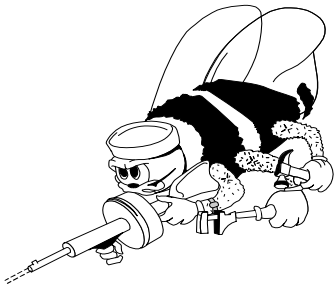


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Seabees

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



Aaah haa! San Antone!



IT'S TIME TO MAKE YOUR RESERVA-

**The
Countdown
Begins!**

From Pete Elliott:

The countdown to San Antonio begins! In just about six months, we will be there and I hope you will be, too. If you're not there, you will miss the BEST reunion ever held! Make your reservations NOW!

**DOOR PRIZES
AT THE
REUNION!**

The door prizes at our past reunions have been a big hit, so bring something for door prizes at our banquet. In the past, we have had bottles of wine, ball caps, knives, and many other items of interest. Use your imagination and bring something that all would enjoy winning. We also plan to have some raffles. Remember the beautiful Seabee Afghan we had in Charleston? We will have another in San Antonio. Come and enjoy!

Cruise Book Update

Finally! The books are being printed and bound as this Newsletter is going to press. The books will be shipped as soon as they are delivered.

Last Will

And Testament

Being of sound mind, I
spent all my money.

Correction!

Maximum Allowed on Fredericksburg Tour Is 90!

The Fredericksburg tour is limited to 90 people, not as reported in the last Newsletter on page 18. If you are wanting to take this tour, sign up now to avoid not making the cut.

Seabees

April – July Dates to Remember

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| April 1, 1945 | Seabees land on Okinawa. (There were 47 Seabee units on Okinawa at the end of the war.) |
| April 8, 1942 | Doolittle Tokyo raid |
| April 9, 1942 | Bataan falls. |
| May 8, 1942 | Battle of the Coral Sea. |
| May 8, 1945 | V-E Day, Germany surrenders. |
| May 28, 2001 | Memorial Day |
| June 4, 1942 | Battle of Midway |
| June 6, 1944 | Seabees land at Normandy as Naval Combat Demolition Units. |
| June 15, 1944 | Seabees land on Saipan. |
| June 30, 1943 | Seabees land with 9th Marine Division, Solomon Islands. |
| July 26, 1944 | Seabees land on Tinian. |



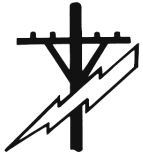
Notes from our



name was **Sontheimer**. We were on **Jay Withrow's** (BU1) crew. I have never regretted that move. I notice a lot of the men were at Cubi Point. I was there in '53 & '54 then came east to finish my

career. I was at Gitmo for three tours; then Argentina for two tours; Port Layote, Morocco; Bermuda; and two years in heaven – Trinidad, West Indies, from '63, '64, & '65. I consider my career as one big holiday (with work) that I could never have had otherwise. I know a lot of the fellows feel the same way. Hope to see you in September..... from **Bob Conroe**: Here are my dues [thanks]. All is well in Erie, PA. It sure has been a long winter. Our groundhog says we're in for another 6 weeks of the same. Hope to be feeling good enough to attend our next reunion. We will be in touch..... from **Allen Kim**: Greetings and salutations! Enclosed are my dues plus a bit more for printing, etc. [thanks]. I attended my old shipmate's funeral, **Tom Lee**, a couple of months ago. I was impressed with the montage of **Tom's** life. It seems his life was so full of the Naval Reserve (Seabees) – especially serving active duty as SWS1 during the Korean War, '51-'52, at mostly Atsugi and Subic Bay. Aloha. ps: I hope MCB 2 will help with the museum renovation at Port Hueneme..... Received dues from **Fred Saathoff**, **Pat Carey**, **David Haines**, and **Clyde Stenholm** [thanks, guys] from **Kenneth Ludwig**: Here's my dues and some extra for a roster [thanks]. I was one of the Seabees that helped to decommission CBMU 101 in 1956 then I came back to Port Hueneme where I stayed until I got out in July 1956. Enclosed are some pictures taken in late 1955 at Iwakuni, Japan.... from **Robert (Bob) Long**: I just received the Newsletter and realized I am not among the "Good Guys." Enclosed are my dues to bring me up to date [thanks]. I was in Japan, Midway, and the Philippines but don't remember you. I was discharged in October 1955. [well, I didn't join MCB 2 until September 1955 and was with them until decommissioning in 1956 – SW]. See you in San Antonio. I plan to drive..... from **William (Jack) Mayo**: Enclosed is my check for

From **Frank Gresser**: Sorry I got behind in my dues [thanks]. I have been on the sick list for the last two years with asthma. Bad stuff but doing better now..... received dues from **Cliff Schorr**, **Willis Struecker**, **Harry Nelson**, **Edwin Scholtz**, **Preston Wilson**, **Joe Ates**, **Lewis Baker**, and **William Mayo** [thanks, guys] [I received a phone call from **Greg Karekin's** niece informing me of his death. She said **Greg** appreciated the cards everyone sent while he was sick.] from **Marshall (Mike) Williams**: I was waiting to hear from you folks [**Pat Morris** sent me a list of names and **Marshall** was one of them and I sent the last two Newsletters to him.]. I kept in contact with **Pat Morris**. I'm enclosing a check for dues plus a little extra 'fine' money to help with all this postage. [thanks, it's really appreciated.] I came into the Navy in 1946, did 2 years, mostly all of it on Attu in the Aleutians (the last island out there). I came back to Hueneme, got married, discharged and divorced, in that order. I knocked around 'til the Korean War started and away I went, to Guam. They started a draft in 1951, destination unknown, but we knew. I wasn't in the draft but a young man from Pittsburgh, PA, was. The only trouble was that his family had orders to join him on Guam. I told him to come with me and we went to the personnel office. The personnel officer came out and asked what was wrong and I told him the man had his family on the way and now he was being sent to Korea. He said no big deal that he would find him a replacement. I raised my hand and said you got him (me). I wanted off Guam so bad that I volunteered for Korea. The Lt. said, "I should have known you had a motive." But he said I could go. The young man's

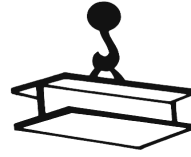
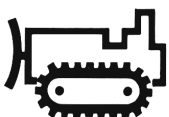


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dues [thank you very much!]. I am wintering in Naples, Florida, through March 30. If there are any MCB 2 guys in the Naples area I would enjoy meeting with them.

