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Brown assumes command of USAKA

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

The change of command ceremony is a time-honored tradition, steeped in ritual and dignity. But Tuesday's passing of the colors from Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr. to Col. Jerry Brown was also full of warm humor and emotion.

Wrenn closed his tenure at USAKA with his trademark humor, but also showed the human side that made him a popular commander among soldiers, civilians and especially the host nation.

Joking that by coming to Kwajalein he had

Look for an in-depth interview with the Browns in Tuesday's *Hourglass*.

fulfilled his promise to wife Sheila about owning beach-front property, Wrenn grew serious, quoting Scripture:

"It says, 'Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility, consider others better than yourself. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.'

"I was supposed to come here and look after the interests of others," he said, before choking with emotion. "I think that's what we tried to do. And I would like to say thank you."

A standing ovation followed the former USAKA commander back to his seat. Brown then took the podium, acknowledging the work by the Wrenns.

Brown said Kwajalein has lived up to the expectations that have built over the last year since he learned of the assignment.

"Not often do these things live up to expectations ... We can say three things for sure:

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(Photos by Peter Rejcek and KW Hillis)

Above: Col. Jerry Brown, Lt. Gen. Joseph M. Cosumano Jr. and Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., left to right, bow their heads in prayer at Tuesday's change of command ceremony in the MP room.



Left: USAKA soldiers sing the Army Song. For more photos, see pages 5, 6 and 7.

Cosumano addresses concerns over rebid

By Peter Rejcek and KW Hillis
Hourglass staff

Months of frustration over the uncertainty of many employees' jobs and lives bubbled to the surface, but did not quite reach the boiling point, at Saturday's town hall meeting with USAKA's commanding general.

Lt. Gen. Joseph Cosumano Jr., commanding general of

the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, took time out of a busy schedule to visit with the community Saturday night at the MP room for his second town hall meeting here.

Following a short briefing on the state of the command and USAKA's role in the current war on terrorism, Cosumano talked about the

ongoing rebid process for the logistical and technical contracts, anticipating the questions that were on many minds.

"This is a part of the normal process," the general said of the long-awaited announcement of who won the major USAKA contracts. According to news reports, Raytheon, Northrup Grumman and the team of

Lockheed-Bechtel are all competing for the contracts, which are potentially worth billions of dollars and years of job security.

Cosumano said a decision would be made within 45 days, but could not be more specific, explaining that he is not directly involved in the process.

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Editorial

Host Nation article misses the mark

In Tuesday's *Hourglass*, Beauregard and Latao have posed more questions than they answered; actually, they answered nothing.

Wouldn't USAKA Host Nation's time be better spent explaining to the American employees on Kwajalein why U.S. goods are in such high demand in the RMI? Wouldn't their time be better spent explaining to our Marshallese friends and neighbors why goods and products purchased on a U.S. military installation for use throughout the Marshall Islands isn't good for the RMI economy?

I hope in the future the USAKA Host Nation office decides to use their space in the *Hourglass* as a way to bring a better understanding of our two communities as opposed to furthering stereotypes of the selfish, ugly American and the complacent, docile Marshallese.

Jason Bischoff

Wrenn apologizes for video at roast

I want to extend my sincere apologies to this community for an incident that happened during my USAKA/RTS farewell roast last Sunday night. Someone on my staff produced and showed a video of

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"a day in the life of COL Wrenn." Regretfully, there is an unflattering depiction of our deputy commanding general in the video.

This was extremely poor taste and completely unprofessional. One person's sense of humor can sometimes cause embarrassment to another, however unintentional it may be. Although I was not involved in the production of this video, I do assume full responsibility.

This is an extremely uncomfortable lesson-learned, but I assure you it is a lesson-learned for myself and others. Please accept my sincere apology.

Curtis L. Wrenn, Jr.

Yuk staff serves up great work attitude

I don't think I can ever thank my staff enough for all of their hard work. I think I have the best staff on the island. No, the best staff in the Marshall Islands.

I'm working my tenth day in a row. I'm tired. I'm doing my job and someone else's job and I look around and see all of

these smiling faces, and it makes it all worthwhile. These smiling faces are standing right beside me working even harder than I am.

I have staff that have worked in the Yuk Club for over 25 years. I have staff that have worked here before, years ago, and have come back to work again. I have staff that know more than I do about the club, its history, where things are and how to do things. I learn more from my staff than I could ever teach them.

You might recognize them by name. You definitely know them when you see them. They are Harold and Harold, Lani, Tom, Cat, Sue, Teri, Michael, Cody, Aita, Rosa, Daisey, Kenji, Gentenial, Biton, Middle, Simeon, June, Lita, Emtan, Waisea, Liz, Jen, Chris, Happin, Torrey, Joe and Valentine.

I hope I haven't missed anyone. They are my family. My big and crazy Kwaj family. I love each and every one of them, and words could never thank them enough for all of their hard work.

