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## RMI teachers take lessons at Kwaj



(Photo by Barbara Johnson)

Camillus Jikit, student teacher from CMI in Majuro, looks at Donna Pippitt's work in Kelly Anderson's fifth-grade class.

By Barbara Johnson

Feature Writer

Netette Boucher still remembers the trip she made to Kwajalein 25 years ago with a group of student teachers from Majuro. Ever since that trip in 1976 she has hoped to have a chance to come back. Last week, for the first time, she did.

Boucher, vice president of student and community services at the College of the Marshall Islands, came to Kwajalein 25 years ago on a mission to learn from Kwaj's teachers and classrooms. At that time, she was with the Curriculum Learning and Training Center at Majuro.

She returned last week, with Sister Lois Morisky and a group student teachers from Majuro, to visit Kwajalein classrooms on a trip sponsored by the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club.

"It is beyond my wildest expectations," Boucher said of the visit. "Never did I think it would happen. It was providential."

Boucher and Sister Lois Morisky, head of education at CMI, arrived April 3 with a group of five student teachers on another learning expedition. All of the student teachers are working on their Associate of Sciences degree in Education; most have had experience teaching, some for several years. (See YYWC, page 5)

## Trio of shows coming soon

By Peter Rejcek

Associate Editor

Prepare to laugh, dance and play ball over the next month.

Some big-time entertainment is coming to Kwajalein in April and May, including the band Everythings, featuring its 1998 breakthrough album, "Super Natural," which has sold about 250,000 albums to date, and includes the song, "Hooch."

"They are considered to be a celebrity band," said Steve Snider, Community Activities superintendent of Entertainment Services.

The group has toured with such big-name bands as The Barenaked Ladies, Goo Goo Dolls and Dave Matthews Band.

The band is not resting on its laurels, however. Everything is scheduled to release its fifth album, "The New One," in July.

The band is scheduled to play Gilligan's May 2, beginning at 7 p.m. An Emon Beach concert will follow May 3 at 5:30 p.m.

There won't be a Roi-Namur show, but Karin Robas, Roi Community Activities superintendent, said there will be special planes to get Roi residents to and from Kwaj.

"We always try to send [the acts] to Roi, but because of the very, very tight schedule, we just don't have the time," Snider said.

A tight schedule is also responsible for a one-night-only comedy show 7

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## Former Kwaj kid lost at sea survives

From staff reports

A former Kwaj kid survived a day drifting alone at sea before he was able to swim back to shore at Mokuleia Beach Park on Oahu, Hawaii.

Michael Splittstoesser, a 1985 graduate of Kwajalein High School, found himself adrift in sea swells after he emerged from a dive off of Kaena Point and his boat was gone, according to an April 9 story in the *Honolulu Star-Bulletin*.

The story said Splittstoesser, 33, was at sea for about 28 hours before he made it back to shore. He used his BCD, buoyancy compensator device,

to keep afloat most of that time before ditching it to make a swim to land.

"I just filled up the BC and floated," he told the *Star-Bulletin*. "I figured I had to wait till the following morning till someone would come get me."

Attempts to reach Splittstoesser from Kwaj were not immediately successful.

Resident Simone Smead, who knew Splittstoesser for about 10 years when the two were children on Kwaj, said she believed his love of the water saved his life.

"What helped him out was growing up on Kwaj," Smead said.

**Editorial**

# Loss of a child leaves many questions unanswered

... for Lizzie, Becky, Roy, Jamie, Matt...  
...for all the children

April is the Month of the Military Child.

A few years ago, a Fort Sam Houston (Texas) family's little girl lost her big fight against bone cancer. Hers was a short life of long hospital stays with bone marrow transplants, radiation and chemotherapy.

I've never lost a child but I can only imagine that there is nothing in life to prepare a parent for that loss. My sons tower over me now and jokingly mock me when I remind them to honor their mother (or I'll whack them with my walker someday!).

My sons have grown up and grown away from me, but that's what chil-



dren do. They grow and go, and I miss mine ... all the time.

"Our children come through us, but they are not ours to keep. They belong to life itself. We can give them our love, but they have their own thoughts. We can shelter their bodies, but their souls belong to tomorrow.

"We are only bows from which our children go forth as arrows."

Kahlil Gibran wrote that. I wish I had.

Nature asks the young to bury the old. Nothing prepares us for the reverse.

Nothing could prepare military neighbors at Fort Devens, Mass., for the cruel, fatal illness that slowly stole their little Becky's energy to fight.

Nor could any of us foresee the tragic accident that claimed another Army son's entire future just as it

was about to begin — the night of his high school graduation.

My sister-in-law waited a lifetime and nine months to bring a baby home from the hospital. Ten weeks later, in the early morning light, an ugly crib death took her daughter.

... Denise, one of twins. Tiny, fair Dionne. Tall, healthy Matt who took his life at the age of 22.

Nothing prepares mothers and fathers for this. Nothing.

When the unthinkable happens, where do they get the courage to go on? Do they already possess it, or is it doled out with each day? How much of the pain can they share with family and friends? Why doesn't the pleasure they're given from their other children somehow fill the emptiness? Do they turn within themselves, or simply turn away?

And, how do they tell others they still want to talk about their child; to say and hear his or her name ... even years later?

Maybe we learn to accept the seasons of the heart just as we accept the seasons of the year. Perhaps joy is a relative term; that it cannot be fully appreciated without first knowing sorrow intimately.

Perhaps.

