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SEABEE NEWS

Scholarship Season is Open -- Help Spread the Word!

Did you know the Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association (SMSA) awarded 161 scholarships valued at \$497,000 in 2022? SMSA scholarships are open to children and grandchildren of Seabees and Civil Engineer Corps officers, as well as who have served in the Naval Construction Force. So, if you've served with the Seabees in any capacity, your child and/or grandchild are eligible to apply.

Our challenge now is letting people know about the scholarship. You'd be surprised how many are unaware that we have money to help these young people achieve their educational dreams.

"I encourage everyone to let others know about the Seabee Memorial scholarship -- not just graduating seniors, but also those

who are currently in college. If the student has a Seabee connection, they're eligible to apply," says Percy Trent, Force Master Chief of the Seabees (Retired).

Scholarships are awarded for accredited four-year bachelor's degrees, two-year associates degrees or Career & Technical Education (CTE) degrees (12-18 month career and technical education programs). We do not provide scholarships for graduate school, part-time programs or great-grandchildren.

Scholarship selections are made on the basis of leadership, good citizenship, character, financial need, and scholastic record. Scholarship awards may be used for tuition, books and academic-related fees. Scholarships are renewable for up to four-

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years provided recipient meets academic requirements.

If you have questions or want to find out more, check out the two remaining virtual info sessions happening on March 9 and April 6 at 7 pm (ET). Students and parents can register for the free session by emailing smsa@seabee.org.

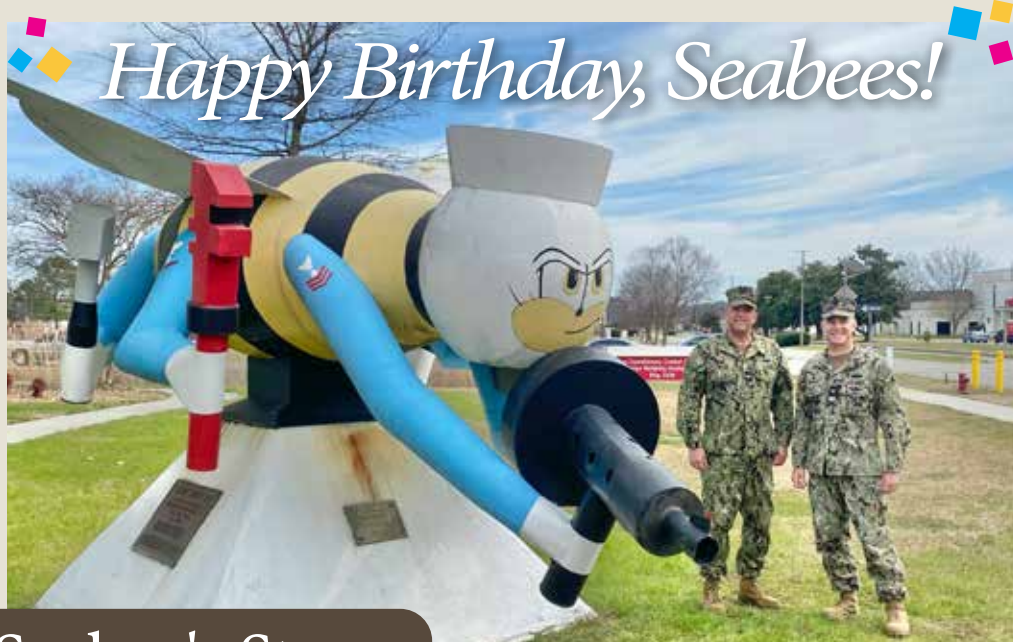
Check out the profile of some of the current SMSA Scholars on page 11.

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NORFOLK, VA - (l-r) CAPT Mike Meno, Commander, Naval Construction Group ONE and CAPT Jeff Deviney, Commander, Naval Construction Group TWO send Happy Birthday wishes to the Seabees. Read more on Pages 6-7

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This year is poised to be an exciting and memorable year for Seabees as the Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association (SMSA) and Seabee Historical Foundation (SHF) are planning to host a series of events to bring the Seabee community together.

These events will provide an opportunity for Seabees to connect with old friends and make new ones. Whether it's catching up with former comrades or meeting fellow Seabees for the first time, these events also offer a unique chance to build relationships within the community.

Each event is designed to celebrate the rich history and traditions of the Seabees. Whether you participate in a golf tournament or attend one of the many Oktobeeffests, you support the SMSA mission of providing educational opportunities for children and grandchildren of Seabees and you support the SHF mission of protecting the history and heritage of the Seabees.

2023 will be a great year for Seabees to come together and celebrate their heritage, build relationships, and give back to their community. There are events all around the country, but if you don't have an Oktobeeffest near you, please consider hosting one. Just let us know you are interested.

To find an event near you, go to <https://seabeehf.org/events/>
- Dan Miller



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KEVIN R. SLATES
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 Chairman of the Board,
 Seabee Historical Foundation

Happy birthday Seabees, family, and friends of Seabees. This March 5th we honor our history (and future) by celebrating the 81st birthday of our Seabees and I hope that you take a moment to reflect on this impressive accomplishment. 2023 is off to a great start so far and we have several events planned across the country in partnership with SMSA. You can see a list of all these events and Seabee reunions on our website, so please check it out. Our partnership with SMSA continues to grow as we work together on more and more things to better support our community – past, present, and future.

I'm excited that this year we will be kicking off a campaign to raise funds to update and create new exhibits at the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum in support of their exhibit master plan. This will be a multi-year/phased effort, so as not to impact the operations and availability of the museum for visitors. We will also be working

on new programs to roll out in support of Seabees and their Families.

We'll be holding our annual Seabee Celebration with SMSA in Davisville, Rhode Island in September at their Seabee Museum and Memorial Park and I'm looking forward to a great celebration "where it all began".

It has truly been an honor to serve as the Chairman of SHF for the last three years and work with the dedicated professionals on our Board of Trustees (and with SMSA) to further our mission and I look forward to what the future brings.