Andrea L. Wright
Director of Catering and Marketing
Sodexho/Yokwe Yuk Club

Plastic: Not eco friendly, but good in a pinch

I have an ambivalent relationship with plastic.

On one hand, plastic is not very good for the environment. It's a tossup over which will last longer — the cockroach or the plastic spoon I just tossed in the trash can.

Yet... My friend Sue Rosoff, bundled in her raincoat and clutching a bag wrapped with a plastic bag as she waited for the bus in a downpour yesterday reminded me that plastic does have its uses.

In fact, that morning I had opted for a nice white trash bag, with cinch ties, to cover my backpack. White is an excel-

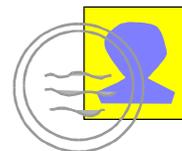


lent accessory for almost any outfit, though one rider had chosen clear plastic, which he had converted into a stunning pair of rain pants. And don't forget what great bike seat covers they make ... all this begs the question of which came first: Plastic or rain.

Letters to the Editor

Keep letters to less than 300 words, and keep your comments to the issues. This would be a no-libel zone. Letters must be signed. We will edit for AP style and, if you exceed the word limit, space. Please limit yourself to one letter every 30 days to give other readers a chance to write.

Send your letter to:
The *Hourglass*, P.O. Box 23, Local; or
jbennett@kls.usaka.smdc.army.mil.



Family pool rehab begins tomorrow

By Barbara Johnson
Feature Writer

Now that the adult pool has had its makeover, it's the family pool's turn. A major rehab project begins Saturday, and the pool is scheduled to re-open Sunday, Sept. 15.

The renovation includes a new paint job, repairs to the steel reinforcing (rebar) in the concrete, metalizing and repainting the diving board pedestal and replacing or repairing the railing and holding bars, according to Billy Abston, FOM superintendent.

"We hope to get done before that, weather permitting," Abston said, explaining that the main thing that rain holds up is the painting.

Weather is the biggest challenge to the project's completion, he said.

The 8,080-square-foot facility off Ocean Road, 50 years old this year, was last rehabilitated in 1999, and is on a three-year rehab schedule.

"The reason we do it in the summer is because a lot of families are off island and pool use is down," Abston said, adding that this year, the project will run over until after school starts.

This pool is expected to take longer than the adult pool project completed last month because of the divider in the pool, more hardware to remove and more repairs needed to the concrete, Abston said. He explained that the rebar corrodes and expands, which breaks the concrete, and there's more of that damage in the family pool. The pool is also larger than the adult pool. Abston added that saltwater has so many dissolved minerals, which get deposited on the paint.

"We are kind of unique," he said. "I have not found another saltwater pool like ours."

"Next time, we'll probably take all the paint off down to the concrete,"

Abston said. "There are so many layers of paint, it needs sandblasting to concrete and complete repainting."

The paint, some 66 gallons, is a special chlorinated rubber paint, formulated for use in chlorinated water, he said.

The adult pool schedule will change during the family pool renovation to allow for family and swim team use, said Amy Hansen, Community Activities superintendent of recreation activities. Summer fun will also use the adult pool, but the CDC elected to wait for the family pool to reopen, Hansen said.

The swim team is scheduled for practices at the pool beginning Aug. 23.

The pool will be open for adults only all day on Sundays, and beginning Aug. 13, also on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

Family swim hours will be Monday, Thursday and Friday afternoons, and Emon beach will also be open several weekday afternoons. The schedule will change when school begins, Hansen said.

Family pool rules will apply at the adult pool during family swim hours, Hansen said. She stressed that there is no shallow area in the adult pool. It begins at 3½ feet and gets deeper quickly, she said. Any time they go alone, swimmers have to have passed Red Cross Swim Level 4.

"Even though guards are on duty, if parents are unsure of the swim level of their kids, it would be a good idea to accompany them," Hansen said.

Although the pool is open to all adults, alcoholic beverages are not allowed at the adult pool during family swim and swim team practice times, Hansen said.

Hours will be posted at the adult pool, Hansen said, and a flyer in today's *Hourglass* gives a detailed adult pool schedule during the renovation period.

Tracking station first of its kind in region ...

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ground before leading the group to a trailer. The interior, which was filled with computers for tracking and telemetry, serves as a control room. Once a satellite reaches its final orbit, a report on its trajectory is made here. Telemetry data on its height, speed, direction and location are received and analyzed before a report is relayed to China

by phone, Chinese officials explained.

After leaving the snug quarters of the control room, a brief stop was made at the tracking station's power plant facility. Three diesel fuel generators are housed inside, and each unit is capable of generating 200 kilowatts of power for the operation of the radar and tracking equipment.

July eighth wettest month on record

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

July ended as the eighth wettest month in the last 58 years.

Total rainfall for the month was 22.29 inches, nearly five inches more than the old record of 17.33 inches and 11.85 inches above the normal rainfall for July.

