

(Photos by KW Hillis)



The rockets red glare ... gave proof ... our flag was still there

ABOVE: Fireworks brightened Kwajalein's skies on Friday night for America's 227th Independence Day. ABOVE RIGHT: USAKA commander Col. Jerry Brown recites the Pledge of Allegiance with the help of Ashley Johnson and Jake Harmon (not shown) during opening ceremonies. The *Hourglass* looks at the Emon beach celebration on pages 4 and 5.

Lower fares help islanders

By Karen Hillis
Associate Editor

Continental Micronesia is making travel between Kwajalein and the U.S. easier. From July 5 to Aug. 30 an additional Continental flight will take off every Saturday and offers reduced cost companion tickets for people flying to the states and back.

Roundtrip year-round, lower cost companion flights from the U.S. to Kwajalein are also being offered for friends and family who want to visit here, said Sylvia Notarianni, Continental Travel Office manager.

"This is part of an ongoing effort by the command to improve the quality

(See VISITING, page 8)

Bank of Guam

How to pay bills right now

By April Brown
Reporter

Kwajalein residents can now pay their bills online, from the comfort of their homes, with Bank of Guam's Pacific Online Banking.

"Why stay in line if you can bank online?" said Tony Redy, Bank of Guam manager.

The Bank of Guam offered online banking for the first time in 2000 but the service allowed customers only to check their account balances. Now it's completely upgraded, she said. Customers can now pay their bills online, order savings bonds, and download banking statements.

"We are very committed to the convenience of our customers," Redy said. "That's our primary objective."

And convenience is exactly what is available to customers with these new services. Not only will customers be able to access their accounts from any computer, wherever they are, now they are able to transfer funds between accounts without rushing into the bank to fill out any paperwork, she said.

The majority of customers here on Kwajalein buy savings bonds which up to now required a bank visit to fill out the paperwork and then wait for processing, Redy said. With this new technology the savings bonds can be ordered online and will arrive on island in less than two weeks.

In addition, customers who do wire transfers by filling out paperwork at the bank can now save almost \$45 by doing the transfers online, Redy said.

Security is increased as well, she said. Information is encrypted on every computer to guarantee customer privacy.

Understanding some of the difficulties residents face when paying bills from such a distance, the bank staff is doing everything they can to make banking on Kwajalein more convenient.

"We're putting the Bank of Guam closer to [the customers]," Redy said, "We want to be there when they need us."

Editorial

Freedom is costly, dangerous and worth it

Independence Day celebrates the birthday of America. It is a time for picnics, parades and fireworks, but it should also be a time for reflection.

This July 4th is a time to think about freedom and its meaning today. It is the dream that united us as a nation and it is the dream that keeps us united after more than 220 years.

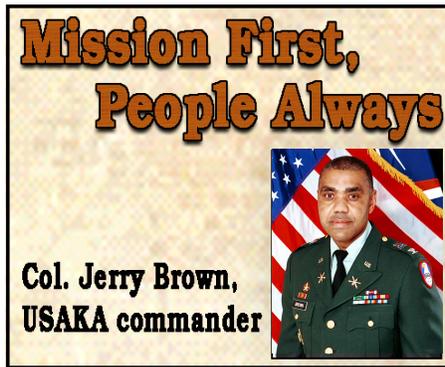
Our Declaration of Independence, signed in 1776, gave birth to the ideals of freedom that others around the world envy, resent, or only dream about.

We are free to love, worship and live as we want, but there is a very high price for that freedom...which we have paid many times in our history.

The tragic event of Sept. 11, 2001 reminded us that freedom isn't free.

Our men and women in uniform began this year sacrificing their lives to combat terrorism. They, and the rest of our country, continue to do so.

Our forefathers understood the need to be a free and independent nation. In order to gain independence from England, they knew they might have to make the ultimate



sacrifice.

The Declaration of Independence marked the beginning of our great nation. It was a mighty blow against the country that we once called home, but was necessary for the colonist to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another.

Our nation's patriarchs knew that signing this document would put them and their loved ones in danger, because they knew the price of freedom was great - but they were ready and willing to lay down their lives for it.

Even though the Declaration of Independence called for liberty and the rights of all men, words alone were not enough.

