

Guantanamo Bay Gazette

Grammy Award Winning Artist Visits Guantanamo Bay



Grammy Award winning singer/songwriter Michael W. Smith performs for base residents during a concert at NS Guantanamo Bay's Windjammer ballroom, Aug. 6. Smith visited the installation during his first USO/Armed Forces Entertainment tour in coordination with GTMO's MWR, providing musical entertainment for the community. - U.S. Navy photo by Kelly Wirfel

Sgt. 1st Class Jerry Grant

Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay Public Affairs

Grammy Award winning singer/songwriter Michael W. Smith visited Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Aug. 6.

The visit served as Smith's first United Service Organizations (USO)/Armed Forces Entertainment tour, as he provided musical entertainment at the installation's Windjammer ballroom for the community.

"I've been on a lot of military bases in the U.S. and overseas," explained Smith. "But this is my first USO tour."

Smith, who is between shows during a world tour that began in Brazil, is a supporter of America's armed forces.

"Our nation's troops and military families are among the bravest and most selfless people I know," Smith said. "We, as

a nation, owe them not only our respect and gratitude, but also our time. I am honored for the opportunity to travel to Guantanamo Bay with the USO and extend our nation's thanks for their service."

Prior to the concert, Smith along with USO personnel and Moral Welfare and Recreation (MWR) staff, visited various work areas on the installation. The tour also included an early morning on-air interview at Defense Media Activity (Radio GTMO).

"It was fun having him in the studio," said Mass Communications Specialist 2nd Class Oliver Cole. "He was very open and honest. He actually made the hour go by faster and I had a lot fun."

Between interview segments, Smith spoke with Radio GTMO personnel as they chose songs to play during the interview.

Guantanamo Bay Announces CPO Selectees

NS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Public Affairs

The Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay Chief Petty Officer's Mess began its six-week indoctrination period for nine Chief Petty Officer (CPO) selectees assigned to the installation, Aug. 1.

Sailors selected for advancement to the rank of CPO undergo the induction period marking the transition from Petty Officer First Class to a brotherhood of senior-enlisted Sailors: the Chief's Mess.

Each year, CPO induction culminates at

a time-honored pinning ceremony in early September.

Congratulations to NS Guantanamo Bay CPO selectees Religious Programs Specialist CPO select Gilbert Credo, Yeoman CPO select Bonita Kendrick, Gunner's Mate CPO select Brandon Lalley, Electronics Technician CPO select Rolando Roblesnavarro, Boatswain's Mate CPO select Rogelio Salinas, Gunner's Mate CPO select Lamont Shearin, Legalman CPO select Kristen Spakoski, Logistics Specialist CPO select Joseph Tolbert, and Master-at-Arms CPO select Russell Wood.



Navy Medical Service Corps (MSC) officers stationed at U.S. Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay (USNH GTMO) and Joint Medical Group (JMG), Joint Task Force Guantanamo, commemorate the 65th anniversary of the establishment of the MSC (Aug. 4, 1947) with a cake-cutting on the quarterdeck of USNH GTMO, Aug. 3. Cutting the cake are (front) LTJG Larry Middleton, MSC, USN (youngest MSC officer on the installation) and LCDR Joseph Jenkins, MSC, USN (oldest). Evolving from only four subspecialties, today's Medical Service Corps is made up of nearly 2,900 active and reserve officers representing 31 specialties of clinicians, scientists and medical administrators. - U.S. Navy Photo by Stacey Byington



MASTER AT ARMS THIRD CLASS CHAD DEEM

- **Job/Department:** Security/Patrolman
- **Age:** 20
- **Home Town:** Portland, OR
- **Quote:** "A man who makes a beast out of himself, gets rid of the pain of being a man."
- **Favorite TV Show:** Family Guy
- **Favorite Hobby:** Video Games
- **Favorite GTMO Restaurant:** McDonalds
- **Favorite Movie:** Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas
- **Favorite Musician:** Offspring
- **Currently Working On:** Patrol Supervisor qualification
- **Hero:** Spider Man
- **How The Navy Has Improved His Life:** The Navy has given me a great opportunity to start a career
- **Sailor Of The Week Because:** For going above and beyond the expectations of a 3rd Class Petty Officer

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Underwood Recovers 49 Bales Of Drugs From Caribbean Sea

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U.S. 4th Fleet Public Affairs

The Oliver Hazard Perry-class guided-missile frigate USS Underwood (FFG 36), recovered 49 bales of narcotics from the Caribbean Sea during Operation Martillo, Aug. 3.