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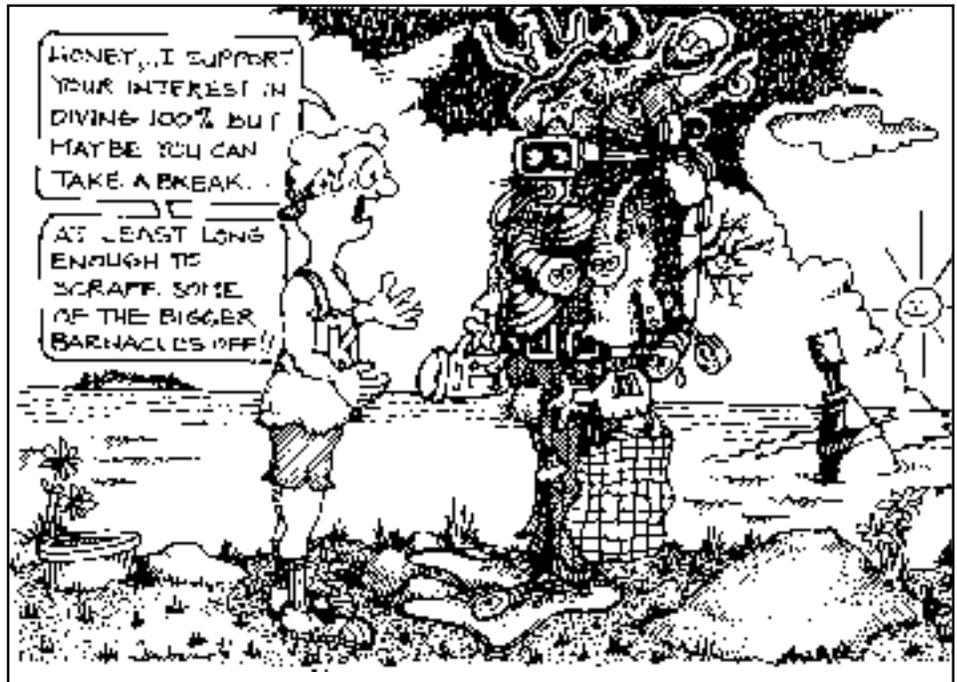
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## Jest for Fun

By Ron Tsubamoto



## CWF auction to benefit Christmas drop, sponsor speakers

By **Barbara Johnson**  
*Feature Writer*

Have you been dreaming about a sunset sail on the lagoon? A stay in a B&B on the big island of Hawaii? How about a personal trainer or someone to scan your photos and make you a custom CD slide show?

These and about 100 other services and items will be auctioned at the Christian Women's Fellowship Silent Auction Monday, beginning at 2:30 p.m. in the MP room. The event will last until 5 p.m.

"The Silent Auction promises to be a big event," said June Foltz, event chairman and president of CWF.

Contributions for the auction were received from members and nonmembers, including cash donations to help with the event.

"People are very generous," Foltz said.

It's a good idea to come at the beginning of the auction, she said, explaining that inexpensive items, most valued under \$10, such as espresso coffee beans, wrapping paper,

and used books, will be sold on a cash-and-carry basis, and the best items will go fast.

Early in the afternoon, bidders can begin bidding on items and enjoy refreshments, including cotton candy, cappuccino and free chips and salsa.

Residents donated a wide variety of items to be auctioned: food, flowers, jewelry, clothing, services, art, lessons, outings and more.

Among the art works waiting for the highest bidder will be a framed photo of the green flash, a stained glass piece in cobalt blue by Maggie Fuller, four of Linda Wade's prints, a Kwajalein sketch by Eileen Carson and a pencil-colored black and white photo by Tamera Wilcox.

Services include a guided tour of Roi radars for eight, a sunset cruise on Mike Cheatham's boat, a guided tour of Ebeye, a home-sewn outfit, maid service and yard work.

John Tompkins donated a bowling party for ten, and Pat Savage and Elaine Hol-

land donated one of their popular high teas. Other residents donated scuba, swimming, sewing and piano lessons. A Noah's Ark sampler by designer Teresa Wentzler includes instructions, materials and even the teacher.

At a silent auction, items are either displayed or described on a card, accompanied by a bid sheet. The first bidder writes his or her name and bid amount on the first line, and each succeeding bidder adds his name and a higher amount on the line below the last bid. The items will have at least a \$10 minimum bid.

When time is called, the person whose name is at the bottom, with the highest bid, wins the item. The highest bidder must be present at the auction to win.

The Rev. John Dorr, Protestant chaplain, will serve as emcee for the event and will announce door prize winners every 15 minutes.

CWF is a nondenominational Christian women's organization open to all

women on Kwaj and Roi. There are no membership fees, and meetings and events are open to any woman who wishes to attend.

CWF has sponsored Women's World Day of Prayer, weekly bible study groups, cultural exchanges and a Christian women's retreat with women from Majuro.

This is CWF's first auction. The group would like to use some of the proceeds to bring Cherith Rydbeck, missionary from Ecuador who visited last year, along with her husband, back to Kwajalein as a guest speaker, Foltz said. Last year Rydbeck was able to visit churches on Majuro, Ebeye and Third Island, as well as Kwajalein, and Foltz said it was a very important event for the people on those islands.

Proceeds from the auction will also be used for CWF projects such as the Carlson Christmas Drop, special speakers for retreats, child care for CWF events and to support other fellowship activities.



### The friendly skies

Aloha flight attendants and Marshallese dancers join with Iroij Michael Kabua (front) to welcome Aloha Vice President of Sales Daniel Gleason Tuesday night. The Hawaii-based carrier rolled into the terminal on its inaugural flight for additional service to the Kwajalein and Ebeye communities Tuesday. In addition to its Friday evening flight into Kwajalein and Saturday morning flight out to Majuro, Aloha now offers a Tuesday evening flight to Majuro and a Wednesday afternoon flight to Honolulu.

(Photo by Larry Allen)

## BQs to undergo periodic fire drills

### From staff reports

A change in an Army regulation regarding fire and emergency services will impact BQ residents and some TDY personnel.

To comply with National Fire Protection Association standards, the fire department will conduct fire exit drills at the BQs, according to Jerry Leverett, Kwajalein Fire Department assistant chief.

The change in regulation is a part of the Army's efforts to improve the quality of life and increase safety, fire department officials said.

The fire exit drills will be conducted at least twice per year per building. Leverett said the drills will not be overly disruptive, but will require everyone to exit the building until Fire, Safety and Housing personnel determine by a door-to-door check there is no one still inside.

Those who don't comply will get a letter further explaining their responsibilities. A second incident will result in a letter to the resident and his/her manager. A third incident will result in a letter to the commander.

Leverett said he does not know of any major BQ fires in the recent past. The last incident occurred in October at the Pacific BQ, when a TDY person left a piece of cloth over a lampshade while the light was still on.

"It smoked up the room pretty well," Leverett said, adding that damage was limited thanks to a quick response by fire department personnel.

BQs that have been renovated over the last several years were done so with the most current codes and standards. Each room is equipped with a smoke detector, and all of the most recently renovated buildings also have a sprinkler system.

Questions? Call assistant chief of Fire Prevention, Ken Riley, 52137.

