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Getting Greener

Spills activate harbor clean-up procedures

By KW Hillis
Associate Editor

The good news is the quick cleanup of the two oil spills in Kwajalein's harbor this week. The ironic news is that at the same time, the USAKA Environmental Standards committee which includes both U.S. and Republic of the Marshall Islands environmental regulatory agencies conducted an annual meeting on Kwajalein.

"It is ironic in the sense we haven't had an incidence for a long, long

time," said Dr. Bob Esher, USAKA Environmental consultant. "Now we had them while they were here. But anytime we have any amount of oil released in the marine environment, we report it to all the regulatory agencies."

The first spill of 20 gallons of fuel occurred because of a mechanical failure during refueling of the KMRSS *Worthy* on Wednesday morning. The second, much larger, spill occurred before daylight Thursday morning and the

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Kwaj has come a long way with EPA award

By KW Hillis
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Two columns of thick, black smoke billowing up from Kwajalein's landfill notified Environmental engineer Randy Gallien that he had a lot of work ahead of him as he walked across the airport's tarmac in 1988.

"I got off the plane just as they torched two of the three oil pits at the landfill," said Gallien, who was the first environmental engineer assigned to Kwajalein in 1988. "From there [environmental standards] improved."

USAKA's dramatic changes in environmental practices over the past 15 years — from open burning and dumping waste into the ocean to receiving a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency award for recycling this week — is due to a partnership, said Gallien, now the USAKA Environmental Standards Project Team co-chair.

"There have been a lot of accomplishments," he said. "The new water treatment plant, the reclaimed water system, the incinerators at the landfill, the ceasing of dumping oil

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New pastor balances faith and experience

By Jim Bennett
Editor

Talking to Rick Funk one learns he roomed with Brig. Gen. Vince Brooks, the Central Command spokesman who appears on news programs daily, during their freshman year at West Point. Funk also once held the world record for balancing milk crates, has called 33 places home over 44 years and, oh yeah, during the conversation, he's just passed on a spiritual lesson through symbolism.

That's probably why folks call him pastor.

Arriving on Kwajalein last week, Funk serves as the new Island Memorial Chapel Protestant chaplain.

Funk comes to the island from Fort Collins, Colo., where he established a church. Before that, he worked at a Christian school and before that, was an Army chaplain. While serving at

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(Photo by Jim Bennett)

Building 1009, Under Reconstruction

Dome International's Dave Deaton, left, and Scott Wallace, knock down walls of Ground Based Midcourse Defense Segment's offices at Building 1009 Friday, as part of a three-month renovation project, funded by the Ground-based Midcourse Defense Segment. The nearly 50-year-old building, once the mission control center, is receiving a face-lift complete with multiple reflective windows, giving it a similar look as its next-door neighbor Reagan Test Site Headquarters, Building 1010. Workers will also renovate office spaces. Deaton said work should be completed by June 1.

Editorial

The hardest thing about Pohnpei is getting there

My recent trip to Pohnpei left many everlasting imprints on me—some more memorable than others. I figured this would be like any other vacation where things are just peachy and everyone has fun. I failed to recognize that one of my worst nightmares would have to be relived in order to make this trip possible; flying. Something about this supposedly pleasant method of transportation strikes me as absolutely terrifying.

Left with no other options, I decided to meet my fear face to face and try to overcome it. With a few pills of who-knows-what that my mom gave me, I was ready to handle anything, or so I thought.

Sure enough as we came barreling down the runway, I lost it. Luckily, the overpowering roar of the engines



mutated my uncontrollable screams. As the force of the plane pushed me harder into my chair, I screamed louder, grinding my teeth and clenching to anything possible. By liftoff time, I occupied all 3 seats in my row and began to accept my first defeat.

Plane-1. Jon-0.
Once we reached our cruising speed, the uncannily robotic flight attendants

began their rounds of serving drinks and handing out those vital packages of peanuts. It's not enough that they package you in the plane like a sardine, but they don't feed you enough too. Everyone takes his or her snack as if it's sufficient. But no, not me! For the money I'm paying to ride in their horrific plane, I at least deserve some gourmet peanuts!

