



A Proud Tradition, A Living History

U.S. Navy Seabees and Civil Engineer Corps Officers are part of a rich tradition that has helped preserve our freedom, protect our interests and create a safer, better world for people of all nations. Since the Civil Engineer Corps was founded in 1867 and the Seabees were created in 1942, over 750,000 dedicated men and women have created one of the most important and inspiring stories in America's long and illustrious military history. Now we are asking you to apply the same "Can Do" spirit that helped win wars and secure freedom to building an exciting, dynamic museum that will preserve and share the Seabee/CEC history.

Help Build It And Everyone Will Come!

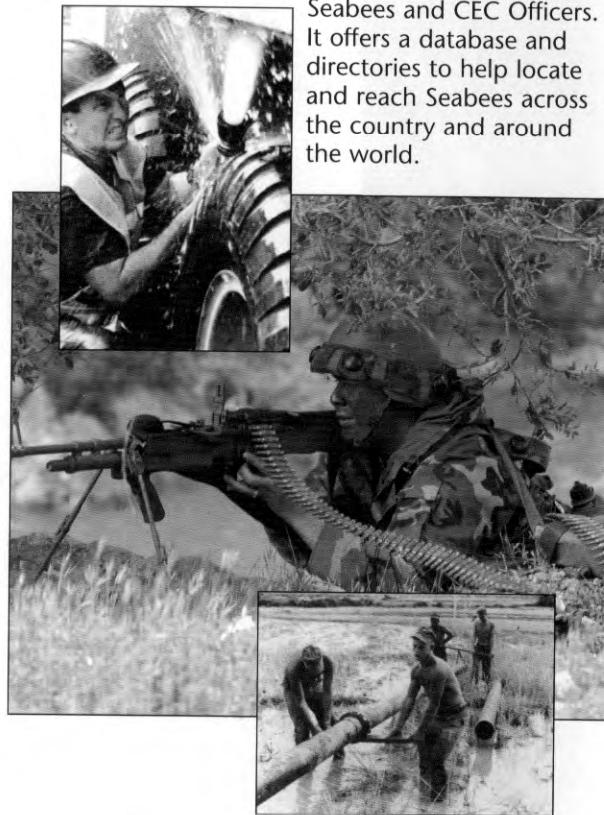
From every operation since World War II, Seabees have brought back artifacts, photos, journals and other items that document and commemorate their experiences. To replace inadequate current facilities housing these treasures of American skill, bravery, ingenuity and determination, the CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation has initiated a \$12 million campaign to build an exciting new 35,000 square foot U.S. Navy Seabee Museum. The mission of the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum is...

"To preserve, protect and promote the 'Can Do' spirit of the Seabees and the Civil Engineer Corps."

We are counting on you to provide your support to this worthy operation. Remember . . . the excitement is building!

Stay Connected

As a part of its support to the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum, the CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation functions as a contact point for current and past Seabees and CEC Officers. It offers a database and directories to help locate and reach Seabees across the country and around the world.



Questions & Feedback

If you would like to find out more or share your thoughts and Seabee stories, please contact:

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Do You Have "Can Do" Spirit?