Finally, I want to thank all of you for your continuing support of both SHF and SMSA which allows us to support our great community of Seabees and their families (past, present, and future). CAN DO!



LOUIS V. CARIELLO
 RDML, CEC, USN (Ret)
 Chairman of the Board,
 Seabee Memorial
 Scholarship Association

It is going to be an exciting year for SMSA! 2023 is already off to a great start, trending similarly to how 2022 closed out with fundraising exceeding annual goals and expenses lower than budgeted. Our calendar is filled with great opportunities to celebrate together and do good work for our Seabee community. I invite you to join us at any one (or several) of our planned golf tournaments or OktoBEEfest events, which we jointly conduct with the Seabee Historical Foundation. These events are terrific mini-reunions and you never who you will re-link with and share sea stories. For details on all events, check out the website, www.seabeehf.org/events/. I'm especially excited about the Seabee Celebration to be held September 23 at the Davisville, R.I. Seabee Museum and Memorial Park. We will return to the original home of the Seabees to celebrate our 81st anniversary! Be on the look out for registration information which will be released soon.

The SMSA scholarship application process for this year is now in full swing. We are accepting applications until the deadline of April 21. I encourage us all to help spread the word to all Seabee families. The SMSA staff has been hard at work, employing social media like never

before, in addition to direct mail and email to communicate broadly. Remember, all children or grandchildren of Seabees, CEC officers and others who served in a Seabee unit are eligible. If you know of someone with an eligible scholar we can help, here is a link to the application website: <https://www.seabee.org/scholarships>.

One last update for this edition for your information... We are working closely with the National Park Service to assess the structural stability of key components of our Seabee Memorial in D.C. which appear to be compromised by moisture intrusion, resulting in corrosion of metal anchors. It appears likely that our monument will need repairs. More to come on that front...

In closing, I want to thank our terrific, highly skilled and dedicated Board of Directors and all other volunteers and staff who work tirelessly to further the mission of both SMSA and SHF. Our two organizations are aligned together in support of all Seabees who are serving today or have served and their families. It is good work with a great purpose, for which we should all take great pride. OohRahh!



In August of 1966 I received my draft notice. Two years before, I'd considered joining the military right out of high school, and I took the Air Force exam. I scored well on it and wanted to join an Airborne unit, but failed the physical because of a badly infected ingrown toenail. So, that was not meant to be. My dad's best friend was a Seabee in WWII, and one of my good friends was in the Seabee reserves in my hometown of St. Louis, MO. He encouraged me to join the Seabees, so I went and spoke to the Navy recruiter who told me there were no openings. I walked out and thankfully he stopped me and had me come back the next day. After a bit of bartering with him, I got my wish and became a Seabee. I took the 120-day delayed entry program they were offering at the time and went on active duty on December 29, 1966.

would take us a few weeks, it was completed in less than a week. However, I stayed down there for over a month. While in Phu Bai, our battalion transferred camps leaving Camp Faulkner and reestablishing at Camp Haskins, South, at Red Beach, that's where we spent TET of 1969, a mere shadow of the TET of 68. But still not any fun.

Our tour ended in March of 1969, and we were welcomed home at Point Mugu by President Nixon and his wife Pat. It was a 'photo op' for the president and an extra few hours of duty time for a bunch of guys who had sat on a plane for close to 24 hours and wanted to go home on leave.

Six months later, near the end of August of 1969, our advanced party had already left



A Seabee's Story: In a Heartbeat!

STORY BY: GENE GIUNTA
CMH-3, U.S. Navy Seabees, 1966-1970

After boot camp at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center, my first duty station was Port Hueneme, Ca. Several months of messing around in the regiment, prompted me to volunteer to go T.A.D. to Midway Island. When I returned in the spring of 1968, I was given orders to NMCB 3 and attended heavy equipment mechanic 'A' school. Our battalion was then, subsequently sent to Danang, Vietnam in June of 1968, where I worked in the heavy equipment mechanic shop until I was sent on detachment to NMCB 133, which was deployed to Camp Campbell in Phu Bai, I worked the midnight shift in the mechanic shop for a few months. Upon returning from Phu Bai, a large portion of our battalion was then sent on detachment to the An Hoa combat base, where we would replace the airstrip matting with an upgraded matting. Supposedly, the project

(ABOVE, LEFT) - A dusty convoy trip from Danang to An Hoa.

(TOP, RIGHT) - Gene Giunta on a Sunday afternoon BBQing some cumshaw steaks, An Hoa.

(RIGHT) - Seabee Greens in Port Hueneme, CA.

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(LEFT) - Gene Giunta, pictured in 2020, describes himself as a "Proud, old Seabee veteran."

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"The Seabees gave me the tools to succeed, providing me with an excellent environment to work in, a chance for promotion, and a true sense of stability."

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(ABOVE) - An Hoa mechanic shop, November 1968: (bottom l-r), Gene Giunta, Dave Holm, (top l-r) Lee Blankschein, George Lampert, Tom McDaniel

for Vietnam, where we'd spend another tour in Danang. However, President Nixon escalated his plan of troop withdrawal, and we were reassigned and went to Okinawa instead. The battalion was on military stand-by just in case the war re-escalated and they needed us back. I spent the next six months on Okinawa and a short T.A.D. assignment to Guam and then was offered an early out, which I took.

Upon discharge, I went to St. Louis University, on the G. I. Bill, where I received a degree focusing in geology and geography. I decided my senior year I'd go to the St. Louis College of Pharmacy, which I did for awhile, but ended up going back

to finish my degree at St. Louis U. After that, I went to graduate school to work on getting an MBA at Southern Illinois University. I married Brenda during my second year of undergraduate school, and by 1977, both our children Alyce and Zach were part of the family.

My career, because of my experience in pharmacy, segued me into the medical field, where I worked as a hospital purchasing manager, a materials manager, and then as the home health care field grew, as a district and a regional manager for infusion therapy and durable medical equipment companies, as well as later on, owning my own healthcare consulting firm and home healthcare business.

