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(Photo by Jim Bennett)

Jim Schilling hangs a star flag in his window. The flag honors his son, who serves in the Air Force at Eglin Air Force Base.

## Star flags returning to windows with America's new war

By Jim Bennett  
Editor

Jim Schilling hopes to bring back home-decorating tips from the 1940s and raise awareness about veterans in the process.

Schilling flies in his living room window a Blue Star Service Banner, an 8- by 16-inch banner with a blue star on a white field, surrounded by a red border. The flag signifies that a member of his family, his son, serves in the Air Force at Eglin Air Force Base.

It's an old tradition among military families, dating back to World War I and made popular during World War II.

"It wasn't very popular during Korea," Schilling said. "And during Vietnam people would get their windows knocked out."

But that changed during Desert Storm, when the practice began to catch hold again, and

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## Training programs helping Marshallese move up

By Jim Bennett  
Editor

Jimmy Teljo and Callon Bellu have worked on ships at USAKA since the early '70s, but without certifications and training their careers had hit a steel bulkhead ceiling. That all changed this year when the two entered a Marine Department in-house training program to make Teljo an engineer and Bellu second mate on their ship *Great Bridge*.

The program is like many currently available at USAKA through Raytheon, the primary employer on-island, with 1,119 Marshallese work-

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Thanks to additional training, Callon Bellu, left, and Jimmy Teljo, who both work on the *Great Bridge*, no longer face a steel bulkhead ceiling as they move up the career ladder.

(Photo by Jim Bennett)

## University student heading Host Nation archiving project

By Peter Rejcek  
Associate Editor

Like many people working toward a master's degree or doctorate who visit the Marshall Islands, Sandra Crismon's original intent coming here from the University of Georgia

was to do a dissertation on the local culture.

But these days she's busy establishing a college library, teaching college classes and archiving the voluminous collection of documents that have accumulated at the

USAKA Host Nation office over the last four or five decades.

The last chore brings Crismon, who lives on Gugeegue at the College of the Marshall Islands campus, to the USAKA headquarters most

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Editorial

# Life moves pretty fast, so you better stop and look around

When I moved here just months ago, I asked myself, "What's a Kwaj?" and "Where's the freakin' carpet?"

Wandering around aimlessly, I found myself staring at the ocean because I had never been so close to it before. Now I have adapted to living here; we bought some carpet and I am embarking on my senior year of high school. From where I used to live, I would have graduated with 300 of my peers, barely knowing half of them. Out here, I'll be graduating with 24 other seniors, each of whom I know well. I've been just itching to graduate, so I can get on my journey as a young adult.

Before, when I first arrived, I took everything in that I saw and heard as, "Man, this is trippy; I can't believe I'm on an island that's three miles long."

Now, I look at everything on Kwajalein in a whole new perspective. Taking in



everything I see and hear as, "Wow, I never noticed that before."

All the things I never took the time to see or appreciate when I first moved out here, I do now. Even though this was my first year on Kwajalein, it's also my last, and it's felt like I've lived here an eternity. When I first arrived, I used to just ride my Huffy, wondering why I still don't have my precious car, which I loved so much. Now I find myself just leaving the bike at home and walking all the way down to Emon Beach — walking along it, staring at the ocean as the sun lowers, as if it were dropping into the ocean ...

... And seeing the stars emerge and sparkle in the dark night sky. Almost any place in the world you wouldn't be able to see as many stars in the sky as you can out here. I don't worry about movies, the mall or television anymore. I also found other substitutes to keep me busy, and I still know what's going on in elsewhere in the world thanks to my trusty sidekick, the Internet. I even sometimes find myself

watching those two channels we have out here.

People often ask if it's hard moving out here my senior year. I must admit that it is a little difficult, when all of my peers have grown up and formed friendships over years of living out here and I only moved here a few months ago. But most people I have met out here have come to accept me and I have also met some of the most interesting people out here. This island is just full of smiling faces, with something interesting to share behind that smile. I still talk to my friends back where I used to live and tell them of my many adventures out here.

About two months ago, I told a friend how I went spearfishing.

My friend asked, "Isn't it cold out there?" I laughed and replied back, "I live on a tropical island, man, remember?"