In the overall scheme of things, July fell into eighth place for the

Wet weather:

The top ten months in aggregate rainfall

December 1950	30.38"
May 1980	26.86"
March 1951	24.33"
May 1964	24.18"
August 1997	23.38"
December 1986	23.28"
December 1972	22.70"
July 2002	22.29"
September 1972	21.16"
December 1966	21.08"

most rainfall in one month, despite what was reported last Friday. Further study by Aeromet found that the months of December and May had multiple entries in the top ten, according to Aeromet meteorologist Frank Robitaille. (See revised list above.)

In fact, December made it into the top ten four times, while May was both the second (1980) and fourth (1964) wettest months ever.

Not one October, which is historically the wettest month of the year with average rainfall close to 12 inches, cracked the top ten. On the other hand, December normally only sees just over 8 inches per year, and is followed by the normally four driest months of the year. It also experienced the most rain ever in one 24-hour period, with 17.15 inches.

For the year, rainfall is more than 15 inches above normal at 64.84 inches, as of this morning.

The immediate forecast calls for more unsettled weather, according to the Aeromet Weather Web site.

Cosumano says contract to be awarded within 45 days ...

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Part of the delay, he said, was to ensure there would not be any protests once the award is made.

"Protests are not really good for the government or the employees," he said.

Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA commander, added that the process is not simply a matter of adding up points to determine a winner.

"There is a lot of subjective analysis that had to be done," Wrenn said.

Despite assurances that every possible effort is being made to move the re-bid process along, residents still vented frustration and amazement that the announcement has been delayed for so long. A winner was supposed to have been announced as early as mid-June.

"I think if you, the government, told us to do something and we didn't do it, you would give us a negative PEW," said Roi resident Bridget Rankin, as Wrenn nodded in agreement.

Other residents noted that the delay is impacting everything from delivery of supplies to employee retention.

Jeff Beckley, RSE Kwajalein Technical manager, said employees are calling from off-island while on vacation expressing their anxieties, especially families who need to register children in school for the fall semester.

"People are planning on not coming back," he said. "We are losing people and I can't replace them."

Added Becky Kalalau, "It's not about jobs. It's about people's lives."

Cosumano pledged to do all he could to push the process forward, saying, "Sometimes there are 'I don't know' answers that affect people's lives."

During an interview with the *Hourglass* Monday afternoon following the town hall meeting, the general said he contacted his contracting officer for SMDC. He responded that the contract would be let "for sure in August."

We were supposed to get the Request for Proposal out in October. Then 9/11 came about and we got busy and didn't get it out until January, the contracting officer told Cosumano, who said, "There's three months right there."

Cosumano asked for patience until

the matter is resolved.

"The mood that I took away from the town hall meeting: The people were concerned about their families and the relationship of the contract and what impact it might have on their jobs," he observed. "So Col. Brown and I will continue to monitor that. Not to minimize the issue, but there is just a lot of uncertainty that we do not control."

USAKA and the world

During his remarks at the town hall meeting, Cosumano discussed the military's current state of affairs, particularly how they relate to the war on terrorism. He talked about the Army's shift from an "old Cold War Army" to a lighter force. Space, he said, will play a key role.

"Space gives our forces a global presence," he said, echoing the remarks made by Gen. Ed Eberhart, commander in chief of the new Northern

Command, last week.

And like Eberhart, Cosumano said USAKA plays a key role thanks to its missile testing capabilities, especially in the Ground-based Midcourse Defense program.

"That has a lot to do with terrorism," he said.

Space surveillance is another area where USAKA and SMDC are working to help the nation combat terrorism. Cosumano said it's now possible, thanks to advances by departments like SMDC, to track our Special Forces soldiers fighting from horseback in the difficult environs of Afghanistan.

"Our job is to help make the future," he added.

Quality of life

During the *Hourglass* interview Monday, the general emphasized there is a direct relationship between the high level of mission performance exhibited by the range and the installation's quality of life.

"I think that the care that you show for your people and their quality of life reflects in the job performance," he said. "The more that we can do to improve the quality of life and equipment results in better performance."

He said there's been marked improvements at USAKA since his visit here in 2001.



Lt. Gen. Joe Cosumano

Wrenn challenges community to up recycling efforts

By Peter Rejcek

Associate Editor

He may be gone, but he threw one last challenge to the community before boarding the ATI Tuesday morning after the change of command ceremony.

Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., former USAKA commander, made one final proposition to the community at Saturday's town hall meeting with Lt. Gen. Joseph Cosumano Jr., SMDC commanding general.

Wrenn asked the community to double its recycling of aluminum cans from 30 to 60 percent in the next year. If that happens, he said, the command will install a kitchen at the Adult Recreation Center, formerly the Unaccompanied Recreation Center, and upgrade the Richardson Theater so it can be reopened.

"The money will only be spent if the community does its part," he said. That's nearly \$200,000 for both projects.

"We are setting aside the funds up front rather than waiting to accumulate the savings," said Brian Burnham, with USAKA Resource Management.

