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(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Roman Rudnytsky tickles the ivories with amazing agility and speed during a classical concert Friday night at the MP room.

## Pianist pleases classical crowd

By Barbara Johnson  
Feature Writer

If they closed their eyes, they could almost have imagined themselves in a concert hall in a major city.

About 300 Kwaj and Roi residents may have just done that Friday evening as they took the rare opportunity to hear a visiting classical pianist in the MP room. The enthusiastic audience gave virtuoso Roman Rudnytsky, here on his Second Micronesian Tour, several standing ovations.

Rudnytsky stopped to perform at

Kwajalein last week about halfway through his tour, which began in California and took him to Majuro before this stop. He played for Kwaj residents in a private home in 1996, as part of his first tour of Micronesia.

Rudnytsky has taught at Dana School of Music at Youngstown State University, Ohio, since 1972. One of the most traveled of all concert pianists, he tours up to five months out of every year in different combinations, and has visited more than 75

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## Part of west reef closed due to UXO on coral top

By Jim Bennett  
Editor

Recreational divers discovered and reported an unexploded 5-inch shell on the coral reef off the southwestern shore of Kwajalein, prompting the Command Safety Office to close the area for anchoring until a team of Navy explosives experts can remove the ordnance.

Divers may not anchor oceanside from DCCB to the Shark Pit.

"It's on the high point of a coral head, where you would want to anchor," said Don Wren, USAKA Community and Industrial Safety engineer. "That was the concern. [Unexploded ordnance] can be unpredictable."

Divers discovered the shell Sunday,  
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## UPRC opening to all adults March 1

By Peter Rejcek  
Associate Editor

When the USAKA commander decided to yank a plan to swap the spaces occupied by the public library and the Unaccompanied Personnel Recreation Center, he offered a compromise that would allow the latter to be used by all adults.

Implementation of that decision begins March 1, according to Simone Smead, Community Activities manager.

Beginning next month, authorized USAKA residents ages 19 and up will have access to the recreation center, located in the courtyard among the Shell, Ocean and Reef BQs. That means accompanied, unaccompanied, TDY personnel and even visiting college students will be allowed into the building.

Smead said the tentative new name of the facility will be the Ritto Adult Recreation Center. "Ritto" means  
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## Retail going to 'another level' of service

By Barbara Johnson  
Feature Writer

Paul Divinski plans to take retail communication to a new level. With two new e-mail addresses to go on-line in a few weeks, residents will be able to send messages directly to the retail office, Divinski said at Thursday's Consumer Advisory Council Meeting.

"We're taking it to another level now," he said.

Divinski explained, "It will do away with the paper trail of comment cards as a vehicle for communication with management." It also speeds up the process because the manager can then e-mail the consumer back immediately, plus the comments will stay in a database for

later follow-up.

If all goes according to plan, the expectation is it will be up and running by the end of the month, he said. Posted signs and a notice in the *Hourglass* will give the retail e-mail addresses, one for food and one for general stores, when they are operational.

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Editorial

# The fifties: Lookin' good, feelin' good — yeah, right

After reading the column by Master Sgt. Jon Connor in the Feb. 15 *Hourglass*, I can relate to what he had to say.

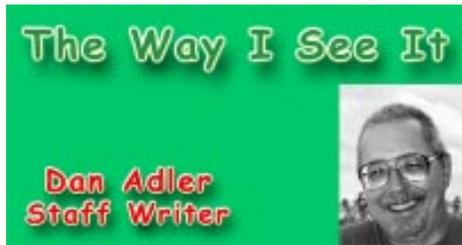
He is 42 years of age. I will be 54 in July. The difference between 20 and 30 is slight. It might take a little bit longer to crank the engine, but when it starts it's hitting on all cylinders and still has almost all the speed it did at 20.

The difference between 30 and 40 is more marked, both in the physical and looks departments. The old engine cranks longer and harder before starting and there is just a trace of blue smoke coming out of the exhaust. The oil seals are starting to go. When it's up and running, there is a slight miss in a couple of cylinders. The 50,000-mile spark plugs are getting fouled and there may be water getting in the oil from a blown headgasket. There's a little bit of snow on the roof and the tires are a little soft.

The gap between 40 and 50 is like the Grand Canyon.