## Kwajalein Jr./Sr. High School Honor Roll Third Quarter

### Grade 12

**High Honors** (3.67+) — Emily Baker, Danielle Bellknap, Emily Duncan, Christina Hamill, Jessica Jacobs, Susan Landgraff, David Paradise, Kristen Pichler, David Rehman, Keela Williams

**Honors** (3.50-3.66) — Floyd Corder, Giselle Gil

**Merit** (3.00-3.49) — Brendan Greene, Lynn Pippitt, Alicia Sowden

### Grade 11

**High Honors** (3.67+) — Sean Cummings, Katie DeLong, Anthony Desmarais, Jeremy Gideon, Austin Long, Spencer Mawhar, Grace Powell

**Honors** (3.50-3.66) — James Corder, Patricia Fritz, Burke Vinluan, Jennifer Westermann

**Merit** (3.00-3.49) — Jacqueline Butler, Labrok Lanej, Randy McKeen, Bethany Riley

### Grade 10

**High Honors** (3.67+) — Anna-Maria Alves, Eric Corder, Rachel Corrado, Nicole Dowsett, Nanelle Fellows, Gillian Godlewski, Megan Graham, Robert Hamill, Alicia Stoddard

**Honors** (3.50-3.66) — Eric Pichler  
**Merit** (3.00-3.49) — Patrick Casey, Tanner Duncan, Shaun MacDonald, John Shultz, Stephanie Winter

### Grade 9

**High Honors** (3.67+) — Sarah Alves, David Barbella, Tanya Corder, Stephanie Flavin, Kayla Hardin, Nathan Holzrichter, Jonathan Miller, Camilla Morrison, Christina

Padayhag

**Honors** (3.50-3.66) — Spencer Barrs, Jonathon Cassel

**Merit** (3.00-3.49) — Stephanie Hileman, Clifford Lamug, Shannon MacDonald, Monique Moreno, Anja Pierre-Mike, Daniel Razook, Patrick Riordan, Timothy Samuel, Robert Westermann

### Grade 8

**High Honors** (3.67+) — Jacob Baldassini, Stephanie Berling, Jessie Brown, Kevin Corrado, Leslie-Ana Curtiss, Richard Grant, Elizabeth Horner, Carol Ann McKeen, Marcy Peterson, Melissa Razook, Robert Schubach

**Honors** (3.50-3.66) — Alicia Fuller, Kealohaonalani Hall, James Jacobs, Ian Taylor

**Merit** (3.00-3.49) — David Frediani, Rudy Gil, Brandon Harville, Andrew Hedman, Brandon L'Esperance, Shem Livai, Anthony Poirier, Rory Scott

### Grade 7

**High Honors** (3.67+) — Emily Alves, Sara Barrs, Elizabeth Bouchard, Melissa Burt, Maxwell Cohen, Aaron Duncan, Sarah Holzrichter, Steven Shotts

**Honors** (3.50-3.66) — Ashley DeLong, Racheal Teagarden

**Merit** (3.00-3.49) — Lisa Barbella, Robyn Clark, Sean Corrado, Gary Hall, Kelly Hornbrook, Michelle Lopez, James Ouderkirk, Allison Peacock, Jeffrey Schilling, Mallory Smith

## Landgraff earns national scholarship award

### From Kwajalein High School

Graduating senior Susan Landgraff won a National Principal's Leadership Award scholarship sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

Earlier this year, Principal Stephen Howell selected Susan to represent the school in the competition.

"In 34 years as an educator, this is only the second student I have had the opportunity to congratulate as a national winner," Howell said, adding that both winners have been from Kwajalein High School.

Landgraff competed against more

than 7,500 school winners throughout the United States. She is one of just 150 national winners and will receive a scholarship award of \$1,000.

Nominees are selected based upon their leadership, their participation in service organizations, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experience, academic record and a written essay.

Landgraff, the daughter of Jim and Michelle Landgraff, has accepted admission to the University of California at Santa Barbara.

## YYWC sponsors teachers program ...

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"I wanted [the students] to see the possibilities. This situation is world's apart," Boucher said.

The group of student teachers and supervisors had a full schedule, with classroom observations in kindergarten through eighth grade, and at the Child Development Center. They also observed special music and computer classes. The visit included discussions with teachers, a visit to the library, tours and social activities, including bowling, breakfasts, lunches and a beach barbecue.

The visit ended at a lunch with Scarlett Scholte, where they discussed how to put what they had learned here to use in Majuro.

Debbie Mawhar, English as a Second Language teacher at Kwajalein schools, coordinated the classroom visits and tours and served as hostess to the group.

Sister Lois, on her first trip to Kwajalein, said she appreciated the chance for her student teachers to see some of the things that can be done and expressed her thanks to the women's club for helping make this visit possible.

Rosehanna Sawej, a special education teacher in Majuro, visited Gwendolyn Kelly's third-grade class Thursday morning. After walking around the class observing the colorful bulletin boards and taking notes, she remarked with enthusiasm that even with the limited resources on Majuro, "there's a lot we can do."

Boucher also commented on the value of observing discipline techniques. Speaking of one class she visited, she said, "Our teachers will observe how she handles discipline. It was beautifully organized." She added, "If they're not paying attention, they're not learning."

At a luncheon for staff and visitors Thursday, the student teachers spoke about what they had observed during the week. One thing they all noticed was how the classrooms were arranged and their colorful and educational



(Photo by Barbara Johnson)

**Rosehanna Sawej, special education teacher from Majuro, observes Gwendolyn Kelly's third-grade class during the Majuro student teachers' visit last week.**

bulletin boards. Another common observation was classroom discipline techniques.

Halley Lelwoj, who has been teaching for 10 years and is working on his degree, said it was useful to observe the classroom arrangements and ideas for group discipline, how to keep the room quiet.

Also noticing the bulletin boards was Jenkwan Rang, a fourth-grade teacher, who teaches full time at CMI's lab school.

"I'm really enjoying staying here and learning a lot," he said. "Sharing ideas helps the children." Rang talked about his first teaching job on Ebadon, where he taught 42 students ranging from first to eighth grade. Preparing lessons for all the students was difficult, he said.

Lanta Elbon is teaching first grade at Majuro, but has taught upper grades previously. She said the teachers here are well organized.

"If the teachers focus on teaching children, the children will learn," Elbon said with emphasis. "I really like the rooms, there are things to learn from the word walls."

The idea of the trip began, Boucher said, when she received an e-mail about another subject from

Cris Lindborg, whom she had never met. Boucher happened to mention that she had enjoyed her visits to the schools back in the '70s and wished she could revive them.