In 1998, President Clinton enacted changes to the home health portion of Medicare, and those changes directly impacted the revenues of our consulting business. The consulting work was our primary source of revenue. So at year end, my business partner and I closed both our home health and consulting businesses. At that point in time my wife decided she wanted to become a flight attendant and secured a job as one with American Airlines, in Boston, Ma. We decided to sell our house in Missouri and we moved to Boston, where I took a job with American Airlines as well.

I retired from American Airlines in 2012, where I worked in material logistics and moved to Tilton, New Hampshire where we lived for three years. In 2015, we moved back to a three acre piece of property in Lincoln County, Missouri, where we presently live.

The Seabees did something for me that I cherish to this day, it gave me direction, discipline, respect, it helped build a sense of self-worth in me, it taught me how to manage people, and most importantly, it helped me mature in a positive way. Before going into the service I had little interests other than driving my souped up car and having a good time. I was a terrible student in high school as well as college, where I dropped out twice. The Seabees gave me the tools to succeed, providing me with an excellent environment to work in, a chance for promotion, and a true sense of stability. Granted, my time in Vietnam was no picnic, and there are things about that experience that I still deal with to this day, nevertheless, that time in the Seabees helped mold me into the man that I am now. Without that experience I'm not sure where I would have ended up.

Would I join the Seabees again if I had to do it all over? That's a simple answer, of course, *I'd do it in a heartbeat.*

Naval Construction Groups Updates & Birthday Greetings

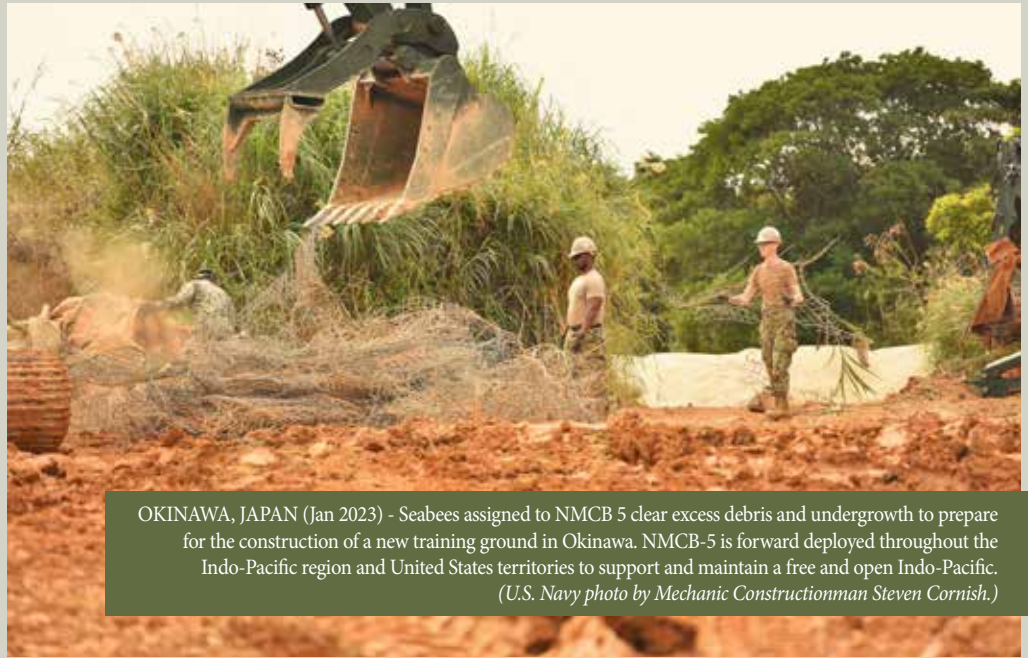


CAPT MIKE MENO,
CEC, USN, *Commander,
Naval Construction Group
ONE*

Greetings from the Pacific Seabees!

Our Seabees have been busy bees across the entire Pacific. I'm Commander of Naval Construction Group 1 (NCG 1) and I could not be more proud of the work our Seabees are doing each and every day. NCG 1 active units include the 30th Naval Construction Regiment (NCR) in Guam, Naval Mobile Construction Battalions (NMCBs) 3, 4, 5, and Underwater Construction Team 2 in Port Hueneme 2, and Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit (CBMU) 303 in San Diego with a detachment in Hawaii. The main body deployment site for our active NMCBs is Camp Shields in Okinawa, Japan. Our reserve units include the 1st NCR and NMCBs 18, 22, and 25 which are all homeported in Port Hueneme.

Our Pacific Seabees have been very busy conducting engineering and construction operations in Japan, Diego Garcia,



OKINAWA, JAPAN (Jan 2023) - Seabees assigned to NMCB 5 clear excess debris and undergrowth to prepare for the construction of a new training ground in Okinawa. NMCB-5 is forward deployed throughout the Indo-Pacific region and United States territories to support and maintain a free and open Indo-Pacific. (U.S. Navy photo by Mechanic Constructionman Steven Cornish.)

Vietnam, the Philippines, Palau, Papa New Guinea, Timor Leste, Guam and Tinian to name a few. The 1st NCR participated in RIMPAC which is one of the largest naval exercises in the world. NMCB 18 will take over the mission recently completed by our east coast reserve Seabees and very recently deployed detachments to Bahrain in support of ongoing CENTCOM tasking as well as other locations in Africa.

Not a day goes by that I am not amazed with the hard work, dedication, and accomplishments of our Seabees. I know without question that a source of this excellence comes from standing on the shoulders of those that came before us. Thank you to all Seabees past and present!



PORT HUENEME, Calif (Feb 2023) - NMCB3 Commanding Officer CAPT LaKeeya Gunderson presents the Meritorious Service Medal to CMDCM Kevin Nolan.



