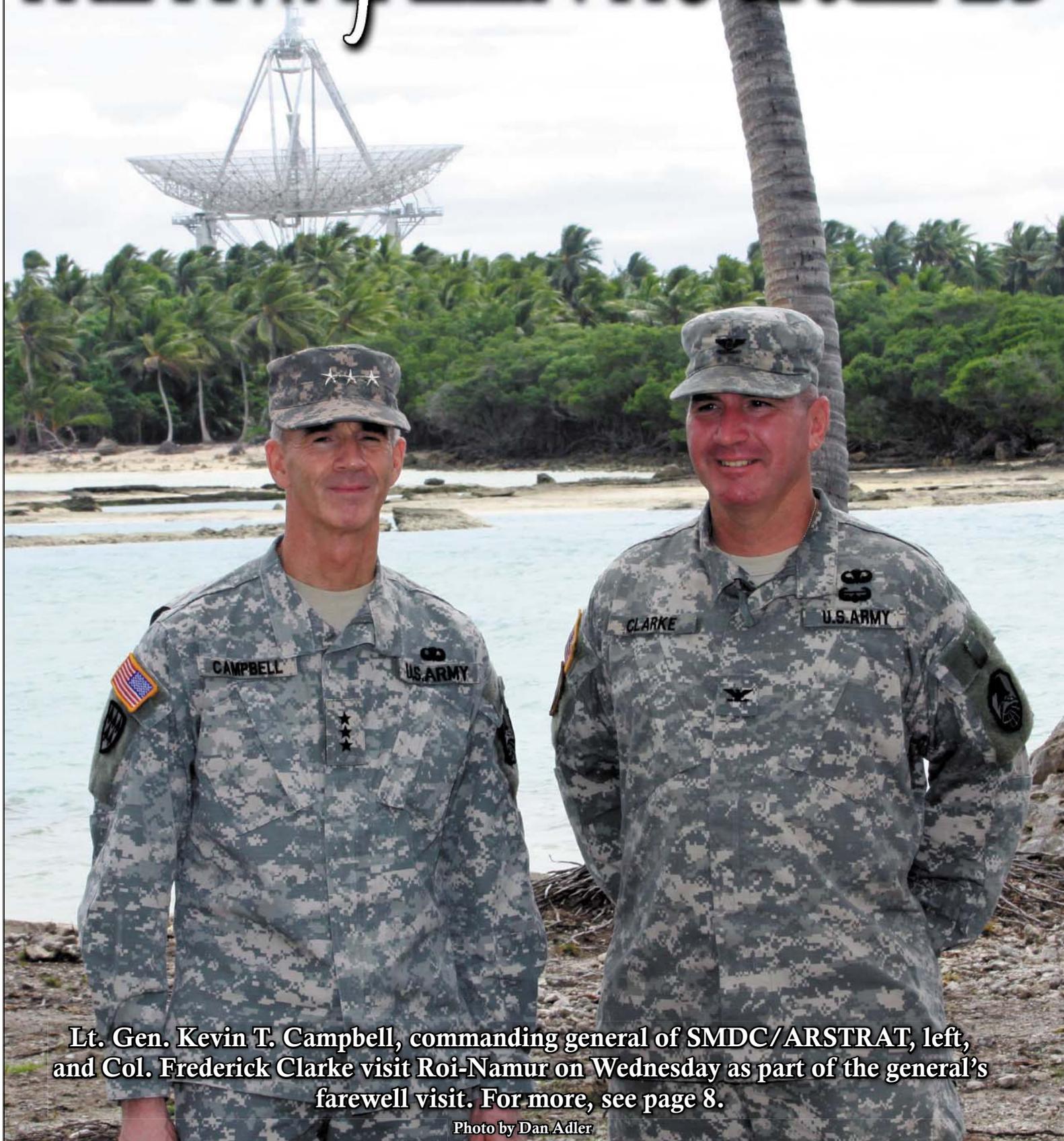


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Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell, commanding general of SMDC/ARSTRAT, left, and Col. Frederick Clarke visit Roi-Namur on Wednesday as part of the general's farewell visit. For more, see page 8.

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THUMBS UP

To Debra George for her hard work at the post office. She has been volunteering for the past 2 months getting the packages out to the customers. We have been short-handed lately and mail would not get out to customers as fast without her.

