#### A Granddaughter is seeking information about her Grandpa

Hello, my grandfather **Stanley W. Roelofs (CD or EO)** was a Navy Seabee during WWII. He was stationed on Guam and I'm looking for confirmation that he was in the 103rd Battalion. I have attached just a few of the many pictures that I have.

Grandpa passed away a few weeks ago and I now find myself in possession of his photo album full of pictures from that time of his life. There are several pictures of his fellow Seabees that include names and/or addresses, I would like to find those Seabees (or a surviving family member) and offer to send them the picture. I have hit a brick wall in my search and I am unable to find any further information on my grandfathers' time as a Seabee. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Tena Bohn (Granddaughter)



## This is an "ALL SEABEE REUNION"

Reunion 2015 will be held at Port Hueneme in conjunction with the Air Show at Pt. Mugu. **Date of the reunion is Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>** 

There will be a lot to do. Any questions email or call,

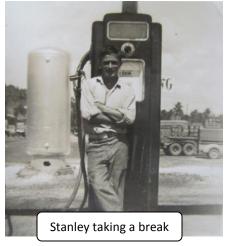
626-280-9495 or

### mccb@earthlink.net

We are using the same hotel, **Holiday Inn Express**; the number is 805-986-5353 call and



1943 this picture was taken turning the return to Guam. I was told these are Seabees.





#### 2014 Financial report

1/1/2014 - 12-31-2014

Income: \$ 975.00

Dues: 540.00 Donations 345.00

Advance Dues 90.00 (for 2015 - 2018)

**Expenses:** \$ 512.49

Postage 149.44 OfficeMax 223.92 Office Supplies 73.91 Other 65.22

A Plus balance: \$+ 462.41
Bank on deposit: \$ 462.41
This does not reflect any 2015 income or expenses (exception- Advanced dues).

#### **Next Issue: June**

Where you were on June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1950

**Your Korean Stories** 

Branson, MO - MCB - 2 Reunion

Last Call

Alaska - Part II Sept. issue



**Priority Group 8-** Veterans with gross household income is above the VA national threshold who agrees to pay co-pays.

If you do not belong to a group, see your local VA Medical center eligibility adviser for other options. You can also visit your local VA Service Center and discuss your options at no cost to you. **Keep your card.** 

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### The SEABEE NEWSCASTER

March, 2015

Enjoy a great year. Smile every day - It's Magic This issue compliments of

Bob Magic, Fred Mulhausen & Larry Fairbairn





Flags UP

May: 8<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, &, 25<sup>th</sup> ½ mast until

noon

Remember when...

**CEC Established** 

Seabees Birthday

CB Land-Okinawa

Bataan falls

Coral Sea Battle

**Mothers Day** 

VE day

June: 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>

March

**April** 

Doolittle Tokyo Raid 8<sup>th</sup> '42

Easter 5<sup>th</sup>

May



2, 1867

5<sup>th</sup> 73<sup>rd</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> 1945

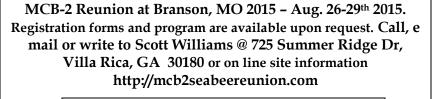
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8<sup>th</sup> '45

10<sup>th</sup>

16<sup>th</sup>

Gurney Lautzenheiser **Charles Kelly** George Foster Chester Frankowski Stanley Roelofe



#### Reunion @ Branson, MO

During the Korean War era many CB's of the 103<sup>rd</sup> were dispatched to MCB 2 in Japan, Okinawa and Korea on special assignments. Some even went to Subic Bay in the Philippines. So you are among friends in a well organized & fun reunion.

more, and of course the infamous Show boat dinner show, all offer a fun adventure in entertainment. Great fun & fellowship in the spirit of a reunion with fellow Seabees.

will make sure you are welcomed in style. You can go on line and see all the shows and sites of Branson. His Phone # 1-770-456-4246

#### From the VA-Important For You

You may have recently received a "VETERANS ACCESS CARD". DO NOT THROW IT AWAY; KEEP it with your DD 214 & In a safe place. Call your local VA only if you qualify. But keep the card.



103<sup>rd</sup> NCB-RA members belong to MCB 2 also.

Branson offers great restaurants, shops, & much

Scott Williams knows who you are and

# Armed Forces Day

May 25<sup>th</sup> Did you attend one?

**Memorial Day Observed** 



Any one recognizes this picture

or these Seabees? This was

taken at the 103<sup>rd</sup> but location

is unknown.

**Gurney Lautzenheiser, CD** Dec, 6, 1929 – Aug 21, 2014

**Gurney**, Passed away in Marshall MI. Survived by his wife Winnie (Winifred), 5 daughters & 3 sons. 18 grandchildren & 17 Greats.

Gurney worked for the Marshall Water & Power Co

He retired in 1992 after 36 years as the Plant Superintendent. A member of Claude E. Hale VFW Post 4073, an avid outdoorsman and sports enthusiast, member of the Marshall Square Dance Club, played baseball, softball & bowled on several bowling leagues. He loved to spend time watching his children's and grandchildren sporting events.

He served with the 103<sup>rd</sup> NCB - 1948 to 1952



The Birth of the "BEE" (From MCN 10 - TN group)

1942, with the United States entry into WW-II it was

obvious that the military needed skilled engineers and construction personnel quickly. A call went out to the trades and Naval Construction Battalions were formed. The popular story of how the construction Battalions became known as Seabees is that while observing construction battalions at work, Eleanor Roosevelt made a comment that they worked like "Busy Bees: - and CBs became Seabees.

**Frank Lafrate,** a civilian file clerk at the NAS Quonset Point, was asked by a Lieutenant to create a "Disney type" insignia for the CBs, and the Fighting Bee he created became the international symbol of the Seabees. He later became a Seabee. A souvenir sheet of this story is available at our New Museum at Port Hueneme call - 1-805-382-2585 or seabeemuseumstore.org

Free catalog is available to you – please call for yours.

