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Taking Off (and up) on Labor Day



(Photo by Jim Bennett)



(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Top: Chris Gregoire, right, goes up to spike the ball during a four-man volleyball tournament at Emon Beach Monday.

Left: Brad Harmon catches air while surfing the swells at Emon Beach Monday afternoon.

Joining Up: Reserves make pitch for coming aboard

By Jim Bennett
Editor

An Army of One is looking for a few returning members.

A team from the 9th Regional Support Command, based in Fort Shafter Flats, Hawaii, visited Kwajalein last week to recruit inactive reservists and others with prior military service for a variety of programs.

"Money brings them in, but it doesn't keep them," said Master Sgt. Linda Hale, a recruiter with the 9th RSC. "It's the esprit d'corps and doing something different."

"I really enjoy the work," said Kim Harmon, a local resident who serves as a lieutenant colonel in the reserves. She is assigned to the U.S. Army Pacific Command in Hawaii.

Many reservists on island have become individual mobilization augmentees, assigned to no units and essentially putting their Reserve careers on

hold, while some others perform their monthly duties through the USAKA Host Nation Office.

Recruiters hoped to identify those inactive reservists through a number of visits at work sites around the island and a workshop Thursday night at the Davey Davis Multi-Purpose Room.

Reservists get "off the rock" every three months, earn extra money and earn points toward the military retirement program, said Master Sgt. Peter Dominick, Oahu Area manager for the 9th RSC. Reservists also hold many of the benefits afforded active duty members, including Space-A travel, college money and shopping privileges at post exchanges and commissaries.

Hale has a more specific recruit in mind. She specializes in recruiting those with prior military service and five years of experience in a particular discipline for Warrant Officer Candi-

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Heart surgeon puts skills to work for U.S. Army Reserves

By Linda D. Kozaryn
American Forces Press Service

After a career as a world renowned, pioneer heart surgeon, one would think William C. DeVries would kick back and enjoy some golf. Nope, not Doc DeVries.

Like his father before him, a father he never knew, DeVries decided to serve in the armed forces.

At 58, the tall, lanky doctor, who implanted the first permanent artificial heart in Seattle dentist Barney Clark, signed on

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Editorial

National Guard recognizes help

The 505th Engineer Combat Battalion (Heavy), North Carolina Army National Guard, would like to thank the people of Kwajalein Atoll for being such gracious hosts. We have worked all around the world with many different cultures and found this to be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. We can say without hesitation that we have never met a group of people that are as friendly, kind-hearted and giving as the people on the Kwajalein Atoll. Everyone has gone out of their way to help and ensure that we had all the materials, tools and supplies to complete this project.

A very special thanks to the crew at the Marine Welding Shop, Wayne, Bill, Randy and Turk, "y'all" (in our best Southernese) spent many a personal hour listening to our "obstacles of the day" and never complained. You guys were truly our "Ace in the Hole." The crew at FOM, Geronimo, Snow, Flynn, Doug, you guys were always willing to go the extra mile to help us figure out a method to overcome our dilemmas. Chuck and John, we finally got the power on and the toilets flushing, of which neither would have happened without your help. The San Juan Construction team, Larry, Rocket, Pard and Patch, you bailed us out in ways that you will never know. The staff from the Kwaj Lodge, Laura, Wael, Annie, Solly, Joseph and the gang, you kept our four 25-

soldier transitions running smooth and easy. Billy and Company at the Café Pacific, thanks for the extra pounds, it is just the souvenir we needed to take home. Jim, Sarah and Peter at the *Hourglass* and AFN, you made a huge difference and helped with our soldiers' morale in many ways.

Our sincere gratitude to USAKA and the Host Nation Office, Maj. Coffey, Stephan (the Wild Frenchman), Noda, Maryanne and Anne, y'all are tops. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for giving us one of the greatest encounters of our lives.

We would also like to recognize the citizens of Ebeye who were personally involved in the daily construction for the past nine weeks. James, Keta, Adde, Tommy, Rifton, Russel, Ardy, Kawa, Caption, Victor, Joe, Bien, Winston and Selmer, some of the most giving and generous people we have ever worked with.

