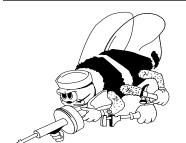
### MCB 2 Reunion Association

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## Seabees

A Newsletter for Former US Naval

#### Mobile Construction Battalion 2 Personnel

and host to CBD 1802, CBD 1804, CBMU 1, CBMU 101 and CBMU 577



# Happy Thanksgiving!



#### The Reunion Service is Preparing Our Itinerary and Reservation Form

Our next Newsletter will be published after the New Year and is expected to have the reservation form in it. The good news is that the State of Texas has recognized us as a non-profit corporation and our members will not be required to pay room tax for our rooms, which is about \$15 per day! Quite a savings. So, when you receive the reservation form, be sure to return it as soon as possible to assure you a room. Don't be left out!

#### Darla Budworth is Working With the Reunion Service Planning Our Tour Schedule

Darla has contacted the Armed Forces Reunion Service in planning the tours while we are in San Antonio. There are some exciting tours and events that are being considered and all we need is time to fit them all in our busy schedule! As soon as the reservation forms are available we will send them in the Newsletter. All plans for an exciting and entertaining reunion are being made as this is being written and will be published in the next Newsletter.

#### Cruise Book Update

The original publisher could not deliver the books at the proposed estimated cost. As a result, I have contacted another publisher that is currently trying to give us a quality book at a reasonable cost. It will be a photocopied product which is not as good as the first publisher had proposed, but the new publisher said this will keep the cost down and they will show me a trial copy. I will keep you posted and as soon as they are available, they will be sent.

Scott Williams

#### From Our Chairman:

It is all coming together on schedule and our reunion plans are being completed as this Newsletter is published. It is planned that our next Newsletter will have a Reservation Form with all of the scheduled tours, meetings and banquet dinner listed. The tours that Darla and AFRI are planning are outstanding and will bring lots of memories to all of the great time we had in San Antonio. Be sure to make your reservations early as last time in Charleston many were disappointed when the hotel could not accommodate all who came and had to take reservations at another hotel nearby. We expect to have a large turnout in San Antonio and have reserved a large block of rooms, so don't get left out and I'll see you there. Pete Elliott

#### Headlines

Never Withhold Herpes Infection From Loved One Police Begin Campaign To Run Down Jaywalkers Farmer Bill Dies In House If Strike Isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last A While Miners Refuse To Work After Death

Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead

## Seabees

#### Nov. – Feb. Dates to Remember

Nov. 8, 1942	Seabee land in North Africa.
Nov. 11	veteran's Day
Dec. 7, 1941	Pearl Harbor attacked.
Dec. 10, 1941	Guam falls
Dec. 23, 1941	Wake Island falls
Dec. 31, 1947	Seabee Reserve estab- lished
Jan. 5, 1942	Bureau of Naval Personnel authorizes formation of Construction Battalions
Jan. 27, 1942	Bobcat detachment sent to Bora Bora, Soci- ety Islands, first Navy construction unit sent to overseas duty.
Feb. 1, 1944	Seabees land with 4th Marine Division on Kwajalein
Feb. 19, 1945	Seabees land with 5th Marine Division, Iwo Jima.



#### Notes from our

From Bill Wisnowski: I keep intending to send my dues but keep forgetting... Old age, I guess. [thanks, Bill. You're on the Good Guy list now.] Please keep me informed about San Antonio. If there is any way I can, I am going to try and make that one. [great! And bring Sherry, too.]..... from Pat Badgett: Enclosed is a check for a roster. [thanks.... It is on the way.] I hope you have the names broken down by units as I would like to have just the CBMU 1/101 Seabees. [The names are broken down by unit but they are all together on one big list.].... from **Art Leable**: I'm sending along some dues [thanks, **Art**] and did you ever find a **John Schneider** from Bloomington, Illinois who was with us on Midway? [no, but we have a Millard Schneider who lives in Lake Villa, but no phone number.] And to **Ray Nethercott**, yes, Ray, I was with you on Midway..... from Jack Schrader: I see my name is no longer on the Good Guy list, so evidently my dues need to be brought up-to-date. Enclosed is a check to bring everything up-to-date and some extra for miscellaneous. [thanks] I would like to commend everybody involved for the efforts and labors they spent setting up this last reunion which I think was a big success, excluding the prime rib dinner. [thanks for that. A lot of work went into it and AFR did a great job for us.] My wife was doing some house cleaning and happened upon a farewell menu for the men of MCB 2 when we were about to arrive at Subic bay in June 1952. I don't know if anyone else would be interested in seeing it, but it brought back some memories to me. [see page 15] I'm looking forward to San Antonio..... from **Tom Ryan**: I was never in MCB 2 but I knew some



