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# SEABEE NEWS

## Celebrating the 80th Anniversary of the Seabees

PORT HUENEME, CA -- Saturday, September 17, 2022 was a busy day at the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum in Port Hueneme, California. Members of the Seabee Historical Foundation (SHF) and the Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association (SMSA) convened for board meetings, attended a museum tour, and joined with local military members and Seabee supporters for an 80th Anniversary Seabee Celebration. It was a day of decisions, awards and donations.

The SHF and SMSA board members, who traveled from all across the country, joined their virtual counterparts for quarterly board meetings at the museum. All thoughts were on one big decision -- the resolution to create a unification committee for the two organizations. The outcome was a unanimous vote by both the SMSA and the SHF boards to stand up a Joint Task Force to explore unification of the two non-profit organizations. Over the next few months, the Task Force will evaluate potential options for how SMSA and SHF can come together even more to do the most good for the Seabees/CEC, their families, and our



Amy Patterson receives the SMSA Distinguished Scholar award from SMSA Chairman, RDML Lou Cariello (Ret)

community at large. The Task Force will present their proposals at the March 2023 quarterly board meetings for both organizations.

Following the meetings, Lara Godbile, Director of the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum, gave a tour of

the museum. She presented the proposed plans for new exhibits at the museum and a visit to the Museum's archives.

The Seabee Celebration was a time for Seabees and CEC officers from all generations along with community and business leaders to come together for an evening exploring the museum and socializing. The event also included annual awards presented by SHF and SMSA.

Each year, SMSA names a Distinguished Scholar. This year Amy Patterson received the award. Amy was a SMSA scholar from 1984-1988. Her Seabee sponsor is her father, CAPT John J. Gallen, Jr., CEC, USN, Ret.. Amy received a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Villanova University in May 1988 and commissioned an Ensign through the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps program, Civil Engineer Corps. After the Navy, Amy entered Federal Service and currently serves as a Civil Engineer in the POL Facilities Engineering Branch

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## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

It's been an exciting six months since I became the Executive Director of both the Seabee Historical Foundation and the Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association. I've really enjoyed getting to know more of our supporters and working with both boards. I'm impressed by the hard work and dedication of both boards and all the volunteers.

2022 has been an exciting year so far and despite the challenges of COVID and the economy, both organizations are doing well. The SHF finished paying off the construction debt for the Seabee Museum in Port Hueneme and the SMSA awarded a record number of scholarships this year- all thanks to our generous supporters. I'm also pleased to welcome Heather Deviney to the combined SMSA/SHF Staff as marketing and development coordinator. We approach all challenges and opportunities as "one team, one fight" and try to find ways to do as much together as possible and serve Seabees every way we can. I encourage you all to find an OktoBEEfest event near you and participate if you can. These are a great opportunity to see old shipmates and make new friends in a casual atmosphere. If you don't have one near you, consider hosting one next year!

I'm here to serve the whole Seabee community in any way I can. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me at danmiller@seabee.org if you have suggestions or want to volunteer. I look forward to the future of both organizations, there is much to be excited about!

- Dan Miller



Dan Miller, SHF/SMSA Executive Director at the New England Golf Tournament in Rhode Island. More Golf News on pages 14-15.

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## KEVIN R. SLATES

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Chairman of the Board,  
Seabee Historical Foundation

I hope that everyone had a great summer. I had the honor of participating in our 80th Anniversary Seabee Celebration in September held at the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum in Port Hueneme that was co-hosted by SHF and SMSA. It was a fun event and great to see so many former shipmates, friends and Seabee supporters. You'll see more about the event in this publication.

Thanks to several generous sponsors and donors we were able to raise over \$75K for exhibits in the Post-911 (OEF/OIF) gallery of the museum. The Navy recently completed an updated concept design/layout for the museum and has agreed to make OEF/OIF exhibits our first priority.

Our annual OktoBEEfests are just around the corner, and it's great to see this tradition of gathering Seabees for camaraderie and sea

stories continue to grow both in numbers of people and locations. Please come out and have some fun if you live near one of the locations.

Our partnership with our sister-nonprofit, SMSA, continues to grow as we do more and more things together and I'd like to thank Lou Cariello and the SMSA Board for their support. I'm happy to say that both SHF and SMSA boards approved the standup of a small team to explore organizational options for how we can unify to better support Seabees and their families.

Lastly, I'd like to thank our many sponsors, donors, and members that continue to support our Seabees and their families. We've got a great Board of Trustees that passionately believe that "it's all about the Seabees". Ooh-rah!



## LOUIS V. CARIELLO

RDML, CEC, USN (Ret)

Chairman of the Board,  
Seabee Memorial  
Scholarship Association

Fellow Seabees and Seabee Friends and Families,

With the fall season upon us, there is much we look forward to... As we say goodbye to the sunshine and warm temperatures of summer, we welcome the change of seasons – and will soon enjoy vibrant fall colors and comfortable temperatures. And now we are back together again, after a long pandemic isolation.... Change is indeed Good!