POINT MUGU, Calif. (Jan. 2023) - U.S. Navy Seabees with NMCB 4 return from Indo-Pacific region deployment to Naval Base Ventura County, Point Mugu. (U.S. Navy photo by Ensign Drew Verbis/Released)

GULFPORT, Miss. (Feb 2023) - Seabees from NMCB 133 along with personnel from the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC) continue to place composite panels of fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) to repair and protect a portion of a quay wall at the Port of Gulfport. These Seabees are testing new techniques and new materials for the Port Damage Repair portion or their Field Training Exercise. Port Damage Repair is essential to keep the Fleet in the fight by ensuring the free flow of personnel, equipment and supplies.



CAPT JEFF DEVINEY,
CEC, USN, *Commander,
Naval Construction
Group TWO*

**Happy 81st
Birthday, Seabees!**

Naval Construction Group 2 (NCG 2), which was once the 20th Naval Construction Regiment and then the 20th Seabee Readiness Group is as active as ever as we near the 81st Birthday of the Seabees and 156th birthday of the Civil Engineer Corps.

NCG 2 units in Gulfport, Mississippi include the active units 22nd Naval Construction Regiment (NCR) and Naval Mobile Construction Battalions (NMCBs) 1, 11 and 133 as well as the reserve 7th NCR and NMCBs 14 and 27. We also have Construction Battalion Maintenance Unit (CBMU) 202 and Underwater Construction Team 1 in Little Creek, VA as well as a CBMU 202 detachment in Jacksonville, FL.

In addition to the NMCB main body site at Camp Mitchell in Rota, Spain, NCG 2 has Seabee detachments in Romania,

Georgia (the country, not the state), Norway, Italy, Cyprus, Morocco, Tunisia and Ghana, providing construction support on the cutting edge of Great Power Competition. NMCBs 14 and 27 have both recently deployed detachments to Bahrain in support of ongoing CENTCOM tasking as well as other locations in Africa. We also keep a foothold in the Pacific, with a large detachment deployed to Camp Covington, Guam.

Prior to taking command of NCG 2, I worked at the Indo-Pacific Command, directing operations of Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine engineers throughout the Pacific. While I appreciated my joint brothers and sister engineers equally, when I needed them, the only force trained and equipped, and with the expeditionary "CAN DO" mindset to perform the toughest jobs, were U.S. Navy Seabees. They never failed me.

At NCG 2, I'm proud to serve with the world's finest military engineers. Seabee veterans paved the way for the force we have today, and you have set the standard we always try to live up to. Hoorah!



(TOP) CAMP SHELBY, MISS (Feb 2023) - Seabees, assigned to NMCB 133, and Marines, assigned to the 8th Engineer Support Battalion (8th ESB), augmenting NMCB 133, hold a camp boundary during a security drill at field training exercise. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Andrew Waters/Released)

(ABOVE) POTI, GEORGIA (Feb. 2023) - Lt. j.g. Leah Gordon, officer in charge of NMCB 11's Georgia Detail, second from right, and Georgian Land Force Col. Ivane Buchukuri, commander, Eastern Logistics, center, cut a ribbon to celebrate a recently completed railhead expansion project in Poti, Georgia. (U.S. Navy photo by Builder Constructionman Gabriella Coupe)

**Hoorah NMCB 3, NMCB 22, NMCB 27,
and NMCB 133 on your selections as**

Battle E winners!



BATTALION FEATURE: NMCB 11

With Compassion for Others

JEREZ DE LA FRONTERA, Spain – U.S. Navy Seabees deployed to Naval Station Rota volunteered at a historic Carthusian Monastery in Jerez de la Frontera, Spain, for a community service opportunity, January 22.

More than 20 Sailors from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 11, stationed at nearby Naval Station Rota, volunteered at the Charterhouse of Santa María de la Defensión in Jerez de La Frontera, where they assisted local nuns in the upkeep of the 16th-century Spanish historical monument.

“The Seabee ‘Can Do’ spirit was evident as our volunteers pulled weeds and hauled debris... just for the satisfaction of helping others,” said Lt. Ken Slaughter, NMCB 11’s chaplain. “Their selfless service is truly inspiring.”

The volunteers transported and chopped large quantities of firewood for burning in the monastery’s furnace. Additionally, they cleared debris and dug ditches for planting trees.

“Every American that has come here, especially the military personnel, has been a great help to us because they are strong, they have energy and they know how to work and they finish what

they start,” said Sister Crist-Hallel, a nun at the Charterhouse.

“The monastery is a beautiful place and you can work outdoors, enjoying the sun, enjoying each other’s company. All this makes this a good volunteer opportunity.”

