

THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



The Hepler family won second place for 'other wheeled floats' in the bike parade July 4. For more, see page 6.

Photo by Sheila Gideon



THUMBS UP

To Kim Yarnes for the fantastic job she did on the 4th of July festival. Even though we didn't have fireworks, the beach festivities were a lot of fun and very well organized. Kim worked tirelessly and sure deserves a big raise.

To Kim Yarnes and the entire Community Activities staff for an amazing Fourth of July celebration! Also to everyone who entered one of the contests – your salsas, desserts and coconuts were great!

THUMBS DOWN

To the person who took my Maui Jim sunglasses from the side of the adult pool while I was swimming laps.

The Weather Baller

Kwajalein Atoll Lightning Facts

Kwajalein has an average of 10 thunderstorm days per year, usually in September and October. Normally, there are no thunderstorm days during the dry season; however, in 2011, there were 51 lightning warnings issued from January to May. Lightning struck the Kwajalein Hospital on Jan. 29 and did damage.

Where is the most dangerous place in a lightning storm? The Family Pool. Why? People do not pay attention to warnings there and cannot hear the phone during swim meets.

Don't be the first person to be injured in a lightning strike at Kwajalein. Find shelter during lightning warnings, especially when you hear thunder or see lightning.

Triple Feature at the Rich

Tonight

7:30 p.m.: Drop Zone Fiji

8:30 p.m.: Drop Zone Tahiti

9:30 p.m.: Soul Surfer

THE RUMOR MILL



Col. Joseph Gaines addresses circulating rumors head-on.

Rumors can earn from one to five ears. One ear is an unfounded rumor, while a rumor earning five ears is the truth.

Rumor: The boat lots on Kwajalein are being removed in order to put up a new restaurant/bar on Kwaj.

The boat lots have received quite a bit of attention from the community recently, and the boat lot system is being revamped. An updated Standard Practice Instruction has been published. This directed the boat lots back to the original intent of only storing boats. However, USAKA currently has no plans to replace them with a restaurant or bar. Any decisions about the use of a specific area are coordinated through the USAKA Real Property Planning Board, which is facilitated by the USAKA Directorate of Public Works.



THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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New retail services manager has previous experience working in Marshall Islands

Article and photo by Sheila Gideon
Managing Editor

Having previously worked in the Marshall Islands, Ronnie Elmeat is a perfect fit as the new retail services manager in charge of Surfway, the laundry, the hair salon and Third Island Store. Elmeat moved from Secaucus, N.J., outside of New York City, where he grew up with his brothers, mother and father. He managed a retail store on Majuro for nearly four years. He went back to Secaucus for one year and was ready to “come back to the island life.” Elmeat left Majuro on June 23 of last year and arrived on Kwajalein June 23 of this year. “It was a weird coincidence. It was very ‘destiny’ for me to come back here. All the timing was perfect,” Elmeat said.

Elmeat is attracted to living in this area because he likes “the people, the culture, the climate [and] just being away from the city and the fast motion and cars. I even think the bikes are too fast for me,” he joked. “I’m walking everywhere.”

Elmeat began working in retail during high school. He then earned a degree in culinary arts and worked for some time as a chef.

“I did restaurants and was actually food and beverage manager for Ringling Brothers Circus,” he commented. It was then that he took the job in Majuro. “I’m always looking for a new experience.”

Elmeat has experience ordering product in the Marshall Islands and is aware of how important food selection is to residents; he will attempt to please everyone’s requests as best as he can. “I am just trying to ... learn the job and ... get the ordering under control,” he said of beginning work at Surfway last week. “We have a lot of loss and a lot of requests. Long term, I hope to make everyone happy; but first, I have to figure out what my job is and how to do it correctly before I can get to satisfying all the community’s needs.” He has a list of requests piled up and as soon as he can process them, he will.

Elmeat enjoys working in retail because he likes interacting with customers. He plans to be out of the office and out on the floor whenever he can to directly discuss concerns with patrons.