As the ride came to an end, I anticipated the fear I would experience during landing. By now, the who-knows-what medicine began to kick in and my anxiety was relieved. I smiled at the thought of victory as we taxied to the main terminal.

Plane-1. Jon-1.
Hmm...anyone up for a boat charter? I have no problem making friends with a purple bucket like my boss, Jim.

Marshallese Word of the Day
Marok — Dark

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Buckminster and Friends ————— **By Sabrina Mumma**

CHAPTER 127: INSPIRED BY THE RECENT "ALL-WAR-NEWS-ALL-THE-TIME" COVERAGE, OUR HEROES EXECUTE A DARING NIGHT RAID TO FREE THE OPPRESSED EASTER-BASKET BUNNIES OF TEN-TEN...

THIS IS KWAJ-KRAB REPORTING FROM THE FRONT LINES WHERE I'M EMBEDDED WITH THE 1ST LEPUS DIVISION - ALSO KNOWN AS THE FIGHTING FLUFFY-TAILS. WHILE I'M NOT ABLE TO DIVULGE THE EXACT LOCATION OF OUR AISLE, LET ME JUST SAY THAT WE ARE VERY, VERY CLOSE TO MOUNTING A FULL-SCALE ASSAULT ON THE COOLERS.

ARE WE ON THE AIR? I WANNA SAY "HI" TO MOM, & MY BUDDIES AT THE HUTCH, AND EVERYONE AT THE PET STORE. HOOAH!

O'NEIL! THIS ISN'T THE ACADEMY AWARDS! FOCUS MAN. FOCUS!

JETT BEANS

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Mysterious Island

Pohnpei offers captivating experience for writer

Editor's Note: We asked Jon Cassel to document his recent travels to Pohnpei for our readers who may want to follow to what he called a "mysterious island."

By Jon Cassel

Contributing Writer

The Kwajalein Chapel's Youth Fellowship traveled to Pohnpei with intent of spreading the Protestant faith to the predominantly traditional peoples. Western religion has found a foothold there, but the island remains somewhat established in its beliefs. We set out, armed with song, mimes depicting the evils of sin and the teachings of Christianity.

Pohnpei is an island several hundred miles west of Kwajalein, and just past Kosrae on the Continental island-hopping flight route. With a population of about 35,000 people, the island is roughly 15 miles across and 20 miles around.

Upon our arrival, several of the local people and few missionaries welcomed us. Laced with brilliant smiles and shining eyes, they presented us with candy leis and *wots*, or head wreaths, to show their appreciation. After countless handshakes and hugs, we set out from the airport to our first destination; South Park Hotel. Their warm words and kind hearts set the tone for what was to come in following days.

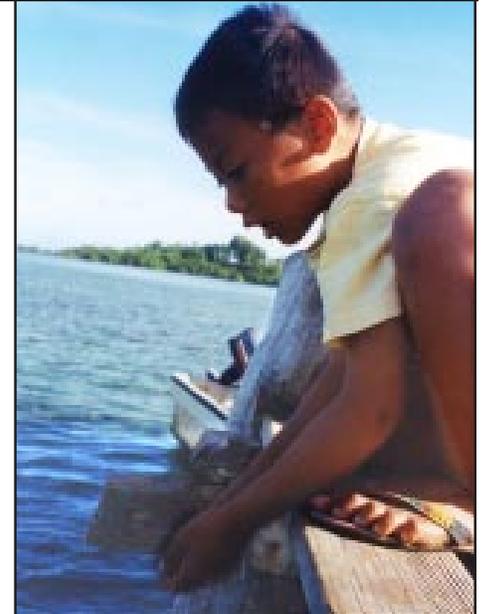
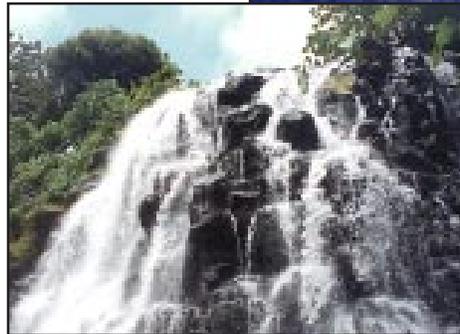
Here I witnessed the ritual of sakau making and drinking. Near the hotel restaurant, I saw several men crouched around a large stone, with one pounding sakau root with a large rock. The serene mood of the men gave me an uneasy feeling, but after I was welcomed by one of them I felt honored.