Underwood pursued a “go-fast” speed boat late Tuesday evening, Aug. 2, but it dumped its load before Underwood was able to effect a boarding. A Customs and Border Protection maritime patrol aircraft flying overhead, reported the “go-fast” dumping packages over the side and informed Underwood, who marked the position of the debris field in order to locate the packages in daylight.

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Miguel Aponte, a member of the bridge watch team, spotted the first bale in the water around 8:15 a.m. Underwood Sailors manned the boat deck and loaded a team, including two members of an onboard U.S. Coast Guard Law Enforcement Detachment (LEDET), into a rigid-hull inflatable boat (RHIB). Over the next few hours, Sailors aboard Underwood used binoculars to search the surrounding area for more bales while the RHIB team recovered anything spotted in the water.

“Right off the bat, we just start picking up bales that were floating in our area,” said a member of the LEDET. “After that, the ship vectored us in to different sections that they could see from a further distance and then also the helo [helicopter] vectored us in.”

An SH-60B Sea Hawk helicopter assigned to the Vipers of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light Four Eight Detachment Three (HSL-48.3) launched to assist the search from the air.

“Initially we took off, were given two initial points to go between, searching back and forth using a linear pattern,” said Lt. j.g. Lance Herdon, one of the SH-60B pilots that flew the mission. “We got vectored in by the ship after calculating set and drift. We went to that area and began spotting the packages. We called back the position back to the ship and they began directing the RHIB over in that area. We orbited the area and continued to find more packages.”

In the end, Underwood recovered approximately 1,225 kilograms of narcotics.

“Going wholesale price is \$22,500 per kilo. So estimated with 49 bales and 25 kilos per bale, we estimate about \$27.5 million” worth of narcotics recovered today, according to a Naval Criminal Investigative Services (NCIS) Special Agent familiar with the case.

Operation Martillo (Spanish for ‘hammer’) is a U.S., European, and Western Hemisphere partner nation effort targeting illicit trafficking routes in coastal waters along the Central American isthmus.

Led by Joint Interagency Task Force (JITF) South, a component of U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM), Operation Martillo is a component of the U.S. government’s coordinated interagency regional security strategy in support of the White House strategy to combat transnational organized crime and the U.S. Central America Regional Security Initiative. Fourteen countries are participating: Canada, Belize, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, France, Guatemala, Honduras, the Netherlands, Nicaragua, Panama, Spain, United Kingdom and the United States.

JITF South is a multiservice, multiagency national task force which conducts counter-illicit trafficking operations and intelligence fusion to detect, monitor, and handoff suspected illicit trafficking targets to law enforcement activities; promotes security cooperation and coordinates country team and partner nation initiatives in order to defeat the flow of illicit traffic.

Underwood is deployed to Central and South America and the Caribbean in support of Southern Seas 2012.

Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command/U.S. 4th Fleet supports U.S. Southern Command joint and combined full-spectrum military operations by providing principally sea-based, forward presence to ensure freedom of maneuver in the maritime domain, to foster and sustain cooperative relationships with international partners and to fully exploit the sea as maneuver space in order to enhance regional security and promote peace, stability, and prosperity in the Caribbean, Central and South American regions.



Chaplain's Corner

Respect and Tolerance

Chaplain Tung Tran

NS Guantanamo Bay Chaplain Services

It is sad to read in the news that last month James Holmes allegedly opened fire and killed twelve people and wounded fifty eight others at a movie theater in Colorado. It is also troubling to read that this month Wade Michael Page also took the lives of six people in a Sikh temple in Wisconsin.