There's oil leaking everywhere and the radiator won't hold water (especially when you're trying to sleep).

The battery is low and needs jump



starts more and more often.

The pistons are cracked, the plugs are burned and forget about the paint job. It's so thin, you can see primer underneath.

The poor old engine says, "What? Again?!" when it has to start.

In the good-looks department, I may not win any prizes; I'm pretty dinged up, but then I'm sure I wouldn't have won any at 20, either.

That's not to say that the babes don't look at me, though. They say, "Oh, the poor man." But what the heck, they're looking.

Connors says the face you have at 50 is the face you deserve. *Nobody* deserves this!

I avoid looking in the mirror as much as possible. It's just too depressing. But at times, you just gotta' — it's hard to shave blind. So I stand there and look and think, "How the heck did this happen?"

Connors mentions having more disposable income when growing older. That

must be true. All the income I have gets disposed of. Just ask my wife. I'd like to have the non-disposable type. My bank account is dying of loneliness.

He also talks about putting on a little weight. When I was 20, I weighed 145 pounds. Last year, on my 53rd birthday, I weighed in at 200 (all muscle, of course). I did have a big incentive to lose weight. It wasn't my blood pressure or cholesterol or any of that type of thing. I lift weights you see, and one of the things you shoot for is to bench press your own weight. You can imagine when I was 200 how much I wanted to be 145 again.

The reason I like to lift weights is that you can do it standing in one spot, or even laying down.

Connors speaks of running two miles for his physical test. *Run* two miles? I may walk briskly — if the building is on fire.

But the good thing about 53 is that it's not 63. I'll worry about that when I get there.

Just remember, you're as young as you feel. Well, we won't even discuss that.

It's like the man who visits his mother and she says, "You don't care about me, you don't care at all. You never ask me how I feel or how I am. You just don't care."

So he says, "Ma, how are you?" She replies, "Don't ask."

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## Buckminster and Friends ————— By Sabrina Mumma





## Play of the day

**Spartans I outfielder Sean Berry makes a diving catch just across the foul line Thursday night against Spartans II. Thanks to that grab, Spartans I held on to win, 10-9.**

*(Photo by Patrick Teagarden)*

## Designer clothes, coffee and pizza on the horizon ...

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This will improve the flow of information, Divinski said, but the bigger plan is to increase levels of food items so the island doesn't run out, and keep basic items in stock.

### **New in the stores**

A shipment of men's, women's and children's clothes is here and in Macy's, Divinski said. Also a large shipment of patio furniture is in the warehouse and will be in Macy's West this week. Baskets are individually priced now, and replacing the baskets will be a large display of new patio furniture, which should also be out this week.

### **Coming soon**

Divinski listed some of the most requested items coming in on the next barge. Arriving in the next four weeks are a large order of cosmetics and nail products, including Revlon; sportswear including RTS logo clothing, shirts in new designs, cargo shorts and "muscle" T-shirts; small appliances; Nike golf accessories; an order of jewelry and watches; towels and washcloths; and Playstation II.

Divinski said luggage, including Jansport and Samsonite, has been ordered. Some will be here in late March and more is coming in April.

### **Greeting cards**

To address the lack of a good assortment of greeting cards, Divinski said American Greetings and Shoebox cards are signed up, and a line of tropical cards is being researched.

He said they are planning to add large sizes and economy packs to health and beauty aids, but they will keep individual sizes for consumers who prefer those.

At the meeting, a suggestion was made that

the store manager put a list of items coming in on a clipboard at a customer service counter or register so customers can see what has been ordered and when it's due.

Divinski agreed, "A lot of people would like to leaf through this. It's taking another step."

### **New at Sodexho**

A new coffee kiosk will open in the retail bakery in mid-March, Sodexho USA Manager Ty Reckling said at the meeting. It will have "real lattes, cappuccino and espresso," he said. Also coming are new desserts like cappuccino tortes to go with the coffee drinks.

Reckling explained the kiosk is going in the bakery because it goes hand in hand with food. The bakery will still have all the baked goods, plus new ones, with the kiosk added, he said, explaining the kiosk is similar to those in airports. The bakery will be repainted the first week in March, followed by a grand opening.

Reckling also reported a number of changes at Three Palms Snack Bar. It has a new delivery menu for pizza and salads, with added Buffalo wings and party packs for 15. Reckling said the minimum delivery order will be reduced from \$10 to \$5.

