

NSVA Island X-1 2009 National Convention

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**All Seabee Reunion
And
Navy Seabee Veterans of America
National Convention
12-16 October 2009
Gulfport, Mississippi**

Come to the Gulf Coast!

**Meet New Friends and Reunite With
Old Friends in Fellowship and Camaraderie!**

SEABEES – CAN DO!!

**Navy Seabee Veterans of America, Inc., National Convention and Reunion
12, 13, 14, 15, & 16 Oct 2009
Gulfport, Mississippi**

A full line-up of events has been planned to act as a background for the fellowship and storytelling which happens when old friends and shipmates get together.

EVENTS

1. Registration 12 Oct 2009 0900-1800
2. Opening Ceremonies/Meet & Greet – 12 Oct 2009 1900-2200
3. Registration 13 October 2009 0900-1800
4. Military Museum Tour at Camp Shelby – 13 Oct 2009, 0800-1500
5. Ladies Luncheon – 13 Oct 2009, 1130
6. CDR & Secretaries Breakfast – 14 Oct 2009 0700-0900
7. Seabee Base Tour and NEX Shopping Trip – 14 Oct 2009, 0900-1400
8. D-Day Museum Tour – 15 Oct 2009, 0800-1600
9. Picnic at Seabee Lake – 15 Oct 2009, 1600-2000
10. Golf Outing at Seabee Base – 16 Oct 2009, 1200-1700
11. Banquet at Ramada Hotel – 16 Oct 2009, 1800-2230
12. Check-Out and farewell to shipmates- 17 Oct 2009 prior to 1100

A registration form is enclosed in this mail out. Please fill out the form denoting the events you want to attend and the total number in your party attending, along with their names. Send the form along with your check for the total amount to the address list at the bottom of the registration form. If you later find that you are unable to attend, your money will be refunded **except for the registration charge.** The registration cost is used to offset our expenses for this mail-out and other administrative costs for the Convention and Reunion.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 1 SEP 2009 TO GUARANTEE \$65 PER NIGHT RATE

To make reservations at the Ramada Gulfport Airport Conference Center dial (228)868-8200 and tell the reservation clerk that you are attending the Navy Seabee Veterans of America 2009 Convention to get our room rates for our members and guests.

Directions:

From Airport: Take Airport Road west to US 49 (turn right) north on US 49 (get in left lane) for .3 of a mile to Middle drive. Make a U-turn at Middle drive (get in right lane) US 49 south and turn right to Ramada Hotel.

From I-10: Take exit 34a south on US 49 (get in right lane on US 49 south). Go to the second red light on US 49 south off of I-10 and the Ramada Hotel will be on right side.

POINTS OF CONTACT:

**Jerry Schmuck
(228) 861-3459**

**Robert Smith
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YOU CAN ALSO E-MAIL US AT:

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DESCRIPTION OF EVENTS

OPENING CEREMONY/MEET & GREET – 1900 to 2200 Monday 12 October 2009. Come join us as we kick off the week's events. Colors will be presented and a welcome to the Gulf Coast. Then get reacquainted with your old buddies. Entertainment and a cash bar will be provided.

CAMP SHELBY ARMED FORCES MUSEUM TOUR – 0800 to 1500, Tuesday, 13 Oct 2009. This museum is Mississippi's only state operated museum dedicated exclusively to military history. The museum, now located in a 16000 square foot state of the art facility, houses over 15,000 artifacts, representing all branches of the military. Unique exhibits and dioramas enable visitors to "walk through time" and experience the heroism and sacrifices of our state's soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen. The guided tour will take approximately 2 hours. 0800 Board busses at Ramada Hotel. **Cost: \$25 per person includes transportation and lunch at the dining facility.**

COMMANDER AND SECRETARIES BREAKFAST – 0700 to 0900, Wednesday, 14 Oct 2009. Come join the Commander and Secretaries for the introduction breakfast. Breakfast will be a buffet style breakfast in the Ramada Hotel. **Cost: \$25 per person.**

LADIES LUNCHEON – 1130, Wednesday, 14 Oct 2009. Come join the Ladies Auxiliary with a Mardi Gras Theme Luncheon at the Ramada Hotel. There will be a guest speaker and door prize raffles. The meal will consist of Napoleon Chicken or Red Snapper. **Cost: \$25 per person.**

