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Leap Day 2000: You'll never see another day like it

By Jim Bennett

A day like today will happen only once in a lifetime, and no, we're not talking about a daily affirmation.

It's Leap Day.

Furthermore, it's Leap Day in a centenary year, an event that happens only once every 400 years.

Leap Day occurs every four years except for centenary years and is scheduled under the Gregorian calendar, which most Western nations follow, as an additional day in February.

The day arises from the fact that the Earth circles the sun every 365 days, five hours, 48 minutes, and a little over 45 seconds. Over four years, the extra hours, minutes, and seconds make up an extra day.

Julius Caesar created the idea of the leap year in 45 B.C. and even scheduled it every four years. Pope Gregory XII, however, revised the Julian calendar in 1582. To account for the 11 minutes gained every year — remember, a year is not quite 365 days and six hours long — the pope ordered leap years abolished on all centenary years except those that are divisible by 400. Thus, 1600 was a leap year, while 1700, 1800, and 1900 were not.

And some people take the day seriously.

The Worldwide Leap Year Festival is being held Feb. 26 to Feb. 29 this year in small-town Anthony, Texas, making it the "Leap Year Capital of the World." The quadrennial festival began in 1988. Visitors from around the world were expected this year.

According to the Honor Society of Leap Day Babies, only one in 1,461

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Kwaj, Roi can help "Fund the Cure"

First at Kwajalein to purchase sheets of "Fund the Cure" stamps, issued by the U.S. Postal Service to help support breast cancer research, are the USAKA/KMR commander, Col. Gary K. McMillen, right, and 1st Sgt. Tony Burford. Lead finance clerk Lucienne De Meo handles the transaction, as Spec. Jovanny Alicea of Kwajalein Post Office looks on. Instead of the usual 33 cents for a first-class stamp, this one costs 40 cents; a book is \$8 instead of \$6.60. The extra 7 cents per stamp goes to research. The USPS said that if all the stamps are sold, \$16 million will be raised to "Fund the Cure." The stamps are available at Kwajalein and Roi-Namur March 1, coinciding with the opening of Women's History Month.

(Photo by Jim Bennett)

Aeromet's unique radar collects data vital to USAKA/KMR mission

By Peter Rejcek

It was a dark and stormy night — the kind of night fit for a radar meteorologist.

Remember the storm blast the night before Halloween last year, when the palm trees bent like overstressed crossbows, and the rain fell as if a typhoon had hit the island's shore?

Radar meteorologist Scott Carpenter is still studying the data from that phenomenon as he seeks to unravel the anomaly. That job, and

many others carried out by Aeromet on a daily basis, is a little easier and a lot more accurate, thanks to one of the most advanced meteorological radars on the planet.

Kwajalein Multi-Parameter Weather Radar can do what few others of its kind can: Its 9-meter dish, with a range of about 280 miles or 450 kilometers, measures precipitation both vertically and horizontally.

"It's a unique radar because it's a

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Role model bridges African-American, Women's History Months

WAC 'joined the fight,' made Army her life

By Rudi Williams

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Catherine L. Bowie watched her three brothers go off to war in 1942 and decided a year later to get into the fight, too. Later, when her brothers went home, she liked the Women's Army Corps and stayed.

Asked about her military career of more than 24 years, the 86-year-old Bowie quipped, "Well, I can't remember much today. Yesterday, I knew everything."

The first thing she recalled was the Army sending her to cook and baker school. "I changed their minds," she said. "They asked me, 'Why don't you want to cook?' I told them, 'Because I have an associate's degree, and I don't intend to cook for the rest of my military career.'"

Bowie knew exactly what she wanted to be, and that meant focusing on administrative and recruiting assignments throughout her career. The times when the Army wanted her to be a drill sergeant, she said, she volunteered for duty in



Catherine Bowie, 86, served in the Army for 24 years, from 1943 to 1967, and had a successful career, despite racism and discrimination of the times.

Germany, Korea, or Okinawa for a recruiting job. An administrative specialist, Bowie worked in reenlistment and separations on Okinawa and other administrative jobs in Germany and Korea.

In the Army of the 1940s, African American enlisted women served in segregated units; lived, ate, and played in segregated facilities; and trained in segregated classes.

Racism and discrimination didn't

bother her much, she said, because she didn't have time for them. She'd hear racist remarks made around her, but she wouldn't "hear" them.