Sakau is a plant in its natural form. To make the drink, the roots are extracted and pounded into thin strips. Water is then added to the strips and they are squeezed to remove the combination of the plant and water, which forms the drink.

At first sight, the drink looks as if someone scooped up a bowl full of muddy water. When consumed, the drinker feels numbness throughout the body and a slight euphoria, followed by an intense laziness.

For many years now there has been a conflict over sakau between missionaries and traditional beliefs. The missionaries deem it sinful due to the ritualistic process of making and drinking it, while other people claim it's a necessity because of the cultural ties it holds.

After the mimes performed at the hotel, the group moved on. A long, uncomfortable ride on primitive roads led us to a waterfall where we would spend the next few hours. The cool, fresh water was a nice relief from the hot day. At the edge of the waterfall, one could jump a distance of about 40 feet into a deep pool below. The exhilarating fall left me with



(Photos by Jon Cassel)

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: The sun gleams over the ocean viewed from a pier on Leger Island near Pohnpei. A young boy fishes off the pier. The waterfalls cascade off the heights on Pohnpei.

an unforgettable adrenaline rush.

Later that same day, we set off to perform in Kapingis Village,

one of the less developed areas of Pohnpei. Like so many other places, the locals welcomed us with lit up faces and gifts of food and drink. As a guest, it was extremely satisfying to see those who were less fortunate giving openly as if it were plentiful. Never did anyone hesitate to share what little they owned.

Two days later, the group traveled to the ancient stone ruins of Nan Madol. Built in the early Fifth Century, the ancient city was once a home for royalty. Scattered all over the site were several tombs and caves that led me to think of the history behind the area. Legend has it that an enormous palace lies buried underwater because the gods punished the people for wrongdoings.

The rest of the day consisted of performances in various churches where we would sing, and time after time again, receive generous welcomes.

Following a long night's rest, we traveled to Lenger Island. Lenger was made up a few scantily built huts to house its 20 residents. Our arrival more than doubled the population.

Something about the mystical island captivated me. The one jewel on this barren island was the sole mountain laden with Japanese ruins from World War II. About mid-after-

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Pastor brings unique background to island ...

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Fort Bragg, he participated in Operation Desert Storm.

That experience, along with the fact that many of his West Point classmates from the Class of '80 are fighting in the current war with Iraq, gives him a different perspective on current events.

"It's weird, kind of odd," he said, noting the names of several classmates who command units in the region. The most visible is Brooks, the first general from his class, and a regular on network television lately.

"I have another impression of Gen. Brooks," he said, chuckling.

"But now if we ask Gen. Brooks, he'll have a different impression of you?" one asks.

"Oh yeah. He could tell some stories ... But even then, he had high aspirations. He's a great guy and I would trust him with my life," Funk said. "I read an article on MSNBC 'Why is the U.S. military so good?' It's because of our leaders. They're the best."

Funk took another path than that of his classmates, deciding to become a chaplain his sophomore year at the Point, in 1978.

"I went literally to a cabin in the woods, and thought and prayed," he said. "I decided I would graduate, serve my five-year commitment and if I still had the desire I would become a chap-

lain. What could I get up and tell people at that point? I needed to go out and get a job and live a little."

After graduation in 1980, he flew helicopters, OH-58 Kiowas, mostly in southern Germany during war games preparing for a Soviet invasion at the height of the Cold War. But he then left the military to attend Gordon Conwell Seminary near Boston. He later earned a doctorate from Bethel Seminary.

After becoming an ordained minister, Funk rejoined the Army receiving the assignment to Fort Bragg, and later as chaplain at his alma mater, West Point.

"My primary responsibility as a chaplain is helping people develop spiritually," he said of his work. "It's not like we're at a church we're trying to grow as an institution. I'm not here to make the chapel bigger. It's mostly about the people."

Funk used analogy in his first sermon April 6, comparing Kwajalein's transient society to that of people in general passing through life and keeping in mind the important things.

"I'll be drawing from our experiences here, the rhythm of our lifestyle," he said of his speaking style.