Three Palms has a revised breakfast menu with combo value pricing and a children's menu, and they are revising the lunch menu to feature different types of sandwiches and salads, including Greek salads. A new pizza is coming to the snack bar as well, which Reckling said will be much better than the current pizza and will have new options such as Thai and vegetarian. And look for 20-ounce sport bottles of drinks instead of 12-ounce cans, as well as Tropicana orange juice.

Addressing old business issues, Reckling noted the hours at the Three Palms on Sunday were extended to 11 a.m. by request. To rectify the fly problem in the snack bar, an air curtain will be on the March 26 barge.

### **From Community Activities**

Simone Smead, Community Activities manager, reported that one of the new Mako boats has gone up to Roi, so now there's one on Kwaj and one on Roi. After a few months of use Community Activities would like to take a semi-formal canvass of people to see what they think. She said the analysis so far is it's a wet boat, but has a smoother ride. Especially at a slower fishing speed it's a little wet, she said.

The new sound system at the Yokwe Yuk Theater is completely installed. "Compared to where we've been, it's wonderful," Smead said of the sound quality.

CAC chairman CW2 Wiley Blanton reminded consumers to try to address concerns at the lowest level first.

He said the CAC is not only for addressing consumer issues and concerns through the representatives, but it is also a forum to submit proposals and ideas as to how the community can make things better in food and retail services.

## Obituary

Jim Witte, 52, of Pine, Colo., died Feb. 10, 2002 in Pine.

Witte, a former Kwajalein resident, worked for EOD.

He is survived by his wife, Maryann; two daughters, Aimee and Sarah; and a son, Josh.

Funeral arrangements were by Horan and McConaty Mortuary in Lakewood, Colo.

## Divers urged to help safety effort to ID UXO around Kwaj ...

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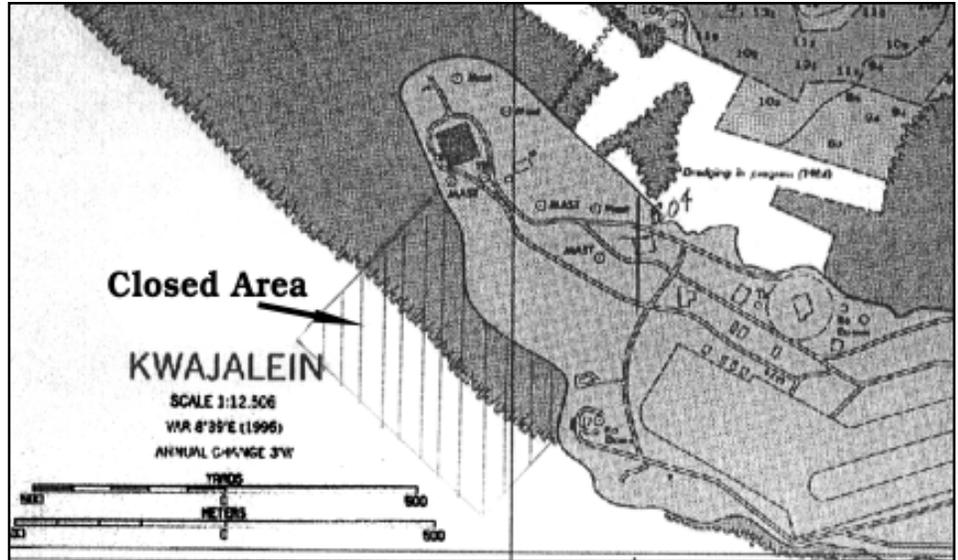
while retrieving their anchor after an oceanside reef dive near the site, according to Wren. When they went to dislodge the anchor they noticed the shell, which rests on top the reef and is now encrusted by the coral.

"It was plain to see," added Thomas Eisele, senior EOD technician.

The divers marked the site by tying a green head visor to coral nearby and notified scuba club members, including Wren, at last Wednesday's regular monthly meeting. Eisele said he and other EOD technicians may not examine ordnance underwater, so professional divers with the Marine Department descended on the site Friday afternoon, bringing their video camera along.

Eisele and Wren said the shell apparently had been fired.