Bowie said she tolerated racism and discrimination because that's how things were when she was born on Oct. 18, 1913, in Longview, Texas, a farming and railroad junction town with a population of about 5,500. She was 30 and living in Dallas when she joined the Army on Sept. 1, 1943.

After retiring from the Army on Sept. 30, 1967, Bowie became a professional shopper in Texas and California. She spent companies' money on all kinds of merchandise, while security personnel checked the honesty of store cashiers.

Her ability to get along with other people, enhanced by recruiting duty, helped her get the job, she said.

Being a recruiter is also how she found out about the Soldiers' and Airmen's Home in Washington.

"I've enjoyed my time here, and I enjoyed everything about my service, even 'GI party' night," she said.

Bowie said she doesn't do much anymore, except shopping and going to church.

"I love our minister because he's tall and filled out," she joked. "I love flowers and working with plants in the home's garden plots. I don't do that anymore, but I like to look at other people's gardens."

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Jeramon non kom

"*Jeramon non kom*" is the Marshallese way to say, "Goodbye and good luck friends."

Sondra and Donovan Welsh, with three-month-old **MacKenzie**, depart March 10 on Continental for Chico, Calif.

Sondra, a Kwaj kid, was at Kwajalein as a high school student from 1986-88 and was a member of one of Kwaj's smallest graduating classes — 14 students. She returned in August 1995 to work for RSE as range transportation scheduler.

Donovan is an IRE logistics coordinator.

Sondra and Donovan were married

on St. Patrick's Day in 1997 at the Kwajalein Country Club.

Sondra says, in farewell, "I'll miss my job and the people. We'd love to come back."

Kom ruwainene

"*Kom ruwainene*" is the Marshallese way to say, "Welcome."

Linda Johns arrived recently from Anchorage, Alaska.

She is an electrical engineer for the Corps of Engineers and lives on Roi.

Linda says, "Glad to be here!"

Radar capable of vertical, horizontal measurements ...

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dual-polarized, dual-simultaneous receiver. It's one of the only [radars], at least that we know of, that is a commercially operated weather radar," explained radar meteorologist Jeff Mullins. "This is somewhat of a prototype."

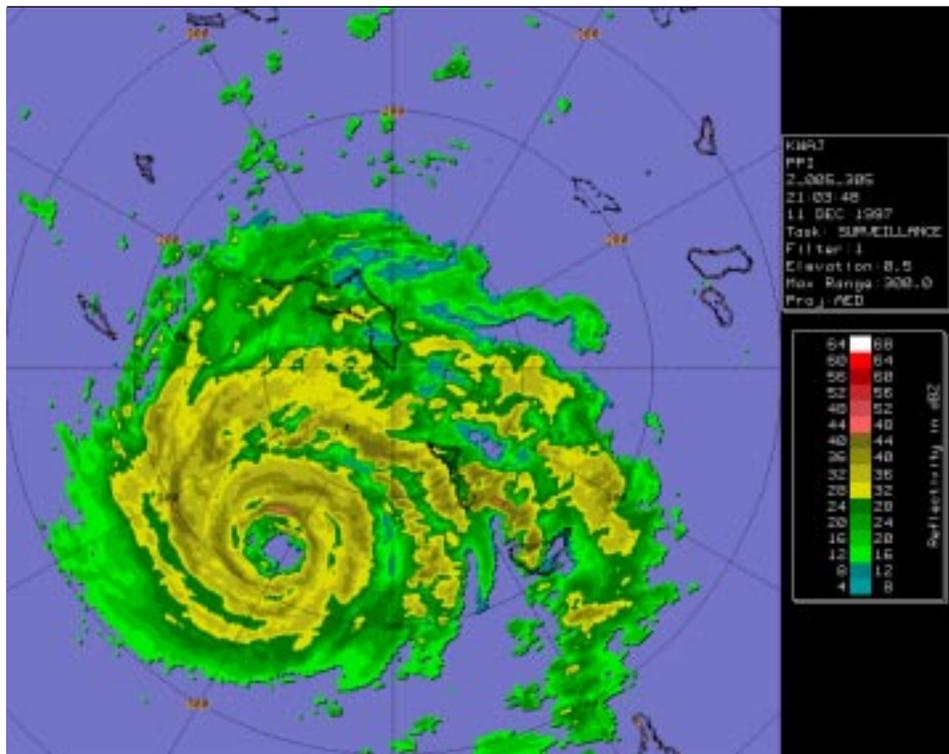
The capability to measure both the width and depth of a single drop of rain is not just a drop in the bucket. The data quickly snowballs into valuable information: A sampling of what is called the "electromagnetic radiation" in both the vertical and horizontal planes of a cloud, for instance, allows for a more accurate analysis of ice crystal distribution within the cloud. That information, along with other factors, helps meteorologists predict the potential threat of lightning.