people that were. [but you were in CBD 1804 and CBMU 1 and that's what it takes to be a part of the reunion association.] I'm very glad to get the Newsletter and sorry about the late dues.

[OK, and thanks] I was also in MCB 6, 8, 11 and ACB 2..... from **Bill Sharp**: Sorry to be late with the dues. Thought I was paid up. [thanks, Bill. You're paid up now] I served with MCB 2 from March 1952 to July 1955. I was with Detachment 'A' to Sangley Point and helped build housing there. I was in tent #46 at Subic in 1952 with Bolton, Schreiner, Heard, S. Herstrom, etc. I am now retired after 35 years in banking and love it. I missed the last reunion but loved the Las Vegas reunion. Enclosed are my dues [thanks]. See you at the next reunion..... from Chuck Coughlin: I heard from Ed Bissen in Florida about MCB 2 Association. I didn't know there was one. He gave my name and address to someone, so now I get the Newsletter. [better tell **Ed** to pay his dues, **Chuck**!] I enjoy it and remember some of the guys in the pictures. I'm sending my dues and keep up the good work. [thanks]..... received dues from William Tracy, James Tvede, Albert Glenn, Richard Farbo, Millard Schneider, Ken Stoutland, Jerry Wilkening, Theodore Devit, Rev. Raymond Beaulieu, Al Erb, Wayne Rewey, Willis Gallagher, and Benjamin Balog [thanks, guys]...... from **Robert Coley**: Please send me an up-to-date roster of all members and enclosed is a check for my dues [thanks, and the roster is on the way]. Thanks for all the good work you are doing..... from **Chuck Kangas**: Enclosed is my check for dues. I really enjoy the Newsletter. I have recently retired and plan on making the San Antonio reunion [great!].... from Dave (Darla) Budworth: Please send a new membership roster [on the way]..... from **Arnold Daisy**: Enclosed is my check for one Atsugi cruise book and an up-to-date membership roster [thanks]..... from **Cameron Lee**: Enclosed is my check for my MCB 2 dues and a roster [thanks]. I guess the records show that I

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was called to active duty in August 1951 and directed to report for temporary duty to the C.O. of MCB 2 in connection with the establishment of CBD 1804 and for

duty as officer-in-charge of CBD 1804. Several officers and about 100 men were ordered to K-3 Korea from MCB 2 in support of the First Marine Air Wing. Later, about 150 officers and men came to Korea from California. I stayed in Korea about 14 months and was relieved by Cdr. Harry C. Wills, CEC, USN. On July 1, 1952, CBD 1804 was changed to CBMU 1. I completed my two year obligation in the Navy in August 1953, doing 10 months state-side duty before being discharged back to civilian life. Keep up the good work an the MCB 2 Reunion Association. [thanks.... I'll try]...... from Mike (Connie) Del Busso: Here are the dues for my husband [thanks]. He says he was a BU2. He is a good guy and we hope now he can be one of your good guys, too [thanks.... And he is on the Good Guy list, too.] I don't have too much info on his Navy days so, if you need some, please contact him..... from **Jim Sichel**: My name was left off the July 2000 Good Guy list. I sent a check last January and my name appeared on the last Good Guy list. I thought I was paid up until the end of 2000. [you were..... I was just checking to see if you were paying attention! Really, tho', I mistakenly left your name off the GG list but it was correct on the roster. Thanks for the note.] I'm sending my membership dues for 2001. [thanks.].... from Vance Adams: Thanks for the Newsletter. Enclosed are my dues so I can be a Good Guy too. [you are, for sure!] I went to Boot in San Diego in July 1950. Port Hueneme to MCB 3 and up to Amchitka for a short stay and back to Hueneme to MCB 2, but was drafted to CBD 1804 and the unit went to K-3, Korea. We became CBMU-1. After my 12 months tour there, I went to ACB-1 on Coronado Island. A few months later we went to Japan, then to Korea and guess where.....about a mile down the beach from K-3. I left there for the States in September 1953



