

THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



**Island children line the road for Santa's arrival parade Dec. 1.
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(Photo by Nell Drumheller)

What did those great men mean?

There is no shortage of 'hot button' issues these days.

It seems there can't be a calm, sane discussion of abortion, stem cell research, gay marriage or illegal immigration. Heated disagreements and fights are almost always the result of such discussions.

Like my mother always said, "If you want friends, don't discuss politics or religion." Sometimes, I wish I had taken her words more to heart.

But doing this job, it's kind of hard to stay away from those subjects.

For instance, there have been many issues argued before the U.S. Supreme

Court during our nation's 200 plus years over constitutionality. Almost every one of them in their day (such as slavery) was a hot button.

In our time, very few issues have been the subject of more passionate argument and disagreement than the Second Amendment giving U.S. citizens the right to 'keep and bear arms.'

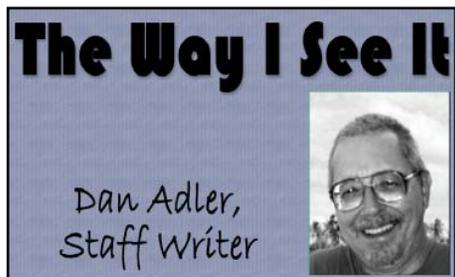
Supporters of the Second Amendment say it's very clear the Founding Fathers meant every American to have that right. Those who support gun control say it only applies to a 'well-regulated militia,' and not every American citizen.

The Supreme Court has ducked the issue for many

years. It ruled on the subject only once in 1939 when it upheld the conviction of a man transporting a sawed-off shotgun across state lines.

But now, the court has said it will review an appeals court decision that struck down a law banning handguns in Washington, D.C. Shotguns and rifles can be legally kept in homes in D.C., but must be broken down and have trigger locks.

Almost every city and state has laws regulating sale and ownership of handguns and 'assault rifles' such as the one D.C. has.



If the Supreme Court decides in favor of gun rights, some fear those laws might become subject to appeal and be overturned. Could that lead to absolutely no gun control at all? I don't see that happening.

When one considers the Second Amendment, one has to remember the times

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Sometimes you have to make your own happiness

By Chase Engvall
Self entertainment specialist

Have you ever been to a Hollywood set and seen the street facades? Kwaj is starting to feel like one of

those. We have a library that is running out of books, a telephone service without operators, a radio station without disk jockeys, a convenience store that conveniently runs out of basic neces-

sities of life, etc. etc. Oriental philosophy tells us that self-deprivation of all pleasures can lead to an appreciation of truly insignificant occurrences.

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To the second and third graders, along with Jennifer Cossey, Karen Brady, Casey Schuh and Dick and Cheryl Shields, for the childrens' holiday program. It was outstanding and very entertaining. Great job.



To the woman who opened and unsealed numerous containers of sour cream to find one she wanted, and then left them on the dairy shelf for employees to dispose of. Thanks for depleting our supply.

To the guy across the street who's been leaving his Christmas lights on all night and to my neighbor who leaves his front porch light and patio lights on 24/7 year round.

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U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll personnel hold Town Hall meetings on Roi, Kwajalein

Transformation may bring shared pain to everyone

By Nell Drumheller
Editor

Representatives from the U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll held two town halls this week. The first was Tuesday evening on Kwajalein, with the second on Wednesday on Roi.

Both meetings had the same format. They began with a slide presentation restating the information provided by Col. Stevenson Reed, USAKA commander, in his television broadcast last week and published in last week's Hourglass.

Reed is off-island attending briefings in Huntsville, Ala. and was unable to attend either town hall. However, his representatives expressed his desire to communicate to the community.

A USAKA lieutenant colonel acted as spokesman for both meetings and was backed by a panel of subject matter experts from both USAKA and Kwajalein Range Services.

"There are two main reasons why we are transforming. Number one: We have got to become an organization that is more customer-friendly. We have to take the range to the customer. It costs a lot just to get here. And that's what RDO is going to do," the lieutenant colonel said. "Reason number two: We've got to accomplish our mission with the resources that the 'big Army' has given us. Those resources are finite. Because we are a country at war, those resources continue to shrink."

Everybody has to share the pain equally. "We've got to implement the most effective business practices available. I understand that there is some debate as to what 'most effective' means. We encourage suggestions. Nobody here has all of the answers." He said that it was worth the risk because in the end, "If we do our jobs correctly we're going to have more customers, we're going to execute more efficiently and we're going to do it with less cost."

He explained that moving many of USAKA's capabilities to Huntsville would, in effect, bring the range to the customer. This transition would make using USAKA more attractive and affordable to customers, thereby increasing the customer base. "We will have more flexibility in how to execute our operations," he said.

Lt. Col. Harold Buhl, Reagan Test Site commander spoke about RTS distributed operations, also known as RDO. "We want to try to provide the capabilities of the

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— USAKA spokesman



An audience member directs a question to the panel during the town hall meeting Tuesday night in Corlett Recreation Center gym.

(Photo courtesy of AFN)

range, and execute range operations from different locations." Buhl said that while there may be three people at three consoles on Roi and Kwajalein, in the future that could change to the same three functions, again with three people and three consoles but one might be in Huntsville, and the other two could be on Roi and or Kwajalein.

Buhl explained some of the expected changes in function locations for the future, using the same slides as Reed did in his television program.

Buhl described the need for change, he reminded the community of the budget issues; but added that another need for change, "There's also the threat." He said, "The threat is increasing. Space is becoming a much greater area of interest for many nations. So the threat is increasing while the resources are decreasing. We also have technology. Technology is a reason to change, because as technology improves we need to improve. We can't just stay where we are." Resources are going down; the threat and technology are increasing. He said, "We've got to try to find a balance." Transition is the answer according to these USAKA spokesmen.

The initial phases of transformation include seeing what can be done using the current communication, or DS3, capabilities. The next phase will include the fiber optic cable capabilities. Fiber optic cable is expected to be in place by November 2009.

The second-half of both town halls were open to customer questions, the following is a compilation of those

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Tuesday's meeting was well-attended by Kwajalein residents.

questions with most answers paraphrased.

Schools

Q. Are we looking at closing down the schools at some point? If the schools get so small, will they lose quality?

A. It is the commanding general's priority that quality schools are maintained on Kwajalein and there is nothing in the plan right now that the schools will go away. When the transition team was put together they considered different options. One of those was to close the schools; there was very clear guidance from the commanding general that Kwajalein would retain the current quality in school system. There isn't a plan to consolidate the schools this year. The school plan is in two phases. The first is how to consolidate administration; the second the schools. There are no finite dates yet.

Q. Will the school resource services be cut?

A. Those programs are not being considered for elimination at this time.

Q. Is there any insight in to what the changes in the schools might be?

A. A quality school will be maintained, details are not available.

Transportation

Q. I know that a lot of our budget is consumed by airfare costs from Kwajalein. Is there anything in the plan to have competitor airlines?

A. No. USAKA contacted several airlines; at this time no other airlines are interested in competing in this market. USAKA is talking to Continental about their rates.

Q. If we can't do anything about Continental's rates; is there a chance that contractors could use the military flights that come in?

A. That is one of the options USAKA is looking into. The short answer is that it is against regulations. USAKA is investigating the possibility of a waiver; but that might not happen.

Q. Contractors used to be allowed to travel on military aircraft, what has changed. And why is it more expensive to fly on military aircraft than on Continental?

A. There may have been a waiver in place in the past. Military flights can't undercut a civilian flight, that's the law.

Q. Has the decision been made about charging for space-available Metro service?

A. That decision has been made. It will begin in January. The fee will be \$15 for each flight. More details will be released later; essentially any trip you make to Kwajalein for official business is free. K and KC-badge holders on Roi will get at least one free morale flight each month. C-badge holders, family members and non-employees will have to pay for their flights. Tickets will be available for sale at the finance office and the atoll flight counter. Marshallese who have to fly to Kwajalein to go to the hospital on Ebeye will be reimbursed

by the Marshallese government for their flight according to Lt. Col. Jeff Klein, USAKA host nation officer.