The shell was probably one of thousands fired at the island during the World War II battle for Kwajalein Jan. 30-Feb. 4, 1944. According to historical reports, battleships *Massachusetts*, *Indiana* and *Washington* fired more than 1,000 rounds of 16-inch shells on Jan. 30, the day before the landings. That doesn't count the thousands more rounds of smaller shells, such as those fired from the five-inch naval guns, that joined in the pre-assault bom-



**Anchoring on the west reef oceanside from the DCCB to the Shark Pit is prohibited until a five-inch shell on top of the reef wall can be disposed.**

bardment and in support of the action during the rest of the battle. The pre-assault bombardment was the largest in the war at that time.

Because of the large number of shells fired, an unknown number of unexploded ordnance remain. Consequently, new divers must view a video addressing the issue during training.

Wren said his office has reports of at least four other unexploded ordnance sites around nearby dive sites including shells near the dolphin buoys, 50mm- to 60mm-sized shells

near the sub-chaser wreck in the ski-boat area, a 16-inch shell near Roi-Namur and a 6-foot-long shell off the DCCB.

Because of their locations, buried in sand at unlikely anchorage spots, none of the above represent as much a concern as the latest find, Wren said, but Navy divers will examine these areas too, as long as they're out here.

Wren asked that divers finding any more sites call the Command Safety Office, 54250, or the Safety Hotline, 54723, so they can put them on the list for the Navy divers.

## UPRC to get new name, upgrades ...

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"adult" in Marshallese, she explained, and was suggested by a member of the Kwajalein Bachelor Advisory Council.

The evaporation of the unaccompanied and accompanied boundary at the rec center doesn't seem to bother most bachelors.

"If the facility stays what it was intended to be — a rec center — that's fine," said bachelor Marvin Ross, an outspoken critic of January's proposal to swap the library and UPRC.

"I've got no problem with [the new designation]," Ross said, adding that community members need to be mindful that the center is for adults.

A week of public debates over swapping the footprints of the UPRC and Grace Sherwood Library in early January culminated with Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA commander, deciding against the plan. But in an attempt to break down the barrier between accompanied and unaccompanied, he made the UPRC open to all adults.

The proposal originally came about as a way to expand and improve the library, which Wrenn had called "woefully" inadequate. Plans are underway to expand the library in its current location on the second floor of Building 805 into adjoining office and hallway space.

Another result of the January meetings was the idea to install a small kitchen at the rec center. That's still being considered, Smead said, and will be discussed at the next Bachelor Advisory Council meeting on March 20.

"More things are coming on line [at the UPRC]," she said. Improvements are planned for the music room and the business center will be upgraded, with more computers added.

The 5,500-square-foot building currently offers Internet access, three pool tables, ping pong, darts, a large screen TV with DVD and VCR capabilities and a patio barbecue area. It's open more than 80 hours per week, seven days a week.

## DoD '03 budget a 'relative bargain'

By Gerry J. Gilmore

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon's chief financial officer said that DoD's fiscal '03 budget proposal of \$379 billion contains far fewer dollars than late-'70s, peacetime-era military costs.

Today's proposed DoD wartime budget is only 3.3 percent of America's gross domestic product, Comptroller Dov S. Zakheim said.

During the post-Vietnam period of the late '70s, Zakheim explained, the cash-poor U.S. military often cannibalized equipment to obtain spare parts for repairs. However, in those years, the United States spent 4.5 percent to 5 percent of its gross domestic product on military needs. That would make today's proposed DoD budget a relative bargain, he said.

## Rudnytsky brings 'pleasure' of classical music ...

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countries on every continent. When he's on tour during the school year, his wife, a trained opera singer, fills in for him in his music appreciation classes.

Although only on island for two days this time, Rudnytsky also fit in a concert for a rapt audience of fifth through 12th graders Friday morning.

After the morning concert, Rudnytsky spoke with the *Hourglass* about touring the world as a concert pianist, including the reasons he travels and why he likes performing in unusual venues.

"First of all the reward is to bring the pleasure of classical music to ... people... especially in places like this where it's a real event because it's so rare," he said.

"For me also it's enjoyable because I enjoy traveling and ... going to places which are also a bit different or off the main tourist track. So it kind of works all the way around."

You have to be adjustable, he said, adding, "I can roll with the punches of a lot of things, and you have to have that if you're going to enjoy going to places like this. You're going to run into all kinds of instruments ...