"You can tell the state of the water that you're looking at ... because ice has a different shape than water does," Mullins noted, adding ice layers in clouds are normally found at approximately 15,000 to 16,000 feet in the atmosphere in this part of the tropics.

Lightning, incidentally, is not the rare phenomenon that it seems to be on Kwajalein, according to local meteorologists.

"We have more lightning than people think we do," Carpenter said.

For example, there were nearly 7,000 lightning strikes recorded in 1997, according to the KMR Weather Web Page. In 1996, there were more



SIGMET software enhances the radar picture meteorologists view. Radar technology has changed little over the last three decades, as most of the improvements have come in computer hardware and software.

(Courtesy Aeromet Web Page)

than 3,600 lightning strikes.

Weather, naturally, is one of the main components in a successful mission. Storm clouds on the Doppler radar must be watched closely.

"This radar is our primary instrument during Kwajalein Missile Range missions," Mullins said. "That's our main job out here, to support KMR."

Aeromet and its S-band radar and other equipment participate in a number of secondary missions, as well. For example, the weather station acts as a ground validation site for NASA and supported last year's Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission (TRMM). In fact, the weather station is still collecting data on a daily basis for TRMM. The project, noted Aeromet site manager Mark Fair, dispelled some climatic myths while presenting researchers with other mysteries.

"TRMM blew a lot of well-established theories out of the water," he said. "[For example], there

Tracking the ...

Multi-Parameter Weather Radar

Effective range.....280 miles
or 450 kilometers

Operating frequency
range.....2,700-2,900MHz

Peak power output.....461kW

Dish size.....9 meters wide

are certain things you see in a tropical atmosphere and they didn't, there are certain things you never see and they did."

Many of the assumptions, Carpenter explained, were based on observations made around the Papua New Guinea area.

"The misconceptions were reality in [that] one region, but even this short distance away [at Kwaj], there were different processes," Carpenter said.

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— Jeff Mullins
Aeromet radar meteorologist

Chickenpox hits Kwajalein community

By Julie Schmidt, R.N.
Kwajalein Hospital

Residents should be aware that there has been a recent outbreak of chickenpox on Kwajalein.

The symptoms of this illness are fever; body aches; and skin lesions on the chest, back, shoulders, scalp, or other areas that change to fluid-filled lesions over several hours, with moderate to severe itching.

There are many serious complications associated with this preventable illness, including encephalitis, Reye's syndrome, pneumonia, myocarditis, and possibly death. These complications are more

often seen in young infants and adults. Approximately 12,000 people a year in the United States are hospitalized with complications from chickenpox.

This illness is preventable. In fact, it is one of the required vaccines for the Kwajalein School System. Hospital officials recommend the immunization for both adults and children who have not had chickenpox.

Immunization hours at Kwajalein Hospital are Tuesday through Saturday, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

If you have any questions, contact Kwajalein Hospital at 52223 or 52224.

Seats added for summer flights on ATI, AMC

By Pat Cataldo

The good news is that the usual summer travel crunch at Kwajalein is expected to be eased somewhat because all Saturday AMC planes in June, the last two weeks of July, and the first two weeks of August will be configured with 115 seats, instead of the usual 40.

But if you're planning to fly to Honolulu on AMC or ATI in May or June, you should make your reservations soon. This week wouldn't be too early.

And be at the air terminal at the time the AMC/ATI agent tells you to report.

Latecomers may be left behind.

That's the word from the installation transportation officer, Capt. Walter Gandy.

June is the peak month for departures from Kwajalein, said Donna Groth, AMC/ATI representative. The last two weeks of July and first two weeks of August are peak season for travel to Kwajalein.

"I'm now booking reservations for May, and ATI flights are filling fast. Also, I have a file of people who have made June reservations for confirmation later," Groth said.

Leap Day babies are a rare phenomenon ...

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people were born on a leap day, and only 684 people per million are "leapers," as they call themselves. There are only about 200,000 leapers in the United States and 4 million worldwide.

