



# NEWSLETTER

Here we are just a few weeks away from the Ninth Annual NMCB-14 Alumni Reunion. I would hope that everyone has gone to the Alumni Web Page at [nmcbl4alumni.com](http://nmcbl4alumni.com) and viewed and filled out the registration form. Also this year we will be on the beach at the Post Card Inn on St. Pete Beach so be sure to contact the hotel and secure your rooms for the 23-26 October if you have not done so.

This year is quickly coming to an end and my tenure as your President will also be coming to a close. The two years have gone by quickly and we have been fortunate to have met a number of our objectives and have seen one of our best membership increases in a number of years. I would like to offer my sincerest appreciation to the officers and board members for all their help this year. Without their help I would not have been able to carry out this job effectively. I thank the Board and Officers and membership for permitting me to serve as your President for the past two years. I am looking forward to working with the new officers and Board as we see the NMCB-14 Alumni continue to grow and fulfill the focus that was established 9 years ago.

The Directors and Officers have worked hard in preparation for this reunion and have some fun things planned

Friday will prove to be a busy day, in last year's critique the ladies requested a time set aside for them to get to know each other so on Friday from 10:30 to 11:30 a meet and greet time has been set for them, then at 11:30 the spouses will meet with the Alumni President for lunch. After lunch we will have special speakers and the general Membership meeting where the new Alumni Directors will be announced.

On Saturday this year, since we are on the beach, we have left all day open for you to enjoy yourself. There are many places to visit and see while in the Tampa/St. Pete/Clearwater area. Saturday evening we will have a "LUAU" themed gathering, where dress for the evening will be "Island Casual". Our special guest speaker for the evening is Ms. Brandi Anderson, daughter of BU2 Michael Anderson of NMCB-14 who was KIA during the 2004 Iraq deployment. Also we will have our "Silent Auction", 50/50, and "Primary" prize raffle to raise the needed funds used for assisting those of "14" who may be in need.

Sunday we will have Breakfast and the New Officers for 2015 will be introduced. We will also have our annual Memorial Service, directed by your Alumni "Ombudsman", Rev. Richard Hoibraten.

We are really looking forward to a fun Reunion, meeting with old friends and meeting new ones. Come be with us on 23-26 October on the Beach! See you then.

Ed Crenshaw, President

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PARTICIPATION.  
PLEASE DO YOUR  
PART TO MAKE  
THE ALUMNI  
ASSOCIATION  
SUCCESSFUL.

THANKS!!



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## 2014 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Richard Hoibraten

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Ben Slaughter

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Keith Stephens



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### WWII LIFE MEMBERS

James D. Rothermel  
Andrew Parretti  
Charles Sheppard  
Ted Harwood

### LIFE MEMBERS

Russell Doe  
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Fred S. Bossard  
Peter R. Brown  
John Dux  
Ronald L. Helton  
Terry B. Jamison  
John R. Johnson  
Randall Bushey  
George Milian  
William Purkis  
Glenn A. Smith  
Kenneth Erickson  
Mike Wood  
Michael Grace  
Mark Monaghan  
William C. Charvat  
William Memory  
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Richard Hoibraten  
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William McCallum  
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William Travis  
Joseph Kolodziej  
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Gregg Harkness  
Ronald I. Russell  
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Hilrie Kemp, Jr.  
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James A. Gold  
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Raymond C. Walker  
Ronald Philpott  
Raleigh Ward  
Ed Crenshaw  
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John Walker  
Paul Mitchell  
Garry L. Chitwood  
William Smith  
Keith Stephens  
David Tilki  
Thomas Kleschka  
Stan Bartholomew  
Herman Polston  
Samantha Wood  
Stephen Clark  
Clarence Dukart  
Robert Newman