and discharge. Keep up the good work and thanks again.... ... from **Norman Stentz**: Please find enclosed a check for my Seabee dues [thanks]. I will send some pictures at a later

date. [great! We can always use pictures.]..... from Al Ulman: Please find my dues plus a little something extra to keep the ball rolling [thank you!]. Can Do! I'm sending you a package of various items which I'm sure you will find interesting plus some photos [see pgs 16 & 20] ..... from **Cecil Price (Arky)**: I've never been called a good guy before. I like it. Hope this helps keep me that way [it sure does.... for a long time. Thanks]. I may be through Vegas in September but not sure yet. I do for sure have plans for San Antonio..... from **Richard Swallow**: I noticed in the July 2000 Newsletter that Larry Meachem of Joplin, MO, has not contacted you [no, sure hasn't] I met Larry last year and he told me that he served in the Navy operating an LST that ferried personnel to Yo Do during the Korean War. I assume that you are aware of the Navy Combat Action ribbon. [yes. See pg. 9]..... from **John Fletcher**: Just a note of interest to let you know that when we stayed at our national convention, NSVA, we stayed tax free. [I have checked on this and have had a response back from the Texas Dep't. of Taxation. See the article in this issue.] It isn't a whole lot, but every little bit helps..... from Lydgie **Keprta**: Sorry I'm late with my dues. [ahhh, but they're here now. Thanks.]..... from Leslie **Keller**: I am surprised not to see my name on the good guy list. Time sure does fly! [especially when you are having fun.] Marge and I have not made up our mind on San Antonio as yet. I need to talk to my old crewmate **Holly Hollingsworth** to find out his plans. This check should put me in good standing [sure does and thanks].... from **Ballard Credeur**: I enlisted in the Navy in 1948 and went through boot camp in San Diego. I went to Driver's School in Port Hueneme then went on to Guam. I spent two years on the island with the 103rd

NCB then later became CBD 1804. After two

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years, I went back home on leave to Opelousas, LA, got married and then went back to California. From there I was sent to Korea for the remainder of my time. I

miss the old guys. I do not know any of the names of the guys in the Newsletter, maybe later. Please keep up the good job you are doing. I may see you at the next reunion. Enclosed is a check for my dues. [thanks] I hope it helps. [yes, it sure does.] Some of the guys I was with in Korea were Case, Coursey, Coffey, Campbell, Chitty, Hawkins, Holly, Johnson.... from William Irvine: Please send a Cubi Point book..... from Rik Shafer: I've recently had some communication with **Chuck Chapman**. I served with him at Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent River, MD, around 1964, but oddly we never discovered at that time that we were shipmates from the early 50s. Similarly, I see the name Al Hisey on the good guy list. That must be the same Al Hisey who I served with when he was a Warrant Officer in NMCB 128 around 1968. When I get the updated roster I will explore the connection. Keep up the good work on the Newsletter and thanks for the frequent e-mail funnies...... from George **C.F. Chang**: Enclosed is a check for my dues [thanks]. Two of my shipmates, Frank Honeychurch and Tom Ah Lee, have gone to join the Supreme Commander. I still see Antonio Yri**zarry**, **Allen Kim**, and **Charles Rebb** around. [George sent the obit clippings from his paper. See pg. 14]..... from **Mylo Cayou**: Enclosed is a check for dues. [thanks] Sorry that I needed a gentle reminder. [no problem]..... from Thomas Nolan: Enclosed is a check for dues and a roster. [thanks, and the roster is on the way.] ... from Bob Colquhoun: Enclosed find a check for dues to keep me on the Good Guy list. [thanks, Bob. You're on!] Also enclosed is a check for an Atsugi book. I was a BUL2 with a road crew covering the open drainage ditches with concrete. Also worked on the BOQ building. Went to CBD 1804 in Korea in January 1952.....from William Irvine: When I



sent my order for a cruise book I forgot to enclose an order for a Seabee roster. Could you send me the address of the other **William Irvine**? [Bill, you are the only one.] ......