Some famous leapers include Pope Paul III, band leader Jimmy Dorsey, and NFL quarterback Fran Tarkington.

On this day in history, the Salem Witch Trials began in 1692, "Gone With the Wind" claimed eight Oscars in 1940, the U.S. performed a nuclear test at the Nevada Test Site in 1968, and Hank Aaron became the first Major League Baseball player to sign for \$200,000 a year in 1972.

VITA volunteers ready to assist with tax forms

By Kent Duncan
Command Judge Advocate Office

A Volunteer Income Tax Assistor (VITA) Return Preparation Class was held earlier this month on Kwajalein. The VITA volunteers have completed their training and now are ready to assist Kwaj residents.

If you would like assistance, follow these guidelines:

First, schedule an appointment with your company's VITA volunteer. Next, bring the papers necessary for the appointment. These documents must include a copy of last year's tax return; W-2 forms from all employers; 1099 and 1098 forms; a bank statement or check, if you wish direct deposit of your refund; Social Security numbers for all dependents; a copy of any agreement or court order providing alimony or transferring a child's exemption; and year-end account statements for mutual funds.

Those with rental income must bring all prior returns with rental income (for depreciation purposes), mortgage interest statement, and a list of all expenses related to rental property.

Note that some complex returns, as well as those involving business income, are beyond the limit of the VITA program. Taxpayers with those issues will be referred to authorized commercial tax preparers on Kwaj.

VITA volunteers include:

Raytheon: Roger Carr, 53426; Lannie Carroll, 56363; Andrea Dixon, 51296; Trace Fleming, 50949; Dennis Jackson, 52901; Melissa Jerrell, 54291; Amy LaCost, 52681; and Dennis Rapisardi, 54321.

Aeromet: Mark Fair, 51508.
USAKA/KMR: Tahara Moreno, 52101; and Kent Duncan, 51462.

FAA: Harry Hale, 52479.
CIS: Denise Morrow, 54429; and Lilet Fore, 54429.

Women's History Month Luncheon

March 10
11:30 a.m.
Yokwe Yuk Club
\$6.95

Guest speakers: Gwyne Copeland and Sgt. Linda Wilson.

Menu

- Crisp Romaine, candied walnuts with apple-honey dressing
- Tomato basil bisque
- Breaded breast of chicken with ricotta cheese and scallion stuffing
- Buttered fettuccini with herbs
- Green bean casserole
- Fudge brownie sundae

Call Michelle, 53513, for reservations

Kwajalein, Woods recognized for CFC fund raising

Story and photos by Peter Rejcek

Thanks to some big contributions by USAKA/KMR federal employees and military personnel last year, less fortunate people from around the world have a little more food and comfort in their lives.

Renée Acosta, president of International Service Agencies (ISA), was on island Saturday to recognize the command's marked improvement in the Combined Federal Campaign, which raised \$11,587 in 1999. That's almost triple 1998's total of \$4,095.

"Kwajalein did great this year," noted Col. Gary K. McMillen, USAKA/KMR commander.

CFC is an annual fund-raising drive conducted by federal employees in their workplace each fall. ISA, a non-profit organization, is appointed by the Department of Defense to administer the campaign, which is composed of about 1,200 charities worldwide.

On Saturday at the Yokwe Yuk Theater during the monthly USAKA/KMR awards ceremony, Acosta presented Renate Woods, USAKA/KMR program analyst in Resource Management, with a special merit award as Kwaj's CFC representative.

"I would like to thank you, because without you this could not be possible," Woods told fellow employees gathered for the ceremony.



Col. Gary K. McMillen, USAKA/KMR commander, introduces Renée S. Acosta, center, president of International Services Agencies. She was on island to present Renate Woods with a special merit award for her work on the Combined Federal Campaign, which raised \$11,587 in 1999, almost triple the amount of the year before. The honor and other accolades were presented at USAKA/KMR's monthly awards meeting Saturday.

More than 70 percent of USAKA/KMR employees donated an average of \$222 to charity, compared to only 40 percent throughout the Pacific command. Last year, the local CFC fund-raiser had about 30 percent participation with an average donation of \$157.

"That kind of improvement is what is taken into account for the special merit award," Acosta said. Only four such awards were presented throughout the Pacific command, she added.