Lastly, the guys from KAJUR: Tusi, Harry, Leno, Selenger and Tony, we have learned when others say it cannot and will not work, there are always those who can and will make it happen. True friends come rarely; you have become those.

**Kommol Tata, Fa'afetai and
Thank You,
Maj. Bill Gatewood, Capt. John
Wolf and 1st Sgt. Steve Collins**

Baseball deal still strikes out in end

Rejoice, we are told: Baseball has magnanimously decided to finish the season. There will be no strike — at least not until 2006 now.

There will be no team contractions, the rich will be robbed to pay for the poor and this is the best thing for baseball since free agency messed everything up back in the late 1970s, according to news reports.

Oh, and by the way, because of all this revenue sharing, some teams will have to raise ticket prices.

"We're going to have to raise ticket prices" is an oft-heard refrain that is certainly not music to any fans' ears. It's never, "We're going to have to cut players' salaries or owners' profit margins." Let's at least be honest and take out the "have to" and change it to "choose to."

The average salary in 1976 was around \$50K. Today, it's over \$2 million. Enough said.

Kwajalein fans should take note that softball season starts this week. Let's vote with our remote controls and go out and watch the boys and girls of endless summer play ball.

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Buckminster and Friends — By Sabrina Mumma



CDC adds new teachers, prepares for reaccreditation

By Barbara Johnson
Feature Writer

When Jennifer Wells heard an author speak of his years teaching at an American school in Paris, she thought, "That sounds like what I want to do."

And, several years later, after getting her bachelor's degree in liberal studies and her master's in teacher education, she is embarking on her own overseas teaching adventure.

"I wanted to see what life is like in another place," she said.

Wells team-teaches 4- to 5-year-olds with Sonya Sava at the Kwajalein Child Development Center, and is one of two new teachers hired there this year.

She finished her master's degree Aug. 2, and this is her first teaching

experience. She is certified to teach children from three years old to eighth grade.

Wells received both degrees from University of Eastern Oregon in La Grande, Ore. Her areas of emphasis in undergraduate work were art and geography, and, "to really experience art and geography, you have to travel," she said.

When she finished high school, Wells said she didn't plan to go on to college, but through the route of trade school for dental assisting, then associate of arts degree, then bachelor's degree and then master's degree, she ended up spending nine more years in school.

Wells, whose parents both are teachers, said she thinks it's a little ironic that someone who didn't like school when she was young ended up spending that many years in college and becoming a teacher.

"I enjoy my job here," Wells said. "Teaching and moving to Kwaj is a chance to succeed."

For the past three years, Wells

said she's been spending her summers in school and working, so she's looking forward to some beach time.

"The beaches are wonderful," she said.

She also plans to make the most of activities offered here: scuba, snorkeling and deep sea fishing, for starters. She has already signed up for a snorkeling class and has visited Bigej. Also, Wells said she is looking forward to learning some Marshallese.

Since discovering some of the local quirks, like the 'PDR' is really Café Pacific, and Ten-Ten isn't open from 10 to 10, for example, she said, "If there were one word to summarize

the island, it would be 'surreal.'"

Said Wells, "I signed on for an adventure and this is it."

Wells and Melissa Brown, the other new CDC

teacher this year, met at the University of Iowa International Job Fair, where they both heard about the jobs at Kwajalein.

"Ever since working on a cruise ship, I thought it would be fun to teach on an island," Brown said.

When she heard about the job at Kwaj, she said she decided to try it.

Brown teaches 2½- to 3½-year-olds.

After getting her bachelor's degree in early childhood education and family education at Concordia University in St. Paul, Minn., Brown worked for Carnival Cruise Lines in their "Camp Carnival" program for kids from 2 to 17 years old.

Based in Puerto Rico, the ship cruised through the Caribbean, and Brown said she was able to tour some of the islands along the way. After a year and a half, she returned to Eden Prairie, Minn., where she taught preschool in an international school for five years.

Brown said she's only been here a couple of weeks, so most of the kids

in her class have been at CDC longer than she has. "I'm the new person," she said.

"The parents are great here," she added.

Although she said she's still adjusting to the lack of shopping and the different day and time zone, she's anxious to start scuba diving, playing tennis and spending time at the beach.

