

# GAZETTE

GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA



## MCSFCO Holds Ceremony for Mini-Mart Workers



Marine Corps Security Force Company (MCSFCO) honor Navy Exchange Marine Hill Mini-mart employees for their support of MCSFCO during a ceremony held at the North East Gate, March 23.

*MCC Keith Bryska*  
Gazette Editor

Marines assigned to Marine Corps Security Force Company (MCSFCO) hold a small ceremony at the North East (NE) Gate to recognize workers at the Marines Hill minimart for supporting them, Mar. 23.

According to MCSFCO 1st Sgt. Josh Wruble the employees at the NEX Mini-Mart on Marine Hill do a lot for the Marine Corps Security Force Company and this event gave them the opportunity to recognize the contribution they make to their unit every day.

“Most people in Guantanamo Bay don’t realize that there are Marines in those towers 24 hours a day all year round providing security for this installation,” said Wruble. “The Marines who stand watch in those towers are down here for 4-5 months and sometimes the only people they get to interact with during that entire time are the employees at the Marine Hill Mini-Mart.”

During the ceremony, each employee received coins from Wruble and Commanding Officer Maj. Daniel Macsay and a plaque to hang in the minimart.

“For me personally, having been down here for the last two and half years, I think military members often overlook those who work alongside us every day. We have a lot in common with the non-uniformed personnel on base. They are away from their families and sacrificing just like us,” said Wruble.

“It’s really about taking the time to stop and talk to someone. You’d be amazed at what you can learn by asking someone their name, finding out where they are from and thanking them for what they do.”

Navy Exchange Manager Nancy DeVore said it was a great honor for the Marine Hill Team to have Maj. Macsay and 1st Sgt. Wruble along with the Marines to time to recognize and thank each member of Marine Hill with a coin at the NE Gate.

“I am proud of the Marine Hill team; they were the first Minimart to open 24/7 to support the Marines and the community. They do a great job providing Premier Customer Service by taking care of our patrons,” said DeVore. “Today was especially meaningful for Kiplin Rall, the Manager of Marine Hill, who received his 25 year Service Award today. For the Marine Hill Team, the honor today was above and beyond the call of duty!”

DeVore believes that getting support back from the community allows them to move forward and give back as well.

“The support from the community is important because it energizes us to be better. We get positive and sometimes negative feedback from the community. We build on the positive and learn from the negative. We try to make today better than yesterday,” said DeVore.



*NS Guantanamo Bay Commanding Officer, Capt. David Culpepper congratulates PS3 Gerard on his selection as Sailor of the Week.*

## PS3 THOMAS GERARD

- **Job/Department:** Clerk and Transfer Supervisor/ Personnel Support Detachment
- **Age:** 36
- **Hometown:** Edgington, IL
- **Hero(es):** Michael Jordan and Philo Farnsworth
- **TV Show:** Doctor Who and Marvel Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D
- **Movie:** Goonies and Love Actually
- **Book:** World War Z
- **Musician:** Eminem and anything 1980's
- **Hobby:** Watching television and playing sports
- **Greatest Passion:** Competition
- **Favorite Quote:** "Reality continues to ruin my life." - Bill Watterson
- **Greatest Accomplishment:** Having my father see me compete at the division 1 level in track.
- **Sailors of the Week Because:** PS3 Thomas Gerard was selected as Sailor of the Week as his efforts were essential in his Military Personnel supervision and initiative in all pay and personnel transaction for timeliness and accuracy resulting in Naval Station Guantanamo Bay's Personnel Support Detachment earning the "TOP GUN" flag. His contributions and significant performance was a vital role for PSD's goals and mission accomplishments.



# GUANTANAMO BAY GAZETTE

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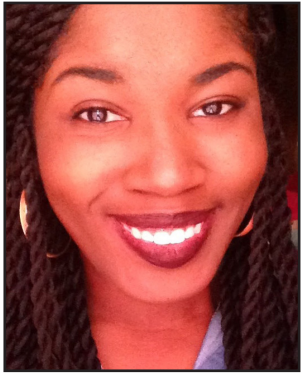
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# Dear Military Child: We're Moving

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The front door opened and the sound of my mother's combat boots hitting the hallway floor got louder as she neared my room. My mother entering the house without saying, "Sweet pea, I'm home," was rather unusual and so I assumed I was in some sort of trouble. I mentally prepared myself to be scolded for not washing the dishes as soon as I got home from school. As I looked up to greet my

mother – now standing at my bedroom door – she said to me, "We're moving to Japan."