"Man, it's so cold outside, you're lucky," he said.

I replied, "I know." I came out here not knowing what will happen next and knowing everything changes for a reason. I still haven't forgotten that, but after living out here these couple of months and reflecting on growing up, I realized something I heard in *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*.

"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it."

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## Buckminster and Friends — By Sabrina Mumma





Lexy Galloway slaps a property tag on a new desk chair received this week at Housing. The furniture will go to residents in four BQs and 100 families in 400-series housing.

(Photo by Jim Bennett)

## **New furniture arrives for four BQs, 100 family housing units**

By Jim Bennett  
Editor

Residents in four BQs and 100 families in 400-series housing will receive new furniture, the first of which arrived last week.

The new furniture features 14 pieces in all, including desks, dressers, shelving units, dining room tables, buffets and hutches. The sofas, loveseats, beds and dining room chairs are still on the way, according to Susan Kleback, Housing Services superintendent.

The furniture comes from a \$1 million allocation by the command last year, Kleback said.

Housing then worked with the vendor to customize the furniture; adding shelves atop the entertainment center and shelving unit; increasing desktop space; including a keyboard drawer rather than pencil drawer; adding a second drawer

to the nightstand and reducing table tops of coffee and end tables because of space in BQs and 400-series housing.

BQ residents of the Reef and Palm on Kwajalein and Sprint and Spartan on Roi-Namur automatically receive the furniture.

Residents in 400-series housing, however, may participate in a lottery to receive the new suite. Residents need only sign up for a drawing at the Housing Office in the Pacific BQ before June 13.

To view the furniture, stop by the Housing Office between 8-9 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

After delivery to homes this summer, good furniture taken from those residences will be redistributed according to the waiting list at the Furniture Warehouse.

For more information, contact Furniture Warehouse supervisor Lexy Galloway at 53434.

## **Gacutan wins third award for cargo quality**

From staff reports

Imee Gacutan, RSE transportation specialist in Richmond, Calif., moves cargo to Kwajalein. In fact, she moves 35 million pounds of it a year.

Gacutan's efforts to maximize air cargo space allocated to Kwajalein, her dedication to service and 100 percent accuracy, earned her the Military Traffic Management Command's Shipper's Performance Award for 2001. She achieved the

award twice before, in 1998 and 1999. No award was given in 2000.

Maj. Gen. Kenneth L. Privaratsky presented the award at the MTMC symposium March 26 in Dallas.

"Imee's attention to detail and excellence in quality performance is unsurpassed," said Earl Davis, Supply Transportation and Procurement Manager. "To earn this award three times is phenomenal."

## **Parent input still sought for school re-accreditation**

By Barbara Johnson  
Feature Writer

School officials still would like more responses to the parent surveys sent out last month. The National Study of School Evaluation survey, sent out to both elementary and high school parents March 30, is part of the school's re-accreditation process and provides feedback to both the elementary and high school staffs.

Surveys are due by April 30, but so far, only 23 percent of elementary school parents and only 21 percent of high school parents had responded by Saturday, according to Karen Ammann, school superintendent.

"I would like to have a better return than we have," she said at Wednesday's School Advisory Council meeting, encouraging all parents to send them in.

The results should be back for reporting at the May SAC meeting, she said.

With the last candidate signed on, a teacher for computers and science at the junior-senior high school, all staff positions are filled for next year, Ammann said. The Child Development Center is looking for a secretary, however, she added.

Ammann asked parents to let the school know if they are leaving, so they can plan classes for next year. She estimates about 25 in next year's kindergarten class, based on students at CDC and parents who have contacted the school.

Currently the elementary school has a total of 234 students.

Steve Howell, high school principal, presented the proposed final drafts for the new high school math, consumer science and reading curricula to the SAC for the first reading.

Thanking the faculty, administration and parent volunteers who worked on the curricula, he said, "There's been a lot of good discussion."

The council has a month to read through them and listen to and ask questions, Howell said. The SAC will vote on adoption of the curricula at next month's meeting.

Next year, curricula for kindergarten through 12th-grade language arts and seventh- through 12th-grade industrial arts will be revised.