Wrenn said the installation consumes upwards of four million aluminum cans per year, but only recycles about one million — the one negative in the installation's massive recycling program.

The Richardson was shut down earlier this year because of funding issues. Bachelors have previously requested a kitchen in the ARC because they are not allowed to cook in their rooms.

"I was in Macy's and it's well-stocked. I was in the Ten-Ten, and it's better than many convenience stores on the bases in the states.

"I know you guys live here, so it may come upon you gradually. But for someone like me it's a pretty stark difference.

"I was very much impressed," he said.

Brown says he's ready to face challenges at USAKA ...

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The place is just as beautiful, the people are just as warm and hospitable and, after the town hall meeting the other night, the challenges are just as great," he said.

Brown comes to USAKA after serving the last three years as Chief of War Plans, HQDA, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. His wife, Jane, and two daughters, Autumn and April, attended the ceremony. His third daughter, Adrienne, is away in New York.

A number of American and Marshallese dignitaries also paid their respects to the former and new commanders.

Lt. Gen. Joseph M. Cosumano Jr., commanding general of the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, lauded the work accomplished by both Wrenn and his wife, from humanitarian efforts on Ebeeye to constructing a blueprint for the future of the Reagan Test Site. He presented them with honors before the official passing of the colors.

After the change of command, Cosumano said, "This command team has done their lap and run it well.



Col. Jerry Brown and wife Jane greet twins Caleb, right, and Jonathan Hitt after Tuesday's change of command ceremony in the MP room. A packed crowd turned out to meet the new commander and his family. A reception followed in CAC room 6.

"This business about change of command is about continuity, and the baton is passed to the Browns... What a great command team that you're receiving."

U.S. Ambassador to the RMI Mike Senko and RMI Foreign Minister Gerald Zackios also added words of farewell to the Wrenns and encouragement to the Browns.

"You have a hard act to follow," Zackios told Brown, pledging the "full support and cooperation" of the RMI as the new commander takes charge during a major transition of RMI-U.S. relations, with parts of the Compact of Free Association under renegotiation between the two nations.

Added Senko, "One thing I know about incoming commander Brown is that he is brave and confident ... because it is not easy to step up and follow an act like Col. Wrenn. I know ... that he and his family are looking forward to that challenge.

"As the military says, 'He has the right stuff,'" he added.

A reception followed the change of command at CAC room 6.



Sheila Wrenn, Lydia Cosumano, Jane Brown and April Brown, left to right, applaud the speeches made at Tuesday's change of command ceremony. Col. Jerry Brown became the 21st commander at USAKA.



Marshallese leaders, from left, Botlang Loek, Wilmer Bolkeim and Michael Kabua are among the honored guests at Tuesday's change of command ceremony.

(Photos by Peter Rejcek and KW Hillis)

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Change of



Glen H. Crane
1964-1965



Melvin D. Clark
1965-1967



Frank C. Healy
1967-1968



Donald B. Miller
1968-1971



Jesse L. Fishback
1971-1973



Robert L. Russell
1973-1976



Ernest Van Netta
1976-1978



John H. Reeve
1978-1980



David Spaulding
1994-1996



Scott B. Cottrell
1996-1998

Command



**Col. Jerry P. Brown, USAKA commander,
2002 - Present**



**Philip R. Harris
1988-1990**



**John J. MacNeill
1990-1992**



**Gary K. McMillen
1998-2000**



**Curtis L. Wrenn Jr.
2000-2002**



**Crosby E. Hazel
1992-1994**



**Peter F. Witteried
1980-1982**



**John W. Banks
1982-1984**



**William A. Spin
1984-1986**



**James R. Allred
July '86-August '86**



**Richard G. Chapman Jr.
1986-1988**

Col. Jerry Brown, incoming USAKA commander, hands the USAKA flag to SMDC Command Sgt. Maj. Wilbur Adams for safekeeping as Col. Curtis Wrenn, outgoing USAKA commander, and Lt. Gen. Joseph Cosumano Jr., commanding general of U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, look on at the Change of Command Ceremony held Tuesday in the MP room.

Swim team returns from Mic Games with 18 medals

By KW Hillis and C.J. Johnson
Hourglass staff

The Republic of the Marshall Islands athletes are bringing 36 medals — 11 gold, 14 silver and 11 bronze — back to their islands from the Fifth Micronesian Games, held on Pohnpei from July 21-31.

For 10 days, athletes from the RMI competed individually and on teams against islanders from Chuuk, Guam, Kiribati, Kosrae, Nauru, the Northern Marianas, Palau, Pohnpei and Yap in sports such as basketball, softball and swimming. Events also included sports based on Micronesian traditions and skills such as outrigger canoeing and coconut husking.

The medal total for the RMI placed it fifth among the ten countries. Half of the 36 medals — seven gold, four silver and seven bronze — were won by RMI swim team members.

Two game records were broken, one by Jared Heine in the 200-meter backstroke with a time of 2:11:53 and one by Loren Lindborg with a time of 55.56 seconds in the 100-meter freestyle.