Soldiers of our budding nation were placed on the battlefield numerous times to keep this vision alive. The struggle was

constant. Eighty-seven years after the signing of the Declaration, war raged again on our homeland.

President Abraham Lincoln enforced the ideals of our forefathers in his address at Gettysburg when he reminded Americans that the Declaration of Independence promised that *all* should have an equal chance.

That *chance* is what our country is based on.

That *chance* is what we celebrate today...the chance to be whatever we desire to be...the chance to accomplish goals. This is what our Constitution guarantees us.

For centuries, Americans have defended the benefits of freedom on which our nation was founded.

Today and always, Americans will continue to do what is needed to keep America free.

Correction

If interested in volunteering for an at-large position on the Sensing Sessions Advisory Council as reported in the July 3 *Hourglass*, E-mail Joe Marshall or Simone Smead at the following corrected addresses:

MarshallJ@krs.usaka.smdc.army.mil or SmeadS@kls.usaka.smdc.army.mil, respectively.

Marshallese Word

of the Day

eeo - fishing line

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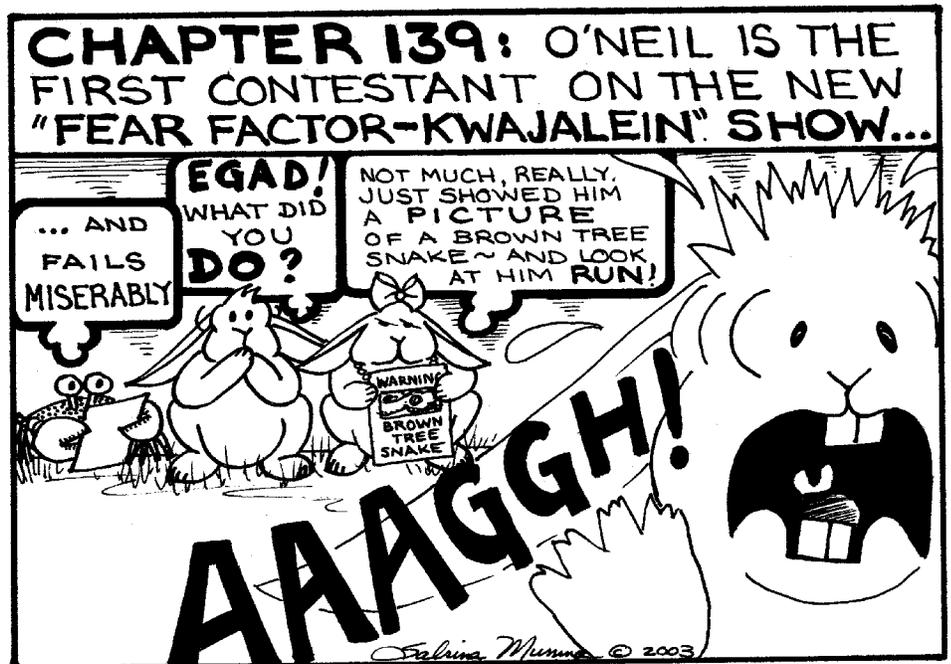
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Buckminster and Friends

By Sabrina Mumma



New staffers goal: Get people involved

By April Brown
Reporter

Despite announcements and ads listing activities throughout the week, some people on island still sit in their rooms and think there is nothing to do.

The two newest Community Activities staff members aren't going to let that happen anymore if they can help it.

"We've heard of people coming here and not being happy. Come out and give it a try, a taste," said Torrey Landers, Recreation superintendent.

The new Athletic supervisor Kaya Landers agreed.

"I want to make things accessible to everyone. I want to help people try things they never thought they could do," she said.

Community Activities is gaining serious talent with the Landers although other talented people are leaving, said Simone Smead, Community Activities manager.

Former Recreation superintendent Amy Hansen takes over Grace Sherwood Library head librarian position while former Athletic supervisor Scott Pratt is PCSing.

"It's a double-edged sword for me. I hate to see people leaving," Smead said. "Both Amy and Scott were outstanding. But I'm equally excited because Torrey and Kaya have a great set of skills and experience. I'm looking forward to the new direction we can go in certain areas."