Otherwise I will see you all in san Antonio. Thanks for doing a great job on the Newsletter and the upcoming reunion [thanks from all of us on the committee]..... from **Gary Loebrich**: I came to MCB 2 from K-3 in Korea in 1955. I spent a lot of my time hunting and trapping in the jungle and in general having an enjoyable time. After discharge, I came home to Midland, Michigan, got married, got a job at Dow Corning and spent the next 32 years as a pipefitter welder and teaching on the side for Delta College. I'm now retired from both jobs and spend my time hunting, fishing and racing sled dogs. Incidentally, does anyone out there know the whereabouts of my old running mate, **Allen Audin (Swede) Sorenson**? He was transferred from Cubi to Clark Field about 1956 and dropped out of sight.... from **Lewis (Louie) Baker**: Enclosed are my dues [thanks]. Do you know where **John Alvin** might be? [try 3454 California Ave., Norco, CA 91760 - no phone number]..... from **G.L. (Mitch) Mitchell**: Sorry I'm late but I guess when you get to be my age it happens [to all of us... and thanks]. Keep up the good work. We're lucky to have people like you or we wouldn't have an association [thanks, but there are quite a few that keep this thing going]. See you at the old folks get-together..... received dues from **George Gustin, Charles Trimarchi, Jim Sichel** and **Elwin 'Shorty' Campbell** [thanks] from **Bill Simpson**: Here's a check for dues plus some for a roster [thanks]. Use the rest for anything needed. [thanks for that, too.] Due to bad health, I am not going to make the reunion this year. I really enjoy the Newsletter. Keep up the good work [thanks,

again]..... from **Harold Agles**: Put me back on the Good Guy List [you're back on!]. I will try to make it to the reunion but I don't know at the present time if



I can. My wife, **Betty**, passed away on January 12 this year and it is kind of rough going right now.... from **Tom Padden**: Thanks for sending me **Bob Winkler's** address and en-

closed is my check for dues [thank you]. I managed to see **Bob** and his wife as they were passing through Florida. **Cathy** and I had a very enjoyable lunch with them. God willing, we hope to see you in San Antonio. My auto just about knows the way there without much help from me as we have a son, daughter-in-law and four granddaughters there, so there are several reasons each year to head for Texas [great! We'll see you there.] from **Mike Kazarian**: I didn't see my name on the Good Guy List. Enclosed is a check that should carry me for a while and please send a roster [thanks, and on its way]. I noticed **Norman Stentz** on the Good Guy List. I was with **Norm** on Guam and we were the first group of sixty Seabees to join the 1st Marine Air Wing, Air Group 33 at Pohang-Dong, Korea. Thanks a lot and keep up the good work..... from **Gerald Powell**: Thanks for a great Newsletter, well done. I would like a membership roster, if possible [it's possible and on the way. Also, thanks for the dues]..... from **DeVon Jensen**: The Newsletter has many fine qualities and one is to remind you when you are not on the "Good Guy List." [it sure is. You can thank Roy Cone for starting that list.] Enclosed are my dues [thanks] and put me back on the list. [done] Looking forward to San Antonio..... from **Joyce (for Pat) Badgett**: Thanks for the e-mails. They have been entertaining, informative, and at times even inspirational. **Pat** won't touch my computer, so I print them out for him to read. We're looking forward to San Antonio. [thanks for the dues]..... from **John Weires**: I guess I am on the bad guy list as I failed to send in my dues for this year. I hope I don't forget to include the check as

George Rosenvold did. [you didn't and thanks] **George** and I were very good friends in Builders school at Port Hueneme and also mess cooking while waiting for





WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

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The Commodore's Barge

Our leadership consists of:

**Chairman
Pete Elliott**

Committeemen:

Joe DeFranco
David Haines
Rich Nelson
Roy Peak, co-chairman
Malcolm Pearson
Stoney Serrett
Ted Speros
Scott Williams, Sec'y/Treas.

You May Be A Redneck If....

- ... you take your dog for a walk and you both use the same tree.
- ... you can entertain yourself for more than an hour with a fly swatter.
- ... your boat has not left the driveway in 15 years.
- ... you know what's a Hindu — it lays eggs.
- ... you burn your yard rather than mow it.
- ... you think the Nutcracker is something you did off the high dive.
- ... you have the local taxidermist on speed dial.
- ... you come back from the dump with more than you took.
- ... the trunk of your car is tied down and you're not hauling anything.
- ... you keep a can of Raid on the kitchen table.
- ... your wife can climb a tree faster than your cat.
- ... your grandmother has ammo on her Christmas list.
- ... you've ever been kicked out of the zoo for heckling the monkeys.
- ... you think a subdivision is part of a math problem.
- ... you've ever been involved in a custody fight over a hunting dog.
- ... you think a hot tub is a stolen bathroom fixture.
- ... you took a fishing pole to Sea World.
- ... you go to the stock car races and don't need a program.
- ... you know how many bales of hay your truck will hold.
- ... your house doesn't have curtains but your truck does.
- ... you wonder how service stations keep their restrooms so clean.
- ... you consider your license plate personalized because your uncle made it.
- ... you think Dom Perignon is a Mafia leader.
- ... your lifetime goal is to own a fireworks stand.
- ... you sit on your roof at Christmas time hoping to fill your deer quota.



TITLES

1. When the Son Came Down
2. Mansion Over The Hilltop
3. Foolish Question
4. My Redeemer
5. The Most Fervent Prayer
6. Little Angel With A Dirty Face
7. It's My Desire
8. He's In The Midst
9. I Let Him Slip Right Through My Hands
10. Dig Another Well
11. Nothing At All
12. Peace In The Valley
13. Abner
14. Silver Hair Daddy Of Mine



Galen Farnsworth's CDs

This CD is a selection of religious and family songs by Galen dedicated to his wife, Delores, who, as he says, "causes me to sing in my heart." The money collected from the sale of these CDs is donated to MCB 2. Each CD is \$8 including shipping. Send your check or money order to Scott Williams, 7221 Trading Post Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89128.