There was a tense moment of silence, during which I just stared at her, and then warm tears began to stream down my face. I slowly stood up and walked to my bedroom door which, for the first time in my life, I closed in my mother's face. And, for the first time in my life, she did not scold me for my attitude.

What was I going to do? In that moment my entire life was flipped upside down. Leave Gulfport? That was insanity! Did she expect me to just be excited about having to leave behind my family, my friends and my boyfriend? Ridiculous!

I walked out of my room and headed straight to my

mother's room, I was ready to tell her off and inform her that I was not going anywhere. Especially not to some foreign country right before my freshman year of high school. As I got closer to her room I heard her speaking on the phone with someone:

"Yeah, I just told her about my orders to Japan." My mother said. "I feel horrible. I know she doesn't want to move and I understand why but there's nothing I can do. I tried to pick a duty station that wouldn't require us to move but the only way for me to not have to leave her and go on the ship is to take overseas orders."

I stopped and just stood there, staring at her door. Not once had I considered her feelings. Not once had I thought to myself that she probably spent that entire day stressing over thinking of a way to tell me that we both had to prepare for a big move to a country neither of us had ever been to. All I thought about was how much I resented her for not trying hard enough to keep us in Gulfport. She was not trying to ruin my life, she was only trying to keep us together. What a jerk I had been.

While she finished her phone call, I sat on the couch in the living room waiting for her to come out of her room so that we could talk. She exited her room and came over to sit on the recliner across from me. "Mom, it's okay." I said. "I apologize for how I reacted earlier and I'll begin preparing myself for the move. A new place may be exciting."

## Kissler Wins Teen Tech Week Digital Photo Contest

Naval Station Guantanamo Bay's MWR Community Library held a Teen Tech Week as part of a national initiative sponsored by the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) and is aimed at teens, their parents, educator and other concerned adults. The purpose of Teen Tech Week is to ensure that teens are competent and ethical users of digital media, especially the nonprint resources offered through libraries, such as e-books,

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e-readers, databases, audio books, and social media.

"Here at the Guantanamo Bay MWR Community Library," remarked Tiffany Hughey, Sr. Library Technician, "We wanted to think outside the box. We wanted our teens to do something digitally creative and fun. Couple that with our beautiful surroundings, hosting a Digital Photo Contest was a no-brainer."

The competition was held between March 6 to March 12 of all the entries AnnaSophia Kissler's photo (seen right) was selected as the winning photograph.

"The reason I took [the photo] was because I thought it was so beautiful," explained Kissler. "I wanted to get a picture of the entrance to the ocean."

For more information regarding other events hosted by the Library please call 4700 or visit their facebook page at [www.facebook.com/pages/MWR-GTMO-Community-Library-764287680322441/](http://www.facebook.com/pages/MWR-GTMO-Community-Library-764287680322441/).



Wooden stair case leading to the Girl Scout beach taken by AnnaSophia Kissler for the Teen Tech Week Digital Photo Contest.



# Mr. Edbert Derrick

**September 7, 1926 - March 10, 2016**

Mr. Edbert Adolphus Derrick Richard, a Cuban Special Category Resident, passed away on Thursday, March 10 at Naval Hospital Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Born in September 7, 1926, in Guantanamo City, he lived a full life, passing away at the age of 89.

Mr. Derrick first came to work at Naval Station (NS) Guantanamo Bay in 1950 at the age of 23. He worked at the