The next SAC meeting is May 15.

# Marshallese training more focused on skills ...

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ers, according to Jack Riordan, RSE RMI Employee Relations manager. The numbers fluctuate from 1,100 to 1,150, depending on surge work.

## Sailor stories

For the Marine Department crews, the program gives Marshallese sailors a chance to move up the ladder from the deckhand and oiler jobs traditionally held by uncertified and unlicensed workers.

"When I go on vessels I rely on those guys, the guys who have been on those vessels for years," said Capt. Nate Jackson, skipper aboard the *Great Bridge*.

For Teljo and Bellu, the promotion means more than the substantial raise that goes along with it.

"It's kind of hard, but it's a new responsibility," Teljo said.

Teljo studied under *Great Bridge* Chief Engineer Mike Custer for months before passing the multiple practical exams.

"He taught me the engine and how to work it. Some I knew a little, but most I never knew."

Bellu said he practiced loading and off-loading procedures, drove the boat and navigated the vessel, to name a few tasks listed on the two-inch-thick stack of papers that make up the checklist of things to be learned to qualify for the new rank.

Finally, both men went before Marine Department brass and Jackson or Custer, to answer questions on what they'd learned: the dreaded orals.

"We were very nervous," Teljo said. "It was the hardest part because it's not in our language."

To counter that, twice a week both men study English with Leone Williamson.

"She's very helpful," Teljo said.

Teljo and Bellu credited the ESL class and the support and help of their crewmates for making it happen.

Said Bellu, "It's a good boat, good crew."

But their captain credited the sailors, themselves, for their hard work.

"It's a rigorous training program," Jackson said. "Nothing is given to them. They have to earn everything they get."

The training has also had a positive effect on the entire crew, leading to daily morning meetings detailing routine issues and safety issues.

"It helped them and helped us find things," Jackson said. "They asked questions that I had to go find the answer. It made us a better vessel for all the training."

## Focus on training

Teljo and Bellu aren't alone on their way up the ladder.

A locksmith apprenticeship program trains future certified locksmiths. A program with the Kwajalein Fire Department works to train a Marshallese fire inspector. A blueprint reading course trains Marshallese to examine those documents. A customer service course teaches American restaurant skills to food service workers. Aviation has trained two Marshallese pilots and cross-trained those pilots on both fixed- and rotary-wing aircraft.

"The programs are more focused than in the past," said Romeo Alfred, RSE Training supervisor. Where his department once offered generic English and math courses, the group now gives specific instruction related to the job. For example, math programs for fuel farm workers focus primarily on calculating flow and other required formulas. The focused programs also give workers set goals on where they can advance, such as in the case of Teljo and Bellu.

"The hope is we won't need to go off-island," Riordan said.

The company invests "thousands" in training, money that is saved later when an off-island position can be replaced with an on-island position.

"And it's the right thing to do," Riordan said.

Marshallese employment at USAKA contributes \$20 million to the host nation economy annually, according to Maj. David Coffey, chief, USAKA Host Nation office. That includes \$18 million paid out to Marshallese employees for an average of \$15,652 annual salary per employee. Off-island contractors contribute another \$2 million paid to the RMI through the 5 percent salary deductions every paycheck.

Of the up to 1,150 workers, 258 are grandfathered Marshallese employ-

ees and 40 are part-time employees, most working in the food and retail services.

Responding to an annual query, Riordan pointed out that of the part-time workforce, 70 percent have been promoted to full time since 1995 when RSE took over, Riordan said.

"Part-time employees in particular are a resource of people with training and experience readily available for promotion when opportunities for full-time employment occur," Riordan said. "Selections are not just based on longevity. A part-time employee's skills, training, experience, performance, attitude and proven reliability are all considered when promoting personnel from part-time to full-time."

All managers are encouraged to look at their part-time employees for promotion to new openings, Riordan said, adding that and the programs like the one Teljo and Bellu used can help both part-time and full-time employees advance.

## Training goes off site

Alfred said his department is taking training to the Marshallese, making programs more accessible.

Raytheon will open a computer training center on Ebeye next month.

"We've learned that a lot of the Marshallese had difficulty with the classes given by IT because of the language," said Alfred.