THE GOOD-GUY LIST

Vance Adams, James Adkins, Harold Agles, Walter Ahem, David Anderson, Don Anderson, Lionel Antley, Eugene Antoine, Basil Arnold, Joe Ates, Lyle Auseth, Pat Badgett, Lewis Baker, Richard Baker, Jack Balding, Edwin Ballerstein, Benjamin Balog, Joe Barbree, Don Barry, Bruce Barton, Glen Bates, Emil Bazzoli, Raymond Beaulieu, Henry Benguerel, Hank Bentson, Frank Betonte, Ralph Binney, Vernon Blakeslee, John Bloem, John Bober, William Body, Ralph Bokern, James Bolton, Alexander Borys, Robert Bowdler, Thomas Bowen, Donald Bradley, Art Bredefeld, John Brown, Philip Brunelle, Al Bryant, Robert Buckley, David Budworth, Alfred Burkhart, L.P. Burleigh, Ralph Burnley, James Cain, Lex Camden, Elwin 'Shorty' Campbell, Jim Carey, Patrick Carey, William Carter, Mike Castelvechi, Kenneth Catchpole, Mylo Cayou, George Chang, C.L. Chapman, Ken Chew, Ronald Claypool, Walt Cloonan, Robert Coley, Robert Colquhoun, David Conahey, Roy Cone, Robert Conroe, Charles Coughlin, Jack Coulter, Fred Cozad, Ballard Credeur, Pat Cunningham, John Cure, Paul D'Angelo, Arnold Daisy, Marvin Dalby, Stan Dauer, Harold Davis, Ed Dechant, Joseph DeFranco, Jim DeKeyser, Mike Del Busso, Don DeLisi, Theodore Devit, Jimmie Dillman, Melvin Dixon, Bob Doezie, Tom Donahue, George Dorge, Carroll Dowell, Howard Doyle, William Duensing, Marshall Dunne, Gene Edmondson, J.K. "Pete" Elliott, Don Eminhizer, Doug Emond, George Epright, Jon Ericson, Ralph Evans, Richard Fairbanks, Bruno Fanucchi, Richard Farbo, Galen Farnsworth, Frank Fibich, Warren Flading, John Fletcher, Carl Fogelsong, Forrest Foland, Jack Foster, Bill Frazier, Al Fritz, Jasper Fudge, Willis Gallagher, Claude Garcenot, Alfred Garza, Roger Germundson, John Ginther, Ron Glasser, Albert Glenn, Allan Goller, Bob Graf, Fred Granata, Russ Granby, John Grasz, Jim Green, Clement Grejurek, Frank Gresser, Roy Grisham, Donald Grobbel, Gerald Grubb, George Gustin, Gordon Gwathney, Charles Hagemann, David Haines, Alexander Hamilton, Roger Hamilton, Len Har-

doin, Roy Harris, Robert Hart, Lester Harvey, Robert Hauptman, Cleve Haynes, Arthur Hees, Ralph Heitt, Bert Helms, Tom Hendershott, Don Henderson, Duane Henrichson, Gerald Herr, Len Hershberger, Al Hisey, Don Hofstetter, Chuck Holinka, Gerald Hollembeak, Holly Hollingsworth, Sam Holsomback, Ray Hooter, Arthur Hoskinds, Rod Howard, Ron Howatson, Maurice Hughes, Charles Ingalls, Hugh Ireland, William Irvine, Frank Jacus, DeVon Jensen, Larry Jessop, Ambros Johnson, Ordean Johnson, Don Jones, Henry Jones, John Jurkash, Robert Kaempfe, Lloyd Kallsen, Chuck Kangas, Mike Kazarian, Duane Keech, Gordon Keen, Les Keller, L.V. Keprta, Richard Keyes, Allen Kim, Capers Kinard, William Knight, John Kolasz, Stephen Korke, George Kraeer, Hazen Kritzman, Emil Krygier, Walter Kumpf, Harry Ladley, Benjamin Lally, Ervin Lampe, Ronald Landrum, Art Leable, Max Leavell, Cameron Lee, Michael Linch, L. H. Lind, Herbert A. Liverman, Jr., Gary Loebrich, Bob Long, Stanley Lore, Clive Lorenz, Ken Ludwig, Dale Lundstrom, Tom Maere, Ivan Majetic, Philip Matalucci, William (Jack) Mayo, Chuck McCabe, Willie McCarley, Norris McDaniel, Riley McDaniel, Eugene McDonagh, Don McLain, Bobby McMillan, Herbert Meade, Richard Merit, Daniel Millett, Dan Mills, Chuck Minert, Frank Mingo, Gary (Mitch) Mitchell, Roger Mohs, William Moore, Pat Morris, Finley Morrison, Hance Morton, Paul Muma, Richard Muns, Eugene Nelson, Harry Nelson, Richard Nelson, Ray Nethercott, Charles Neugent, Paul Neusetzer, Don Nitsche, Thomas Nolan, Herman Nugent, Joseph O'Brien, Melvin Olson, Al Ostroski, Ernest Owens, Tom Padden, Dwight Padgett, Deryl Parris, Billy Partridge, Robert Patinka, Roy Peak, Howard Pearson, Malcolm Pearson, Ben Pedrotti, Dan Pelaez, John Petronka, Amos Phillips, Mike Piro, Gerald Powell, Earl Presson, Cecil Price, David "Ernie" Pyle, Sam Ragusa, Gary Rawlings, Charles Rebb, John Recklitis, Wayne Rewey, Rex Roark, Gene Robinson, Harry Robinson, Dale Rogers, Lowell Rohrig, Richard Rose, George Rosenvold, Thomas Roy, Albert Rubinich, John Ruby, Edner Rudolph, Thomas Ryan, Vinny Ryan, Fred Saathoff, Paul Schell, Darl Schmidt, Millard Schneider, Merle Schnepf, Edwin Scholtz, Cliff Schorr, Jack Schrader, Richard "Herbie" Schreiner, Irwin "Bill" Seesman, Donald Seethaler, Gerald Seger, Stoney Serrett, Bill Sharp, Don Shoff, Jim Sichel, Bill Sigmund, Dick Sim, Fred Simon, Bill