Mrs. Dee Brockway \*\*\*  
Fred W. Ainsburg  
Ronald L. Dollar  
Edgar McGee  
Gary Sturm  
Patrick B. Upshaw  
Shirley Williams \*\*\*  
Stella Langel \*\*\*  
Kirsten Neff  
Benjamin Slaughter  
Richard Morris  
George Dore  
Richard Leyde  
Claude "Bob" Suggs  
Anita J. Hansen  
James F. George  
Robert D. Litten  
Jerry W. Kautz  
Charles L. Meyer  
Orlando "Pappa" Chase  
David Vernaza  
Kyle J. Croce  
Michael Rambo  
James N. Nappier, Jr.  
Janna L. Robinson  
William Wiedeman  
James Boglarsky  
Ralph M. Capito  
Christopher Ritchie  
Peter Reid  
Robert "Marty" Fisher  
Francisco "Frank" Landrau  
James R. Graham  
Fred M. Derr  
Allen Boatman  
Donal Rimil  
Joseph Hale

### ANNUALS (2013-14)

Ed Parada  
Charles Hayman  
Rafel Arizmendi

Julio Soto  
Kevin Wishnacht  
John Allan  
Michael Stokes  
Paul Summers  
Ernest Nelson III  
Pauline Crenshaw \*\*\*  
Normand Dupuis  
David Cherry  
David A. Katz  
Mark Blue  
Brittany Robinson ♦  
Renee Dial  
Jacqueline Poston\*\*\*  
Lloyd Hawthorne

### MEMORIALS

John J. Hillyer Jr.  
Fred Huntley  
Donald L. Billstone  
Jim Knox  
Ron Patterson  
James V Carney \*  
Elmer Finch \*  
Boaz Blosser \*  
Jason Dwelley \*\*  
Chris Dickerson \*\*  
Ronald Ginther \*\*  
Robert Jenkins \*\*  
Trace Dossett \*\*  
Scott McHugh \*\*  
Michael Anderson \*\*  
David Ludovici  
Al Cardenelli  
Marlin Cochran  
John Finley  
Bill Kramer

\* WW II

\*\* Iraq

\*\*\* Associate

♦ Active Duty



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### MEMBERSHIP ROSTER CONTINUED

#### MEMORIALS

Ed Ripoli

John Witzman

Edward N. Orange

U.J.C. Tom William

Bill Schram

Bob Brockway

John T. Larsen

Harvey Warren

William P. Shiver

Nick San Marco

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

2014 has seen our fastest membership growth since 2009 when we enrolled 47 Life Members and 13 Annual Members. To date in 2014, the enrollments are 24 Life and 15 Annual.

As previously reported, the primary reason for this increase has been the distribution of the Tri-Fold Flyer produce by Loren Emery. Also, the energies of folks like Ben Slaughter and Ed Crenshaw - rummaging through social media sites to find former shipmates.

Thank you all for you efforts and impressive results.

### MEMBERSHIPS 2009 to DATE ♦

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Life	47	18	16	06	05	24
Annual	13	06	07	10	14	16
Totals*	60	24	23	16	19	40

♦ Not Including Memorial Memberships

\* Note that some previous Annuals converted to Life, and some members have passed away. Thus the "grand total" from "2009 to Date" will not match the "133" subtotal shown below.

### WELCOME 2014 NEW MEMBERS

We heartily welcome new members added since the Spring 2014 Newsletter:

#### Life Members

Robert "Marty" Fisher  
Francisco "Frank" Landrau  
James R Graham  
Frederick M. Derr  
Allen Boatman  
Don Rimel  
Joseph Hale

#### Annual Members

Paul Summers  
Ernest Nelson III  
Pauline M Crenshaw\*\*\*  
Normand Dupuis  
David Cherry  
David Katz  
Mark Blue  
Brittany Robinson  
Renee Dial  
Jacqueline Poston\*\*\*

Thank you all for your support and sacrifices.

### MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

WWII Life	4
Life Members	111
Annual Members	18
Subtotal	133
Memorial Members	30
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>163</b>

### WEBMASTER NEEDED

**Hey - All you young techies!!** We are still looking for a new [Webmaster](#). Keith Stephens, who has served us admirably for the past several years, is looking for relief. Anyone interested in maintaining our website can contact Keith at [webmaster@nmcbl4alumni.com](mailto:webmaster@nmcbl4alumni.com). Loren Emery has agreed to assist Keith during our interim search. Thanks Loren.