"As long as the piano functions, that is, it's in tune basically and all the pedals work and all the keys work, I can use it. But whether it's an upright, a spinet or a grand, or even a clavichord on occasion, I can use it."

Rudnytsky sets up his own tours, and chooses remote places that are probably unusual for concert pianists.

"I like playing in nonstandard venues. There's a closeness and intimacy between listener and performer. If you have a venue that accentuates that, it's all to the better."

What's the most remote location that comes to mind?

Rudnytsky said he has been going to Australia every two years since 1979 and has probably played more concerts there than any other overseas country. With 12 tours, he may have played over 320 concerts he said, and many have been in Outback communities ... places where people seldom get concerts.

He recalled one concert in Kununurra, in the northern part of western Australia. The second time he played there, he said they took a Yamaha Grand piano on a flatbed truck to a park outside town called Hidden Valley with sandstone cliffs and some aborigine art and rigged up lights.

"About 200 people were sitting on the ground and I played the piano on the top of the flatbed. Probably wallabies [were] listening in the bush, and these people sitting on the ground on blankets — that was a rather unusual setting."

Another way Rudnytsky breaks down artificial barriers between himself and his audience is by talking about each piece he performs.

"The standard way was for the performer to come out and simply bow and play. And

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**"I like playing in nonstandard venues. There's a closeness and intimacy between listener and performer."**

— Roman Rudnytsky

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many do it like that still. [Talking about the pieces] makes it a little bit informal. They see you as a person when you talk ... Not just the informative but the informal."

Also, with an explanation, "people will know what to listen for, why it sounds the way it does. [It puts] it in context, in perspective, ... like oral program notes."

Rudnytsky started playing when he was four. His parents were professional musicians — his father a composer/conductor and his mother an opera singer. Both were Ukrainian and had careers there before emigrating to America.

A graduate of Julliard School in New York, he also studied at Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Md., and in Austria and Italy.

Rudnytsky gave his first concert at 7, and over the years the concerts grew in number, he said. He went to Europe in 1965 for the first time.

"The concerts kept on going, I won some prizes in international competitions, one thing led to another and now I've played more than 75 countries," he said.

For Friday night's concert, Rudnytsky put together a program of pieces he called, by turns, melodic, dramatic, showy and brilliant. It included works by Mendelssohn, Beethoven, Debussy, Chopin, Ginastera and Liszt.

As an encore, he played "the Banjo," by Louis Moreau Gottschalk, the first internationally known American composer and pianist.

After the student concert Friday morning, Rudnytsky took questions from the audience.

In response to one question, he said, it's hard to say how long it takes to master a piece, because he does several things at once, but he estimates about two weeks.

He said he hasn't counted how many pieces he knows, but it's "quite a lot — hundreds."

"Something was pulling me to the instrument when I was two and three," he said. His father started him on lessons when he was four.

Saying he doesn't remember getting bored with playing, he added he does remember moving the clock ahead that his father set for his practice time.

Who are his favorite composers? Chopin, Liszt, Debussy, Ravel, he said.

Asked if he gets nervous, he answered, "No," explaining he has a system of memorization and practice that gives him security. He looks at the same place on the keyboard for each part of a piece. "It's all in the preparation," he said.

Rudnytsky arrived Thursday from Majuro, where he played two concerts. Before that he performed at two California universities in Pomona and Northridge.

From Kwaj he headed to Pohnpei Saturday, and from there to Saipan, Koror, and the University of Guam.

His travel plans this year also include trips to Canada, Britain, Tunisia, Poland, Texas and New Zealand for his ninth tour.

"Since 9-11 I have no hesitations about traveling, none whatsoever," he said.

Rudnytsky enjoys breaking the stereotypes some people have about classical music.

If they've had a stereotyped vision of what it's all about, they think, "Oh it's going to be stiff, it's going to be boring, it's something I probably won't like," he said.

"Once they get beyond that and they hear the music, they see how enjoyable it is. And that's what I also foster in my own appreciation classes at the university. My students are non-music students, and if they've had these perceptions, once they get to hear the music, these perceptions will go away.

"After the classes are over students can relate and are glad the music was opened up to them. They know what the musicians sound like. They're equipped.

"It's not a foreign world. They see what it is."