The American public enjoys freedom and safety, I would like to think, more than any other place in the world, but we cannot ignore the fact that there are still acts of senseless violence in

our society. We may never be able to understand all the causes and motives that led an Army veteran and a graduate student to take the lives of others who were gathered at the most peaceful of places- a temple and a theater. We may never be able to rid society of similar incidents in the future. Definitely, one thing all of us can do is remind ourselves of the great importance of respect and tolerance, to live it and pass it on to the younger generation.

I urge everyone to remember in thoughts and prayers those victims who are in need of healing, the families and friends of the deceased who are in need of consolation, and justice and penitence for those perpetrators who have committed these horribly senseless and sinful acts. God Bless.



JIDC Celebrates 50th Anniversary Of Independence

Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Public Affairs

The Jamaican Independence Day Committee (JIDC) at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba hosted the annual Jamaican Independence Day celebration, Aug. 4.

Community members gathered at the installation's Windjammer ballroom to celebrate the Caribbean country's 50th anniversary of independence from Britain, while experiencing Jamaica's history, food, and culture.

"This year is a special one for Jamaica and all Jamaicans," said NS Guantanamo Bay JIDC member Joycelyn Connage-Johnson. "Jamaica celebrates its 50th anniversary of independence as an independent country and Jamaicans have a lot to be proud of. A country of around 3 million people, Jamaica has influenced the world and made its mark in the fields of athletics, academics, food, religion, art, music, and more."

Attendees were treated to cultural performances featuring

dances, poems, fashion, and singing. NS Guantanamo Bay Commanding Officer Capt. J.R. Nettleton and former United Nations Officer Ms. Charmaine Limonius served as keynote speakers during the celebration.

"Remember my brothers and sisters, someday you may return to Jamaica, and on that day the sun will shine brightly on your shoulders and you will know, you are forever home," said Limonius.

NS Guantanamo Bay's Jamaican residents incorporated the Jamaican national colors of gold, black, and green into their wardrobe, displaying pride in their country, according to Connage-Johnson.

"There is resilience and pride among the Jamaican people," said Connage-Johnson. "We showcase an ambition and a creative spirit that allows us to excel in our chosen fields. Jamaican culture fuels its people with a pride in their homeland that translates into a highly competitive spirit and in the GTMO community."



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A woman with glasses and a colorful patterned top is speaking at a podium. The background is dark with yellow and green horizontal stripes. The text '50th JAMAICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION' is overlaid on the right side of the image.

50th JAMAICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Former United Nations Officer Ms. Charmaine Limonius serves as keynote speaker as part of NS Guantanamo Bay's annual Jamaican Independence Day celebration, Aug. 4. During the JIDC sponsored event, Limonius highlighted the cultural influence Jamaica has had on the world during the island country's 50 years of independence. - U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Justin Ailes

MICHAEL W. SMITH ■ From cover ←



Grammy Award winning singer/songwriter Michael W. Smith sings with NS Guantanamo Bay Deputy Chaplain Lt. Larry Jones at NS Guantanamo Bay's base Chapel, Aug. 6. During his tour, Smith provided musical entertainment for the community during a USO sponsored concert at the installation's Windjammer ballroom. - U.S. Army photo by Sgt. 1st Class Jerry Grant

"He asked me a lot of questions 'off-air' and talked about his family 'on-air' which made me feel like he really cared about others," explained Cole. "Coming down here wasn't just for him, he really did come for the troops. When a gesture like that is sincere, it really does make a difference to people."

After the interview, the group met with NS Guantanamo Bay Commanding Officer Capt. J.R. Nettleton, toured Marine Hill, and met with NS Guantanamo Bay and JTF Chaplains.

The visit with the Chaplains centered on a tour of the main Chapel facility and outer buildings where Smith was briefed on the various types of religious services offered at the installation.