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### 2015 BOD BALLOT (VOTES) TO DATE

As of this writing, only fifty of the eligible one hundred twenty-six members eligible to vote, have cast and returned their ballots. That is a paltry 40% return rate. The race is very close and we need all eligible members who have not done so, to cast their vote and return their ballots ASAP. The deadline is 15 October 2014. However, if you are late and include a note from your mother or doctor explaining why you are late, we will accept your late ballot. We thank those that HAVE voted so far.

If you need to have your ballot resent, advise us at [bossarf@mac.com](mailto:bossarf@mac.com).

### OFFICER AND BOD CONFERENCE CALLING CAPABILITIES

The officers and BOD have contracted with [intercall.com](http://intercall.com) (an Internet Service) for Conference Calling needs. This is a meaningful step in the growth and self sufficiency of the Alumni Association, as we no longer have to depend on a Board Member or Officer to provide the same for us.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to past Presidents, Ron Helton and Randy Bushey and their respective employers (AT&T and CH2M Hill) for their generosity and valued conference calling support.

We had a "trial" conference call on 13 September 2014 to the test and evaluate the service from [intercall.com](http://intercall.com). Needless to say, the conference call was successful in terms of host capability and call clarity. We are on an "pay as you go" plan with no monthly fees, etc. The plan charges us \$0.10 per minute per line, plus fees and taxes. Our half hour trial call with five lines in use cost us \$20.89.

### YOUR BOD and OFFICERS HARD AT WORK

Your BOD and Officers have had a busy summer working with the Assistance Committee on Seabee families in need.

In July and August, they worked with the Chris Gonzalez family who was in need of financial help. With the guidance of the Assistance Committee, the BOD and Officer approved one time payments for their water and electric (one month) and automobile (one and a half months) in the amount of \$1,000.41. Their plight is primarily due to their daughter's illness which requires care from a specialized hospital(s) with expertise in Huntingdon disease. We want to wish them well and hope the future bodes well for them.

The family of KIA Michael Anderson (Mrs Anderson and daughter Brandi) had their home broken into in mid-September. A sliding glass door was broken and some jewelry was stolen. Also, Petty Officer Anderson's Dog Tags were taken by the scumbag thief.

President, Ed Crenshaw, BOD Ben Slaughter and others, felt this was a good opportunity for the Alumni Association to be able to offer some help for a KIA family. The situation was turned over to the NMCB-14 Alumni Assistance Committee. Ombudsman Richard Hoibraten, Committee Chair Chris Snell, members Ben Slaughter and Mark Blue quickly responded to this situation. Upon their recommendation(s) the BOD and Officers approved the expenditure of \$518.45 for the replacement of the glass sliding door. The door was replaced and Mrs Anderson and Brandi were very appreciative of our actions.

At first it was thought that we should reimburse for all incurred loss including the missing jewelry. However, after consideration it was felt that it may set the wrong precedent for further assistance if the AA reimbursed for the jewelry also. The Committee were all in agreement that the "Needs" and "Wants" had to be separated in these type of matters.

*[Being that the probability of PO Anderson's Dog Tags being recovered are remote at best, several officers and BOD members took action (separate and apart from the BOD actions above) to replace the Anderson's stolen jewelry (Pandora bracelets). These bracelets had matching charms, and for the Anderson's, possessed sentimental memories of Mike that could have been lost forever. Ben Slaughter and his wife Sandi met them at a restaurant for lunch and then surprised them with a visit to a mall that sold these particular bracelets and charms. Donations will be taken at the reunion to help defray the cost of the jewelry. Any excess amounts will be donated back to the Alumni Association.]* Remember, Brandi will be our guest speaker for Saturday night's dinner at this years reunion.



### OBITUARIES

Well, for the first time in memory we do not have any obituaries to report. Hopefully that means that everyone is eating well, exercising and staying healthy.