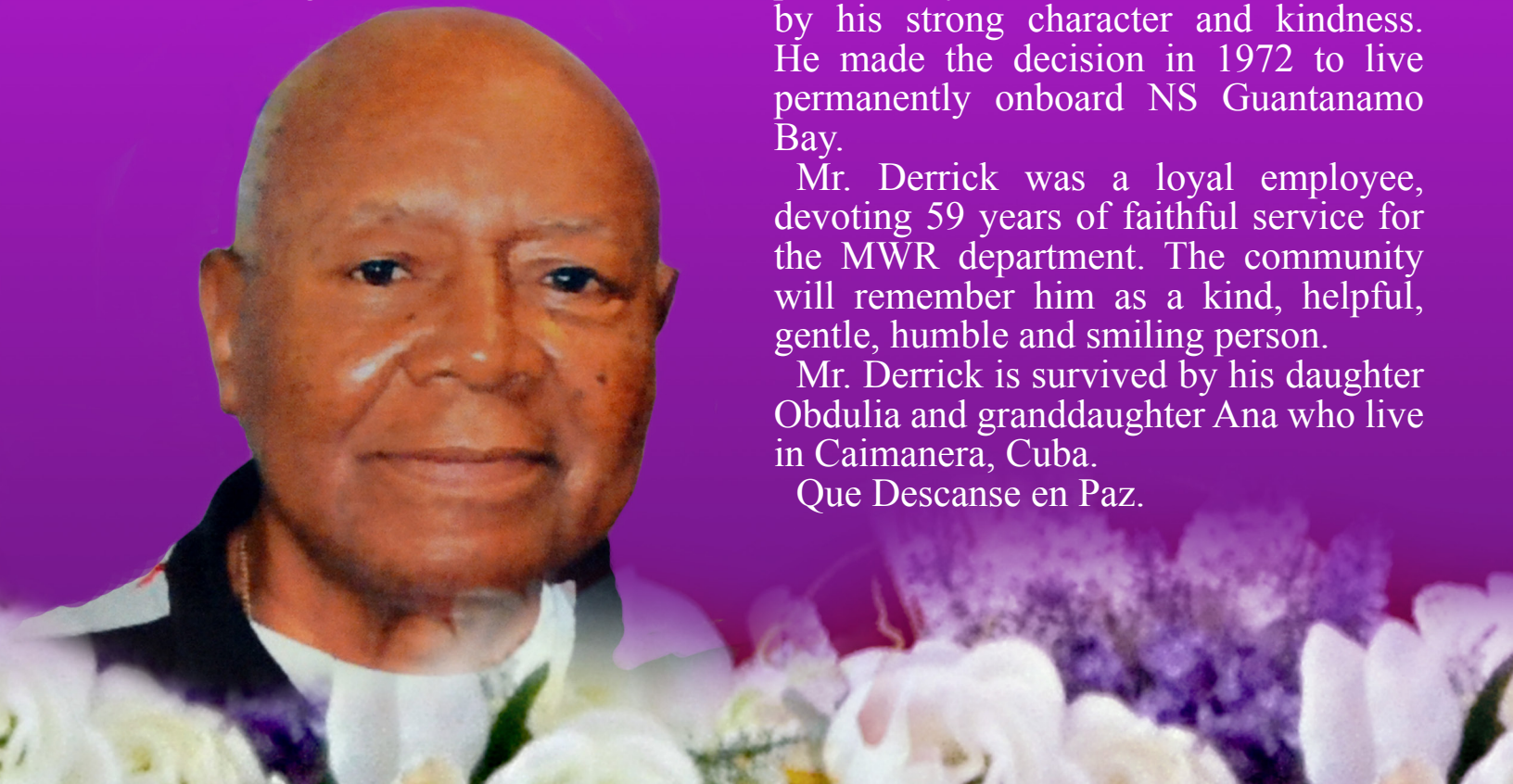
Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) department as the Windjammer Manager. His cheerful personality gave service members throughout the years a sense of home away from home while stationed at NS Guantanamo Bay.

Toitico, as his friends called him, will be remembered by his friends as one of the kindest, funniest and most charitable person they knew. He was well-known by his strong character and kindness. He made the decision in 1972 to live permanently onboard NS Guantanamo Bay.

Mr. Derrick was a loyal employee, devoting 59 years of faithful service for the MWR department. The community will remember him as a kind, helpful, gentle, humble and smiling person.

Mr. Derrick is survived by his daughter Obdulia and granddaughter Ana who live in Caimanera, Cuba.

Que Descanse en Paz.



# Chaplain's Corner

## EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE MAIN CHAPEL

**March 26, 2016**

**Easter Vigil Catholic Mass  
at 2000**

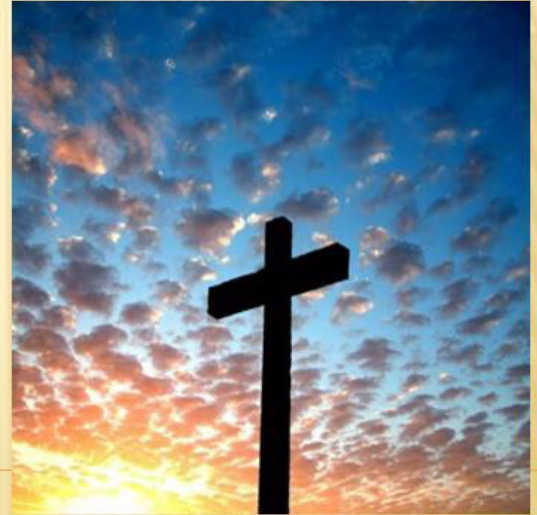
**March 27, 2016**

**Easter Sunrise Service  
Windmill Beach at 0630**

**Sunday Catholic Mass at 0900**

**Protestant Service at 1100**

**Gospel Service at 1300**



**For more information  
call 2323**

# NAVSTA Ferry Receives Overhaul



Naval Station Guantanamo Bay's Munilla Construction Management (MCM) branch uses a Marine Travelift to place the newly overhauled ferry back in the water, Mar. 22.