Marshallese instructors will "eliminate the language barrier," he added.

Also the boat schedule prevents many Marshallese from attending Community Education programs.

"The earliest you might get home [to Ebeye] is 9 p.m.," Alfred said.

Occupying a school classroom at Queen of Peace Elementary School, the center will give RSE employees a location and computers where they can learn skills they can use to improve their current work skills and make themselves more promotable.

"If you have an employee locked into a part-time cashier job, and they can get computer skills at night or after work, then they can move up to other jobs, like data-entry, when they become available," Riordan said.

## Historical documents to be archived and digitized ...

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Thursdays. There, on the building's second floor suite of offices, she pores over documents from the Trust Territory days, minutes from meetings that took place 20 years ago and pictures of when palm trees were thick as a jungle on Ebeye.

Some of the papers can be found at other locations, such as the library at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. But other documents, Crismon noted, are "things that are specific and local ... and that's why I think it's very valuable."

So does Maj. David Coffey, chief, USAKA Host Nation office, who wanted to see the collection preserved. He said the documents, which fill the office's six-foot-tall cabinets to capacity, have almost been destroyed in the past.

"There is probably some useful information in those files in regards to history of the RMI, and there are hundreds of photos that are probably priceless to certain RMI families," Coffey said.



Sandra Crismon

But the Host Nation office didn't have the personnel or time to begin the task of culling through the collection. So Coffey contacted the University of Hawaii, which hooked his office with Crismon. It's a mutually beneficial marriage of needs.

"I wanted to see what was taking up so much of my office space, and when I looked, I found a treasure of interesting documents and photos that I knew would be of interest to someone," Coffey explained. "Having just completed graduate school, I knew there would be someone out there somewhere who would love access to historical documents that may have never been released or published before."

And while Crismon hasn't formally begun writing her dissertation since she arrived in October, working on the Host Nation collection has provided valuable information, she said. Her dissertation subject is food and water issues on Ebeye from a cultural perspective.

"This is part of my dissertation," she said of the archival project.

Currently, the archival work consists of taking notes on what she reads and eliminating any duplicates in the collection. Once everything is cataloged and organized, Crismon said the next step is to digitize major documents and the photographs. Eventually, the hope is to transfer the papers and photos onto CDs, and perhaps distill the cultural and historical information into a booklet for students and others. Crismon said some Americans who live here don't know much about the country's history.

"Personally, I think it's difficult to understand the present if you don't know the past," she said.

The hard copies would be saved, maybe moved to the Marshallese Cultural Center for safekeeping, Coffey said.

"I definitely want to digitize the photos and then give the hard copies to the Marshallese Cultural Center to either display, forward to RMI families, share with museums, etc., as appropriate," he said. "I would love to see all my filing cabinets replaced with a couple of CDs."

## Star flags go back to World War I ...

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with the start of hostilities in the war on terrorists, the flags have gone back up.

"It's patriotism," Schilling said simply.

Guy Baker agrees, displaying a banner poster in his front window for his daughter, Stephanie, who recently completed Air Force boot camp and reported for duty at Shepherd Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Texas.

"I think with all that's going on, people should publicize that they have someone in their family who is out there, protecting the country," he said.

The practice of flying service banners began in 1917 when Capt. Robert Queissner of the 5th Ohio Infantry designed and patented the first flag for his two sons who served in the trenches during World War I. During World

War II, the Department of War drafted guidelines for the display of such banners. In short, each blue star represents an immediate family member (father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister and so on) serving in the military.

A gold star, replacing the blue star, represents a family member who has died in a conflict.

Schilling bought a stack of blue star banner posters and wants to distribute them free to the service member families on island in hopes they will make people more aware of the troops at war.

"And heaven forbid," he added. "I can get a gold star flag, too, if we would need one of those, but I hope it doesn't come to that."

Families of service members interested in displaying a flag can call Schilling at 54765.

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**"It's patriotism."**

— Jim Schilling,  
father of U.S. service member

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## Ten swimmers named to Mic Games team

From staff reports

Ten swimmers are headed to the Micronesian Games at Pohnpei in July to represent the Marshall Islands.