Among the five DoD commands, about \$10 million was raised, up from \$8.5 million the previous year, according to Acosta. She said the money is given to "the world's poorest."

Most of the money, about 92 percent, is donated to a specific charity of the donor's choice, while the remainder is either shared among all the charities or used to help fund Family Support and Youth, a family services program.

Woods credited her banking background and the generosity of fellow employees for the success of CFC last year.

"It's not just about giving money," she said.

Acosta explained that even as little as \$100 can have a large impact on many people's lives. She recounted the story of an Ugandan man who used \$100 to buy a cow, so that he could sell milk — after biking eight kilometers to a nearby village — to care for his family, which eventually included 30 orphans and his own five children.

"Because of \$100, 35 children had food and a place to live," she said.



Renate Woods, right, USAKA/KMR program analyst in Resource Management, talks with Renée Acosta, president of International Service Agencies, before Saturday's award ceremony at the Yokwe Yuk Theater.

Classified Ads and Community Notices

HELP WANTED

FINANCE ACCOUNTANT, Finance Dept. Full-time position. Senior accounting position responsible for general accounting tasks. Computer literacy and spreadsheet experience necessary. Requires a degree in accounting or five years equivalent experience in general or cost accounting. Good interpersonal and communication skills required. Submit application or resumé to HR, Bill, 51300.

PAYROLL ANALYST, Finance Dept./Payroll. Full-time position. Provide confidential review of payroll issues, resolve inquiries for employees and corporate office. Must have excellent communication, analytical, and organizational skills. Two years experience preferred. Proficiency in Excel and Word for Windows required. Submit application to HR, Bill, 51300.

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATORS, Medical Dept. Casual positions. Computer proficiency necessary and computer billing/spreadsheet experience a plus. Knowledge of medical terminology preferred. Ability to speak and write fluent English required. Submit application to HR, Bill, 51300.

SECRETARY, KAPS, Education Dept. Full-time position. Looking for well-qualified, self-motivated individual experienced with Microsoft Word and Excel, office filing systems, and basic office organization. Good interpersonal, oral, and written skills a must. Selected individual will be required to undergo a criminal history background check. Submit application or resumé to HR, Bill, 51300.

HEY, KIDS. Do you want to earn some extra money after school? The *Hourglass* needs paper carriers 12 years old and older. For more information, call Jim, 53539, or come by the *Hourglass* office.

TEACHER for one day per week at Queen of Peace High School, as part of an enrichment cycle that could include life skills, art, music, or other subjects. Day of week is flexible. Compensation is \$35 per day. Call Helen, 52630.

SECRETARY, Meck FOM Dept. Full-time position. Individual must be able to perform inventory management, work order tracking, and billeting for TDY personnel; must be proficient with PC software, be able to obtain a security clearance, and maintain housing allocation and assignment database for NMD and NMD contractors; must be experienced with Windows 95, Office 97, and Acrobat Reader. Submit application



The next boating orientation class is Thursday, March 9, and Friday, March 10, 6-8 p.m., in CRC Room 1. Register and pay your \$20 fee at Small Boat Marina or Community Activities office during regular hours of operation. Questions? Call the Small Boat Marina, 53643.

to HR, Bill, 51300.

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE, Quality Control. Part-time position. Individual will be responsible for maintaining the customer satisfaction feedback database and must possess excellent verbal and written communication skills. Knowledge of MS Office, Excel, and Access desired. For more information, call HR, Nancy, 53705.

FLIGHT ATTENDANT, Aviation Dept. Casual position. Individual will be responsible for passenger safety during air and ground operations, preparing aircraft cabin for flight, assisting in passenger boarding, and conducting safety briefings. For more information or to submit an application, call HR, Nancy, 53705.

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR, Environmental, Safety, and Health. Full-time position. Individual will be responsible for interviewing claimants with the safety representative, inputting data, maintaining all files, assisting in the process of air evacs, preparing expense reports and medical referrals as required, interacting with various business areas, and generating daily, weekly, and monthly reports. For more information or to submit an application, call HR, Nancy, 53705.

KAPS INSTRUCTORS, Education Dept. Degree in early childhood or education preferred but not required. Teaching or caregiving experience with children helpful. Selected individuals will need to be energetic, motivated, punctual, and have leadership skills. Selected individuals will be required to undergo a criminal history background check. Submit application or resumé to HR, Nancy, 53705.