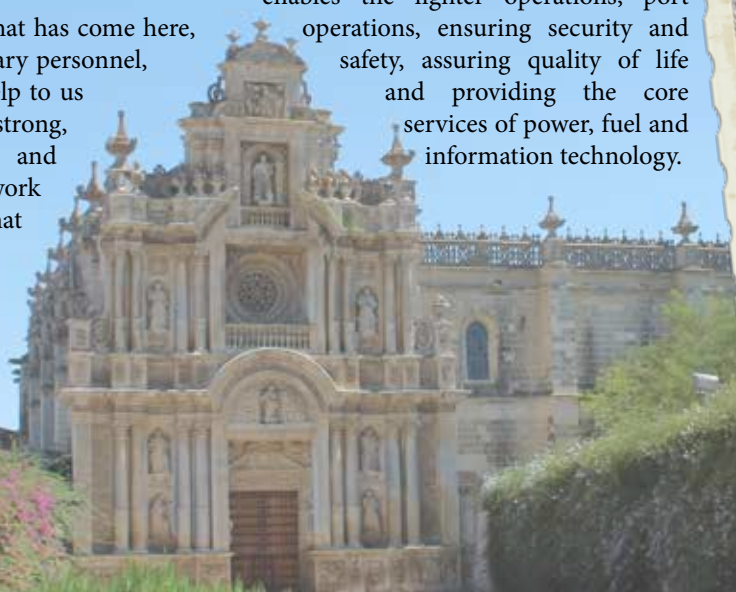
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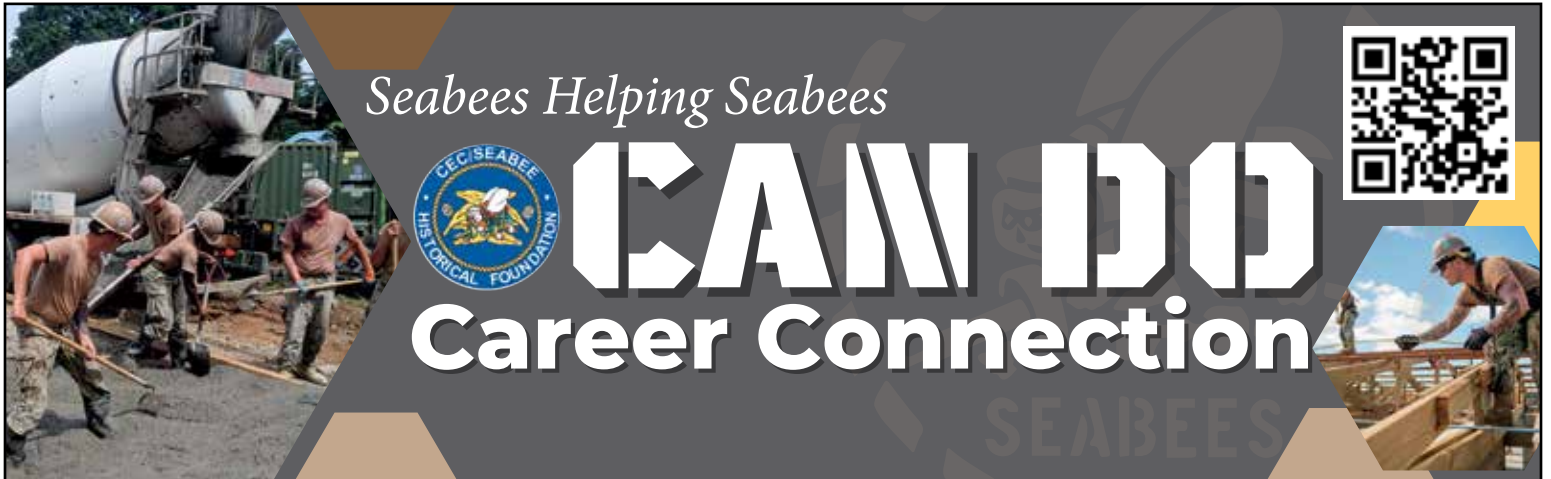
-Sister Crist-Hallel

The Charterhouse of Santa María de la Defensión began construction in the 16th century, and since then had been worked on by Spanish Baroque architects, woodworkers and painters until its establishment as one a Spanish National Monument in 1856.

NMCB 11 operates as a part of Navy Expeditionary Combat Command and is assigned to Commander, Task Force (CTF) 68 for deployment across the U.S. Naval Forces Europe-Africa area of operations to defend U.S., allied, and partner interests. NMCB 11 is currently deployed to Naval Station (NAVSTA) Rota in support of CTF 68.

NAVSTA Rota sustains the fleet, enables the fighter operations, port operations, ensuring security and safety, assuring quality of life and providing the core services of power, fuel and information technology.





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Are you looking for employees who are: Hard Working, Dedicated, Reliable, and Innovative? On the SHF website you can post open job listings and search resumes of qualified Seabees with “Can Do” attitudes and the skills to match. Consider adding a Seabee to your team today!

Are you a Seabee transitioning to the private sector, or a Seabee veteran looking for a new opportunity? On the SHF website you will find employers who are looking to add members to their team those who exemplify the Seabee “Can Do” ethos. **Registration is FREE for employers and job seekers!**

We are looking for feedback on the “Can Do” Career Connection as a resource for Seabees. Has it helped you land a job or hire a Seabee? What was good about your experience with this site? What can be improved on this site to make it more user friendly? Contact us at (228) 575-3858 or email info@seabeehf.org and let us know how we have supported you or how we can support you better. Thank you to the companies who have registered and are posting jobs with the Can Do Career Connection.

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Planned Giving Makes a Difference!

This past year, 2022, was a transformational year for planned gifts made to the Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association and the CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation. Each organization received gifts made through a bequest in a donor's will. These generous gifts moved each organization forward in achieving their goals for the year.

Here are some of the highlights:

- A former Captain from California endowed scholarships with the SMSA for women to study civil engineering. This gift will make a difference for years to come providing opportunities for women to enter the engineering field.
- A retired college professor and friend of the Seabees provided a generous gift to the SMSA for scholarships.
- A former Captain from Missouri made a gift in his will to support the US Navy Seabee Museum in Port Hueneme. This donation will support numerous activities and programs at the museum this year.
- A former CE1 who served in WWII provided a substantial gift in his estate and the SMSA received the final distribution in 2022.

- Another Seabee who served in WWII left a generous gift in his will to the SHE.

These generous donors provided a lasting legacy with their support of the Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association and the CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation through estate planning. If you are interested in making a similar bequest or naming either organization as a beneficiary to an insurance policy or an IRA, contact Dan Miller at 859-327-1830 or danmiller@seabee.org.



If you have questions, contact Dan Miller at danmiller@seabee.org or 859-327-1830.

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PLEASE HELP SPREAD THE WORD TO ANYONE WHO MIGHT BENEFIT!



Because You Served, They Could be Rewarded.

The Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association awards annual scholarships to children and grandchildren of military members who have served in a Naval Construction Force unit.

Know a high school senior graduating in 2023? Scholarship Applications accepted online now through April 21, 2023!

**Eligible sponsors are enlisted personnel with a Seabee rating, CEC officers, or others who have served or are serving in a Naval Construction Force unit. This includes members of other service branches assigned to a Seabee unit. Active duty, reserve, retired and honorably discharged Seabee children and grandchildren are eligible to apply.*



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SMSA STUDENT PROFILES



ELIZABETH SHINGLETON '23
University of North Carolina, Wilmington
Major: Chemistry
Seabee Sponsor: BU1 David Shingleton (Father)

"I accredit a lot of my aspirations to my father and Seabee sponsor. My father is a big part of what I want to do. He has always told me that the most important thing in life is to follow my dreams. I truly believe that the path to success begins with a passion for what you are doing and I could not envision my life without science. Science is what has inspired me to ask questions about the world around me and to think about the interconnectedness between human actions and the environment."



