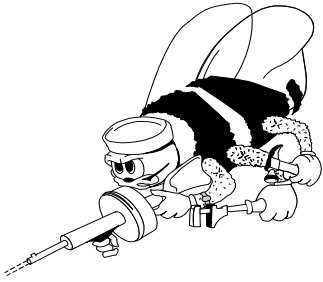


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SEABEES

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

MYRTLE BEACH!

Seabees! Golf! Food!

Shows! Party Time!

Are You Ready To Party?!

Another great time is planned, with a great seafood buffet and then on to a fun live entertainment variety show Friday evening. Those that would like to take advantage of the many superb golf courses will have an opportunity on Friday. The Sands Hotel has access to a number of great courses and the golfers will spend the day enjoying the weather and the course. If you didn't bring your clubs and want to join the golf crowd, they are available for rent. Then, that evening, everyone will be able to go to the seafood buffet and show for a good time. So, complete the registration form on page 14 and mail it, along with your check, to Scott.

Start Making Plans!

And get your door prizes ready! We always enjoy the great time we have sharing our door prizes, so put a door prize high on your list of things to bring to Myrtle Beach! And, if you want to play on one of the country's premiere golf courses, bring your golf clubs. Another really great time is planned and the Sands Resort is an outstanding choice for our reunion. A large hospitality room to enjoy the camaraderie of our friends awaits us and the room accommodations are very nice. Each room has its' own safe for your valuables, plus comfortable beds for a good night's

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sleep. The rooms look out over the Atlantic Ocean and the lovely beaches. Usually, a nice, cool breeze blows in from the ocean and October begins the fall tourist season, so we will be there at a prime time. If you like swimming in the surf, our hotel is right on the beach with easy access to the beach. Beautiful location, visiting with old friends.... It just doesn't get much better than this. Make your plans now and get your reservations in, to me and to the hotel. See you there!

Duct tape is like the force.
It has a light side, a dark
side, and it holds the
universe together.

Numbers..... Interesting.

111,111,111 X 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321

The Commander and Staff

Our leadership consists of:

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Pete Elliott**

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Joe DeFranco

David Haines

Rich Nelson

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Malcolm Pearson

John Petronka

Stoney Serrett, Commander Emeritus

Scott Williams, Sec'y/Treas./Publisher

Seabees

*October - February
Dates to Remember*

- Oct. 13, 1775 Navy Birthday
Oct. 16, 1942 Eight men of 6th NCB killed at Guadalcanal, first Seabees killed in action.
Nov. 8, 1942 Seabees land in North Africa with American assault forces.
Nov. 10, 1775 U.S. Marine Corps Birthday.
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 established
Jan. 5, 1942 Bureau of Naval Personnel authorizes formation of Construction Battalions.
Jan. 27, 1942 Bobcat detachment sent to Bora Bora, Society Islands; first Navy construction unit sent to overseas duty.
Feb. 1, 1944 Seabees land with Fourth Marine Division on Kwajalein.
Feb. 19, 1945 Seabees land with 5th Marine Division on Iwo Jima.



Notes from our members:

From **Harold Freeland**: I just read the Newsletter online. I understand the expenses and hope you get an adequate amount of help. I am putting my check in the mail this morning as soon as I finish this note.. A very sad note in the Newsletter, for me, with the passing of my old buddy **Mylo Cayou**. After Cubi Point, long after, in '65-'66, I served with him in Trinidad. I never have worked for a better Chief, anywhere in my 22 years with the Seabees. I am sure all who knew Chief **Cayou** feel the same as I. My condolences to his family and may he walk with God. He will surely be missed by all who knew him..... received dues checks from **Pat Morris, George Gustin, Tony DeLeon, Don Henderson, Marvin Guetling, Ed Dechant, John Recklitis, Paul (Pat) Schell, Herbert Liverman, Chuck Minert, Fred Wilmarth, Warren (Barbara) Culberston, Mary Dick**..... from **LeRoy Weiselberg**: This check has been sitting around for a week [and thanks]. I wanted to send a note along with it, so it's Sunday afternoon and not much to do, so here goes. My wife and I go to Florida every December for a couple of months and we travel down I-65 from Michigan, so we don't see much of Georgia. I stop and pick up pecans near Troy, Alabama. I think you are a little north of the pecan belt in Georgia [yes, I am]. I usually pick up around fifty pounds. To do this, we spend an extra night in Alabama. On my last tour of duty at Subic, I was transferred into MCB 5 and was assigned to working on the carrier pier. I worked with a crew putting forms around the steel pilings, which meant being in the water most of the time. Not a bad job as the water temperature was around 82° all the time. This was during the early months of 1954. I'll see if I can make it to the reunion in 2009. My wife can't get around very well, so this is a little problem. I appreciate the battalion news very much..... from **Billy Partridge**: We received the Newsletter and, as always, enjoyed it very much. We believe it is important to us all. We