In Minnesota, Brown liked to ski and was a competitive figure skater in high school and college, two activities she said she'll have to keep up with on visits home.

Of this adventure, she said, "This is the most extreme thing I'll ever do."

Wells, Brown and Sava are the three teachers at CDC this year. All CDC teachers are certified in Early Childhood Education,

said CDC Director Trina Tiffany. Also, eight assistants work at CDC at different times, Tiffany said.

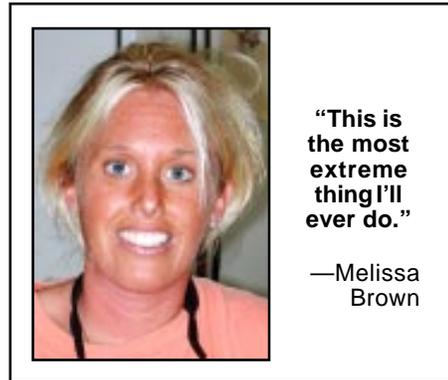
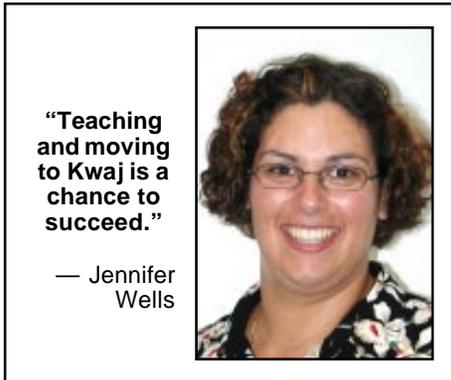
The current enrollment is about 49 at CDC, and about 34 at School-Age Services, she said, adding that it changes throughout the year.

CDC is certified by the Department of Defense and is also accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

The Army requires independent certification by another facility, Tiffany explained. CDC received its original accreditation from the NAEYC in June 2000 and is preparing for reaccreditation this year.

"Child care is essential in the Army's viewpoint," Tiffany said, "so they put a lot of time and effort into it. Educating a preschooler is very different methodology from educating school-age children.

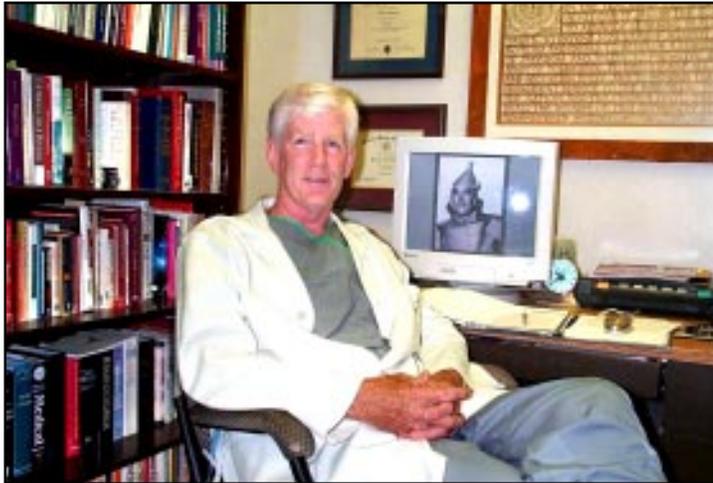
"They're working on a whole spectrum of developmental issues, such as motor and sensory development," she said, and "all are essential."



Doctor follows father's footsteps into military ...

At age 58, Dr. William C. DeVries, the renowned heart specialist who implanted the world's first permanent artificial heart in the 1980s, joined the staff at Walter Reed Army Medical Center as a Defense Department contractor. He also joined the Army Reserve.

(Photo by Linda D. Kozaryn)



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at Walter Reed Army Medical Center as a Defense Department contractor. And, as if that wasn't enough, he joined the Army Reserve.

On Dec. 29, 2000, DeVries was commissioned as a lieutenant colonel. On Jan. 18, 2002, he became one of the oldest officers to graduate from the Army Medical Department Basic Officer course.

"The story goes back to when I was born at the Brooklyn Naval Hospital in 1943," DeVries said in a recent interview. "My dad was a physician and surgeon on the destroyer USS Kalk. He was a lieutenant junior grade in the Naval Reserve.