While not at work, Elmeat is looking forward to doing nothing. His plans are to do “nothing at the



Ronnie Elmeat is the new retail services manager on Kwajalein. He will be in charge of Surfway, Laundry, the hair salon and Third Island Store.

beach, nothing under the trees. I will watch people play sports. When I like to relax, I like to do nothing. Maybe have a book – that’s the extent of the activity I like.” It looks like he will fit in here just fine.

Advanced Hypersonic Weapon Program *Environmental Assessment*

The U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command/U.S. Army Forces Strategic Command has completed an Environmental Assessment, prepared in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing NEPA. The Advanced Hypersonic Weapon Program EA analyzes the potential environmental consequences of conducting one demonstration flight test of the AHW/Hypersonic Glide Body. The AHW/HGB flight test vehicle would be launched from the Pacific Missile Range Facility, Kauai, Hawaii using an existing Strategic Target System with three stages. Following booster separation over the Pacific Ocean, the AHW/GHB would glide at hypersonic velocities in the upper atmosphere prior to the HGB impacting on or offshore of Illeginni Islet, U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll, Republic of the Marshall Islands. Based on this analysis, the USASMDC/ARSTRAT has determined

that proposed activities are not expected to result in significant impacts to the environment. A draft finding of No Significant Impact and the EA are available at <http://www.govsupport.us/ahw> and at the following locations:

- Lihue Public Library, 4344 Hardy Street, Lihue, HI, 96766-1251
- Waimea Public Library, P.O. Box 397, Waimea, HI, 96796
- Alele Public Library, P.O. Box 629, Majuro, MH, 96960
- Majuro Public Library, Majuro, MH
- Grace Sherwood Library, P.O. Box 23, Kwajalein, Marshall Islands, APO, A.P. 96555

Public comments on the EA/Draft FONSI will be accepted through July 25. Submit written comments to: U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, ATTN: SMDC-ENE (Mr. Mark Hubbs), P.O. Box 1500, Huntsville, AL 35807-3801.

DISPATCH FROM ROI



Fourth of July

The Fourth of July on Roi was held at the Pavilion on the beach. Although the weather was a bit inclement, a few brave souls made their way to the beach for Baggo, kayaking and just relaxing to good music and having a little cook out later in the day. The Baggo boards were going strong with two teams playing while the beach was utilized by a few for sunning and relaxing. Later that day, the grill was started up and folks started cooking their dinner and enjoying good food and company.



The Roi Community held its annual Enniburr Children's Christmas Fund Coconut Cup Race at the Surf Shack Sunday. This yearly fundraising event brings out the creativity in all that participate. This year there were about 60 stock entrees and five modified. The ECCF raised about \$1,600 from the Coconut Cup, while the Roi golfers held a tournament Monday which raised another \$80.

Winners for the stock class were:

1st place: Greg Heffner

2nd Place: Keven Shoemaker

3rd place: Dick Ussery

This year's winner for the modified class was Josh Bell.

Congrats to all!

*Story and photos by Laura Pasquarella-Swain
Graphic design by Catherine Layton*

Potential new project on Roi means excitement for resident archeologist

By Sheila Gideon
Managing Editor

The preliminary survey of the potential site for the new Space Fence on Roi-Namur turned into an archeological dream of discoveries last month when historical features and artifacts were found in the jungle. The new discoveries have Kwajalein Range Services archeologist Leslie Mead and Rachael Harris from Environmental, Safety and Health, working hard to document all the discoveries and identify what they are.

Three historic buildings were found, two of which were known, except for their location; they were unaware the last building was out there. One building was the Seabee's chapel, which according to Mead, was built around June 1944. The other "already known" building found was what they are calling the "German generators." They were German manufactured, purchased by the Japanese. According to Mead, the generators were in the power plant on Third Island. The Navy moved them to Namur in 1944, after the battle. "We aren't really sure why they did it," Mead commented, "because they're sort of stuck out in the middle of nowhere, sitting on a concrete foundation." The pistons were found scattered all around and it is unclear whether the Americans used it or not.