It was terrific to see so many familiar faces in person at our well attended 80th Anniversary Celebration at the Seabee Museum on 17 September! I believe that we are at a very promising moment today, with the Boards of both SMSA and SHF unanimously voting to explore the potential that may result from unification (in some form) as One Seabee non-profit organization. We are establishing a "Joint Task Force to Explore Unification,"

which over the next few months will evaluate the risks and advantages associated with unifying. We will of course maintain full focus on prudently addressing the inherent risks, but by embracing the potential that can come from a willingness to accept change, we can capitalize on opportunities to do even more good for our Seabee/CEC community – like awarding more scholarships in higher amounts to more highly qualified candidates.

I have thoroughly enjoyed working more closely and getting to know more of our Board members over my first six months as SMSA Chairman. We have an amazingly diverse and talented group of volunteers on our Board! As we continue to pave the way to greater success in the future, please continue voicing your ideas and contributing in whatever ways you can to help take our organization to the next level.

All The Best and OohRahh! ~Lou

*(SEABEE CELEBRATION continued from pg.1)*

of Naval Facilities Engineering and Expeditionary Warfare Center at Naval Base Ventura County, Port Hueneme. Amy is a Seabee Combat Warfare Officer and registered Engineer in Training in the State of Virginia. Her awards include the Navy Commendation Medal and Navy Achievement Medal and several other individual awards.

CM1(SCW/EXW/DV) Joshua H. Embry from Underwater Construction Team TWO was presented the Fighting Seabee Award for his superior performance as CDD (Construction Dive Detachment) Lead Diver. This award is present annually to an enlisted Seabee that has made the most outstanding contribution in perpetuating the legacy of accomplishments and traditions of the Seabees past, present and future.

The 2022 Everyday Hero Award goes to a Seabee that has proven performance above and beyond normal routine, significant impact in the local community - on or off duty. This year, UT1(SCW/EXW) Jalesa M. Thomas from Naval Construction Training Center, Port Hueneme received the award for her strong leadership and selfless dedication helping others in need.

SMSA presented the Can-Do Award, given to a corporation that makes a significant contribution to the SMSA Scholarship program. This year's award winner was Turner Construction. Stephen Fort, Senior Vice President of Turner, attended the Seabee Celebration and accepted the award.

The SHF Ben Montoya Award is named after former SHF Chairman RADM Ben Montoya. It's awarded each year to an individual or company that makes a significant contribution to the Seabee Historical Foundation. This year's award winner was Moffatt & Nichol and the award was accepted by the company's President and CEO, Eric Nichol.

In the end, the Seabee Celebration not only brought old and new Seabee friends together, funds were raised for new projects at the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum. The over \$85K raised through sponsorships, ticket sales and donations will fund some exciting new exhibits at the museum. Thank you to all who attended and supported this year's event. It's not too early to consider being a sponsor for next year's event. Contact Heather Deviney, SHF/SMSA Marketing & Development Coordinator at [heatherdeviney@seabee.org](mailto:heatherdeviney@seabee.org) to see how you can make a difference for our Seabee Family.

*(RIGHT) Stephen Fort (left), Senior Vice President of Turner Construction, accepts the SMSA Can Do Award on behalf of his company, from SMSA Chairman, RDM Lou Cariello (Ret)*



*(BELOW) Eric Nichol (left) accepts the SHF Ben Montoya Award on behalf of his company, Moffat & Nichol, from SHF Chairman RADM Kevin Slates (Ret)*



*(RIGHT, CENTER) RADM Chuck Kubic (Ret) with Mr & Mrs Brad Fowler.*

*(FAR RIGHT, CENTER) CAPT Chris Kurgan (Ret) and his wife, Kathleen, chat with FORCE Sharpe*

*4 (RIGHT) Leadership from Jacobs Engineering, Platinum Sponsor, are all smiles at the Seabee Celebration event*



# Thank You Sponsors

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(ABOVE) CAPT William Finn (Ret), CAPT Bill Rudich (Ret), and Stephen Fort, Senior VP, Turner Construction, tour the Seabee Museum

(LEFT, ABOVE) FORCM(SCW) Lawrence Sharpe presents the "Everyday Hero" Award to UT1(SCW/EXW) Jalesa M. Thomas along with FORCM(SCW) Christopher Levesque (Ret), FORCM(SCW/EXW) Percy Trent Jr. (Ret)

(LEFT, CENTER) CAPT Mike Meno, Commodore NCG-1, wife Pauline and RADM Mark Handley (Ret)

(LEFT) NLF legend, Dick Butkus and his wife Helen, Seabee supporters for many years, were in attendance for the 80th Anniversary Seabee Celebration.