### BELETED BIRTHDAY WISHES

Belated birthday wishes go out to the following:

Andy Paretti 92 years old on 02 August 2014  
Jim Rothermel 98 years old on 20 August 2014  
Johnny Perez 85 years old on 21 September 2014  
Pauline Crenshaw (Her Secret) on 10 October 2014



### LOST SOULS AND MISSING EMAILS

An email was sent out to Jim Rothermel on 21 August but no reply was received. A phone call to his home a few days later revealed that the line had been dis-connected. A search in the Brenham, TX obits did not reveal his demise, so it is evident that he and his wife Dorothy have relocated.

An email ballot was sent to Hillarie Kemp on 15 September 2014. Several return systems notices advised that the email was undeliverable.

If anyone has an inkling as to the whereabouts of these two gentlemen, please forward your information to [bossarf@mac.com](mailto:bossarf@mac.com).

### 7TH NCR RELOCATES TO GULFPORT

A final formation at Naval Station Newport, R.I. based SEVENTH Naval Construction Regiment (7th NCR) Seabees took place on 01 August, 2014 in front of the regimental headquarters, as the unit officially closed down operations, following an active presence in the Ocean State since 1969.

Capt. Gary Rouse, Commander, 7th NCR, addressed the final formation, during a ceremony marking the unit's pending relocation to Gulfport, MS following their forty-five years in Rhode Island.

"I appreciate everyone coming this morning as we reflect on our time here in Newport before we transition to Gulfport," said Capt. Rouse. He added, "the unit has physically been here on Naval Station since 1994, and I recall 20 years ago as a lieutenant being a training officer in the building the Marines now occupy. Newport has been a tremendous host command for us. It is with mixed emotions that we leave here, but we are looking forward to the efficiencies that will be gained with our relocation to Gulfport.

The 7th NCR is relocating to Gulfport, MS as part of a plan to reduce the overall number of Reserve Component Naval Mobile Construction Battalions (RC NMCBs) from twelve to six, and relocate those remaining to one of the two Naval Construction Force concentration areas in Gulfport and Port Hueneme, Calif. In addition to the regiment, Naval Construction Battalion units NMCBs 14 and 27 have also relocated to Gulfport.

Capt. Douglas Mikatarian, Naval Station Newport Commanding Officer, also addressed those assembled. "One of the great things about the base is the variety of commands we have here. We have been happy to have the 7th NCR here and wish you all the best as you move onto Gulfport," Mikatarian said. Naval Station Newport is the Navy's Center of Learning Excellence and home to more than 50 Navy, Marine Corps, Army Reserve and Coast Guard commands; including the U.S. Naval War College, Surface Warfare Officers School Command, Officer Training Command Newport and the Senior Enlisted Academy.





### HAVE YOU TRAVELED "AROUND" YOUR HOME STATE ?

Many of you will no doubt answer "yes - what are you talking about"? "I do it all the time." I am talking about traveling around the PERIMETER of your home state. Now the answer is no doubt mostly "NO".

Well former Battalion Mate, CAPT Robert "Bob" Rehkoph certainly did. Check out his "Ride Around Texas" (RAT) below. It was quite a three day experience.

Fred,

Not sure about the newsletter, but you certainly can publish if you want. Otherwise enjoy,

'HAIL YES - Or my Ride Around Texas (RAT)

The Motorcycle Tourer's Forum, (MTF, <http://www.mctourer.com>) sponsors many Long Distance rides including the Border to Border (Laredo, TX to Emerson, Manitoba <http://www.mctourer.com/rides/2013/B2B>) which I did last year, the 50CC and the 100CCC (50 hours Coast to Coast or 100 hours Coast to Coast to Coast), and many others including the RAT (<http://www.mctourer.com/rides/2014/RAT>). The RAT is basically a ride around the perimeter of Texas starting and finishing in Childress, TX with 16 other mandatory stops to 'outline' the shape of Texas. See the below route:

#### BACKGROUND:

There were two timeframes required to be considered a certificated finisher, 70 hours or 85 hours. Registration for either timeframe required the rider to be an Iron Butt Association (IBA) member, and you had to be a multi-day rally rider to be accepted for the 70 hours 'Insanity Gold' ride. I was lucky and was accepted for the 70 hour ride!

