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Congressional staffers check out Kwajalein

By Jim Bennett
Editor

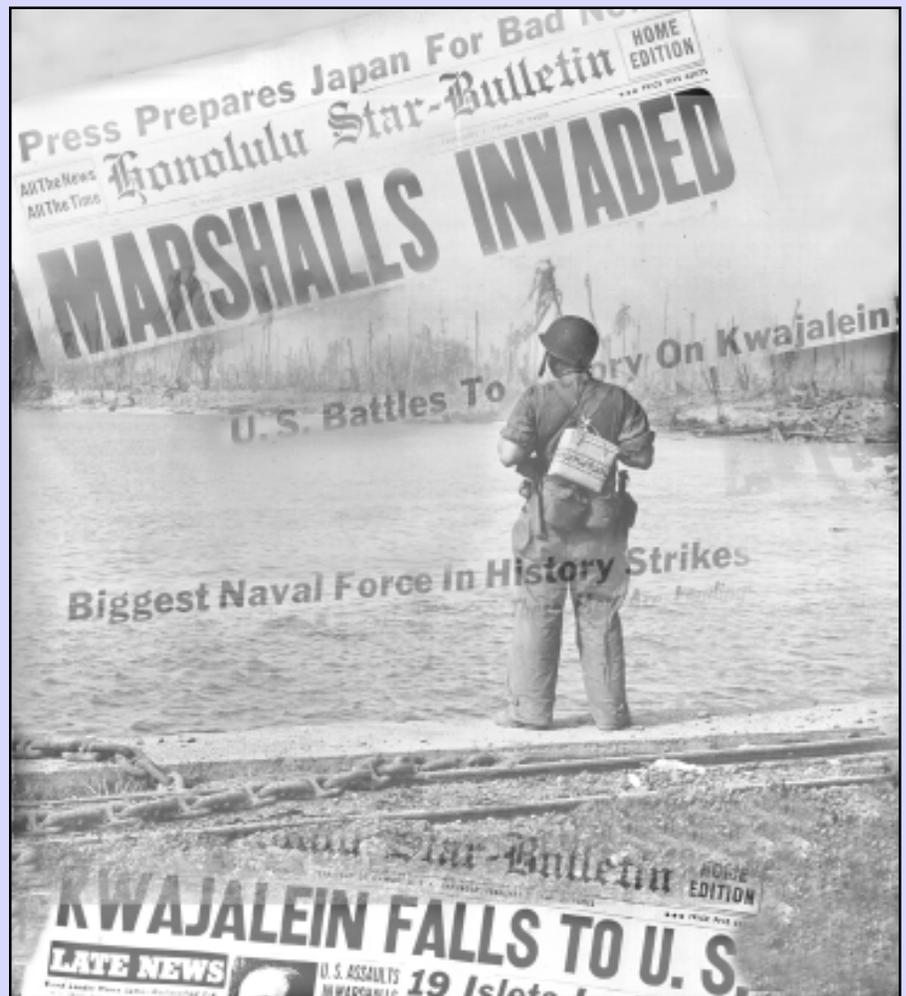
Kwajalein could serve as a test case for a Department of Defense technology study on water production methods, according to a visiting Congressional staffer.

And that's just one of the benefits from the increased visibility that comes from the annual three-day event where USAKA hosts staff members from the House and Senate. The program has grown from three staffers in 2002 to 16 in 2003, reviewing the range for nine House members and two senators.

"This trip provides an opportunity for Congressional staff to see USAKA first-hand and take that experience to the members of Congress," said John Cummings, SMDC Congressional Affairs officer.

The Army issues an open invitation to Congressional staffers in August and September, allowing them to sign up for the January trip. The trip is purposely scheduled for January, "not because it's 20 degrees in Washington," Cummings said, but because it's the month where most offices regroup and staffers can get away for a week. This year, after an election, new senators and House members are moving in, and committee assignments are being made.

"It's extremely important," said
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(Illustration by Dan Adler)

Looking Back

Marines from the Third Marine Division and soldiers of the Seventh Infantry Division invaded Kwajalein Atoll today, 59 years ago. On pages 6-7, *The Hourglass* takes a look back at Operation Flintlock.

Ebeye orientation offers greater understanding

By Lynn Coppes
Feature Writer

As part of the Kwajalein orientation process, 16 new arrivals and three established residents boarded the ferry early Wednesday morning and headed for Ebeye.

At the start of the four-hour tour, Maj. David Coffey, Community Relations Office chief, explained that he wanted not only to help create a feeling of goodwill between the two cultures, but also to give Americans a greater understanding

of what Ebeye has to offer and make them comfortable with any return trips they may take to the island in the future.

After everyone had disembarked from the ferry, Coffey noted that "it helps to be aware of how difficult it is at times for the Marshallese people to get to work on Kwaj in the morning. If the boat is full and they have to take the next one, they may be late to work." He added that knowing this would be important to those who have a working relationship with the Marshallese.

The group then walked to the hospital, which opened last year, and gathered in the conference room for a slide presentation and talk. There, Maryanne Lane, Host Nation officer, gave a brief history of the Marshalls and an overview of the RMI government, Compact of Free Association, the Marshallese women's clubs' activities and the cultural exchanges between the RMI and USAKA.

Noda Lojkar, ombudsman for the
(See TOUR, page 4)

Flu brings up memories of meals and days gone by

It was a lost weekend. No, not because I visited the Yuk Club a little too long or partied with my friends, leaving me to crawl home in the middle of the night. Even the aftermath of *that* would have been fun compared to what happened.

At 2:30 a.m. on Sunday I was unceremoniously awakened and attacked by a virulent strain of the flu, which brought along a particularly nasty bag of tricks. At least every hour over the next 20 hours my focus narrowed as I ran back and forth down the hall to what instantly became "The Most Important Room in The Home."

When my temperature was not soaring and my body aching so much that my hands and feet felt that they were going to fall off, plop, right there near the bed, I realized two things — I was surprised and being sick was a lot more fun when I was a kid.

"Pride goeth before a fall" is an old saying and particularly apt in this case. I was sure of immunity as friends and fellow workers were falling victim to this ruthless interloper.

Just a few trailers south, Cowboy and Lexy Galloway were in the grips of a major bout of the flu and a few trailers north, Gina and Marissa Bennett had just recovered, as well. At Chris Danals' trailer the flu bug had finally departed after a raid starting the weekend before.