won't be able to make it to the reunion but am enclosing a check for your general fund to be used as needed [thank you!]. Thank you for all your hard work..... from **Chuck Chapman**: Shipmate, here is a little



to help the treasury [thank you!]. There are very few publications that I will take the time to read from cover to cover except the MCB 2 Newsletter. You do an outstanding job! [thanks again] from **Marshall (Mike) Williams**: Just a couple of lines along with a check for 'advanced dues' [thanks]. Sorry to hear about your financial troubles, but with everything so high in cost, it's no wonder. I'm sorry about our Fallen Comrades. I go back a long way with my very good friend, **Mylo R. Cayou**. We also spent two years in Trinidad together. I drove a taxi cab in his home town back in 1950, just before I re-entered the 'Bees after almost three years in civvies. I didn't know him then. He was a fine man. What?!! ALL Seabees are FINE MEN! It's just that when those that we were so close to die, it hits a little deeper. I came close three times since 1991; the one time in San Antonio when I went into the hospital while on my way to the reunion. On the second day there, they didn't think I would make it. Now, I'm afraid to make the reunions. It was acute pancreatitis. God is good to me. I give Him all the credit. I do wish I could make those trips. But I came home on a pallet in back of a van that time in San Antonio, after a week stay in the hospital. I'll close for now. I hope this check helps [it does and thanks again] and that the price of gas comes down. Keep up the good work. Always a buddy and friend..... from **Joseph O'Brien**: [enclosed a check... thanks] Use the extra for the Newsletter..... from **Howard Doyle**: Enclosed is a check for dues and some extra to help with costs incurred going to Myrtle Beach. I am optimistic that others will respond to your need, but if you are still running short, let us all know by email and we will help find more money to the end that the November Newsletter can be published [thanks, **Howard**. Everyone is really pulling together on this]..... from **Don McDaniel**: Enclosed is a check for dues plus a little extra on account of that's all I can afford [you are very generous, **Don**, and thanks]. You are a good man, **Scott**. I don't care what other folks say about you..... from **Doug Emond**: I hope this note finds you and **Rachel** well [it does, and thanks]. Your weather down in Geor-

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gia is as bad as ours is in Wisconsin. Thank God I know how to swim! I have never seen so much rain. The only thing close is the rainy season in the Philippines. At this point in time, **Shirley** and I plan to make it to Myrtle Beach. No golf for me. Running after a little white ball just doesn't turn me on. I will be 1 of the 50 needed to help out financially, so here is a check and use it where needed [thanks, old buddy]..... from **Vic Jaccino**: I am sending some pictures with notes on the back of them. Maybe if you can put them in the next newsletter, some members will realize how important it is to keep the Newsletter going [thanks, but I ran all of these pictures in a previous issue, probably a year or two ago]. **Ray Sorrentino** and I are still good friends and email each other often. Here is a check to help keep things going [thanks much!]. Also, can you see how my dues are and if I owe anything? I would also love to have a new roster [on the way]..... from **Cecil Price (Arky)**: Greetings! Maybe this little bit will help some [it sure does and thanks]. It might help if you guys would change your place of dining when you travel. Instead of Whataburger, try McDonald's. You may not save any money, but I'll bet you will lose a few pounds [hey! Wash your mouth out!]. My friend, **Wilma**, seems to be losing ground as time goes by. But I don't think God meant for us to live forever. I just wish **Wilma** didn't suffer so..... from **Pat Badgett**: Enclosed is a check and apply it to my dues and two Seabee decals. If anything is left, use it where needed [thank you!]..... from **Lee Stevens**: Hope this finds you and your family in good health [it does and thanks for asking]. Enclosed is a check and I hope it will help the organization [it will and thanks]..... from **Gene & Jo McDonagh**: We received your wonderful (as usual) Newsletter. The reunion scheduled for next year sounds great! This time, we hope our health holds out so that we can make it. Sorry to hear about the tight financial situation. Enclosed is a check to be put wherever you decide. Please keep publishing the best Newsletter from the Seabees [thanks, very much]..... from **Vern Ammentorp**:

Here is a check for dues and some extra for the general fund. I hope this helps [it sure does and thank you]. The Newsletter is expensive to print and I wonder if anyone



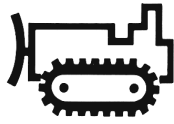
would mind not getting one in the summer. You do a great job and it would give you a vacation also. Just a thought. Or, raise the dues would be another possibility. Maybe to \$25 or \$30..... from **Pat (Ralph) Presson**:

Here is a check for dues [thank you]. Would you let me know when we are paid up to? [12/31/2010]..... from **Steve Yunger**: Just a note to let you know that the extra amount in the check is to go towards the Newsletter costs [thanks!]. I might be able to make Myrtle Beach next year, God willing! [come visit the grandkids in Augusta, then make it on over to Myrtle Beach!]..... from **Kenn Gaskell**: I know you have been busy with the Myrtle Beach arrangements, etc., but I paid my dues and haven't seen my name on the Good Guy List for the past two Newsletters. I also see where my old buddy from K-3, **Karl Weisenbacher**, paid his dues and he is not on the GGL either. Thanks, and we all know you keep extra busy and we appreciate what you do. [Yep, you were left off the GGL as was **Karl**. So, I went through the list name by name and found many more. Boy! I must have been asleep. I even had some on the list that should not have been there. Glad you wrote, **Kenn**, and you fell off the GGL the end of 2008] from **Judy Todd**: Sadly, I write to tell you, and all, that **Dick** passed away the evening of July 1. **Dick** waged a relentless, uncomplaining battle for three years. By last Christmas, things changed greatly and continued to do so. At the beginning of May, he had his final fall, as I believe the cancer had reached his spinal cord so he became completely bedridden. I took complete care of him right to the end, with a couple weeks of aide help from Hospice. **Dick** had so badly wanted to be in St. Louis. Even as his failures were so obvious, I remember he wrote you that he hoped to see everyone at Myrtle Beach. After his surgery to remove his bladder, he was thrilled with the box of Seabee items you sent. The Seabee cap he wore everywhere and highly prized it. On July 26, along with a Seabee T shirt, I displayed the cap at the reception following the service of celebration of his life. We always talked of the reunions that we had been able to attend. I remember many of whom I read about in the Newsletter. So, as long as names mean something to me, I plan to continue on the Good Guy List. I've always enjoyed reading the Newsletter. **Dick** would have been

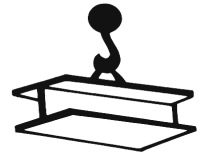


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stepping right to the front of the line to help with your financial situation, so I am including a check to help [thank you very much]. Needless to say, there is a gaping hole here as **Dick** and I were always together and doing so much. He really was a "Good Guy" and I'll never find life the same without him, even though I know things will get better. I'm proud to be able to say that!..... from **Stoney Serrett**: Just a few lines to say hello and to wish you and **Rachel** good health [thanks]. I am enclosing a check for dues and my hope is that it will help with the financial situation [it does and thanks much]. Hopefully, you will hear from many of the others, who I am sure will be very happy to continue getting the Newsletter. If you need more help, let me know and I will do what I can to ease the financial situation. I do support you for all the many good things that you have done to make MCB 2 reunions great [thank you]..... from **Scott**: I called **Karl Weisenbacher** to ask if he received his blue caps he ordered and he said he had. But I found out that **Karl** is recovering from a stroke. If you would like to write him a get well note, his address is 157 Springville Rd., Hampton Bays, NY 11946. I am sure **Karl** would appreciate cards from his old CBMU 1/101 buddies..... from **Bob Gardner**: Here is a check for my dues and a little extra for the kitty to keep the Newsletter coming [thanks]. If you need a little more, let me know. Hope to see you in Myrtle Beach next year [**Bob** and his wife met with us in St. Louis. **Bob** hosted the All-Seabee Cubi Point reunion in Salt Lake City about three years ago and some of may have met him there] from **Ralph Burnley**: I received the new caps and a check is in the mail..... from **Bill Sharp**: Can Do! We Fight, We Build, We Defend. We Are The Seabees of the Navy! We also donate. Good work on the Myrtle Beach trip [thanks. Everyone has been great!]..... from **Norris McDaniel**: After not being on the Good Guy List for two Newsletters, I have finally decided that I must be behind on my dues. It takes a little longer for it to sink in with some people. To be honest, I forgot it. I'm glad none of you other guys have that problem. This check should take care of my problem and a little extra for stamps or whatever. Maybe I can get back on schedule at Myrtle Beach. Keep up the good work and I'll see you next year, if the Lord is will-