"The most exciting thing was that we found a Japanese structure we didn't even know we had," Mead exclaimed. "We aren't sure what it is. It's not terribly big, but it's definitely Japanese construction. I'm in the process of still trying to do the research." From the

outside of the structure, Mead has initially identified it as a cistern. "But if it is a cistern, it's the most unusually-built one on the inside I've ever seen. It's not consistent with the other cisterns we have on island." The walls of the structure stand about six feet above today's ground surface; however, it is unclear where the floor of the building really is. Mead and Harris, with the help of the Roi community, have been busy documenting this exciting new discovery. "The Japanese structure's a real head-scratcher," said Mead. "That's going to take some research."

For now, they're busy documenting where the structures are located. "This is the first project we've done where we've had the GIS and fully integrated GPS all up and running all at the same time." Mead and her team went out into the field with their handheld GPS and recorded the location data of the structures. They then took the GPS unit back to the lab and uploaded the information to the satellite image. "It's hard for people to understand how difficult it is to do archeology when you don't have an accurate way of locating your site."

Besides structures, several artifacts were also discovered after clearing the vegetation. Mead explained if you can pick an item up, put it in a bag and take it out of the site, it's an artifact. If you can't, it's a feature. "A lot of the stuff we found out there are features," she explained. However, a few artifacts were discovered such as a Japanese pomade jar, dozens of ceramic insulators, bottles, a Japanese Imperial Navy-issued enamel bowl and a number of U.S. Navy artifacts. They documented debris piles, including one with a radial engine in it. "We haven't quite figured out how airplane

engines got all the way over to Namur yet." They also found another debris pile which contained the remnants of two vehicles.

The other exciting component to Mead's adventure in the jungle was the discovery of two Marshallese sites. The Navy abandoned Roi in 1947 and didn't reactivate it until 1960-61. During that time, Marshallese lived on the island. One discovery was a taro pit, which is probably 50-56 years old. Taro pits were constructed by multiple generations of Marshallese families and got bigger over time. According to Mead, taro pits were the primary type of agriculture practiced by the Marshallese. To create a taro pit, a hole was dug a foot or two into the fresh water lens and filled in with garbage and compost



Photo by Leslie Mead

The wall of the previously unknown Japanese structure found by the Raytheon survey crew.

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KWAJALEIN HOUR

Contest

Bike Parade

Most Patriotic:

1st: Ashlyn McMaden

2nd: Ray Drefus

Most Creative:

1st: Parker Girod

2nd: Sofia Beals

Most Recycled

Decorations:

1st: Ellie Girod

2nd: Leah DeLange

Other Wheeled Floats:

1st: Matt Osterbauer

2nd: Hepler Family

BIKE
PARADE

LIVE MUSIC



BIRTH OF JULY



Photos and graphic design by Sheila Gideon

Winners

Creative Coconuts

Most Decorative:

1st & 3rd: Denise Dorn

2nd: Carys Price

All Natural:

1st & 3rd: Lynn Price

2nd: Denise Dorn

Most Functional (Youth):

1st: Parker Girod and

Amanda Lescalleet

2nd: Carys Price

3rd: Mackenzie Gowans

Salsa

Fruity: 1st: Mandie Morris

2nd: Deb Douthat

3rd: Amber Bates

Hottest: 1st: Dan Burton

2nd: Cindy Ehart

Traditional: 1st: Denise Dorn

2nd: Dave Bates

3rd: Joannie Drefus

Coconut Dessert

1st: Amber Bates

2nd: Deb Douthat

3rd: Sheralyn Zeto

Baggo Champs

Tony Jones & Dave Gray

CREATIVE CONTESTS



INFLATABLES

BAGGO

THEN AND NOW - "COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES"



Photo Hourglass Archives



Photo by Catherine Layton

The Community Activities building has always housed community hubs, most notably the Grace Sherwood Library and the bowling alley. Through the years, the building has incorporated offices, including the Hourglass, the AFN television and radio studios, retail services office and the Community Activities administration. The space has increased to include the hobby and woodworking shop, the gear locker and the ball fields, all under the community activities umbrella. Community Activities plans, organizes, coordinates, supports and participates in nearly every event on island, from holiday events to the small boat marina.