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Simpson, Art Siple, Glenn Sisco, Joe Sitkowski, Richard Skillicorn, Ed Smith, Ray Sonnen, Ray Sorrentino, Marvin Sparks, Ted Speros, Virgil Sprague, Kenneth Stancombe, Gene Staples, Thomas Stapleton, Clyde Stenholm, Norman Stentz, Jim Stephens, Lee Stevens, Larry Stevenson, Dan Stewart, John Stock, Ken Stoutland, Willis Struecker, Richard Swallow, Victor Swanson, James Taylor, Ernest Teoli, George Terry, Richard Todd, William Tracy, Charles Trimarchi, Jim Tvede, Al Ulman, Gene Urmev, Harrison "Van" Vanderslice, Gerald Vasquez, Larry Vibber, Lionel Vidrine, John Vidusic, Walter Waddell, Philip Wagenschnur, Hugh Waltz, Billy Ward, Harold Wardenburg, Wilburn Watts, John Weires, Cecil Westwood, H.W. "Bud" Wheless, Rodney White, John Wilborn, Jerry Wilkening, Marshall Williams, Scott Williams, Verle Williams, Clarence Williamson, Jack Wilson, Preston Wilson, Robert L. Winkler, Andrew Winzler, Bill Wisnowski, James Wommack, William Wright, James Young, Antonio Yrizarry, Stephen Yunger and Joe Zeren.

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 March 2, 2001. There are currently 377 paid up members from a mailing list of 432. There are 769 names on the roster. (SW)

One who lacks courage to start has already finished.

Need a Membership Roster?

If you have a need for an up-to-date membership roster, drop me a line with a couple of bucks and I'll send you one. We currently have 755 names and addresses of former CBD 1802, CBD 1804, CBMU 1/101, CBMU 577, and MCB 2 personnel, so this is a pretty thick directory (21 pages). Glad to have all aboard! And keep sending those cards and letters - especially the ones with checks!
Scott Williams

Seabee Mugs, Plates and Mouse Pads!

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Bud Smith can provide anyone with Seabee mugs, plates and computer mouse pads. The mugs are white with a 3" gold Seabee and the plates are white with a 5" gold Seabee. Prices are: mugs - \$7, plates - \$9, mouse pads - \$4, all plus shipping. Contact Bud at 2329 El Rancho Circle, Hemet, CA 92545 (909) 765-8221 or e-mail:

## Our Fallen Comrades

|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| K. Gregory Karekin | 1/23/01 |
| Paul Shipley       | 1/31/01 |

May they live on in our memories.

**THIRD ANNUAL  
ALL SEABEES WEST COAST REUNION**

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**2001 SUMMER REUNION**

July 19-22, 2001  
In conjunction with Seabee days

**2001 WINTER REUNION**

November 2-4, 2001  
To honor WW II & Korean Veterans

You are invited to join the third annual summer "All Seabees West Coast reunion" at Port Huene. You will have the opportunity to join with other Seabees of all eras and all battalions in a 4-day event scheduled for July 19-22, 2001. The reunion will be held in conjunction with SEABEE DAYS. This includes a Regimental parade, equipment display, SEA hut, timber bridge, water purification, machine gun emplacement and lots of the other displays of current day Seabee activities.

Or, you may choose to attend the winter reunion to honor World War II and Korean War Seabee veterans. This reunion will be held November 2-4, 2001. This will also be an open house reunion with more details available in the coming months.

Both All Seabees West Coast Reunions will offer:

- Open participation by all Seabees
  - Officers & enlisted
  - Group 8 and H company
  - All battalions and eras
  - Families & friends
- Group activities centered around the Seabee experience
  - Tours of Seabee museum
  - Tours of CBC
  - Memorial service
  - Dinner at Dukes Place (EM club)
- Administrative arrangements
  - Check-in for reunion
  - Lunch and dinner at the hotel
  - Food and drinks available all day
  - Posted lists of attendees and units
  - Information on things to do in Ventura County
  - Arrange for lunch in mess hall
- Facilities for individual battalion events
  - Rooms available on base or at hotel

**Truisms to Live By.....**

- If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.
- A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
- Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- For every action, there is an equal and opposite criticism.
- He who hesitates is probably right.
- Never do card tricks for the group you play poker with.
- Success always occurs in private and failure in full view.
- The colder the X-ray table, the more of your body is required on it.
- The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
- The severity of the itch is proportional to the reach.
- Don't sweat petty things... or pet sweaty things.
- Hell hath no fury like the lawyer of a woman scorned.
- Bills travel through the mail at twice the speed of checks.

**MAKE A NOTE!**  
**ADDRESS CORRECTION**

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Why men shouldn't take phone messages.....

*Husband's note to wife:*

*"Doctor's office called: Said Pabst Beer is normal."*

**Who to contact about your  
MCB 2 dues -**

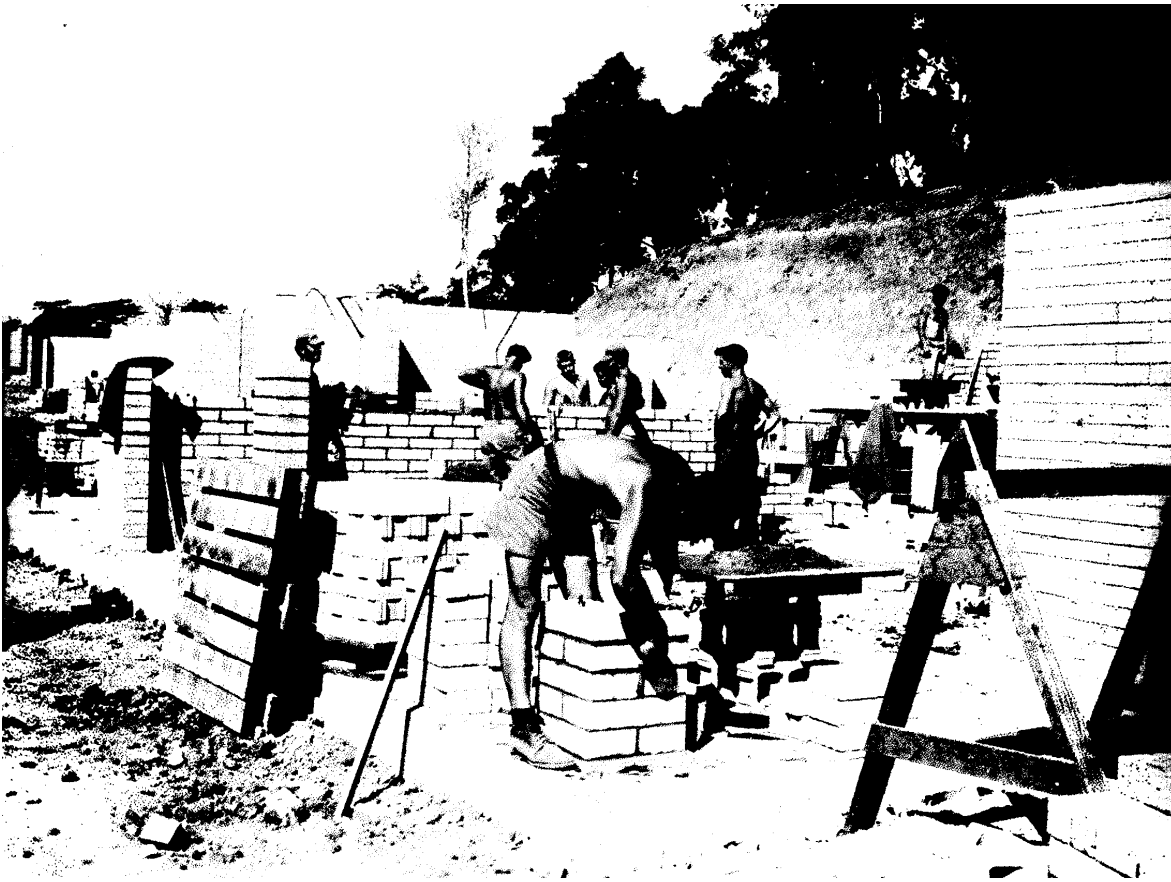
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Dues are \$15/year  
January - December