Funk also hopes to give people "a better spiritual foundation" using material from a book he wrote on a spiritual fitness program. He based it on weight training or other physical fit-

ness programs. The program includes weekly exercises in Bible studies, service, prayer and reflection, combined with one-on-one sessions over a 12-week period.

Outside the chapel, Funk looks forward to the June arrival on-island of his wife, Kathy Ann, who teaches school, and daughters Kelly, 17, and Katie, 14.

He might also balance a few other things.

The pastor once balanced 18 milk crates on his chin, a world record in 1989.

"I can balance anything," he said, adding a kayak, windsurfer board and quarters on a straw to his list. "But 70 pounds is my limit. It started with a dare in college. It's not based on any training or practice."

Since then, a man in London broke the record, balancing 24 crates. Funk tried to break the record once with 28 crates.

"But they fell. I think I need better crates," he said.

Asked of the secret, Funk said, "I've got a sermon on this," and recited the three keys: put the heaviest items on top, stare at the top and "when it moves, I move."

Ironically, he adds, the Hebrew word, *kabod*, refers to both holy and heavy.

"God is on top," Funk said. "You have to focus on Him ... and when God moves, I move."

Chapel to host many Easter events

Island Memorial Chapel, and Christians throughout the world, celebrate Holy Week activities this week, commemorating the crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

"This is who we are," said Rick Funk, Protestant chaplain. "This is what's important to us."

"This is everything," agreed Father William Sullivan, Catholic chaplain. "This is the center of the Catholic faith and the mystery of the Catholic faith."

Both churches will hold a number of special services this week including Maunday Thursday, Good Friday and, for Catholics, Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday.

Easter Sunday, Protestants will gather at Emon Beach for a sunrise service, followed by baptisms in the lagoon and a catered breakfast. Meanwhile, Catholics will hold mass at their regularly scheduled times.

At the 10:45 a.m. Protestant service, Funk will replace the sermon with a first-person dramatic presentation of the Easter events from the perspective of the Apostle John.

"John reflects on the loss of his very best friend, then learns he has risen from the dead, and he is his Lord and God."

— Jim Bennett

Holy Week Services

Baptist — Elementary Music Room	
Sunday	9:40 a.m. Worship Service
Catholic — Island Memorial Chapel	
Thursday	8 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass
Friday	8 p.m. Good Friday Mass
Saturday	8 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass
Sunday	7 a.m. Mass in small chapel
	9:15 a.m. Mass in main chapel
	11 a.m. Roi Namur chapel
No afternoon Masses for the above dates and no CCD.	
Church of Christ — Ebeye Hotel	
Sunday	9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School Class
	10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints — CAC Rooms 6&7	
Sunday	9 a.m. Sacrament Meeting Services
	11 a.m. Roi-Namur (Terminal Conference Room)
Protestant — Island Memorial Chapel	
Thursday	6:30 p.m. Maunday Thursday Service
Friday	6:30 p.m. Good Friday Service
Sunday	6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service at Emon Beach
	9:15 a.m. Sunday school, Religious Education Building
	10:45 a.m. Worship Service
	4:30 p.m. Roi-Namur chapel

USAKA hosts conference ...

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and solvents into the lagoon and burning them in pits — it has come a long way.”

The UES Project Team, formed in 1990, consists of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and U.S. regulatory agencies and the Army. Each year since 1996, the team has published a standards document and they met on Kwajalein last week for the 7th review and update, said Dr. Bob Esher, USAKA Environmental consultant.

“The document puts together all of the U.S. regulations and all of the RMI regulations in one clear and concise document that is specifically tailored for our needs,” Esher said. Once published and approved by the State Department, the document is presented to the RMI government and it becomes a “country to country agreement.”

The regulatory agencies that oversee and help — RMI EPA, U.S. EPA, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fishery Service are part of the partnership because the standard covers air, marine water and drinking water quality, reef protection, endangered species and wildlife resources, ocean dumping, cultural resources, material and waste management, he said.

USAKA’s material and waste management or recycling program was singled out during the meeting with a special EPA award for two reasons, said John McCarroll, U.S. EPA and UES Project Team co-chair.