But I had gotten my flu shot and anyway, I was strong and felt good, I said



smugly to myself.

So much for positive thinking. When your stomach feels like you have just gotten off a world-class roller coaster ride after eating five chili dogs, a warm curdled milkshake and a bucket of jalapeños, there isn't enough positive thinking in the world that is going to save you.

Fortunately, I had someone to take care of me since Chris was getting better as I alternately became too hot and then too cold and very thirsty.

I don't envy the Galloway's being sick at the same time, although I was glad to hear their son came over to help out. It is sheer luxury to have someone look after you when you are sick.

During one of my lucid moments in the first 24 hours, I remembered being sick as a child and how much more fun it was to be sick then. Amazing how a memory of even childhood nausea takes on a rosy glow.

Rarely sick as a child, the few times I did get sick enough to win the "get to stay at home from school and be an only child"

prize were very memorable. It was definitely not "Ferris Beuller's Day Off," but it was fun.

With three siblings, it meant I only had to share Mom with my baby brother. There were cool, clean sheets, a cold washcloth to lower the fever and always a coloring book, when I was younger, or a MAD magazine when I was older. She read to me with baby Steve listening nearby. Forget school and tests, there was tea and buttered toast as I mended.

Mom also had the remedy for nausea — warm lime Jello. Don't laugh, the warm drink can actually coat the stomach and settle everything down.

Twenty hours into the dismal depths of the land of "Please Put Me Out of My Misery," when even a teaspoon of juice would send me reeling, I finally remembered the gelatin.

I was lucky; there was one package of the elixir of new health left in the cupboard. As I tentatively downed the first sips and then the whole cup, I wondered if medical science knows about my mother's remedy for the flu.

I'm still feeling a little pale and I wonder where the flu bug is going to hit next.

I wish three things if you are attacked by the bug — a short way to "The Room," a box of your favorite gelatin in the cupboard and, most of all, someone to take care of you.

The Kwajalein Hourglass

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VP Cheney: Hussein must be stopped

By Linda D. Kozaryn

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Saddam Hussein has the means and the will to use chemical and biological weapons. He could share them with global terrorists.

In either case, the outcome would be horrific. Therefore, the Iraqi dictator must be stopped. It's that simple, according to Vice President Dick Cheney.

"Saddam Hussein's pursuit of weapons of mass destruction poses a grave danger not only to his neighbors but also to the United States," the vice president said today at the Conservative Political Action Conference in Arlington, Va.

Hussein's outlaw regime protects terrorists, including members of al Qaeda, Cheney told the group. The Iraqi leader could decide to provide weapons of mass destruction secretly to terrorists for use against America, he warned.

"That is why confronting the threat posed by Iraq is not a distraction from the war on terror; it is absolutely crucial to winning the war on terror," he said.

The declaration Iraq provided to the United Nations clearly demonstrated that Hussein has "absolutely no intention" of meeting the world's demands to disarm, Cheney said.

Hussein is continuing his decade-old game of defiance, delay and deception by blocking unrestricted aerial reconnaissance and hiding documents and materials from the U.N. inspectors, he said. Iraqi intelligence agents are posing as scientists, and Saddam Hussein has decreed that real scientists who cooperate with U.N. inspectors will be killed along with their families, he added.

On Feb. 5, he said, Secretary of State Colin Powell will present information and intelligence to the U.N. Security

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Our reviewers have a 'Crush' on 'S1m0ne'

By Jason Bischoff
AFN

When it comes to movies about making movies, Hollywood has a high hurdle to overcome; after all, this is THEIR business. Nobody should know the ins and outs of movie making like the people who actually do it. Plus, there isn't a better movie about making movies than Billy Wilder's "Sunset Boulevard." "S1m0ne" is a clever, very funny satire that takes on the entertainment industry and the media that has a sometimes unhealthy preoccupation with it.

Al Pacino plays Viktor Taransky, a down and out director trapped in the Hollywood system who longs for the days when it was just about telling stories. When the star of his latest feature, played by Winona Ryder, walks off the set, he's sent packing by the head of the studio, who just happens to be his ex-wife, played by Catherine Keener.

Writer/director Andrew Niccol, who took a real man and placed him in a fake world in "The Truman Show," takes a fake woman and places her in the somewhat real world of Hollywood. It's like we're in on a great practical joke, yet it's still easy to believe it when we see the public's unconditional love for Rachel Roberts' Simone, and we already know that she's Taransky's vision of the perfect actress, created on a computer.

"S1m0ne" is beautifully shot, and the acting across the board can only be described as captivating. It's fun to watch. Just when we think this is a movie about Doctor Frankenstein, his monster rears its ugly head.

The weakest part of the movie is a tired love story between Pacino and Keener, but it doesn't take up that much screen time and even generates a laugh or two.

It's no "Sunset Boulevard," but this film not only makes that high hurdle, but runs for the gold.

By Jim Bennett
The Hourglass

It seems the comparisons between Robert DeNiro and Al Pacino may continue.

"S1m0ne" takes a humorous look at the science of special effects, similar in nature to DeNiro's "Wag The Dog," in which DeNiro plays a director hired to film a fake war using special effects to



manipulate public opinion.

In this case, Pacino's character, director Viktor Taransky, has far lower sights, in that he simply wants to resurrect a dead career by creating a computer-generated character, who ultimately becomes a megastar.

And the movie remains focused on the lower sights as a fun romp through Hollywood. The story is far-fetched enough to stand as a situation comedy as Taransky scrambles to keep his creation a secret, but just believable enough to offer a vehicle for some insightful jabs at the movie industry, as well as our media-starved culture.

The similarity between Taransky, the director, and Pacino, the actor, is kind of scary. Since "Scent of a Woman," Pacino hasn't exactly been hitting home runs, and, in the movie, Taransky has just been fired. One of the best lines of the movie comes early after Taransky's ex-wife, the head of the movie studio, has let him go, and his daughter says, "Sorry Mom canned you today."

We're not, kid. It led to a fun flick.

'Blue Crush' scores for wave action

By Jim Bennett
The Hourglass

"Blue Crush," offers a fresh and fun look at a predictable storyline.