from Chuck Holinka: I served at K-3 Korea with CBMU 1/101 from 1952-1953. I was on Adak from 1951-1952. I have lost contact with friends I made in those two places. Any info you have about K-3 would be appreciated ..... from **Fred Simon**: Thanks for the reminder to pay my dues [thanks for the check, Fred]. I was reading a story about Korea in a previous issue of your paper and was puzzled by the omission of myself and the men shown in the picture of the FIRST unit of CBD 1804 that arrived at Po Hang to stay with the 1st Marine Air Wing while surveying the strip for the extension. I really enjoy the paper and the comments from the men who served in the GREATEST branch of service, the US Navy SEABEES...... from **Stoney Serrett**: Thanks for another great job with the July 31st Newsletter. I enjoyed it very much as I am sure our membership did also. I would appreciate it if you would let me know if any of those that were being dropped have decided to pay dues so they could keep getting the Newsletter. [quite a few have paid dues, Stoney, and our membership is the highest it ever has been at over 400.] ..... from Paul **(Opal)** Neusetzer: Sorry to be so late [with the dues], but I have it written on my calendar for the future [thanks]. Paul is disabled and probably will never attend a reunion but I like for him to receive the Newsletter. He is so proud to have been a Seabee.... from John Vidusic: Enclosed are my dues [thanks]. See you in San Antonio ...... from **Dick Merit**: Some of us were born forgetful, I guess. It can't be age, can it? Sorry I am so late. [OK, you're on the Good Guy list now! Thanks.] This is the second time I have mailed this check. Hope I got the address right this time..... from Don Nitsche: Sorry to be late with the dues [thanks]. I plan to make the San Antonio reunion. I was at Atsugi and

5 would like an MCB 2 year book from that time.

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Where do I send payment? [to me when you get the book]...... from **Thomas Donohue**: Here are my dues and a little extra for a good cause [thanks]. I was in

Det. A of MCB 2 on Midway in the Fall of 1952. I went to Subic in January of 1953, then to Oppoma, Japan, after leave that summer. At Subic, I was at Camayan Point with a crew of builders and formed the footings for the ammo huts. I've seen **Leroy Weiselberg** occasionally and **Al Ward** is still at Lancaster, PA. I have a daughter there so I see him, too. Please send me **Howard Pearson's** address. I've had no luck trying to call him at Lemmon, SD. [maybe because he lives in Bowman, ND?].... from **Roger Germundson**: I'm enclosing my dues and some extra for a roster. [thanks, and the roster is on the way.] I joined in September of 1951 and went to boot camp at Great Lakes, then off to Port Hueneme for Class A Drivers School. From there I went to Korea and CBD 1804 Det. Able at K-6, then to Adak and back to CBMU 101 in Korea. From there, I was assigned to the detachment in Iwakuni, Japan, where I was discharged. I served with Ralph Burnley of Salem, OR, and **George Gustin** from Maine. We three have maintained contact with each other. Regarding the picture from Clem Gre**gurek**: we knew him as "Greg." Lee Ryder is on the far right, and **Pappy?** is the center guitarist. Lee taught me how to play the guitar and I'm still playing one. I'm also fiddling with the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers. We had a band at K-6 and played at the Officer's Club and the EM club. I'll look in my old pictures for some more memories. Thank you very much for your efforts.... from **Rodney White**: Please check my status. [you're OK. I just left your name off the GG list!] I sure didn't want to miss out on the update on the next reunion in San Antonio. I had a great time in Charleston. I was one of the last seventeen to finish disbanding the Red Ball Express 101 in K-3, then helped disband in Iwakuni, Japan. From there I finished up in MCB 3 in Subic Bay. A wonder-



ful 4 years spent......from **Thomas Maere**: I have to keep bugging my spouse to send the dues. Since she also loves to read the Seabees Newsletter and wants to keep it coming, here's a Good Guy check.