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USAKA is accepting applications for GS-06 office automation assistants. Positions are TERM positions, one-year, full time, on island. Rating will be based on applicant's experience. Duties are to provide clerical support to ensure efficient office operations. Applicants must have at least one year of specialized experience in clerical work, be able to type 40 wpm, with minimum computer and clerical skills and have good oral and writing skills. Eligibility requirements are U.S. citizenship. Applicants must be able to meet requirements for a secret clearance. For job announcement and application package, call Cris Foster, 54417, USAKA Civilian Personnel. Applications will be accepted through Feb. 22.

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ROLLERBLADES, women's size 7-8, good condition, \$25; cute, cuddly, soft stuffed bunnies for Easter, \$7 each; water distiller with plastic one-gallon container, \$15. Call 54216.

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BOYS 16" BIKE, Kwaj-condition, six months old, works fine, \$20. Call 53746, evenings.

ROLLERBLADES, men's size 12, \$20; wakeboard with bindings and tote bag, \$600; men's large scuba shortie wet suit and size 10 booties, \$35; 55-gallon show aquarium with stand, complete with accessories, \$800 or best offer; 12' x 15' beige carpet. Call 52295, before 8 p.m.

QUEEN-SIZED BED, extra firm, heavy-duty frame, excellent condition, \$400; Sunami ocean kayak, kevlar, with paddle, \$800; rollerblades, used once, men's size 9, women's size 8, \$40; small ironing board, \$5. Call Jude, 52413, or Ken, 54176.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

KWAJALEIN POLICE Department is holding a bike auction March 2, 4-5 p.m. All bikes will be paid for with U.S. currency. Proceeds benefit the USAKA recreation fund.

CHANGE OF VENUE: Tonight's American Legion meeting is in CRC Room 5. All military veterans are invited. The annual election of officers and the Mongolian Barbecue will be discussed.

STUDENT MUSIC recital is Friday, 7 p.m., in the MP room.

MASONIC FELLOWSHIP meets tonight, 7 p.m., in the Yokwe Yuk Club Kabua Room. All Master Masons welcome.

SCHOOLADVISORY Council meets tonight, 7 p.m., in the elementary school music room. The public is invited.

BARGAIN BAZAAR'S new hours are: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 1-3 p.m., and Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m. If you would like to volunteer, call 53686. Donations will be picked up on Mondays; call before 1 p.m. for pickup. Donations always welcome during operating hours. We have skating and biking helmets and knee pads and books for expectant and new mothers.

IT'S TIME to dust off the cobwebs and jump into water polo season. Start picking your teams. Managers' meeting is Tuesday, Feb. 26, 6 p.m., at the family pool. Questions? Call Kristin, 52848.

WATER POLO officials and scorekeepers should attend the water polo meeting Tuesday, Feb. 26, 6 p.m., at the family pool. It's a great way to earn some money and have a great time. Questions? Call Kristin, 52848.

DON'T MISS KAG's Spring Arts and Crafts Show Monday, March 4, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., in the MP room.

ALCOHOLICS Anonymous meets on Roi-Namur at Tr. 8311, Tuesdays and Fridays, 7 p.m. If you have a desire to quit drinking, call 56292 to leave a message. We will get back to you.

DO YOU WANT TO STOP DRINKING? We can help. Alcoholics Anonymous meets two times a week in Building 932, Kwajalein: Wednesdays and Saturdays, 6:30 p.m. Call 51143 and leave a message for information or help. We will call you back.

**This week  
at  
Gilligan's**

★ **Tomorrow** ★  
**"The Sopranos"**  
continue, 7-9 p.m.  
Then DJ Tom Roko, 9-11 p.m.

★ **Friday** ★  
**DJ Chris Eskew, 8-11 p.m.**  
**\$3.50 BBQ pork sandwiches,**  
**4:30-6 p.m.**

**Black History Month**



Frederick Douglass



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Booker T. Washington

Join the USAKA SEEOP committee along with Sodexo USA for a luncheon celebrating Black History Month Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., in the Yokwe Yuk Club dining room. This year's guest speaker is Marshall Pittman, consular associate with the U.S. Embassy in Majuro. The theme is "Color Line Revisited: Is Racism Dead?" Price is \$12 per person. Reservations must be made no later than noon tomorrow. For reservations, call 54339.