As the movie opens, we meet Anne-Marie, a Hawaiian surfer girl with designs on the upcoming Pipe Masters competition. She's fiery, lives with her two surfer-girl friends and raises her 14-year-old sister because their mother left them when she ran off with a man.

All is well until the Pro Bowl comes to town and Anne-Marie falls in love with a quarterback. Broke, she must decide if she can overcome her personal demons from a near-drowning experience and pursue the quarterback, the Pipe Masters, or both.

It's a pretty standard sports movie plot with the addition of women's surfing as the arena. And what an arena it is.

Producer Brian Grazer and director John Stockwell, both surfers, went to great pains to stay true to the surfer culture, even hiring local Hawaiians from the North Shore for every available part, not counting the lead, the quarterback and a few others.

Filmed on the North Shore, in some cases using cameras mounted on boogie boards and run by operators with flippers, the surfing sequences leave the viewer in awe. Perhaps the biggest drawback to the DVD is the full-screen, rather than widescreen format. In several scenes, giant waves tower over the surfers, and the camera work is fit for an IMAX screen. Is a widescreen too much to request?

But that's just a small knock on an otherwise wild ride.

By Jamie Rowe
AFN

When I was asked to review a surfer movie, the first thing that came to mind was something like "Beach Blanket Bingo" with Frankie Avalon and Annette Funicello. Let me tell you it is not what you would expect at all.

The story line is actually very simple but it draws you in, wondering if the lead, played by Kate Bosworth, will overcome her fear of surfing and be able to compete in the big event coming up. Along the way there are enough laughs to keep your attention and a romance story line that leaves you wondering if she will find love.

This movie is done without the extreme use of vulgar language or extreme sexual content. Also it's a relief to see a new movie that isn't a rip off of other movies. The MPAA has given this film a PG-13 rating for sexual content, teen partying, language and fighting. But even with this rating, it is still a film that adults and older teens can both enjoy.

Shot on Hawaii's North Shore, as you can guess, the views are great. Also the underwater photography and video of the surfers riding the waves left me wanting to learn how to surf.

The DVD version also includes footage of the best wipeouts and action scenes and it also includes the Lenny Kravitz video "If I Could Fall In Love."

Overall, "Blue Crush" has something for everyone, action on the waves, a romantic story line and great photography.

Black Hawk crashes in Afghanistan

By Kathleen T. Rhem
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — A U.S. Army UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter crashed in Afghanistan today. Few details are available.

A Defense Department spokesman in the Pentagon said at about 10:45 a.m. that the crash occurred "within the hour."

He said there are casualties, but he had no details whether they were deaths or injuries.

Officials said the helicopter was on a routine training mission 10 to 20 kilometers east of Bagram.

"Hostile action is not believed to be the cause," the spokesman said.

Officials cautioned that first reports are often confused and inaccurate and said more details will be released as they become available.

UN confirms Iraqi weapons supplies ...

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Council about Iraq's ongoing defiance.

The United Nations has confirmed that Iraq has sufficient supplies to produce over 25,000 liters of anthrax, more than 38,000 liters of botulinum toxin and as much as 500 tons of sarin, mustard gas and VX nerve agent, Cheney noted. U.N. officials also know Iraq had about 30,000 munitions capable of delivering chemical weapons and several mobile biological weapons laboratories designed to produce germ warfare agents.

"Saddam Hussein has never accounted for nor destroyed these instruments of terror," Cheney said. "His desire for nuclear weapons remains undiminished."

The United States, he said, is determined to prevent the world's terrorists and their sponsors from realizing their evil ambitions.

"We will not accept a serious threat to our country, to our friends and to our allies," Cheney vowed. "Whatever action is required, whenever action is necessary, we will defend the freedom and the security of the American people."

"Our purpose is not simply to follow a process," he said.

"It is to end the terrible threats to the civilized world."



(Photo by Lynn Coppes)

The lunch crowd, along with 16 new and three established Kwaj residents, enjoys the cool, relaxed atmosphere at Litaki restaurant on Ebeye Wednesday, as part of an island orientation tour.

Tour includes shopping and lunch ...

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RMI and USAKA, explained Marshallese beliefs and characteristics. Lojkar's job sometimes entails settling differences and misunderstandings between the two cultures.

"If there is a communication problem, I'm here to help out with that," he said.

Officials handed out information packets, including a map of Ebeye, and led the group on a walk-through of the medical facility. Everyone then boarded the bus to begin a tour of the island.

The first stop was the Sunrise store, a large facility that stocks not only food items, but also adult and children's clothing; household items; rolls of bright, colorful fabric; hardware and fishing gear.

"I was quite impressed with the clothing and the fabric here," said Jeanette Reaves, Aviation AMC traffic agent, who arrived on Kwajalein three weeks ago. "I'd definitely like to come back and take another look."

"The shopping here is better than what we have on Roi-Namur," mentioned Ron Dufek, space surveillance operator. "I was pleasantly surprised at the hardware and the number of items offered in the store."

Lojkar and Lane pointed out schools

and churches during the tour, and the group disembarked from the bus to see the Ace Hardware store, the reverse osmosis water treatment facility, the large, covered community center used for outdoor social functions and the Hotel Anrohasa.

Last stop was the Litaki restaurant where everyone sat down for a leisurely lunch.

Tidy and nicely decorated, Litaki offers a cool and relaxed atmosphere as well as several tasty dishes including lumpia, yakisoba and ramen. Several people expressed a desire to return and order a different choice of food next time.

After the ferry ride back, the group met at the Community Activities Center for the rest of the briefing, which included information on the police and fire departments, environmental safety, industrial security and recreation and retail services.

"I thought the Ebeye tour was outstanding," said plumber Roy Towell. "I'm amazed at the friendliness of the people, the reasonable price of some of the items in the store and the quality of food at the restaurant. I don't think I would have attempted this on my own, so I really appreciate being able to take this tour today."

Staffers set to take Kwaj impressions to D.C. ...

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Stanley White, chief of staff for Rep. Robert Brady (D-Pa.). "Missile defense is a hot topic, and you can't understand the issue unless you see for yourself what's going on."

But while White and others examined the missile technology on the island through a series of tours, briefings and break-out sessions, Steven Traver, a legislative assistant for Sen. Pete Domenici (R-N.M.), looked at the reverse osmosis water purification units, or ROWPUs.