[thanks] Keep up the excellent work. Here are some names of men that were in my outfit from '53-'57. Does anyone know their whereabouts now? Korea, K-3, CBMU 101, Det. A: John D. Lucy, Jesse Melius, Leno Jeancourt. From MCB 2, Det. A, Midway, 1953: Jim Ryan, David Borst, Carl Fogelsong, Bob Bush, Mooney. Ben **Painter** and I worked together on Midway. Sorry to hear of his loss. I did get to see him in Denver at the reunion.... from **Jerry Vasquez**: I arrived in Subic Bay about March 1952 to join MCB 3. Got on draft for Korea CBD 1804 and arrived at K-3 in June. Went to Swedish hospital ship in Inchon Harbor about November 1952. Left seabag, pictures, diaries, etc., at K-3 assuming I'd be back. Instead, I was sent to Yokosuka Naval Hospital and then to the states. So I never got my seabag and stuff. I had lots of pictures that I miss the most. I thank you for what you are doing and was sure surprised to get my first Newsletter [great!]..... from **Bob Hart**: Well, I was one of those guys that haven't paid my dues. Enclosed is a check for dues and some extra for a roster. [thanks, and the roster is on the way] Some of the guys were asking me if I knew where E.F. Foster was. I found his name under Elmer. I called his home and his wife said he had passed away. She had trouble talking about it so I didn't ask too many questions. She did say that he suffered from a lot of things. Foster was stationed at K-6 in Korea in '52 or '53..... from **Hazen Kritzman**: I didn't see my name on the Good Guy list but according to my records I'm paid through 12/31/00. [you sure are, Hazen. Another name left off. Thanks for catching it.] ..... from **Chuck** (Helen) McCabe: OK, we'll stop long enough to write a check for our dues. [thanks] We've been travelling a lot and we come home long enough to make sure everything is still here,

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and then gone again. We just got back from a trip to Alaska in our camper. What a trip! We'll go again in two years. It was beautiful and we saw lots of wild animals. Enough for now. See you in

San Antonio next September. GONE FISHING! ...... Received a dues check from **John Brown** [thanks]..... from **Roy Peak**: Please accept this apology for not being a "Good Guy" thru this last year of the old millennium. Enclosed is my check for dues [thanks]. I want to start the new millennium as a "Good Guy." [you really are, Roy!]..... from James Cain: Enclosed find a check for dues [thanks] and some extra for a roster [on the way]. I appreciate your diligence in keeping this going and can't thank Pat Morris enough for getting me back in the fold...... from Gene Edmondson: Enclosed are dues and some extra for a roster [thanks].... from **Robert Bowdler**: Keep me on the Good Guy list! [thanks. You're on] Ed Bergin, Pat Badgett, Chuck Minert and I had an impromptu reunion at Laughlin, Nevada, in January 2000. While there, we met a Marine jet jockey that flew off our strips at K-3 and Atsugi while we were stationed there with CBMU 1/101.... from Lionel **Auten**: Please take this money order and pay my dues. [thanks, sure will.] Make me a Good Guy again. [done. You are now an official Good Guy.] Please let me know when they are due again. [watch the Good Guy list!] Also send me a copy of the latest roster. See you in San Antone.... received dues from Herbert Liverman, Jr., Dave Budworth, and Eugene Antoine [thanks]..... from **James Taylor**: You write an interesting newsletter [thank you] and I keep looking for names I recognize and have found a few. My turn in CBMU 1/101 was from November 1952 to November 1953, all at K-3, Pohang. [I was] ENS Taylor. I had "A" Company, a truly wondrous group of tigers, and home of the "Red Ball Express." Can you remember when we replaced all that old Navy rolling stock and heavy equipment dredged up from all over the Pacific, (2 for 1) with new