“The first reason is that the folks here face a lot of unique problems, compared to the mainland,” he said. Problems include limited resources, a lack of space to put trash and the high cost to ship waste off-island.

USAKA came up with a “very good local approach” which was successful in changing waste into resource — “cardboard into soil, glass bottles into sand and construction material. It is really great,” he said. “Instead of looking at it as just waste, it is really a resource.”

Secondly, the EPA hopes that USAKA’s recycling efforts are used as a model for other Pacific Islands because each faces the same challenges, he said.

“One of the things is that it is not just an altruistic, environmentally-good thing, which it is,” he said. “But it also

ends up saving money. So, in a very practical, hard-headed world, this makes sense. It saves money, so why not?”

The UES RMI representatives plan to bring back ideas to their government because the ideas are practical.

“I am taking back ideas from my tour of the island,” said John Bungitak, RMI EPA general manager. “Recycling and making compost. Compost would be a way to improve the quality of soil.”

Just turning cardboard, paper and plant material into compost would reduce the amount of items in Ebeye’s landfill by about 70 percent, Esher said.

Another impressive idea is how hazardous waste is handled and stored, Bungitak said, explaining that he plans to put the ideas to use when he returns.

“We’re kind of hoping that they can implement something like this,” Esher said. “I think it would be beneficial to them. It would reduce material going in the landfill and produce useful products.”

But even the Army didn’t make these changes overnight, Esher said. “Funding and equipment had to be acquired and a building located. It took many years of work to get where we are today.”

The sharing of information between the RMI and the U.S. is very important and not just a one-way street, Esher said, pointing to the new reverse-osmosis water filter system slated to be installed on Kwajalein by December.

“On Ebeye, they have reverse-osmosis working there,” he said. “John McCarroll and I went over and ... inspected that and got ideas from them to help us.”

During the meeting, besides making some administrative changes to the UES document, the members learned of new projects in store for USAKA including repair work on Echo Pier and the Fuel Pier, said Kenneth R. Sims, USAKA Environmental coordinator.

There weren’t any major additions to the documents because the big environmental problems have been taken care of, Gallien said.

“[In 1988] you couldn’t see the small problems because of the large problems,” he said. “Now, you have to look hard to find a problem ... It has improved vastly.”

Worthy crew acts quickly on spill ...

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source of the release is still under investigation, said James Rugg, KRS Environmental manager.

Wednesday, the *Worthy* crew, preparing to take on 145,000 gallons of fuel, stopped at 33,000 gallons because they noticed fuel in the water, said Bob Babcock, Marine Operations manager.

“The salt water cooling discharge line, which runs through a fuel tank, cracked because of age,” he said. “The flow of cooling water started sucking up the fuel and then discharged it.”

Fortunately, only 20 gallons leaked out before the refueling operation was shut down.

“All the credit goes to the *Worthy’s* crew,” he said. With the help of the Kwajalein Fire Department, Environmental and Marine Operations personnel, the crew cleaned up the water.

“It was a unique occurrence which the crew caught quickly,” Babcock said. The cleanup “system and equipment worked and, most importantly, we found the source.”

The spill by Echo Pier on Thursday was discovered by the catamaran’s crew on the way to Meck, Rugg said.

“There was a mixture of thin sheen one would associate with diesel and also heavier areas of coagulated oil,” he said.

Notified by KPD at 6 a.m., within an hour over 30 people used booms, absorbent pads and boats to clean up the harbor and conduct an investigation of any potential source, he said. Two crews checked every likely source including the Small Boat Marina’s underground storage tank, all the boats’ bilges and the water discharge systems.

“At this time, we have not pinpointed the exact cause of the spill,” Rugg said.

The good news is that the in-place procedures worked, he said. Additional improvements will be looked at too in order to meet KRS’ philosophy.

“We look at environmental incidents the same way we look at an accident,” he said. “We have a zero accident philosophy.”

HELP WANTED

KRS has the following job opportunities. Unless otherwise noted, call Alan Taylor, 55154.

REPORTER. The *Hourglass* needs someone who can research material, interview sources, take photographs and write news stories. Knowledge of desktop publishing software helps. Previous journalism experience a plus.

