW Idaho

Small but mighty, the Greater Southwest Idaho Seabee Swarm met at Nathan's this morning. Great food, even better comradery. R-L Bill Sutherland, Steve Moore, Dale Prouty, Vince Amoguis, Craig Rush. Not pictured, Donn Murray.



#### Baton Rouge, LA

It was great having our Seabee family together for our Swarm luncheon. It was good to see everyone. We all thank Chief for lunch! L to R: CEC Pat Houdges, BU3 Ralph King, YN3 James Dietz, HoneyBee Sandy Dietz, HoneyBee Tammy Marcel, EO Donald Marcel and PrincessBee Gabriel Marcel.

#### South Central Pennsylvania

October 11th, 2025, South Central PA Seabee Swarm held at Hoss's in Chambersburg, Pa. Left to right Dan Herrick, Jerry Wolfe, Marvin Peck, JohnErica Rearich, John Byrne, Conor McVey, Mike Sage, John Grubic, Elwood Carpenter, Och Ochoa, Jim Hershey, Larry Kunkle, Loran Martzall. Special mention to Conor McVey as he leaves the Honors Detail and heads to Port Hueneme for CM A School then to NMCB-1. Good luck and keep in contact Conor.



The Garage  
25 OCT 25

- 1. Dave Haines NMCB 3, 4, 5, PCS/BU421
- 2. VERN STURN CBU201-VIETNAM
- 3. Dave FRETWING NMCB-1, NAVAIR NAVAL AIR JAV
- 4. Jack Evans NMCB 1 Saigon, Naval Air Station Sea, NAVAIR M. O. W. H. E. H. Condo, AUST. NAVAIR SEA NICKELSON
- 5. David Kroes NMCB-1, 5, 3, CEC
- 6. Mark Housmyer NMCB-3-133 CB/AB
- 7. Shawn Huston 40, 407, 5, 48, 15503, NAVAIR NAVAL
- 8. Andrea WEAVER NMCB-1 NMCB 7-223
- 9. Kelly Stoddard NMCB/PW
- 10. Jim Kelly LAWRENCE NMCB-3, NMCB-74, PEB-1
- 11. Ryan J. JOHNSON MANAGER NMCB-1 (BOYS)
- 12. Zach Swisher NMCB 34, KING, NAVAIR NAVAL
- 13. Bill Stewart NMCB-22+
- 14. Doug Beard NMCB 5, Seabee Williams, CB/421, AMAN, PEB
- 15. Terry King 30NCR, MARY, PEB, CB/421
- 16. Doug Benoit Stewart King/421

#### Pacific Northwest

An amazing breakfast with this group of Seabees! Always a good time with my other family and refreshing for the soul! If you're interested in attending one of our events, please check the events section of the PNW Seabees Can Do Facebook page.

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**01 November 1945:** In the immediate period after World War II, several naval activities were transferred to, or established at Port Hueneme, CA. The Advance Base Proving Grounds at Davisville, RI was disestablished and the operations, men, and equipment were transferred to Port Hueneme, later known as the Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory.

**01 November 1965:** The first units of 300 Seabee-built homes at the U.S. Naval Station Rota, Spain were opened to occupancy through a joint effort of NMCB 4, 7, 8. Construction commenced on the housing project in July 1964.

**01 November 1967:** "Ghost Battalion" disestablished in RVN. Commander Foley returned and resumed commander of NMCB 3.

**01 November 2012:** NMCB 25 who was deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) concluded battalion operations, officially ending Naval Construction Force (NCF) operations after 13 years of service in the theater in Afghanistan with the casing of its colors in a ceremony at New Kabul Compound, Afghanistan.

**02 November 1942:** The offices of Director Atlantic Division and Director Pacific Division, Bureau of Yards and Docks were established with the Director given authority to act for the Chief of the Bureau.

**02 November 2005:** Seabees assigned to NMCB 74 and a Pakistani engineering company worked together to clear debris caused by the earthquake in Muzaffarabad, Pakistan. The United States was participating in a multi-national assistance and support effort led by the Pakistani Government to bring aid to the victims of the devastating earthquake that struck the region on 8 October 2005.

**03 November 1942:** 36th NCB arrives at Camp Peary, Magruder, VA, the first Seabee unit to train at the camp.

**07 November 1971:** Seabees of NMCB 4 arrived at their homeport of Port Hueneme. This was the last full battalion to depart from the Republic of Vietnam. Their departure marked the end of a significant chapter in the Seabee effort in Vietnam. An effort which began at Chu Lai in 1965 and resulted in the construction of approximately \$200 million worth of facilities in support of U.S. forces.