Buckminster and Friends by Sabrina Mumma



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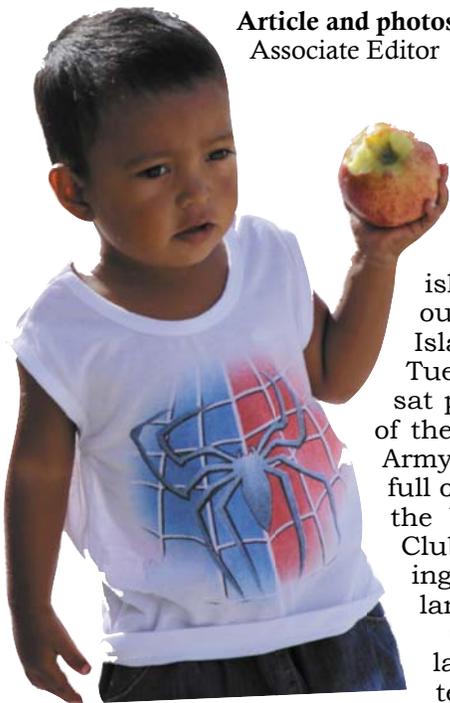


Members of the Majetto community help to unload the helicopter that was packed full of gifts and supplies for their residents, part of the annual Outer Islands Christmas Drop sponsored by the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club.

In the spirit of giving

YYWC annual outer islands drop to Majetto, Ebadon received with gratitude and thanks

Article and photos by Sheila Bigelow
Associate Editor



A young boy from Majetto enjoys some fresh fruit.

The smiles on the kids' faces could be seen from the helicopter as we landed in a small opening on the tiny island of Majetto, in the outer atoll, for the Outer Islands Christmas Drop Tuesday morning. They sat patiently on the stoop of their school as two U.S. Army helicopters landed, full of gifts and goods from the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club, a Christmas blessing they bring to the island every year.

Once the helicopters landed, seven volunteers from Kwajalein, including myself, departed the choppers and began unloading

the Christmas goodies. Attending were Maj. Christopher Mills from Host Nations, Maj. Tijuana Collier, Mike Sakaio, Nelda Reynolds, Mary Jane Lavender and Jelton Anjain.

Majetto's mayor, Bolkeim Anjain, and other members of the community gave us a warm welcome, adorning us with handmade marmars and wuts. Beautiful Marshallese music was playing as each member of the community shook our hands and gave us a warm "Yokwe" and "Merry Christmas."

As guests of their island, they sat us on the porch of the school next to the anxious children and cut us open orange coconut to drink and eat.

Bolkeim Anjain greeted us and spoke on behalf of the community, thanking us for all the gifts and the continued generosity the YYWC gives each year.

"We are very fortunate that we have friends like you to come out here and to spend Christmas with," said Anjain. "My words cannot express our gratitude for the gifts you bring today."

The bags of gifts were divided between age and gender. The children lined up patiently in their appropriate spots while Mills, Collier, Sakaio, Reynolds, Lavender and Jelton Anjain handed out a bag to each child.

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Photo courtesy of Ron Dufek

A bird's eye view of the Airport Surveillance Radar and STARS shelter that direct air traffic at Kwajalein airfield.

EYES ON THE SKY

Airport radars, traffic controllers keep skies safe

By Dan Adler
Media Services Manager

It's always nice to know that someone is watching out for you — especially when you're a passenger on an aircraft that's taking off or landing at Kwajalein.

The job of keeping that eye out for you and the responsibility for the airport radars falls to Ron Dufek, a man who has years of experience in the air traffic control field. That experience includes an 11-year stint as an Air Traffic Control Radar Repair Specialist in the Air Force from 1980 to 1991. Dufek also worked as a contractor with Raytheon rebuilding FAA radar display consoles. In addition, he worked anti-drug radar operations in Columbia, South America. Dufek has been on Kwajalein for the last seven years.

Ensuring the air traffic control radar is maintained in accordance with FAA and U.S. Army airfield