ISAAC SANCHEZ '25
Louisiana State University
Major: Pre-Medicine
Seabee Sponsor: ET2 Robert Sanchez (Father)

"I witnessed first-hand when disaster struck and the Seabees were ready on the spot. I distinctly remember when the earthquake in Haiti hit, and my father said he was leaving in a day. That shook me, but it also made me see how these men and women could be selfless in order to help others. It was then I knew that I wanted to dedicate myself to help others. Those Seabee values inspired me to work hard and be ready within a moments breath."



SARA SMITH '24
Ohio Wesleyan University
Major: Social Justice
Seabee Sponsor: BU3 David Smith (Father)

"It was not until I took Social Justice and Sociology classes my sophomore year that I began to love what I was learning, gained confidence in what I was learning and retaining information was beginning to be easy for the course applied real personal experience to topics we were learning. Throughout this journey my dad has always been there for me and has always been my number one supporter. He instilled in me that no matter what obstacle I face, that I have to fight and work much harder than other students."



ZACHARY SLOAN '26
Arizona State University
Major: Music Education/ Performance
Seabee Sponsor: CM1 James Sloan (Father)

"My purpose in life is music, it is my future. My goal is to become a member of the United States Navy Band. My dad is a retired Seabee serving just over 20 years. He served for the betterment of society and for our family. I want to give back to society by playing in the United States Navy Band. This will allow me to serve my country in a way that brings joy to others. Music is a universal language that we all interpret and understand differently while bonding us together."

Seabee Golf Tournaments Seeking Sponsors

It's going to be a great year for Seabee golf in 2023! We currently have four tournaments scheduled in Washington, D.C., San Diego, Virginia Beach, and Gulfport. But, we can't do it without you.



Are you a "CAN DO" business wanting to gain exposure within these four regional markets -- Washington, D.C., San Diego, Hampton Roads and the Mississippi Gulf Coast? Partner with the Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association & the Seabee Historical Foundation for our annual Seabee Golf events and connect with the Navy Seabee and Civil Engineer Corps community. Multiple donation levels! Silent Auction and goodie bag items also needed.

Help SMSA provide higher educational opportunities to the children and grandchildren of America's fighting Seabees. Attend one of our golf tournaments or special events and help fund scholarships for well deserving Seabee students. Here are the details:

- Monday, June 12 - Washington DC, Springfield Golf and Country Club
- Monday, August 28 - San Diego, Fairbanks Ranch Country Club
- October 12 - Virginia Beach (Joint event-SMSA and SHF), Virginia Beach National Golf Club
- Wednesday, November 8 - Gulf Coast (Joint event-SMSA and SHF), The Club at Diamondhead

Please share this with any companies that might be potential sponsors! Last year we sold out for all four tournaments and had to cut off registration so if you are planning to participate, register soon! You can register for all four at www.seabeegolf.org.



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- Top billing on tournament website, www.seabeegolf.org
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- Invited to introduce the Guest of Honor at dinner
- Logo on golf carts
- Logo as part of tournament logo on custom golf bag tags
- Featured in the SMSA newsletter after the tournament. Will include sponsor's logo. Newsletter is mailed to SMSA supporters, including all current and former flag officers.
- Three Foursomes for golf (12, can include invited Seabees)
- Logo, as part of tournament logo on Seabee Memorial Scholarship website www.seabeegolf.org

GOLF SPONSOR\$10,000

- Logo on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- Logo on custom score cards & golf carts
- Two Foursomes for golf (8 golfers)

SHIRT SPONSOR\$10,000

- Logo on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- Only Logo on shirts (Except title sponsor)
- Featured in the SMSA newsletter.
- One foursome for golf (4 golfers)

4 STAR SPONSOR ☆☆☆\$5,000

- Logo on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- Logo on table tents at dinner and event signs
- Two Foursomes for golf (8 golfers)

3 STAR SPONSOR ☆☆☆\$3,000

- Logo on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- Logo on table tents at dinner and event signs
- One foursome for golf (4 golfers)

2 STAR SPONSOR ☆☆\$2,000

- Name on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- Sponsorship of drink cart, mid-course refreshments, signs, silent auction or putting contest
- One foursome for golf (4 golfers)

1 STAR SPONSOR ☆\$1,500

- Name on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- One foursome for golf (4 golfers)
- Hole sign on one hole

SEABEE SUPPORTER\$1,000

- Name on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- Logo on longest drive or closest to the pin

HOLE SPONSORSHIP-NO GOLF\$1,000

- Name on tournament banner placed at golf venue
- Hole Sign

GOLF ONLY

- Foursome\$1,000
- Individual Golfers\$250
- Current Military Foursome\$600
- Current Military Golfers\$150

RAFFLE ITEMS of all types needed – gift cards, and merchandise of interest to a wide range of people including wine, travel related donations and golf are welcome.

GOODIE BAG DONATIONS of all types welcome. All sponsors are welcome to donate logo merchandise to the goodie bags. Golf balls and other golf merchandise is welcome.

2023 SEABEE GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Registration now open for all Seabee Golf Tournaments!

www.SeabeeGolf.org



2023 WASHINGTON DC SEABEE GOLF INVITATIONAL

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023

Springfield Golf and Country Club
8301 Old Keene Mill Road, Springfield VA 22152



2023 SAN DIEGO SEABEE GOLF INVITATIONAL

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023

Fairbanks Ranch Country Club
15150 San Dieguito Rd, Rancho Santa Fe CA 92067



2023 VA BEACH SEABEE GOLF INVITATIONAL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2023

Virginia Beach National Golf Club
2500 Tournament Drive, Virginia Beach VA 23456



Gulf Coast Seabee Golf Invitational

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

The Club at Diamondhead
7600 Country Club Circle, Diamondhead MS 39525



Washington, D.C. Seabee Golf Tournament to Fund Scholarship in Memory of LTJG Francis L. Toner IV

The Washington, D.C. Seabee golf tournament will begin fundraising in 2023 to endow a scholarship in memory of LTJG Frank Toner who was killed on 27 March 2009 in Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. LTJG Toner was posthumously awarded the Silver Star on September 23rd, 2011, For Gallantry: in action against the enemy as Garrison Engineer.