Military Casualties

Spc. Matthew R. Gallagher, 22, of North Falmouth, Mass., died June 26 in Wasit province, Iraq, of injuries suffered from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to the 6th Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

Staff Sgt. Russell J. Proctor, 25, of Oroville, Calif.; and **Pfc. Dylan J. Johnson**, 20, of Tulsa, Okla., died June 26, in Diyala province, Iraq, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked their unit with an improvised explosive device. They were assigned to the 4th Squadron, 9th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

Spc. Kevin J. Hilaman, 28, of Albany, Calif., died June 26, in Kunar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using small arms fire. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

1st Lt. Dimitri A. Del Castillo, 24, of Tampa, Fla., assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; and **Staff Sgt. Nigel D. Kelly**, 26, of Menifee, Calif., assigned to 3rd Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 3rd Brigade

Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, died June 25, at Kunar province, Afghanistan of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked their units with small arms fire.

Cpl. Michael C. Nolen, 22, of Spring Valley, Wis., died June 27 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Staff Sgt. Donald V. Stacy, 23, of Avondale, Ariz., died June 28 in Kandahar, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with an improvised explosive device. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Lance Cpl. John F. Farias, 20, of New Braunfels, Texas, died June 28 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Lance Cpl. Mark R. Goyet, 22, of Sinton, Texas, died June 28 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expedi-

tionary Force, Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Spc. Nicholas P. Bernier, 21, of East Kingston, N.H., died June 25 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Landstuhl, Germany, of injuries suffered June 22 when insurgents attacked his unit using small arms fire in Kherwar, Afghanistan. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division, Fort Polk, La.

Cpl. Kyle R. Schneider, 23, of Phoenix, N.Y., died June 30 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Sgt. Chad D. Frokjer, 27, of Maplewood, Minn., died June 30 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Capt. David E. Van Camp, 29, of Wheeling, W.Va.; and **Spc. Robert G. Tenney Jr.**, 29, Warner Robins, Ga., died June 29 in Badrah, Iraq, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked their unit with indirect fire. They were assigned to 2nd Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Hood, Texas.

View from Kwaj

Submit your own photo! E-mail to hourglass@smdck.smdc.army.mil.



By Pam Frase



By Dawn Gray



By Sheila Gideon



By Catherine Layton



By Sheila Gideon



By Masina McCollum



By Sheila Gideon



By Yael Beals

KRS and CMSI job listings for on-island positions will be available at the Kwajalein, Roi-Namur and Ebeye Dock Security Check Point bulletin boards, the bulletin board by the Continental Travel Office, the Roi-Namur Terminal/Post Office bulletin board and at Human Resources in Building 700. Job listings for contract positions will be available at www.krsjv.com, on the bulletin board by the Continental Travel Office and on the Roi-Namur Terminal/Post Office bulletin board. Full job descriptions and requirements for contract openings are located online at www.krsjv.com.

KRS employment applications are continually accepted for casual positions in the community services departments, medical department and the HR temp pool. Some of the casual positions are recreation aides, medical office, substitute teacher and HR temp pool office support. Questions? Call 54916.

Religious Services

Catholic

5:30 p.m., Saturday, Island Memorial Chapel
9:15 a.m., Sunday, Island Memorial Chapel
4:45 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, Island Memorial Chapel

Protestant

8 and 11 a.m., Sunday, on Kwaj.
Roi-Namur service at 7 p.m. on Friday

Baptist

9:40 a.m., Sunday, in elementary school Music Room.