ing..... from **Tom Dowd**: Here is a check for dues to help out in the financial crunch [thanks!]..... from **David Anderson**: [**David** ordered a 24' flag pole with US flag, Navy flag and a ball cap for **Leslie Kildow**] **Edith's** cousin, **Leslie Kildow**, joined the Navy near the end of WW II, was released to the reserves, then rejoined in time for the Vietnam insurgency and served as unit commander on the river boats. Other locations where he served were Louisiana and Bermuda. He retired with 32 years active service as Master Chief [Bo'sun Mate]. About 10 years ago, **Leslie** was honored by the Veterans Administration of Southeastern Missouri on the Wall of Valor. He will soon be 80 years old and is very proud to be flying this flag to fly in his front yard. As the saying goes, **Leslie's** "blood flows US Navy blue." Thanks for your help and we appreciate your quick response and kind attention to our wishes..... from **Ray Sorrentino**: Keep up the good work and we want to help, so enclosed is our donation to help keep things going [thank you]. **Jean** and I hope to make the reunion at Myrtle Beach next year, if God wills..... from **Len Hardoin**: [I finally found a cap maker that would make caps for us that we had run out of as the previous maker had gone out of business - Scott] Thank you so much for remembering me wanting this hat [blue with gold cord]. Enclosed is my check for the hat plus postage and dues [thank you!]..... from **Dale Lundstrom**: [enclosed a check for gas money and future dues - thanks] I had four stents put in last week and now am feeling great! I plan on being around 'til I fall off the Good Guy List [Wow! That's a long time!] You are doing a great job from **Willie Struecker**: I see by the Newsletter you are a little short [not really... I'm 5'9"].... But our treasury sure got that way ☺] I'm sending a check for dues [thank you very much!]..... from **Vinny Ryan**: Sorry to be late again but here is a check for my dues including a late payment penalty [thanks]. This card was designed by my grandson, **Greg** [cute. It showed a horse or cow near a lake with mountains in the background, with clouds, birds and the sun. Nice card.]..... from **Bill Wisnowski**: Here is a check for the money you asked for [thanks]. If you need some more, let me know. I'll get a reverse mortgage on the house, put **Shari** back to work, ~~and I'll cut back on the beer.~~ (No, that's going too far!) We'll cut back on **Shari's** clothing allowance. Hope



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to see you next year..... from **Arlin (Betty) Hardwick**: As requested, I am enclosing a check for dues and a bit extra [thank you]. Hope this helps! [yes, everyone has come to the rescue. Thanks to all.] I hope you are enjoying a great summer. If we had rain it would be better for us [Amen!]. It looks like we might get some today or tomorrow. Thanks for all your hard work..... from **Eugene (JoAnn) Antoine**: Sorry we are late. We are just getting caught up again after the fire. We are in a calm after the storm and hope there are no more storms for a while. We were in Florida during hurricane Fay. Thanks for waiting [thank you]..... from **Doug Thorp**: Once again, Thanks for the MCB 2 Association publication. I'm currently in Washington state for medical tests and evaluation (having been put off for two years). Enclosed please find a check for dues (while I'm thinking about them) and some for your special requirements. As always, best to you and your family. PS: It's over 100° in La Paz and it's in the 60°-80° range here in western Washington. I'm freezing to death!from **Warren (Ann) Flading**: Ooops! Please put **Warren** back on the Good Guy List. His personal secretary fell behind due to back surgery, but she has now recovered well [thanks] from **Norman (Marjorie) Stentz**: Find a check enclosed for **Norman's** dues [thanks]. He would also like a membership roster by ZIP [on the way!]..... from **Althea Herr (Jerry's widow)**: I hope all is well with you and your family. I am doing well except for being lonesome at times. **Gerald (Jerry)** has been gone for two years already and I still miss him very much, and I still talk to him. I am writing to you and enclosing a check for dues as it seems I haven't gotten a Newsletter for a while and I miss it. I have been receiving "The Seabee Quarterly" but it doesn't impress me too much. I still want to stay on the Good Gal's list in memory of **Gerald** [I purged your name but should not have and have reinstated your subscription. I have also sent all of volume 7 in case you have missed any of those. Thanks very much for your check but widows of our members can receive the Newsletter for as long as they want to receive it.] I hope all goes well for the Myrtle Beach reunion and thanks very much. Take care from **Melvin Dixon**: Here are my late dues again, plus some extra for stamps [thanks]. I enjoy the Newsletter. Keep up



the good work..... from **Galen Farnsworth**: When I read your latest MCB 2 paper, you mentioned the financial needs of the association and my conscience bothered me, so I decided instantly I better send my dues [thank you]. Due to my wife's Parkinson's problem, which has developed to a pretty serious stage now, we will not be able to join you in South Carolina next year. However, our hearts are with you and we are very happy to be associated with our old comrades of MCB 2. Thank you for the great work you do..... from **Bob Graf**: Here are a few bucks to help with the Newsletter. Don't consider it dues, just a contribution to the general fund [thank you very much]. Hope this helps you to keep publishing the best Newsletter around [it sure will!]. You do a great job as Secretary/Treasurer/Publisher. I'm sure it takes a lot of time and not always an easy task. By the way, what's in the Ship's Store now? [I sent a list of the plunder to **Bob**.] I don't know where I stand on my dues. Plus, you can see who really is Captain of this ship [**Marie** wrote the check ☺]..... **L.P. 'Pop' Burleigh**: Enclosed is a check for my dues and sorry that I am a little late as we had a bad year. My wife and I were in and out of the hospital, plus hurricanes, and many medical problems. Hello to all of my old Seabee friends. My old MCB 2 unit members are getting a little older, but keep the faith, stay healthy, and God bless all of you..... from **Frank Jacus**: Sorry about being late with the dues [OK and thanks]. I would like one Seabee cap and one US flag [on the way and thanks]. Keep the change for the good of the crew and keep up the good work..... from **Ivan Majetic**: Here is a check for my dues and a copy of my check to show I had paid dues and should be on the Good Guy List. How many Newsletters did I miss since last May's issue? [thanks, **Ivan**. You are on the GGL but guess I had dropped you in the May Newsletter. And the August issue was mailed but must have gotten lost in the US mail. A replacement is on the way.]..... Guess that's about it again, folks. Enjoy this issue and start making plans for Myrtle Beach. We are going to have another good time and I'll see you there! Scott