**See you at the movies!**

**Saturday**

**Adventures of the Great Mouse Detective (1986, G)**

Disney's animated version of Sherlock Holmes combines 19th century London with the special effects wizardry of recent films. (Voice of Vincent Price) (73 minutes)

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

**The Last Castle (2001, R)**

A three-star general is court-martialed after he disobeys an Executive Order. A power play develops between him and the warden. The general earns the respect of his fellow prisoners as he tries to unseat his nemesis. (Robert Redford, James Gandolfini) (130 minutes)

*Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.*

**Riding in Cars With Boys (2001, PG-13)**

Beverly Donofrio blames everyone but herself for the dead-end life that she sees for herself. She's saddled with a drunken husband, a son from a teen pregnancy and a job that's going nowhere. On top of it all — her father's the chief of police and won't hesitate to arrest his own daughter on drug charges. (Drew Barrymore, Steve Zahn) (132 minutes)

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

**Sunday**

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**Safety strides recognized with cash awards**

**By Jim Bennett**  
*Editor*

Raytheon celebrated safety Saturday afternoon at Emon Beach after a third year of marked reduction in recordable injury rates.

Managers and employees alike gathered around with catered sub sandwiches for a few comments and "what a few of you might be interested in," said Jim Hardin, Environmental, Safety and Health manager, referring to the \$250 in cash to be awarded to 39 select employees on Kwajalein.

The OSHA recordable injury rate dropped from 2.31 in 2000 (54 injuries) to 1.26 in 2001 (29 injuries). That's a 90 percent drop from 1997 levels. By itself, Roi posted only a .82 recordable rate.

In 1999, the company and the Army put forward a program to link safety rate improvements with cash awards to the employees who make it happen. It's the third and final year of the program, the future still undetermined by the new contract rebid this summer.

"I like the program the company has put forward," said Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA commander. "It starts at the grass-roots level and gives John [Wallace, RSE site manager] the money he saves and allows him to put it where it belongs — back to you."

Safety is a part of everyone's job, allowing the command to meet mission requirements and save money, Wallace said, thanking employees for their continued safety-conscious efforts.

Nine employees, identified by safety engineers assigned to their particular areas, received particular recognition for their work in safety — Trina Tiffany, Child Development Center; William Sisson, Laundry and Vending; Conny Livai, Automotive Safety Council;



*(Photo by Peter Rejcek)*

**Ross Arikitan is one of 39 employees who received \$250 for being safe in 2001.**

Russ Camacho, Finance; Mike Nicholson, Pest Control; Dave Goulet, FOD prevention, Aviation; John Edwin, Aviation; Harold Bulles, Food Service; and Alley Camacho, Finance.

The \$250 in cash and T-shirts went to 39 employees on Kwaj drawn randomly from those full-time employees who worked 75 percent of their available man-hours last year or part-time, temporary or casual hires who worked at least 1,000 hours, all with no recordable injuries. Upper management was not eligible and ES&H staff withdrew their names from the running.

Eleven more employees on Roi will receive cash awards this Saturday.

In total, the company awarded \$12,500 to employees made up of \$5,000 in seed money, followed by \$500 every month the company showed at least 30 percent improvement over 2000 and \$1,000 every month the company improved by 50 percent or more. Raytheon added another \$2,000 at the end of the year for a 30 percent improvement over last year.

**WEATHER**  
Courtesy of Aeromet

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy with isolated showers.

**Winds:** Northeast to east-northeast at 12 to 18 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

**Tomorrow:** Partly cloudy with isolated showers.

**Winds:** Northeast to east-northeast at 14 to 20 knots.

**Temperature:** Tonight's low 78°  
Tomorrow's high 86°

**February rain total:** 1.49"

**Annual rain total:** 2.80"

**Annual deviation:** -3.95"

Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.



**Sun • Moon • Tides**



	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Wednesday February 20	0706/1859	1215/0012 <b>1st qtr.</b>	0830, 4.1' 2040, 3.7'	0210, 1.7' 1450, 2.2'
Thursday February 21	0706/1900	1302/0101	0950, 3.9' 2210, 3.2'	0250, 2.0' 1630, 2.5'
Friday February 22	0706/1900	1353/0155	1200, 3.9'	0420, 2.3' 1910, 2.3'