Torrey Landers, a history and physical education graduate of Whitworth College is now supervising nine different programs, including the bowling

center and swimming pools.

"I'm excited to get involved. I know the learning curve is pretty steep but I'm up for new challenges. I'm excited to work with the strengths that are here and add new focus to different aspects," he said.

After four years as a collegiate baseball player, Landers played summers for national teams traveling throughout Asia and South America. He has coached both high school and summer leagues and worked as the health and wellness director and baseball coach at Spokane Falls Junior College for three years.

As an athlete and a coach, he said he feels prepared for the requirements of his new position.

"The key to coaching is figuring out what is going to push someone's buttons and make them work harder," he said.

Kaya Landers is equally excited about the upcoming work load. A health education Eastern Washington University graduate, she is now the supervisor of four programs as well as the calendar manager for eight different sports leagues.

"I'm excited about [the work]. I want to maintain the high quality of league staff that Scott has established. And I'd like to improve upon the volleyball

league and get that up to par, since that's my specialty. I also want to make some improvements in the Ivey Gym," she said.

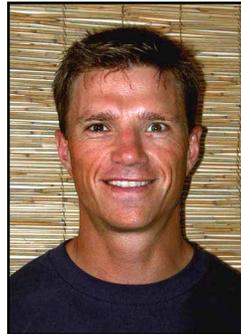
A former collegiate volleyball player, she was a volleyball coach at Spokane Falls Junior College where she worked as the health fitness instructor. Her experiences as a coach and an athlete have inspired her to strive to make athletics available to anyone, no matter what their expertise level.

After hearing about Kwajalein from friends, the Landers, who just celebrated three years of marriage, decided to give island life a try. Both are excited about the plethora of recreational activities available to them, especially the opportunity to learn how to scuba dive.

"Anything that involves water I love," he said, "so if anyone has space on their boat, give me a call."

Although Community Activities is sad to see Hansen and Pratt move on, they believe Kwajalein will truly benefit from the new talent, according to Smead.

"If you have a great program, then you want someone who can step into it and take it to the next level. And that's what we're getting with Torrey and Kaya," Smead said.



Torrey Landers



Kaya Landers

Stork News

Darin and Carla Warren of Kwajalein, welcomed Abbie Mae Warren, May 21, 2003 at Tacoma General Hospital, Tacoma, Wash. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches long.



Abbie Mae Warren

Kimij karakik tok kom

Kimij karakik tok kom is the Marshallese way to say "Welcome"; literally, it means, "We make you no longer strangers."

CW4 Frank Cisneros and his wife, **Patty**, recently arrived from Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. Cisneros is assigned to USAKA as the new government flight representative.

This is their first Kwajalein tour.

"Wow," Cisneros said upon arrival.





Joe Makua and Paul Naut joust



Community Activities plays egg toss



Camp Adventure kids and staff entertain



Opening ceremonies filled with red, white and blue bikes and songs

By Hourglass staff

The noise and from the first barrage of r o c blasting into the sky and bloss into huge red, white and blue chry themums over Kwajalein lagoon eted the crowd of chatting adults shouting children play-fighting w light sabers on Friday night.

The 20-minute firework dis sounded the end of an active, red, and blue festooned Fourth of Jul ebration at Emon Beach which st with the traditional children's bik rade.

Starting at the Community R ation Center, a long line of bikes children wrapped and decorated flags, stars and stripes sped b standers on their way to the ba ball court at Emon Beach.

The opening ceremonies started all of the summer Camp Adven children and staff entertaining fo rest of the community with se Heather Fleming' gave a moving r tion of the Star Spangled Banne followed by Col. Jerry Brown's ren (see page 2). Then Brown, As Johnson and Jack Harmon recite Pledge of Allegiance along with th of the community.

Community Activities staff r bers saw all of their hard wor off as Emon Beach became a ground of fun and games. DJ Dye kept the music spinning a as people played volleyball and out the banana boat ride. The of KRS Food Services' barbe ribs, chicken, and other t wafted across the beach lurin hungry to the big pavilion.

"I wish we did more of thes long events," said Lateef Daly great to see everyone out enj themselves."