The Ferries at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay play an important role in assisting the community by taking them back and forth from Leeward and Windward sides of the base.

Occasionally the ferries need work done and that requires a lot of maintenance and time.

"We preform hull repairs, inspections of the running gear, pressure wash the underwater hull and put a fresh coat of anti-fouling paint," explained Munilla Construction Management (MCM) Project Manager Marty Bryant.

To handle the tasking, NS Guantanamo Bay's MCM branch utilized painters, welders and the ferry crew to get the ferry, YFB 92, back to working order.

On March 22, with work finally complete, it was time to use a marine travelift to haul ferry from the repair facility back to the water and run last minute checks.

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## The Scoop

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers needed for the Elementary School Field Day on April 7 from 7 to 10 a.m. at Cooper Field. The first 30 volunteers will be assigned stations. For questions contact susan.ramsey@am.dodea.edu or theresa.weber@am.dodea.edu or call 2207 or 3500.

### EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Eggstravaganza will

take place on March 26 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the youth center. Bring the kids and have a fun filled morning with a special appearance from the Easter Bunny. Easter Egg hunt begins at 9:30 a.m. To make a donation please contact SFC Dennis at 55175 by March 18.

### JEA EGGSTRAVAGANZA

The Junior Enlisted Association is hosting their annual Easter Eggstravaganza on March 27 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Chapel Annex. Join in on free games and prizes, snacks, fun and meeting the Easter Bunny. For more information please contact RP2 Lampkin at 2323.

### ZUMBA FITNESS

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response team presents Zumba Fitness on April 7 at the Denich Gym at 7 p.m. led by Team Esto. Come celebrate dance, life and you!

### VOLUNTEERS FOR FFSC

Fleet and Family Support Center are looking for volunteers for the following events; SAAM/CAAM

5K Fun Run on April 9 starting at 6:45 a.m. at Cooper Field. 50 Volunteers are Needed. MWR Day at the Bay- 50 to 75 Volunteers are needed for setup on April 29 and during/after the event on April 30. FMI please call FFSC at 4141 or 4153.

### RADIOTHON

The Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society will hosting their annual Radiothon with the assistance of Radio GTMO and the Jail and Bail with Security on March 29 through March 31 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. So have your lists of song requests and people to put in jail ready to help support a good cause.

### GTMO GAMES 2016

The Junior Enlisted Association is hosting the 2016 GTMO Games on April 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Cooper Field and Softball Field. There will be games, prizes, BBQ, soda and more. For more information contact CS2 Ingram at 55377 or CS2 Wingfield at 55338.

# MOVIES

## DOWNTOWN LYCEUM

### FRIDAY MAR 25

8 p.m.: **Batman V Superman: Dawn of Justice**  
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10:30 p.m.: **My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2**  
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### SATURDAY MAR 26

8 p.m.: **Gods of Egypt**  
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10:30 p.m.: **Deadpool**  
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### SUNDAY MAR 27

8 p.m.: **The Choice**  
PG13

### MONDAY MAR 28

8 p.m.: **The Divergent Series: Allegiant**  
PG13

### TUESDAY MAR 29

8 p.m.: **Hail, Caesar!**  
PG13

### WEDNESDAY MAR 30

8 p.m.: **Zoolander 2**  
PG13

### THURSDAY MAR 31

8 p.m.: **American Sniper**  
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CALL THE MOVIE HOTLINE @ 4880

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Lyrics by **Howard Ashman and Glenn Slater**  
Book by **Doug Wright**  
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Music Adapted and Arranged by **David Weinstein**

Director **DeAnna Shaw-Berget**  
Choreographer **Kerron Prendergast**  
Music Director **Daniel Lambertson**  
Stage Manager **Kaitlin Rice**

**April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7 pm**  
**W.T. Sampson High School Gymnasium**  
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