ROWPU crews recently reported the units had produced 100 million gallons in regular usage for the past five years, though originally purchased as a stop-gap measure during a drought in 1997.

But the military hopes to study newer water production methods, something that interests the delegation from New Mexico, Traver said.

"When you think of testing water production, you think of the desert because of the harsh conditions, the heat. But you're unique out here with the heat, but also the corrosion," he said.

The USAKA Water Department will soon review bids on new equipment, and Traver said that could set the baseline for the study.

"That will tell researchers how good they have to be, because if they can't produce something better than we have, what's the point?" Traver said.

In Phase I of the study, set to begin

next year, researchers will examine alternative methods, and in Phase II, build test models for their work. One test model could find a home here, Traver said, because of the unique

President's proposed FY'04 budget, beginning with its release to members of Congress Feb. 3. The Space and Missile Defense Command, and specifically, USAKA, will have line items in the multi-thousand-page document, with a separate descriptive summary paragraph.

"My boss wants to know that you have what you need to do the job right," White said.

Traver added that Congress has embraced Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld's "life cycle" approach, which reviews the cost of not only meeting specific project goals, but also cutting long-term costs. Using housing as a hypothetical example, Traver said if Congress were to buy a house, they would look favorably on buying a more expensive home up front, if that meant less maintenance costs over the long term.

White's boss, Brady, previously served on the House Armed Services Committee with sub-committee assignments to Appropriations and Research and Development, "both of which are germane to Kwajalein," White said.

Traver's boss, Domenici, serves on the Senate appropriations committee.

Committees are still forming this month and should begin hearings in March.

Having seen the island will help both in those discussions, they said.

Said Traver, "I have the descriptive summary [from the budget] and I can put an image with that, and it's immensely helpful."



(Photo by Lynn Coppes)

Lesley Lockhart, a legislative assistant for Rep. Ralph Hall (D-Texas), checks out displays at the Marshallese Cultural Center.

environment, but that portion of the study wouldn't begin for two to three years or so, he added.

Sooner than that, however, the delegates will return to their Washington, D.C., offices and review the

Bigger barge offers fuel options ...

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Observation Islander came in at the same time and the options were to take turns fueling the ships at the fuel pier or filling the old fuel barge up multiple times to refuel one of the ships while another ship was at the fuel pier, LaCost said.

"We can now fuel the barge up ahead of time and fuel one at the fuel farm

and one at Echo Pier," she said.

The 190-foot by 50-foot fuel barge is moored at Echo Pier having some additional work done before it is put to work.

"Right now we're welding on some cleats to make it easier to tie up," LaCost said. "[We're also] getting all the machinery tested and training personnel."



OPERATION



By Jim Bennett
Editor

Today, 59 years ago, soldiers and Marines hit the beaches of Kwajalein Atoll, setting up landings on Kwajalein Island and Roi-Namur, respectively, on Feb. 1, 1944.

As they landed, they were backed by a massive naval and air bombardment designed to knock out Japanese fortifications.

Near Roi and Namur, Navy ships laid a non-stop barrage of 2,655 tons of ammunition.

A regiment of 75 mm and 105 mm howitzers bombarded the islands from five nearby islands.

Marines hit the beaches at 11 a.m. and faced relatively light resistance on Roi, but stronger defenses on Namur.

Meanwhile, near Kwajalein, Navy ships fired 7,000 shells into Kwajalein's defenses on the morning of Feb. 1 alone, not counting the heavy bombardment days before the attack. Navy aircraft flew 96 sorties over Kwajalein before H-Hour.

Forty-eight 105 mm howitzers, along with several 155 mm howit-

zers, bombarded Kwajalein from nearby Carlson Island, sending over 29,000 shells.

Within 12 minutes, 1,200 men landed on the west end of Kwajalein without a casualty. Units advanced 1,800 yards up the island before the end of the day, losing only 17 dead and 46 wounded, while killing 500 Japanese and capturing 11 more.

As U.S. troops advanced up the island of Kwajalein they faced stiffer resistance. The surviving Japanese had recovered from the heavy bombardments and began to organize a defense along the front lines. The fighting over the next three days quickly deteriorated into small unit actions, as American squads and teams fought snipers as well as heavily defended bunkers and buildings.

By the fourth day, troops advanc-

ing oceanside reached Bunker Hill, which was the end of the island at the time. At that point, organized resistance ceased, and a day of mop-up operations began.

Roi fell quickly, but the Japanese had well prepared Namur for attack. The action was further complicated as Marines mistakenly destroyed a blockhouse used as a storage building filled with torpedo warheads and aerial bombs. The explosion killed Japanese and Americans alike and

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while Anderson threw himself on a grenade to save the lives of his comrades. Sorenson received wounds and earned a Medal of Honor when he too dove atop a grenade to save his comrades. He survived, the only Medal of Honor recipient in the battle to do so.

In all, on Kwajalein, the 7th Infantry Division lost 142 dead, 845 wounded and two missing in action. The enemy, estimates say, lost 4,938 dead, with 206 more taken prisoner, including 127

Koreans.

On Roi and Namur islands, 190 Marines died while 547 were wounded. The enemy lost 3,472 dead along with 51 prisoners of war and 40 Korean laborers.

The American victory marked the first time U.S. troops had taken pre-war Japanese territory, and it established another key American base in the Central Pacific.

This presence helped lead to the isolation of the Bismarks, Solomons

and New Guinea. Furthermore, many Japanese positions were bypassed as a result of the success at Kwajalein Atoll, allowing U.S. forces to concentrate on other targets including the successful assaults on the Philippines and Marianas.

The battles proved true the lessons learned in the Tarawa Invasion, and those lessons would become a part of U.S. amphibious landing operations in the years to come.

Want to learn more about the battle for Kwajalein Atoll?

Check out these selections available at the Grace Sherwood Library:

- *The Kwajalein Hourglass*, Feb. 5, 1994, Vol. 34, No. 10 (50th Anniversary edition)
- *The U.S. Army in World War II: The War in the Pacific, Seizure of the Gilberts and the Marshalls* by Philip A. Crowl and Edmund G. Love
- *History of United States Naval Operations in World War II, Vol. VII, Aleutians, Gilberts and Marshalls* by Samuel Eliot Morrison

(U.S. Army photos; Design by Dan Adler)

l, filled the sky with a towering, thick black smoke. The Marines' 2nd Battalion suffered more than half of its total casualties in the single explosion.