Lindborg passed the idea on to the Education and Assistance Committee of the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club, who agreed to sponsor the trip by paying for the group's airfare and lodging, and to superintendent of schools, Karen Ammann.

"The EAC is trying to help promote training for teachers in the classrooms," said Melissa Vessar, chairperson. "It was great to see one of our grants in action. The teachers really seemed to get a lot out of it."

"The value is in meeting people who are colleagues and have a chance to share what's going on in our classrooms with someone else," Ammann said. "Our teachers love to share. We don't have as many visitors as in the states."

And the Majuro teachers obviously benefitted from the sharing too. Sister Lois summed it up, "If we can get [the teachers] to see classrooms like this, they will know they exist."

## New books at Grace Sherwood Library



### McNaughton Fiction

*The Cross Country Quilters*  
by Jennifer Chiaverini  
*The Peppered Moth*  
by Margaret Drabble  
*The Parables of Joshua* by  
Joseph Girzone  
*Summer Island* by  
Kristin Hannah  
*Dreamcatcher* by  
Stephen King  
*The Serpent's Shadow* by  
Mercedes Lackey  
*The First Counsel* by  
Brad Meltzer  
*Potshot* by Robert B. Parker  
*The Villa* by Nora Roberts

### McNaughton Nonfiction

*Beatles Anthology*  
*Ultimate Journey* by  
Richard Bernstein  
*An Hour Before Daylight*  
by Jimmy Carter  
*An Invitation to the White*  
*House* by Hillary  
Rodham Clinton  
*Founding Brothers: Stories*  
*From the Early Republic*  
by Joseph Ellis  
*Guinness Book of World Records*  
*2001* by Guinness Books  
*Desktop Publishing* by  
Christopher Lumgair  
*To Touch a Wild Dolphin*  
by Rachel Smolker

### Regular Collection - Nonfiction

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*Home Plans*, Sunset, ed.

### Reference Collection

*The New York Times*  
*Almanac 2001*  
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by David Savageau  
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*World Almanac and*  
*Book of Facts 2001*

## USO comedy show April 18 kicks off month-long entertainment season ...

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p.m. Wednesday at the Richardson Theater. Snider said the outdoor venue will ensure everyone who wants to see the show can.

Again, special flights are being arranged for Roi residents, according to Robas.

The comedians, who have appeared on venues like The Tonight Show and Comedy Central, are Lisa Sundstedt, Spanky and Kevin Jordan.

**"I travel all over the world doing shows for my troops, anywhere they send my troops, I will go."**

Kevin Jordan  
Comedian

"I travel all over the world doing shows for my troops, anywhere they send my troops, I will go," Jordan said over e-mail.

Sodexo Marriott will be on hand serving "picnic basket" platters of cheese, cold chicken and other items, along with alcoholic beverages, including specialty wines.

The show is rated PG-13 and Snider said parents should be aware that the show is meant for an adult audience.

Coming later in May are the Field of Dreams Ghost Players. Founded in 1990 after the movie "Field of Dreams" put Dyersville, Iowa, on

the map, the Ghost Players are on their fifth overseas tour.

"We really enjoy doing these events and meeting all the great people in the communities," said Keith Rahe, Field of Dreams Ghost Players general manager.

There will be 15 players plus three support crew, Snider said. The schedule of events is still undecided, but there will be a game between the Dyersville natives and a team of Kwaj all-stars.

The Ghost Players are tentatively scheduled to be here May 11-15.

One show that's not coming this year is the Harlem Ambassadors, a group that performs basketball acrobatics similar to that of the Harlem Globetrotters. The show had been tentatively scheduled for the end of May, but Snider said logistically it wasn't possible.

All three shows are being brought to Kwajalein by the United Services Organization. Sponsors include Department of Defense, Armed Forces Entertainment, AT&T, USAA, Glaxo-SmithKline, BAE Systems and Yahoo!.

## Roi community celebrates wedding ...

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guage during the ceremony while it was being videotaped. The tape will be sent home to Drabek's family and friends, who are also hearing impaired.

After the ceremony, everyone moved to the Scuba Shack, where refreshments were served while Mike Donohue provided the entertainment as he played his bagpipe.

The newlyweds left in a cart decorated with ribbons and bows, and a string of empty cans clattered behind them. Well-wishers followed them to the Outrigger Club, where the celebration continued.

Later the bride and groom had their first dance together as man and wife. They danced to a romantic ballad by MC Potts, a singer who was recently a guest entertainer for the residents on Kwaj and Roi.

Karin Robas caught the bridal bouquet, and the bachelors attached a symbolical ball and chain to Drabek's ankle. Drabek didn't let the ball weigh him down, as he spent the rest of the time clanking around on the dance floor.

For a photographic look at the wedding, check out Richard Brook's website at [www.roi-rat.com](http://www.roi-rat.com).

# Majuro club defends title against KTC

By Bruce Sinkula  
Sports Writer

Big numbers equaled a big win for the largest contingent of Majuro Tennis Club members to travel to Kwajalein for the Micronesian Cup Tennis Tournament.

MTC brought 42 players here last weekend to compete in the ninth annual tournament. The MTC successfully defended the cup by winning 32 matches to Kwajalein Tennis Club's 27.

Friday night representatives from both tennis clubs set out to schedule the nearly 70 adult and junior matches. The objective was to match up participants of comparable skill level, according to Rich Sasiela, KTC president.

"The main goal is to enjoy each other and enjoy the tennis," he added.

Play began early Saturday morning, with official opening ceremonies held at the Koenig/Jabar tennis courts that evening.

Each match was a one-set affair. Men's matches were played until a player, or a doubles team, won eight games. The women and juniors played the conventional six-game set.

The Majuro junior tennis players regained their Micronesian Cup from their Kwajalein opponents by winning six matches to four. The junior tennis tournament featured several close matches, some of which headed to a tiebreaking game to be decided.

The logistics of holding such a tournament are almost as challenging as the matches themselves: The actual date for the annual event wasn't finalized until less than a month ago.

"In mid-March, USAKA approved the use of one 1900D aircraft," Sasiela said, adding that there was a lot to do in such a short time.

Like choosing a weekend for the tournament. Last weekend was se-



(Photo by Bruce Sinkula)

**KTC player Laptok Langrus serves during a doubles match in Micronesian Cup action Sunday. Langrus, and his playing partner, Brian Berlind, won their match eight games to four. However, the Majuro Tennis Club went on to retain the Micronesian Cup.**

lected after coordination with the MTC.