# The 'Can Do' Family

## Three Generations of a Seabee Legacy

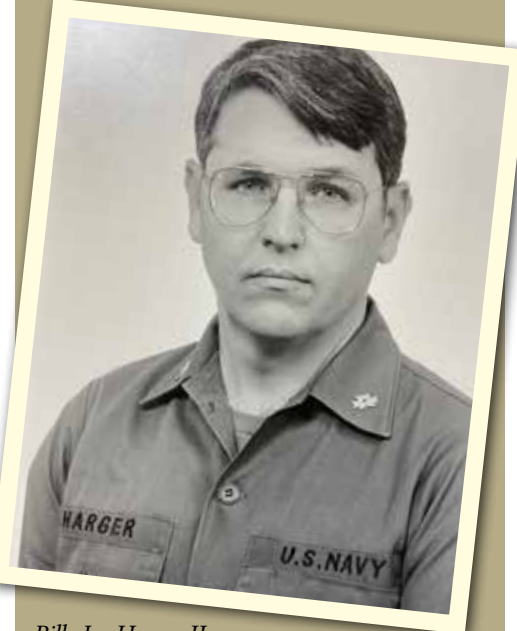


*Billy "Bill" Joe Harger I,  
Construction Mechanic Third Class*

Seabee roots run deep in the Harger family. The family's 'Can Do' origins began with Billy Joe Harger. Billy (who went by "Bill"). Bill was born in 1928 in Hartford, Arkansas, growing up on a farm as a son of a coal miner. Upon graduating high school in 1945, Bill joined the Navy. It was during a tour on his second ship, the USS Capacon, that fate stepped in. USS Capacon was participating in Admiral Byrd's expedition to the Antarctic called "Operation High Jump." On board, Bill met Navy Seabees who were part of the expedition. Meeting them, Bill immediately decided that he wanted to be a Seabee. He applied and was transferred to a Seabee unit in Guam as a Construction Mechanic Third Class. At the end of his tour there, it was also the end of enlistment, so Bill left the Navy and accepted a job at the Kaiser Steel Mill in Fontana, California.



*Billy "Bill" Joe Harger I*



*Billy Joe Harger II,  
Senior Chief Builder, retired as a  
LDO Lieutenant*

"This is how I ended up being born in California. However, we moved to Arkansas, then to Tulsa, Oklahoma where my Dad worked as a Union Carpenter during the day and built cabinets as a sideline, evenings and weekends," recounted Bill's son, Billy II. "So, listening to his Seabee stories and being his cabinet making assistant for a few years, it's no wonder I ended up being a Builder in the Seabees."

school vice principal and has done the artwork in 50 Starbucks locations. She was selected as the Seabee Distinguished Scholar in 2014 and was the guest speaker at the CEC/Seabee Memorial Scholarship Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C.



*Billy Harger III, Senior Chief  
Constructionman, recently retired*

Billy Joe Harger II did end up following in his father's footsteps. He rose through the enlisted ranks to Senior Chief Builder and ultimately retiring as an LDO Lieutenant after 26 years active service. During his time in service, Billy II spent time at Camp David, Greece, Guam, Hawaii, Japan, Diego Garcia, Bosnia and Croatia. While stationed in Guam, his daughter Tracey was born. She would go on to become a Seabee Memorial Scholarship recipient which helped start off her career as an artist and an educator. She is now an elementary

Following his Naval career and starting a job as a Camp Czar in Croatia, Billy II ran into his son while he was on a deployment with NMCB 40 which gave him a unique experience as he realized just how small the Seabee community is. The Command Master Chief was in J school (A-school for the younger generation) with Billy II and allowed for his son to get some catch up time with his father while down range and before convoying to the next stop. Billy III knew early on that camaraderie would always be there not just for those in uniform but for their family members and those who have retired or served as a Seabee. Billy III was proud to serve and be part of tradition from his first deployment to retirement.

With Billy III, it was even more likely that the Navy (and more specifically, the Navy Seabees) would play an important part in his life. He was a military brat and saw his dad's career firsthand. At age 15, Billy III even worked as a "Summer Hire" with the Seabees while the family was stationed in Iwakuni, "We transferred to Third Brigade (3NCB) in Hawaii which is where I retired, but not before I swore him in as the third 'Billy Joe Harger' in a row to be a Seabee. All 25 years apart! Billy I in 1945, Billy II in 1970 and Billy III in 1995," recalls Billy II.

Billy II recounted a humorous story about his son growing up as a teen in Hawaii. "As a student at Pearl City High School, Billy III wanted a tattoo for his 16th birthday.



*Billy Joe Harger II*

Problem was, you needed a parent to be there at the tattoo parlor to approve a minor. His father, Billy II approved of it, but on one condition... as long as he picks the tattoo. Billy II gave the artist a Seabee decal to run through the carbon machine and which was tattooed to his son's left arm. Billy III considered it sort of a vision board on his arm, but he always knew that's what he wanted to do and make a career out of it so no hard feelings for the surprise tattoo!"

In addition to a shared love of construction, the Seabee motto of "Can Do" while doing something good for our country are the guiding principals for Harger family. The stories passed from Grandpa and Billy III's father growing up, inspired him to follow their footsteps. Travel, camaraderie, challenge, and big picture impacts was what motivated them as Seabees. Living all over the world as a military dependent allowed for Billy III to have early experiences from Iwakuni, Japan to Hawaii, and Orlando, Florida to China Lake, California. Fast forward to his own time as an active duty Seabee, being deployed or stationed to the same



*Billy Joe Harger II*

locations where his father served gave him a sense of belonging in the Seabee community and never leaving home.

And, the similarities don't just end with them being Seabees. All three were awarded a foreign war service medal (WWII Victory Medal, Vietnam Service

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*Billy Joe Harger III*

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Medal & Operation Inherent Resolve Campaign Medal). All three Hargers did tours in Guam, while Billy II and III both spent time at Camp David, Greece, Guam, Hawaii, Japan, Diego Garcia, Bosnia and Croatia. And, both retired with 26 years active service! Three generations of proud Seabee history!