William Ray catches some sh

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First time sea
adventurers re-
ceived a special treat with
free kayak rentals but those
who stayed on land played Bingo or
threw ping pong balls into a wad-
ing pool for prizes. As the sun rose
higher in the sky, residents jumped
into the water to cool off which was
very different from last year's rainy
holiday.

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"This is the exact opposite of last
year," said John Beckler. "This is an
absolutely beautiful day."

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During the Family Fun Frenzy, fami-
lies bounced around in burlap sacks
before trying out the four-buddy race
and then gave it their best throw in
the "I'll yolk you up" egg toss. The fi-
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The sun crept below the horizon as
kids brought out glow sticks and twirled
their luminescent light sabers. Friends
and families gathered together to sit on
chairs, blankets, strips of sand, and rafts
floating in the water.

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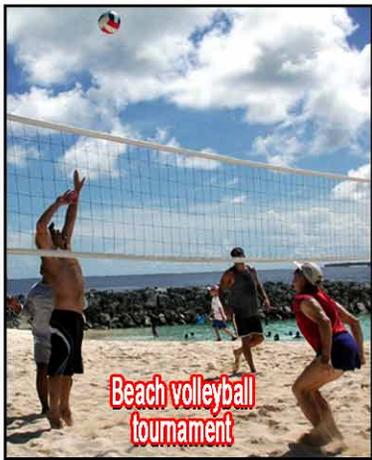
"Overall it was an awesome event,"
said Kathy Bates, Community Activi-
ties Entertainment Services superin-
tendent. "It took a staff of 47 to put it
on. We're the driving force but we get
the community involved and it really
takes everybody."

The event was awesome enough
that when the fireworks were men-
tioned the next morning two-year-old
Kyler Waters got excited

"Fireworks up in the sky," he said
jumping up and down and pointing
at the sky.



Angela Castile rides
in the bike parade



Beach volleyball
tournament

Story and photos by KW Hillis,
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HELP WANTED

KRS has the following on-island job opening. Unless otherwise noted, call Alan Taylor, 55154.

RIGGER, Marine Dept. Full time. Must be able to pass written and physical exams to operate heavy equipment. Math skills required to learn how to operate crane, forklifts and other types of heavy equipment. Majority of work is on Kwajalein but intra-atoll outer island support may be required. Candidate must know basic safety standards.

SUPPLY CLERK II, Automotive Services. Full time. Individual will be responsible for data entry, tracking orders and reconciling receipt paperwork. Must possess strong customer service skills, verbal and written communication skills and be familiar with MS Word and Excel.

RECORDS COORDINATOR. Full time. Individual needed to perform administrative duties. Requires strong interpersonal skills, knowledge of MS Word and Excel, MIMS, MS Project and general office skills. Must be detail oriented and able to follow strict procedures.

WANTED

UMBRELLA STROLLER in good condition and walk-through baby gate. Call Liz, 52529.

HOUSE-SITTERS needed July 19-31 to take care of our dog and cat. Call John, 53315W or 53759H.

LOST

GIRLS' pink baseball cap with Kwajalein written on front at Emon Beach June 29. Call 52573.

HIMALAYA (Siamese looking) cat from Otrs. 494-B. Call Tom, 51433W or Erica, 52527H.

FOUND

NECKLACE with dolphin at Emon Beach. Call 52573.

INFANT FLOAT in front of Tr. 636 June 23. Call 52515.

FOR SALE

MAGNUM SPEARGUN plus spare speargun for parts, \$100; Rio 800 MPS player, 128 MB plus software, \$100; small wooden computer/office desk with chair, perfect for small room, \$75; large softside suitcase with lots of pockets, \$50; Conair dual-jet whirlpool bath spa, used twice, \$50. Call 58341 or 50880.

MATERNITY CLOTHES, size 6: bathing suit, blouses, shorts, dresses, \$3-\$5; Diaper Genie refills, regular and wide, \$1 each; three one-piece bathing suits, new from JC Penney, black, blue and multi-size, \$5 each; full-size Graco stroller, \$10; bath scale, \$5; Medela breast pumps, \$20 each. Call 52529.

HYPERLITE wakeboard, \$250; queen-size floral comforter with shams, dust ruffles, curtains and valances, \$100; adult rollerblades. Call 52609.