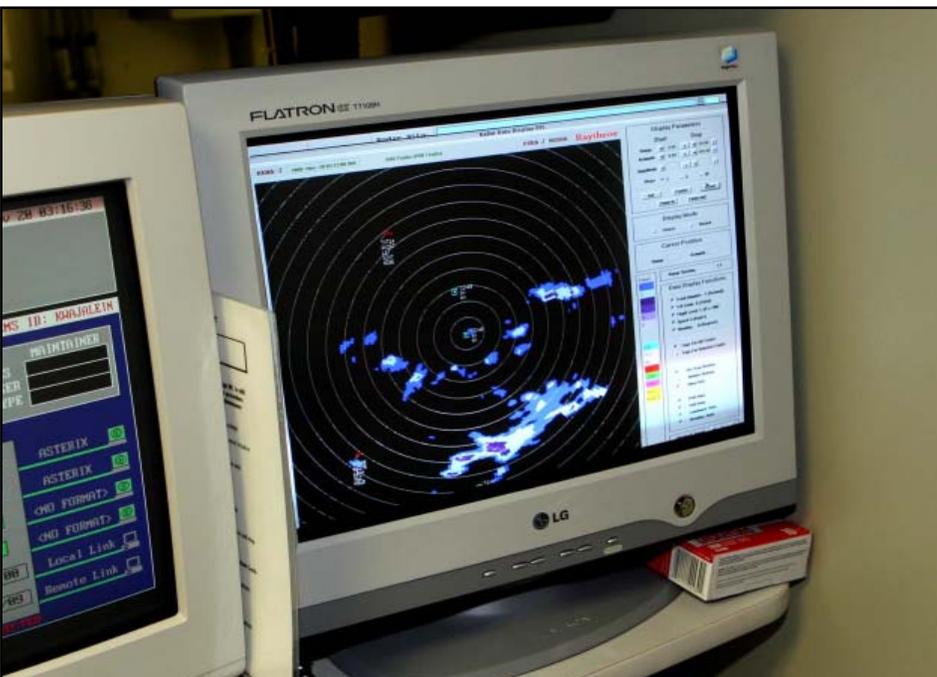


Photo by Dan Adler

Monitors display data on weather and aircraft obtained from the Airport Surveillance Radar. The data is sent to the Standard Terminal Automation Replacement System before being displayed on the monitors in the air traffic control tower.

standards is part of the overall responsibilities of the Kwajalein Radar Department.

Robert Struppeck, Kwajalein Radar Department Manager, said, "When the air traffic controllers in the tower look at their displays they need to know what they see is an accurate picture of what is really flying around out there. The ASR-11 team, led by Ron Dufek, makes sure that the controllers can trust their displays."

The radar system that guides Kwajalein air traffic controllers in keeping Kwajalein's air space safe is the Airport Surveillance Radar-11 or ASR-11, which consists of a primary surveillance radar and a monopulse secondary surveillance radar. There is also a state-of-the-art display system called the Standard Terminal Automation Replacement System, or STARS. According to Dufek, the system was designed and built by Raytheon to FAA specifications.

The commissioning flight check for Kwajalein's STARS was on March 21, 2007. Dufek explained that a flight check is when "An aircraft that's really smart and knows exactly where it is comes in and flies around and the air traffic controllers tell it where they see it. If the radar is misaligned or mis-installed, then the controllers will not be reading the aircraft's location correctly and the aircraft will know it. If the controllers see the aircraft where it actually is, then the radar is working properly and is commissioned for use."

ASR-11 and STARS are the newest radar systems on the atoll. They are also the most recent ones being used in the air traffic control field.

The radars came to Kwajalein because "The Army decided they were going to upgrade their systems," said Dufek. "The Army has 12 active runways and they just decided the equipment they had was old and it was time to replace it."

According to Dufek, the equipment replaced was "Hard to maintain, it was French-built and the depot was not supporting us like they used to. Money was allocated out of the budget to replace that equipment with this."

The ASR-11 radar shows both weather and aircraft transpon-



Photo by Dan Adler

Ron Dufek checks equipment in the ASR room at the airport.

ders. That data goes to the STARS room where banks of routers and networking equipment process the data from the ASR before it goes to the control tower.

After being processed through STARS, the data is shown on the control tower displays which provide an enhanced, extremely detailed view of the weather and aircraft in Kwajalein air space. Said Dufek, "Even though we're not a busy airport, they gave us a full STARS system."

Listening to Dufek, it's clear the difference in the old French-built radar and the new radar system is like night and day.

The new systems are self-monitoring and self-correcting which is unique among air traffic control radars.

"If I lose a power supply or a receiver, the system will know there's a problem and switch to the other receiver," Dufek said. "It has self-adapting features."

He explained, "On a clear day, the radar is really easy to see. On a day when weather's moving through, there are certain circuits that can switch in and out to make the displays better and make the aircraft stand out from the clouds they are flying through. That's all automatic. It used to be that if the controllers couldn't see [aircraft in heavy clouds] they would have to start [manually] flipping switches to try to bring an aircraft out of the clouds so they could see him, but now it's all automated."

