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Reef opens

Residents to begin moving in mid-April

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

It's been about 16 months since resident Marvin Ross lived in the Reef BQ. That's about to change.

Flashing big, shiny scissors in the mid-morning sun, Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA/KMR commander, and a handful of other dignitaries cut through the ceremonial red ribbon Friday, opening the Reef for business.

"It's beautiful. I love it," Ross said after touring a first-floor wing of the renovated facility.

Ross and 87 other USAKA residents will begin moving into the Reef later this month. First, new refrigerators must be installed and the original furnishings moved back in.

"It is all assigned," said Sabrina Mumma, RSE Organization Housing representative. "There should be many smiling faces on this island."

Mumma said that with the completion of the Reef, there's only a handful of permanent residents remain-



(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Bert Godlewski and his visiting niece, Katie Patlan, look over room 129 at the Reef BQ, where a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held Friday morning. The 88 rooms are already assigned and will start to fill this month.

ing in the Pacific BQ — all smokers. The Reef BQ is a non-smoking building.

Demolition work to prepare the building for renovation began in December 1999, two months after the contract with San Juan Construc-

tion Co. was awarded. By February of last year, 54 Marshallese and American workers were turning the 1961 building into a modern facility, with 300-square-foot rooms that included private bathrooms. There are

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Uncertainty over airlines, economy slows travel

By Barbara Johnson
Feature Writer

With news of foot-and-mouth disease in Great Britain, threats of airline strikes in the U.S., an ailing stock market and other uncertainties about the future, people may be wondering if this summer is a good time to take a trip.

All one has to do these days is watch the news or read a newspaper, and the excitement of planning a summer trip may turn to dreams of staying safely at home.

"We start booking in late

January for the summer, and this year has been really slow," said Yvonne Duarte, manager at Continental Travel. "A lot of factors are causing this."

Delta, United, American, Southwest and Northwest airlines all have talked about strikes, which could lead to turbulence on the ground at the airport rather than in the air. And strikes during the busy travel season would cause a bigger disruption.

"Nobody wants to be stranded, and we hope the strike situation will be

taken care of by summer," Duarte said.

Travel industry experts are advising travelers to book early and have an alternate plan. It all begins with planning ahead, they say. Some agents are advising travelers to purchase paper instead of electronic tickets, as well, because e-tickets cannot be verified in another carrier's computer system: Time would have to be spent in line getting a paper ticket and then in another line booking a flight when changing carriers.

However, a printout of the invoice for an e-ticket works the same way as a paper ticket if you need to change airlines, Duarte said. She recommends having the travel agent send a fax of the invoice, if electronic ticketing by phone. She said, in case of a strike, the striking airline will endorse the ticket or invoice over to another carrier.

"People want to see things in hand; they're not used to [e-ticketing]," Duarte said, adding, "Electronic ticketing is really good. It saves a

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LaMille unlocking his future with chosen career path

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

Three years ago, when carpenter Barry LaMille saw a job opening for an apprentice locksmith with Raytheon, he knew that no one on Ebeye was trained for the job. Last Saturday, LaMille was promoted from Locksmith II to Locksmith I, well on his way to becoming a certified registered locksmith.

"I knew that nobody out here knows that kind of work," LaMille said.

LaMille works in the field eight hours a day and is participating in an American Lock professional locksmith self-paced correspondence training program, said Roger Cooper, RSE Lockshop supervisor.

"He is about halfway through his apprentice program," Cooper said. "He has absorbed absolutely everything we have put his way."

Spending a half-hour to an hour studying the books has helped, but the on-the-job training has been the key, LaMille said. "Out in the field is where I really learn."

Cooper said, "Sometimes he surprises me. We'll be on a job and he will do something I didn't know he knew how to do. He says he learned it in the course."

LaMille's nine-year carpenter background is a big help in learning the locksmith trade, according to Cooper.