"Right after I was born, he went to sea," he said. "Six months later, he was killed in the Battle of Hollandia in the South Pacific. Even though I never knew him, he's had a great impact on me all my life."

DeVries' mother, Cathryn, suffered a second loss shortly after learning of her husband's death. Her father, a World War I veteran, also died. "Can you imagine having a double funeral for your dad and your husband?" DeVries asked. "All of a sudden, the family had no men in it, except for a little baby."

Grieving for the loss of the two men in her life, the single mother returned to her family in Salt Lake City, Utah. Six years later, she remarried and raised eight more children by her second husband, Don Nuttall.

Cathryn had essentially closed the door on the past. She never talked about her first husband. She was

angry he'd been killed and angry he'd been buried at sea. She even refused to accept his medals awarded by the military.

DeVries was "a sole surviving son" in military terms, but he didn't know it until he tried to join the military during the Vietnam War. Although he was in college and getting ready to go to medical school, he said, he felt the patriotic thing to do was to join the armed forces. He said he wanted to help and be a part of the war effort.

But DeVries was not destined to serve his country — not then, anyway. As a sole surviving son, military officials said, he couldn't be put in an active theater. Because of an influx of draftees, they said, they didn't need him.

The young doctor's subsequent medical career involved breakthroughs in modern medicine. In the early 1980s, he was instrumental in creating the artificial heart dubbed the Jarvik 7. From 1982 through 1987, he implanted the Jarvik 7 in four patients who collectively lived more than 1,300 days. In 1988, DeVries returned to traditional cardiovascular surgery until his retirement in 1999.

The medical discovery paid an unexpected dividend. Publicity surrounding the artificial heart united DeVries with those who knew his father during World War II.

One man sent the Navy surgeon's medical books to his son.

"It's unbelievable the things that people sent to me," DeVries said.

From the letters, he learned that

his father had served as a chaplain as well as a surgeon. Henry was supposed to get off the ship at Hollandia, but when they arrived, his replacement hadn't shown up so he went back on board for the ship's next leg. His father's shipmates told the son they'd often told the doc to stay below deck, but he'd always come up to see what was going on. Henry was killed June 6, 1944, when Japanese aircraft attacked the ship.

This is where the father-son story would have ended if DeVries hadn't gone golfing two years ago with Army Maj. Gen. Evan Gaddis, then commander of the Army's recruiting command. The chance encounter changed the doctor's life.

"At the time, I was 56. I had a nice home near Fort Knox, Ky., and I was cutting back my practice," he recalled. "I was kind of disillusioned with medicine. Everybody was worried about their retirement plan, and the fun had gone out of it."

The general invited the heart specialist to accompany him to Washington, where he introduced DeVries to the commander at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. On the return flight, DeVries said, Gaddis made his pitch.

"He said, 'It's a crying shame. Someone with your talent and your ability really could help the Army, but you're just learning how to play golf and wasting your time away writing papers and closing up your practice.'

"I started feeling guilty," DeVries said. "I realized that it was a crying shame. At that time, all this patriotism started sprouting in my chest and I realized I could do something."

In October, DeVries joined Walter Reed's Department of Surgery as a consultant. Still, Gaddis wasn't satisfied. The general told the doctor, "There's one more thing you need to do. You need to wear green."

Gaddis arranged for DeVries to join the Army Reserve. The general inspected him when he put on his dress uniform the first time, for his swearing-in ceremony at Fort Myer, Va. Standing in front of the mirror was an emotional moment, DeVries recalled.

"I am the most 'waivered' person
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Look what's new for your eye safety

By CJ Johnson
Contributing Writer

New safety packets will be circulated with lawn mowers and weed eaters in the Kwajalein community.

As a result of community members who had an interest in safety glasses when using weed eaters and lawn mowers, the Safety and Industrial Hygiene department put together safety packets that will be attached by Self Help personnel on weed eaters and lawn mowers.

"What we've seen in the past is not too many people go to Self Help on their own, so we wanted to raise awareness for safety. For right now we are going to put them out on a trial basis," said Jeff Warga, Safety and Industrial Hygiene team leader.

Thirty-six safety packets have been attached to the outdoor machines.

Amber Morse, with the Safety and Industrial Hygiene Team, said, "Community members have been asking our department."