**A GOVERNMENT WHICH ROBS PETER TO PAY
PAUL CAN ALWAYS DEPEND ON THE SUPPORT
OF PAUL.**

- GEORGE BERNARD SHAW



A couple of pictures at Subic Bay that are in my collection. The one of the cat that is turned over was taken at a road clearing site toward Camayan Pt. The other is of the carrier pier. I worked on a small raft putting concrete forms around the steel pilings. Once a month they had to send a diver down to pick up the dropped tools. The tool crib would run short on tools so this was a must. If a wooden-handle hammer was in the water for more than a month, the inside of the handle was honeycombed by the marine borers. LeRoy Weiselberg

Navy Protocol

(from Mike Barron)

The Chief noticed a new Seaman one day and barked at him to get over here.

"What's your name?" was the first thing the Chief asked the new guy.

"John," the new guy replied.

The Chief scowled, "Look, I don't know what kind of bleeding-heart, liberal namby-pamby stuff they're teaching sailors in boot camp today, but I don't call anyone by their first name. It breeds familiarity and that leads to a breakdown in authority. I refer to my sailors by their last name only - Smith, Jones, Baker - that's all. I am to be referred to only as Chief. Do I make myself clear?"

"Aye, aye, Chief!"

"Good! Now that we got that straight, what is your last name?"

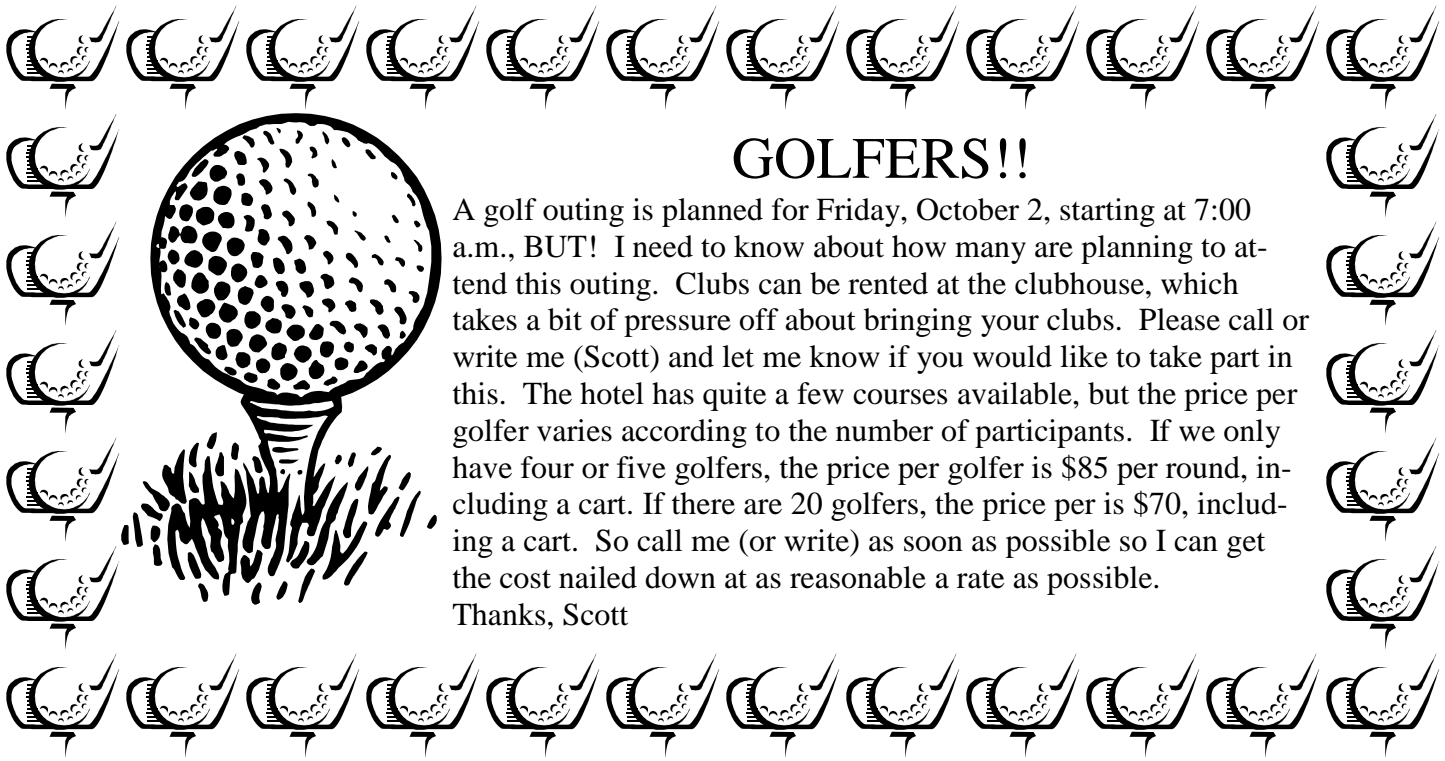
The new guy sighed and said, "Darling. My name is John Darling, Chief!"