Now, even after retirement from the Seabees, the Hargers are still supporting the fight with NAVFAC (Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command). Following his recent retirement, Billy III started working as an Engineering Technician with NAVFAC Southwest



*Tracey  
(Harger)  
Green*

with FEAD (Facilities Engineering and Acquisition Division) in Coronado bringing all the years of construction,



*Billy Joe Harger II  
& Marie Harger*

leadership, and project planning to supporting Navy bases in San Diego. Ironically, similar to when he ran into his Dad in the same line of work while he was in Bosnia, they now have similar jobs as Billy II works as a

Construction Manager at OICC China Lake doing big things for the earthquake recovery and facility upgrades.

So, a Seabee family through and through – Billy I, Billy II, Billy III and Tracey. But, it doesn’t end with the first three generations! Now Billy III’s son Orion Harger is a Navy IS2 and Tracey’s daughter is a Marine stationed at Camp Lejeune, NC. Billy III’s wife, Minerva is also a NAVFAC SW Environmental employee as a Program Analyst. The Hargers – what a family history starting with Billy I as a Construction Mechanic Third Class, Billy II as a Senior Chief Builder retiring as a LDO Lieutenant, and recently retired Billy III as a Senior Chief Constructionman.

The Hargers are proud to continue a family tradition with the Seabees and support the freedoms that so many take for granted. The “Can Do” legacy is ingrained into this family’s DNA, and shows no signs of stopping anytime soon. Hoorah, Seabees!

## Retirement Accounts: A Wise Charitable Gift

Many people made significant contributions to retirement plans like individual retirement accounts. Did you know that it is possible to make a significant gift to the SMSA or SHF with retirement plan assets without adverse effects to your lifetime finances. In fact, leaving retirement plan assets to us can be one of the best financial decisions you can make. Here’s why.

Traditional retirement plans such as Individual Retirement Accounts, 401(k) and 403(b) plans are funded with pre-tax dollars. The contributions and earnings that you make to this account are not subject to income tax. When you reach the age of 59½, you can take money out of your retirement account without penalty, but you do have to pay ordinary income tax on the distributions. If funds remain in the account after you pass away, be aware that your heirs may have to pay inheritance and estate taxes in addition to income taxes. Depending on the size of your estate, these combined taxes can be significant on the remaining

account balance. If you leave all or part of your retirement plan assets to the SMSA or SHF, whatever portion of the assets is left to charity will be exempt from income, inheritance, and estate taxes.

When planning to support the SMSA or the SHF and leave assets to loved ones, make certain that you leave your pre-tax assets to qualified charities and your other assets to your loved ones. This strategy assures that your heirs pay less tax on the assets that they receive.

First, consult your tax advisor the contact your account custodian and complete the beneficiary designation forms to maximize the tax savings, take care of your loved ones, and leave a legacy with the SMSA, SHF or both.



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

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***Congratulations Class of 2022!*** We are proud of our Seabee Memorial Scholarship seniors and all that they have accomplished these past four years. Their interests are diverse, their passions are strong and their resiliency is commendable. Spring semester of their sophomore year found them being sent home due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many would stay at home throughout their junior year and not return to campus and in person learning until the start of their senior year. Despite the upheaval of the world around them they found ways to thrive and excel. We are pleased to announce a 95% graduation rate for the class with the remaining 5% on track to graduate in 2023.

Join us in congratulating our seniors as they embark on their next adventures.



**Congratulations Graduates**

**GABRIEL ANDINO**

Baylor University  
Biology  
LT Gabriel Andino\*

**ERIC BORMANN**

Worcester Polytechnic Institute  
Biology and Biotechnology  
EOC Edward Jenne \*\*

**SIDNEY BROWN**

The University of Southern Mississippi  
Biological Sciences  
EO1 Jason Brown\*

**TY BRUYSSCHAARD**

Texas A&M  
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EACN John Bruyssaard \*

**CASEY COMO**

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EOC John Cummings\*

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CEC Gregory Meier\*

**OLIVIA MILLS**

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EOCS Thomas Mills\*

**EMILY PATTERSON**

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LT Amy Patterson\*

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BUL2 William Johnson\*\*

**KOLE SHUBERT**

Fort Hays State University  
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Medicine) and Biology  
Health Professions  
CE1 Jayson Shubert\*

**IRA STASSI**

Eastern Kentucky University  
PGA Golf Management  
BU2 Kristina Stasi\*

**ARIEL VILLANUEVA**

San Diego State University  
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NON-PROFIT IN THE SPOTLIGHT:

# Jake's Journey Home

Connect • Respect • Assist



WHAT IS JAKE'S JOURNEY HOME? - On September 1, 2019, Jake Shuman, a Seabee Veteran and small business owner passed away unexpectedly — leaving behind loving friends and family, as well as a legacy of empathy, generosity, and humility. Jake Shuman's larger-than-life personality, entrepreneurial spirit, and aggressive work ethic imparted a sense of "you are important to me." As someone always willing to share time, resources, and opportunities; respect was at Jake's heart and essence. Jake's Journey Home is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that continues Jake Shuman's legacy of doing what you can to help someone's tomorrow be better than today.