The team members were announced last Tuesday during a fund-raising dinner at the REB, with Olympian Chad Carvin serving as the keynote speaker. (See last Friday's *Hourglass* for an interview with Carvin.)

There are five boys and five girls on the team: Jared Heine (a Marshallese boy who trains in Honolulu), Loren Lindborg, Carlos Notarianni, Iann Taylor, Benjamin Fogg, Sarah Alves, Jessie Brown, Lani Brown, Ola Kaluhiokalani and Katie Fogg. Coaches are Ray Fogg and Sarah Stepchew, and Cris Lindborg is the team coordinator.

## Classified Ads and Community Notices

## HELP WANTED

The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Jack Riordan, 55154, unless otherwise noted.

APPLICATIONS are 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 18. Applicants selected will be required to support the Summer Fun Program to work as instructors or recreation aides. The first of two Summer Fun sessions begins June 20. Applicants selected 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 Jack or Reka, 54916.

RECREATION AIDE, Small Boat Marina. Part time. Responsible adult to work Sundays, 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Great for active, outdoors individual with boating interest and experience. Call HR, 54916, or Jeff at Small Boat Marina, 53643.

SECRETARY, Education Dept. Full time. Looking for well-qualified, self-motivated individual experienced in Microsoft Word and Excel, office filing systems and basic office organization. Good interpersonal, oral and written skills a must. Selected individual will be required to undergo a criminal history background check.

DENTAL ASSISTANT, Kwajalein Dental Clinic. Casual. Responsibilities include preparing and filling impression materials; cleaning and sterilizing equipment between appointments; exposing, developing and preparing X-rays for review; preparing patient files and recording procedures; as well as other clerical duties. Selected individual will be required to undergo a criminal history background check.

SPORTSWRITER, *Hourglass*. Casual. Submit minimum of three clips to Jim Bennett, Box 23, Local, or at Building 805, second floor, at the *Hourglass* office or e-mail: [jbennett@kls.usaka.smdc.army.mil](mailto:jbennett@kls.usaka.smdc.army.mil). For more information, call 53539.

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

**USAKA currently has the following job vacancies. For application information and announcement paperwork, call Cris Foster, 54417.**

MAIL CLERK, GS-03, temporary for one year, two vacancies. Closes May 10.

SUPERVISORY GENERAL ENGINEER, GS-14. Closes May 6.

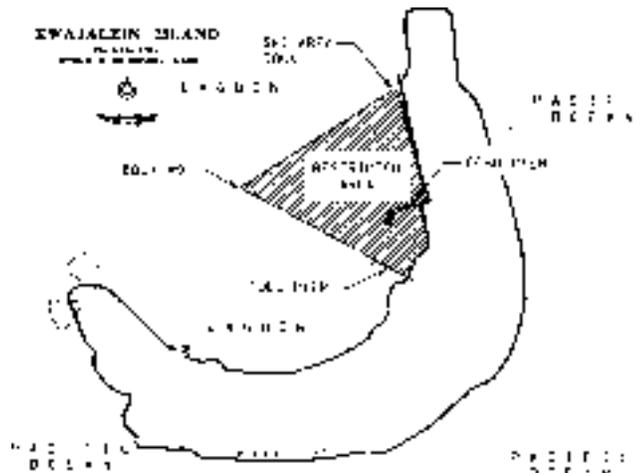
## WANTED

DONATIONS OF new or used toys for Queen of Peace school's upcoming annual carnival May 10-11. Bring items to Qtrs. 112-C before May 6. For more information, call Amber, 54169, or Noda, 52592.

HOUSE, trailer or BQ-sitting for my mother July 2-17. Responsible non-smoker. Good with pets and plants. I can continue care after she leaves if needed. Call

## HAZARDOUS CARGO CAUTION

Echo pier and the harbor area, which is the north end of the fuel pier to buoy #9 to ski area dock, including Small Boat Marina and the marina ramp, will be closed to all non-essential personnel tomorrow, 8:20-11 a.m. The closure is due to transfer of hazardous cargo from the barge *Islander* to the LCU.



Jenny, 51611.