Q. They used to charge for space-A a few years ago and then they stopped. Why did they stop?

A. It was tried before; they used to charge \$25 each way. Then when KRS took over the contract they did away with it. USAKA said that legally there should have been a charge always. Now it has to be reinstated to pay for the use of the third aircraft. The primary customers, up to 75 percent of the space-A customers, are non employees, Marshallese, flying from Roi to Kwajalein linking Third Island and Ebeye. Space A will go away when the Metros go away in 2009.

Q. I have employees whose families live on Ebeye and they work on Roi. They fly home every weekend to see their families. They sometimes can't make it back to work because they are on standby to get back. I think they should be an exception to the policy.

A. That needs to be addressed through management.

Q. When the fixed-wing aircraft go away and the LUH helicopter come in can they be reconfigured to carry more passengers?

A. Configuration of the LUH helicopter is determined by the program manager at Army level. Right now they carry six passengers. USAKA is trying to get that changed so that they can carry eight passengers.

Q. Is it possible that we could get a

different type of helicopter?

A. No. That's the type of helicopter available through the Army. This helicopter is not a tactical helicopter, it is an off-the-shelf helicopter. It is being paid for by the big Army and saving USAKA at least \$2 million a year.

Q. Why can't all badge holders ride the plane for free? Why just KC and K badge? I'm a C-badge employee and I don't see why it's different for me?

A. This should be discussed with individual management.

Housing

Q. Since people are being forced moved out of trailers into bachelor quarters, what are the plans for married, dual contract holders who are being moved out of the trailers?

A. The commander set aside funds to make a suite of rooms, so that basically there will be a living room area and a bedroom area. Approximately ten of those suites will be for dual contract holders. The BQs will be fully occupied. For every three trailers we shut down we save about \$20,000 in power.

Q. Aren't there currently more people in trailers than there are BQs available?

A. Yes, but the transition phase where functions move back to Huntsville has not started. So over time, as the population starts to pull down, BQs will become available. Not everyone will be moved out of trailers in the current year.

Q. What the future of the trailers on Roi? I've heard some rumors that there's some thought about putting dome houses on Roi.

A. The trailers will be removed over the next three or four years. Dome homes on Roi have been discussed, but no decisions have been made.

Q. Will the trailers be removed before other housing options are available, such as dome homes?

A. Yes.

Q. How will the transition of operational functions from Roi and Kwajalein to Huntsville affect the logistical support jobs?

A. There will be more people living and working on Roi than currently do. The increase will primarily be in

operational positions. Roi will be a net increase in personnel. The bulk of the operational staff will be distributed. However, as the footprint shrinks there will be a secondary effect. No exact numbers are available.

Q. If we're going to increase personnel on Roi, if you want to bring out really good individuals, engineers, it's more cost effective to have a dome home on Roi than have them commute from Kwaj. You say you're going to move the functions to Roi but you're going to take away the housing. How do you plan on enticing the engineers to come out or stay?

A. USAKA said that just because the trailers will be removed, it doesn't mean that there won't be a better housing solution. An Integrated Program Team is reviewing options.

Power reduction

Q. If you have the real low wattage lights, how much power are they using? Do they have to be turned off at midnight?

A. Yes.

Q. Are we going to get a breakdown of how much power we are saving?

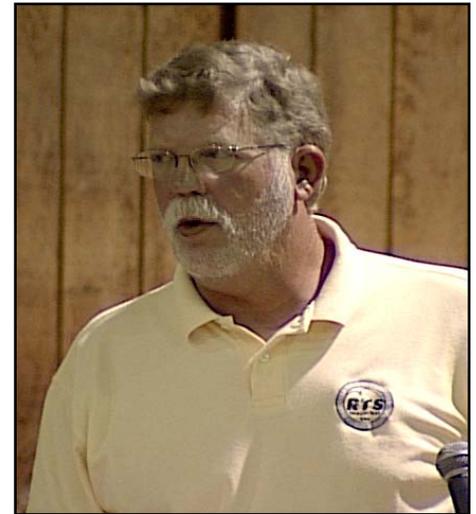
A. There was an article in the most recent *Hourglass* on power savings. This information will be made available periodically.

Q. It was encouraging to see the power graph in the *Hourglass*. However, it was hard to determine from the information in the graphs if we can meet our goals.

A. USAKA is determining which courses of action to implement. "With respect to meeting our power reduction plan, we haven't done enough yet. If we don't achieve those savings through power reductions, that means that we'll have to take the money from some place else. We have a power reduction strategy for Roi and Carlos," Paul Lewis, USAKA deputy commander said.

Q. Those of us who live in BQs have felt the brunt of the power savings by not being able to adjust our air conditioners. Is that going to happen in housing too?

A. The BQ system can be controlled by a specific setting. That cannot be done in housing, as the system would cost more than the savings. "We will



Panel member James Landgraaf answers a question at Tuesday's meeting.

continue to try to win the hearts and minds of housing occupants and get them to set their thermostats," John Landgraaf, USAKA public works director said.

Q. How was 74 degrees decided? Since the temperature on the air conditioning if the BQs has been adjusted there has been an increase in mold.

A. Seventy-four degrees is the mid-point range by Army standards. "If you're having problems with mold, let the public works folks know about it and they can take a look at it," Landgraaf said.

Q. Have there been any studies on what it takes to improve the power plant generation system and the old, archaic power distribution system?

A. USAKA has looked at a variety of ways to improve the efficiency of the Kwaj power plant. Kwaj is due to be upgraded, but "We have several million of dollars in projects that are unfunded. They're on the menu and we hope that they can happen in the next ten years. The power plant on Roi is about ten years old and is much more efficient," Landgraaf said.

Q. Have alternate sources of power been looked at?

A. Yes. The trick is coming up with a system that has a low-end of capital costs that you can use

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Christmas island

Saturday's tree-lighting ceremony kicks off Kwajalein's holiday season



Santa Claus passes out goodies to children after his arrival at the airport Dec. 1 officially starting the holiday season on Kwajalein.

(Photos by Nell Drumheller)

By Nell Drumheller
Editor

It was the first week of December and all across the isle, youngsters (or those who think they are), were waiting for the drone of the engines as the Metroliner approached bearing the bearded man in red officially kicking off the 2007 holiday season.

At a little after 5 p.m. on Dec. 1, Santa stepped jauntily from the aircraft, forgoing his typical transport of sleigh and tiny reindeer. Lt. Col. Harold Buhl, with a grin from ear to ear, greeted the purveyor of candy and goodwill. The U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll Reagan Test Site commander looked as if he was as excited to meet Santa as any of the hundreds of children waiting behind the fence at the airport.

Santa came forward, tossing candy over the tall fence and shaking hands and personally greeting many of his young admirers. Then it was up onto the Santa Mobile for a quick parade to downtown Kwajalein.

This year's parade traveled a different route to support the new tree-lighting ceremony location. The children and adults who surrounded and trailed the Santa Mobile didn't seem to mind. Santa and his helpers tossed candy and kept the energy level high on the short parade.

The tree lighting ceremony was held at the entrance to downtown, on the grass north of Macy's. The new location was a result of the power reduction plan that closed the Yokwe Yuk club, traditionally used for this event.

Simone Smead acted as mistress of ceremony, introducing the performances and Buhl's speech. Buhl, still smiling, thanked the community and welcomed the season before inviting Santa to assist in flipping the switch, lighting up the tree. The Kwajalein Junior and Senior High School Band



Santa's parade proceeds along Lagoon Road enroute to the tree-lighting and block party downtown.



Sean Thomas awaits Santa's arrival at the airport with great anticipation.