Heine, with four gold and two silver medals, stepped on the winners' platform more than any other RMI athlete. Lindborg brought home two gold, one silver and two bronze, while Ola Kaluhiolalani brought home the gold with a time of 37.81 seconds in the 50-meter backstroke. With a time of 41.94 seconds in the

RMI basketball teams win silver, bronze

50-meter breaststroke, Jessie Brown brought home a bronze.

The men's relay team accounted for one silver and two bronze medals, while the women's team won two bronze.

In track and field events, the RMI won gold, two silvers and a bronze. With a throw of 12.7 feet, Rais Aho won the shot put event and brought home silver in the discus competition. Roman Cress took the silver in the 200-meter run, and the women's relay team took the bronze in the

Look for additional coverage and interviews next week as the local athletes return home.

4x100 meter relay.

On the basketball court, Kwajalein resident Sue Mayo helped the RMI women's basketball team win the silver with a record of three wins and one loss. The men's basketball team brought home the bronze after four wins and three losses with the help of Kwajalein residents Floyd Corder Jr. and Justin Dohrman and Ebeye resident Faiga Tagoelelagi.

Greco Roman wrestling RMI winners accounted for two gold and three silver medals. Freddy Chong Gum won in the 120-kilogram

weight category, while Stevenson Muller took the gold in the 84-kilogram weight level. Silver medals were won by Francis Kintaro, 55 kilograms; Jaston Anjaia, 66 kilograms and Kautao, 74 kilograms. Gum also took home a bronze in freestyle wrestling.

In weightlifting, Lyla Lemari won a silver medal in the women's 69-kilogram class. In the men's competition, Waylon Muller won the silver in the 94-kilogram class and Robi Beaut brought home the bronze in the 85 kilogram category.

The RMI men's tennis team won a silver medal, and the RMI women's outrigger canoe team won a bronze in the 500-meter race.

Palau's athletes once again topped all other countries, bringing home 71 medals — 23 gold, 28 silver and 20 bronze — repeating their performance in the 1998 games held in Palau, when they won 117 medals.

Coming in second place with 67 medals, the Northern Marianas heard their national anthem played one more time than Palau with one more gold medal for a total of 24, along with 26 silver and 17 bronze medals.

Most of the RMI swim team will arrive tonight on Continental, with local members of the basketball team returning home Tuesday.

For more information and photos of the ceremonies and games, see www.microgames.fm.

Summer Fun basketball draws 14 teams, three divisions

By CJ Johnson
Contributing Writer

Fourteen teams in three different divisions will hoop it up over the next month during the Summer Fun basketball season.

The A division consists of five teams: Court Jesters, The Geriatrics, Da Real Deal, Tiltak-Buster and Big-Buster. The B division also contains five teams: Triple J, Laik-Al-Al, Buoj Kibwe, Buoj Jab-bere and Marine Team. The C division drew four competitors: Sloppy Seconds, Island Geckos, Navigators and Blink-Blink.

Both the A and B divisions will play a double round robin, which will give each team the opportunity to play in eight regular season games. The C

division will play a triple round robin, giving each team the chance to play in nine regular season games.

If there is a tie in standings after the regular season, head-to-head competition between the two teams will be used to determine the record standing of the teams. In case the teams are still tied, the total points scored in head-to-head competition will be used. In the event of three or more teams having a tie and head-to-head competition cannot settle the tie, the team with the highest point total in head-to-head competition will be the winning team.

The season record for all of the divisions will ultimately determine the league champions.