"Being a locksmith is a very unique trade; there are very few in



Barry LaMille, right, and Roger Cooper install a safe at Automotive Saturday afternoon. LaMille was promoted to Locksmith I, a job that requires a high degree of training and creativity.

(Photo by KW Hillis)

"I want to open my own locksmith shop someday."

—Barry LaMille

the world compared to other trades," Cooper explained. "You have to be a carpenter and a metal worker ... You have to be a thinker.

There are no two situations in a day that are similar."

The correspondence course and on-the-job training is just a start. A locksmith can be designated as a registered locksmith, certified registered locksmith, certified professional

locksmith or certified master locksmith, according to the Associated Locksmiths of America, Inc. Educational and technical competence requirements increase for each designation. To receive the designations, a locksmith must take the tests in the states.

Plans are in progress to allow

LaMille to attend an ALOA conference and training sessions. The classes and tests will allow him to achieve registered locksmith status.

In addition to his work on Kwaj, DeMille, along with Cooper, took four weekends to install 61 locks on the doors of the elementary school at Majuro at the request of the Asian Development Bank, Cooper said. They also installed locks for the College of the Marshall Islands on their own time.

"Barry's accomplishments are ones that the Marshallese community can be proud of," Cooper said. "It's very important for Raytheon and USAKA to offer training and advancement to employees ... [The training] makes him a very valuable employee."

DeMille is well on his way to achieving his dream.

"I want to open my own locksmith shop someday," he said.

Electronic ecstasy is another's agony ...

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phones, including a cell phone, a fax, three e-mail addresses on two different computers and a voice mailbox, which was so complicated that I had to carry a small plastic directions card. I was "connected" when I lived in the states.

I am so glad to be home on Kwaj, where I connect with people by talk-

ing face to face or by the uncomplicated phone.

Yesterday, I saw someone on island with a cell phone and a pager. I'm worried that the electronic beast is ringing the doorbell. I recommend that we don't answer. Paradise loses a lot when ringing, beeping and buzzing is heard over the gentle lap of waves.

Corrections

In Friday's story about medical revisions to Marshallese health care, the new Ebeye Hospital is still under construction.

In the March 16 edition, 30-Something should have been listed as the top-ranked team in the Women's softball division.

Former Kwaj POW arrives Thursday

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

Louis Zamperini is a busy man these days.

He's writing an autobiography. Meanwhile, Hollywood continues to tweak a script about his life, starring Nicholas Cage. The former Olympian and World War II POW is also mulling over a motivational speech tour. And he can't seem to find enough time to go skiing.

However, the 84-year-old Californian is finding time in his busy schedule for a brief visit to Kwajalein this week. He arrives Thursday for a week-long tour. But in 1943, when he was last on Kwajalein, Zamperini was no tourist.

"My only memory of Kwajalein was my miserable existence there for 43 days," said Zamperini during a phone interview Saturday. "Kwaj was a hell-hole."

The *Hourglass* reprinted an excerpt last September from Zamperini's post-war interview with Army counterintelligence. The story recounted his imprisonment at Kwajalein after 47 days lost at sea when his B-24 was shot down over the Pacific. Tortured and interrogated by the Japanese, his captors spared his life, figuring that Zamperini's fame from the 1936 Berlin Olympics and participation in the bombing of Wake Island could pay dividends in the propaganda war.

These days the octogenarian is putting those horrible events behind him. He even carried the torch during the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan, near his old prison camp. Zamperini said he is looking forward to his visit at another place that did not previously hold fond memories for him.

"It sounds like a utopia," Zamperini said, gathering his impressions of the island from literature and videos sent to him.

He'll be busy here, as well. Besides the windshield and historical tours of Kwaj and Roi-Namur, Zamperini will be treated to sailing and snorkeling trips. In return, he'll be speaking to several church and school groups throughout the week.

Zamperini came to the attention of the *Hourglass* through resident Doris Raymond, whose sister attends the same church as Zamperini in Torrance. This week Raymond meets him face-to-face for the first time since the two started corresponding.