HOUSE-SITTING situation for visiting mother for June and July. Good with pets and plants. Call Jerry, 52417, after 5 p.m.

TO BORROW: A cassette, CD or video of Costa Rican folk dance and music. Call Rose, 51800.

## LOST

SPY POLARIZED glasses, gunmetal gray, scoop-style, March 16. Call 51611.

LEVIS navy blue fleece pullover jacket, child's size, after Cub Scout campout in March; scooter with red wheels and yellow electrical tape on the handle bars. Call 52435.

## FOUND

BUCKET of tools and items purchased from Macy's West outside Hobby Shop. Call Julie, 51700.

DISHES and ring left at Father/Daughter dance. Call 52483.

WOMEN'S PRESCRIPTION eyeglasses, tortoise shell, at Emon Beach. Call 53771.

KITTEN: Gray/black/white tabby, three months old, near Qtrs. 483-B. Call Vet Services, 52017.

## GIVEAWAY

LEXMARK color printer cartridge, 13619HC. Call 52297.

## FOR SALE

PLANTS: Hibiscus, plumeria trees, crotons, bougainvillea, desert rose. Call 52426.

27" TV, \$250; canister vacuum cleaner, \$40; booster seat with tray, \$8; ceiling fan, \$20; big wooden storage, \$15. Call 52669 or see at Qtrs. 401-B.

HUNTER GREEN and beige couch, excellent condition, \$600; floor lamp, \$50. Call 51081 and leave a message.

GE DISHWASHER, \$250; loveseat, \$50; aluminum patio set with cushions, paid \$850, will sell for \$200; large microwave, \$100; ceiling fans with lights, \$40; computer desk, \$125; matching desk with file cabinet, \$125; indoor/outdoor blinds, \$10. Call 52584.

PIE RACK, \$50; microwave, \$50; new foot massager, \$30; new fan, \$30; lamps, \$10-\$20; baby jogger; Burley; Hoover shampooer, \$50; baby bed with mattress, \$20. Call 54322.

MINI-BLINDS and curtains for 400-series house, all for \$130 or \$5 each; 8' x 11' Oriental carpet, \$50; Ethan Allen floor lamp, \$40; Kwaj-condition bike, \$35; tall ficus tree, \$35. All available May 5. Call 52305.

LARGE DUFFLE bag, 42" x 18", new, \$15; automatic fish feeder, paid \$55, will sell for \$25. Call 55150 days, or 54879, after 5 p.m.

1998 YAMAHA 9.9 hp, four-stroke engine, runs great, \$1,500 or best offer. Call 51385.

FENCE WOOD, good condition; carpets for 400-series house; white crib and changing table, excellent condition; baby swing and bouncy seat, excellent condition. Call 52201.

½-CARAT DIAMOND RING, yellow gold solitaire, size 7, \$750. Call 52435.

STING RAY whale tail for outboard engine, new, \$30; bimini support poles to replace straps, new, \$30; home brew bottle capper tool and accessories, \$20; dive light with strobe, new, \$25. Call 52642, and

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leave a message.

TWO DIVE BAGS with dive gear including three BCDs, regulators, weight belts, fins, shorty suit, net bags and snorkels, \$150 for all. Call 50944.

BEANIE BABY collection, all new with tags, beanies, \$4 each, bears, \$5 each; four-person hot tub, excellent condition, all chemicals included, \$1,200. Call 52401, after 5 p.m.

SONY 27" flat-screen color TV, picture-in-picture, new, paid \$625, will sell for \$425; Trek 21-speed mountain bike, \$100; UWTEC dive computer Air X nitrox hoseless, paid \$1,100, will sell for \$500 or best offer; easy chair/recliner, \$40; Citizen dive watch, best offer. Call 52754, days, or 53002, after 3 p.m.

PLANTS: two-time Quarters of the Quarter-winning plants, various sizes, \$5-\$40. Call 53109.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

EOD WILL conduct an amnesty day on Kwajalein Thursday and on Roi Friday, to encourage individuals to call EOD for an evaluation of ordnance items in their possession. The goal is safe return of items that may be a public hazard. Items deemed safe will not be confiscated, but can be removed at the resident's request. No records will be kept, and items can be turned in or examined without any consequences. Questions? Call 51433.