Basketball Schedule

Saturday

6 p.m. Navigators/Blink-Blink
7 p.m. Sloppy Seconds/Island Geckos

Monday

6 p.m. Court Jesters/Big Buster
7 p.m. The Geriatrics/Tiltak-Buster

Tuesday

6 p.m. Buoj Jab-bere/Triple J
7 p.m. Marine Team/Laik-Al-Al

Wednesday

6 p.m. Da Real Deal/Tiltak-Buster
7 p.m. Court Jesters/The Geriatrics

Thursday

6 p.m. Blink-Blink/Island Geckos
7 p.m. Sloppy Seconds/Navigators

Friday

6 p.m. Buoj Kibwe/Marine Team
7 p.m. Triple J/Laik-Al-Al

Classified Ads and Community Notices

CAFÉ PACIFIC



Lunch

Sat	Spicy sesame tofu ★ Kalua pork and cabbage Hot buffalo chicken Grill: Filet of fish sandwich
Sun	Garden vegetable quiche Honey-glazed ham Country-fried chicken Grill: Brunch station open
Mon	Brunch station open ★ Beef Stroganoff Cheese manicotti
Tues	Baked potato bar ★ Pizza Roast top round Grill: Ham and Swiss
Wed	Lime cilantro mahi mahi ★ Fiesta taco bar Roast pork with gravy Grill: Sloppy Joes
Thur	Chinese bar ★ Country-fried chicken Beef noodle casserole Grill: Filet of fish sandwich
Fri	Spinach and mushroom lasagna ★ Beef and sausage lasagna Fish and chips Grill: Philly steak sandwich ★ <i>This symbol denotes the Wellness menu</i>
Dinner	
Tonight	Stir-fry to order ★ Kal Bi short ribs Grilled ham steak
Sat	Blackened salmon steaks ★ Pizza Seared pork chops
Sun	Stir-fry to order ★ Sesame pork roast Crispy lemon chicken
Mon	Tofu vegetable stir-fry ★ Sautéed liver and onions Oven-smoked turkey
Tues	Pesto pasta casserole ★ Veal Parmesan Glazed Cornish hens
Wed	Eggplant casserole ★ Prime rib au jus Herbed roast chicken
Thur	Italian squash Parmesan ★ Chicken Francaise Braised pork chops
Fri	Ono saimin bar ★ Breaded pork cutlet Teriyaki beef stir-fry ★ <i>This symbol denotes the Wellness menu</i>

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, 54916, unless otherwise noted.

SECRETARY, Kwajalein High School. Strong computer skills in Microsoft Office, Word and Excel and strong organizational skills and ability to work with teachers, parents, students and staff. Excellent communication skills a must. Selected applicant will be required to undergo a criminal history background check.

LIBRARY AIDE, Education Dept. Part time. 25 hours per week at the high school library. A criminal history background check is required.

HR ASSISTANT, RSE HR Dept. Good people skills, computer literate, day-to-day assistance on employee relations, benefits issues and other HR-related matters. One to three years of HR experience preferred. Call Anne Louise Jeffrey, 52710.

PIANO PLAYER, Yuk Club. Casual for Thursday through Saturday evenings. Call Andrea, 58909.

DENTAL ASSISTANT, Dental Clinic. Casual. Criminal history background check required.

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, Post Office, GS-05 (two vacancies). Temporary, one year. Final closeout Aug. 7.

WANTED

ROOMMATE to share unaccompanied trailer with full kitchen and full-size washer and dryer. Call 52575.

LOST

SMALL, clear tackle box with tackle and Shimano written on it at Small Boat Marina. Reward offered. Call Joe, 52939.

MAUI JIM titanium sunglasses with rose-colored lenses in vicinity of the IT building, July 19. Call 51192.

PATIO SALES

SATURDAY, 6-10 a.m., Qtrs. 489-A.

SUNDAY, 8 a.m.-noon, Qtrs. 496-B (in back). Women's clothing, rugs, dive accessories, fashion jewelry, household items. No early birds.

MONDAY, 6-10 a.m., Tr. 851. Dive gear, Apple Performa 475 computer, wardrobe, TV and VCR, CD stereo. No early birds.

MONDAY, 7:30-10:30 a.m., at pavilion behind Tropics BQ. Women's clothes; T-shirts; CDs; tapes; stereo system, \$200; wardrobe, \$25; books, videos, DVD, dishes, towels.

FOR SALE

KENMORE DISHWASHER with butcher block top, \$100; 55-gallon aquarium, complete, \$350. Call 53680.

COMPUTER DESK and chair, \$60; Kenmore Ultra Wash

dishwasher, excellent condition, \$175; set of dishes, service for eight, good condition, \$30. Must sell by Aug. 22. Call 53717H or 51466W.

PALM PILOT m105, like new, with all software, \$75; four-cup coffeemaker, great for BQ room, \$5; Ikelite Aquashot underwater 35mm point and shoot camera with strobe, macro lens and case, great for beginner, \$150 or best offer; Dacor Xtremelle AT BCD, size small, less than 50 dives, paid \$400, will sell for \$300 or best offer; 3½ x 3½' bookcase with glass doors, \$20; stained glass supplies; lawn chairs. Call 52374.

SEVYTEX TWO-PERSON KAYAK, high performance, great for paddling or diving, \$450. Call John, 55945.

ROLAND V-PRO electronic drum set, excellent condition, \$2,800; Webber barbecue grill with cover, good condition, \$45. Call 51810.

1999 9.9hp Yamaha engine, runs great, \$1,500. Call 52245.

MEN'S ROLLERBLADES, size 12, \$15; wakeboard with bindings and tote bag, \$600; 12' x 15' beige carpet, \$70; 55-gallon aquarium with stand and accessories, \$700. Call 52295, before 8 p.m.

GATEWAY 20" monitor, VGA, S-video and RGB coax, inputs, \$50. Call Chris, 52167 days or 51313 nights.

28' BANANA PATCH boat, #711, with hand-laid fiberglass hull powered by twin Honda 130 motors with less than 1,000 hours, comes with two new spare powerheads worth \$11,000, aluminum beam trailer worth \$4,500, GPS, radio, fish finder, outriggers and trim tabs, air-conditioned boat house, \$45,000. Call Dennis, 54489 or 51850.