Left to right, Matt Madore, Kaikane Busquets, Annie Hepler and JJ Wase put a little hip-hop into the holiday program with their performance of *Space Jam*.

played *Jingle Bell Rock* and *Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire*; the Kwajalein Junior and Senior High School Choir sang *Christmas on the Sand at Emon Beach* and *Jingle Bells*, the Kwaj version; the Kwajalein Girl Scouts sang *Christmas is Coming* and *We Wish You a Merry Christmas* and The K Krew, a local hip hop dance group performed *Space Jam*.

Santa's arrival, the parade and the tree lighting ceremony led into the Winterfest. New activities at this year's Winterfest included children's inflatable play areas with jousting and a bounce castle.



Left to right, back row, Colleen Furgeson, Anabelle Scott, Grace Everts and Mackenzie Cooper plus front row, Makenzie Gowans and Stephanie Washburn singing for the crowd at the ceremony.

on Kwajalein.

Human resources

Q. As we reduce our workforce on island, will those people be transferred to Huntsville?

A. No.

Q. Then will the contracting companies assist people being displaced with job opportunities, or other resources? Are they going to provide some latitude for people to relocate to a different part of the country rather than where they moved to Kwajalein from?

A. According to Dave Norwood, Kwajalein Range Services president, "There's nothing unique in our employment contracts to provide for relocation assistance. We will give people as much notice as possible to the people who will be affected. There may be some special circumstances. My commitment, to my employees is to try to give them as much notice as we possible can when their job is going to be affected."

Q. Do you know if the timeframe for notice will be 60 or 90 days?

A. Official notification will meet the terms of individual contracts. Employees will be notified verbally as early as possible.

Q. If you are a dual-contract couple and your spouse gets a 30-day notice of termination are you held to the 90-day notice requirements of your contract?

A. That's the requirement of the contract, but "I'm looking at a lot of exceptions to the policy," Norwood said.

Q. What's the status of going to four ten-hour work days?

A. USAKA said they owe feedback to their leadership in Huntsville, after that is done a decision should be made. The USAKA civilians will be affected differently from contractors because they have a union.

Q. What is the planned reduction in the Marshallese workforce as a part of the transition?

A. No reduction at this time.

Other

Q. What's going to happen when

the hospital becomes a clinic?

A. USAKA assured the audiences at Kwajalein and again on Roi that changing the hospital to a clinic will not reduce essential medical services. The most noticeable change may be that elective surgical procedures may need to be done off island. The people who live on Kwajalein should not expect a reduction in their immediate health care. By definition, an Army Community Hospital offers more complex, resource-intensive secondary care (e.g., inpatient care, surgery under general anesthesia) at major posts. An Army Community Hospital usually has from 50 to 150 beds and gives primary care at outpatient clinics inside and outside the hospital, e.g., troop clinics and outlying clinics at small posts. A facility that offers all ACH services except inpatient care is called an Army Health Center.

An Army clinic is defined as an outpatient facility offering primary care or simple specialty care, i.e., routine exams, tests and treatments.

Q. The budget is important. It would be nice to see a chart that showed we had saved money with implemented changes but that we still need to reach a certain number.

A. We will try to illustrate that.

Q. Will Roi become an accompanied, family island?

A. There are no plans for Roi to become a family island.

Q. If USAKA is reducing the footprint on the atoll; does that mean that it will use less of the Marshallese islands?

A. No. Most of the islands used by USAKA are in the mid-atoll corridor and cannot be inhabited while missions are ongoing. Some of the areas require clean up before they can be returned to the RMI people for inhabitation.

Q. Since there is a fee for Roi personnel to fly to Kwaj; can we charge extra for Kwaj personnel using our billeting when they come up here?"

A. No.

Q. How is live on Roi; work on Roi

going to impact people on Kwaj with families?

A. It has been very successful to have people live and work on Roi. There isn't a specific plan as to the future housing/working configuration. Some of the USAKA personnel will live and work on Roi. Who and how many people who will live and work on Roi is still being determined.

Q. When will fiber come to Kwaj?

A. November, 2009.

Q. Are we talking about a year's slip in the time frame?

A. Buhl said, "That's why we're talking about the space prototype. We need to understand what we can do over the satellite, before fiber gets there and pave the way for fiber. It is an event driven schedule. We aren't going to force people to move or execute things that don't make sense. We need to make sure that the systems are in place. That schedule is worked on a daily basis."

Q. Will people move to Huntsville in fiscal year 08 and 09?

A. Yes, that will continue through the process.

Q. The colonel, on his radio address, talked about consolidation of recreation. Is there anymore of a finite timeline as to when the recreation changes will happen?

A. That is a concept of having Morale, Welfare and Recreation consolidate with local recreation services. It's a concept to try to generate revenue from military members and retirees who could come out and use local facilities. It will not affect the quality of recreational services available to the community.

Q. Is there an update on AAFES?

A. AAFES has agreed to come to Kwajalein. They are going to be here around April and convert the food court. It is going to happen relatively quickly.

Q. Are we going to operators again?

A. No.

Many people wrote in questions at both town halls that will be answered in an issue of the *Hourglass*.

SPI 2601 Residential Yard Care and Landscaping states that residents are not allowed to plant hedges, shrubbery, trees, or other plants without written authorization from the Logistics Housing Office. The SPI also states that potted plants used as yard borders shall be spaced at least 24 inches apart and no closer than 42 inches to quarters and entry walks.

USAKA/RTS regulation 210-50 sec 5.d.4 states residents are responsible for performing routine yard care and maintenance IAW Standard Practice Instruction 2601. Starting in January, inspection of quarters that are out of compliance will begin and residents will be notified of discrepancies and given notice of corrective actions required and the time frame to complete those actions.



7 p.m., Thursday, in Corlett Recreation Center gym. Tickets are \$5. Children under four free. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Recruit Indoctrination Program. Questions? Call Master Sgt. Daniel Perdue, 51517.



Kwajalein Range Services Environmental office reminds residents and visitors that the turtles in the Dr. Donald Ott Turtle Pond are to be fed fresh vegetables and squid only. Do not throw fruit or other items into the pond. This includes limes, pineapples and cantaloupes. Your cooperation is appreciated.

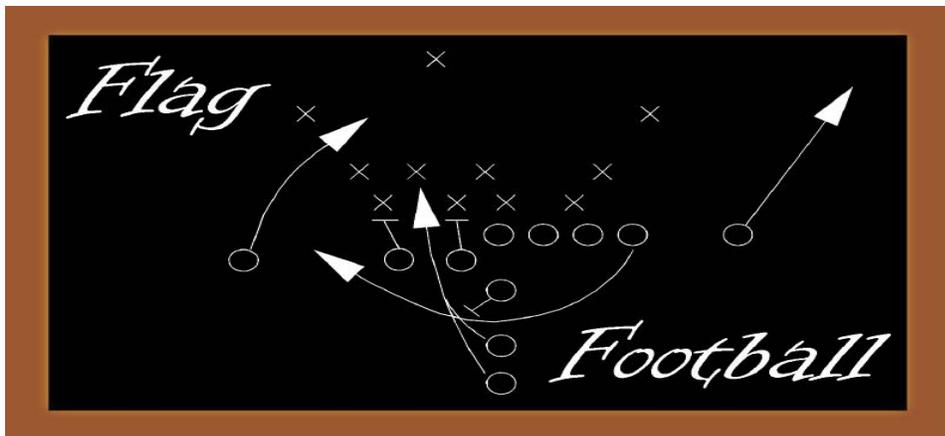
Flag football teams give good effort Nov. 27

By Jason Kettenhofen
Child and Youth Services program

The Blue Warriors and Green Team matched up for the first time this season. Both teams started out a bit sluggish on Nov. 27 after having Thanksgiving weekend off.

The Green Team's JJ and Jared Wase both made interceptions in the first half to end Blue Warrior drives. Jared's interception set up a John Sholar five-yard run with Scott Swanby converting the two-point conversion. The Blue Warriors answered with a 45-yard touchdown pass from Keith Brady to Kaulu Kaluhiokalani.

The Green Team started the second half with JJ Wase following his blockers and tightropping the sideline for a 35-yard touchdown run.