Darrel Ochoa, Self Help supervisor, and his crew are assisting the S&IH office with the new safety program.

"The packets are for health and safety purposes. They want people to be protected," Ochoa said.

In the packet there is a caution tag that recommends the use of a pair of



Darrel Ochoa, Self Help supervisor, looks over a new safety packet attached to a weed eater available from the Self Help store. The packet includes shaded safety glasses to protect users from the sun and flying debris.

(Photo by CJ Johnson)

dark shaded glasses, which helps protect the eyes not only from the sun but also any flying fragments. There will also be an alcohol wipe for patrons to clean the glasses. The glasses are to be returned with the machine after each use.

"Mowing lawns and cutting weeds can be a safety hazard. They don't want anyone to get blinded by flying debris so the glasses are a real good idea," Ochoa said.

Also in the packet is a brief four-question survey produced by S&IH, asking patrons if they are satisfied with the new protection packet and if they would like to see any further additions or changes.

"From the survey that goes with it, we hope to get some input from the community. We enforce these safety precautions in our work force, as well, so we hope people find them useful," Morse said.

Ochoa said there are 40 weed eaters, with about 15 dispersed at any one time during the day. There are also 24 lawnmowers, 12 of which are distributed each day. The return rate and input on the survey will be monitored to see if any more packets should be made for residents.

"According to the Self Help supervisor, we're going to start to do it a little. The supplies are expensive, so right now it's a pilot program," Morse said.

Doc 'most waived' person to join Army ...

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ever to wear an Army green uniform," he said.

"I'm really proud of the fact that I'm serving," he added. "I've always felt that I had a military obligation. I think everybody has an obligation to serve. My obligation started at a late time, but I'll stay here as long as I can."

Since the war on terror began, Walter Reed has treated both U.S. service members and Northern Alliance soldiers wounded in Afghanistan.

"Every morning driving by Walter Reed's statue out there and seeing the flag flying on top of the hospital, it really means something to me," he said. "I feel like I'm just a small part of it, but I'm part of it."

Recruiters looking for 'experts' to fill slots ...

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date School through the Civilian Acquired Skills Program. The age of eligibility spans from 21 to 46, but the average warrant officer reservist recruit is 35-40.

"Warrant officers are the experts of their field in the Army," she said, holding her grocery list of slots to be filled.

Hale would like to find a number of Marine department employees to fill out a crew for a brand new LSV the 9th RSC will launch out of Hawaii in December.

"When we found out you had a whole transportation department out here, including a maritime department, we were on a plane here," she said, adding former Navy and other service members are welcome, along

with soldiers.

"Imagine, you've got nine or 10 years in, and you got out for whatever reason," she said. "What's a weekend a month for a full retirement?"

Hale also hopes to find recruiters among those with former military service who live on Kwaj or Ebeye.

"This is a great area [to recruit]," she said.

While looking primarily for prior-service members, the team also did a little general recruiting for the Army, meeting with Kwajalein High School and Job Corps students.

"The school here is small and conducive to education," Hale said. "You don't have the drugs, violence and other distractions of a lot of schools. I bet students here would do well."

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, 54916, unless otherwise noted.

WAITPERSONS and BARTENDERS, Yokwe Yuk Club. Part time/casual. Must be able to work flexible hours, including some Friday nights until midnight and some Saturday nights until 2:30 a.m. Both positions require friendly and efficient customer service and cash-handling skills. Previous experience in food and cocktail service preferred. For further information, call HR, 54916, or the Yokwe Yuk Club, 58909.

YOUTH NIGHT SUPERVISOR, Community Activities. Part time. Looking for responsible and fun-loving adults to work two weekend nights or more per month at the Youth Center. Job duties include supervising youth, enforcing policies, coordinating various activities and keeping the center a hip place to be. A criminal history background check is required. Call Erika, 53331.

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.

WANTED

GUITAR LESSONS for my teenage daughter. Call 50154.

PATIO DECK or sufficient wood to make a deck for new housing. Call 52327.

LOST

TORTOISE SHELL prescription sunglasses at picnic tables across from the main pavilion at Emon Beach. Call Leann, 54826.