OUR MISSION: Connect. Respect. Assist. Connecting unhoused persons, veterans and community members, through respect, caring, and assistance. Poverty may not be able to be fixed overnight — but by providing necessary services and hygiene totes, we can at the very least, make sure that someone's tomorrow is better than today.

CURRENT ENDEAVORS - Our mobile day center connects veterans and unhoused community members to get them partnered with resources and services for mental health, VA benefits, drug/alcohol abuse support, job skills, medical, and life coaches. We are also in the process of raising funds for our transitional housing program.

HELP OUR CAUSE - Help us continue to serve our veterans and unhoused community members by making a donation. Your contributions will assist in providing our mobile day center with much-needed supplies (first aid, basic needs, food, textbooks, clothing, etc.). With this mobile day center, we can meet our folks where they are at and connect them with both immediate assistance and resources for long-term support in mental health, drug/alcohol treatment, transitional housing, job skills, and education. In doing so, we hope to make their tomorrow better than today. Your support is greatly appreciated.

For more information about this non-profit, or to donate:

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# SEABEES!

*You are why we do what we do...*

The Seabee Historical Foundation (SHF) seeks to preserve, promote, and perpetuate the legacy of the Seabees, the Civil Engineer Corps and the Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command in the famed Seabee "CAN DO" Spirit.

Our efforts fall under four programmatic pillars:

- Honor and Serve Seabees and Seabee Veterans
- Engage a Wider Audience
- Inspire America's Youth
- Educate the Public about Seabee Contributions

Our work is focused within five key areas that support our programmatic pillars: Honor, Connect, Unite, Inspire and Support Seabees.

Our "Non-Profit in the Spotlight" appeals to your different needs and resources to help in your life situation, or that of another Seabee or friend in need. We want to help connect and support you in that effort.





Lt. Nicholas Gegg was promoted to Lt. Cmdr. in a special ceremony held during a surface supplied hard hat dive in the Aquatics Training Facility at the Naval Diving and Salvage Training Center located on board Naval Support Activity Panama City, Florida, Sept. 1. The oath of office was performed by NCG 2's Capt. Heather Walton. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Kyle Merritt)

## Did You Serve at Camp Lejeune?

Veterans who served at Camp Lejeune or MCAS New River for at least 30 cumulative days from August 1953 through December 1987—and their family members—can get health care benefits. Many Seabees, especially those stationed at CBC Davisville or CBC Gulfport, may have trained at Camp Lejeune during this time period.



In an effort to better serve the Seabee community, the US Navy Seabee Museum is consolidating all materials held in our archive related to Seabee training at Camp Lejeune. Some of these materials are already digitized and links are listed by unit and years below. The archival staff is working to digitize additional materials and add them as completed. Only battalions homeported at Davisville or Gulfport and some reserve units may have trained at Camp Lejeune. Those units are listed, but the list may expand as we locate materials. Email [NHHC\\_USNSMarchive@us.navy.mil](mailto:NHHC_USNSMarchive@us.navy.mil), if you need specific materials not already digitized.

For additional materials related to your deployment, view the Seabee Museum's Find my Seabee Records webpage with more detailed information on researching our online content.

Contact the VA directly for additional information related to filing a claim regarding exposure to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune.

## Seabee License Plate Fundraiser Supporting SHF!

Mississippi Legislature has authorized a Seabee Specialty License Plate supporting the CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation. We need to hit 300 sold for production to start...Order yours today!

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## Creative Ways to Support SHF & SMSA

Here are some ways you can support either organization:



**Shop Amazon Smile**  
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**Matching Gifts**  
Many employers match your gifts to SMSA or SHF.



**Make a Donation**  
Current and retired federal employees can give to the SMSA through the Combined Federal Campaign!  
SMSA#11959



Scan the code or go to [seabee.org](https://seabee.org) or [seabeehf.org](https://seabeehf.org) to learn more!

## 6th Annual San Diego Seabee Golf Invitational

The 6th Annual San Diego Seabee Golf Invitational was a big success. The tournament returned to the beautiful Fairbanks Ranch Country Club. 120 golfers took part in a spirited round of golf followed by dinner on the lawn. Special thanks to the top sponsors, Pacific Coast Iron, Rossin Steel, Harper Construction, Milwaukee Tools, Moffatt & Nichol, Clark Construction, W&W/AFCO Steel, Hawthorne Marine Power and WSP. Also, thanks to the local committee Mike Williamson, Clyde Marion and Ted Rossin. This event raises funds for general SMSA scholarships. Save the date for next year's event -- Monday, August 28, 2023 at Fairbanks Ranch.

## 27th Northeast Seabee Golf Invitational

The Richmond Country Club welcomed the SMSA for the 27th Northeast Seabee Golf Invitational. A nearly full field teed off after a barbecue lunch and program. The weather was perfect for an afternoon of golf and good fellowship. The Seabee Museum and Memorial Park in Davisville brought a great selection of Seabee merchandise for sale to the golfers and volunteers. Skanska returned as a long time top sponsor and was joined by Commodore Builders, Bonnie Nault of William Pitt/Sotheby's, RHM Consultants and Hank Barstow. A big thanks to the local committee, Bonnie Nault, Arnie Kirsch, Tom Santos, Dick Miller, Hank Barstow, Bob Frink and Peter Brown. This event raises funds for general SMSA scholarships.