In addition, the old equipment had vacuum tubes. "This new equipment doesn't have the high dangerous voltage the old one had so it's much safer to work around," Dufek said. "It's very clean too. It's all modular. Before, if you had a magnetron producing the radio frequency, it was either working or it wasn't. The way this system is set up, I have eight modules and if one went out, I can run on seven and still meet the specs with no interruption in service at all. And also, I don't have to shut everything down to repair it. All the power supplies are standardized and I have a dozen of them that are interchangeable. Some of the systems work at different voltages and when I push one of these new power supplies in the rack, it automatically knows what the proper voltage is and operates at that voltage. So I can swap power supplies if I have to and still be fully functional."

Maintenance is ongoing, especially corrosion control. The new system is much more maintenance intensive than the French unit because the FAA standards are so rigid. A lot of checks are made to make sure nothing has degraded.

Dufek's inspections include daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semiannual, annual and biannual checks. There is even one preventative maintenance routine that is scheduled at seven year intervals.

"Every three months I go through

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the entire system and check to make sure that there's been no power loss and that it's maintaining sensitivity and I check the characteristics of the radio frequency," said Dufek.

He added, "It's all dictated by the FAA. They've been doing this long enough, they know exactly how often something needs to be looked at. For instance, sometimes we'll get e-mails saying they've had concerns at locations about a loose bolt on the antenna and they'll mandate all locations to check that bolt. Everybody has to shut down and go check it right then. I'm constantly getting updates from the depot saying other sites have had this or that problem and I always check to make sure we don't."

When it comes to safety of operation, redundancy is the rule. The ASR-11 has 90 percent redundancy but STARS has 400 percent. There are multiple local area networks feeding each of the displays, so if one goes down, it just switches over to another. There are multiple full-service LAN's and multiple

emergency LAN's.

"If the full-service networks would go down, all the controllers have to do is push a button and they're looking at emergency service," Dufek said. "Of course, emergency service doesn't have all the functions of the full-service, but it still allows for control of an aircraft."

He continued, "Also, if a LAN does go down, the modules are color-coded in the equipment banks so it's easier for a technician to trace problems."

Dufek explained a total of 32 computers are required to run the system "Other than the mission side and IT, I think I'm the only one that runs a network this extensive," he said.

Another plus, because of the redundancy, is that down time is extremely low for the system.

"That's why there's so much redundancy. We can work on problems without taking the whole system down," said Dufek.

The airport radars also have a designated generator and transformer to ensure electrical supply and no interruption in service.

All of the data supplied by ASR-11 and STARS is used by the DoD civilian air traffic controllers who have the responsibility of keeping aircraft and passengers safe.

Currently, there are two air traffic controllers at Kwajalein airport. They are Darin Stephens and Mohamad Qasem, who is the acting Air Traffic Control Chief. Both Qasem and Stevens have been air traffic controllers for 12 years. Both were controllers in the Air Force before working for DoD as civilian controllers.

Qasem is ATCS certified to give ratings to other air traffic controllers. "To be an air traffic controller, you have to go to special schooling," he said. "Then each different facility you go to is an all new facility and you lose all your ratings. I can't just come in from another facility and say I'm ready to go. You have to be rated in that particular facility."

Qasem pointed to a bookcase crammed with volumes of air controller 'Bibles.' "This is our law basically," he said. "All of these books pertain to either FAA or Army regulations that we have to abide by. So before anybody can get rated in this facility they have to know every one of these books. It doesn't matter if you worked at O'Hare where a million airplanes take off and land, you have to know it all over again. You have to know runway layout, noise abatements, everything. Every facility is different and unique."

Once a controller is certified for a particular facility, he or she receives a card from the FAA verifying that certification. It is required by the FAA that a controller be tested every six months to keep the certification. Qasem administers the tests for Kwajalein controllers.

As far as the ASR-11 radar system is concerned, Qasem said, "This STARS equipment is really great. The old stuff doesn't do half of what this does. In the facilities I came from, you had to be sitting in a dark room to be able to see the screens. These monitors are made to be seen in bright sunlight."

The enhanced display monitors in the control tower show a map of the atoll (see photo at left) that indicates helicopter landing areas, 'safe' areas, Roi-Namur airport and Kwajalein airport.