USAKA has the following job vacancies. For application information, call Cris Foster, 54417.

ATTORNEY-ADVISOR, (General), GS-0905-13. Closes April 17.

GENERAL ENGINEER, GS-0801-14. Duty stationed in Arlington, Va. (Missile Defense Agency). Closes April 25.

GENERAL ENGINEER, GS-0801-13. Duty stationed in Huntsville, Ala. Closes April 16.

University of Maryland College has the following vacancy:

ASSISTANT FIELD REPRESENTATIVE. Duties include processing registrations, administering placement tests and proctored exams, correspondence, word processing, filing and other duties of field representative. Individual must have good organizational skills, interpersonal skills and knowledge of MS Excel and Word. For more information, call Gena Hansen, 52800.

WANTED

BIKE CART, used, in good condition, large enough to haul scuba gear. Call 53612.

LOST

MEN'S RED JACKET at Koenig/Jabar tennis court April 2. Call 51091 or 52819.

ONE BLACK split fin in tide pool, may have washed up oceanside. Call 52398, evenings.

FOUND

CAMERA in front of post office April 3. Call 52530, after 5:30 p.m.

FOR SALE

HEWLETT-PACKARD Inkjet color cartridges #HP51625A. Call 54152, after 5 p.m.

BOAT SHACK #36, \$1,100. Call Debra, 52279, or LuAnne, 58172, after 5 p.m. or leave a message.

GEORGINA, 36' MACGREGOR catamaran, 22+ knots, full complement of good sails including spinnaker with chute and pole, 10 hp Nissan, fresh water shower, close-in mooring, water-ready but now on land ready for inspection with mooring at lot #20, current bottom paint still excellent if re-launched soon. \$15,000 Call Dick, 51684.

BOAT #222, Kainalu, 27' Yamaha boat with twin Honda 90 hp engines, perfect for fishing, diving, overnight trips, includes boathouse and all con-

tents including freezers, fridge, air-conditioning, loads of fishing equipment and tools, total package, \$40,000; Yamaha 9.9 four-stroke engine, \$1,000. Call Roy, 52725.

COMPUTER DESK, bike stand, plants, changing table, two-drawer file cabinet. Call 51919.

TWO RACOR gas filters, new in box, \$50 each or \$90 for both. Call Greg, 59019.

GLIDER and footstool, blue, good condition, \$75; baby bouncer seat, \$15; baby front pack carrier, new, \$45; expandable curtain rods, various lengths; shelving with brackets, various sizes. Call Mandy, 54677, after 5 p.m. or leave a message.

KESTREL ROAD BIKE, excellent condition, \$1,000; golf clubs and cart, \$125. Call 54630.

100-WATT FENDER twin-electric guitar amp, all tube, two-channel with foot switch and amp cover, \$800; Jackson solid body electric guitar with Floyd rose and hard shell case, \$300; hollow body electric jazz guitar with Bigsby-type bridge and hard shell case, \$300. Call 53170.

MACINTOSH Performa 6220CD with monitor and TV tuner card, 2G Hard drive, keyboard, Turbo mouse, SCSI zip drive, CD-ROM, 64 RAM, OS 8.6, \$250; 55-gallon aquarium, includes Fluval 404 filter, Magnum polisher, under-gravel plate, spare filter medias, lighted top with spare Triton bulb, test kits, \$425. Call 52370.

SEALIFE REEFMASTER 35mm camera with underwater housing and close-up lens, \$100; two Razor scooters, new, \$30 each; Magellan GPS 315, \$100; Playstation 1 with games, \$50; 1.5 hp electric grass edger, \$20; bike foot pump, \$5; Sony surround-sound, one sub and five speakers, \$100. Call 52275, after 4:30 p.m.

26" NEXUS seven-speed hub/wheel and new high endurance tire complete with brake lever/cable and shifter/cable. Call 52594.

21' RALLY SPORT boat with 225 hp, V-6 Johnson outboard motor and 8.5 hp Evinrude kicker, new trailer, new boathouse and boat cover, includes fridge and tunes; too many accessories to list, located on lot #65, ready to drop in with no work needed, fast fun and dependable, \$15,000 or reasonable offer. Call 52642 and leave a message.