**08 November 1942:** The Seabees encountered their first combat in the European Theater of Operations when they landed with the assault forces on the beaches of North Africa. The Seabees built facilities at Oran, Casablanca, Safi, and Fedala. Later, as the American Army moved across Africa toward Tunisia and the final showdown with the Germans, the Seabees built staging and training areas along the coast as far as Arzeu. On the west coast of Africa, the Seabees built a huge Naval Air Station in Port Lyautey, Morocco and supplementary air and supply bases at Agadir and Casablanca. Through these later ports poured materials, men, and equipment needed for the coming invasion of Sicily and the Italian mainland.

**12 November 1969:** UCT 1 was established in the 21st NCR as a unit to conduct training and to perform construction, as required, to support Navy underwater projects.

**14 November 2003:** Presidential Unit Citation awarded to those Seabees deployed in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM under the First Marine Expeditionary Force Engineer Group (I MEG). These included the 30th NCR, NMCB 5, NMCB 74, NMCB 133, NMCB 4, Naval Construction Force Support Unit 2, UCT 2 Air Detachment, the 22nd NCR, I MEG Command Element, NMCB 7, NMCB 15 Air Detachment, NMCB 21 Air Detachment, NMCB 25 Air Detachment, and CBMU 303 Detachment.

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**16 November 2004:** Three Seabees from NMCB 4 received Purple Hearts during a ceremony at Naval Construction Battalion Center Port Hueneme, Calif. Commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command and Chief of Civil Engineers RADM Michael K. Loose presented the medals to Master Chief Constructionman Martin Yingling, Chief Equipment Operator Darren Williams and Steelworker 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Justin Sasser. The three had been injured in a rocket attack Sept. 4 while working in Camp Fallujah, Iraq. Steelworker 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Eric Knott, who was killed during the same attack, was posthumously awarded the Purple Heart in September.

**17 November 1969:** Because of curtailment of Department of Defense operating funds and completion of major construction tasks in Southeast Asia, seven NMCBs were slated for retirement by the end of 1969. On this date, the first four battalions were disestablished: NMCB 9 at Port Hueneme, CA; NMCB 128 at Gulfport, MS; and NMCB 6 and NMCB 58 at Davisville, RI. In December 1969, NMCB 8, 11, and 53 were disestablished.

**19 November 2004:** Reserve Seabees assigned to NMCB 23, poured concrete as they work to complete an extensive repair job which included making permanent repairs to 39 swimming pool-size impact craters on different sections of the Al Asad, Iraq airfield runways. The craters, a result of bombing during the 2003 invasion of Iraq, have left the airfield inoperable for more than a year.

**20-28 November 1943:** During World War II, the island campaign of the Central Pacific began in November 1943. Tarawa, Makin, and Apamama in the Gilbert Islands fell between November 20-28. The toughest objective was the fortress of Betio, main island of the Tarawa Atoll. A savage air and naval bombardment razed the above-ground defenses, but the well dug in Japanese defenders took a toll of nearly 1,000 American dead in one of the costliest island seizures of the Pacific War. D-Day plus 4 saw the first echelons of the 74th and 98th NCBs come ashore at Tarawa. The big problem was cleaning up ravaged Betio Island. As a base, it has been wrecked. Ruins, decaying food dumps, thousands of dead from both sides, and chaos met the occupiers. The Seabees had to clear and grade virtually every square foot of the island. The Seabees put Tarawa's Japanese airstrip in use less than a day after landing. Keeping it in continuous operation, they resurfaced and lengthened the runway to 6,000 feet. In addition, they erected a fuel farm and housing facilities, and inventive Seabees used Japanese materials to rebuild Tarawa's principal dock.

**20 November 1956:** The Seabees had long been used to working tropical jungles and even in the extreme cold of Alaska, but Operation Deepfreeze took them to the coldest and most desolate area on earth. On November 20, 1956 eight Seabees and eleven dogs were landed by plane near the geographical South Pole to begin on the construction of South Pole Station, the first permanent camp at the South Pole. Thanks to the Seabees, Antarctica was later able to boast snow-compacted roads and runways, underground storage and comfortable living areas.

**21 November 1965:** During ceremonies, NMCB 9 named its camp in honor of Restituto P. Adenir, SD3, who was the first member of NMCB 9 to be killed in Vietnam (on 28 October 1965).