This is what keeps us going and enables us to send this Newsletter.

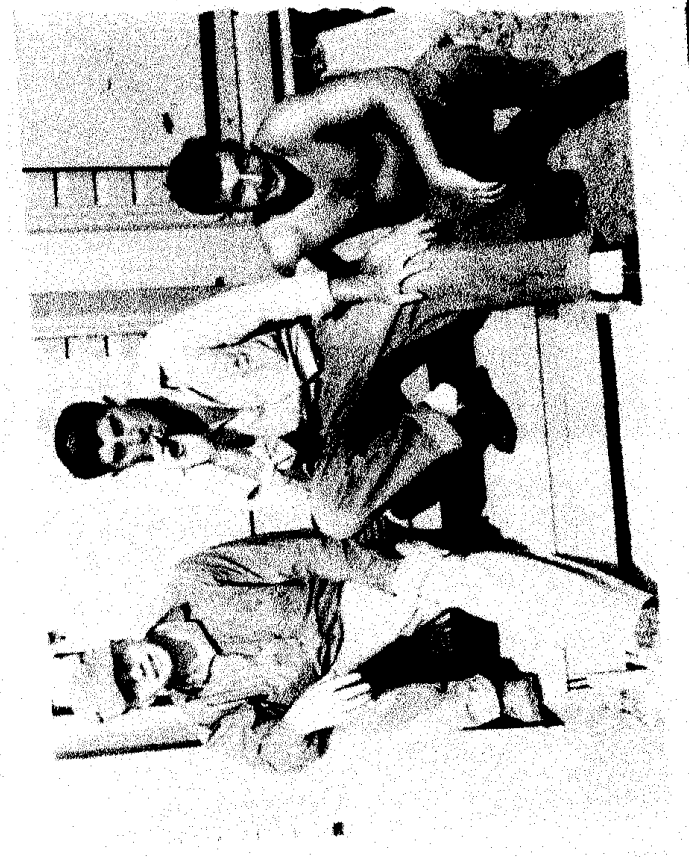
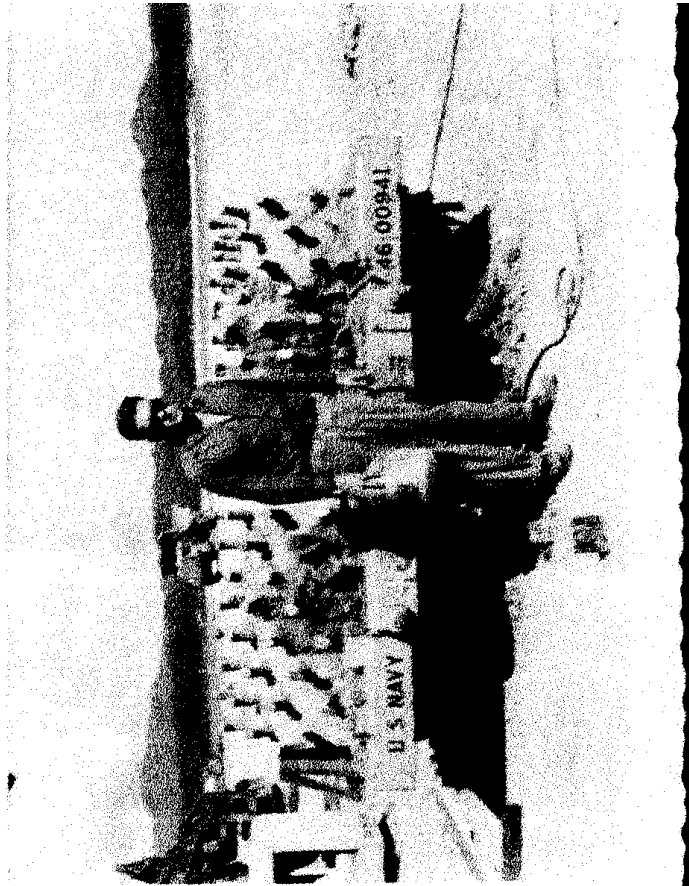
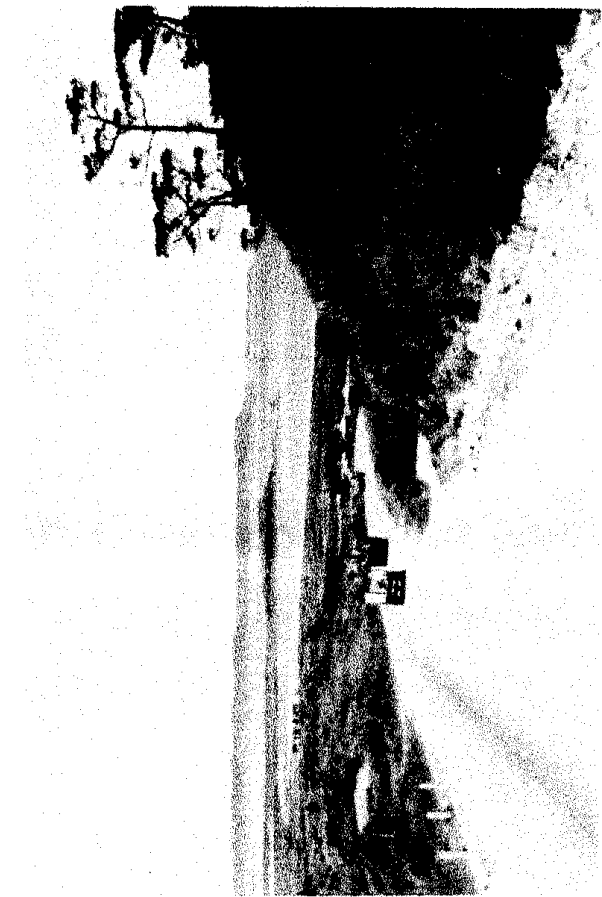
**Life's Philosophies...**