Raytheon postings for on-island positions are listed in the Hourglass. Off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.

WANTED

BABY EXERSAUCCER to buy. Call 54756.

HOUSE or TRAILER (no cats) to sit March 26-31 and June 1-7. Family coming to visit. Call 52204.

HOUSE or TRAILER to watch. Parents visiting March 13-25. Call 52626.

BIKE TRAILER, used Pelican or Burley. Leave message, 54692.

DO YOU KNOW someone in the community who volunteers above and beyond the call of duty? If so, place that person's name, along with a 25-word description of his or her contribution, in the *Hourglass* drop box (Building 805, second floor).

LOST

PAGER at adult pool, two weeks ago. Call Trea at Small Boat Marina, 53643.

BEACH TOWEL, black, burgundy, purple, green, and blue zig-zag, at Emon Beach Feb.

Small Arms Range Notice

The small arms range will be in operation tomorrow, 8 a.m. to noon. Avoid the hazard area shown below.



20. Call Carol, 53276.

SUNGLASSES, Maui Jim, black, blue croakie possibly attached. Between Camp Hamilton and Coral Sands. Call Amy, 51713.

FOUND

TODDLER'S white leather Osh Kosh velcro shoe, size 6, Tuesday, Feb. 22, at Sweetheart Relay outside library. Call 51576.

BLADE-STYLE sunglasses at Dally Field Tuesday, Feb 22. Call Community Activities, 53331.

ROLL OF FILM, north end of island. Photos of off-island classroom (possibly third grade). Call 52417.

WHITE LEATHER SNEAKERS, Adidas, with socks, on bench at high school soccer field. Call 52680.

UMBRELLA at community dance Feb. 20 in the MP room. Call 52589.

CLASSES AND COURSES

KWAJALEIN ART Guild is sponsoring a basic photography class. For more information, call Charlene, 59802.

FOR SALE

SIT and STAND STROLLER, \$50; nursing pillow, \$15. Call 53488.

MOUNTAIN BIKE: Original Edition Specialized Stump Jumper, custom paint, new Shimano brakes, sealed bearing hubs, all aluminum parts, chromolly frame, \$300 firm. Call Lynn, 53619.

BOY'S 24" 10-speed bike, good condition, \$35; Epson 2550 LQ color printer with

**Friday night at the
Yokwe Yuk Lounge**

*DJ Sarah
Ankafski plays
the best music,
7-11 p.m.*

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Paving operations are underway around the airport loop and golf course areas. Keep clear of all barricades, cones, and other construction markings.

extra ribbons, \$70; Thrust Master HOTAS flight control system, \$20; flatbed scanner, \$35; Epson Stylus Color IIs Inkjet printer with extra ink cartridges, \$75; Sony 19" color TV, \$50; large fence made with treated and painted lumber, excellent condition, \$900 or best offer, see at Qtrs. 450-A, or call Mike, 52826 after 4:30 p.m.

MATERNITY CLOTHES: Several outfits and two bathing suits, size small, \$75; bassinette, \$25. Call 54756.

CARNATION Alsoy infant formula, powder and concentrate, at very good prices. Call Tien, 52475.

DVD PLAYER, Panasonic, model A300, excellent condition, asking \$275. Call 54832.

SURFBOARD, 6 ft., Hawaiian Brothers board, used condition, \$50. Call 51322, leave message.

MEN'S BLUE HUFFY BIKE, \$30; carpets, 6' x 9' (beige), two 4' x 6' (one blue, one white), \$5 each; white curtain rod for 400-series bedroom, \$40. Call 56588.

BANANA TREES, large fan palm, plumeria, and ti plants; SKIL variable-speed electric drill; Bissell 2600 carpet sweeper; set of four blue mini-blinds (400 series); 75-piece Mastergrip tool set in case, \$60. Call 58090.

HOOVER CANISTER VACUUM, \$30; Samsung VCR, \$50; Sony cordless telephone with answering machine, \$40. Call 51356 during the day.

ROSEWOOD: three bookcases, \$1,237; rectangle table, \$150; half-moon-shape

BAR CODING REQUIRED TO RENT FROM TAPE ESCAPE

All residents over 10 years of age will be required to have a bar code on their K-badge to rent tapes.