**22 November 1960:** In the summer of 1960, an unusual rainfall caused Lake Miragoane, near Mira, Haiti, to rise and virtually isolate the southern tip of Haiti. Haitian Army Engineers called on the United States to help. A Seabee detachment from ACB 2 was sent to the area. There the detachment constructed a bridge and improved six miles of road leading to it. On November 22, 1960, the bridge and road were dedicated. The dedication ceremonies were attended by the United States Ambassador to Haiti and numerous Haitian government officials.

**23 November 2009:** Steelworker 1st Class David J. Brown, NMCB 22, Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Robert Riley and Steelworker Constructionman Aaron Thompson, both assigned to ACB 1, were on Forward Operating Base Wilson in Afghanistan when five mortar rounds struck within a 15-minute period. In addition to being hit, the Seabees responded to other wounded Soldiers in the vicinity. Purple Heart medals were awarded to the Seabees during ceremonies in March 2010.

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# Nonprofit in the Spotlight

*In supporting Seabees, our “Non-Profit in the Spotlight” page highlights additional resources available for Bees.*

It is our goal to share as much information as we can for nonprofit organizations that support military and their families. If you are part of a nonprofit or have experience with a nonprofit that you have found helpful, we would like to share it with our fellow Seabees, please send us an email at [info@seabee.org](mailto:info@seabee.org).



## Our Mission

The National Military Family Association (NMFA) is the leading 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to serving all military families. Since 1969, NMFA has worked with families to identify and solve the unique challenges of military life.

## The Unique Challenges of Military Life

For decades, we've heard from service members and their families facing challenges unlike their civilian counterparts. Our brave military members take on a job that not many would, facing the possibilities of physical injuries that may never heal, or invisible injuries that may take years to overcome.

Their loved ones take on the sacrifices of service, sometimes alone, and in many cases, without access to the same support and resources as their hero.

## Many military families face:

- Food insecurity
- Trouble acquiring affordable and accessible child care
- Military spouse unemployment and underemployment
- Reported low well-being among military teens and young adults

## State of the Military Family® Programs + Advocacy

We stand up programs, like Operation Purple® to help families and children connect, learn resiliency, and find community. Our Military Spouse Scholarship Program helps create financially stable families by awarding spouses with funding to complete their education, find meaningful careers, and even expand entrepreneurial endeavors that contribute to their family's income.

Since the Vietnam War, NMFA has been the leading voice of military families—spouses, children, siblings, and parents. Our legacy, which started as a few military spouses determined to make sure their widowed friends were not forgotten, now continues into its fifth decade with our mission holistically focused on the entire family's well-being during every part of the military service cycle and beyond.

For more information on how to support or receive these services, please visit:

<https://www.militaryfamily.org/>

# REUNIONS & EVENTS

"If you never did, you should. These are fun and fun is good." -Dr. Seuss

## NOVEMBER 2025

- 5-11 MCB 5 Reunion  
November 5-11 - Branson, MO  
<https://www.mcb5veterans.com>
- 11 Veteran's Day Wreath Laying  
at the Seabee Memorial  
November 11 - Arlington, VA
- 14 2025 Hampton Roads  
Seabee Ball Golf Tournament  
Friday, November 14 - Norfolk, VA
- 14 2025 Hampton Roads  
Seabee Ball Golf Tournament  
Friday, November 14 - Norfolk, VA
- 3rd Annual Gulfport  
Seabee Ball Golf Tournament  
Friday, November 14 - Pass Christian, MS
- Military Appreciation Dinner -  
Salute to Seabees  
Friday, November 14 - Camarillo, CA

## DECEMBER 2025

- 5 San Diego Seabee Ball Tri-  
Tournament Golf  
Friday, December 5 - San Diego, CA
- 12 84th Seabee Ball Fall Golf  
Tournament Jacksonville  
Friday, December 12 - Jacksonville, FL

## JANUARY 2026

- 1 Navy Seabee Foundation  
Scholarship Application Opens  
<https://www.seabee.org/scholarships/application/>

## FEBRUARY 2026

- 6 San Diego Seabee Ball Tri-  
Tournament Golf  
Friday, February 6 - San Diego, CA
- 27 San Diego Seabee Ball  
Friday, February 27
- 28 Ventura Seabee Ball  
Saturday, February 28

## MARCH 2026

- 2 159th Civil Engineer Corps Birthday  
Monday, March 2
- 5 84th Seabee Birthday  
Wednesday, March 5

*Send us information about your  
2026 Seabee Birthday events and  
we will add it to our online list of  
events and add it to the Bee News.*

## APRIL 2026

- 15 Navy Seabee Foundation  
Scholarship Application  
Deadline  
Wednesday, April 15
- 29 **2026 Gulf Coast Seabee  
Golf Tournament**  
Wednesday, April 29 - The Club at Diamondhead, MS  
Register at [www.seabee.org](http://www.seabee.org)