Army gear? Over the years, I've run into a few alums — CDR **Ordis Forbes** at Beaufort, SC; CAPT **Dick Trompeter** at Camp Lejeune, NC; and I keep loose touch with "Chief" **Ed Bissen** 

who lives in Florida. I'm reminded by the World series..... How many of you participated in the Seabee baseball clinic conducted in our camp by **Ted Williams**, then a pilot with MAG 33? Enough reminiscing! Here's my overdue contribution for 2000 and a grubstake for 2001 [thanks]. Keep up the good work!..... from **Harry Robinson**: Enclosed is my check for dues [thanks] and some extra for a roster [on the way]. I was with CBMU 101 at K-3...... from **David Anderson**: Wishing to change the reality, I have not been on the Good Guy list [you're back on now!]; therefore, I am enclosing my dues [thanks]. I hope this action gets me back in the group's good graces [it does and now everyone knows you're a Good Guy!]. I called Lex Camden earlier this year and enjoyed a very nice chat with him. It was the first time since 1953 that I had heard his voice. I am glad the plans for the 2001 reunion are going along well. Edith and I are planning and looking forward to being there.....

# Never Pass Up A Chance To Keep Your Mouth Shut

Proverbs 17:28

#### Chickens and Coyotes

"Late again," the third-grade teacher said to Little Johnny. (When anyone was late for school, it usually was Little Johnny.)

Little Johnny said, "It ain't my fault, Miss Crabtree. You can blame this on my Dad. The reason I'm three hours late? Dad sleeps right in the raw!"

Now, Miss Crabtree had taught grammar school for thirty-some-odd years. So she asked Little Johnny what he meant by that, despite her mounting fears.

Full of grins and mischief and in the flower of his youth, Little Johnny and Trouble were old friends but he always told the truth.

"You see, Miss Crabtree, at the ranch we got this here lowdown coyote. The last few nights he done et six hens and killed Ma's best milk goat. And last night, when Dad heard a noise out in the chicken pen, he grabbed his shotgun and said to Ma, 'That coyote's back again an' I'm agonna git 'im.' 'Stay back,' he yelled to all us kids, 'I wouldn't want ya hurt!' He was naked as a Jaybird, no pants, no boots, no shirt, and to the henhouse he crawled, just like an Injun on the snoop. Then he stuck that double barrel through the window of the coop. As he stared into the darkness, with coyotes on his mind, our old hound dog, Zeke, had done woke up and come asneakin' up behind Dad. Then we all looked on plumb helpless as Dad was cold-nosed without warnin'. Miss Crabtree, we been cleanin' chickens since three o'clock this mornin!"

The following are things actually said in court, word for word, that were written down and published by court reporters who had the torment to stay calm while these exchanges were actually taking place:

Q: Doctor, how many autopsies have you performed on dead people?

A: All of my autopsies have been performed on

#### **Funeral Home**

A woman went into a funeral home to make arrangements for her husband's funeral. She told the director that she wanted her husband to be buried in a dark blue suit.

He asked, "Wouldn't it just be easier to bury him in the black suit that he's wearing?"

"No," she insisted as she handed him a check to buy a dark blue suit. "It must be blue."

When she came back for the wake, she saw her husband in the coffin and he was wearing a beautiful blue suit. She told the director how much she loved the suit and asked how much it cost.

He said, "Actually, it didn't cost anything. The funniest thing happened. As soon as you left, another corpse was brought in wearing a blue suit. I noticed that he and your husband were about the same size and I asked the other widow if she would mind if her husband were buried in a black suit. She said that was fine with her, so I switched the heads."

#### dead people.

- Q: How old is you son, the one living with you?
- A: Thirty-eight or thirty-five, I can't remember which.
- Q: How long has he lived with you?
- A: Forty-five years.
- O: And where was the location of the accident?
- A: Approximately mile post 499.
- Q: And where is mile post 499?
- A: Probably between mile post 498 and 500.
- Q: Do you know if your daughter has ever been involved in voodoo or the occult?
- A: We both do.
- O: Voodoo?
- A: We do.
- O: You do?
- A: Yes, voodoo.