CB BASE TOUR – 0900 to 1400, Wednesday, 14 Oct 2009. You will board Navy Busses at the Ramada Hotel. A Seabee tour guide will escort you around the base. A stop on the tour will be the Seabee Heritage Center and the Seabee Museum Store (located in the new training center building), the Navy Exchange and other points of interest. Lunch is on your own – **No cost for tour.**

D-DAY MUSEUM TOUR - 0800 to 1530 Thursday, 15 Oct 2009. Bus will pick up at the Ramada Hotel. The D-Day museum in New Orleans celebrates the American spirit, optimism and courage of the men and women who fought and won the battles of World War II! During your visit to New Orleans, WWII will come alive through the incredible exhibits from the beaches of Normandy to the Pacific Invasion. The museum presents a collection of personal stories and artifacts that will educate and inspire. After the tour of the museum, enjoy free time to explore the French Quarter and to shop and eat on your own. **Cost: \$40 per person**

PICNIC AT SEABEE LAKE – 1700 to 2000, Thursday, 15 Oct 2009. The picnic will be held at Seabee Lake on the Seabee Base. The meal for the picnic will be a full barbeque dinner with all the fixin's. Arrival time at the park will be 1600 to allow a couple of hours of reminiscing before the meal is served. Barbequed chicken and pork will be served as the main course. Beer, soft drinks and water will be for sale by the CBC CPO Association. October in Gulfport is a mild month temperature wise so the weather should be ideal. **Cost: \$15 per person.** For those driving to the picnic a map will be provided. **Bus transportation will also be available at a cost of \$5 per person round trip.**

GOLF OUTING – 1200 to 1700, Friday, 16 OCT 2009. The golf outing will be held at the CBC Gulfport Course, a full 18-hole course. Carts will be provided to all participants, refreshments will be available. Rental clubs are available but may be in limited quantities. Access to the golf course will be through the Pine Bayou Gate (1/2 mile west of Canal Road/28th Street Intersection) off 28th Street on the North side of the base property. **Cost: \$30 per person.**

BANQUET – 1800 to 2230, Friday, 16 Oct 2009. The banquet will be held in the Ramada Ballroom located in the hotel. Social hour will begin at 1800 with dinner served at 1900 and the program to follow. There will be a cash bar available. The dinner will be Beef Kabobs, Napoleon Chicken, or Red Snapper. All meals include a Caesar salad and cheesecake. **Cost: \$40 per person.**

Note: Base Security. Due to current security restrictions, only DOD ID card holders (active/retired military) are allowed on base individually. Access for the golf course will be via Pine Bayou gate. The Base Tour will be aboard a Navy bus with a list of all riders provided earlier. If you wish to make the tour please sign up in advance.

Note: Tours are based on a Minimum of 35 Persons per Tour

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REGISTRATION FORM

Please Print or attach return address label

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Name Tag to Read: _____
 Name: _____
 Island X- _____ City/State: _____
 (If a member of NSVA)
 Seabee Units: _____

Spouse/Guest Information

Name: _____
 Name Tag to Read: _____
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Handicapped Assistance

If a member of your party requires assistance or accommodations for a handicap, please describe the requirement:

EVENT	COST PER PERSON	NUMBER ATTENDING	TOTAL COST
Pre Registration (Note: \$20.00 per person at door)	\$15.00		
Military Museum Tour Camp Shelby – 10/13/09	\$25.00		
Ladies Luncheon – 10/14/09			
Napoleon Chicken	\$25.00		
Red Snapper	\$25.00		
Cdr & Secretaries Breakfast – 10/14/09	\$25.00		
Seabee Base Tour & NEX Shopping – 10/14/09	NC		NC
D-Day Museum Tour - 10/15/09	\$40.00		
Picnic @ Seabee Lake 10/15/09	\$15.00		
Picnic Transportation	\$5.00		
Golf Outing @ Seabee Base – 10/16/09	\$30.00		
Banquet			
Beef Kabobs	\$40.00		
Napoleon Chicken	\$40.00		
Red Snapper	\$40.00		
Navy Blue Convention Polo Shirt w/Pockets (Circle size and write quantity) S M L XL	\$30.00		
Navy Blue Convention Polo Shirt w/Pockets (Circle size and write quantity) XXL XXXL	\$40.00		
Make Checks Payable to: NSVA Island X-1, MS	TOTAL ENCLOSED:		

All Reservations for Tours & Dinners Must Be Received No Later Than 11 September 2009

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All Hotel Reservations Must Be Made Before September 1, 2009 (see P.O.C. page for hotel info)

Must Receive Forms by September 11

Mail To:

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