ATTENTION SMALL BOAT Marina customers: After you take the boating orientation course, you have one year to complete the licensing process. If you do not get a license within a year, you must retake the class and begin the process again. Questions? Call Sadie, 53464.

KWAJALEIN COMMUNITY Team Building invites you to join us tonight, 7 p.m., in the REB. Maj. Matt Reed, USAKA Logistics and Community Activities, will give us the skinny on summer air travel.

KWAJALEIN COMMUNITY Team Building invites you to join us tomorrow, 7 p.m., in the REB, for an Introduction to Military Life as it applies to your life on Kwaj, by retired Lt. Col. Steve Moore. Maj. David Coffey, USAKA Community Relations Office, will introduce us to the role and mission of the Army's Special Forces.

TOWN HALL meeting on Kwajalein with RSE Site Manager John Wallace is tomorrow, 7-8:30 p.m., in the MP room. Topics include Employee Opinion Surveys, People Teams and Mission Support.

TOWN HALL meeting on Roi is Thursday, 6:30 p.m., in Tradewinds Theater. Topics include Employee Opinion Surveys, People Teams and Mission Support.

KOENIG JABAR tennis courts are reserved for a tennis club social Sunday, 4:30-9:30 p.m. Questions? Call Community Activities, 53331.

THE EBEBE STORY, a presentation on the history of Ebeye, is Friday, 7 p.m., in the REB. Guest speaker is Jack Akeang, and several Marshallese elders who experienced history firsthand.

BALLROOM DANCE tickets are going fast. Dont wait, get yours by calling Cris, 52935, Nate, 53578, or Dick, 51684. The dinner/dance is Sunday at the Yokwe Yuk Club. Tickets are \$35 each.

KWAJALEIN HOSPITAL reminds patients to bring

The Coffee Shop  
Sunday, May 5  
6-11 p.m., MP room

Beverages      Food      Entertainment

their insurance card when they come for services. Proof of insurance is required for the hospital to bill the insurance company directly.

UNITED HEALTHCARE CHECKS may have been sent to you for services at Kwajalein Hospital. If you have received checks, bring them to the hospital cashier so they can be credited to your account.

OB/GYN (women's health physician) will be on island May 8-10. Appointments are limited. To make an appointment, call the hospital appointment desk, 52224.

ATTENTION GOLFERS: Golf course holes adjacent to the runway will be closed after 4 p.m. Monday for the Rustman. Questions? Call Community Activities, 53331.

ISLAND ORIENTATION is tomorrow, 8-11:30 a.m., in CAC Room 6. All new arrivals and dependents over the age of 10 are encouraged to attend. After orientation, attendees should make plans to join Host Nation for a trip to Ebeye, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Bring lunch money and K-badge to tour the town. Women should wear long dresses or modest skirts. Questions? Call Host Nation, 54848.

SURFSIDE BEAUTY SALON has travel packs of travel-size shampoo, conditioner, styling glaze and hair spray available for tinted and normal hair.

BARGAIN BAZAAR has fiction and non-fiction books for all ages, golf equipment, bike helmets, craft supplies, children's swim vests and more. Our hours are: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 1-3 p.m.; Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m. For donations, call 53686, and for urgent donations, call 53140.

ATTENTION racquetball players: We are sorry for the delay in repairing the courts. Your patience is appre-

ciated. Questions? Call Cassie, 52491.

AMERICAN LEGION election of officers is tomorrow, 4:30-6 p.m. Dues for 2002 must be up to date in order to vote. Questions? Call 50944.

ADULT POOL will be used by a high school PE class 10:30-11:30 a.m., Tuesdays through Fridays through May 11. Two lanes for lap swimming will be open. Questions? Call Kristin, 52848.