HAMMOCK CHAIR, excellent condition, great for patios, \$35. Call 53370.

COMPUTER with DVD/CDRW, monitor, printer, speakers, \$400; entertainment center, \$30; five-disk CD stereo player, \$100; Nash kite surfing complete kite, \$200; spring wet suits, \$20 each. Call 53170.

YAMAHA WAVEVENTURE three-person jet ski, low hours, very stable and lots of power, new battery and cover, includes aluminum trailer and current 2003 registration, ski #288 in hand lot ramp area, extras, \$5,000 or best offer. Call 54555 or 54431.

YAMAHA 9.9 four-stroke engine, \$1,000. Call Roy, 52725.

PANASONIC 27" TV, \$225; Panasonic 13"TV/VCR, \$125; hand-held VHF radio with case, \$75; outdoor plastic table and four chairs, \$10; Little Chief electric smoker, \$35; Balance Gold triple layer energy bars; Laura Ashly shower curtain, new; wooden nursing footstool. Call 53070.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

DENTAL CLINIC is open Wednesday, July 16, 11:30 a.m.-8 p.m., for Roi, Meck and schoolteachers. There is no morning sick call that day.

ORTHODONTIST is on island July 23-24. To make an appointment, call the Dental Clinic, 52165, 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

KWAJALEIN HOSPITAL reminds residents they are required to clear their family's account when they PCS. Every effort will be made to minimize the

FAMOUS BRAND

IRISH

CRYSTAL

- New shipment of famous brand Irish crystal is available for purchase at Macy's
- Crystal Master Cutter James Buckley is at Macy's through Friday at noon to etch limited messages in purchased crystal at no charge. Sign up at Macy's Service Desk for reservation.

The Bargain Bazaar appreciates the community's support.

We request residents not to leave donations at the store when we are closed.

Donations may be taken or scattered about if they are left unattended.

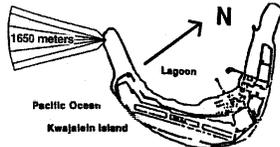
To have a donation picked up, call 53686 during store hours or 54691 after hours.

Donations are picked up on Mondays.

Hours are:
Mondays.....11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.....1-3 p.m.
Wednesdays.....5-7 p.m.

Small Arms Range Notice

The Small Arms Range is in operation tomorrow 8 a.m.-noon. Avoid the hazard area shown below. All watercraft observe the red flags at the southwest end of the island.



resident's out-of-pocket expenses when time allows for verification of insurance payment for services provided. Call 52220 or stop by the hospital cashier's office early in your planning process.

FAMILIES PCSing this summer are asked to request copies of their medical records from Kwajalein Hospital two weeks before their departure date. Early notice ensures the medical records department can fill your request. There is a nominal fee for this service.

SELF HELP customers are reminded that all tools and equipment must be returned within seven days. Extensions for an additional seven days can be arranged by coming to the Self Help office with the tools and/or equipment to show their condition. Seven day extensions can be granted more than once.

OCEANVIEW CLUB has new hours starting Sunday. We're open Sunday through Saturday, 4:30-11 p.m. Ladies' night is every Friday, 4:30-9 p.m., starting July 11. A new drink special for ladies every week. Come enjoy music and the Oceanview Club.

REUTILIZATION and Disposal is holding a special sealed bid sale for three boats that may be viewed at the staging yard. Bid forms are available at DCCB, Building 1500. Bids are accepted at Building 1500 through Saturday, July 12. Bids will be opened Tuesday, July 15. See the bid forms for terms and conditions. For more information, call 51770.

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

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OPSEC REMINDER: Providing our military forces with uncompromised defense systems is necessary to minimize risks and enhance our potential for the successful termination of a conflict. Apply OPSEC.

RMI SHOPPING DAY

Saturday,
at Macy's, Macy's West and Gimbels,
10 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

For all residents of Ebeye and Third Island.
Regulations prohibit children 18 and under entering the stores. Gimbel's will sell items except food, alcohol, books, newspapers, drugs and sundry items.

