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The Seabee Memorial, located in Tonawanda, New York. This monument was built by NSVA Island X-8 "The Monument Builders" with the help of generous donors and the numerous hours of toil and sweat and blood.

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NOTICE: DEADLINE FOR March 2018 CAN DO IS Feb... 15, 2018!





Navy Seabee Veterans of America welcomes all veterans age 18 or older, any rank, rate or branch of service, with honorable service in or with the U.S. Naval Construction Forces or Naval Facilities Command. **Down load a membership application at www.nsva.org or contact National Secretary: Charles H. Coffin, 16 Graham Ave., West haven, CT, NSVA, and New Seabee Phone Number: 203-843-5513.**

Seabee Clean up in Longmont, Colorado

The Seabees of Island X-4, Longmont, Colorado in conjunction with their annual picnic on 30 September cleaned two miles of trash from a major highway in the area. The effort was led by Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Kissinger who coordinated the event with the Colorado Department of Transportation. The State in recognition of this effort erected a sign on the highway indicating the stretch of highway the Seabees are responsible for. The effort culminated with 50 bags of trash being cleaned from the highway. The picnic was held afterwards in true Seabee style with food, drink and camaraderie.



**Presenting the Christmas Wreath to Clear Path for Veterans is
X19 from Syracuse, NY**



(from left to right) are: Organizational Development Officer Rob Solano, External Programs Assistant Director Adam Coleman, and CEO and Co-Founder Melissa Spicer and X19 Members Doug Bower, Jim Hilgers, Dan Gordon, Barry Burge.

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**X19 from Syracuse NY poses with
WWII Singers during the Veterans
Day Roundup at the New York
State Fairgrounds.**

Island X23, Crystal River Florida



At their monthly meeting SEABEE members of Island X-23, Crystal River voted to have a granite engraved plaque placed at the Old Homosassa Veterans Memorial in Old Homosassa.

The picture above is Commander David J. BUCHANAN presenting a donation on behalf of the NAVY SEABEE VETERANS of AMERICA, Island X-23 Crystal River for a plaque at the **Old Homosassa Veterans Memorial** to Dick **BACHTEL**, Old Homosassa Veterans Board member. Pictures below are the OLD Homosassa Veterans Memorial, Island X-23's brick, and David J. BUCHANAN pointing to their brick.



The SEABEES meet the third Tuesday of each month at the **Riviera Mexican Grill and Cantina** located at 1935 SE US Highway 19, Crystal River, FL.
For information call 352-564-0378.

Island X23, Crystal River Florida *CONTINUED*



“SK1 John Lowe of Island X-23 Crystal River, FL had an opportunity to go on a Central Florida Honor Flight to Washington, DC in September. John is standing in front of the Seabee Memorial on Memorial Drive just before going into Arlington National Cemetery”. He was the only Seabee on the trip. SK1 Lowe was attached to MCB-12, 121, and 128 during his 20 year Navy career.

NSVA Department of New York Awards \$500 Check to Ed Nicoletta for winning the Annual 50/50 Drawing



(from left to right) are: Tom Williamson, Commander of Post 575, Don Butler, Ed Nicoletta, Stephen Greenberg, Kevin Johnson, Vic Tantalo, Jack Tangen, Department Commander, John Cubit, Sarah Kridenoff