With the registration out of the way the actual ride planning was quite simple, I eventually planned to sleep/stop at Van Horn, TX and Kingsville, TX. I emailed some friends to see if they wanted a wingman, you know I adhere to the safety in number theory whenever possible, and sure enough I had two riding buddies. Although one dropped out before the start because of his bike required a new engine, and I knew I was in trouble when the other rider was THE most IBA certificated rider. I actually lasted about a day and a half before he needed to 'ride his own ride'.



#### THE PRE-RIDE:

On the way to the start in Childress I decide to put some finishing bonuses on my Big Money Rally (BMR) score, and created a serpentine route through Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas of about 1100 miles between Memphis and Childress. All in all, except for the Interstate construction in AR, the roads were fun, sights were the type you normally wouldn't see, and the weather was good, if you like hot!

I arrived at Childress a day early to rest up a bit, and meet the other riders as they came in. The camaraderie as usual was GREAT, we ate together and swapped stories. And of course everybody checked out everyone else's bike to see what Farkles they had on it. The coolest Farkle was our own Rally Master's bike with an infrared camera and a 7 or 8 inch marine GPS display screen. You could see the heat signature from anything in front of him, i.e. any critters. Got to get me one of those!

#### THE RIDE:

I believe we started with 16 riders and 15 were going for the 70 hour timeframe. At the end we only had one DNF and several finished in the 85 hours, because of flat tires. etc., and their wingman staying with them until they were back on the road and finished. We had no accidents, just mechanical problems. A true credit to the experience of the riders.



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### DAY ONE:

We all started [at 05:00 CDT](#) and headed counterclockwise around Texas. The ride was going very smoothly, and I had time to reminisce about one of my first LD trips on my 1996 Dyna Convertible, especially going up the mountains near Guadalupe Mountains National Park. The last time I was there I WAS USING PAPER MAPS! How times have changed. The ride up the mountains was beautiful and the roads were great, I would recommend it and a visit to Carlsbad Caverns NP. Remember the bats leave the caves in the morning and return in the evening, so no bats in the middle of the day! Don't ask me how I know that.

Arrived at Van Horn, and the first day was in the books and we were an hour ahead of schedule, total mileage 1088 miles, hotel check in [at 22:28](#). The plan was to rest 6 hours every night so that is exactly what we did so the next morning [05:30](#) we left Van Horn headed for some great riding.

### DAY TWO:

What can I say about the Big Bend area, except go there! HWY 170 between Presidio and Terlingua and then onward through the Big Bend National Park is worth the trip without anything else. It has its own rough beauty and the roads, depending on your choice of speed can be whatever you want to make them. However, remember the signage isn't the best and there are blind curves over hill crests.

I also didn't realize what a tourist area South Padre Island is and how refreshing the Gulf breeze is along the island road. I forgot to mention Day One temps were about 104!

Before long day two was in the books, and I was still ahead of schedule, again! Total mileage 2074, hotel check in [at 22:33](#).

### DAY THREE:

Finish Day-Hotel check out [05:14](#) and no more resting until Childress. I knew I still had a long way to go but I was feeling good and the ride had been totally uneventful! Although I had an uneasy feeling about thinking that uneventful so far stuff.

I shook off that feeling, and rode the Gulf coast of Texas, took the ferry from Galveston to Port Bolivar. Riding the ferry was a great time to rest, snack, hydrate, and use the facilities. When I got off I was heading for 'home' and nothing was going to stop me. I was on the move, and my next bonus/gas stop was Port Author about 75 miles away. I filled up with gas and looked at my receipt (our RAT documentation requirement) and the time on it was wrong! No problem, I said I'll just go inside and get a cash register receipt and I'll be on my way. Went inside the cashier didn't speak 'southern' and we couldn't communicate very well, but what I gathered was his entire electronic time system was wrong and there was no better receipt that I was going to get. I started thinking about my 'uneventful' thinking, and said to myself no problem I'll just go down the road and get another receipt and sure enough right down the road, still in Port Author, was a CVS Pharmacy, receipt for gum, and all was again right with the world of RAT riding.