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

KWAJALEIN BACHELOR ADVISORY COUNCIL meeting will be Wednesday, May 8, at 1 p.m., in the Adult Recreation Center. The Bachelor Advisory Council has been established in accordance with USAKA Regulation 15-3 to serve in an advisory capacity to the USAKA commander on matters pertaining to island policy and regulations affecting the social and living conditions of bachelors/bachelorettes residing on Kwajalein. Council members from each BQ building are solicited. Unaccompanied personnel wishing to have input into this meeting should contact their representatives. All Kwajalein residents are invited to attend. For additional information, call Community Services, 53400. Kwajalein representatives are as follows: Reef, Marvin Ross; Shell, Joanne Garland; Coral, Sue Rosoff; Palm, Rhonda Longbrake; Sands, Helen Smith and Laurie Palacek; Tropics, Paul Jurek; trailers, Shelley Easter and Cowboy Galloway.

IT'S TIME to submit your photos for the 2003 Kwaj calendar. Bring photos to the Retail Office and sign a release by May 1. For more information, call 53307.

## Marshallese Phrase of the Day

*Ejet am mour* (Hay-siit amm moor) = How are you?

### See you at the movies!

**Saturday**

**Pinocchio (1940, G)**

Arguably Disney's richest, most evocative animated classic about an inquisitive puppet who wants nothing more than to be a real-life boy.

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

**Affliction (2001, R)**

Portrait of a man whose messed-up life can be laid out at the feet of his abusive father. Nick Nolte stars as the son, a traffic cop in a small, wintry New Hampshire town, trying to stay afloat. (Sissy Spacek, James Coburn) (114 minutes)

*Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.*

**Bowfinger (1999, PG-13)**

A really, really bad movie director has one last shot to make a good film, but to get the money to make it, he must recruit a top Hollywood action star. (Steve Martin, Eddie Murphy) (97 minutes)

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

**Sunday**

**Bowfinger (1999, PG-13)**

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

**Affliction (2001, R)**

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

**Monday**

**Pinocchio (1940, G)**

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

**Affliction (2001, R)**

*Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.*



*(Photo by Dan Adler)*

Country singer Rhonda Lee and Red Velvet keep the Yuk Club crowd dancing Saturday night. A second show for families followed Sunday night. Kwajalein was the first stop on the group's Pacific tour, which will take them to Guam, Singapore and Japan.

## Lee keeps Yuk crowd boot-scootin'

By Dan Adler  
*Graphics Editor*

The Yokwe Yuk Club crowd was boot-scootin' and two-steppin' Saturday and Sunday nights to the country music of singer Rhonda Lee and her band Red Velvet.

Saturday, Lee and the band played well into the evening. Sunday's performance was for families, with children allowed into the club until 9 p.m.

Lee sings contemporary and older country music with stars Martina McBride, Tammy Wynette and Patsy Cline influencing her most, she said. Red Velvet's Kevin McBride plays

drums, with Dan Hewitt on keyboards, Roger Lewis on bass guitar and Donnie Lee Clark on lead guitar and banjo, the latter two being new to the band for this tour.

Kwajalein was the first stop on the group's DoD tour, which is taking them to Guam, Singapore and Japan.

This is their second tour, the first a four-month tour of Korea last year.

"We wanted to travel the world while we were still young and we're getting paid for doing what we love," Lee said.

When this tour is over, she will return to Nashville, where she hopes to produce a CD.

## WEATHER

Courtesy of Aeromet

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

**Winds:** East-northeast to northeast at 8 to 14 knots; higher gusts near showers.

**Tomorrow:** Partly cloudy with isolated showers during the day.

**Winds:** Northeast to east-northeast at 10 to 16 knots; higher gusts near showers.

**Temperature:** Tonight's low 79°  
Tomorrow's high 87°

**April rain total:** 4.59"

**Annual rain total:** 14.64"

**Annual deviation:** -2.79"

Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.



## Sun • Moon • Tides



	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday April 23	0636/1859	1520/0311	0140, 3.9' 1340, 4.7'	0730, 1.9' 2010, 1.1'
Wednesday April 24	0636/1859	1617/0401	0220, 4.6' 1430, 5.2'	0820, 1.2' 2050, 0.7'
Thursday April 25	0636/1859	1714/0450	0300, 5.2' 1510, 5.5'	0910, 0.7' 2120, 0.4'
Friday April 26	0635/1859	1811/0538	0340, 5.7' 1550, 5.6'	0950, 0.3' 2200, 0.2'