75 Year Anniversary plaque dedicated to Thomas W. Williamson, WWII Seabee



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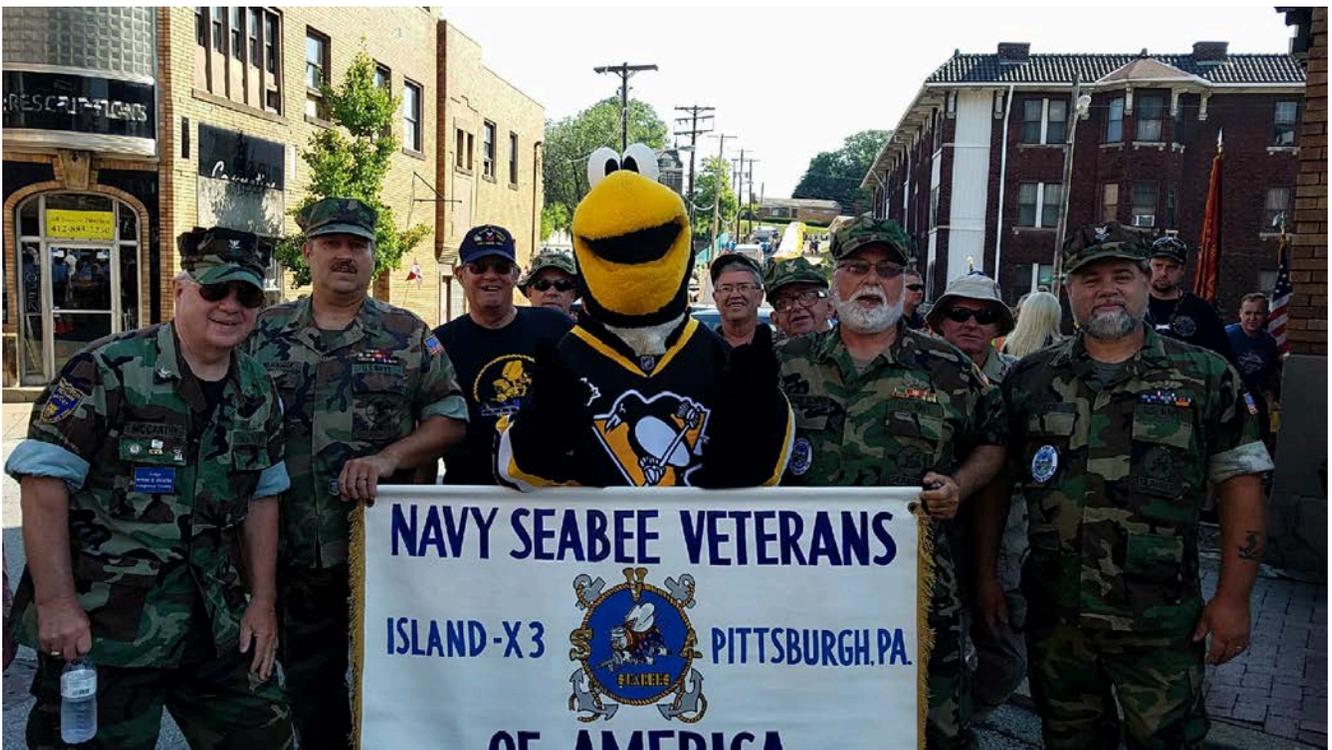
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Island X-3 Pittsburgh marching Seabees with the Pittsburgh Mascot "Ice Berg"



Here is an article for anyone who wants to get a copy of their service record.

For all Seabees, Sailors, Marines and all military folks and their dependents or relatives. For years the NMCB 62 Alumni Group has been searching for a business, group or person who is able to get a copy of a person's military service record for them. We have finally found such a business, located near St. Louis, MO. It is called Redbird Research LLC. For more information on Redbird Research go to our website: www.nmcb62alumni.org and click on link #5. Finally after all these years of fruitless trying, we now have the opportunity to finally get a copy of our service record.

VETERANS DAY, WASHINGTON D.C. - 2017



Picture to the right is of NSVA Commander John Hillyer, III and Doug Bower, Commander of X19 Syracuse, NY prepare to present the Seabee Wreath on Veterans Day in Washington, DC at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Below picture is of Commander John Hillyer, Island Commander Doug Bower and Master at Arms Joe Dezelar display the Navy Seabee Veterans of America Flag.



REUNION INFORMATION

NOW HEAR THIS ...