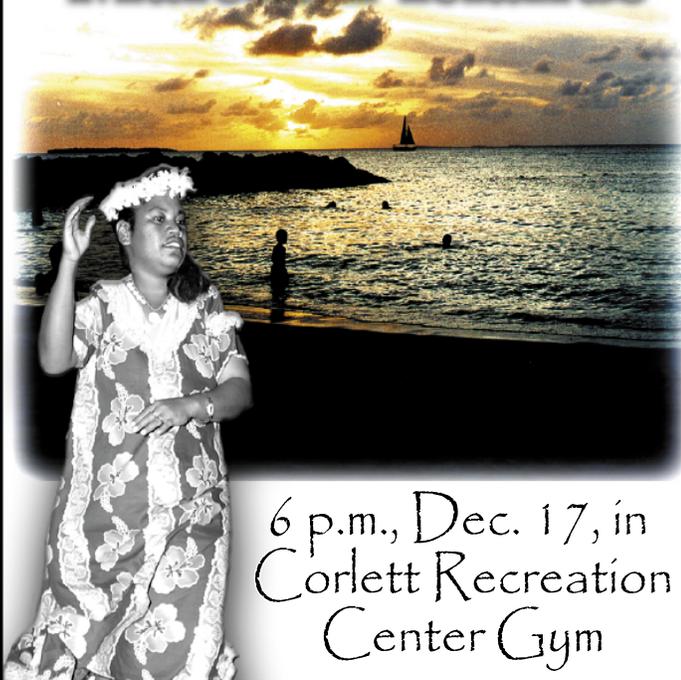


Late in the half, Xavier Bellu intercepted a Green Team pass, which setup a two-yard touchdown pass from Kaulu to Diamond Calep. Kaulu converted the two-point conversion.

With time running out in the second half, the Green Team put together an impressive drive capped off by Scott's 10-yard touchdown run.

A great effort and good sportsmanship was shown.

Christmas in the Marshall Islands



6 p.m., Dec. 17, in
Corlett Recreation
Center Gym

CHRISTMAS IN THE MARSHALL ISLANDS IS A PROGRAM OF TRADITIONAL MARSHALLESE HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES. THE COMMUNITY IS INVITED TO SHARE IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON WITH OUR MARSHALLESE NEIGHBORS. SPONSORED BY THE MARSHALLESE CULTURAL SOCIETY. QUESTIONS? CALL CRIS, 52935

Six servicemembers die in Global War on Terror

The following six U.S. servicemembers have died in the Global War on Terror:

Cpl. Blair W. Emery, 24, of Lee, Maine, died Nov. 30 in Baqubah, Iraq of wounds suffered when his vehicle encountered an improvised explosive device. He was assigned to the 504th Military Police Battalion, 42nd Military Police Brigade, Fort Lewis, Wash.

Spc. Matthew K. Reece, 24, of Harrison, Ark., died Dec. 1, in Baghdad, Iraq of wounds suffered when his vehicle encountered an improvised explosive device. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Sgt. Kyle Dayton, 22, of El Dorado Hills, Calif., died Monday in Ashwah, Iraq of injuries suffered from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg.

Three Soldiers died from wounds suffered when their vehicle encountered an improvised explosive device in Bayji, Iraq. They were assigned to the 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky. Killed were: **Sgt. Eric J. Hernandez**, 26, of Waldwick, N.J. and **Pvt. Dewayne L. White**, 27, of Country Club Hills, Ill., who died Tuesday in Bayji, Iraq and **Capt. Adam P. Snyder**, 26, of Fort Pierce, Fla., who died Wednesday in Balad, Iraq.

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the founding fathers were living in. Many of them and their families had come from countries where the citizens were ruled with an iron fist by tyrannical governments.

They had just fought a war against harsh British rule. They didn't do it with words and law books — they did it with guns.

From their own experiences, they knew that an unarmed citizenry was defenseless against tyrannical government and thus, easily controlled.

I believe that's why they wrote the amendment. They wanted citizens to lawfully have the means available to forcibly resist a bad government if they had to. I feel it was clearly their intent to give the right to keep arms to *all* citizens, not just a 'militia.'

Normally, a militia is made up of private citizens who are not in the regular military, but stand ready as a backup for the military, and, as I believe the founding fathers intended, to resist that military if it tried to impose a dictatorial or military government upon the people.

Some critics say the Second Amendment is archaic and isn't needed because the odds of a military government or a tyranny taking hold in the United States is slim and none.

While that isn't a fear today (I certainly hope not), rampant crime is.

People might not need protection from government (well, maybe), but there have been thousands upon thousands of times when they could have used some protection from vicious, murderous criminals.

I'm old enough to remember a more 'gentle' time when if someone was being robbed and gave up their money, that would be the end of it.

But these days, the criminal kills the victim, sometimes for no other reason than the 'thrill' of it.

Criminals are getting younger, more remorseless and more murderous every year it seems.

Entire families have been murdered in the 'safety' of their homes. Women, old and young, have been sexually assaulted and worse in their homes

Even the rich and famous are not immune. Just recently, Washington Redskins' player Sean Taylor was fatally shot by intruders at his home in Florida.

The recent shootings at Virginia Tech showed how easily people can become defenseless sheep to a deranged person with guns. And just this past Thursday, nine defenseless victims were shot and killed inside a mall in Omaha, Neb.

The police will tell you that they rarely prevent crime. They can only try to figure out who did it after it's over.

If the government and police can't protect us from crime or crazies in our homes or public places, then they shouldn't tell honest, lawful citizens who want guns to protect themselves on their own, that they can't have them.

Let's face it, we live in an extremely violent society. The social and moral questions of why that is and how it came to be is beyond me to answer.

It's a paradox that while many people insist it's the availability of guns causing the rise in violent crime, it's the rise

in violent crime that other people argue makes it even more necessary to have the right to own guns for protection.

What could be worse than being defenseless and unable to protect yourself and your family?

Well-intentioned people say that gun control laws reduce crime.

Well, we've already got a lot of gun control laws, but I don't see crime being reduced very much. If anything, it's getting worse.

It's an old bumper sticker slogan, but 'when guns are outlawed, only outlaws will have guns' does seem to be true.

Criminals don't usually obey laws. That's why they're criminals.

People on both sides of this issue believe passionately that they're right. That's what makes an issue hot.

Whatever the Supreme Court decides, it will be one of the most important decisions in the history of the country, and many people will be angry about the ruling one way or the other.

Even if the court does interpret the Second Amendment as giving gun rights to every American citizen, I don't have any fear it will lead to totally uncontrolled, unregulated firearms.

In the final analysis, the court's decision will be about what those great men wrote down on paper more than 200 years ago and what they intended that writing to mean.

If the founding fathers are watching all this from the beyond, they must be in shocked disbelief that something that was so clear to them could be so confusing to us.

HAPPINESS from Page 2

I hadn't realized until recently what levels of inner excitement can be generated by watching avocado dip turn black.

For those old timers, remember when parties were given and you had to think really hard what the reason for the party was? Now the main reason for celebration is when someone who is universally disliked decides to PCS.

There has been a resurgence of visitation to the turtle pond when it was reported that someone's finger looked a little too much like a hot dog.

I used to have so many interesting hobbies that I had to force myself to abandon some of them. Now my hobbies consist of stamp collecting, reorganizing the 10 scenic pictures I have taken on Kwaj and deciphering the human genome.

To be truthful, we have always struggled to invent new pastimes. The hermit crab races of 1992 spring to mind. Then there were the priceless scavenger hunts on Bigej for Spanish doubloons.

Running out of money can be very depressing if we al-

low it, but the human spirit is always capable of devising means of self delusions of happiness.