"I'm so anxious," Raymond said. "This [guy] is really important."

Zamperini said he takes his renewed fame in stride. "It's not a big deal. I appreciate the honor ... It gives me a chance to relate my story."

A public reception for Zamperini is being held at 8 p.m. Sunday in the Religious Education Building.

New from the Tape Escape



Remember the Titans — This movie, set in 1971, is based on a real-life drama. After leading his team to 15 winning seasons, football coach Bill Yoast is demoted and replaced by Herman Boone (Denzel Washington), who's tough, opinionated and as different from Yoast as can be. How they overcome their differences and turn a group of hostile young men into champions plays out in this story full of spirit. *Rated PG.*

Meet the Parents — Male nurse Greg Focker (Ben Stiller) is ready to propose to his girlfriend Pam during a weekend stay at her parents' home. But first he needs to ask her father. Jack Byrnes, Pam's cat-crazy, ex-CIA father (Robert De Niro) takes an immediate dislike to her less-than-truthful beau. As he seeks approval, a hilarious string of mishaps turns Greg into a master of disaster. *Rated PG-13.*

Little Vampire — Third-grader Tony Thompson (Jonathan Lipnicki) is in a new school, in a new country, and he's having trouble fitting in. But things change when he befriends a young vampire named Rudolph. Soon Tony and Rudolph are going on fang-tastic flying adventures, eluding vampire hunters and driving the countryside of Scotland batty. *Rated PG.*

The Contender — The vice president is dead, and as the president (Jeff Bridges) chooses a replacement, a secret contest of wills is being waged by a formidable rival (Gary Oldman). When Senator Laine Hanson (Joan Allen) is nominated as the first woman in history to hold the office, hidden agendas explode into a battle for power. *Rated R.*

Almost Famous — Teenage reporter William Miller lands an assignment from *Rolling Stone* magazine and, over the objections of his mother, hits the road with an up-and-coming rock band. He finds there's a lot more to write home about than the music. Stars Kate Hudson and Frances McDormand and features a classic soundtrack with music from the Who and Elton John. *Rated R.*

The 6th Day — Arnold Schwarzenegger is an ace pilot in the very near future who's having an identity crisis. An evil corporation illegally cloned him, and now they're trying to kill him to hide the evidence. Also stars Robert Duvall. *Rated PG-13.*

Cultural Center hosting cooking demo April 9

From staff reports

The Marshallese Cultural Center will host a demonstration of traditional Marshallese cooking on its grounds Monday, beginning at 4 p.m.

Cris Lindborg, Marshallese Cul-

tural Center director of exhibits, said the demo will show residents how to prepare dishes using breadfruit, coconuts and pandanus.

Samples of the dishes will be available after the demonstrations, she added.

Kom ruwainene

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

Meada Binion arrived recently from Pasagoula, Miss., on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. She is RSE commodities specialist.

Her first impressions of Kwaj? It's "absolutely gorgeous, a larger island than I expected."

Just arrived from the U.S. Army Safety Center at Ft. Rucker, Ala, is **Donald Wren.**

He is USAKA Command Safety installation and community safety engineer.

"There is water all around," he said.

International restrictions make travelers wary ...

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lot on the cost of ticketing.”

Passengers on international flights should be OK because of global airline alliances, according to recent newspaper reports, but changing airlines would depend on seat availability at the last minute.

Economic uncertainty may be another reason for the slowdown in travel. “When people start cutting back [on expenses], travel is not essential,” Duarte said.

Also, because travel benefits beyond Hawaii are paid by some contractors in a lump sum, some people may choose to just travel to Hawaii and bank the money, Duarte said, especially in uncertain economic times.

When contract rebidding starts, travel starts to fall off as well, Duarte said, recalling previous rebids. “People are apprehensive about what’s going to happen in the future. [They] start to prepare the summer before, and may want to put money in their pockets now,” she said.