Here is the latest issue of the Seabee Newsletter, V 12 N 1 that is now on-line at:

<http://nebula.wsimg.com/4b8a739cc5ebace46d2cbd16248a9730?AccessKeyId=2594922D89E2C296F83C&disposition=0&alloworigin=1>

or you can connect to it at <http://mcb2seabeereunion.com/>

The Las Vegas reunion is the last coordinated reunion we plan to have. If there are any future reunions for the MCB 2 Association, individuals are encouraged to contact their buddies and friends and get together on an individual basis. Read the Newsletter and enjoy the pictures of those that attended.

NMCB 62

26-29 April 2018 (In conjunction with the Gulfport All Seabee Reunion)

Gulfport, MS

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NOTE: We will hold our annual meeting Sunday morning, April 29, 2018

The Navy Seabee Veterans of America, North Central District Convention will be held on June 8th and 9th 2018 at the Downtown Indianapolis, Indiana Hilton. This convention will be hosted by Island X-4 of New Castle Indiana. For more information contact Dan Wells NSVA Department of Indiana Commander at dewells16@yahoo.com or call (765) 749-0816, or Bob Wooten NSVA Department of Indiana Secretary at cb5803@gmail.com or call (317) 432-1377. Second only to Washington D.C., Indianapolis is the city with the greatest number of Veterans Memorials. Visit the Indiana War Memorial, the USS Indianapolis Memorial and tour the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.



Welcome Aboard to our Newest Life Members!
By John Cubit, Life Membership Chairman, Navy Seabee
Veterans of America
It is with pleasure that we welcome the following Seabees
as Life Members of our Organization:

NAME	LM #	ISLAND	CITY	STATE
Tomas S. Curran	LM# 6629	X-1	Davisville	Rhode Island

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ISLAND</u>	<u>CITY</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>LM NUMBER</u>
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Karl Douge	X-5	Ft. Lauderdale	FL	6638
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Wilson S. Gray	X-3	Warsaw	IN	6640
William E. Starkey	X-1	Davisville	RI	6641
Rodney Schults	X-14	Manitowoc	WI	6642
Edward A. Klarich	X-8	Sacramento	CA	6643
Angelo Cellini	X-8	Sacramento	CA	6644

Jacques Harlow,	LM#	Island X-1 Davisville, R.I.
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Joseph E. Brown	LM# 6631,	Island X-1 Greeneville, TN.
William Wilson	LM# 6632,	Island X-1 Greeneville, TN.
John M. McGrath	LM# 6633,	Island X-10 Albany, N.Y.
Walter E. Williams	LM# 6634,	24 th Batt. at Large
Delmar L. Ross	LM# 6635,	Island X-1 Kearney NE.
Jack Longo	LM# 6636,	Island X-1 Red Bank, N.J.



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3821	BEHNKE	HENRY	H.	X-5	Elmore	Alabama
6519	BRUCHOLZ	WALTER	R.	X-9	Kingston	New York
2511	EMBACH	HENRY	M.	X-23	Crystal River	Florida
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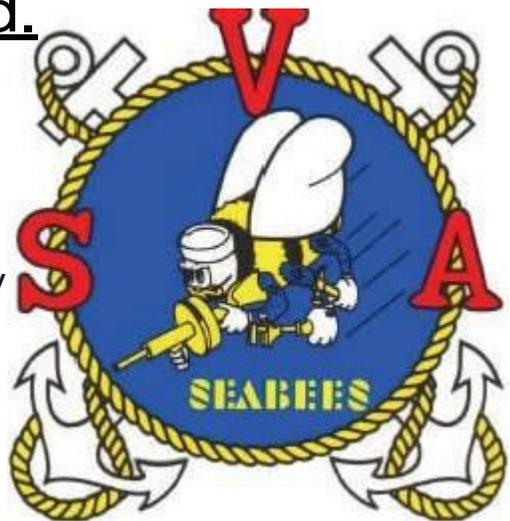
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