## MAY 2026

- 1 2026 NMCB 74 Desert Storm  
Desert Shield Reunion  
Friday, May 1 - Long Beach, MS

## JUNE 2026

- 8 **2026 DC Seabee Golf  
Tournament**  
Monday, June 8 - Westfields Golf Club, Clifton, VA  
Register at [www.seabee.org](http://www.seabee.org)

## AUGUST 2026

- 10 **2026 San Diego Seabee  
Golf Tournament**  
Monday, August 10 - Westfields Golf Club, Clifton, VA  
Register at [www.seabee.org](http://www.seabee.org)

## OCTOBER 2026

- 8 **2026 Virginia Beach Seabee  
Golf Tournament**  
Thursday, October 8 - Virginia Beach National  
Golf Club, VA - Register at [www.seabee.org](http://www.seabee.org)

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Submit Your Event! Reach out to the  
Navy Seabee Foundation at  
[info@seabee.org](mailto:info@seabee.org) to add your event.



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The mission of the Navy Seabee Foundation is to preserve and protect the history and legacy of the U.S. Navy Seabees and the U.S. Navy Civil Engineer Corps. Purchasing from our shop or buying a brick helps us further our mission.




**Navy Seabee Foundation Seabee Store**

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**Seabee Memorial Bricks in Gulfport/Port Hueneme**

Honor a Seabee family member or friend in your life by purchasing a brick in Gulfport or Ft. Hueneme.



**Navy Seabee Foundation Redbubble Shop**

You can purchase Seabee stickers, Navy Seabee Foundation stickers and other products.

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Davisville Museum Seabee Store

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Stay tuned for the next print edition of the Bee News for coverage on our recent Seabee Celebration in the Pacific Northwest and a summary of OktoBEEfest events

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Want to see the impact of your support in real-time? Follow the Navy Seabee Foundation on social media to stay up to date on inspiring stories, historical highlights, scholarship spotlights, upcoming events, and opportunities to get involved. Our social media channels are a daily celebration of the Seabee spirit—from honoring our veterans to sharing the achievements of today’s Seabee families.

You can find us on Facebook at: [facebook.com/NavySeabeeFoundation](https://facebook.com/NavySeabeeFoundation),

Instagram at: [@navyseabeefoundation](https://@navyseabeefoundation), and

LinkedIn at: [linkedin.com/company/seabeefoundation](https://linkedin.com/company/seabeefoundation).

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Check Out these Online Auction Items...



**Seabee Quilt!**



**Seabee Art!**

[birdease.com/29958/auction](https://birdease.com/29958/auction)

# NAVY SEABEE FOUNDATION



Bidding Closes 12/1/25

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## Donate Online

One-time or reoccurring gifts can be made at

[www.seabee.org](http://www.seabee.org)



## PayPal Giving

Scan the code with your smart phone to donate to Navy Seabee Foundation with PayPal.



## Text to Give

Text "Seabee" to 44321 to donate from your phone

## Venmo Donation

Scan the code with your smart phone to donate to @NavySeabeeFoundation with Venmo.

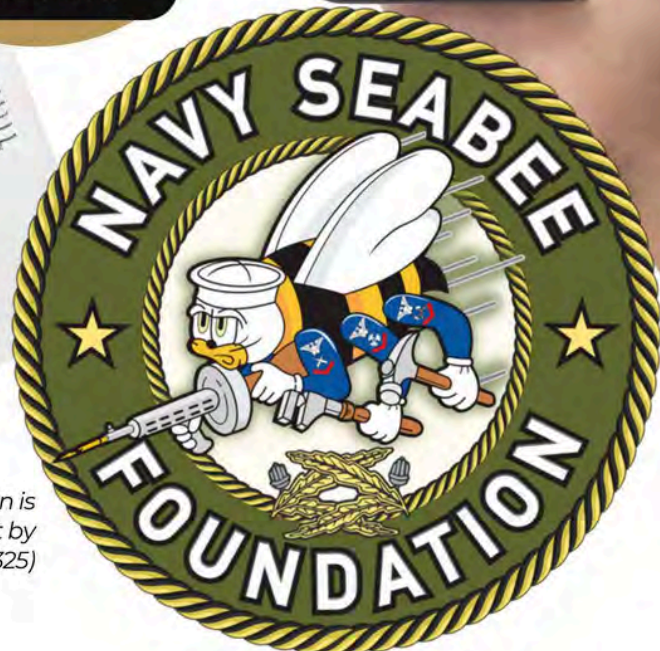


## Donate by Mail

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