Latter-day Saints

10 a.m., Sunday, in CRC, Room 3.

Jewish services

Second Friday of the month in the REB. Times will vary.
Contact the Chaplain's office, 53505, for more information.

OPTOMETRIST

DR. YAMAMOTO

Appointments are available
July 17 through July 28



Call the hospital
for an appointment
at 52223 or 52224.

PATIO SALES

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., quarters 485-B, back patio. Kitchen and household items; golf clubs, bag and accessories; bureau and bookcase.

LOST

LADIES PATAGONIA aqua raincoat. If found, call Kaile'a at 54591.

WANTED

CHILD'S OUTDOOR plastic playhouse and slide, will pay reasonable prices. Call Amber at 51480.

COMBINATION convection and microwave oven. Call 54498 and leave a message.

TWO BIKES from July 5-11 for visiting family. Contact Jane at work, 53550, or home, 55269.

FOR SALE

GAZELLE fitness trainer, \$60 and four-shelf metal shelving unit, new, \$100. Call 54506.

PCS SALE, electronics, fishing poles, lures and handline, storage bins,

bookshelves, furniture, kitchen items. Everything must go, cheap. Come by anytime, quarters 123-D, or call 52823.

OAKLEY SUNGLASSES, black, like new, \$50 and HP7660 photo printer, \$25. Call 50895.

400-SERIES dishwasher with attachments, \$75; beige rug, 12x12, \$15; baby highchair, \$15 and 15-inch flat-screen computer monitor, \$20. Call 53660 for more details.

TWO BOOKCASES, three shelves, \$15 each; bookcase, five shelves, \$20; Medela swing pump, barely used, \$100; changing table, \$30; baby bottle drying rack, \$4; dishwasher baby bottle tray, \$4; Medela baby bottles, \$1 each; 11 Medela milk storage bottles, \$5; Dr. Brown baby bottle, nipples, bottle stoppers, \$5; Medela microwave cleaning bags, \$3; maternity clothes, \$5 each; baby clothes, 3-12 months, \$5 each; Boppy pillow, \$20; Snuggle nest, \$20; bike, \$25; two adult bikes, \$20 each; Oriental rug, \$40; four olive green sheer curtains, decorative rod, \$20; two new travel pillows, \$10 each; grill with side stove, one year old,

Café Pacific

Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	July 16
Carved London Broil	Broiled Hamburger Steak	Spaghetti/Mostaccioli	Herb Chicken Breast	Chuckwagon Sand.	Savory Pot Roast	Meatloaf
Coq Au Vin	Sweet/Sour Pork	Italian Meatballs	Beef Stew	Mambo Pork Roast	Chicken and Dumplings	Chicken Stir-fry
Eggs Benedict	Noodles Romanoff	Chicken Broccoli	Vegetable Quesadilla	Jerk Chicken Wings	Breaded Catfish	Mashed Potatoes

Dinner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	July 16
Sliced Roast Beef	Build-Your-Own Tostadas	Braised Swiss Steak	Carved Top Sirloin	Roast Turkey	Build-Your-Own Pizza	Breaded Pork Chops
Chicken Divan	Beef Pot Pie	Teriyaki Chicken Wings	Chicken Cordon Bleu	Pork Pimento	Spaghetti	Chicken Curry
Tofu and Eggplant	Oriental Veggie Stir-fry	Lentils	Pork Chow Fun	Vegetarian Pasta	Eggplant Parmesan	Red Beans

\$150 and two-drawer wood filing cabinet, \$20. Call 54396.

ROUND WOODEN kitchen table with four chairs, \$125. Call 55154.

WINDSURFER, 135-liter board, 4.8m mast, 6.0 sail, boom, universal, mast extension, harness, ready to sail, \$125. Call Tim at 53760.

Rosewood entertainment center, a must see, \$800. Call 53887 after 3:30 p.m.