(ABOVE) The team from MCP GOV won the best dressed team award.

(RIGHT, TOP) Practice before the tournament started.

(RIGHT, MIDDLE) Proud Seabee Mom Cheri Collins volunteered this year.

Pictured with her son BU2(SCW) Matt Collins,

(RIGHT) The Raffle table was overflowing!



(LEFT & BOTTOM LEFT) Richmond Golf and Country Club  
(BELOW) Golfers enjoying the Barbecue Lunch.  
(BOTTOM) Thanks to our sponsors of the 27th Northeast Seabee Golf Invitational!



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An important function of the Seabee Historical Foundation is to act as a clearing house for Seabees and CEC officers, past and present, and we need your help to make our listing as complete as possible.

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Thursday, Oct 6

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**PORT ORCHARD, WA**  
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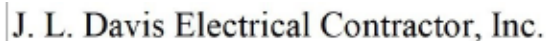
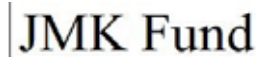
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# SMSA Awards 57 Scholarships to Class of '26

BETH REUNING  
SMSA Scholarship Manager

After an extensive evaluation process, SMSA awarded 57 scholarships to incoming freshmen in June. They are the daughters, sons and grandchildren of Seabees and CEC officers who have or are currently serving around the world.

The class of 2026 hail from twenty-eight states and will attend two-year, four-year, community or career

“This scholarship has helped me more than you could ever know. It has allowed me to pursue my goal of completing my undergraduate degree without the distraction of working a full-time position in order to pay for college. My major is biochemistry and eventually I plan to apply for medical school. I hope to get into graduate school with as little debt as possible.”

- Zachary Love (Junior at Auburn Univ.)

technical institutions. Their majors include accounting, engineering, business and nursing. In addition to the freshmen, we have renewed 104 upper class scholarships. Through the generosity of our donors, we are pleased to award 161 scholarships this year valued at \$497,000. Awards range from \$1,100 to \$5,300 and can be applied to tuition, housing, textbooks and academic related fees. We are well on our way to reaching our goal of awarding over 200 scholarships a year by 2025.

## CLASS OF 2026

**SOPHIE ARNOLD**  
East Tennessee State University  
Elementary Education  
MCPO Jimmy Arnold\*\*

**ABIGAIL BAISE**  
Clemson University  
Engineering  
LCDR John Baise\*

**ZOE BALSON**  
Appalachian State University  
Mathematics Secondary  
Education  
CDR Larry East\*\*

**COLIN BANTA**  
San Diego State University  
Business Administration  
CDR Brent Banta\*\*

**CAROLINE BELL**  
Purdue University  
Finance, Accounting  
BU1 Clem H Bell\*

**DELANEY BRENNER**  
Connecticut College  
Biology/Environmental Science  
EA2 Brian Gallagher\*\*

**ANNABEL BUDREAU**  
Lander University  
Biological Studies  
EO2 Jason Budreau\*

**ZAVIER CHIMIENI**  
Lawrence Technological  
University  
Biomedical Engineering  
EOCA Robert Dewyer\*\*

**RILEY CLEMENTS**  
Young Harris College  
Mathematics  
LT Wade Clements\*

**ERIN CURTIS**  
University of California, Berkeley  
Environmental Engineering/  
Environmental Studies  
CAPT William Donnelly\*\*

**DILLON DELANEY**  
Liberty University  
MCPO Daniel Delaney\*

**KIRSTEN DELAPENA**  
San Diego State University  
Business Management  
CEC Emmanuel Delapena\*

**MEGAN DONALDSON**  
California State University, Chico  
Agricultural Communications  
BU2 William Crayne\*\*

**FIONA DUNPHY**  
Fordham University  
Communications and Culture  
SW2 Michael Dunphy\*\*

**MADELINE FARLEY**  
Wofford College  
Business-Finance  
CUCM(SWC) Jim Farley\*\*

**KINLEY FERGUSON**  
North Carolina State University  
Environmental Science  
CMA3 Barney Campbell\*\*

**GABRIEL FRENCH**  
University of Central Florida  
Engineering  
EA Ben Payne\*\*

**HOPE HAYES**  
Oregon State University  
Environmental Science  
LCDR Jason Hayes\*

**LEAH HILTON**  
Cedarville University  
Nursing  
LCDR Jon Hilton\*

**GAVIN JANNING**  
Spalding University  
Creative Writing/English  
CEC Andrew Janning\*

**NATALIE JAYNE**  
Kansas State University  
Integrative Physiology  
CAPT David Jayne\*

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Wayne State University  
Nursing  
SW3 Randall Keathley\*

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University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
Political Science  
HT2 Aaron Nilson\*\*

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University of North Carolina,  
Charlotte  
Mechanical Engineer  
CM2 Timothy Reinaman\*\*

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University of Minnesota  
Pre-Med  
MRC Thomas Code\*\*

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Coastal Alabama  
Community College  
Nursing  
CM3 Jimmy Nathan Cherry\*\*