Here are some new party ideas:

- Have a non-alcoholic soda party and see who can come up with the can that has the oldest expiration date on it.
- Throw a midnight island search for which quarters have the most violations of illegally spaced plants.
- Conduct a telephone survey contest to see how many people wish that *Fear Factor* would be rerun on TV.
- Start an exercise program to see if anyone can limbo around the entire island without falling down — again, alcohol is discouraged.
- Organize Internet Google search teams to see if anyone can locate the one extant musical recording of Nikita Yamaguchi and the Liberians singing *Things Look Good Under My Table*.

Seriously, brothers and sisters, we need to wake up and smell the roses — except we had to discard them since we had too many plants in our yard.

Gates praises progress of Afghan forces

By Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates reaffirmed U.S. support for Afghanistan Tuesday and said he continues to press coalition partners to live up to their commitments here.

Gates praised progress in the Afghan National Army and its operations with the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force to take on the Taliban and other extremists. He said he arrived in Afghanistan concerned about the increase in violence over the past two years, but came to understand during his meetings here today that more violence is occurring because Afghan and ISAF forces are conducting more aggressive operations in more parts of the country.

The secretary acknowledged gaps in Afghan security forces' resources

and said he continually presses some 70 nations and organizations working to help Afghanistan, including NATO, to help fill them.

"I have continued to press our allies in Europe and elsewhere to fulfill the commitments that they have made here in Afghanistan," Gates said during a joint news conference here today with Afghan President Hamid Karzai.

Gates said the United States has allocated "significant dollars" to train and equip Afghan security forces, both in fiscal 2007 and in the proposed fiscal 2008 budget, particularly in the supplemental funding bill now under consideration by Congress. "And it is our hope we will be able to allocate those resources as soon as possible for this mission," he said.

But Gates said it's also time for other countries to do more to help the new Afghan democracy. "I think

it is incumbent upon all of them to do what they can to provide the assistance that it requires," he said.

"I have made a point of this at every meeting of NATO defense ministers I have attended," Gates told reporters traveling with him while en route to Afghanistan. He noted that he plans to raise the matter again at the upcoming NATO defense ministers meeting in Scotland scheduled for mid-December.

Gates emphasized that taking on responsibilities in Afghanistan "was a joint commitment" by the coalition. "Now they need to fulfill their promises," he said.

The secretary joked before arriving in Afghanistan that he feels like "the salesman around the world for Afghanistan" as he works to garner more international support.

Karzai thanked the United States and coalition partners for their support to Afghanistan.



Happy Holidays

The Kwajalein Holiday Party sponsored by Kwajalein Range Services will be 7-11:30 p.m., Dec. 15, in the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room. The plated, sit-down dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. Latecomers will not be fed. The dress for the evening is island formal. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Community Activities office in Building 805.

DO THE HOLIDAYS HAVE YOU IN A
TIZZY AND YOU DON'T KNOW IF
YOU'RE COMING OR GOING ?



Let the holiday post office shuttle offered by Automotive Services give you a hand with your packages. The service is available until 6 p.m., Jan. 5.

Shuttle service hours are:

10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and
3-6 p.m., Tuesday thru Saturday.

Call 53341 or 58294 for service.
Customers must travel with their
packages to their quarters.

HELP WANTED

KRS has the following job openings. For contract hire positions, call Sheri Hendrix, 256-890-8710. For all others, call Carolyn Veirup, 51300. Full job descriptions and requirements for contract openings are located online at www.krsjv.com. Job descriptions for other openings are located at Human Resources, Building 700.

NEED EXTRA money? KRS employment applications are continually accepted for all Community Services departments and the Human Resources temporary pool for casual positions. Some examples of these positions are: sport officials, scorekeepers, delivery drivers, lifeguards, catering/dining room workers, medical office receptionists, temporary office support, etc. For more information, call the KRS HR Office at 54916.

ON ISLAND HIRES

AC&R TECHNICIANS I, full-time, Kwaj Ops., HR Reqs. K050009 and K050010

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II, full-time Acquisition Services Management, HR Req. K050378

CARPENTER II, full-time, Kwaj Ops, HR Req. K050158

CARPENTER III, full-time, Kwaj Ops, HR Req. K050047

GENERAL MAINTENANCE I, full-time, Marine Department, HR Req. K050160

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR II, full-time, Meck Operations, HR Req. K050150

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR II, full-time, Kwaj Ops., HR Req. K050038

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR IV, full-time, Solid Waste, HR Req. K050155

INCINERATOR OPERATOR III, full-time position, Solid Waste Mgmt., HR Req. K050112

INCINERATOR OPERATOR III, full-time position, Meck Operations, HR Req. K050144

MECHANIC II, full-time, Roi Power Plant, HR Req. K050183

PLUMBER/PIPEFITTER II, full-time, Utilities, HR Req. K050040

RAMP WORKER I, full-time position, Airfield Ops, HR Req. K050251

RETAIL ASSOCIATE III, Gimble's, full-time, HR Req. K050291

SHEETMETAL WORKER II, full-time, Kwaj Ops., HR Req. K050011

STYLIST, casual position, HR Req. K050275

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, casual positions, on-call

TOOL ROOM ATTENDANT I, full-time position, Roi Operations, HR Req. K050137

TRAFFIC AGENT I, part-time, Airfield Ops, HR Req. K050181

TRAFFIC AGENT, full-time, Airfield Ops, HR Req. K050250

WAREHOUSE RECEIVING AND RECORDS CLERK, full-time, Property Management, HR Req. K050153

CONTRACT HIRES

(A) accompanied (U) unaccompanied

Even numbered requisitions=CMSI

Odd numbered requisitions=KRS

ABLE SEAMAN, HR Req. 031482 U

AC&R TECHNICIAN II and III, three positions, HR Reqs. 031378, 031454 and 031530 U

AC & R TECHNICIAN IV, HR Req. 031522 U

ACCOUNTANT II, HR Req. 032083 U

ACCOUNTING CLERK III, HR Req. 032097 and 032099.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LEAD, HR Req. 032095.

ALCOR TRANSMITTER FIELD ENGINEER II, HR Req. 032063 U

ALCOR/MMW LEAD RECEIVER ENGINEER, HR Req. 032069 A

APPLIANCE REPAIR TECHNICIAN IV, HR Req. 031528.

CALIBRATION REPAIR TECHNICIAN II and III, HR Reqs. 032057, 032021 and 032055

Religious Services

Catholic

Saturday Mass, 5:30 p.m., in the small chapel.
Sunday Mass, 9:15 a.m., in the main chapel.
Mass on Roi is at 12:30 p.m., in Roi chapel.

Protestant

Sunday

8 and 10:45 a.m., on Kwaj and Roi-Namur service at 4 p.m.
Sunday school for all ages is at 9:15 a.m.

Later-Day Saints

10 a.m., Sunday, in
Corlett Recreation Center, Room 3.

Baptist

9:40 a.m., Sunday, in elementary school music room.

Church of Christ

10 a.m., Sunday,
in Quarters 442-A.

CARPENTER II, III, IV, HR. Reqs. 031348, 031346, 031524, 031350 and 031442 U

CDC INSTRUCTOR, HR Req. 032019 U

CERTIFIED TEACHER, HR Req. 032087 U

CHIEF ENGINEER, HR Req. 032049 U

CHILD YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR, HR Req. 032093.

COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN II, III, HR Reqs. 031941, 031803, 031999, 031967 and 031883 U

COMPUTER OPERATOR II, HR Req. 031955 U

COMSEC TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 031957 U

CONTRACTS PURCHASES SPECIALIST, HR. Req. 031851 U

CYS TECHNOLOGY LAB LEAD, HR Req. 031851 U

DESIGNER/PLANNER IV, HR Req. 031308 U

DISPATCHER, HR Req. 031540 U

Lunch

Sunday

Carved sauerbraten
Chicken snitzel
Bratwurst and sauerkraut
Grill: Brunch station open

Monday

Chicken-fried steak
Herb-roasted Cornish hen
Crab Benedict
Grill: Brunch station open

Tuesday

Spaghetti
Eggplant Parmesan
Veal Alfredo
Grill: Sloppy Joes

Wednesday

Braised turkey
Drummetes in gravy
Cod almondine
Grill: Ham/cheese sandwich

Thursday

Chicken fajitas
Chorizio enchiladas
Nacho chips/cheese
Grill: Burritos/tacos

Friday

Meatloaf/gravy
Local boy chicken stew
Sesame seared mahi
Grill: Chuckwagon sandwich

Dec. 15

Sweet/sour pork
Chicken cordon bleu
Pepperoni pizza
Grill: Super bird

Dinner

Tonight

Build-your-own pizza
Short rib stew
Broiled fajita chicken

Sunday

Salisbury steak
Baked ono
Chicken sukiyaki

Monday

Cajun roast pork
Island jerk chicken
Baked tofu/cabbage

Tuesday

Fried chicken
Chinese beef
Broccoli stir-fry

Wednesday

Grilled ribeye steaks
Chef's choice
Broiled herb chicken

Thursday

Beef lasagna
Spinach lasagna
Veal Alfredo

Friday

Pineapple spareribs
Thai chicken
Vegetable chow fun

Café Pacific

Lunch

Sunday

Roast chicken
Barbecued kabob
Eggy veggie bake
Grill: Brunch station open

Monday

Cordon bleu casserole
Pork scallopini
Hot apples with cinnamon
Grill: Brunch station open

Tuesday

Tamales
Chicken enchiladas
Refried beans
Grill: Turkey and avocado

Wednesday

Mini cheese pizza
Chicken wings/hot sauce
Cheeseburger macaroni
Grill: Missile burgers

Thursday

Spicy beef stir-fry
Honey barbecued ribs
Garlic fried rice
Grill: Chicken sandwich

Friday

Barbecued brisket
Clam cakes
Corn on the cob
Grill: Chicken sandwich

Dec. 15

Spaghetti
Veggie lasagna
Chicken Alfredo
Grill: Meatball sub

Café Roi

Dinner

Tonight

Hoison babyback ribs
Orange sesame chicken
Beer-battered cod

Sunday

Polynesian pork chops
Chicken and long rice
Chinese pepper steak

Monday

Pasta carbonara
Italian sausage
Eggplant with cheese

Tuesday

Roi fried chicken
Broiled ahi
Beef Burgundy

Wednesday

Grilled rib eye steaks
Ginger chicken
Baked potato wedges

Thursday

Swedish meatballs
Kalua pork and cabbage
Tuna casserole

Friday

Szechuan pork stir-fry
Hunan chicken
Lumpia/eggrolls



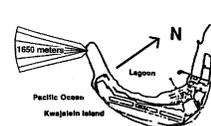
SIX SIGMA
PERFORMANCE-BASED LEADERSHIP

Human Resources Casual Hire Cycle Time Process Improvement Project: A Six Sigma team analyzed that the old casual hire process took between two to six weeks from employee requisition to date of hire. It also took place without delineating between hiring for a casual versus contract position. Through use of Six Sigma tools, the team formulated a new process to reduce the overall cycle time by 50 percent resulting in approximately \$56,000 per year. This soft savings is used to work off back log within HR.

DRAFTER II, HR Req. 031486 U
 DRIVER II, HR Req. 031117
 ELECTRICIAN II, III and IV LEAD, HR Reqs. 031224, 031210, 031332, 031408, 031412, 031570, 031504, 031304, 031380, 031414, 031578, 031580 and 031448 U
 ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN I, II, III, HR Reqs. 031719, 031825, 031869, 031743, 031959 and 031931 U
 ENGINEER, HR Req. 031436 U
 EQUIPMENT REPAIR TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 032101 A
 FIELD ENGINEER I and II, HR Reqs. 031867, 031753 and 032075 A
 FIRE INSPECTOR, HR Req. 031466 U
 FIRE LIEUTENANT, HR Req. 031546 U
 FIRE SYSTEMS TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 031428 U
 FIREFIGHTER, HR Reqs. 031268, 031312, 031316, 031544, 031554, 031556, 031558, and 031534 U
 HARBOR CONTROLLER, HR Req. 031568 U
 HARDWARE ENGINEER I and II, HR Reqs. 032005, 031897, 031979 and 032065 A
 HEAVY EQUIPMENT MECHANIC III, HR Req. 0315 U
 HELP DESK TECHNICIAN II and III, HR Req. 032077 and 032109 U
 HOUSING INSPECT/EST/MAINT SPECIALIST, HR Req.

031390 U
 KWAJALEIN POWER PLANT, OPERATOR ELECTRIC, HR Req. 031494 U
 LEAD FIRE INSPECTOR, HR Req. 031424 U
 LEAD WELDER, HR 031198 U
 LICENSED MARINER I, HR Req. 031456 U
 MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST, MECK, HR Req. 031386 U
 MANAGER, INVENTORY CONTROL, HR Req. 031542
 MANAGER, NETWORK OPERATIONS, HR Req. 032115 A
 MATE, 500T, HR Req. 031526 U
 MDN NETWORK ENGINEER, HR Req. 032029 U
 MECHANIC III, IV, HR Reqs. 031432, 031488, 032146 and 031474 U
 MECHANICAL ENGINEER III, HR Req. 031512 U
 MECK POWER PLANT MECHANIC III, HR Req. 031462 U
 MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST, HR Req. 032015 U
 MMW OPERATIONS DIRECTOR, HR Req. 031945 U
 NETWORK ENGINEER III-MO, HR Req. 031855 A
 PAINTER III, HR Req. 031366 and 031472 U
 PHYSICIAN, SURGEON, HR Req. 031901 A
 PLANT TECHNICIAN II, III, HR Reqs. 031947 and 031643 U
 PLUMBER PIPEFITTER III and IV, HR Req. 031354 and 031548 U
 PROGRAMMER/ ANALYST-SUPPLY and MAINT, HR Req. 031841 A
 PROJECT PLANNER II, HR Req. 031296 A
 PROJECT PLANNER III, HR Req. 032091 A
 PUBLIC INTERNET SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR, HR Req. 031763 U
 PSYCHOLOGIST/EAP, HR 032119 U
 RADAR ENGINEER III, HR Req. 031961 A
 RADAR TECHNICIAN II and III, HR Reqs. 031943 and 031717 U
 ROI POWER PLANT ELECTRICIAN, HR Req. 031220 U
 SAFETY SPECIALIST III and IV, HR Reqs. 031893 and 032047 A
 SERVER ADMINISTRATOR III, HR Req. 032085 A
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The Small Arms Range will be in operation 7-11 a.m., Dec. 11. Observe the hazard area between the posted red flags.