Next stop Texarkana. I was uneventfully riding along when the traffic stopped. It appeared to be stopped in both directions, ah, I thought another good chance to hydrate and relax, but I had to keep in mind 'you're still on the rally clock', and the 70 hours is still the deadline regardless of traffic, weather, etc. After what seemed like a long time I began to worry so I started conversations with the cage drivers around me asking about any detour alternatives. End result was yes there was, but it required about 55 turns, 70-80 miles and you'd surely get lost answer. Well, I was stuck and the cause on the stoppage was a ready mix truck that blew one of its steer tires (first time I ever heard that expression) and wrecked on the two lane bridge ahead of us. After the fire department was able to get the concrete off the bridge, it took two wreckers to move the truck and replace several tires so it could be hauled away, we were back moving after about a two hour delay.

Well it had turned out to be a not so uneventful day after all, but I was fine and headed for the finish. I just had to fuel up in Paris and Wichita Falls, TX then ease into Childress and the finish. I would be later than my scheduled time, but I still had plenty of time to make the 70 hour deadline. Fueled up in Paris and onto Wichita Falls, fueled up in Wichita Falls ([at 21:36](#) ie DARK), and easy peasy cool ride onto Childress, I thought.

Let me tell you something very, very eventful happened between Wichita Falls and Childress. It is called HAIL, WIND, RAIN, and other bad things you can think of including semi-trucks passing me and kicking up tons of spray. I believe they were trying to beat the high winds that could have blown them over. The storm started with the entire horizon becoming a lightning show/storm. And when I looked down at my GPSMAP478 the NEXRAD weather radar image I saw a bubbled shaped burgundy rain cell. There was nowhere to run and nowhere to hide in the flat Texas plains, so I aimed for the thinnest part of the bulb. I almost made it but the NEXRAD image must have been about 5 minutes behind. I got caught in the storm for about 5 miles.



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Let's just say I never want to do that again. That 5 miles was the worst weather I have ever ridden in. I have got to quit thinking about uneventful, because it seems there is always something eventful. Either something good or bad can happen on a ride. So just come to expect it

There were several riders behind me and by the time they arrived at the storm, it was simply too strong for them to continue. So they waited several hours for it to pass and some riders spent the night in Wichita Falls.

THE END:

Total mileage 3066, Total time 65:20, and final gas receipt Childress, TX [22:20 CDT](#).

Certificates earned: IBA Ride Around Texas Insanity Gold, SS2000 and SS3000.

Would I do it again HAILYES!

Ride Safe,

Robert Rehkopf

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Now that's quite an adventure. If you have a story to tell and would like to have it published, please submit it to [bossarf@mac.com](mailto:bossarf@mac.com) for consideration.

### NMCB FOURTEEN NINTH RENION UPDATE

As Ed Crenshaw stated on Page 1, we are just a few weeks away from the start of our Ninth Annual Re-union. If you have not yet registered, it is not too late!! The more the merrier. We have a very dynamic speaker in Brandi Anderson. Ben Slaughter has previously heard her speak and has forewarned that every one should bring a handkerchief, as she will bring tears to your eyes!

It is anticipated that RADM Peter Brown will be in attendance on Friday, 24 October for lunch and the general meeting. He is looking forward to seeing all of former shipmates and reminiscing old times like "Brown's Death March". If you don't know what the is, well then you just will have to show up on Friday to hear the "story".

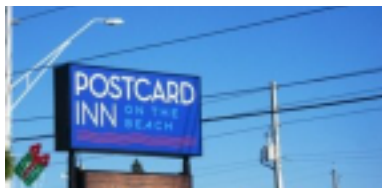
Also, our friend and former COMSIX Program Officer, Johnny Perez and his Janine, will be in attendance Thursday thru Sunday. There is sure to be a plethora of more stories and reminiscing. Don't miss it.