"Michael was very interested in how the ministry operates here," said NS Guantanamo Bay Command Chaplain Cdr. John Van Dickens. "He wanted to understand what it is like in all its variety."

During the Chapel tour, Smith sat at the piano and played a song titled "Agnus Dei," which means "Lamb of God."

Deputy Chaplain Lt. Larry Jones recognized an opportunity during the impromptu mini-concert and sang along.

"That will be a memory to last me for a lifetime," said Jones. "It's a once in a lifetime opportunity to be able to sing with someone so legendary in the Christian music world."

"What a spiritual boost," exclaimed Dickens. "His coming here was truly a gift. A concert in this remote location by the likes of him sends a clear message that we are very special to this man and that he highly values who we are and what we do."



NS Guantanamo Bay's W.T. Sampson school dance team perform for family and friends after a week-long dance clinic at the installation's Cooper Field, Aug. 9. Dancers from MA Dance and Marching Auxillaries flew to the installation to provide professional instruction to the varying age groups within the school's dance team. - U.S. Navy photo by Kelly Wirfel

GTMO SHOPPER

E-mail classified ad submissions to **PAO-CLASSIFIEDADS@USNBGTMO.NAVY.MIL** If sent to any other e-mail, it may not be published. Submit your ad NLT noon Wednesdays for that week's Gazette. Ads are removed after two weeks. Re-submit the ad to re-publish. The Gazette staff and NS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, page. The Public Affairs Office has final editorial discretion on all content. Call MC2 Justin Ailes at 4520 with your questions or concerns.

VEHICLES

Pontoon Boat, \$2000 OBO. Call 4515

'02 Ford Taurus, 81,000 miles and new front tires, battery, serpentine belt pulley >AC compressor. Front end tie rod and bushing replaced last year. Oil gets changed every three months regardless of miles. Leather interior with power adjusted pedals, power mirrors locks, driver seat, doors etc. Drives great and cold AC. \$5000. Call John 84946 or email john_10d@msn.com

'98 Bayliner Rendesvous, 23 ft, with a '06 175HP Evinrude engine. Comes with everything needed to go out. Perfect for fishing, diving and entertaining. New bottom paint, trailer, GPS/Fishfinder, dual batteries, 30 gal live well tank built in, 60 gal fuel tank, dual anchor, drift anchor, multiple fishing rod holder, others). \$7,500. Call 77958 (evening) or 4493 (day)

19' Center Console w/90HP Johnson OB, and trailer. All new Garmin Fish Finder/Humming Bird GPS Combo, Wise seat w/live-well, five flush Attwood rod-holders, nine separate stand-alone rod holders, four lay down rod/gaff holders, two rod out riggers, marine FM/CD/AUX w/speakers 1500 GPM Bilge, SE300 Hydrofoil. New topside, non-skid deck, and bottom paint. With extremely deep gunwales, this boat is not only tackle box certified it is more than ready to take on any deep sea fishing journey. \$9000 OBO. Call 77677 or 84532

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Coffee table, like new, Ashley millenium, \$100. Italian tulip vase -SIA ceramic, new in box, \$50 firm. Italian oil painting, framed, on wood - "Natura Morta" signed, \$75. Italian oil painting, framed, on canvas - "Fiori nel Buio"- \$75. Must sell by Aug. 6. FMI, call 79491 or email melfacebook1@yahoo.com

LOST AND FOUND

LOST: White NY Yankee hand towel with one hole in it. If found please call 4738. This towel means a great deal to the owner.