SDHC MEMORY CARD, class 10, new, 16GB, \$40. Call 50165.

KITCHEN UTILITY and microwave carts, king-size bedding, color printer and cartridges and dive equipment. Call 52161 after 3 p.m. weekdays and after 10 a.m. on weekends.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Power Outages: Kwajalein facility 908 will experience a brief power outage at 6 p.m. July 10 and again at approximately 6 a.m. July 11. Facility 623 will experience a brief power outage at 6:30 p.m. July 10 and again at approximately 6 a.m. July 11. Power will be off at the following Kwajalein facilities for 11 hours beginning at 7 p.m. on July 10: 557, 605, 607, 609, 620, 621, 658, 662, 663, 664, 669, 671, 675, 683, 789, 801, 803, 818.

BARGAIN BAZAAR summer sale from 1-3 p.m., July 11. Donations accepted at this time. Questions, call Barbara at 53686.

KSC meeting is at 7 p.m., July 13, at the Pacific Club. This is a constitutional changes and dues meeting. Wear a dive shirt for extra points.

PUBLIC WORKS service announcement: Water heating is the third largest energy expense in the home. It typically accounts for 12 percent of our electric bill. How can we save money? Use less hot water, turn down the water heater's thermostat and insulate your water heater.

**AAFES Town Hall
with Tim Neal**
6:30 p.m., July 13
**MP room at the
Jr./Sr. High School**

E-Talk

The Eniwetak Conservation Area has been established to promote conservation of wildlife and coral reef resources within Kwajalein Atoll, as referenced in a memorandum of understanding between the RMI and the landowners of Eniwetak Islet. No visitors are allowed on Eniwetak without the consent of USAKA. Questions? Contact ES&H at 51134.

Safely Speaking

Remember to stow your scuba tanks safely in the dive racks. Make sure the tanks are standing upright and secure in place. To prevent the tanks from falling, use a rope or strap and secure tightly. Questions? Contact ES&H at 51134.

<i>Café Roi</i>						
Lunch						
Sunday Stuffed Pork Loin Baked BBQ Chicken Ham/Cheddar Quiche	Monday Garlic Roast Beef Chicken with Bacon Egg McMuffins	Tuesday McFish Sand. Spicy Buffalo Wings Corn Bread	Wednesday Teriyaki Chicken Coca-Cola Ham Beef with Veggies	Thursday Sloppy Joes Roast Pork Mac and Cheese	Friday Meat Calzone Spaghetti Cheesy Garlic Bread	July 16 Beef Cabbage Rolls Turkey Wrap Lemon Garlic Ono
Dinner						
Sunday Turkey Breast Smothered Beef Stuffing	Monday Sweet/Spicy Pork Tempura Pollock Chicken Fried Rice	Tuesday Whole Roast Chicken Beef Bourgninone Vegetable Tart	Wednesday Top Sirloin Chicken Cordon Blue Baked Potatoes	Thursday Fried Chicken Meatloaf Mashed Potatoes	Friday Chicken Enchiladas Steak Fajitas Frijoles/Arroz	July 16 Chicken/Mushrooms Pork Loin Mashed Potatoes

ARTIFACTS from page 5

until it became rich and organic. Different plant species are then planted within and surrounding the pit. They grew plants like giant swamp taro, banana and arrow root.

The other Marshallese site is what Mead believes to be a sacred depression. There are accounts of two that are supposed to be in the center of Namur. "We think we found one of them," Mead said. Once the vegetation was cleared off, a deposit of rich, organic material was exposed. "It's sort of in this circular pattern in the bottom of this depressed area. It's possible it could be the remains of a fairly complex taro pit system, which would be characteristic and what we would expect on an island like Roi-Namur."

The next phase for the project is doing the research to get more information on the structures themselves. Mead is expecting to have a report for the RMI historic

preservation office prepared in about one month.