"Okay..... John, here's what I want you to do..."

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This story reminds me of an actual incident that I was involved in on Midway Island. As we were leaving the movie theater, Pete and I lit cigarettes while the rear part of our legs were still in the doorway. The Master at Arms grabbed us. He explained that the O.D. was a brand new ensign and had been standing in the back of the theater watching us.

Well, Pete and I were directed to the O.D's office and were kept waiting until he decided to return. He has us standing at attention and reads us the riot act about smoking in a non-smoking building etc., etc. Then he asks me my name and I replied, "Barron, Sir." Pete is asked his name and he says, "Guess." "Guess, what?" asks the ensign, and Pete says, "Guess, Sir." This ensign is getting redder and redder in the face and the veins in his neck are starting to stand out. Not wanting to spend the night in the brig, I burst out, "Sir, his name is Peter Guess." Mike



## GOLFERS!!

A golf outing is planned for Friday, October 2, starting at 7:00 a.m., BUT! I need to know about how many are planning to attend this outing. Clubs can be rented at the clubhouse, which takes a bit of pressure off about bringing your clubs. Please call or write me (Scott) and let me know if you would like to take part in this. The hotel has quite a few courses available, but the price per golfer varies according to the number of participants. If we only have four or five golfers, the price per golfer is \$85 per round, including a cart. If there are 20 golfers, the price per is \$70, including a cart. So call me (or write) as soon as possible so I can get the cost nailed down at as reasonable a rate as possible.

Thanks, Scott



## Thanks to All!

Thanks to all who sent dues and extra to help keep this publication going. What with the additional trip to Myrtle Beach and the necessity of putting a \$500 deposit down to confirm our reservations, we were just caught short. We are back on track but, if you will notice the Good Guy List, I have purged the members that had their dues expire at the end of 2008 rather than wait until the next Newsletter in February to do that, which is what I have normally done. Check your dues status and, if you are not listed, it is time to send your dues for 2009.

But thanks again to all who have been so generous and I hope everyone makes plans to come to Myrtle Beach. Another great reunion is planned with golfing, dinner and a show, plus our exciting banquet where we give away all the wonderful door prizes. The hotel reservation planning page is located on page 13 that you can fill out before you call the hotel so you will be prepared with all the answers needed when asked. And on pages 14 and 15 are the pages to plan your activities in Myrtle Beach.

Make plans now and we'll see you there!





## 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 753 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 (23 pages). Glad to have all aboard! And, if you would like a directory sorted by ZIP numbers, let me know. You can see who lives close to you or use it when you travel. And keep sending those cards and letters – especially the ones with checks!