WANTED

Bike Trailer for 2 children, in good condition with all hardware. Brand/color not important. Please e-mail atalantis19@gmail.com if you have one to sell

ELECTRONICS

SCSI modem, \$50. Call 79568

Direct TV 6' sat dish w/ 3 receivers and remotes, \$575 OBO, call 77041

Two satellite dishes with working LNB's. \$250 each OBO. FMI, call 77893 or 84959

Dell Inspiron 1525 Windows Vista Home Premium, 3.00 GM, 32 Bit Operating System, has Microsoft Security Essentials, Adobe Reader 9, iTunes and ActivIdentity already installed, in very good condition. \$400 OBO. Call 77176

SCSI Modem W/Ethernet Cable, Power Charge, and Phone Cord, \$45. Call 55347/4535

(2) Internet (Starband) satellite dishes, service ready, all inclusive when you activate account. 1 6' Direct tv satellite dish and LNB. Internet dishes \$900. DirecTV dish \$600. Call John 84946 or email John_10d@msn.com

iPod Classic 5th Generation Black 60GB. Brand new, in box, never used. \$125 OBO. Call 75570

iPod, 8G with Facetime. Less than one year old. \$140. Call 79536

MISC

Cooper Classic tire - size P20575R15 (for Jeep Cherokee), used, \$15. Call 79491, 2166, or email melfacebook1@yahoo.com

PA system with 4 channel mixer and 2 speakers, \$250. Rogue Guitar \$180. Dresser drawers with fold out top, \$65. Hard wood standing wine and glass cabinet \$185. Bar stools \$20 ea., 10 x 10 ft pavilion, \$15. Folding chairs \$5 ea. Conch shells \$10 ea. Fish gaff \$18. Coffee Maker new in box \$15. Charcoal grill \$40. Misc fishing gear. Call Marty at 77260

OUTDOOR REC

Seaquest M/L BCD, \$200. 1st and 2nd stage regulator, octo and gages, \$250. Mask and snorkel, \$15. Call 73927

Omer 130ET W/reel and SP3 slip-tip and extra threaded shaft. \$250. 115 euro w/ 2 flopper shafts, \$100. Riffe horizontal reel for Euro series W/ 270' of 680# spectra line, \$150. Riffe No Ka Oi W/ 2 shafts, 1 6mm threaded/ 1 flopper, and reel w/ 270' of 680# spectra line, \$650. Omer Maxi-laser knife, \$30. Sporasub revolution fins size 46-48/ 12-13, \$75. Call ND1 Kerr 4444 or 84119

The Scoop

JTF's SAFE RIDE HOME

To prevent drinking and driving, those out drinking can take a safe ride home. Those not drinking can walk. Call 84913 or 84781.

CPO SELECTEES EVENT

The FY 2013 Chief Petty Officer Selectees are hosting a hot dog and hamburger fundraiser and you, my friend, are invited. Aug. 11 at the Windjammer pool, 1000-1400. \$5 gets you 2 hot dogs, chips and soda, or a burger, chips and soda. Come out and show your support.

NATIONAL BOWLING DAY

Celebrate National Bowling Day Aug. 11, at the Marblehead Bowling Center, 1300-2300. You get one free game. <Insert Big Lebowski reference here>. FMI, call 2118.

FAMILY FUN DAY

GTMO's Spouses Club (GBSC) presents a 'Family Fun Day' at Marble Head Lanes, Aug. 12 from 1300-1600. The summer fun continues with a night of bowling and pizza. FMI, call 77057.

NAVIGATING FED EMPLOYMENT

Aug. 15, Fleet and Family Support Center, Bldg. 2135, 1330-1530. Learn guidelines for writing and submitting a Federal application. FMI, call 4153 or 4141.

FREE GUIDED BIKE TRIP

Aug. 12, Marina, 0800. This bike trip is free and open to all hands. Register by close of business today at the Marina. Bring your own bike or borrow one from the Marina. FMI, call 2345.

SUMMER READING WRAP UP

GTMO's MWR Community Library is hosting its Summer Reading Program Wrap Up event on the library lawn, Aug. 11, 1400-1530. This free event is open to all hands and there will be free pizza, hot dogs, drinks and prizes while supplies last. All participants will receive a certificate. Special prizes for the adult and child that read the most books during the Summer Reading Program. FMI, call 4700.