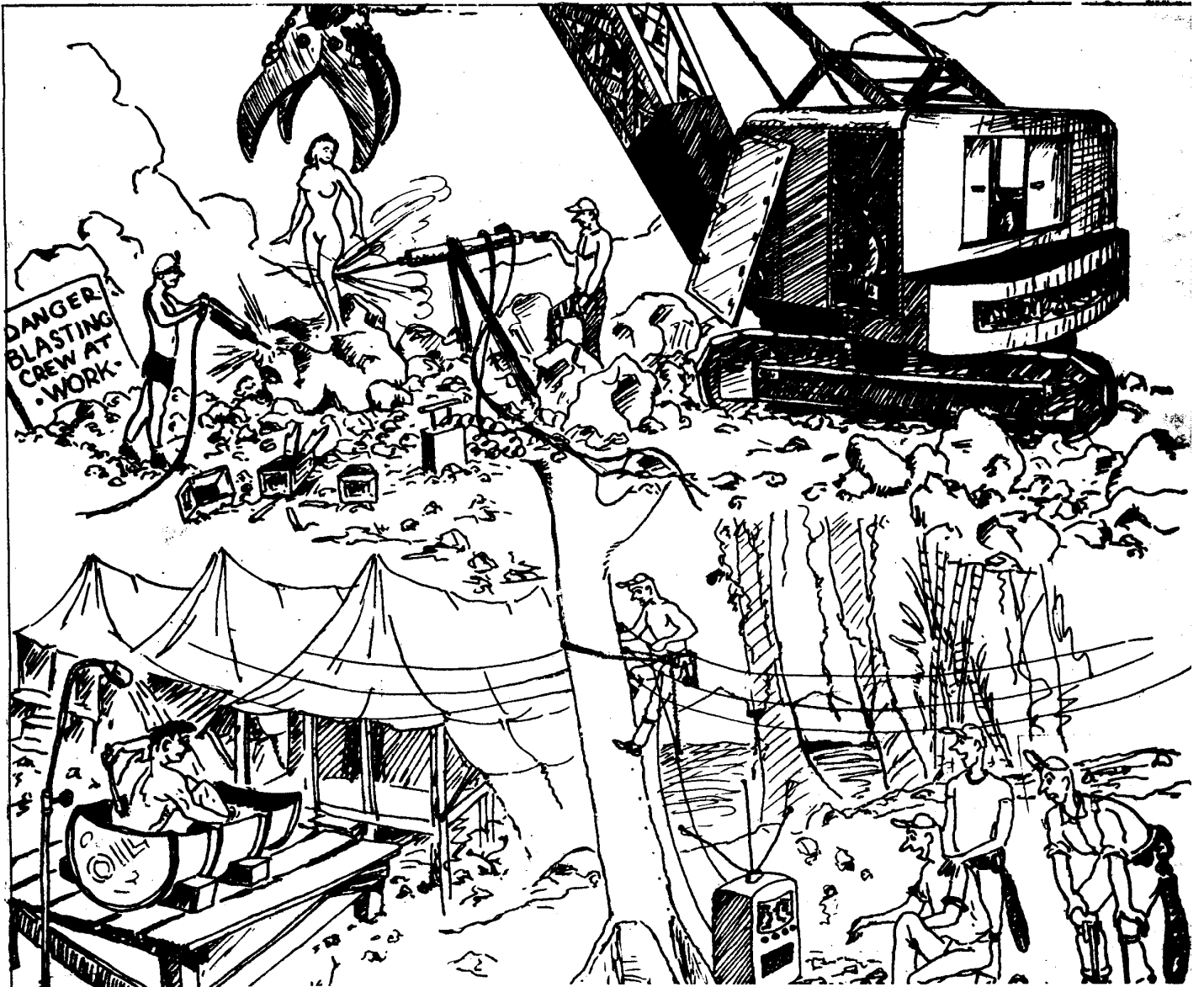
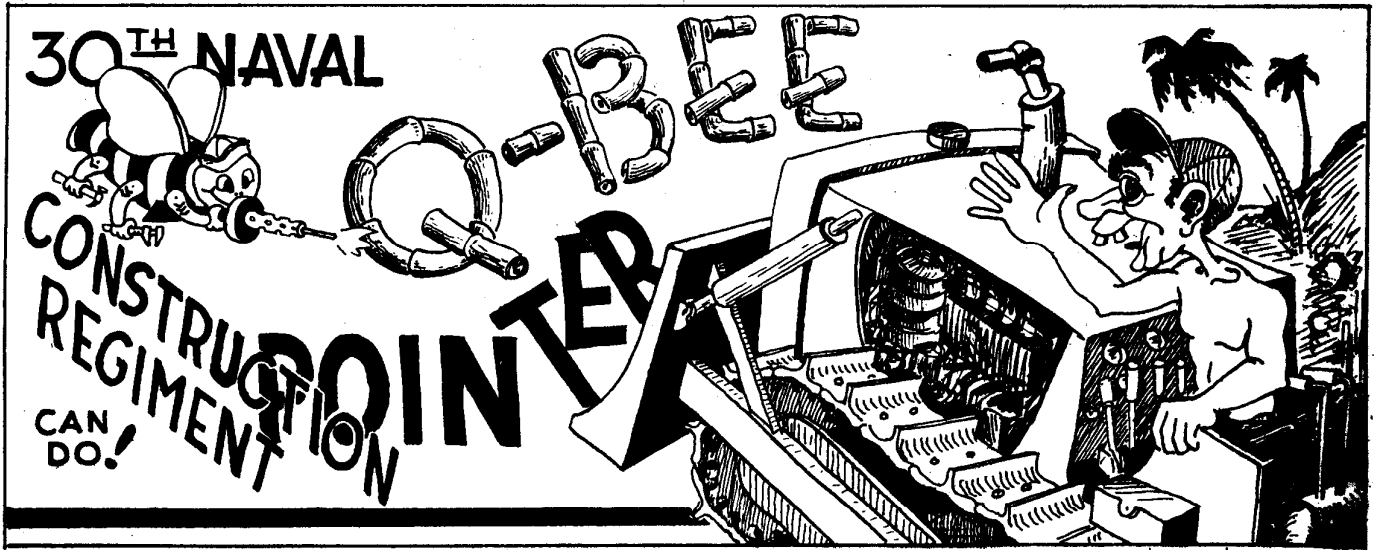
- *Life is just a phase you're going through... you'll get over it.*
- *If you look like your passport picture, you probably need the trip.*
- *Opportunities always look bigger going than coming.*