Scott Williams



## WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

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## SECOND ANNUAL

## East Coast ALL SEABEE Reunion



**Where:** Crowne Plaza Hotel, Hampton, VA. (Formerly the Hampton Marina Hotel)

**Who:** SEABEES and all other Veterans

**When:** February 27<sup>th</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009

**Attention ALL Military Reunion Organizations**

***Increase your Participation • Share the Camaraderie • Lower your Cost***

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## **For 2009**

Vern Ammentorp, Gene Antoine, Basil Arnold, Pat Badgett, Richard Baker, Henry Benguerel, Frank Betonte, John Bloem, William Body, Alexander (Cat) Borys, Don Bradley, David Budworth, Wayne Bulgerin, L.P. 'Pop' Burleigh, Ralph Burnley, Bill Burns, Pat Carey, Bennie Carlson, Ken Catchpole, Frank Chambers, George Chang, Chuck Chapman, Walter Cloonan, Bob Colquhoun, Roy Cone, Howard Cornwell, Warren Culberson, Pat Cunningham, Stan Dauer, Ed Dechant, Joe DeFranco, Tony deLeon, Don Dellit, Ted DeVit, Mary Dick (for all the Good Guys), Tom Dowd, Howard Doyle, Pete Elliott, Doug Emond, Ralph Evans, Richard Fairbanks, Richard Farbo, Galen Farnsworth, Frank Fibich, Warren Flading, Jack Foster, Bill Frazier, Harold Freeland, Claude Garcenot, Robert Gardner, Roger Germundson, Ron Glasser, Robert Graf, Russ Granby, Gerald Grubb, George Gustin, Gordon Gwathney, Pauline (Charles) Hagemann, David Haines, Roger Hamilton, Leonard Hardoin, Arlin Hardwick, Roy Harris, Ralph Heitt, Don Henderson, Althea (Jerry) Herr, Don Hofstetter, Ben Hollar, Sam Holsomback, Ray Hooter, Art Hoskinds, Vic Jacino, Frank Jacus, Robert Jandreau, Ambros Johnson, Charles Johnson, Robert Kaempfe, Denise King (for her Dad, Don Truskey), William Knight, John Kolasz, James Krause, Emil Krygier, Ervin Lampe, Harold Lind, Herbert Liverman, Dale Lundstrom, Tom Maere, Ivan Majetic, Philip Matalucci, Don McDaniel, Norris McDaniel, Riley McDaniel, Gene McDonagh, Don McLain, Bobby McMillan, Grant Millard, Chuck Minert, Gary Mitchell, Pat Morris, Hance Morton, Richard Muns, Eugene Nelson, Richard Nelson, Ray Nethercott, John Noetzel, Joseph O'Brien, Ernest Owens, Billy Partridge, Don Pastell, Roy Peak, Mal Pearson, John Petronka, Ralph Presson, Cecil Price, David Pyle, Sam Ragusa, Gary Rawlings, John Recklitis, Rex Roark, Gene Robinson, Thomas Roy, Vinny Ryan, Harold Saucier, Paul

Schell, Jack Schrader, Gerald Seger, Stoney Serrett, Bill Sharp, Fred Simon, Glenn Sisco, Joe Sitkowski, Richard Skillicorn, Joe Sobczak, Ray Sorrentino, Gene Staples, Norman Stentz, Lee Stevens, George Stewart, Willis Struecker, Dan Svendsen, Victor Swanson, William Taylor, Doug Thorp, Richard Todd, Charles Trimarchi, Wayne Turley, Larry Vibber, Lionel Vidrine, Walter Waddell, Harold Wardenburg, Karl Weisenbacher, Bud Wheless, Rodney White, John Wilborn, Marshall Williams, R. G. 'Pete' Williams, Scott Williams, Fred Wilmarth, Bill Wisnowski, and Stephen Yunger.

Everyone listed here has their dues paid at least through 2009, 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 (no dues card sent out). This list is as of September 12, 2008. There are currently 160 paid up members from a mailing list of 505. If dues have never been sent, they do not receive the Newsletter. There are 740 names on the full member roster. (SW)

## **Who to contact about your dues**

Scott Williams, Sec'y/Treas.  
MCB 2 Reunion Association  
725 Summer Ridge Dr.  
Villa Rica, GA 30180  
(770-456-4246)

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make checks payable to:  
Scott Williams/MCB 2

**Dues are \$20/year**  
**January - December**

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

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Pictures on this page from Charlie Hogan, early 1955.

Above: Cubi Point hut area

Below: NAS barracks





Cubi Point Naval Air Station - around 1970

The airplane  
Buddy Holly died in  
was named the  
"American Pie."  
Thus, the name of the  
Don McLean song.

## The Suit

When the store manager returned from lunch, he noticed his clerk's hand was bandaged, but before he could ask about the bandage, the clerk said he had some very good news for him.

"Guess what, sir?" the clerk said. "I finally sold that terrible, ugly suit we've had so long!"

"Do you mean that repulsive pink-and-blue double-breasted thing?" the manager asked.

"That's the one!"

"That's great!" the manager cried, "I thought we'd never get rid of that monstrosity! That had to be the ugliest suit we've ever had! But tell me. Why is your hand bandaged?"

"Oh," the clerk replied. "After I sold the guy that suit, his guide dog bit me."

## MAKE A NOTE! ADDRESS CORRECTION

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## *Our Fallen Comrades*

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Mike A. Castelvechi, Jr. | 2/24/08 |
| Angus Z. McKay           | 8/22/08 |
| Richard M. Todd          | 7/1/08  |
| James N. Tvede           | 10/2004 |

*May they live on in our memories.*

Fill this form out and have it ready when you call the hotel for your reservations.  
Bring this completed form to the reunion with the Confirmation Number.