26" SAMSONITE hardshell suitcase with telescoping handle and swivel wheels, black, good condition, \$50; queen-size sleeper sofa and matching recliner, good condition, \$400 or best offer for set; plastic patio table with four chairs, \$25 for set. Call 55375, days.

STEREO SYSTEM, \$200; full-size refrigerator, \$150; three-shelf entertainment unit, \$30; computer desk, \$30; steel and plastic wardrobe, \$25; toaster oven, \$20; clock radio, \$5; exercise rider, \$50 or best offer; videos, \$6. Call 51614.

LARGE DOG kennel, excellent condition, \$50; changing table, \$20. Call 52526.

JOHN DEERE ride-on car for 4-6 year olds, 12-volt system, excellent condition, \$300; Maytag dishwasher, excellent condition, \$200. Call 54579, or leave a message at 57175.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

PHOTOS THAT were submitted, but not selected for the 2003 calendar, can be picked up at the Retail Office, Building 708.

CAMP HAMILTON hut cleanup: All persons with gear in the huts should have equipment clearly marked with name and phone number by Sept. 15. Any unmarked equipment will be cleared out. Questions? Call Amy, 53331.

HOBBY SHOP hours of operation change beginning Aug. 10: Saturday hours are 9 a.m.-noon and 12:30-5:30 p.m. Due to poor attendance, there will be no Saturday evening hours. Questions? Call Julie, 51700.

Classified Ads and Community Notices

UMUC Classes



Term I
Aug. 13-Oct. 5 (on-island courses only)

CMIS 140 Introductory Programming (3)
Wednesdays/Fridays, 6-9 p.m.
Instructor: McGowan

CMST 310 Desktop Publishing (3)
Tuesdays/Thursdays, 6-9 p.m.
Instructor: Waite

Registration is through Saturday, Aug. 10, 1-5 p.m., at the UMUC office, Building 368.

Small Arms Range Notice

The small arms range will be in operation Aug. 11-12, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Avoid the hazard area shown below.

All watercraft must observe the red flags on the southwest end of the island.



FAMILY POOL will be closed for repainting and maintenance tomorrow through Sept. 14. During this time, adult pool will be open certain days and times for family swim. A flyer with detailed schedule is in today's *Hourglass*. Questions? Call Amy, 53331.

SAFETY CAUTION: New communication lines are being installed in residential areas. Stay clear of trenches, and be aware of orange caution fencing, barricades and cones. Your cooperation is appreciated. Questions? Call 51503.

ORTHODONTIST will be on island Aug. 13-14. To make an appointment, call the Dental Clinic, 52165, 7:30-11:30 a.m., and 12:30-4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

KWAJALEIN AMATEUR Radio Club meets the first Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., at the Ham Shack on Ocean Road.

PURSUANT TO section 2-17.3.6(a) of the USAKA Environmental Standards, the community shall be informed when a document of environmental protection is under review and shall have 30 days to make comments. The document for environmental protection, "Disposal of Munitions and Other Explosive Materials," is available for public review at Grace Sherwood Library, Building 805, on Kwajalein. Comments must be submitted by Aug. 29 to the RSE Environmental Office, P.O. Box 1526, APO, AP 96555, in order to be considered. Questions? Call Steve, 805-355-1134.

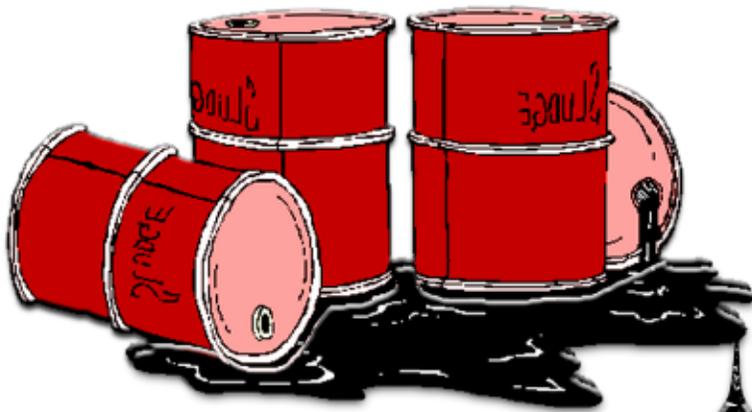
ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS meets on Kwajalein Wednesdays and Saturdays, 6:30 p.m., at Bldg. 932. If you have a desire to quit drinking, call 51143 and leave a message. We will get back to you.

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

OPSEC REMINDER: Providing our military forces with uncompromised defense systems is necessary to minimize risks and enhance our potential for the successful termination of a conflict. Apply OPSEC.

THE *HOURLASS* is a Department of Defense (DOD)-funded command newspaper. DOD-funded newspapers are prohibited from carrying commercial advertising (AR 360-81). As a service to its community, a DOD-funded newspaper may carry non-paid listings (classified ads) of personal items for sale by members of the command. Such listings may not be used as a method to advertise new merchandise being sold by persons holding commercial activities licenses.