The smaller capacity USAKA aircraft, compared to the former Dash-7s, also presented a challenge. But Sasiela said the expanded Aloha Airlines flight schedule helped take care of the record number of off-island participants.

About two dozen Majuro tennis players arrived here Friday night via Aloha Airlines, with the remainder traveling to Kwajalein late Saturday morning on a special USAKA flight.

After play concluded early Sunday night, it was off to the Yokwe Yuk Club for the banquet and awards ceremony. The Micronesian Cup trophy was presented to MTC president Wally Milne on behalf of his team. It is the fourth year in a row that MTC has won the cup.

"Everyone has been very nice and friendly," Milne said. "I would also like to thank the commander and the KTC for hosting us. And we extend an invitation to the KTC to come to Majuro next year."

# Kwaj hoopsters dominate RMI teams in Majuro

By Bruce Sinkula  
Sports Writer

The Kwajalein High School boys and girls basketball teams traveled to Majuro, dominating a weekend tournament that saw both teams sweep the competition away in two games each.

It was the third year in a row the boys team has traveled to Majuro, according to Floyd Corder.

"Most of them were used to the experience," Corder said. It was the first trip to Majuro for the girls.

The teams raised money to help defray the cost of traveling to Majuro. "The girls would really like to thank the whole community," said a grateful coach Tahara Moreno. "They supported us 100 percent and the girls played hard."

The Spartan girls team defeated the RMI all-stars in games played Saturday night, 49-23, and Monday morning, 51-28. Despite the scores, "they were a tough two games," Moreno said.

The Spartan boys team took on the RMI high school champions, Assumption High, on Saturday night and defeated them 86-62. On Monday, the opponent was an all-star team assembled from the best RMI high school teams. The Spartan boys triumphed again, 81-71.

"I was a little worried because their season has just ended and ours just started," Corder said.

All the games were played under international basketball rules. The games were also broadcast on local television and radio on Majuro, according to Moreno.

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# Donovan wins Larry Kalawe memorial golf tourney

**By Carol Sword**  
Contributing Writer

Pat Donovan won the sixth annual Larry Kalawe Memorial Golf Tournament April 8 at Roi-Namur.

Donovan, who works at Roi Telemetry, won the tournament with 54 points in the Stableford format.

"It was a great day for golf. I had a lot of fun," said Donovan, who won both the front nine and the overall points.

Larry Roberts, Roi-Namur Country Club president, won the men's long drive.

"Everyone had a good time for a good cause in the memory of Larry Kalawe," Roberts said. "We appreciate the Kwaj folks coming to Roi. They made up half of the 50 players who participated today."

It was a battle for the women's long

drive between Shirley Smith and Nid Sponseller. Sponseller won.

"I was lucky with the wind," said Sponseller, who also won the tournament in 1999.

"Roi was blessed with recent rain, so the course was nice and green," Smith added.

Andy Frase, who recently shot a hole-in-one on Kwaj, was the closest to the pin in one shot at 181 inches on hole number ten.

"The tournament was a suc-

cess because it was a community effort," Frase said.

"It was a nice tournament" said Willie Ng, who won the back nine and was the co-winner with Lloyd Jordan

in last year's event.

"This is a tournament for charity," explained Dale Sponseller, Roi-Namur Country Club treasurer. "Nearly \$2,000 was raised. All the proceeds will be donated to the Kwaj Shrine Club in the name of Larry Kalawe."

Mark Grode, a previous winner in 1997, played his last game on Roi because he will be PCSing in less than a week.

"I'll miss beating Kwaj in the Atoll Cup next year," Grode said. With those departing words, he left to play one more hole before packing his clubs for their final shipment home.

Roi-Namur has hosted two major tournaments this year. The sixth annual Atoll Cup was played on Roi in January. Roi won the Atoll Cup, 10-6, evening up the Cup series at three a piece.



Larry Kalawe



Pat Donovan

## Sports Briefs

Deenju won the **Women's B Division Softball championship**, two games to one, by thrashing the Scrubs, 25-5, Friday night. Much like their game one victory, Deenju raced out to a huge early lead, scoring 13 runs while blanking the Scrubs over the first three innings. They never looked back. Softball season returns again in September.

The **Kwajalein Golf Association April Fun Tournament** is April 23, with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Participants should be at the course by 9:30 a.m. to pay the entry fee and purchase mulligans.

The format is a nine-hole scramble, with three-person teams, and the course will be set up backwards. Each team will have to use at least two drives from each player.

Entry fee is \$20 per person for KGA members and \$30 for non-members. Mulligans will be sold at \$5 each, with a limit of two per

person.

Handicaps are based on 20 percent of lowest nine-hole handicap and 15 percent of each of the other team members.

To sign up, call Flynn Gideon at 54168 or e-mail at [thegideons@hotmail.com](mailto:thegideons@hotmail.com). Those without a team will be put together to form additional teams if necessary.

The **2001 Rustman Triathlon** is April 30. Information packs, including registration forms, are posted on the mini-mall bulletin board.

Registration deadline is Thursday, April 26.

This is the 22nd annual Kwajalein triathlon, sponsored by the Kwajalein Running Club.

Those interested in helping conduct the race can call Bob or Jane Sholar at 51815.

Call the Sports Hotline at 54190 for an update on game schedules, officials and scorekeepers.

## Adult Basketball Schedule

### Saturday, April 14

5 p.m. .... Blood Brothers/Mandamus II  
6 p.m. .... Calvary Boys/Supply System  
7 p.m. .... Stubbies/Navigators  
8 p.m. .... Earth Pigs/SPI Boys

### Monday, April 16

5 p.m. .... En Jab Rub/SP Red  
6 p.m. .... Mandamus II/Wong-Ho  
7 p.m. .... Group 4/Nameless  
8 p.m. .... Earth Pigs/Mavericks

### Tuesday, April 17

5 p.m. .... Island Girls/Lady Doves  
6 p.m. .... WD 40/SP II Girls  
7 p.m. .... Kaurur JaJa/Blood Brothers  
8 p.m. .... SPI Boys/Primetime

### Wednesday, April 18

5 p.m. .... Wind-Ed/SP III Girls  
6 p.m. .... LDS Men/SP Blue  
7 p.m. .... Navigators/HB Monnin

### Thursday, April 19

5 p.m. .... QP Men II/Mosey  
6 p.m. .... SP I Girls/Island Girls  
7 p.m. .... Brickdaddies/QP Boys  
8 p.m. .... Earth Pigs/SP I Boys