**Bar coding will take place
10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
and 3:30-5:30 p.m.
at Tape Escape as follows:**

For

Post office box numbers:

- 201-250 Wednesday, March 1**
- 251-300 Thursday, March 2**
- 301-350 Friday, March 3**
- 351-400 Saturday, March 4**
- 401-450 Tuesday, March 7**

table, \$150; microwave, \$70. Call 52553.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

DR. ELLIOTT, orthopedist from Tripler, will be on island April 5-7. Limited appointments are available. For an appointment, call 52223 or 52224.

CUB SCOUT PACK 135 will hold a Rendezvous and Family Camp Sunday, March 5, 3-8 p.m., at Coral Sands. Scouts and their families who would like to camp out that evening are encouraged to do so. Call your den leader for details.

MEN'S PRAYER breakfast will be Monday, March 6, 7 a.m., in the Religious Education Building. Newcomers are always welcome.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) will meet Thursday, 8:45 a.m., in the Religious Education Building. For more information, call Joan, 52280. MOPS is sponsored by the Protestant chapel.

AMERICAN LEGION'S monthly post meeting will be Wednesday, March 8, 6 p.m., at the Vets' Hall. We have resumed second Wednesday monthly meetings. All current and prospective members are encouraged to attend. Mongolian Barbecue 2000 meeting to follow.

KWAJALEIN AMATEUR Radio Club meets tomorrow, 7 p.m., in the Ham Shack on Ocean Road next to the adult pool.

PUT ON your aloha shirt and flip-flops and come to the Island Fever High School Band and Choir Concert Thursday, March 9, 7 p.m., in the MP room.

RUSTMAN TRIATHLON, 1K swim, 42K bike, and 10K run, will be May 1. Start training now. Questions? Call Bob Sholar, 51815.

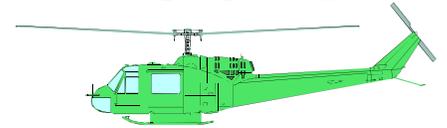
KWAJALEIN RUNNING Club will host the Downwind Dash Monday, March 6, at 5 p.m. Meet at the golf course at 4:45 p.m. Run your fastest mile. Questions? Call Bob Sholar, 51815.

SUPPLY and **TRANSPORTATION** lumberyard personnel will perform a cyclical inventory March 28-31. The areas to be inventoried include materials highly utilized by FOM, Self Help, and Cash Sales. Requests received by March 23 will be issued no later than close of business March 25. Questions? Call Bernard Ching, 58801.

REMEMBER TO include your favorite rice dish recipes in the next Kwaj cookbook. Submit your printed or typed recipes to CWF, P.O. Box 1068, Local, or e-mail to cwfkwajalein@mail.com Submit by Friday, March 3. Include your name, contact information, and possible substitutions. Questions? Call Pat, 53355.

ISLAND ORIENTATION will be tomorrow, 8:30-11:30 a.m., in CAC Room 1. New island arrivals and dependents over 10 years of age are welcome. Learn interesting island information. Drop in for a visit even

Helicopter passengers



Closed-toed shoes must be worn on UH-1s.

if you have been on island for a while.

DOES ANYONE know the whereabouts of a 5' square splatter-painted peg board used for the PTO carnival two years ago? Call Laura, 52823.

MARK YOUR calendars for the ballroom dance extravaganza featuring the Pacific's Most Dangerous Band Sunday, April 16, at the Yokwe Yuk Club. Watch the *Hourglass* for details.

TO THE LADY who loaned me two bungee cords (pink and green), call 52475 so I may return them to you.

DURING THE MONTHLY supply barge operation Thursday, all personnel are asked to remain outside the barricaded one-block area around the supply warehouse complex. This area is bounded by Marine Road, Poinsettia Street, and 6th and 8th streets. This request is in the interest of everyone's safety. Questions? Call Shipping and Receiving, 52180.

PRIVATE BOAT OWNERS. 2000 annual boat registration and inspection is due for Kwajalein and Roi boats and personal watercraft longer than eight feet, except windsurfers, sunfish-type sailboats, and kayaks not stored on USAKA/KMR marina lots. Registration is \$20 per vessel and a lot fee ranging from \$5 to \$30 depending on lot specifications. A late fee of \$10 will be charged after March 31. The owner of any drydocked vessel not ready for inspection must submit a written schedule for the next six months and an estimated completion date. To register or for more information, call Trea or Bobby, 53643 (Kwaj), or Karin, 56234 (Roi).