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University of Connecticut  
Mathematics -  
Actuarial Science  
CDR Stephen Lepper\*

**KAJ LITCH**  
Yale University  
COX John Litch\*\*

**ETHAN LONG**  
Temple University  
Computer Science  
BU2 Kevin Long\*

**KATHERINE MAIER**  
Williams College  
International Relations  
BU1 George Maier\*\*

**RYAN MARQUART**  
University of Nevada Reno  
Kinesiology  
UT1 Ronald Marquart\*

**TYREN MATTICK**  
University of Minnesota Duluth  
Economics  
BUH2 Douglas Mattick\*\*

**ABIGAIL MEADOWS**  
Lonestar College - Tomball  
RN, L&D Nursing, or  
registered dietitian  
BU2 Alan Heaton\*\*

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Eastern Michigan University  
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The University of Alabama  
Communicative Disorders  
EQCM Jack Mitchell\*\*

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Toledo University  
Criminal Justice  
CAPT Douglas Dariano\*\*

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University of Kentucky  
Biology  
BUCS(SCW/DB)  
Thomas Neiswender\*

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Oklahoma Baptist University  
Criminal Justice  
SWC Chris Pogue\*

**KAYLEE REHAK**  
Fairmont State University  
Exercise Science  
BU2 Daniel Rehak\*

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Colorado Mesa University  
Psychology  
CEC Richard Rodgers\*\*

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Lincoln Tech  
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Manufacturing Technology  
EOH3 Alexander Kingersky\*\*

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Western Illinois University  
Physical Therapy  
CS Leonard Buonincontro\*\*

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Oregon Institute of Technology  
Communication Studies  
CM3 Alan Parks\*\*

**DESTINY RYAN**  
University of  
Central Oklahoma  
Speech Pathology  
BU2 Stephen Frazier\*\*

**HAILEY SELKIRK**  
Belmont University  
Exercise Science  
CDR Gregory Kirk\*

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Mississippi Gulf Coast CC  
History  
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Gonzalez\*

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Music Education/Performance  
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Louisiana Tech University  
Engineering  
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Pacific University  
Secondary Education -  
English and Theatre  
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University of Kentucky  
Elementary Education  
CM1 Eugene Burnett, Jr.\*\*

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University of Mississippi  
Biology  
CUCS Justin Troutman\*

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Colorado State University  
Civil Engineering  
SWF2 Bernard Najvar\*\*

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English/English  
Professional Writing  
CM3 Steven Walker\*

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**U.S. Navy Seabee Museum** - The best way to experience the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum is in person, but that is not always possible. The Museum offers so much more online. Scan the QR Code below with your smart phone to access the Seabee Museum website. The U.S. Navy Seabee Museum has digitized its most requested archival materials to help our patrons and educate the community. This site contains a wealth of materials on the Seabees, Civil Engineer Corps, and advance base equipment and materiel. Included are "born-digital" contemporary items, as well as historical material digitized from analog formats.



PORT HUENEME, California (Sep 10, 2022) - Port Hueneme NCTC Chiefs Mess, instructors and students installed the latest batch of 194 Seabee bricks on in front of the US Navy Seabee Museum. To purchase your own commemorative brick, see the ad on page 15.

# SMSA Named Scholarship Profiles

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

## **The CAPT Dorwin C. Black & Ruth H. Black Scholarship**

was created in 2022 by Ruth Black. Dorwin Black was born in Maryland but grew up in Ohio. After graduating from the University of Cincinnati as a civil engineer, he joined the Navy, went through OCS in Newport RI and was commissioned an Ensign. His first assignment was with the Seabees of NMBC 7. He later earned a MS in Engineering at Stanford University. He was also a graduate of The Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, VA and the Program for Management Development at Harvard University.



Subsequent assignments included tours as assistant officer in charge of construction for Equipment Management, Saigon, Republic of Vietnam; ROICC Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; ROICC Pacific; Deputy officer in charge of construction, Elk Hills, San Bruno, CA and CO of NMCB 33, Gulfport, MS. He deployed to Rota Spain and Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico for which the battalion won the 1982 and 1983 Atlantic Battle "E" and Peltier Awards. He also held staff assignments in the Service Force Atlantic Command; Bureau of Naval Personnel; Executive assistant to the commander Construction Battalions Pacific Fleet and an executive officer PWC Pensacola. His last assignment was as commanding officer of Naval Construction Battalion Center, Port Hueneme and Commander of the 31st Naval Regiment, Port Hueneme. He initiated Seabee Day there in 1987 which allows the community to visit the base and celebrate what the Seabees do. He called this assignment. "The best job in the Civil Engineer Corps."



## **The CDR Duane George Wolfe Scholarship**

was funded in 2014. CDR Wolfe died on 5/25/09 from injuries suffered as a result of an improvised explosive device (IED) attack on his convoy southeast of Fallujah.

At the time he was assigned to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Gulf Region Division in Iraq. He was the officer-in-charge of the

Anbar area office, overseeing construction projects in the formerly volatile province. Most projects were for local Iraqis, including the

first ever waste treatment facility for Fallujah. A former Seabee Chief who signed up in 1972, Wolfe was commissioned in 1990 and was assigned to several California-based units in his career, as well as Naval Engineering Force, Korea. This scholarship was funded by CAPT Bill Keller in memory of CDR Wolfe.