### Friday, April 20

5 p.m. .... Fikima/SP II Girls  
6 p.m. .... Kaurur JaJa/Mandamus II  
7 p.m. .... Stubbies/CMI Boys  
8 p.m. .... Mavericks/Primetime

## Water Polo Schedule

### Tuesday, April 17

6 p.m. .... Marco/Foul Play  
7 p.m. .... Chargogg/Stingrays  
8 p.m. .... Undertow/The Inebriators

### Thursday, April 19

6 p.m. .... Foul Play/The Inebriators  
7 p.m. .... Stingrays/Marco

**Classified Ads and Community Notices**

**CAFÉ PACIFIC**



**Lunch**  
Sat

Tofu vegetable stir-fry ★  
Chicken teriyaki  
Beef empanadas  
Grill: Italian meatball sandwich

Sun  
Mon

**SPECIAL EASTER BRUNCH**  
Brunch station open ★  
Spaghetti and meat sauce  
Savory beef brisket

Tues

Mahi mahi steaks ★  
Beef with broccoli  
Lemon-glazed chicken  
Grill: Bacon and Swiss sandwich

Wed

Top-your-own taco bar ★  
Barbecued ribs  
Beef empanadas  
Grill: Barbecued pork sandwich

Thur

Sesame tofu with vegetables ★  
Country-fried chicken  
Pork Rio Grandé  
Grill: Reuben sandwich

Fri

Vegetable lo mein ★  
Homestyle meat loaf  
Fish and chips  
Grill: Western beef

★ **This symbol denotes the Wellness menu**

**Dinner**

Tonight

Shoyu ginger mahi mahi ★  
Chicken fingers with sauce  
Beef and broccoli stir-fry  
Vegetarian chili ★

Sat

Salisbury steak with gravy  
Ham and noodles au gratin

Sun

Stir-fry to order ★  
Spicy Oriental noodles  
Sesame ginger snapper

Mon

Eggplant casserole ★  
Yankee pot roast

Tues

Turkey a la king with biscuits  
Pasta primavera ★  
Chicken curry

Wed

Tender-fried pork chop  
Penne a la marinara ★  
Prime rib and garlic bread

Thur

Teriyaki chicken  
Chili relleno casserole ★  
Cajun-style chicken  
Korean short ribs

**HELP WANTED**

**The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Andrea, 53705.**

**BOTANIST.** Part time. Seeking individual with Bachelor of Science in botany, biology or related field. Responsibilities include determining requirements for maintenance of Kwajalein Public Gardens, plant care and maintenance tasks, coordinating and directing employee and volunteer projects within Kwajalein Public Gardens, species identification and diversification of Kwajalein species with native species from other islands, coordinating solicitation of volunteer help and planting vegetation within various Kwajalein landscaping projects, maintaining records to reflect work accomplished and other duties as assigned.

**SENIOR ACCOUNTING CLERK.** Full time. Responsible for processing payments and cashing checks for customers, entering data into Oracle, issuing TA tickets for travel to Roi, daily bank deposit, deposit reconciliation, assisting with end-of-month closing procedures for cash office and serving customers on a daily basis. Requires excellent communication and customer-service skills as well as accuracy and attention to detail. Computer experience preferred.

APPLICATIONS are now being accepted for the Raytheon Summer Employment Program. We are seeking individuals who enjoy working with children and can help provide a safe, fun learning environment. Adults and students are encouraged to apply. Applications will be accepted through May 15. Applicants selected will be required to support the Summer Fun program as instructors or recreation aides. First session begins June 12. Applicants may be required to undergo a criminal history background check. Applications can be picked up at the Raytheon Human Resources Office in Building 700. Applicants will be required to fill out a supplemental questionnaire. For more information on the Summer Employment Program, call Andrea, 53705.

**Raytheon off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.**

**WANTED**

PATIO COVER for 400-series house. Call 54641.

BIKE TRAILER of any type and set of womens golf clubs. Call 51091.

**LOST**

KALLOY SCOOTER with green wheels. Call 52517.

HOMEMADE twin-bed quilt with airplanes at church retreat in Religious Education Building. Call 54364.

**FOUND**

CHILD'S BINOCULARS at elementary school playground. Call 52276.

TYR GOGGLES with blue lenses and blue plastic scoop toy at Emon Beach. Call 52663.

**PATIO SALES**

MONDAY, 6:30-10:30 a.m., Qtrs. 124-A. PCS sale. Ten years of stuff, all must go.

MONDAY, 7-10 a.m., Qtrs. 495-A. PCS sale. Household items, teen and adult clothing, furniture, tools, waveboard.

MONDAY, 8-10 a.m., Qtrs. 125-B. PCS sale. Children's clothes, videos, household items. No early birds.

**FOR SALE**

PCS PLANT SALE: Former Quarters of the Quarter plants, all must go; metal bike cart, \$125; kayak, \$350; 8' x 8' and 4' x 9' patio decks; queen-size mattress, available May 10. Call Toni, 54698 evenings.

21' YAMAHA powerboat with 115 hp outboard and 8 hp kicker, center-console style with small cabin in front, runs great, needs nothing, good boat for fishing, diving or water skiing, includes boat house No. 300, over \$12,500 invested, will sell for \$10,500. Call 53070.

**Easter brunch  
at Café Pacific**

Sunday, April 15,  
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Carved steamship round  
Honey baked ham  
Egg and omelette station

**\$14.95 per person**



**Classified Ads and Community Notices**

**Small Arms Range Notice**

The small arms range will be in operation Wednesday, April 18, 8 a.m.-noon. Avoid the hazard area shown below. All watercraft observe the red flags on the southwest end of the island.



**SCUBA TANKS:** two U.S. Diver HP 3500 steel 80 CF and one U.S. Diver HP 3500 steel 105 CF, for sale separately or together. Call 52450.

**BIKES:** 24" Kwaj-condition and 20" boys bike, used but not bad condition, \$10 each. Call 52415.

**PCS SALE.** Fence and window blinds for 400-series house. Call Sgt. Gutierrez, 53461/53424W or 53731H.

"KIMO SABE." 25' center-console, direct-drive powerboat with 351 cubic inch Ford engine, includes aluminum trailer, covered lot and boat shack with all the necessities to fish or dive, great Mother's Day gift. Call Jim, 51494.