#### Service Medals

• The Republic of Korea War Service Medal (ROKWSM) is now authorized for veterans that served on or over the Korean peninsula, or in the waters adjacent to it, at some point from June 25, 1950, to July 27, 1953. Because so many people are eligible, it may take four years to process and distribute all the medals.

To prove eligibility, Korean War veterans, or their primary next-of-kin, must submit a copy of one of the following documents:

- ♦DD Form 214, Certificate of Release
- ◆DD Form 215, Correction to DD 214
- ◆National Guard Form 22

Send only copies, not originals. If available, also attach one copy of any of the following supporting documentation:

- Special orders assigning the member to or from the area of eligibility.
- ◆ Temporary duty orders or a completed travel voucher.
- Special orders or citations for awards granted by virtue of service in the area of eligibility.

If copies of the mandatory or optional documentation are not available, they may be obtained from:

National Personal Records Center 9700 Page Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63132-5100

Once you have what you need, send the documentation with a cover letter stating your request for the Republic of Korea War Service Medal, along with the mailing address where to send it, to:

HQ AFPC/DPPRA 550 C St. W., Suite 12 Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4714

The Air Force will accept requests from June 2000 to November 2003.

• The Navy Combat Action ribbon has been authorized retroactively for WW II and Korea.

WW II: Dec. 7, 1941 – Apr. 14, 1946 Korea: Jun 17, 1950 – July 27, 1953

For further information contact:

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To be eligible for the CAR, veterans must have participated in ground or surface combat after Dec. 6, 1941, but before March 1, 1961, and cannot already have been recognized for the same participation.



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All men listed above have their dues paid at least through 2000, some much longer. If you don't find your name on this list, then maybe you have forgotten to send in your dues recently. All dues are paid through the calendar year, January 1 through December 31. This list is as of November 7, 2000. There are currently 410 paid up members from a mailing list of 755. (SW)

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March Planned For Next August Blind Bishop Appointed To See Queen Mary Having Bottom Scraped

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#### More Courtroom proceedings:

Q: What is your date of birth?

A: July fifteenth.

Q What year?

A: Every year.

- Q: What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?
- A: Gucci sweats and Reebocks.
- Q: This myasthenia gravis, does it affect your memory at all?
- A: Yes.
- Q: And in what ways does it affect your memory?
- A: I forget.
- Q: You forget. Can you give us an example of something you have forgotten?
- Q: All your responses must be oral, OK? What school did you go to?
- A: Oral.
- Q: Did you blow your horn or anything?
- A: After the accident?
- Q: Before the accident
- A: Sure, I played for ten years. I even went to school for it.
- Q: How was your first marriage terminated?
- A: By death.
- Q: And by whose death was it terminated?

#### **Obituaries**

Frank E. Honeychurch, 90, of Alea Heights, Hawaii, died May 18, 2000. Born March 24, 1910, in Oakland, California, and graduated in 1933 from the University of California Berkeley. He moved to Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1940, to work at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Instrument Shop 51 and later the design section. He spent two years in the U.S. Navy Seabees with MCB 2 and retired from the FAA in 1965. He later was a self-employed electrical and mechanical engineer.

**Tom Ah Lee**, 81, of Honolulu, Hawaii, died July 19, 2000. Born in Honolulu and was a retired foreman at the Pear Harbor Naval Shipyard and from the U.S. Naval Reserves.

The owner of a golf course was confused about paying a bill, so he asked his secretary for some mathematical help. "If I were to give you \$20,000 minus 14%, how much would you take off?"

The secretary replied, "Everything but my earrings."

# Our Fallen Comrades

Elmer F. Foster

Frank E. Honeychurch 5/18/00

Tom Ah Lee 7/19/00

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SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 1952

AT SEA

Tomato Juice Cocktail

Roast Young Tom Turkey

Giblet Gravy

Sage Dressing - Cranberry Sauce

Snowflake Potatoes

Buttered Green Peas - Asparagus Tips

Weldorf Salad - Stuffed Colory

Stuffed Olives - Sweet Pickles

Hot Rolls - Welley - Butter

Fresh Prozen Peaches and Cream

Iced Fruit Punch



UTs relaxing outside the EM Club on the hill.



