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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **U.S. Navy Sails into Buffalo VA Medical Center**

Veterans and the community are invited to a performance by Navy reservist and American Idol finalist, Phil Stacey, Monday, August 25, 2008 at 2:00pm at VA WNY Healthcare System at Buffalo, 3495 Bailey Avenue. Various Navy veterans, Coastguardsmen and Sailors, including Buffalo native Rear Admiral Mike Lyden, The Navy's Director of Supply, Ordnance and Logistics Operations, will also spend time visiting with patients.

The visit is a part of Buffalo Navy Week, where members of the U.S. Navy will participate in various community relations activities and concerts in and around Buffalo between August 24 and 31. These events give people an opportunity to witness examples of jobs the U.S. Navy perform everyday.

Stacey, a rising country music star, will perform an acoustic set at the medical center's Veterans Park, located by the Bailey Avenue entrance. Rain location for this event will be Freedom Hall, room 301 in the VA medical center. Stacey, along with the Navy rock band "Rhode Island Sound," will also perform later in the evening at the Central Wharf in downtown Buffalo, near the Naval Park.

For more information about other Navy Week events, please visit [www.buffalonavyleague.com](http://www.buffalonavyleague.com).

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