**PC COMPUTER games:** *Thief, Starship Titanic, Tibetan Sun, 12 O'Clock High, Deus Ex, Symbiocom, Magic and Mayhem, Shadow Watch, Mummy, Starcraft*, \$10 each. Call 52161.

**MICROWAVE OVEN,** \$150; toaster oven,

\$40; two wood file cabinets, \$25 each; kitchen dinette set table with four cloth-covered chairs with wheels; aluminum bike, \$50; computer desk, \$50; Sony 50+1 CD player, \$275; JVC stereo VCR, \$175; large beige recliner, \$200; La-Z-Boy recliner, blue, \$175. Call 52312H or 56303 or 56712W.

**BERBER CARPET** for 200-series house; aluminum charcoal grill, \$30; inflatable boat, \$20; Infinity minuet 5 speakers with 50-watt subwoofers, \$500; Sony TR 81 camcorder, Ikelite underwater housing, Sony Sport weather housing, all just \$750; super fast skateboard, \$30; JVC 31" TV, \$400; desk, \$300; 8' bookshelf, \$150; pond with fountain, \$100. Call 52602.

**TWO GIRLS** Speedo bathing suits, size 30, new. Call Erica, 52527.

**GARMIN E-Trex** global positioning satellite unit, new, used twice, great to get you to dive sites, \$100 firm. Call Drew, 51161.

**STAIR-STEPPER** and foosball table, both in good condition, \$50 each or best offer. Call 52439.

**HOOVERMACH 2.1** Wind Tunnel vacuum/carpet sweeper, with attachments. \$75. Call 51038 after 4 p.m.

**FAX MACHINE** with extra paper, \$30; mens dive gear: BCD, XL, weight belt and weights, regulator, in great condition, \$200; two ceiling fans, new, still in box, \$40; 9°-13°-19° Olimar tri-metal woods, graphite shafts, with head covers, \$200; golf bag pull cart, \$30; AT&T answering machine, \$20. Call John, 51130.

**18' RUBBER BOAT** with boat lot (No. 50 by roundhouse with power and water) and boat

**Propane tanks, purged or brand new, are no longer authorized to be shipped along with household goods. Questions? Call the Transportation Office, 52101.**

house. Call 54489.

1989 YAMAHA 150 hp twin outboard engines, one counter-rotating, SS props, remote control cabling, some new parts, both run with good compression, one has starter mount problem. See at boat lot No. 6 or call Scott, 52774.

**GE DISHWASHER,** portable, 2½ years old, works great, \$150; 12' x 15' area rug, cut to fit right side units of 400-series two-bedroom housing, \$25; two brown staircase runners, \$10 each; assorted sheer curtains, tension rods and homemade valances, various prices; two 38½" blue vinyl blinds, \$2 each. All available the end of April. Call 52793.

**CORDLESS TELEPHONE,** \$15; 18 feet of 1" x 12" shelving wood with four angle brackets, \$35. Call 58954.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**NATIONAL INFANT Immunization Week.** The hospital outpatient nursing staff invites parents to bring their child's (infant through high school age) immunization records to the hospital April 24-28, 1:30-4 p.m., and they will update them and inform you of any immunizations needed.

**BOWLING CENTER** will be closed Saturday, April 28, 6-10 p.m., due to high school activities. Questions? Call Ramton, 53320.

**THERE WILL** be a poetry reading by local island authors Saturday, April 28, 7 p.m., in CAC Room 7. Attendance is free and includes refreshments. Children are welcome and invited to read their poetry. If you would

**Ballroom Dinner/Dance**

**Tickets for the Ballroom Dinner/Dance April 22 are going fast!**

**Get yours and support the stage band.**

**Call Nate, 53578, Cris, 52935, or Dick, 51684.**

**Why OPSEC?**

Our adversaries have developed methods of collecting valuable information about USAKA/KMR activities and operations. OPSEC is used to counter agents in their efforts to determine our weaknesses and vulnerabilities.

**Classified Ads and Community Notices**

**"The Rock Slinger  
and His Greatest Hits"**



**A musical drama presented  
by the third and sixth  
grade children of the chapel  
Sunday, April 22, 10:45 a.m.  
Questions? Call 53505.**

like to participate, call Eileen, 52244 evenings or weekends.

HOLMBERG FAIRWAYS Golf Course will be closed for tee-times Monday, April 23, 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., in support of the KGA-sponsored fun tournament. Questions? Call Community Activities, 53331.

APRIL HOMESCHOOL assembly is tomorrow, 2:30 p.m., in CRC Room 6. Come prepared with your presentations and to participate in Earth Day activities. Questions?

**Easter egg hunt**



**Sunday, 4 p.m.,  
at  
Richardson  
Theater**

**For children  
up through  
sixth  
grade**

**Bring your  
basket!**

**Questions? Call Amber, 53331**

**Follow The  
Bunny Trail**

**Ahoy me hearties!**

If it's a seafarin' lad or lass yer wantin' ta be, go to the boatin' orientation May 2-3, 6-8 p.m., in CAC Room 1. \$20 is ta' be paid and ya' need to be goin' both nights. Sign up at Small Boat Marina or Community Activities. Questions? Call 53643.



tions? Call Erica, 52527.

GEORGE SEITZ PTO will meet Thursday, 7 p.m., in the elementary school music room.

JOIN US in wishing Bob and Kathy Valencia a fond farewell April 22, 6:30 p.m., at the country club pavilion. \$12 per person for a Santa Maria-style barbecue. RSVP by tomorrow to Darlene, 51517.

MASONIC FELLOWSHIP meets Wednesday, April 18, 7 p.m., in the Yokwe Yuk Club Kabua room. For more information, call Bob Hatcher, 53279.

HIGH SCHOOL art show and recital is May 3, 6-8:30 p.m., in the MP room.

TEXAS AGGIE muster is Saturday, April 21. If you would like to attend, call Lou Askew, 52194W or 52208H, by tomorrow.

SCHOOL ADVISORY Council will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday, 7 p.m., in the elementary school music room. Action items will be the science and computer curricula. Public is invited.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT Center is offering a two-day workshop on mother's helper for children age nine and older planning to assist mothers at home, April 17-18, 3:30-4:30 p.m., at the CDC. Workshop will be conducted by Angie Dampier and Kris Brown. Sign up by tomorrow at Community Education, 51078.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT Center is offering a home alone workshop April 17, 7 p.m., at the CDC, for children age nine or older by September. Parents and students both must attend. Workshop will be conducted by Angie Dampier and Kris Brown. Sign up at Community Education, 51078.