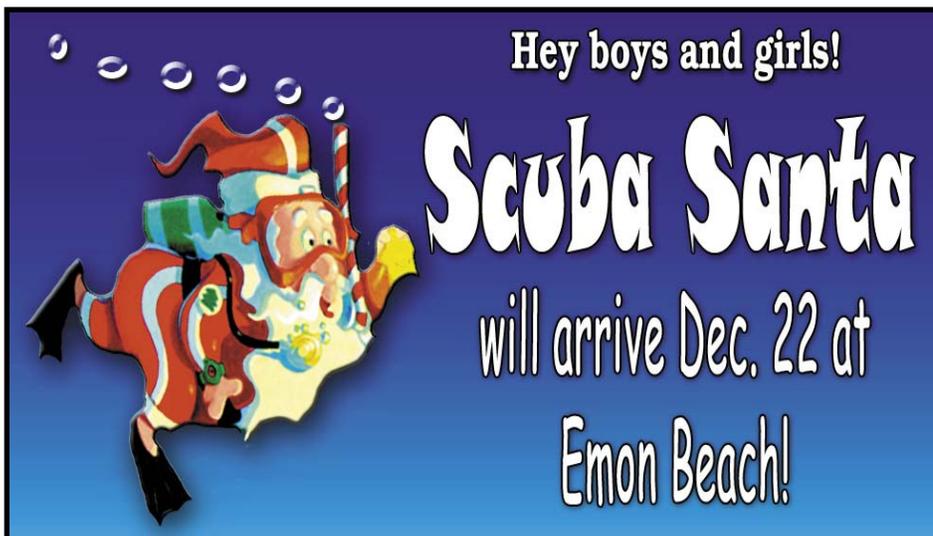
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 SOFTWARE COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST, HR Req. 032089
 SOFTWARE ENGINEER II and IV, HR Reqs. 031975 and 031951 A
 SPACE SURVEILLANCE OPERATOR, HR Reqs. 031619, 031919 and 031915 U
 STEVEDORE CHIEF, HR Req. 031574 A
 SUPERVISOR, RANGE TELECOM, HR Req. 032067 A
 SUPERVISOR WAREHOUSING, HR Req. 031532 U
 SUPERVISOR CONFIGURATION AND DATA, HR Req. 031821 A
 SUPERVISOR LIGHT VEHICLE/SCOOTER, HR Req. 031196 A
 SYSTEMS ENGINEER I, III and IV, HR. Reqs. 031749, 031965, 031909, 031963 and 031011 A
 TECHNICAL ILLUSTRATOR, HR Req. 032123 U
 TELEMETRY ENGINEER III, HR Req. 031723 A
 TRADEX RADAR FIELD ENGINEER-RECEIVERS, HR Req. 032061 U
 TRADEX TRANSMITTER ENGINEER, HR Req. 032081 A
 TRAFFIC AGENT I AND II, HR Reqs. 031560 and 031552 U
 WAREHOUSEMEN LEAD, HR Req. 031360 U
 WATER PLANT ELECTRICAL AND INSTRUMENT TECHNICIAN, HR Req. 031562 U
 WATER PLANT OPERATOR III, HR Req. 030826 U
 WATER TREATMENT TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 030826 U
 WELDER IV, HR Reqs. 031444 and 030834 U

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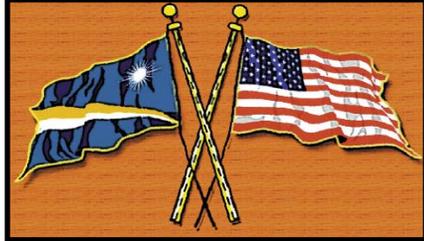
OFFICE AUTOMATION ASSISTANTS, GS-0326-6. Temporary position not to exceed two years. The employee provides clerical support to ensure efficient office operations. The employee accomplishes various duties to provide essential office automation support and production. The employee performs a variety of assignments using the advanced functions of various database software packages. The employee prepares varied documents with complex formats using the advanced functions of word processing, desktop publishing, and other software types. The employee performs systems maintenance functions for electronic mail systems. The employee performs a variety of assignments using the advanced functions of one or more spreadsheet software packages. Performs a variety of secretarial and other clerical and administrative functions, using judgment to answer recurring questions and resolve problems. Apply at <<https://cpolwapp.belvoir.army.mil>>.

LOST

BLACK NYLON wallet between Ten-Ten and 6th Street. Reward offered. Call 58565.
 TRIDENT 8-IRON golf club with graphite shaft, on golf course two weeks ago. Call Steve, 50781.



Hey boys and girls!
Scuba Santa
 will arrive Dec. 22 at
Emon Beach!



THE HOST NATION office reminds residents that many traditional customs are followed on Ebebe, not the least of which is a dress code. Adults must wear conservative clothing. Women should wear loose-fitting shirts that cover their shoulders and dresses or skirts that cover their knees. Men can wear shorts, but only if they aren't planning on attending a formal or church gathering. Men should wear long pants if they plan to enter a church. The dress codes aren't Marshallese laws, but long-followed cultural traditions and not complying with them would be considered offensive by citizens and traditional leaders of our host nation.

COPY OF movie *The Last Mimzy*, missing from Namo Weto Youth Center. Return to the Youth Center or call James, 53796. No movies will be shown at the Youth Center until the movie is returned. The movie is government property.

VELVET BRAND sunglasses. Call 51444.

GIRLS' PRESCRIPTION reading glasses, black and red frame, in new housing area on Monday. Call 54577.

LARGE CONSPICUOUS silver Casio Sea-Pathfinder watch left unsecured at the gym during high school volleyball practice. I would like to thank the person who 'secured' this for me and request that you now return it to the lost and found at the gym or call Rob, 52200. No questions asked.

LARGE BLUE umbrella with 'Thimsen' written on it at the soccer field. Call 52527.

FOUND

AKONA STAINLESS steel dive knife off Coral Sands. Call 50165.

WANTED

SEWING MACHINE to buy. Call Ivy, 54814, home, or 52224, work.

POTTED PALM TREE, to buy or borrow. Call Ingrid, 53140.

INVERSION TABLE, to borrow or buy. Call Monte, 52834.

THREE BIKES to borrow for visiting family, Tuesday through Dec.14. Call Amy Brouwer, 53610.

PATIO SALES

MONDAY, 6:30-10 a.m., Quarters 224-A.

MONDAY, 7-10 a.m., Trailer 577. PCS sale. Everything must go.

MONDAY, 7-11 a.m., Quarters 429-A (in back).

MONDAY, 7 a.m.-noon, Quarters 488-A. Clothing, hair accessories, toys and more.

MONDAY, 7 a.m.-noon, Trailer 542. PCS sale. Household goods, DVD movies, luggage, new desk, computer and monitor and floor lamp.

MONDAY, 7:30-10:30 a.m., Trailers 582 and 583. Multi-family sale.

MONDAY, 8 a.m.-noon, Quarters 138-A. No early birds.

FOR SALE

NINTENDO, new, never opened, \$280 and Garmin 60Cxs GPS, barely used, \$300. Call 51365, after 4 p.m.

WHITE BASSINET that converts to a toy box with sheets, \$40 and infant exersaucer, \$20. Call 58565.

PORTABLE WOODEN bar with two stools, flip-up table top and two drawers, \$50. Call 55945.



STEREO SYSTEM, receiver with five speakers, in box, new, never opened, \$200; tools, some very used, various prices; sewing machine, all metal gears, \$350; off shore sailing harnesses, \$40; white rustoleum and varnish, \$15; plastic shelves, \$20 and 50-foot long low-pressure hose, great for cleaning the bottom of a boat, \$60. Call 56671 or leave a message.

PCS SALE. Rubbermaid six-foot outdoor storage cabinet, \$100; Hitachi 32-inch TV (available Dec. 24), \$100; large Panasonic microwave, \$40; two dark green rugs with pads, \$80 each; silver rug, 6-foot by 9-foot, \$25; 12 glasses, \$15, dishes, \$10; vacuum, \$90 and ironing board, \$15. Call 52771.

METAL AND GLASS computer desk, \$50 or best offer; 10 yards of 60-inch wide upholstery/curtain fabric with palm tree design, \$50 and tropical design queen-size bedspread, curtains, bedskirt and shower curtain, \$30. Call 51444.

1990 23-FOOT BAYLINER trophy, new Yamaha 115s with 80 hours, new steering, batteries, electrical bait tank, fish boxes, 140-gallon fuel tank, stereo/CD, VHF radio, cabin with lots of storage space, located on Lot 17, \$55,000 or best offer. Call Steve, 52864 or e-mail steve.fuchs@spacex.com.

TWO 1993 100-horsepower Mercury Mariner engines, run great, lots of extra parts and accessories, \$4,000. Call 55987, and leave a message.

HEELYS SHOES for boys, size 2 but fits more like size one, grey color, 'hurricane' style, new in box, \$45. Call 50165.

WAVEBLASTER JET SKI with accessories, boat shack 51 with extras, \$3,000 or best offer. Call 52342.

PCS SALE. Custom chopper bike, \$550; Rustman bike, Fuji 52cm, \$500; five 10-foot light poles with café lights, \$100; PB red jute rug, 6-feet by 9-feet, \$400; Sauder two-drawer filing cabinet, \$200; wood shelf, 3-feet by 6-feet, \$25; women's dive gear, \$400 and Williams-Sonoma 24-piece everyday dish set, \$50. Call 52864.