Haversack housing, Subic Bay, PI, about 1954.









CDR C. C. Compton decorates personnel of MCB-TWO for the part they played in the present Korean conflict. Shown receiving the United Nations and Korean Service Ribbons are Michalski, Breeze, Chadwick, Molina, Phillips, Chief Silvers, and Seethaler.

The following personnel of the Thirtieth Naval Construction Regiment are also eligible for this award because of duty in Korean waters: Aquino, J.; Bermado, A.B.; Correa, M.; Galang, R.; Merna, R.P.; Mike, B.G.; Roque, S.S.; Socia, J.D.; and Taylor, H. W.



Pictures from the Q-Bee Pointer in Subic Bay.

Our truck drivers work very hard all day, I am told, so they are entitled to a few minutes rest while their trucks are being loaded. Here "Ole" Olinger tells, with many gestures, how he would operate a shovel, while "Aggie" leans back against the fender of their truck. There is a constant stream of trucks like this one picking up gravel and dumping it as a sub-base during the day and night.

## HOTEL RESERVATION CARD

(1-800-AT-TEXAS) - (210) 223-9461

**GROUP NAME:** MCB-2 Association Reunion

**DATES:** September 13 through September 16, 2001

**RATE:** Single \$92.00 Double \$92.00

**PARKING:** \$5.00 Self / \$10.00 Valet



|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| Guest Name:            |  |
| Address:               |  |
| City, State, Zip Code: |  |
| Phone:                 |  |

*Each individual must fill in arrival and departure dates (below):*

Check In Time: 3:00 pm / Check Out Time: 12:00 am

|                                   |                                   |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Guest Arrival Date:               | Guest Departure Date:             |
| Credit Card Number for Guarantee: | Type of Card and Expiration Date: |
| Card Holder's Name:               |                                   |

*Please circle bed type you are requesting (subject to availability):*

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|--------|--------|--------|------|
| Single | Double | Triple | Quad |
|        |        |        |      |

*Please circle special requests (subject to availability):*

|         |             |
|---------|-------------|
| Smoking | Non-Smoking |
|---------|-------------|

**Advance Deposit:** Please enclose one night's deposit plus 16.75% tax. Deposits must be received prior to the reservation cut-off date.

**Guaranteed by Credit Card:** Please provide your credit card number, expiration date in space provided. We will bill this credit card upon departure unless you indicate otherwise at check in.

**Cancellation:** All reservations must be guaranteed with a valid credit card and are subject to a 24 hour cancellation policy.

**Refund:** Deposits are refundable if canceled prior to 24 hours of the arrival date.

**Cut-Off Date for Reservations:** All Reservation Cards Must be Received by the Hotel no Later than **4:00 pm on Friday, August 10, 2001**. Group rates cannot be guaranteed after cut off date.

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**MCB-2 ASSOCIATION  
SHERATON FOUR POINTS, SAN ANTONIO, TX  
SEPTEMBER 12 – 16, 2001**

**Wednesday, September 12**

|         |           |                                                          |
|---------|-----------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:00am  |           | Hospitality Room open                                    |
| 9:00am  | - 12:00pm | Planning Committee meeting                               |
| 12:00pm | - 5:00pm  | <b>Early Bird Registration</b>                           |
| 5:15pm  | - 9:00pm  | Casa Rio River Barge Cruise (see description on reverse) |

**Thursday, September 13**

|        |          |                                                                                                |
|--------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|        |          | Hospitality Room open                                                                          |
| 7:30am | - 8:30am | <b>Reunion Registration open</b>                                                               |
| 9:00am | - 3:00pm | City Tour (see description on reverse)                                                         |
| 1:00pm | - 4:30pm | <b>Reunion Registration open.</b> Additional hours will be posted at the reunion if necessary. |
| 5:15pm | - 9:00pm | Casa Rio River Barge Cruise (see description on reverse)                                       |

**Friday, September 14**

|        |           |                                                      |
|--------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:00am | - 1:45pm  | Lackland Air Force Base (see description on reverse) |
| 8:00am | - 4:30pm  | Fredericksburg (see description on reverse)          |
| 5:45pm | - 10:00pm | Diamond W Ranch (see description on reverse)         |

**Saturday, September 15**

|        |          |                                                |
|--------|----------|------------------------------------------------|
| 8:30am | - 9:30am | Business Meeting                               |
|        |          | Free day to explore the River Walk on your own |
| 2:00pm | - 3:00pm | Memorial Service                               |
| 6:00pm | -        | Cash Bar                                       |
| 7:00pm | -        | Banquet begins                                 |

**Sunday, September 16**

Farewells and departures.