USAKA PARALEGAL Ms. Standifer will be on Roi-Namur tomorrow 9:15-11 a.m. To make an appointment for legal assistance, call 51431.

SCRAPBOOKING extravaganza is Monday, April 23, noon-6 p.m., in the Religious Education Building. Join us for an afternoon (for one hour or six hours) to work on your albums or just to see what scrapbooking is all about. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Questions? Call Mary, 52793.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL art show will be April 28, 6-8 p.m., in the MP room. Come see the funky, fantastic student art work.



**A Silent Auction**

**Sponsored by  
Christian Women's Fellowship**

**Monday, 2:30-5 p.m.,  
in the MP room**

**Questions? Call Amy, 42681**

**See you at the movies!**

**Saturday**

**How the Grinch Stole Christmas (PG, New Release)**

Ron Howard directed this live-action adaptation of Dr. Seuss' classic yuletide story. The reclusive Grinch, shunned from Whoville years ago because of his horrid appearance, seeks revenge against his former neighbors. His scheme is simple: With the help of his dog, Max, the Grinch will steal Christmas, pilfering every last present, tree and decoration. (Jim Carrey; Anthony Hopkins narrates) (105 minutes)  
*Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.*

**Duets (R, New Release)**

The lives of six characters intersect as they each move closer to their destiny at the national karaoke final in Omaha in this road comedy with music. (Huey Lewis, Gwyneth Paltrow, Paul Giamatti) (112 minutes)  
*Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.*

**Best in Show (PG-13, New Release)**

This semi-improvised comedy from Christopher Guest casts a satirical gaze on the world of championship dog breeding and training, as a television crew is on hand to document the prestigious Mayflower Kennel Club Dog Show. Competition is fierce and funny among the canine devotees. (Eugene Levy, Michael McKean, Ed Begley Jr.) (90 minutes)  
*Tradewinds Theater, 8 p.m.*

**Sunday**

**Best in Show (PG-13, New Release)**

*Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.*

**Duets (R, New Release)**

*Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.*

**How the Grinch Stole Christmas (PG, New Release)**

*Tradewinds Theater, 9:30 p.m.*

**Monday**

**How the Grinch Stole Christmas (PG, New Release)**

*Richardson Theater 7:30 p.m.*

**Duets (R, New Release)**

*Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.*

**What's playing?  
Call the Movie Hotline, 52700.**

**Roi couple tie knot**

**By Carol Sword**

*Contributing Writer*

The only April showers last Monday morning on Roi were showers of blessings when Tom Drabek and Christy Pappas tied the knot.

Drabek, a senior transmitter at MMW, met his bride in California after he left Roi more than two years ago. When he returned for a second tour, she joined him, working as a recreation coordinator for Roi Community Activities.

"Roi's such a beautiful place that I can't believe Tom ever left it," Pappas said.

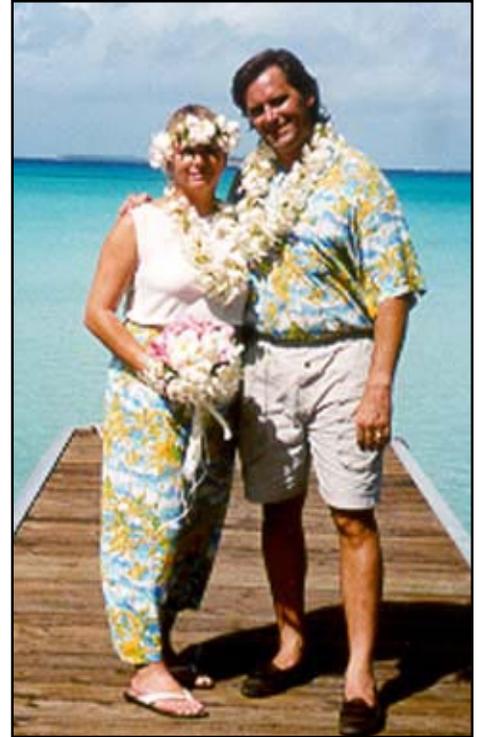
"I needed someone to share the beauty with me," Drabek said. "Now that I've found her, Roi is truly a paradise."

The wedding ceremony took place at Sally Point, where the bride and groom were wedded barefoot on the beach with water lapping at their toes. The bride wore a tropical print skirt and the groom had a matching shirt. Members of the wedding party were draped with leis made by residents of Enniburr island.

"Everyone pitched in and helped with the wedding preparations," Pappas said.

Carol Golby-Saunders, an ordained minister of Universal Life Church, officiated the ceremony.

Golby-Saunders' husband, Dave Saunders, made the two wedding bands. Saunders, who is a gold and silversmith, enhanced the circumference of the groom's band with curls of ocean waves.



*(Photo by Carol Sword)*

**Roi residents Tom Drabek and Christy Pappas wed Monday on Roi.**

"I brought Tom's idea from concept to gold," Saunders said.

Rick Schweiger acted as best man, and the groomsmen were Jim Corbett, Steve Yocum, Steve Alves and Bill Kostka. Debbie Corbett was maid of honor, and the bridesmaids were Karin Robas and Laurel Cote. Ted Burris and Herb Harris escorted the bride down the beach and gave her away.

Drabek, who is hearing impaired, asked Sheri Howard to use sign lan-

*(See ROI, page 6)*

**WEATHER**  
Courtesy of Aeromet



**Sun • Moon • Tides**



**Tonight:** Partly cloudy with isolated showers.  
**Winds:** East-northeast to east at 8 to 12 knots.  
**Tomorrow:** Chance of showers.  
**Winds:** East-northeast to east-southeast at 8 to 12 knots.  
**Temperature:** Tonight's low 79°  
Tomorrow's high 87°  
**April rain total:** 1.12"  
**Annual rain total:** 7.53"  
**Annual deviation:** -7.13"  
*Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.*

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Saturday April 14	0640/1859	/1130	0728, 4.7' 1939, 3.6'	0058, 1.7' 1400, 2.1'
Sunday April 15	0640/1859	0027/1220	0809, 4.3' 2034, 3.2'	0122, 2.2' 1508, 2.5'
Monday April 16	0639/1859	0116/1310 <b>Last Qtr moon</b>	0937, 3.8'	0153, 2.7' 1824, 2.6'
Tuesday April 17	0639/1859	0203/1359	0120, 3.1' 1235, 3.9'	0542, 3.0' 1946, 2.2'