LARGE STAINED DECK, \$500; large Rubbermaid deck storage, \$70; dehumidifier, \$30; Rubbermaid trailer, \$50 and two plastic shelving units, \$10 each. Call 52811.

HAMMERHEAD, a 21-foot, all fiberglass, with 225-horsepower Johnson engine, great condition, has boathouse, covered boat lot and trailer, \$8,888. Call 59662.

PLANTS, including orchids, in back of Quarters 118-F.

TREK MOUNTAIN bike, \$60 and kayak trailer, \$100. Call 53003.

BOOSTER CHAIR with covered tray, \$10; Fisher Price Teeter-Totter, like new, \$35; two baby mobiles, one projects moons/stars on ceiling, \$15; Diaper Geni with six wide refills \$20 and two matching small bed lamps with shades, \$10. Call 52642 and leave message.

COMPUTER GAMES, framed pictures, artificial plants, lamps and wine rack. Call 52161, after 3 p.m.

LARGE COOLAROO shade sail, heavy duty marine fabric with mounting hardware, \$50 and Whirlpool 45-pint dehumidifier, \$50. Call 52597.

TV, 32-INCHES, with universal remote, \$125; DVD player with remote, \$25; Papasan chair, \$75; microwave, available

AIRLINE TRAVEL NOTICE

Transportation Security Administration rules and regulations state that only ticketed passengers are allowed into the sterile area during passenger check-in and pre-screen times. Visitors will not be allowed beyond the security screening area. Also, TSA requires that all checked and hand-carried luggage be searched. Do not gift-wrap or tape packages before they are inspected by security personnel at the airport. Questions? Call 52144.

Dec. 1, \$75; three kitchen island carts, \$50 each; jute area rug, \$15; telescope with camera mount, \$300; 7-foot, 10-inch NSP surfboard, \$250 and 8-foot, 6-inch epoxy surfboard, \$300. Call Molly, 51103, leave a message.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

EBEYE vs. KWAJALEIN basketball challenge for Grades 5-6 is at 6:30 p.m., tonight, at the basketball court across from Café Pacific. Music and fun at the halftime show. Questions? Call Jason, 53796.

MACY'S SALE now through Friday. Holiday decorations and ornaments, 20 percent off; toys, 25 percent off; party supplies, 30 percent off and cards, 50 percent off. Daily specials: Monday, toys are 40 percent off; Tuesday, crystal and china are 30 percent off; Thursday, nativity scenes are 40 percent off and Friday, holiday table top items are 40 percent off.

ENJOY AN evening of ballroom dancing, 7-9:30 p.m., Sunday, in the multi-purpose room. Free and open to the community. Adults and high school students welcome. Casual attire. Bring your own non-alcoholic beverages. Questions? Call Dick or Cheryl, 51684.

KWAJALEIN SCUBA CLUB meets at 7 p.m., Wednesday, in Corlett Recreation Center Room 1. All community members are welcome to attend.

SAY GOODBYE to the Wright family at 6 p.m., Dec. 15, at Emon Beach main pavilion. Bring a dish to share.

THE OUTRIGGER SNACK BAR on Roi will be closed Dec. 16 for the Christmas party.

START SMART soccer registration for ages 3-5 (pre-kindergarten) is 7 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2-5 p.m., now through Jan. 16, in Building 358. Fee is \$20 per child.

TO INCREASE the effectiveness of mosquito spraying operations, spraying for mosquitoes will now be accomplished at sunrise instead of the early morning hours. Spraying will take place as necessitated by the population of mosquitoes and will be dependant on weather conditions. Refrain from jogging or biking in the mist produced by the mosquito sprayer. Questions? Call 54738.

ATTENTION HOBBY SHOP patrons. Due to space constraints, the Hobby Shop will no longer store lumber for future projects. Only active projects may be stored. Pick up lumber by Dec. 31 or it will become the property of the Hobby Shop.

REMINDER TO potters and ceramists. Projects left for more than 30 days untouched will be considered abandoned. Make sure your projects are labeled with date. Questions? Call Denise, 51700.

DID YOU KNOW that Kwajalein Range Services is implementing an environmental management system? Where you ever curious what an EMS is? Do you want the chance to earn a free gift? Just go to the ESH&Q/ Environmental Web page on the USAKA Web to learn more about the KRS EMS, do a word search and have the opportunity to win a clever and useful free gift courtesy of the environmental office. Questions? Call 51134.

ADULT RECREATION CENTER hours are 5-10 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 2 p.m.-midnight, Saturday and Sunday.



Major league soccer is coming to Kwaj.
 Five DC United players will host clinics on
 Brandon Field as follows:

- 5-6:30 p.m., Tuesday,
for Grades 7-12
- 5-6:30 p.m., Wednesday,
for Grades K-6
- 6:30-7:30 p.m., Wednesday,
for adults

Rainout location is Corlett Recreation
 Center gym. Wear cleats and shinguards.
 Questions? Call John, 53331.

Visit with Santa



10 a.m.-noon, Monday,
 at Macy's. Don't forget
 your camera.

ARMED FORCES ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS spontaneous combustion



WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'LL DO, BUT WE CAN'T WAIT TO FIND OUT.



This seasoned comedy troupe is bringing back the unrehearsed improv skits that keep audiences rolling. From the producers of "Death for Dinner" comes a hilarious new show featuring six talented performers. Get ready to spontaneously combust.

8 p.m., Sunday, at Roi Tradewinds Theater
 7 p.m., Monday, in the multi-purpose room

Weather courtesy of RTS Weather

Sunday: Mostly cloudy, 40 percent showers. **Winds:** NE at 12-18 knots.
Monday: Mostly cloudy, 50 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE at 14-20 knots.
Tuesday: Partly sunny, 30 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE at 15-20 knots.
Wednesday: Partly sunny, 40 percent showers. **Winds:** NE at 15-20 knots.
Thursday: Mostly cloudy, 60 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE 14-18 knots.
Friday: Mostly cloudy, 70 percent showers. **Winds:** NNE at 16-22 knots.
Dec. 15: Partly sunny, 30 percent showers. **Winds:** ESE at 15-20 knots.

Annual total: 83.88 inches
 Annual deviation: -10.37 inches

Call 54700 for updated forecasts or visit www.rts-wx.com.

Sun • Moon • Tides

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Sunday	6:53 a.m./6:31 p.m.	5:18 a.m./5:08 p.m.	3:50 a.m., 3.2' 4:01 p.m., 4.4'	9:38 a.m., 0.1' 10:29 p.m., 0.3'
Monday	6:53 a.m./6:31 p.m.	6:09 a.m./5:57 p.m.	4:23 a.m., 3.2' 4:33 p.m., 4.4'	10:10 a.m., 0.1' 11:01 p.m., 0.4'
Tuesday	6:53 a.m./6:31 p.m.	7:01 a.m./6:48 p.m.	4:55 a.m., 3.2' 5:04 p.m., 4.4'	10:41 a.m., 0.1' 11:34 p.m., 0.3'
Wednesday	6:53 a.m./6:31 p.m.	7:54 a.m./7:41 p.m.	5:28 a.m., 3.1' 5:37 p.m., 4.4'	11:13 a.m., 0.1'
Thursday	6:54 a.m./6:32 p.m.	8:46 a.m./8:35 p.m.	6:02 a.m., 3.1' 6:12 p.m., 4.3'	12:08 a.m., 0.2' 11:46 p.m., 0.1'
Friday	6:54 a.m./6:32 p.m.	9:35 a.m./9:28 p.m.	6:39 a.m., 3.0' 6:49 p.m., 4.1'	12:44 a.m., 0.1' 12:23 p.m., 0.2'
Dec. 15	6:54 a.m./6:32 p.m.	10:22 a.m./10:20 p.m.	7:22 a.m., 2.9' 7:32 p.m., 3.9'	1:25 a.m., 0.1' 1:05 p.m., 0.5'