## **The CECS Chester Edward Urbati, Jr. Scholarship**

was created in 2021 by Carmen Urbati. Chet Urbati joined the Navy Reserve in 1952. After he was discharged, he reenlisted in 1955 at the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Training Command, Quincy, MA, where he served as an Electrician Mate (EM3). In 1958, he cross rated to CECN (Construction Electrician Construction man) in RMCB 12 in Davisville, RI, where he retired



in 1993 with a completed service of 40 years of reserve and active duty. During his military career, Chester earned several awards, medals, and ribbons including Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal (2 awards), Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon, Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation (2 awards), Navy "E" Ribbon, Navy Good Conduct Medal (5 awards), National Defense Service Medal (3 awards), Vietnam Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal (2 awards), Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (6 awards), Navy/Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Navy Rifleman Expert Medal and Navy Pistol Expert Medal.

Chet had a long civilian career as an electrician and was a lifetime member of Navy Seabee Veterans of America Island XI Gulfport, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Blinded Veterans Assoc. He was also a member of Fleet Reserve Association, American Legion, CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation and Plank owner of the U.S. Navy Memorial.

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




UPCOMING EVENTS

 **MCB 16 Reunion**  
**Saturday, October 1**  
 Arcadia, CA 91006  
 Craig Norton 702-301-5511  
 cnortoneqcm@yahoo.com

 **OktoBEEfest Boston**  
**Wednesday, Oct 5, 5 pm**  
 Horse Thieves Tavern  
 585 High Street, Dedham, MA

 **OktoBEEfest Chicago**  
**Thursday, Oct 5, 5-8 pm**  
 Chief's Pub - 502 N Western Ave  
 Lake Forest, IL

 **OktoBEEfest Port Hueneme**  
**Thursday, Oct 6, 5-8 pm**  
 Poseidon Brewing Company  
 5777 Olivas Park Dr, Unit Q,  
 Ventura, CA

 **OktoBEEfest San Diego**  
**Wednesday, Oct 12, 5-8 pm**  
 Stone Brewery at Liberty Station  
 2816 Historic Decatur Road,  
 San Diego, CA



 **8th Annual Virginia Beach Seabee Golf Invitational**  
**Thursday, Oct 13**  
 Virginia Beach, VA


 **OktoBEEfest Washington**  
**Friday, Oct 14, 5-8 pm**  
 Port Orchard Pub - 2591 SE Mile Hill Dr, Port Orchard, WA

 **OktoBEEfest Hawaii**  
**Saturday, Oct 15, 2-5 pm**  
 Pitch Sports Bar - SALT Kaka'ako  
 691 Auahi St, Honolulu, HI

 **OktoBEEfest Florida**  
**Thursday, Oct 20, 5-8 pm**  
 Veterans United Craft Brewery  
 8999 Western Way #104,  
 Jacksonville, FL

 **NMCB 14 Reunion**  
**October 20-23**  
 Sheraton Tampa Brandon  
 Tampa, FL  
 Joe Leahy, capt1952@gmail.com

 **Seabee Ball Golf Tournament**  
**Friday, Oct 21, 8 am**  
 Windy Harbor Golf Course, NS  
 Mayport; LT Roster 904-229-5938  
 Michael.A.Roster@navy.mil

 **OktoBEEfest Colorado**  
**Friday, Oct 21, 5-9 pm**  
 Lowry Beer Garden  
 7577 East Academy Blvd,  
 Denver, CO

 **OktoBEEfest Ohio**  
**Saturday, Oct 22, 12-4 pm**  
 CLE Urban Winery  
 2180 Lee Rd, Cleveland Heights, OH

 **OktoBEEfest Texas**  
**Saturday, Oct 22, Noon**  
 Man Overboard Brewing Company  
 1230 Camden St, San Antonio, TX


 **East Coast All Seabee Reunion**  
**Oct 23-27 - Pigeon Forge, TN**  
 Dave Howard, 972-837-3919


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 **NMCB 1-9-10 Reunion**  
**Oct 23-27 - Pigeon Forge, TN**  
 Peter Dowd, 617-688-2512  
 mcb1reunion@verizon.net

 **OktoBEEfest Virginia**  
**Wednesday, Oct 26, 5-8 pm**  
 Elation Brewing Company  
 5104 Colley Avenue, Norfolk, VA

 **OktoBEEfest Gulfport**  
**Thursday, Oct 27, 5-8 pm**  
 Chandeaur Island Brewing Co.  
 2711 14th Street, Gulfport, MS

 **CBMU 302 Reunion**  
**October 27-30**  
 Best Western Ramkota  
 Rapid City, SD  
 Peggie Vandenberg, 509-520-5396  
 peggiev@pocketitnet.com

 **Gulf Coast Seabee Golf Invitational**  
**Wednesday, Nov 16**  
 Diamondhead, MS

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**Looking Ahead to 2023...**  
 **Washington DC Seabee Golf Invitational**  
**Monday, Jun 12**  
 Springfield Golf & Country Club

 **San Diego Seabee Golf Invitational**  
**Monday, Aug 28**  
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