KWAJALEIN DANCE Association is offering introductory swing, cha-cha, and tango classes, as well as a beginner foxtrot and waltz class beginning in early March. A partner is required. For more information and to register, call Donna, 53470.

U.S. GOVERNMENT property sealed bid sale is being conducted during the month of February. Items will be available for inspection until March 4 (except holidays), Tuesday through Friday, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m., and Saturday 8 a.m.-3 p.m. and 4:30-6 p.m. Sealed bids will be received until 6 p.m. local time March 4 at Raytheon Range Systems Engineering, DCCB, Facility 1520. Bids will be opened at 9 a.m., March 7. For additional information, contact Raytheon Reutilization and Disposal, 51770 or 51076.

See you at the movies!

Saturday

Music of the Heart (New Release, PG)
A music teacher at an elementary school in Harlem, where discipline is a higher priority than the lively arts, believes that through music she will be able to give children a sense of purpose that they will sorely need in their adult lives. She finds herself, however, at odds with the school board and budgetary constraints. (Meryl Streep, Angela Bassett)
Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

The Best Man (New Release, R)
The arrangements for the wedding have been made, and vows are about to be exchanged, but the battle of the sexes is just starting to heat up. By the end of the weekend, scandalous secrets will be revealed, and the relationship will be in question. (Taye Diggs, Nia Long)
Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

Terminal Velocity (PG-13, 1994)
There's high-flying action, as a skydiving instructor, whose school is closed after the death of a student, finds she is not dead after all, and becomes involved in a web of intrigue and danger. (Charlie Sheen, Nastassja Kinsky)
Tradewinds Theater, Roi-Namur, 8 p.m.

Sunday

Trouble in Paradise (Classic, 1988)
Stranded on a tropical island, a couple find themselves being chased by drug-smugglers who are using the island as their base. (Raquel Welch, Jack Thompson, Nicholas Hammond) (92 minutes)
Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Terminal Velocity (PG-13, 1994)
Richardson Theater, 9:30 p.m.
The Best Man (New Release, R)
Tradewinds Theater, Roi Namur, 7:30 p.m.
Music of the Heart (New Release, PG)
Tradewinds Theater, Roi Namur, 9:30 p.m.

Monday

Music of the Heart (New Release, PG)
Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.
The Best Man (New Release, R)
Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8:00 p.m.



Kathy Beal lines up a putt during Sunday's Sadie Hawkins Golf Tournament at Holmberg Fairways, as road construction takes place behind her. A hundred golfers participated in the event, in which lady golfers head teams of four male players.

100 golfers turn out for tournament

Story and photo by Peter Rejcek

Turnabout is fair play, after all. It can be quite a lot of fun, too.

A hundred golfers turned out on a warm Sunday afternoon for the annual Sadie Hawkins Golf Tournament Feb. 27. Twenty teams — composed of one woman and four men — competed in the three-and-a-half-hour event. Last year's event had spotlighted cancer research.

"We're out here for fun," said golfer Kathy Beal.

Tournament organizer Carol Shattuck explained the idea behind the

event is for a woman to ask four men to golf. In the dance version of Sadie Hawkins, it's customary for a woman to ask a man to dance, breaking tradition. According to golfers on the course, the name Sadie Hawkins originated in a Lil' Abner comic strip by Al Capp.

"It was a big turnout," said Shattuck of the tournament, adding that she had to turn away several teams because the event had already been filled.

Complete results of the tournament will be available Friday.

WEATHER
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Sun • Moon • Tides



Tonight: Partly cloudy with isolated showers.
Winds: Northeast to east-northeast at 10 to 18 knots, with higher gusts near showers.
Tomorrow: Partly sunny with scattered showers.
Winds: Northeast at 14 to 22 knots, with higher gusts near showers.
Temperature: Tonight's low 77°
Tomorrow's high 85°
February rain total: 7.01"
Annual rain total: 20.43"
Annual deviation: +12.75"
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	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday February 29	/1901			2009, 2.3'
		Last Qtr. Moon		
Wednesday March 1	0703/1901	0258/1454	0203, 3.2' 1406, 4.2'	0731, 2.4' 2049, 1.9'
Thursday March 2	0703/1901	0347/1543	0247, 3.7' 1447, 4.6'	0826, 2.0' 2118, 1.5'
Friday March 3	0702/1901	0435/1633	0317, 4.1' 1519, 5.1'	0903, 1.6' 2144, 1.1'