Four Marines earned Medals of Honor in the 24 hours of fighting on the two islands including 1st Lt. John V. Power, Pfc. Richard B. Anderson, Lt. Col. Aquilla "Jimmie" Dyess and Pfc. Richard Sorenson. Both Power and Dyess were killed leading attacks on enemy positions,

Softball Schedule

R — Ragan; D — Dally; B — Brandon Field

Saturday, Feb. 1
5:15 p.m. Miss Demeanors/30-Something R

Monday, Feb. 3
5:15 p.m. Spartans II/2000 Warriors D
5:15 p.m. Da Bomb/Queen of Peace B
6:45 p.m. Mayhem/Tarlang B

Tuesday, Feb. 4
5:15 p.m. Spartans II/Scrubs R
5:15 p.m. Brothers All/Nike D
5:15 p.m. Spartans I/HB Monin I B
6:45 p.m. Guppies/Podunkers B
8:00 p.m. Barnacles/Criminals B

Wednesday, Feb. 5
5:15 p.m. Queen of Peace/Tarlang D
5:15 p.m. Mayhem/Spartans II B
6:45 p.m. Da Bomb/2000 Warriors B

Thursday, Feb. 6
5:15 p.m. Spartans II/Miss Demeanors R
5:15 p.m. Podunkers/Barnacles D
5:15 p.m. Brothers All/Spartans I B
6:45 p.m. Nike/Guppies B
8:00 p.m. Criminals/HB Monin I B



Spike

Tanner Duncan of Spartans Co-ed slams a shot during a game against In the Net. In the Net, however, took the match, winning the first two games, 15-2, 15-11.

(Photo by Jim Bennett)

Softball Standings

Men's Alpha Division
Podunkers 2-0
Criminals 1-1

Men's Beta Division
Guppies 2-0
HB Monin I 1-1
Barnacles 1-1
Nike 1-1
Spartan I Boys 0-2
Brothers All 0-2

Men's Gamma Division
Da Bomb 1-0
Tarlang 1-0
Spartans II Boys 0-1
2000 Warriors 0-1
Queen of Peace 0-0
Mayhem 0-0

Women's Division
Scrubs 1-0
30-Something 1-0
Miss Demeanors 0-1
Spartans II Girls 0-1

By Jim Bennett
Editor

With volleyball and softball in full swing, Adult Athletics Supervisor Scott Pratt has turned some of his attention to the upcoming basketball season and beyond.

Starting with basketball, Pratt will require teams to file their rosters and pay their fees a week before the managers' meeting, allowing the adult athletics supervisor time to set up leagues and a preliminary schedule prior to the group session.

"It puts a little more organization into the system," Pratt said.

Previously, manager's meetings often consisted of the manager turning in a roster and paying his or her fees then as a group going over rules.

Pratt envisions a different arrangement, where, with leagues and a preliminary schedule pre-established, managers can go over any specific rule changes, questions and other is-

sues.

Pratt will already know, for example, how many B Division teams are registered and how the round-robin structure will best play out. He might also have a list of "free agents" who want to play, but don't yet have teams. From there, managers can then discuss any problems or concerns and with their tentative rosters set, know if they have slots for some of the free agents they might not have been aware of.

For basketball the registration period will run March 11-20, with the managers' meeting to follow on March 26 at 6:30 p.m. in CAC room 6. The eight-week season then begins April 8.

Pratt added he expects some rule changes will take effect this season, too.

Community Activities will host a 3-on-3 tournament on March 31 in anticipation of the season, as well, Pratt said.

Volleyball Standings

Open A
Mix&Match 5-0
In the Net 4-1
Spartans I Boys 3-2
Spike My Drink 2-3
Spartans I Boys 1-4
Spike My Drink 0-5

Women's A
Lady Angels I 5-0
Lady Angels II 4-1
Spartans II Girls 3-2
Spartans I Girls 2-3
Spartans White 1-4
Spartans Red 0-5

Volleyball Schedule

Friday, Jan. 31
5:30 p.m. Spartans I/Spartans Co-ed
6:30 p.m. Spike My Drink/In The Net
7:30 p.m. On Next Barge/Mix&Match

Saturday, Feb. 1
5:30 p.m. Lady Angels I/Spartans I Girls
6:30 p.m. Lady Angels II/Spartans II Girls
7:30 p.m. Spartans Wt./Spartans Red

Wednesday, Feb. 5
5:30 p.m. Spike My Drink/Spartans Co-ed
6:30 p.m. Spartans I Boys/On Next Barge
7:30 p.m. In the Net/Mix&Match

Thursday, Feb. 6
5:30 p.m. Spartans Red/Spartans II Girls
6:30 p.m. Lady Angels I/Lady Angels II
7:30 p.m. Spartans Wt./Spartans I Girls

Friday, Feb. 7
5:30 p.m. Spike My Drink/Spartans I Boys
6:30 p.m. Mix&Match/Spartans Co-ed
7:30 p.m. In the Net/On Next Barge

For updates on all games, officials and scorekeepers, call the Sports Hotline at 54190.

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**CROSS ROADS
Cuisine**

Lunch

| | |
|------|---|
| Sat | Baked barbecued chicken Taco and burrito bar Grill: Sloppy Joes |
| Sun | Carved ham Crispy-fried chicken Eggs Benedict Grill: To order brunch items |
| Mon | Pork carnitas Batter-fried cod Bacon quiche Grill: Miami ham and cheese wrap/ to order brunch items |
| Tues | Flank steak with mustard sauce Chicken teriyaki Grill: Tuna melt |
| Wed | Autumn beef stew Pulled barbecued pork Grill: Chicken cordon bleu sandwich |
| Thur | Crispy-fried chicken Old-fashioned meat loaf Grill: Roast beef poor boy |
| Fri | Golden-fried catfish Brunswick stew Grill: Monte Carlo sandwich |

Dinner

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| Tonight | Cashew-crust red snapper Savory beef stew |
| Sat | Cantonese pineapple pork Beef enchilada casserole Pizza bar |
| Sun | To order fajita bar Pot roast Polish cabbage rolls |
| Mon | Ancho chili barbecued beef Chicken fricassee |
| Tues | Blackened snapper Taco and burrito bar Black pepper pork loin |
| Wed | Corned beef and cabbage Spaghetti and meatballs Pizza bar |
| Thur | Herbed London broil Baja mahi mahi |
| Fri | Baked pork chops Chicken and broccoli supreme |

HELP WANTED

The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Alan Taylor, 54916, unless otherwise noted.