# Sands Resorts

201 75th Avenue North, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

## HOTEL RESERVATION WORKSHEET

**CALL 1-800-599-9872 & Identify Yourself: MCB 2 Seabees**

**Group Name: MCB 2 Reunion Association**

**Dates: Wednesday - Saturday, September 30 - October 3, 2009**

**Rate: \$79 plus 19.5% tax Single or Double Occupancy**

**One Bedroom Jr. Suite available: \$89 plus 19.5% tax**

Parking: **FREE**

Check-in Time: 4:00 p.m.

Check-out Time: 12:00 Noon

**Confirmation Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

Guest & Companion's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date

Departure Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Credit Card Number for Guarantee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Card & Expiration Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cardholder's Name:

**Special needs** (subject to availability): Smoking/non-smoking; Handicap.

**Deposits:** Please allow one night's deposit plus 19.5% (current rate) room tax.  
Deposits must be received prior to the reservation cut-off date.  
A credit card or a deposit in the amount of one night's room plus tax charge must be received no later than 5 days from the date the reservation was made.

**Reservation Cut-Off Date:** All reservations must be received by the hotel no later than August 30, 2009.

**Cancellations:** Individual room reservations may be cancelled up to ninety-six (96) hours prior to arrival with no penalty.

## REUNION REGISTRATION - MYRTLE BEACH

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 MCB 2 REUNION ASSOCIATION in the form of a 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 September 1, 2009. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis.

**We suggest you make a copy of this form before mailing.**

MAIL TO:

Scott Williams  
 MCB 2 Reunion Association  
 725 Summer Ridge Drive  
 Villa Rica, GA 30180

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Check Number  
 Inputted

Received  
 Nametag

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**CUT-OFF DATE IS SEPTEMBER 1, 2009**

|                                                                | PRICE<br>PER | X | NO. OF<br>PEOPLE | = | \$ AMOUNT |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---|------------------|---|-----------|
| Friday Golf Outing                                             | \$85         | X | _____            | = | _____     |
| Friday Dinner & Show (Seafood buffet & Opry)                   | \$65         | X | _____            | = | _____     |
| Saturday night Banquet Buffet Dinner                           | \$40         | X | _____            | = | _____     |
| Registration Fee per person (required)                         | \$5          | X | _____            | = | _____     |
| <b>TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE TO MCB 2 REUNION ASSOCIATION, INC.</b> |              |   |                  | = | _____     |

*Please do not staple or tape payment*

PLEASE PRINT NAME FOR NAME TAG \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT \_\_\_\_\_  
(MCB 2, CBMU 1/101, etc.)

SPOUSE NAME \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

DISABILITY/DIETARY RESTRICTIONS \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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 1 (less a \$5 processing fee). However, after that date, refund amount will depend on vendor policies.

**CANCELLATIONS WILL ONLY BE TAKEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 9am - 5pm Eastern time (excluding holidays).  
 CALL (770) 456-4246 to obtain your cancellation code.**

# MCB 2 REUNION ASSOCIATION, Inc.

Biannual Reunion

Schedule of Events

## SANDS RESORTS HOTEL

201 75th Ave. North

MYRTLE BEACH, SC

October 1-3, 2009

### *Wednesday, September 30*

|                        |                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m. -            | Hospitality Room open      |
| 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Early Bird Registration    |
| 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  | Planning Committee meeting |
| 10:30 p.m. -           | Hospitality Room closed    |

### *Thursday, October 1*

|                       |                           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m. -           | Hospitality Room open     |
| 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Reunion Registration open |
| 10:30 p.m. -          | Hospitality Room closed   |

### *Friday, October 2*

|                        |                                  |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 7:00 a.m. -            | Golf Outing - bus ride to course |
| 8:00 a.m. -            | Hospitality Room open            |
| 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  | Reunion Registration open        |
| 6:00 p.m. -            | Hospitality Room closed          |
| 6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. | Dinner & Show at Carolina Opry   |

### *Saturday, October 3*

|                         |                                |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m. -             | Hospitality Room open          |
| 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.   | Reunion Registration open      |
| 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  | Business Meeting               |
| 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Memorial Service               |
| 12:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  | Late Reunion Registration open |
| 4:00 p.m. -             | Hospitality Room closed        |
| 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.  | Cash Bar in Banquet Room       |
| 7:00 p.m. -             | Banquet                        |
| 9:00 p.m. -             | Door Prize drawings            |

### *Sunday, October 4*

|             |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|
| 8:00 a.m. - | Hospitality Room open    |
|             | Farewells and departures |

# MCB 2 Reunion Association, Inc.

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Villa Rica, GA 30180

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