HAND RADIO belonging to COOM Shop, plant property #224772 is engraved on it. Call the FOM tool room, 51524.

35MM CAMERA in green case in CRC room 6. Call 52462.

FOUND

RING on Emon Beach, Aug. 28. Call 54534.

3½" FLOPPY DISC, on Ocean Road between Kwaj Lodge and adult pool. Call 51130.

CLASSES AND COURSES

KWAJALEIN ART GUILD is offering a basket class to make a Christmas stocking, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 10-11. No previous experience is needed. Maximum class size is four people. There will be a new class every Tuesday if there is enough interest. To sign up, call Dana, 54216.

GIVEAWAY

EMPTY FILM containers, oatmeal boxes and butter tubs, great for arts and crafts projects. Call 52517 and leave a message.

FOR SALE

BIKES, 24"-26", men's and women's, one with child seat, one good condition, one Kwaj-condition, \$5-

Welcome To The Movies



"A Beautiful Mind"

Tonight, 7 p.m., in the ARC

\$20. Call 52674.

KWAJ-CONDITION hard-bottom Burley, \$40. Call 51308.

SONY MINI-STEREO, Hi-Fi component system, five-CD, dual-cassette and radio, \$125. Call 51102, after 4:30 p.m.

SMALL BOAT HOUSE with large lot #36, registration fees paid until June 2003, \$1,400. Call 52279 and leave a message.

WHIRLPOOL PORTABLE dishwasher, \$150 or best offer; golf clubs, Lynx irons, nice bag and pull cart, \$100 or best offer; four rag rugs, 36" x 54", \$5 each; Sony clock radio with CD player, \$25; Braun coffee pot, black, \$20; five flag design T-shirts, sizes L-XL, \$20 each. Call 54836.

FULL-SIZE COUCH with pillows, good condition, \$150 or best offer; large Coleman cooler, red, \$10; massive blue container with bike parts and bike tools, \$30; two-drawer wood filing cabinet with wheels, excellent condition, \$20; large computer desk, \$25; two GT full-suspension mountain bikes, one in excellent condition, one needs work, \$150-\$200. Call Chris, 51313.

PCS SALE. 52" ceiling fan with light kit, new in box, \$25; stoneware dishes, service for eight, plus complete set, \$20; bookcase, 3' wide x 3' high, \$5; twin-size khaki comforter cover, bed skirt, pillow sham, orange sheet set, \$15 for all; wall-mount pot rack with six hooks and shelf, \$20; 7½' artificial Christmas tree, excellent condition, \$25. Call 54690.

BIC REGGAE windsurfer with two sails, boom, mast and cart, \$150. Call 59576.

TV STAND for 27" TV. Call 53578.

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.

PCS SALE. Radio Flyer wagon, plastic, Kwaj-condition, \$15; First Years toy chest with sliding doors and two shelves, \$15; Rival deep fryer, \$20; 8 lb. bowling ball with carrying case, \$10; Superyard indoor/outdoor play yard/fence, \$20. Call 54624.

CORNET FOR fifth or sixth-grader interested in playing in the band, \$180. Stop by Qtrs. 103, or call 54207.

DOUBLE-JOGGER stroller, \$60; wooden baby gate, \$10; two Black and Decker cordless Dustbuster vacuum filters that fit all HV-DB-VP models, \$5. Call 51359.

19' CAPE DORY Typhoon sailboat, *African Queen*, recently restored, new bottom job and repainted hull; 15hp outboard; electrical system includes running lights, solar cell and automatic bilge pump, mast-mounted antenna for VHF; complete safety kit with four personal flotation devices, throwable cushions, flare kit, two anchors, good sails including spinnaker, \$3,500. Call 59576.

E-MACHINES desktop computer, 500 Mhz, Intel, 32 MB-RAM, 4.3 GB hard drive, 40x CD-ROM, 56K modem with Windows 98 and Microsoft Office, monitor, \$250 for all; Sunbeam three-burner gas grill, \$25; electric smoker, \$20; folding table and four chairs, \$20; Kwaj-condition Burley, \$50; 40-gallon beautiful aquarium, \$100. Call 52674.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

MARSHALLESE CULTURAL DAY (Manit Day) will be celebrated Sept. 30. A planning meeting is Friday in CAC room 7. We need lots of help. This is a great opportunity to learn and participate in Marshallese traditions.