TWIN SHEET set, 275 count, nice island pattern, three-piece, new, never used, \$18; Maui Jim sunglasses, men's or women's, \$135 new, will sell for \$50. Call 53612.

LADIES' 26" Huff, good condition, \$40. Call 52589, after 5:30 p.m.

COMPUTER DESK, \$50. Call 52741.

FOUR LARGE Sauder bookshelves, dark wood, \$115 each; large rosewood mirror, dark, \$147; black TV/stereo stand, \$75; futon with full-size mattress, \$250; TV/VCR, \$175; white plant stand, looks like a pillar, \$20; two indoor ceiling fans with lights, \$35 each; plants; large Rubbermaid storage container, \$175; medium Rubbermaid storage container, \$125. Call 54352, after 5 p.m.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

GRADUATION FOR Scouts is May 5, 6 p.m., at family pool. Bring a dish to share for a Mexican potluck. Bring a swimsuit.



Easter Brunch

Café Pacific hosts an Easter Sunday brunch with an array of delicious selections including

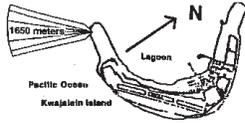
- Peppercorn-crusted beef tenderloin
- Hickory-smoked Virginia ham
- Herb-roasted Cornish hen
- Cajun peel and eat shrimp
- Seafood Newburg

plus

- Pastries, salads and desserts including white chocolate Oreo cheesecake

Small Arms Range Notice

The small arms range is in operation tomorrow, 8 a.m.-noon. All watercraft must observe the red flags on the southwest end of the island.



PASSPORT PHOTOS are taken every Tuesday, 1-4 p.m., at the RTS Photo Lab, Building 1002. Pay first at Finance. Questions? Call 53773.

YOKWE YUK Women's Club is having a planning meeting for the Majuro Exchange tonight, 8 p.m., at Qtrs. 203-A. Potential members are welcome to attend. Bring money (\$6 per yard) for uniform fabric. Questions? Call Jennifer, 51081. The trip is May 2-6.

FRANCOISE STANDIFER, USAKA paralegal, is on Roi Saturday, 7:30-11 a.m. To make an appointment, call 53417 or 51462.

LEARN HOW to make a bowl out of clay pressed on the slab roller Friday, April 25, 6:30 p.m., at the Hobby Shop. Questions? Call Julie Balter, 51700.

ARE YOU interested in ceramics? A demonstration by Julie Balter, Hobby Shop coordinator, of how to create your own work of art in ceramics is Thursday, April 24, 6:30 p.m., at the Hobby Shop. Questions? Call Julie, 51700.

KINDERGARTEN and First Grade Concert is Thursday, 7 p.m., in the MP room. Kindergarten classes will sing "Sounds a Little Fishy to Me" and the first graders will perform "Animation."

24TH ANNUAL Rustman Triathlon is Monday, April 28. Information packs are available on the mini-mall bulletin board or at Qtrs. 123-C. Entries are due by Thursday, April 24.

SCHOOL ADVISORY Council meets April 16, 7 p.m., in the elementary school music room. The agenda includes final reading of mission/vision/philosophy and a report by the athletic uniform committee. Questions? Call 53761.

DENTAL CLINIC is open tomorrow, 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m., to accommodate Roi, Meck and schoolteachers. There is no morning sick call.

MEMBERS OF American Legion Post 44 will elect new officers by ballot tomorrow, 6 p.m., in the Vets' Hall. Present your current 2003 membership card to vote. Questions? Call Debra, 52279, or LuAnne, 58172.

SKATE PARK hours have changed. The new hours are: Sunday-Friday, 4:30-6:30 p.m.; Saturday, 4:30-8:30 p.m. Questions? Call 52847.

ANNE MALEY is now the manager of Bargain Bazaar. Come check out Easter baskets, grass and plastic eggs. Anne also has a great selection of kids name-brand athletic shoes. There will be many changes and a lot will stay the same. Drop offs are on Mondays and normal store hours are: Monday, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-3 p.m.; Wednesday, 5-7 p.m.

EOD personnel are conducting explosive disposal operations on Illeginni Island Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., on WWII munitions such as the Type 97 mortar rounds shown below.