Things could be worse... Martha Stewart could be your mother-in-

**MCB-2 ASSOCIATION  
TOUR DESCRIPTIONS**

**CASA RIO RIVER BARGE CRUISE**

**Wednesday, September 12 OR Thursday, September 13**

Board bus for the Casa Rio Restaurant where barges will be waiting to take you on a one-hour narrated cruise of the beautiful San Antonio River. Each barge holds forty people, so please remind your friends to board the bus and barges together. Once you arrive back at the restaurant you will enjoy an authentic Mexican Feast prepared by the Casa Rio, the first Mexican Restaurant on the river and a local favorite. Dinner includes guacamole salad, chips and salsa, taco, tamale, dessert, and a beverage.

***This outing is limited to 120 people. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis.***

**5:15pm board bus, 9:00pm back at the hotel**

**\$40/Person includes bus, escort, barge cruise, and dinner.**

**CITY TOUR**

**Thursday, September 13**

Board bus for a fully narrated tour of San Antonio. Visit the San Jose Mission, and continue on a driving tour past the Alamo, the Riverwalk, HemisFair (the site of the 1968 World's Fair), Brackenridge Park and Zoo, Fort Sam Houston, and more. Enjoy lunch on your own and shopping at El Mercado, a unique Mexican Market. After lunch reboard bus for a tour of the San Fernando Cathedral made famous by Santa Ana as he directed the Mexican troops in the battle of the Alamo.

**9:00am board bus, 3:00pm back at the hotel**

**\$23/Person includes bus and guide. Lunch is on your own.**

**LACKLAND AIR FORCE BASE**

**Friday, September 14**

Board bus for Lackland Air Force Base. Enjoy the Training Graduation Parade. Afterwards, take a stroll along the parade grounds and view Lackland's static display of vintage and modern aircraft. Included in the display is the B-17, P-38, F-82, C-47 and many others. Reboard bus and begin a guided windshield tour of the facility. Afterward, tour the History and Traditions Museum, which houses a collection of rare aeronautical objects. The museum's aircraft, engines, instruments, and air weapons span the years of aviation development from its origin to the aerospace age. Reboard bus and head to the Gateway NCO Club for lunch. Lunch will include grilled chicken breast, California mixed vegetables, salad, rolls, coffee or tea, and apple pie.

**8:00am board bus, 1:45pm back at the hotel**

**\$35/Person includes bus, guide, and lunch.**

**OR**

**FREDERICKSBURG**

**Friday, September 14**

Board bus for Fredericksburg and the Lyndon B. Johnson State and National Historic Park. After browsing through the Visitors Center, board the Park Service bus for a guided tour of the ranch. The tour includes the Old Junction School, the Texas White House, and LBJ Ranchlands, with stops at the Birthplace and the Johnson Family cemetery. Reboard bus for the short ride to Fredericksburg. Enjoy lunch and shopping on your own at one of several restaurants and shops located on Fredericksburg's downtown Main Street, or for a nominal fee, tour the Admiral Nimitz Museum dedicated to everyone who served in the Pacific under Admiral Nimitz.

***This outing is limited to 90 people. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come first-served basis.***

**8:00am board bus, 4:30pm back at the hotel**

**\$34/Person includes bus, guide, and admission. Lunch is on your own.**

**DIAMOND W RANCH**

**Friday, September 14**

Board bus for Diamond W Ranch, site of San Antonio's best chuck wagon supper and cowboy show. Your dinner includes Bar-B-Que brisket and your choice of smoked turkey or sausage, beans, salads, biscuits, dessert, and a beverage (beer and wine are available at the cash bar). After dinner, sit back and enjoy the entertainment. Cowboy humor, poetry, and songs are all part of the show, including the band.

**5:45pm board bus, 10:00pm back at the hotel**

**\$46/Person includes bus, escort, and dinner show.**

***Driver and guide gratuities are not included in the tour prices.***

**REUNION ACTIVITY REGISTRATION FORM**

Listed below are all registration, tour, and meal costs for the reunion. Please enter how many people will be participating in each event and total the amount. Send that amount payable to **ARMED FORCES REUNIONS** in the form of check or money order (no credit cards or phone reservations accepted). Your cancelled check will serve as your confirmation. All registration forms and payments must be received by mail on or before **AUGUST 10, 2001**. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis. We suggest you make a copy of this form before mailing.

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**Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 11327**  
**Norfolk, VA 23517**  
**ATTN: MCB-2 REUNION**

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_  
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**CUT- OFF DATE IS AUGUST 10, 2001**

|                                                                                                            | <b>Price<br/>Per</b> | <b>No. of<br/>People</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Tours</b>                                                                                               |                      |                          |              |
| Wednesday: Casa Rio River Barge Cruise (includes dinner)<br>(maximum capacity is 120 people)               | \$40                 |                          | \$           |
| Thursday: City Tour                                                                                        | \$23                 |                          | \$           |
| Thursday: Casa Rio River Barge Cruise (includes dinner)<br>(maximum capacity is 120 people)                | \$40                 |                          | \$           |
| Friday: Lackland AFB (includes lunch) <b>OR</b>                                                            | \$35                 |                          | \$           |
| Fredericksburg (maximum capacity is 90 people)                                                             | \$34                 |                          | \$           |
| Friday: Diamond W Ranch (includes dinner)                                                                  | \$46                 |                          | \$           |
| <b>Meals</b>                                                                                               |                      |                          |              |
| Saturday Banquet (please select your entrée)<br>Roast Prime Rib of Beef                                    | \$30                 |                          | \$           |
| Chicken Sesame                                                                                             | \$30                 |                          | \$           |
| <b>REGISTRATION FEE</b>                                                                                    |                      |                          |              |
| Includes administrative, hospitality room expenses, and entertainment.                                     | \$5                  |                          | \$           |
| Total Amount Payable to <b>Armed Forces Reunions, Inc.</b><br>(Please do not staple or tape your payment.) |                      |                          | \$           |

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NAME (for nametags) \_\_\_\_\_

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EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PH. NUMBER (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU STAYING AT THE HOTEL? YES  NO  ARE YOU FLYING?  DRIVING?  RV?

Full refunds will be sent for the above-mentioned activities if cancellation is received by **SEPTEMBER 7, 2001**, **(BARGE CRUISE MUST BE CANCELLED NO LATER THAN AUGUST 10, 2001)** less a \$3 processing fee. After that date, refund amount will depend on vendor policies and/or the resale of tickets. **CANCELLATIONS WILL ONLY BE TAKEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 9am-5pm eastern time (excluding holidays)**. CALL (757) 625-6401 to cancel reunion activities and obtain your cancellation code.

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