Oceanview Club

We're open Sunday through Saturday, 4:30-11 p.m.
Ladies' Night every Friday. A new drink special every week. Come enjoy music and the Oceanview Club

MARSHALLESE CULTURAL CENTER

FRIDAYS, 3-5 P.M. MONDAYS, 4-6 P.M.

Handicraft demonstrations
Mondays, 4-6 p.m.

See you at the movies!

Note: The Richardson Theater is closed due to technical difficulties.

Wednesday

Fight Club (1999, R) Two new friends set up a bare-knuckle brawling club which makes both feel alive. (Brad Pitt) Adult Recreation Center, 7 p.m.

Friday

Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon (2000, PG-13) Mythical tale is interwoven with martial arts and a 400-year-old sword in this four-time Academy Award winner. Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday

The Legend of Bagger Vance (2000, PG-13) World War I shatters a gifted golfer's confidence until he is helped by a mysterious caddie. (Matt Damon, Will Smith) Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Knockaround Guys (2001, R) A mobster's son takes three friends to recover a mob payment of \$500,000. Roi-Namur, C Building, 7 p.m.

Sunday

40 Days, 40 Nights (2002, R) A young man vows celibacy for 40 days and nights. (Josh Hartnett) Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Fight Club (1999, R) Roi-Namur, C Building, 7 p.m.

Monday

The Legend of Bagger Vance (2000, PG-13) Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday

The Whole Nine Yards (2000, R) A mobster, just out of prison, brings crime to the suburbs. (Bruce Willis) Yokwe Yuk Theater, 7:30 p.m.

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet

Tonight: Variable cloudiness with widely scattered showers.

Winds: Northeast to east at 8-12 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with widely scattered showers.

Winds: East-northeast to east-southeast at 12-16 knots, with higher gusts near showers.

Temperature: Tonight's low 79°
Tomorrow's high 87°

July rain total: 0.74"

Annual rain total: 37.23"

Annual deviation: -2.20"

Forecast as of July 7, 2003

Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.

Travel by plane
Visiting Kwaj is now less expensive for families...

(From page 1)

of life for residents," said Col. Jerry Brown, USAKA commander. "As I mentioned in two previous town halls, I have asked both airlines to make it easier for our residents to bring relatives and friends to Kwajalein. In our view prices have been too high.

"Continental has come up with some very creative ways to do what I requested," Brown said. "I'm very pleased."

The Saturday companion tickets originating in Kwajalein are \$900 for the first person and \$499 for the second person to Hawaii, Notarianni said. For flights all the way to the mainland, the first person pays \$1,000 and the second, \$999. This special is available only on the flight leaving Saturday from Kwajalein.

"It's ideal, two flying for the price of one," said Yvonne Duarte, Continental Airlines site manager.

The companion tickets for friends and family visiting Kwajalein from the states costs \$1,000 for the first person and \$999 for the second, Duarte said. There is no restriction on the specific day of travel.

These special fares are available so that flying would be more convenient for Kwajalein residents and their families, although there are some restrictions, Notarianni said.

The tickets are not refundable, she said. There are some restrictions such as minimum and maximum number of days that the traveler can stay, among other restrictions. There are also some blackout dates with no special companion flight fares for visitors coming from the states Nov. 25 - 30 and Dec. 17 - Jan. 6.

The additional Continental flight which leaves Saturday night was added in response to Brown's request to the airlines for more flights.

"Continental has made some very positive moves in that direction," he said. "I'm hopeful that Aloha will soon come up with some creative ways to do the same things.

"We are continuing to work this and I see great things on the horizon for Kwajalein," Brown said.

For more information on the additional flight and lower priced fares, call the Travel Office, 51013 or visit Continental Airlines Web site: www.continental.com.



Sun • Moon • Tides

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday July 8	0636/1912	1341/0107	1040, 4.2' 2340, 4.5'	0430, 1.8' 1700, 1.6'
Wednesday July 9	0636/1912	1436/0152	1210, 4.1'	0600, 1.8' 1810, 1.6'
Thursday July 10	0636/1912	1535/0241	0050, 4.8' 1320, 4.1'	0720, 1.5' 1920, 1.5'
Friday July 11	0636/1913	1637/0335	0150, 5.2' 1430, 4.3'	0830, 1.2' 2020, 1.3'