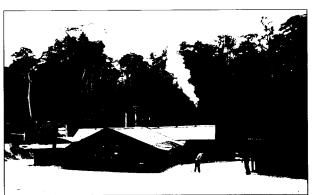
On liberty at the Club Society, Olongapo, PI L-R: Paguel, hostess, Al Ulman, Ozzy

#### Part Subs Bay. Philippines





Sign in front of dental office at Cubi Point.



Cubi Point Seabee camp chow hall.

#### 1952: CBB 130, Ramina and Bay, Philippines



Negrito hunting party visits Cubi Point



DM2 Francis Fleischman helps with POL tank farm survey.



SV2 "Doc" Bowen operates plane table and alidade for future POL storage site.



SV3 Skip Lohman surveys shoreline of Camayan Point ammunition area



DMSN Shafer stops for lunch during altimeter recon in Camayan Point bananna patch area.

#### William Moore The following member's dues end on 12/31/00: Pat Morris Paul Muma Harold Agles John Ginther Harry Nelson Aiello Carl **James** Green Richard Nelson Joe Ates Clement Gregurek Eugene Nelson Grimes Lyle Auseth Glen John Noetzel Pat **Badgett** Roy Grisham Joseph O'Brien Edwin Ballerstein Donald Grobbel Thomas Padden ٧. Barnes George Gustin Robert Pagel Donald Barry Wayne Haaglund Parks Gene Glen Bates David Haines Robert Patinka Emil Bazzoli Luther Hall Gerald Powell William Behnke Leonard Hardoin Sam Ragusa Ralph Binney Arlin Hardwick Lowell Rohrig Alexander Bishop Roy Harris John Ruby John Lester Bloem Harvey Fred Saathoff Donald Bradley Frank Haves Robert Schambron Bredefeld Helms Art Bertram Paul Schell David **Bridges** Thomas Hendershott Merle Schnepf Norman Britain Charlie Henderson Scholtz Edwin Silas Bucher Leonard Hershberger Clifford Schorr Wayne Bulgerin William Hodges Seesman Irwin Burleigh Milford Hollingsworth L. Richard Shafer William Camp Ray Hooter Richard Sim Elwin L. Campbell Roderick Howard Billy Simpson Carev Ronald Howatson James Arthur Siple Kenneth Catchpole Robert Jandreau Sisco Glenn Kenneth Chew DeVon Jensen Walter Smith Arthur Childress Henry Jones Edward Smith Ronald Claypool K. Karekin Joseph Sobczak Robert Conroe Edward Kazarian Barry Spooner Coulter Paul Jack Keener Virgil Sprague Yung Willard Cousins Ketels Gene Staples Frederick Cozad Richard Keyes Clvde Stenholm Tom Crowder Allen Kim Lee Stevens Kitts Warren Culberson Bruce George Stewart Arnold Daisy Stephen **Korkes** Myron Strausheim Dalby Marvin Hazen Kritzman Willis Struecker Richard Danzl Conrad Lawlor Bob Sutton Edwin Dechant Max Leavell Daniel Svendsen Donald DeLisi Bob Lohrentz Richard Swallow Robert Doezie Robert Long Ernest Teoli George Dorge Gordon Love Danny Terry **Thomas** Dowd Wesley Loveall Charles Trimarchi Carroll Dowell Raymond Lucia Gene Urmey William Duensing Kenneth Ludwig Lionel Vidrine Majetic Donald Eminhizer Ivan **Philip** Wagenschnur **Emmons** Marcella Roy Anthony John Weires Douglas **Emond** William Mayo Raymond G. Williams McDaniel Albert Erb Rilev Clarence Williamson Fairbanks McDaniel Richard Don Jack Wilson Galen Farnsworth Eugene McDonagh Winkler Robert Edwin Farr Bobby McMillan Winzler Andrew Flading Warren Herbert Meade William Wisnowski John Fletcher Neil Middleton Dwight Yetter Willie Free Charles Minert Jasper Fudge Frank Mingo William Ganske Gary Mitchell Claude Garcenot Roger Mohs Donald Gelroth 19

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