Each year, this tournament works to endow scholarships in memory of fallen Seabees. Once fully endowed, the scholarship will be awarded to an eligible child or grandchild of a US Navy Seabee. Since 2016 three

endowed scholarships have been competed:

- BU2 Class Michael C. Anderson
- EO3 Christopher Dickerson
- SW3 Eric L. Knott

RADM Chris Mossey, Chair of the Washington DC Golf Committee noted, "I hope you will join us as we honor Frank, his family, and their legacy at this year's event."

Golfers and sponsors are welcome. Go to www.seabeegolf.org and choose the Washington, D.C. Tournament. Golfers should note, this event has sold out each of the last three years, so register soon if you want to participate!



U.S. NAVY SEABEE MEMORIAL ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

SEABEE BIRTHDAY
Sunday, March 5

MEMORIAL DAY
Monday, May 29

VETERANS DAY
Saturday, November 11

SMSA Named Scholarship Profiles

Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association has 153 Perpetual Named scholarships. SMSA Perpetual Named scholarships are awarded each year to a new or returning student.



The Mike and Marie Marschall Scholarship

The Mike and Marie Marschall Seabee Scholarship was established by their children to further the studies of civil engineer candidates who are children or grandchildren of current or former Seabees.

RADM A.R. ("Mike") Marschall served 35 years in the U.S. Navy, including a tour of duty in the South Pacific during World War II and two billets in Vietnam, before eventually becoming Chief of Civil Engineers. Reflecting on the time spent as chief, he stated that his single greatest point of pride was that he knew the names of not only everyone who worked for him, but of their spouses and kids as well. In the eyes of our parents, the Seabees were extended family. They represented the standard to which our dad held all other associations; no entity within the private sector was ever able to measure up to the pride, commitment, and integrity of this "august group."



According to the Marschall's children, "The scholarship honors and perpetuates that larger sense of esprit de corps, and our parents considered it a great honor to have been associated with the Seabees. Being able to nurture the education of these worthy scholarship candidates as they become members of the Seabee family would mean the world to Mike and Marie."



The SW3 Eric L. Knott Scholarship

The SW3 Eric Knott scholarship was funded by the Washington DC Seabee DC Golf Tournament. SW3 Knott was killed in action on September 4th, 2004. According to his family, "Eric had a big heart and accepted people for who they were. He enjoyed

singing in the high school show choir and helping build sets for the school's musicals. His racing career started with Hot Wheels on the driveway to working on race cars where he and his siblings won pit crew of the year. Then he went on to racing the sprint car at a county fair which was a big highlight for him. He also was a very proud owner of his Camaro. Whether it was neighbors, teachers, classmates that needed help, Eric was there. His goal in life was to make people smile and he is still doing that with this scholarship."



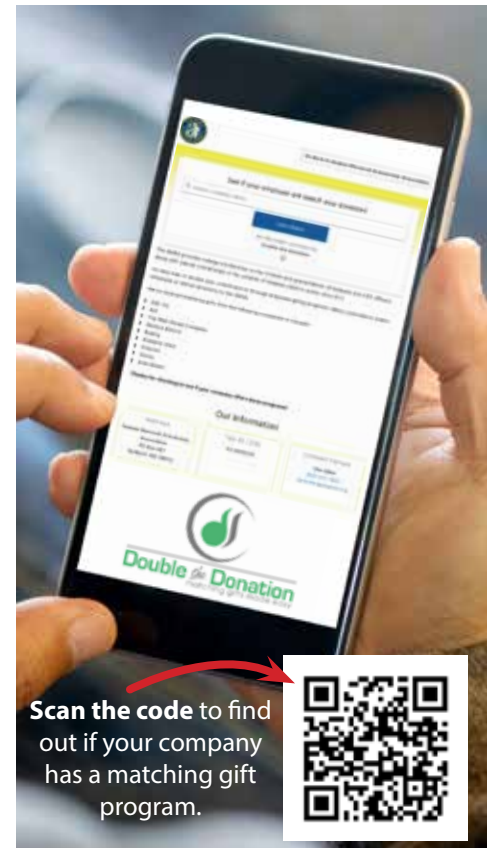
For information on funding a named scholarship with the SMSA, please contact Dan Miller, at danmiller@seabee.org.

Double Your Donation with Matching Gifts

Did you know many companies will match your gifts to the SMSA and SHF? All you have to do is fill out the matching gift form from your company and after the gift is confirmed, the company sends a check!

To find out if your company has a matching gift program, go to <https://doublethedonation.com/smsa> and put in the company name. Many companies will also match gifts from retirees.

Here are some of the companies that have recently sent a matching gift to SMSA or SHF:



Scan the code to find out if your company has a matching gift program.

Buy a Brick \$125 Each
Support the SHF



Purchase a Brick for the Seabee Heritage Center-Gulfport

or for the

Seabee Museum-Port Hueneme

Important Info:

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(PORT HUENEME, CA) - Naval CECOS Basic Class 274, who began their 15 week course in January, is pictured in front of Moreell Hall at Naval Base Ventura County.