A safety exclusion area with a radius of 4,000 feet surface to air is off limits to unauthorized personnel during the operation. Questions? Call 51433.

Safety note for residents: There is a lot of WWII unexploded ordnance on Kwajalein and Roi. These munitions have a potential to inflict injury or death. If you have found such an item or believe you have, call Kwajalein Police Dept., 54445, or EOD, 51433.

KMAR

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



Celebrate completion of the five-year Kwajalein Modernization and Remoting program.

The public is invited to join in the activities tomorrow.

- Fun Run with Col. Jerry P. Brown, USAKA commander, 7 a.m., at the flag poles
- Ribbon cutting at RTS headquarters, Building 1010, at 10 a.m.
- Island-wide picnic at Emon Beach, 6 p.m. Food and drinks provided.

See you at the movies!

Wednesday

Drumline (2001, PG-13) A young hip-hop drummer takes a band scholarship under suspicious circumstances.

Adult Recreation Center, 7 p.m.

Saturday

Jurassic Park (1993, PG-13) A group of genetically engineered dinosaurs terrorize a group of people on an island. (Sam Neill)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Drumline (2001, PG-13)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Domestic Disturbance (2002, R) A man worries that his son's new step-father is a homicidal killer. (John Travolta)

Roi-Namur, C Building, 7 p.m.

Sunday

Jurassic Park: The Lost World (1997, PG-13) The dinosaurs are back in this sequel, when a capitalist discovers the beasts on a second island. (Jeff Goldblum)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Formula 51 (2002, R) A chemist takes his new drug to England, sparking a new battle in the British underworld. (Samuel L. Jackson)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Star Trek: Nemesis (2002, PG) On the eve of the wedding between Riker and Troi, the crew of the *Enterprise* must uncover a Romulan plot. (Patrick Stewart)

Roi-Namur, C Building, 7 p.m.

Monday

Jurassic Park III (2003, PG-13) In the third installment a couple looks for their lost son, amid the dinosaurs. (Sam Neill)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Drumline (2002, PG-13)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.



(Photo by Dan Adler)

Father-Daughter Dance

Lt. Col. Clarence Johnson and his daughter, Ashley, cut a rug at the annual Father-Daughter Dance sponsored by the George Seitz Elementary School PTO Saturday night. Fathers and daughters danced the night away at the annual event.

Pohnpei's reveals WWII mysteries ...

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noon, I began a hike up the mountain to experience the view from the top. A few minutes into my hike, I came across four young boys. Through broken English and some wild hand gestures, the boys agreed to take me to the top of the mountain. On our hike to the top, we came across countless Japanese caves and machine gun nests that I would have otherwise passed, if I were without my new friends.

At the summit, the view was breathtaking. I hurriedly attempted to take some pictures before the sunlight was

lost. When I settled down to reflect on the view in front of me, I noticed that the boys were staring at me with as much fascination as I had with the panorama. The thought of how we both took each other's curiosities for granted intrigued me.

For the last night, the youth group enjoyed a stay in The Village.

The following morning at our departure, we solemnly shuffled onto the plane after saying goodbye to our new friends. Pohnpei's captivating glow had taken me in.

Surely, I would return.

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet

Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy with isolated showers.

Winds: East-northeast to northeast at 13-18 knots.

Tomorrow: Variable cloudiness. Increasing threat of showers afternoon and evening.

Winds: East-northeast to northeast at 13-18 knots, higher gusts near showers.

Temperature: Tonight's low 79°
Tomorrow's high 86°

April rain total: 3.90"

Annual rain total: 11.02"

Annual deviation: -4.32"

Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.



Sun • Moon • Tides



	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday April 15	0640/1859	1732/0511	0320, 5.3' 1530, 5.8'	0920, 0.5' 2140, 0.3'
Wednesday April 16	0640/1859	1828/0558 Full Moon	0350, 5.8' 1610, 5.9'	1000, 0.1' 2220, 0.1'
Thursday April 17	0639/1859	1926/0646	0430, 6.2' 1650, 5.9'	1040, -0.2' 2250, 0.0'
Friday April 18	0639/1859	2026/0737	0500, 6.4' 1720, 5.7'	1120, -0.2' 2320, 0.2'