Those contemplating international travel are changing their plans, as well. Britain’s latest epidemic of foot-and-mouth disease in livestock has forced restrictions on travel in the countryside because people can carry the disease on their shoes and clothing. In Britain, footpaths are off limits, Stonehenge is closed and the

National Trust has closed properties outside urban areas, according to recent reports.

Several European countries have stepped up border inspections, and some travelers have to have their shoes and automobile tires disinfected.

According to a recent *Time Magazine* article, more than 1,800 inspectors are stationed in 90 ports of entry around the U.S., checking travelers returning to the states for meat or other farm products. Any passengers who were on or around a farm during their travels in Europe are asked to allow a disinfecting solution to be applied to their shoes or any item that may have touched the ground.

Kwajalein elementary teacher Madelain Westermann hasn’t let any of this dampen her enthusiasm for her upcoming trip to Europe this summer, although she says she has friends who aren’t making plans until they see what happens. She’ll be accompanying eight high school French class students, including her daughter, on week-long trip to France, led by teacher Barbara Bicanich.

“We’re on our way to Europe unless they cancel the planes,” Westermann said, adding that their itinerary doesn’t include remote or countryside spots, so none of their plans had to change.

She added, “I can hardly wait.”

PBQ to be phased-out by 2016 unless outside funds found ...

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also three laundry rooms, one on each floor.

“It’s been a long time coming,” Wrenn said shortly before the ribbon-cutting. “I was really impressed by what I’ve seen. I think the residents will be impressed.”

The Reef BQ is the latest renovation in a series of upgrades to unaccompanied personnel housing facilities, a program that began in 1992. Over the last nine years, two new BQs have been built — the Tropics and Surf — and all of the other BQs on Kwaj and Roi-Namur have been renovated except the Pacific and Ocean BQs.

Bert Scott, USAKA Installation Management director, said the command’s support and willingness to fund the \$6.7 million project out of its own budget over three fiscal years made the renovation possible.

Wrenn said the command is still looking for funds to renovate the Ocean BQ and Kwaj Lodge. Funding to renovate Pacific BQ, with a price tag of more than \$18 million for an upgrade

similar to the Reef, is unlikely.

In fact, the command hopes to use the Pacific BQ only for transient and TDY housing. And unless someone else is willing to invest money into the structure, it will eventually be closed permanently.

“We have a phased condemnation plan on the PBQ from a Corps of Engineers structural engineer,” said Gene Dohrman, USAKA/KMR Public Works Division project manager.

The phase-out would begin this summer, July 1, with the loss of 12 rooms (81 beds), followed by 22 rooms (114 beds) in July 2004. Additional rooms would be eliminated in 2008 and 2016, when the building would be permanently closed.

“There is an initiative just beginning to investigate the possibility of going to BMDO [Ballistic Missile Defense Organization] for funding on the PBQ, since in the future it will be only a TDY facility housing significant numbers of BMDO personnel,” Dohrman said. “The level of funding to pursue has not been determined.”

Dohrman said the 72 TDY rooms in Building 704 over Macy’s were funded in a similar manner, though USAKA split the cost with BMDO.

Construction of any type in the middle of the Pacific is expensive and unwieldy.

“The biggest challenge is getting materials out here,” said Greg Mann, Reef BQ project manager for San Juan.

Getting the right personnel out here for the job was also a challenge, Mann said, adding that San Juan was able to draw half of its labor force from the local population.

“We had a good crew of Marshall-ese,” he said.

They also had a safe crew.

San Juan managed to put in more than 130,000 man hours without a lost-time accident, according to Louis Askew, resident engineer with the Honolulu District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Mann said safety was emphasized on the job site on a weekly basis.

“Everybody worked together,” he said.