So, if you haven't registered yet - DON'T DELAY!!! REGISTER NOW. Forms and info is at <http://www.nmcb14alumni.com>

**A revised Agenda is can be found on Page 9 below.**

**WILL WE SEE YOU THERE?**

Post Card Inn  
6300 Gulf Blvd  
<http://postcardinn.com>



### NINTH REUNION CALENDAR

**23 - 26 OCTOBER 2014**

**St. Petersburg Beach, FL**





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## NMCB FOURTEEN NINTH REUNION REVISED AGENDA

### **AGENDA - REVISION 1.0 // 15 SEPTEMBER 2014**

#### **Thursday, 23 October 2014**

1600 – 2130 Registration in the Lobby  
2000 – 2130 Board of Directors Meeting in Board Room

#### **Friday, 24 October 2014**

0800 - 1000 Registration in Lobby  
1030 - 1130 Spouses Get Together for Meet & Greet - Location in Ballroom  
1130 – 1300 President's Luncheon with Spouses – [Roles of the Spouses in the Association]  
1300 – 1800 Hospitality Room / Silent Auction Set Up in PCI Mezzanine  
1330 – 1430 Presentations in Ballroom  
1430 – 1600 General Membership Meeting in Ballroom / Results of Directors Election  
1600 – 1630 Board of Directors Meeting - Election of Officers for 2015  
1800 – 1900 Cocktail Reception in Garden 1  
1900 – Dinner on your Own

#### **Saturday, 25 October 2014**

0900 – 1600 On Your Own Tours - Military Museum, John's Pass, Shopping, Beach or Pool  
1000 – 1730 Hospitality Room/Silent Auction Set Up in PCI Mezzanine  
1730 – 1830 Cocktail Reception in Garden 2  
1830 – 2030 Dinner, Speakers, Awards, Silent Auction in Ballroom

#### **Sunday, 26 October 2014**

0700 – 0830 Board of Directors Meeting in Boardroom - Meeting New Officers - Set Goals for CY 2015  
0830 – 1000 Breakfast in Ballroom – Introduction of Officers and Directors  
1000 – 1030 Tribute to the Departed and the Missing Man - In Ballroom  
1030 – Adjourn

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### IN MEMORY OF

#### 2014 Deceased

CMCS Tommy Meeks

CAPT U.J.C. Williams

Richard "Dick" Cobb

(Dec '13)

#### Other Notable

Mrs. Robert Litten (wife

of Bob Litten - Nov '13)

### LAST BUT NOT LEAST

We owe a special [THANK YOU](#) to Jim Gold for his dedication and support of the "de-commissioning" of the NMCB Fourteen Heritage Center at the RSS over the past year.

Jim spent weekend upon weekend identifying, photographing, cataloging and tagging literally thousands of items in the Heritage Center prior to the Battalions relocation to Gulfport, MS. He headed up the procurement of the materials needed to box up and ship the display cases, purchased plastic storage boxes and arranged for temporary storage of selected items. Jim also took re-possession of the Alumni's computer, cinema display and accessories which was on loan to the Battalion. (At the reunion, an officer or BOD member will be identified to temporarily take custody of these items until such time as the Battalion re-establishes the Heritage Center in Gulfport.)

Needless to say, all of this was a huge undertaking for which the Alumni Association is deeply indebted to Jim.

Thanks also to Mike Wood, Mike Grace and Randy Bushey whom provided assistance to Jim on several occasions. [Great Job Guys!](#)

### HAVE A GREAT FALL

Bravo Zulu to ALL

May God Bless Our Troops!

### Calendar

#### 11 October 2014

BOD Conference Call

0900 - 1000 EST

#### 15 October 2014

2015 - 2017 BOD Ballots & Voting Deadline

#### 23-26 October 2014

9th Annual Re-Union

BOD Election of Officers

Post Card Inn

St. Petersburg Beach, FL

#### 04 November 2014

Election Day



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