GTMO JOB HUNT

Electrician - Full time
Warehouse Worker - Flex
ID Checker - Flex
Recreation Asst. Lifeguard - Flex
Recreation Asst. Lifeguard - Full time
CYP Program Asst. - Full time
Automotive Mechanic - Flex
NGIS Admin Asst. - Full time
CYP Sports Coordinator - Full time
Waiter/Waitress Bayview-Flex
Waiter/Waitress Windjammer - Flex
CYP Asst. Lead - Full Time
Movie Manager
Bartender - Flex
Bartender Lead - Flex

Job Descriptions can be found on MWR's Job Wall next to the NAF HR office, Bldg. 760. FMI, call 74121

Materials Handler - LH12-024 (FLC)
Housing Manager - LH12-036

FMI, call 4441 or stop by Bldg. 2142 (temp. location)

Chenega Federal Systems, LLC, is looking for a highly motivated individual for an Administrative Assistant position. Please apply online at <http://www.chenegafederal.com/hiring.aspx>. FMI, please call 5136

MOVIES DOWNTOWN LYCEUM

FRIDAY Aug. 10

8 p.m.: **Total Recall (new)**
PG13 124 min.

10 p.m.: **That's My Boy (new)**
R 116 min.

SATURDAY Aug. 11

8 p.m.: **Rock of Ages (new)**
PG13 124 min.

10 p.m.: **Dark Knight Rises**
PG13 165 min.

SUNDAY Aug. 12

8 p.m.: **Men in Black 3**
PG13 103 min.

MONDAY Aug. 13

8 p.m.: **The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel**
PG13 124 min.

TUESDAY Aug. 14

8 p.m.: **Ice Age Continental Drift**
PG 94 min.

WEDNESDAY Aug. 15

8 p.m.: **That's My Boy (new)**
R 116 min.

THURSDAY Aug. 16

8 p.m.: **Rock of Ages (new)**
PG13 124 min.

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GTMO Bids Farewell To Cuban Community Program Manager

Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Public Affairs

The Guantanamo Bay Cuban Community held a town hall meeting to welcome the new Commanding Officer and say farewell to a dear friend and advocate, Aug. 5.

Cuban Community Program Manager, Melanie Resto kicked off the event by welcoming Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Commanding Officer Captain J.R. Nettleton.

“I am here to support your needs and I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you,” Nettleton said. “The most important thing I want you all to know is that I always have your best interest at heart.”

Following Nettleton, Resto introduced some other key personnel that will be working with the Cuban community members to include two hospital personnel, Lt. Patrick Daly and Cmdr. Janice White. Both put out vital information about receiving care at the hospital and also who their resources were.

Following the various speakers, Resto said a heartfelt goodbye to

the residents and co-workers of the Naval Station.

“This job is extremely rewarding and I mostly enjoyed the humanitarian aspect of it,” Resto said. “It has truly been an honor to get to know the Cuban Culture through their eyes.”

Melanie said her most memorable experience was reuniting one of the residences with his daughter who he had not seen in over 40 years.

“It was such an honor to part of that. They still talk once a month and to think I played a part in that was truly special,” Resto said.

NS Guantanamo Bay, Cuba Installation Business Manager, Lee Adelman and Capt. Nettleton presented Resto with the Meritorious Civilian Service Award for her outstanding accomplishments while serving as the Cuban Community Program Manager. Resto was also presented the Secretary of Defense Medal for Global War on Terrorism and various mementos from members of the Cuban community.

“During my time here I had to be their voice, and it was truly a pleasure and honor to be their voice,” Resto said.

Resto is moving to Fort Bragg, North Carolina and will be teaching Spanish and Latin American Culture.



NS Guantanamo Bay Commanding Officer Capt. J.R. Nettleton presents Cuban Community Program Manager Melanie Resto with the Meritorious Civilian Service Award for her accomplishments while serving at the installation, Aug. 5. The award presentation was held in conjunction with a town hall meeting, bidding farewell to Resto.