ATTENDANTS, Teen Center. Looking for responsible adults to work weekend nights, 7-11 p.m., at the Teen Center twice a month. Must like teens. Criminal history check required. Call Erika, 53331.

ENTERTAINMENT SUPERINTENDENT, Community Activities. Responsible for ensuring overall implementation of the entertainment program and management of facilities. Duties include overseeing personnel, managing budget, inventory control, ordering supplies, ensuring staff safety, maintaining facilities, constructing media campaigns and community relations. Ideal candidate has five years experience in recreation or event management, a bachelor's degree and excellent communication, organization, supervisory, leadership, planning and people skills. Must be dedicated, hard-working and available to work evenings and weekends. For more information, call Simone, 53331.

SECRETARY, Elementary School. Part time. 25 hours per week. Must have good computer skills and working knowledge of Word, Access and Excel. Attention to detail and good people skills are required. Criminal history check is required.

SCHOOL-AGE SERVICES/CDC INSTRUCTOR. Full time. Responsible for developing and implementing the SAS program. Will also provide preschool instruction. Recreation or school-age background and/or early childhood degree is required. Additional training will be provided. A criminal history background check is required.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, Elementary and high schools. Casual. Teaching certificate preferred, but not required. A criminal history background check is required.

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

Raytheon off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.

Ebeye Public School has the following vacancy:

FULL-TIME seventh- and eighth-grade English teacher. Prefer a volunteer, but will provide a salary to maintain a permanent teacher. For an interview, call Host Nation, 54848.

USAKA has the following vacancy:

SUPERVISORY GENERAL ENGINEER (RTS chief engineer), GS-0801-14, 24-month overseas tour. Closes Feb. 10.

For more information and announcement paperwork, call Cris Foster, 54417, USAKA Civilian Personnel.

Kwajalein Police Department has the following vacancy:

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS CLERK. Full time. Duties include processing and preparing bar action files for review by the USAKA Host Nation and USAKA Legal

offices; preparing and serving warning letters, intent to bar letters and bar letters; creating administrative bar files, logging and tracking bar actions. Must possess strong computer skills with proficiency in Microsoft Office. A criminal history background check is required. For more information, call Lt. Travis Coldwell, 54429. Vacancy closes Feb. 5.

WANTED

CONCRETE landscaping blocks. Call Bill, 52763.
WEEKDAY MORNING divers. Call Paul, 51235W, 3:30-11:30 p.m., or 55306 and leave a message.

COMPUTER DONATIONS for new computer room at Likiep school. Call DeAnn, 52654.

LARGE STAINLESS steel or enamel pot, does not need to be in great condition. Call 52442.

LOST

SMALL FOLDING reading glasses in tortoise shell case Jan. 27 between downtown and Lagoon Road. Call 50734.

NECK SUPPORT/BRACE, white plastic with blue foam padding, wrapped in a towel, Jan. 26, between Café Pacific and family pool. Call 52300 and leave a message.

GIVEAWAY

MACINTOSH laser printer. Call 54833, 5-9 p.m.

PATIO SALES

SATURDAY, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., and MONDAY, 7-10 a.m., Qtrs. 451-A. Children's books, canning jars, craft supplies, toy boxes, shoe shelves, masks, snorkel and fins, toys, games, knick knacks.

SATURDAY, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Qtrs. 453-A (in back).

SATURDAY, 4-6:30 p.m., Qtrs. 401-A.

MONDAY, 7 a.m.-?, Palm 204. Large wooden chest, microwave. Most items 25¢-50¢.

MONDAY, 7-10 a.m., Tr. 840. Final PCS sale. Everything must go.

MONDAY, 7-10 a.m., Qtrs. 426-A. PCS sale. Too many items to list.

MONDAY, 7-11 a.m., Tr. 603.

MONDAY, 7-11 a.m., Tr. 532. Multi-family PCS sale. Household items, sporting goods, craft supplies. Everything must go. No early birds.

MONDAY, 7-11 a.m., Qtrs. 210-B (in back). Multi-family sale. Carpet, grill, household items, clothes, dive gear and more.

MONDAY, 7 a.m.-noon, Qtrs. 476-A and 476-B. Multi-family PCS sale. Kitchen items, craft supplies and more. Everything must go. No early birds.

MONDAY, 7 a.m.-?, Qtrs. 137-F. Multi-family sale. Clothes, shoes, tools, dehumidifier, too much to mention.

MONDAY, 7:30-11:30 a.m., Tr. 990. Clothes, toys, kitchen items.

MONDAY, 8 a.m.-?, Qtrs. 127-A. Multi-family sale. No early birds.

MONDAY, 9 a.m.-?, Qtrs. 432-A. Everything must go.

Classified Ads and Community Notices

FOR SALE

FUTON SOFA/sleeper, \$200; double bamboo fence, 55 feet, five 4 x 4 x 8s, 100 feet of 1 x 4s, all for \$125; two aquariums, complete; five-shelf bookcase, \$40; aluminum trailer, no axle or wheels, \$30; floor lamp/CD rack, \$30; 9' x 12' rug, \$40; GE dishwasher with butcher block top, excellent condition, \$250; dive and fishing gear. Call 53652.

DESK, \$125; corner unit TV/stereo cabinet, \$60; Playstation I with games, \$75; behind-toilet bathroom shelves, \$35; Nintendo 64 games, \$15 each; under-bed storage containers, \$4 each. Call Laura, 54753.

WOK, \$25; rack with spices, \$15; cordless phone, \$10; humidifier, \$25; suitcase, \$10; coolers, \$10 each; large dry bags with screw-on lid, \$15 each; color printer, \$50; 15" NEC monitor, \$50; 17" ViewSonic monitor, \$90; new housing custom cushion covers and pillows, \$300; metal cabinets, \$10 each; 36' sailing catamaran, 22+ knots. Call 53750.

NUMEROUS INDOOR plants, ferns, flowering cacti, weeping fig and more, \$5-\$20; two Thai hybrid crown of thorns plants, large stunning outdoor flowers, \$20; Oster 12-speed blender, \$10; king-size comforter, \$20; four-gallon aquarium with penguin bio wheel filter, good isolation tank, \$25. Call 52682, after 5 p.m., or see at Qtrs. 404-A.