Community

Passover

April

Easter

4 th	Protestant Spiritual Life Committee, 7 p.m., REB	15 th	Adult Education, TOEFL		
5 th	MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), 8:45 a.m., REB;	16 th	Easter Egg Hunt, Richardson Theater, times and details to follow.	23 rd	Shields or Cris Lindborg
	Primary Concert, MP Room, 7 p.m.;		Protestant Musical practice, Chapel, 2 p.m.		Community book-signing with Donna Guthrie, MP Room, 9 a.m. – Noon
	Protestant Musical practice, 3:30 p.m., Chapel	18 th	USO Comedy Break, ONE SHOW ONLY, Richardson Theater, 7 p.m.;	24 th -28 th	Adult Education registration for Spring B Session
7 th	Karen Brady's Dance Students' Spring Recital, CAC # 6, 7 p.m.	19 th	SAC meeting, Music Bldg., 7 p.m.	25 th	Island Orientation for Newcomers, CAC #6, 8 a.m.;
8 th – 15 th	Holy Week (see Chapel Services page 7 for details)		MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), 8:45 a.m., REB;		Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner, Yokwe Yuk's Dining Room, 6 p.m.;
8 th	Protestant Musical practice, 2 p.m., Chapel;	20 th -27 th	Protestant Musical practice, Chapel, 5:30 p.m.;		Protestant Advisory Board, 7 p.m., REB;
	YYWC's annual scholarship fundraiser, "Kaleidoscope of Music," MP Room, 7 p.m.	21 st	PTO meeting, Music Bldg., 7 p.m.		Writing Workshop (for high school students and adults) high school library, 7-9 p.m.
9 th	High School ACT, 8 a.m.		Children's Author, Donna Guthrie, will be on-island (watch for details)		
12 th	Protestant Musical practice, 3:30 p.m., Chapel		KAC Meeting, 1 p.m., Kabua Room;	27 th -28 th	School in a.m. only; staff development during afternoons
	Elementary School Book Fair, MP Room, 6-8 p.m.		Adult Education Spring A Session ends;		USAKA/KMR Run, 6 a.m., flagpole
	American Legion Ladies Auxiliary meeting, Vets Hall, 6:30 p.m.,	22 nd	Protestant Musical practice, 6:45 p.m., Chapel	28 th	USAKA/KMR Awards Ceremony, 10 a.m., Chapel;
	POC is Lorraine, 54612, after 5 p.m.;		Protestant Musical — "The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit," Chapel, 10:45 a.m.;		Adult Education GRE subject tests
	Kwaj Atoll Int'l Sports Fishing Club (KAISC) meeting, Pacific Club, 7 p.m., public invited, social after meeting		Protestant Musical Cast Party, Family Pool, 6 p.m.;	28 th	Elementary Art Show, MP Room, 6 – 8 p.m.;
			Annual Ballroom Dinner Dance, Yokwe Yuk Club, POCs are Dick		Girl Scout Campout, Coral Sands Beach, POC is Abby, 52664