One of the challenges with projects which identify sites at ground surface like these is protecting them from excessive traffic, which can trample and damage the sites and their artifacts. In addition, since these sites have become accessible for the first time in many years, there is also an increased risk of looting. Island residents and visitors are reminded that removing artifacts from archaeological sites is a violation of USAKA regulation and RMI law. To protect the sites, the Roi Police detachment will be patrolling the east side of Namur Island and stopping individuals who are found off the existing coral gravel roads. In coming weeks, the KRS ES&H department will be providing opportunities for guided tours of the new sites. For more information on tours, please contact the KRS Environmental Office at 51134.



ROI RECIPES
BY
CAROL RIVARD
CAFÉ ROI
SHIFT SUPERVISOR

Recipe: Julie's Pear & Custard Pie

One frozen 9-inch pie crust

4 cups of pears (approx. 2 cans), drained & sliced

1 cup heavy cream	¼ tsp. salt
2/3 cup sugar	1 egg
1 Tbs. cinnamon	1 tsp. nutmeg

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Using a fork, poke random holes in your pie crust, place in the oven and allow to bake for seven minutes, just enough to cook it but not get it brown. Remove from oven and add sliced pears to the crust. In a bowl, mix cream, sugar, salt, egg, nutmeg and half the cinnamon. Whisk well and add to pie crust. Top with remaining cinnamon and bake for approximately 45 minutes or until filling is set and golden brown. Check after 30 minutes and cover edges of crust with aluminum foil if getting too brown. Chill overnight and serve with whip cream or vanilla ice cream.

This is the signature dessert of my friend, Julie, who gets requests for it at every event she attends. It is an extremely quick and easy dessert recipe. It tastes best chilled and while pear is the typical fruit put in it, feel free to substitute canned peaches, apples, cherries or blueberries; any of these fruits would be a fantastic alternative.

Weather

Courtesy of RTS Weather

Sunday: Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. Winds: E-SE at 3 – 8 knots
 Monday: Partly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-ESE at 5 – 10 knots
 Tuesday: Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 5 – 10 knots
 Wednesday: Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. Winds: ENE-ESE at 7– 12 knots
 Thursday: Mostly cloudy, 40 percent showers. Winds: E-SE at 5 – 10 knots
 Friday: Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. Winds: ENE-ESE at 10 – 15 knots

Annual total: 49.65 inches
 Annual deviation: + 9.89 inches

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

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Sunday	6:36 a.m./7:12 p.m.	2:23 p.m./1:31 a.m.	11:37 p.m., 2.6'	5:46 a.m., 1.0' 5:46 p.m., 0.7'
Monday	6:37 a.m./7:12 p.m.	3:22 p.m./2:24 a.m.	12:38 a.m., 3.5' 1:15 p.m., 2.5'	7:23 a.m., 0.7' 7:07 p.m., 0.6'
Tuesday	6:37 a.m./7:13 p.m.	4:22 p.m./3:20 a.m.	1:49 a.m., 3.8' 2:26 p.m., 2.7'	8:32 a.m., 0.3' 8:12 p.m., 0.4'
Wednesday	6:37 a.m./7:13 p.m.	5:20 p.m./4:18 a.m.	2:44 a.m., 4.1' 3:18 p.m., 3.0'	9:22 a.m., 0.0' 9:03 p.m., 0.1'
Thursday	6:37 a.m./7:13 p.m.	6:15 p.m./5:16 a.m.	3:30 a.m., 4.4' 4:00 p.m., 3.3'	10:03 a.m., -0.3' 9:47 p.m., -0.1'
Friday	6:37 a.m./7:13 p.m.	7:07 p.m./6:13 a.m.	4:10 a.m., 4.6' 4:36 p.m., 3.5'	10:39 a.m., -0.5' 10:25 p.m., -0.3'
July 16	6:38 a.m./7:13 p.m.	7:54 p.m./7:07 a.m.	4:46 p.m., 4.7' 5:10 p.m., 3.6'	11:12 a.m., -0.6' 11:01 p.m., -0.3'