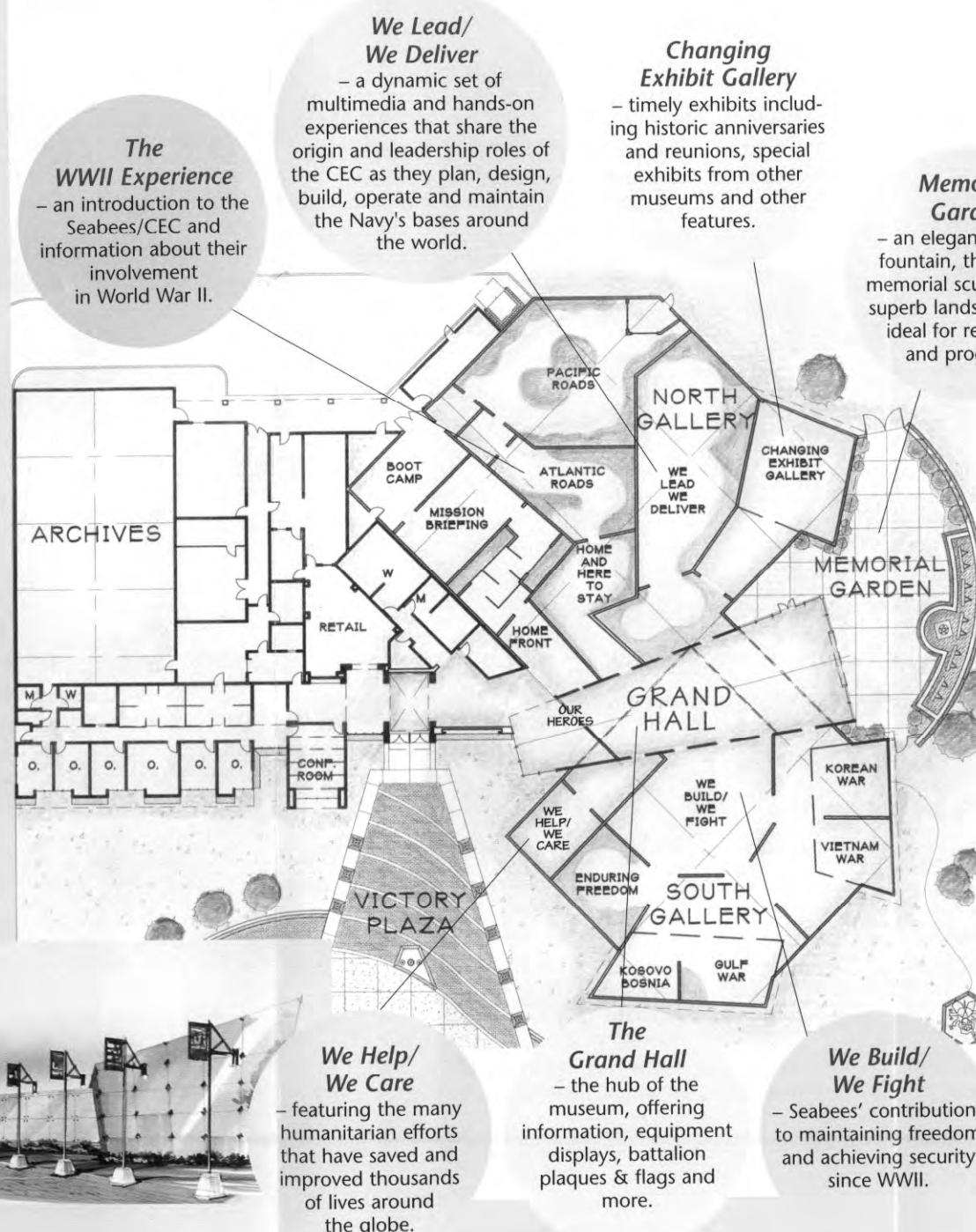
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*An Interactive Center
that Fascinates, Educates & Entertains.*

The Museum

The new U.S. Navy Seabee Museum will be a world-class center, from its concept and design to its construction, exhibits and programming. Each year, over 100,000 visitors of all ages and backgrounds will discover what makes Seabees and CEC officers so special at their own pace; they will find adventure in the Seabee story; and they will gain appreciation for the contributions, commitment and capabilities of the Seabees and the Civil Engineer Corps.

Upon entering the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum, visitors stroll past the Donor Recognition Wall, where major supporters are graciously recognized. Guests then come into the breathtaking Grand Hall, the hub of the museum, offering information, battalion plaques & flags, equipment displays and more. It also leads guests to five dynamic exhibition galleries, each providing information in an educational, engaging way.



Spread The Word!

Please share with us contact information about former Seabees, CEC Officers, corporate sponsors or anyone else you think would like to know about and/or support the new U.S. Navy Seabee Museum.

Building Education

While the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum is fun and entertaining, it also offers many educational opportunities for families, children, educators, classes and adults. Children will be involved in projects that convey the importance and value of construction as a resource and a career. It will also be an inspiration to Seabee/CEC recruits.

The Right Site

The U.S. Navy Seabee Museum will be ideally situated adjacent to the entrance to the Construction Battalion Center portion of the Naval Base Ventura County at Port Hueneme, California. It will be on Navy property, but outside of the base perimeter fence, making access, visibility and parking easy. This unique center will draw both impulse guests and destination visitors, bringing many thousands of people to the area.

Enlisting Your Help

Since initiating the U.S. Navy Seabee Museum project, significant funds have been raised from a variety of sources. But the job is far from done, and we need your help. The CEC/Seabee Historical Foundation is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization and your gift is most likely tax-exempt; however, you should consult with your tax professional to determine your eligibility. While any level of support is deeply appreciated, we offer an array of incentives for leadership gifts and recognition opportunities based on your level of giving and preferences. Complete the contribution form and return it with your gift. We thank you.

We Lead/ We Deliver

– a dynamic set of multimedia and hands-on experiences that share the origin and leadership roles of the CEC as they plan, design, build, operate and maintain the Navy's bases around the world.

The WWII Experience

– an introduction to the Seabees/CEC and information about their involvement in World War II.

Changing Exhibit Gallery

– timely exhibits including historic anniversaries and reunions, special exhibits from other museums and other features.

Memorial Garden

– an elegant abstract fountain, the Seabee memorial sculpture and superb landscaping are ideal for receptions and programs.

We Help/ We Care

– featuring the many humanitarian efforts that have saved and improved thousands of lives around the globe.

The Grand Hall

– the hub of the museum, offering information, equipment displays, battalion plaques & flags and more.

We Build/ We Fight

– Seabees' contributions to maintaining freedom and achieving security since WWII.