May

Memorial Day

1 st – 5 th	AFE Band, "Everything," (Schedule to be determined)	16 th	SAC meeting, Music Bldg., 7 p.m.
1 st	Adult Ed Spring B Session begins	17 th	MOPs, REB, 8:45 a.m.;
2 nd	Protestant Spiritual Life Committee, REB, 7 p.m.		Elem. School Concert, MP Room, 7 p.m.
3 rd	MOPs, REB, 8:45 a.m.;	18 th	4 th Grade States Fair, Music Room, 7 p.m.
	High School Art Show & Recital, MP Room, 6-8:30 p.m.	19 th	KAC Meeting, Kabua Room, 1 p.m.
4 th	Special Event luncheon for "Days of Remembrance," to honor victims and survivors of the Holocaust, YYC Dining Room, 11:30 a.m. (Make reservations with Jewels, 58909, no later than noon, May 3)	20 th	Prom/Romp (watch for details)
5 th	Sixth Grade Math Fun Test, CAC #6, 7 p.m.		Protestant Picnic, Chapel, Noon
7 th	SAT, High School, 8 a.m.	21 st	Adult Ed. TOEFL
10 th	High School Concert, MP Room, 7 p.m.;	24 th	PTO Volunteer Appreciation, Music Bldg., (time to be determined)
	Kwaj Atoll Int'l Sports Fishing Club (KAISC) meeting, Pacific Club, 7 p.m., public invited, social after meeting	26 th	USAKA/KMR Run, 6 a.m., flagpole;
11 th	Military Spouse's Day;		USAKA/KMR Awards Ceremony, 10:00 a.m., Chapel;
	Jr. High Concert, MP Room, 7 p.m.	28 th	USAKA/KMR Organization Day
13 th	Mother's Day		Memorial Day
11 th -15 th	From the movie, "Field of Dreams," USO baseball team, "The Ghost	29 th	Kwajalein Holiday (no school)
		30 th	Protestant Advisory Board, REB, 7 p.m.;
			Island Orientation for Newcomers, CAC #6, 8 a.m.
		31 st	Special Event luncheon, "Asian/Pacific Islander," YYC Dining Room, 11:30 a.m. (Make reservations with Jewels, 58909, no later than noon, May 30.)

Calendar

June

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- 1st High School Graduation
 - 4th High School SATs, 8 a.m.
 - 6th Spiritual Life Committee, 7 p.m.
 - 7th Last day of school
 - 13th School report cards mailed
 - 14th Kwaj Atoll Int'l Sports Fishing Club (KAISC) meeting, Pacific Club, 7 p.m., public invited, social after meeting
 - 16th Adult Ed. Spring B session ends
 - 19-23rd Registration for Adult Ed. Summer Session
 - 26th Adult Ed. Summer Session begins
 - 27th Protestant Advisory Board meeting, 7 p.m.

Hear ye...hear ye...

Please call one of the following points of contact with items for the 90-day community calendar. The calendar is published in the Hourglass at the beginning of each month. Entries need to be given to the appropriate POC a week before.

Debbie Webber = USAKA - 51403
 Nita Jarrell = KMR - 51416
 Estelle Rapisardi = IRE - 55150
 Paula Weaver = KLS - 53511
 Ian West or Steve Snider = Community Activities - 53331
 Karen Ammann or Linda Berlind = Schools - 53601
 Sylvia Riley = Chapel - 53505

Chapel Activities

Chapel Services

Holy Week

- April 12 – Protestant Maundy Thursday Service, Chapel, 6:30 p.m.
Catholic Holy Thursday Service, Chapel, 8 p.m.
- April 13 – Protestant Good Friday Service, Chapel, 6:30 p.m.
Catholic Good Friday Service, Chapel, 8 p.m.
- April 14 – Catholic Easter Vigil, Chapel, 8 p.m. *(No 5:30 p.m. Mass today)*
- April 15 – Easter Sunrise Service and Baptisms, Emon Beach, 6:30 a.m. *(No 8 a.m. Protestant Service today)*

Tuesdays

- 7:00 p.m. Protestant Bible Study on Book of Exodus, Tr. 630

Tuesday through Friday services:

- 4:45 p.m. Catholic Mass, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Wednesday services:

- 4:45 p.m. Roi-Namur Protestant Bible Study

Friday

- 9:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study, REB

Saturday services:

- 4:30 p.m. Catholic confessions, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- 5:30 p.m. Catholic Mass, Island Mem. Chapel

Sunday services:

- 7:15 a.m. Catholic Mass – Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- 8:00 a.m. Protestant Service – Island Mem. Chapel
- 9:00 – The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, CRC
- 11:30 Catholic Mass – Island Mem. Chapel
- 9:15 a.m. Protestant Sunday School, Religious Ed. Bldg.
- 10:30 a.m. CCD in the Religious Ed. Bldg.
- 10:45 a.m. Protestant Service – Island Mem. Chapel
- 11:00 a.m. Roi-Namur Catholic Mass
- 4:30 p.m. Roi-Namur Protestant Service
- 6:30 p.m. Praise Service, REB upstairs
- 7:00 p.m. Junior High Youth Fellowship, REB

See you at the movies!

