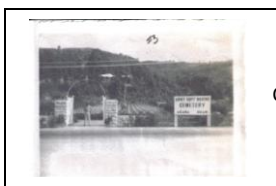


HAPPY HOLIDAYS

103RD NCB Reunion Association
A short story by **Anton Fabrygel** - attached



TAPS @
Navy
Cemetery
Guam

Bert Wichers Date unknown
Lionel P. Robert 12/31/2011

Salute"



**Rear Adm.
Katherine "Kate"
Gregory**

New Commander of
Naval Facilities
Engineering
Command
(NAVFAC)

Gregory will pin on her second star prior to her assuming command at a ceremony scheduled for this fall in Washington DC.



1949 CB Christmas Float



Crane returning to PW after a days work. A busy bee....47'



The Lone Sailor
Keeping watch over
the USS Wisconsin

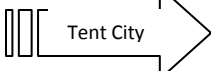
Lone Sailor Statue

Located in the Naval Historical Center at the Washington Navy Yard. Part of the casting process, the bronze for the Lone Sailor was mixed with artifacts from 8 US Navy ships. Visitors to the Memorial are immediately drawn to peer into his far seeing eyes, to admire him or size him up, to see if he's as tough or as gentle as he seems. Visitors find that he is all that he seems and probably more. There are other Lone Sailor Statues around the United States. More about this statue is on the internet. The Sculptor was **Stanley Bleifield** - 1987



103rd NCB Detach. - Truk 1949 Picture from **Stoney Serrett** CE

Tent City: A special place for over 150+ CB's on Moen Isl. Our mission was to build a Naval Admin. Center. New Butler steel buildings, living quarters plus the entire infrastructure to support these new facilities. Moen Isle was a major Japanese stronghold WW II. **CE Dennis Payton** arrived before us to convert the electrical system to our system. Five LST's unloaded equipment & supplies needed for this mission.



Remember when

- Dec. 7, 1941 Peal Harbor - WW II
- Dec. 10, 1941 Guam, MI falls
- Dec 23, 1941 Wake Islands falls
- Dec. 31, 1941 CB Reserve Established
- Dec. 26, 1951 CBD 1804 at K--3 Korea
MAG 33-Pohang
- Jan. 1942 BNP authorized the formation of Battalions
- Jan. 27 Bobcat Det. Seabees to Bora Bora - First construction unit sent to overseas duty.
- Feb 1, 1944 Seabees land with 4th Marines on Kwajalein
- Feb 19' 1945 Seabees land with 5th Marines on Iwo Jima.

The Court Reporter - cont.

- Attorney:** So the date of conception (of the baby) was August 8th?
- Witness:** Yes.
- Attorney:** And what were you doing at that time?
- Witness:** Guess?
Smile & have a great day

Thank You & Dues

Nancy & Wayne

First and most important - Nancy & I wish to thank everyone for their support. Your generosity, short notes, complimentary letters, & pictures are deeply appreciated.

No Dues increase

We are not projecting any dues increase. We projected the expected increases in postage, printing and some supplies. It will be close.

PLEASE NOTE

Several have paid in advance and it is so noted on your "Dues reminder" slip attached to the newsletter. If you see an error please let us know.

Thanks again,

Happy Birthday

December

Pat White
Fred Immermann
Ralph Presson
Jean Abbott



January 2013

Gurney Lautzenheiser
Ed Barrington
Glenn Lindbloom
Wayne Heple
Fritz Mulhasuen
Pat White

February 2013

Larry Fairbairn
Bob Righetti
Ed Smith

Enjoy your Day

Reunion Update

For those who are planning to attend a reunion in 2013 - May we suggest these 2 reunions. Others are listed in the "CAN DO", "CEC/CB Quarterly" American Legion Magazine, & on the Internet. We suggest these because members of the 103rd family have or will be attending these reunions.

Mobile Construction Bat.- MCB 2

Scott Williams Secretary

Korea, Japan- CBD 1802-1804-& CBMU
102, 553, 277. Date: Oct. 14 to 18th
2013

Location: Washington, DC - Dulles Hilton
Tours of capitol plus several other historical sites in DC

Port Hueneme Reunion & Air Show

Ed Kloster Chairman

Date: Sept. 26-29, 2013

Hotel: Country Inn 1- 805-986-5353

Make your own Room reservations
Hotel fare includes your breakfasts.

Your Reunion fee will include the following:

Air show Transportation

Dinner 10/26th

Lunch 10/27th

Dinner 10/28 & 29th



Reunion Reservations: Start June 15, 2013

Your Contact for both reunions is:

Wayne & Nancy Heple, if you plan to attend.

Or need more information

Call: 1-805-710-3311

Or - E-mail: nwheple@yahoo.com

NO action required until June 15th, 2013.

Please direct all your Questions &/or interest to attend to **Wayne or Nancy** regarding these 2 reunions.

Sick Bay. All Good News

Bob Hildebrandt-CM arm is OK, now recovering from a knee replacement,. Hang in there **Bob**.

Wayne Kroger- EA is in the back yard puttering around. OK Some limitations but is doing well.

Manuel Lopez: Dr's put in a pacemaker. He is In good spirits.

Sam Phillips UT, had a bout with cancer. He is a survivor & is doing well.

Once Upon a time



GAS SHORTAGE

Guam June 18, 1949

The gasoline shortage which is imperiling transportation in the states has reflected on Guam as evidence with the 50 per cent rationing which went into effect today. There is a definite shortage of motor gas on the Island. Capt. E. N. Parker, USN Chief of staff to the c commander Marianas urged all personnel to conserve gasoline. All activities have been notified.

>>>From Guam News<<<<

The Results: 103rd NCB Reunion Survey

We received _15_ surveys 63 mailed

This is what you said. 6 are undecided

/We are planning to attend_7_, No:_8_

Our Choice to attend if held.

Port Hueneme, CA -6- (R & Air show)

Laughlin, NV -5-

Plans for a 103rd reunion are pending.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

December

****Wayne & Marcia Edsall**

***Norm & Marian Eveleth**

January 2013

Wayne & Nancy Heple

James & Kathy Johnston

February 2013

****Al & Jeanne Caldwell**

Sam & Shirley Phillips



*50 yrs +; ** 60+

CAN DO - NSVA

Secretary: **Mel Ramige**

Are you a member? This is your CB service organization. Great quarterly magazine the "CAN DO" if you have not read it call 1-800 732-2335 and ask **Mel** to send you one, & Join a local Island or be a member at large. Lots of great stories & pictures of the past and present. CB - Reunion information and much more. Those belonging to an Island or are MAL (in our association) are: **Jim Daniels, Wayne Heple, Bill Alwine, Bob Magic, Jerry Love, Dennis Payton, Joe Reinhardt, Dan Turko, Erling Husby, PM Kurre.** Sorry if we missed someone.



Before the football field was built.
1946-47.-on the 103rd base

Your new pamphlet "Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents & Survivors" is now available. Be sure your family has a copy of your DD 214. Go on line to Veterans affairs or Call your local VA office. You will be amazed what information & services are available for you and/or your family. It cost you nothing to look.

VA

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