ORTHODONTIST will be on island Sept. 17-18 (*note date change*). 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.

ARE YOU interested in being a Girl Scout leader? Come

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to the organizational meeting Thursday, Sept. 9, 7-9 p.m., in CAC room 7. Questions? Call Doty, 52420.

HYPERBARIC CHAMBER is not available Sept. 4-7. During this period, recreational diving is limited to 50 feet.

COMMUNITY BAND begins rehearsals Tuesday, Sept. 10, 7:30-8:45 p.m., in the high school music room. Rehearsals will be Tuesdays, September through May. Adults with previous band experience are encouraged to join. A limited number of school-owned instruments are available for loan to band members, or for rental/purchase at the Beginning Band meetings Sept. 5-6, 7 p.m., in the elementary music room. For more information, call Dick Shields, 51684H, or at the high school, 52011.

KWAJALEIN AMATEUR Radio Club meets Thursday, 7 p.m., in the Ham Shack on Ocean Road next to the adult pool.

INTERESTED IN playing bridge? An informal ladies group meets every week. For more information, call Doty, 52420.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS with a Maytag Range appliance, model MER4530AAH, plant property number range 245187-251367: The modular control device that is used to set your oven's bake/broil temperature setting has been known to default to the high broil setting when the oven is turned off/canceled. When this happens, residents are advised to shut off the oven circuit breaker, which should be labeled in the main electrical panel. For assistance, call the Service Desk, 53550, during normal business hours or 53139, after hours. As a precautionary measure, residents are advised to be sure the oven is off and has not defaulted to the high broil setting before leaving the kitchen area. Maytag and the Consumer Products Safety Council have been contacted. FOM has been informed there is no recall at this time. FOM is working with Maytag to solve the problem.

YOUTH CRAFT Club is back. Come check out the craft club open to grades 1-6. The club meets Friday, 3:30-4:30 p.m., at the Youth Center. The craft is decoupage containers, which is more fun than it sounds. Questions? Call Erika, 53331.

EAR, NOSE and throat specialist will be on island Sept. 11-14. A limited number of appointments are available. For an appointment, call the hospital appointment desk, 52223 or 52224.

RETURNING BOY SCOUTS will have their first meeting tomorrow, 7 p.m., in the Scout Hut. Registration for new boys 11-18 years of age is Sept. 9. Information will be announced at school. Uniform swap and first camp out will be discussed Sept. 12. Questions? Call Mr. Clark, 52073.

PEE WEE and Junior Youth basketball skill assessments are being held tomorrow, in CRC gym as follows: Pee Wee (grades 2-3), 4:45 p.m.; Junior Girls (grades 4-6), 6:15 p.m.; Junior Boys (grades 4-6), 7:45 p.m. Questions? Call Erika, 53331.

TINY TOT kickball and Small Fry youth basketball coaches' meetings are Friday, in CRC room 1 as follows: Tiny Tot, 5 p.m.; Small Fry, 6 p.m. Questions? Call Erika, 53331.

Yokwe Yuk Women's Club



Jane Brown

invites all island women to its annual September event, which will welcome the new commander's wife, Jane Brown. The event is Monday, Sept. 9, 3-5 p.m., in the Yokwe Yuk Club. Meet *Leiroj* Seagull Kabua James and others from Ebeye women's clubs. There will be beverages and light pupus, a Micronesian handicraft drawing and information about various island organizations.

Vet Visit

Sept. 15-25
To verify or make an appointment, call
Vet Services, 52017.



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Thursday, Saturday,
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**Marshallese Word
of the Day**

Aenomman = Peaceful.

See you at the movies!