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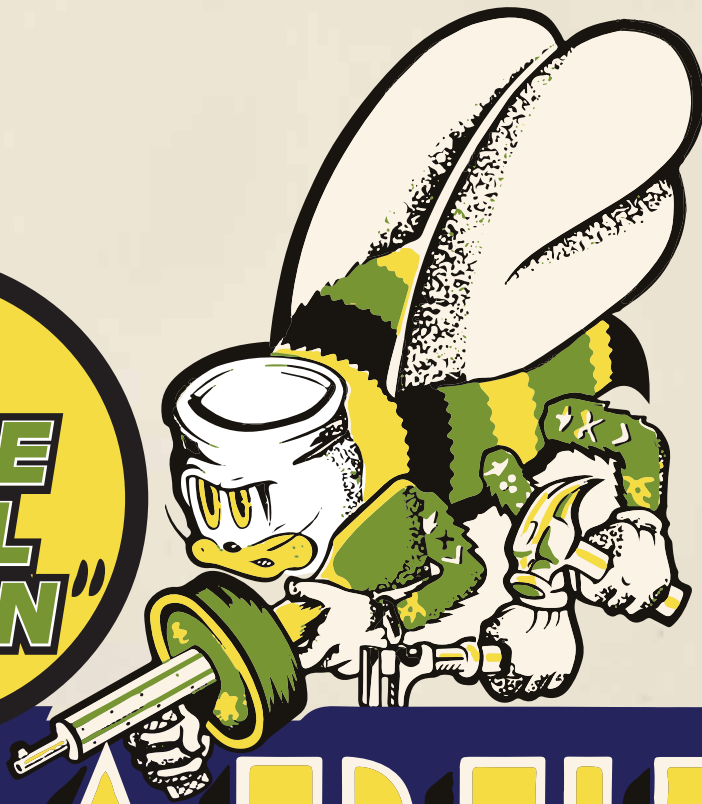


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SATURDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2023



UPCOMING EVENTS

SEABEE BIRTHDAY WREATH LAYING

Saturday, March 4
Seabee Memorial, Arlington, VA

NMCB 4 REUNION March 17-19

New Orleans, LA
www.nmcb4reunion.com

NMCB-74 REUNION April 16-20

Biloxi, MS - harold@stedistock.com

SMSA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE

Friday, April 21 - seabee.org

NMCB 74 90-91 DESERT STORM & DESERT SHIELD REUNION

April 21-22 - Long Beach, MS
joshua4771@gmail.com

NMCB-40 REUNION April 21-23

Tampa, FL - cb40reunion@gmail.com

NMCB-5 REUNION April 22

Las Vegas, NV - mgh1963@live.com

MCB-11 & MCB 8 JOINT REUNION

April 24-27 - Charleston, SC
mcb11.@earthlink.net

GULFPORT ALL SEABEE REUNION

April 27-30 - Gulfport, MS
smithrp1904@gmail.com

NMCB 62 REUNION April 27-30

Gulfport, MS - normhahnjr@yahoo.com

NMCB 121 REUNION April 27-30

Gulfport, MS - dpearson121@gmail.com

NMCB 24 REUNION May 3-6

Pigeon Forge, TN
eqcmbear@gmail.com

NMCB 58 REUNION May 9-14

Kalispell, MT
nmcb58association@gmail.com

NMCB 58 REUNION May 16-19

Bath, ME - mcb-12nam@outlook.com

MEMORIAL DAY WREATH LAYING

Monday, May 29
Seabee Memorial, Arlington, VA

WASHINGTON, D.C. SEABEE GOLF INVITATIONAL

Monday, June 12

ALL SEABEE REUNION PICNIC

Saturday, August 12 - Douglas Dam
Overlook Park, 720-560-3834

NSVA NATIONAL CONVENTION

August 15-19 - San Antonio, TX
www.nsva.org/events.html

MCB1 SWARM/REUNION

August 18-25 - Davisville, RI
purrfectstorm@comcast.net

SAN DIEGO SEABEE GOLF INVITATIONAL

Monday, August 28

SEABEE CELEBRATION

Saturday, September 23 - Davisville, RI

CBMU 302 REUNION

September 28-30 - Boise, ID
peggiev@pocketinet.com

NMCB 16 REUNION PICNIC

Saturday, October 7 - Arcadia, CA
cnortoneqcm@yahoo.com

VA BEACH SEABEE GOLF INVITATIONAL

Thursday, October 12

EAST COAST ALL SEABEE REUNION

October 22-26 - Pigeon Forge, TN

GULF COAST SEABEE GOLF INVITATIONAL

Wednesday, November 8
Diamondhead, MS

VETERANS DAY WREATH LAYING

Saturday, November 11
Seabee Memorial, Arlington, VA

For more info about any of these events, go to www.seabeehf.org/events
Have an event to add? Email us at info@seabeehf.org



Happy Birthday, Seabees!

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

Seabee Ball - Jacksonville, FL
Seabee Ball - San Diego, CA

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

Seabee Ball - Sigonella, Italy
Seabee Ball - Rota, Spain
Seabee Ball - Washington, DC
Seabee Ball - Virginia Beach, VA
Seabee Ball - Bloomington, MN
Seabee Ball - Fort Leonard Wood, MO
Seabee Ball - Orlando, FL
Seabee Ball - Blairsville, GA
Seabee Ball - Oklahoma City, OK
Seabee Ball - Port Hueneme, CA
Seabee Ball - Poulsbo, WA
Seabee Ball - Honolulu, HI
Seabee Ball - Okinawa, Japan

Celebrate the Seabee Birthday in March at an event near you!

More details available at www.seabeehf.org/events/

Sunday, March 5

Seabee Birthday BBQ - San Antonio, TX

Friday, March 10

Seabee Ball - Guam

Saturday, March 11

Seabee Ball - Gulfport, MS
Seabee Ball - China Lake, CA

Saturday, March 18

Seabee Ball - Jacksonville, NC





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SEABEE SPOTLIGHT



MOMBASA, Kenya (Jan. 25, 2023) -- U.S. Navy Seabees assigned to Task Unit 56.2 pose for a photo with members of the Kenya Navy during Central Partnership Station (CPS) in Mombasa, Kenya, Jan. 25. CPS is designed to strengthen regional relationships and collaboration between the U.S. Navy and Kenya Navy through professional exchanges and community engagement events. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Aaron Troutman)