Saturday

Simon Birch (PG)

Young Joe Wentworth (narrated by Jim Carrey) doesn't know who his father is, and his mother won't tell him. His best buddy is young Simon Birch, born so tiny that his classmates pass him around like a doll. Simon is neglected at home and Joe's mother becomes a surrogate to him. The lives of the two 12-year-olds take a cruel twist when Joe's mother dies, and it spurs them to great lengths to learn the identity of Joe's father. (Ian Michael Smith) (113 minutes)
Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Wonder Boys (R, New Release)

College professor Grady Tripp is divorced from his third wife, suffering a severe case of writer's block, his affair with a married woman has resulted in her pregnancy and a young girl student has a wild crush on him. While Grady is obsessed with writing his book, another of his students has an obsession of his own about finding a jacket once owned by movie star Marilyn Monroe. (Michael Douglas, Katie Holmes) (112 minutes)
Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

Bounce (PG-13, New Release)

When an advertising executive gives up his airline seat to a stranger, he's shocked to learn the man is killed when the plane crashes. Haunted by the incident for a year, he looks up the victim's widow, who is selling real estate to support her children, and a mutual attraction develops between them. (Ben Affleck, Gwyneth Paltrow) (98 minutes)
Tradewinds Theater, 8 p.m.

Sunday

Bounce (PG-13, New Release)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Wonder Boys (R, New Release)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Monday

Simon Birch (PG)

Richardson Theater 7:30 p.m.

Wonder Boys (R, New Release)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

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



(Photo by KW Hillis)

John Ross cleans the bottom of the *Bellwether* this weekend. Four Kwajalein Yacht Club boats are headed to Majuro today to compete in the annual Coconut Cup race.

KYC heads to Majuro to compete in race

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

A small flotilla of sailing ships embarked this morning for a 250-nautical-mile journey to Majuro, leaving Kwajalein's finger piers at 7:30.

Next Saturday, *Bellwether*, *Botany Bay*, *Pacifica* and *Stinger*, along with their crews, will compete in Majuro's fourth annual Coconut Cup race.

"[The Cup] will have a sailing canoes division," said John Ross, *Bellwether* crew member, as he scrubbed the barnacles off the boat's hull. "There will be windsurfers, anything with a sail."

Bellwether captain Rod Godfrey said, "The race is about as long as our beer can races."

The competing crews and other KYC members are all helping to ready the boats for the trip.

Monday afternoon found the captains and some of the crew aboard the boats performing final repairs, stowing gear and provisions and checking their lists.

Sailing involves making extensive lists, said Kenny Winchester, *Pacifica* captain. "One of the things you end up with on your list is titles for other lists."

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet



Sun • Moon • Tides



Tonight: Increasing cloudiness with widely scattered showers.
Winds: East-northeast at 13 to 18 knots.
Tomorrow: Widely scattered morning showers. Partly cloudy in the afternoon with isolated showers.
Winds: Northeast to east-northeast at 13 to 18 knots.
Temperature: Tonight's low 78°
Tomorrow's high 87°
April rain total: Trace
Annual rain total: 6.41"
Annual deviation: -5.98"
Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday April 3	0646/1859	1422/0220	0036, 3.4' 1246, 4.5'	0602, 2.5' 1945, 1.7'
Wednesday April 4	0645/1859	1522/0317	0158, 3.9' 1358, 5.0'	0739, 2.0' 2033, 1.2'
Thursday April 5	0645/1859	1622/0411	0242, 4.6' 1447, 5.4'	0834, 1.4' 2111, 0.7'
Friday April 6	0644/1859	1719/0503	0319, 5.1' 1528, 5.8'	0917, 0.9' 2145, 0.4'