Oil Spills



CHEMICAL AND PETROLEUM SPILLS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT 911.

PROMPT ACTION IS REQUIRED TO PREVENT RUNOFF OR CONTAMINATION TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

Questions? Call 51134.



The Bargain Bazaar

Monday.....1-3 p.m.
Tuesday.....1-3 p.m.
Wednesday5-7 p.m.
Thursday.....1-3 p.m.
Saturday.....1-3 p.m.



We can use your plastic and brown paper bags.

Volunteers are needed
1-3 p.m., Mondays or Thursdays.
Call Starr, 54691 or 53686.

Donations always welcome and will be picked up on Mondays. For pickup, call 53686 before 1 p.m.

USAKA/RTS Regulation 190-41 regarding removal of retail items from Kwajalein will be strictly enforced.

Visitors are to take only single portions of food for personal consumption from Kwajalein. Fish, fresh fruit and vegetables may be removed without restrictions, except those enforced by the airlines. Questions? Call 54445.

Jino jen kio im etal mweuk ko ak mona ko jen mon wia ko ilo USAKA renaj jino boki. USAKA Regulation 190-41 ej kamo ebok mweuk ko ijelokin nan juon armij-ruo pakij in jika ak ruo tib, ruo cola im ruo woid in koko. Ekk, kein ekan ko emon, ne elon kaitok call elok Kwajalein Police, ilo 54445.



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BOATING ORIENTATION



Boating orientation is Aug. 13-14, 6-8 p.m., in CAC 1. Stop by the Small Boat Marina to register. \$20 class fee. Questions? Call 53643.

**Marshallese Word
of the Day**

Wod = Reef or coral.

See you at the movies!

Friday

The Flintstones (1999, PG)

(Note movie change) Film version of one of television's most popular cartoon series. (John Goodman, Rick Moranis, Elizabeth Perkins, Rosie O'Donnell) (92 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday

Big Daddy (1999, PG-13)

A professional layabout, who is just a big kid himself, is suddenly thrust into fatherhood when his roommate's son appears on his doorstep. (Adam Sandler) (91 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

The Sweetest Thing (2002, R)

A party girl falls for a guy she meets at a night club. Unfortunately, she failed to get his name and goes on a road trip with her best friend to find him. (Cameron Diaz, Christina Applegate) (87 minutes)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday

The Flintstones (1999, PG)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

The Sweetest Thing (2002, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 9:30 p.m.

Big Daddy (1999, PG-13)

Tradewinds Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Monday

The Sweetest Thing (2002, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.



A telemetry antenna, in back, at the Chinese space tracking and command station on Tarawa Atoll, Republic of Kiribati, receives information from satellites circling the globe.

(Photo by Carol Sword)

Americans get look at Chinese tracking station

By Carol Sword

Contributing Writer

TARAWA ATOLL, REPUBLIC OF KIRIBATI — An American delegation got its first look at "China's strategic foothold in the South Pacific" earlier this month.

The delegation, headed by U.S. Ambassador Michael J. Senko, toured the China Aerospace Tarawa Tracking and Control Station at the invitation of Ambassador Ma Shuxue of the People's Republic of China.

The station, which lies 627 miles south of Kwajalein, was built exclusively by Chinese personnel in October 1997. It is the first permanent station of its kind to be built outside of China.

The group was met by Tan Li Ping, the director of the center, who resides with three other staff members year-round at the tracking site. Once or twice a year the site re-

ceives extra guests when a new satellite is launched from China. China now has over 40 weather, communications and imaging satellites in operation, according to Chinese officials.

"Our main purpose is to monitor whether or not the satellite has correctly separated from the launch vehicle and entered its orbit," Ping explained.

The station is equipped with space telemetry receiving units, satellite orbital measurement instruments and satellite communications equipment. A C-Band radar is used for tracking, and signals are transmitted and received by a transponder on the satellite.

"Since the station operates only on C-Band radar, our functions are limited," Ping said.

The site director pointed out a couple of antennae sitting on the

(See TRACKING, page 3)

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet

Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers.

Winds: Light and variable; gusty near showers.

Tomorrow: Scattered showers, some heavy.

Winds: Southwest at 7 to 12 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

Temperature: Tonight's low 77°
Tomorrow's high 86°

August rain total: 1.20"

Annual rain total: 64.84"

Annual deviation: 15.03"

Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.



Sun • Moon • Tides



	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Saturday August 3	0641/1910	0118/1403	0520, 2.5' 1720, 2.2'	1100, 3.4' 2340, 3.4'
Sunday August 4	0641/1910	0203/1455	0020, 4.0' 1250, 3.4'	0710, 2.3' 1850, 2.1'
Monday August 5	0641/1909	0252/1550	0130, 4.4' 1410, 3.6'	0820, 1.9' 1950, 1.8'
Tuesday August 6	0641/1909	0346/1648	0230, 4.8' 1500, 3.9'	0900, 1.5' 2040, 1.5'