Saturday

Star Wars: Phantom Menace (1999, PG)

George Lucas returns to his science fiction space opera in this prequel to the popular trilogy. Anakin Skywalker is an orphan on a desert planet whose fortunes change when he befriends a beautiful princess. (Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor)
Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

The Matrix (1999, R)

A computer hacker discovers the world he lives in is an illusion created by computers that have enslaved humanity. It's up to him to save the world.
C Building, 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Sunday

Lord of the Rings: Fellowship of the Ring (2001, PG)

J.R.R. Tolkien's epic fantasy follows the courageous but diminutive hobbit Frodo, who must destroy an evil ring before the world is consumed by the Dark Lord Sauron.
Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

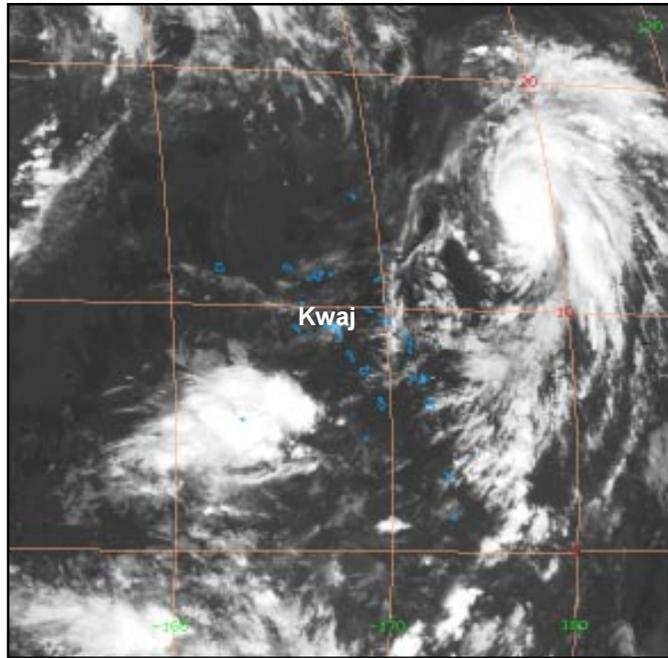
Enemy at the Gates (2001, R)

The scene is Stalingrad 1942, the bloodiest battle of World War II. The German army is determined to take the city, while a Russian sharpshooter and an expert German sniper conduct their own private war in the ruins of the city.
C Building, 7 p.m.

Monday

Star Wars: Phantom Menace (1999, PG)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.



**Blowing
by**

Typhoon Ele is seen in this infrared satellite image taken Saturday. Around 1 p.m. that day the storm had probably reached its closest proximity to Kwajalein Atoll, about 680 nautical miles to the northeast. Mary Steeves, Aeromet chief meteorologist, said the atoll is unlikely to be affected by the typhoon as it heads northwest. "At the most we'll see some swells," she said. "This is pretty far north."

(Graphic courtesy of Aeromet)

USAKA ahead of curve on drug testing

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

The Department of Defense is cracking down on drug use as the war on terror heats up, calling for more frequent random testing of active duty military, reservists and civilian employees, according to a recent American Forces Press Service report.

The new policy is a little late at USAKA, which has implemented its own rules that far exceed those required by DoD.

Currently, the policy requires 10 percent random testing of a unit, according to Sgt. Chris Hansen, USAKA personnel sergeant. With only about a score of military service members here, USAKA adopted a policy that requires

50 percent random urinalysis on a quarterly basis, he said. Additionally, 100 percent testing is conducted once a year.

"We're going to be way ahead of the DoD program," Hansen said.

DA civilians with the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command do not have to take a drug test at this time, he explained, but that could change if their union accepts a drug testing policy.

Of the 1.1 million active duty members, 1.45 percent tested positive for illegal drugs in 2001, according to the American Forces report. Marijuana was the drug of choice, with 70 percent of those caught in 2001 testing positive for that substance, the article said.

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet

Tonight: Mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers.

Winds: Southwest at 5 to 10 knots. Higher gusts near showers.

Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy with scattered showers.

Winds: West-southwest at 8 to 14 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

Temperature: Tonight's low 78°
Tomorrow's high 85°

September rain total: 0.46"

Annual rain total: 76.24"

Annual deviation: 15.47"

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	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Wednesday September 4	0640/1856	0327/1628	0210, 4.7' 1450, 4.0'	0850, 1.4' 2030, 1.5'
Thursday September 5	0640/1855	0428/1724	0300, 5.3' 1530, 4.5'	0930, 0.9' 2120, 1.0'
Friday September 6	0640/1855	0529/1818	0330, 5.7' 1600, 5.0'	1000, 0.5' 2200, 0.5'