SET OF four martini glasses, \$20; Krups ice cream maker, \$20; Donvier yogurt maker, \$10; large cooking pot, \$30; gardenia, bougainvillea, hibiscus and others, \$5-\$35. Call 52390.

6' BOOKCASE, \$25; computer desk, \$20; two 2' x 3' mirrors, \$5 each; two JRL 450 spearguns with 50' of new tubing and spare tips/parts, \$250 for all. Call 52642 and leave a message.

WEEKENDS on Kwaj? Sail the lagoon on a comfortable platform with speeds to 20 knots. Visit other islands and atolls. This is your escape. Reasonable pricing and a chance to hone your skills. After 12 years of pleasurable sailing, "Georgina" awaits your ownership. Call Bill, 56343.

LA-Z-BOY recliner/rocker, blue with cooler and massager, \$500; Sauder entertainment center, 59" x 54" x 18", with glass door stereo cabinet and wooden doors below for storage, \$200; racing bike, \$200; four cream-colored mini-blinds, 45½" wide x 64" long, \$10 each; 9' x 12' carpet, brown, \$20; 5' x 8' carpet, green, \$15. Call 54377.

LARGE OAK chest, \$150; large microwave, \$115; scuba fins, \$6; dive box, \$5; DVD player, \$175. Call Dana, 54216.

LARGE SAUDER computer desk with hutch and printer cart, \$150; single jogging stroller in fair condition, \$125; large Rubbermaid storage container for outdoors, \$100; various plants, \$5-\$25. Call 51427.

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER, \$40; floor lamp, \$5; Sony 27" TV, \$250; computer desk, \$25; microwave, \$50; two microwave tables, \$15-\$20; director's chair, \$10; patio bar, \$25; coffee maker, \$15; toaster, \$10; folding wardrobe, \$10; eight-place Corelle dinnerware, \$40; two planters with plants, \$10 each; large round redwood patio table, \$35; four patio chairs, \$15. Call 53375W.

Fun
and
Games



Craft Club meets
Friday, Feb. 7.

Come make your very own
squeakin', squawkin'
chicken.

All in grades 1-6 welcome.
Questions? Call Erika,
53331.



Project
Necessary

K & B

Tradewinds, tomorrow, 7 p.m.
Emon Beach, Sunday, 6:30 p.m.
(Barbecue by Sodexo USA)
Rain location Yokwe Yuk Club

Classified Ads and Community Notices

SONY DVD/CD stereo, dual-cassette, AM/FM, five speakers, \$200; Sony 27" TV, \$200; Compaq PC 256 Mhz, 20 GB with Microsoft Office Professional, CD-R, CD-RW, 17" Gateway monitor, all for \$300; 40-gallon plexiglass aquarium, \$80; 20-gallon plexiglass aquarium, \$40; picture frame matting cutter, \$75; assorted matting colors, 32" x 56", \$5 per sheet. Call 51191.

RECLINER, \$25; color TV with remote control, \$75; outside wood shelving unit, \$10; bike trailer, \$50. Call 53792, days, or 53715, after 5 p.m.

PCS SALE. Inflatable dinghy, \$250; recliner, \$125; love seat, \$125; dishwasher, \$200; desk, \$25; large bookcase, \$15; cat carrier, \$10. Call 53270, days, or 51277, after 5 p.m.

ELECTRIC WEEDEATER with cord, \$15; three-drawer file cabinet, \$15; office chair, \$15; patio cover with new 15' x 16' tarp, \$75; fence and fence material, 16 7' x 10' sections, \$150 or best offer. Call 51124.

TALL BOOKCASE, \$35; ski tube, \$25; toaster oven; high chair, like new, \$25; masks; snorkels; fins; aerobics step, \$10; rafts, Whirlpool dishwasher, \$50; lots of plants; bike trailer; large rugs, four green, one maroon; throw rug. Call 53693.

KAINALU/222 27' boat with two 4-stroke, 90 hp Honda engines, great for overnight trips or long distance, includes boat house and all contents, fishing gear, dive gear, freezers, tools and more, lot has power and water, \$45,000 takes all. Call 52245.

36' FUSION CATAMARAN, ready to sail after complete refurbishing in spring 2002, includes 7' inflatable with 3.5 hp engine, new 15 hp outboard, trampolines, electrical and stereo system, boat lot with power and water, \$17,000; Yamaha four-stroke 9.9 hp engine, \$1,000. Call Mike, 51385.

SONY TRINITRON 20" color TV, \$175; Sony Trinitron 27" color TV, \$225; Sony compact CD radio, cassette and tape recorder, \$65; Sisco anti-theft safe, combination dial and key, can be bolted down, \$90; Optimus Pro-40 stereo headphone, \$15; wood grain 40-CD holder, \$10; black coral tree, 2' high and wide, \$25. All in excellent condition. Call 52504.

PLANTS, some with flowers, range from free to \$5 and \$10. See at Qtrs. 119-E.

QUEEN-SIZE bed, sheets, spread, shams and pillowcases, \$150; 32" TV, \$250; 31" TV, \$60; 20" TV, \$200; TV stand, \$25; large entertainment center, \$150; large computer center, \$175; boombox, \$25; CD Walkman, \$10; golf clubs with bag, \$25; bowling ball, bag and shoes, \$20; table top ironing board, \$6. Call 56542.

BURLEY, good condition, plastic body, two bike heads for interchangeable service, \$50; Maytag dishwasher, good condition, \$60; plants, all prices. Call 51668.

PCS SALE. 6' x 9' oval rug, \$10; computer desk, \$25; HP color printer, \$15; Christmas tree, \$20; golf clubs, bag and caddy, \$20. Call Steve, 50947, days, or 59219, evenings.

WHITE WICKER full-size headboard, hope chest and etagere, \$200; white metal spacesaver over-the-toilet etagere with three shelves, \$50; two small

particle board tables, \$20 for both. Call 52845 or leave a message.

BOAT #707 with twin Honda 40s and great boat shack, see at lot #27, sell as package or separately, all serious offers considered. Call 52324, anytime.

OAK FULL-SIZE futon, \$250; oak finish microwave cart, \$40; compact oak table with stools and fold-down side, \$75; case of Science Diet canned kitten food, \$18; Panasonic 1300 microwave, \$75; two-person inflatable raft, \$25; fax machine, \$35. Call 53004.

WALL LIBRARY, \$250; 100 feet of fence with gate, \$500; white cabinets, \$200; 9' x 15' carpet, \$50; bar, \$50; boat #27, can be seen at boat yard, has For Sale sign, \$20,000; Kwaj-condition bike, \$20; flowers; dishwasher, \$75. Call 52324.

PLANTS, \$2-\$40; small Belgian waffler, \$8; Donvier sorbet/ice cream maker, \$12; airline tote bag, olive green, \$10. Call 55150, days, or 54879, evenings and weekends.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KWAJALEIN DANCE ASSOCIATION will sponsor a dance social Sunday, Feb. 9, 7 p.m., in the MP room. Lessons and refreshments courtesy of KDA. Come practice tango, swing, cha-cha, waltz and more.

DURING THE MONTHLY supply barge operation Thursday, all personnel are asked to remain outside the barricaded one-block area around the supply warehouse complex. This area is bounded by Marine Road, Poinsettia Street, and 6th and 8th streets. This request is in the interest of everyone's safety. Ques-

tions? Call Shipping and Receiving, 52180.

MARSHALLESE CULTURAL Center hours of operation are: Monday, 4-6 p.m., and Friday, 3-5 p.m. Handicraft demonstrations are given on Mondays, 4-6 p.m. To arrange a special tour, call Cris, 52935.

AN OB/GYN (women's health) physician will be available to see patients Jan. 31-Feb. 13. To make an appointment, call 52224.

BLUE and GOLD BANQUET for Scouts will be Feb. 10, in the MP room. Den cooking and set-up are as follows: Tigers, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Wolves, 12:30-1:30 p.m.; Bears, 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Webelos, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

KWAJALEIN GOLF Association will hold its general membership meeting tomorrow, 6 p.m., in the Yokwe Yuk Club Kabua room. Pupus will be served.

FAMILY POOL will close at 2 p.m. Sunday, due to a swim meet. Open swim hours will be 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Questions? Call Becky, 52848.

HOBBY SHOP orientation for February will be Tuesday, 6 p.m. Classes for February and March are full. Woodshop safety orientation is now mandatory for use of the Hobby Shop woodshop. To register for April or for questions, call Julie, 51700.

ARE YOU interested in ham radio? Kwajalein Amateur Radio Club will host an open house Saturday, Feb. 8, 7-9 p.m., at the Ham Shack, Building 557, near the adult pool. All members, their families and prospective members are invited to stop by and join the club in talking to the world via amateur radio. Questions? Call Bert, 53235.

**2003
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Feb. 3 Feb. 3

RTS
Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Defense Test Site
Kwajalein Atoll

RTS Community Open House

Tours of Mission Control Center, MPS-36 Radars, Telemetry Hill and Aeromet.

First bus will depart from Macy's at 10 a.m.
Reservations required. Call 54299.

**Marshallese Word
of the Day**

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See you at the movies!

Saturday

Martin Lawrence, King of Comedy (2002, R) The comedian from "Do the Right Thing," "Bad Boys," and, most recently, "National Security," gives a stand-up routine.

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Happy Accidents (2002, R) A man claims to come back from the future to find true love in this romantic comedy. (Marisa Tomei, Vincent D'Onofrio)

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

Sunday

Lilo and Stitch (2002, PG) A lonely Hawaiian girl adopts a "dog" who turns out to be the galaxy's most wanted extraterrestrial. (Voices of Tia Carrere, David Ogden Stiers)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Rush (1991, R) A pair of narcotics officers fall in love, then into addiction. (Jason Patric, Jennifer Jason Leigh)

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

Monday

Martin Lawrence, King of Comedy (2002, R)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Blue Crush (2002, PG-13) A surfer girl falls in love and must overcome her personal fears to compete in the Pipeline Masters competition on Hawaii's North Shore. (Kate Bosworth) (For a review, see page 3)

Adult Recreation Center, 7 p.m.



(Photo by KW Hillis)

The huge 500,000-gallon barge, which holds four times as much fuel as the old fuel barge, will speed up visiting ships' refueling efforts.

New barge improves fuel service

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

When the *Mystic* entered Kwajalein lagoon on Tuesday morning towing two barges from Australia, the island's capacity to service transient ships increased, said Amy LaCost, Marine Department port captain.

The tugboat towed the 500,000-gallon capacity, faded red, double-skinned fuel barge, along with cargo barge 184, on its return trip from an overhaul in Cairns, she said. The new, environmentally-sound fuel barge holds four times as much fuel as the existing fuel barge, and that fact will change the

way the Marine Department services ships.

Previously, a ship had to be pushed up to the fuel pier by both tugs, the *Mystic* and the *Condor*, while the fuel was pumped on board, or the old fuel barge was used to transport fuel to the ship, she said.

"Up till now we've had to take the barge out and pump out 120,000 gallons, take it back, fill it up and take it out again," said Dick Pratt, *Mystic* captain. "Now we can take the barge up [to the ship] and pump all they ask for."

Last year two Navy ships and the

(See BIGGER, page 5)

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet

Tonight: Partly cloudy with isolated showers.

Winds: East-northeast at 16 to 20 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

Tomorrow: Partly to mostly sunny with a shower or two.

Winds: East-northeast at 15 to 20 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

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

January rain total: 2.74"

Annual rain total: 2.74"

Annual deviation: -1.67"

Call 547700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.



Sun • Moon • Tides



| | Sunrise/set | Moonrise/set | High Tide | Low Tide |
|------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Saturday February 1 | 0710/1855 | 0650/1845 New Moon | 0430, 4.7' 1640, 5.9' | 1020, 0.9' 2300, 0.5' |
| Sunday February 2 | 0710/1856 | 0740/1938 | 0500, 4.8' 1710, 5.9' | 1050, 0.8' 2330, 0.5' |
| Monday February 3 | 0710/1856 | 0826/2029 | 0530, 5.0' 1740, 5.8' | 1130, 0.7' 2400, 0.5' |
| Tuesday February 4 | 0710/1856 | 0908/2116 | 0600, 5.0' 1810, 5.7' | 1200, 0.8' |