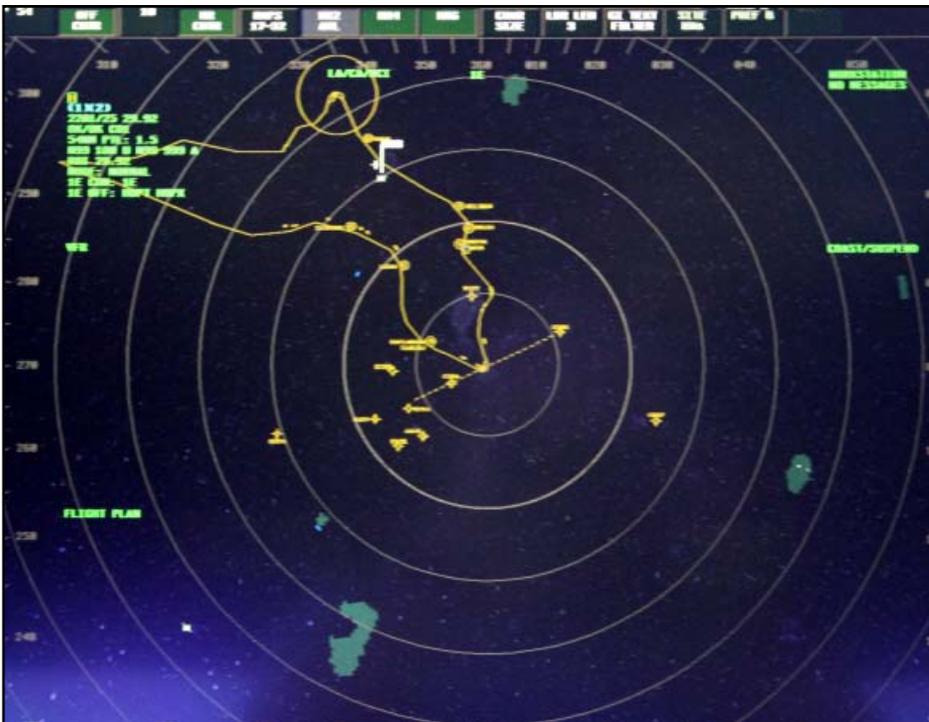


Photo by Dan Adler

After the data is processed through STARS, it is displayed in real time on detailed and easy to read monitors in the air traffic control tower. This monitor shows where helicopter landing areas are located, Roi-Namur airport and Kwajalein airport. The dotted line with the arrow shows the alignment of the Kwajalein runway. The air traffic controllers can ascertain whether an aircraft is lined up correctly with the runway for landing. The line extends to 10 miles out from the airport. The monitor also shows any bad weather that might be in an aircraft's area. The white 'blip' near the left top of the atoll map is a transponder from a USAKA helicopter.



Photo by Dan Adler

Mohamad Qasem is the acting Air Traffic Control Chief at Kwajalein airport. He has been an air traffic controller for 12 years.

One of the many features of the STARS system is that the enhanced display shows a dotted line and arrow (see the photo on Page 6) indicating the exact alignment of the Kwajalein runway allowing controllers to ascertain if an aircraft is lined up correctly for a landing approach. In addition, Qasem said, “We can see weather and tell how intense a storm is by the darkness of the image on the screen. We know if there’s a thunderstorm coming in, all in real time. We can vector an aircraft around any bad weather. We can let him know from which direction to approach the runway. Continental needs a mile and a quarter of visibility. With us being here, we can let the pilots know exactly what the visibility is and make suggestions how best to get to the airfield. If they can’t see to make it in, we will have him circle the field while keeping him separated from any other traffic such as the metro liners or helicopters.”

Controllers can tell one aircraft from another as every aircraft is equipped with a transponder that has a special code which gives control centers information about altitude, speed and the aircraft’s call sign.

Qasem said, “Our job as air traffic

controllers is separation and traffic alerts. That’s our duty function. Separation obviously is keeping aircraft from other aircraft — separation of aircraft departing and landing. For instance, if separation is based on time, say 40 minutes, then an aircraft waiting to take off must be wheels up for at least a 41-minute separation. If the aircraft doesn’t take off within that time and there is only a 39-minute gap, the departing aircraft must wait for the arriving aircraft to land before it can take off. (In most cases, time separation is utilized when there are no air traffic controllers or radar in control centers can’t see the aircraft due to distance, etc.). Where there are controllers, separation is done by having aircraft fly at different altitudes (sometimes called stacking) and maintaining a certain distance between them.”

Qasem explained, “Having us here helps expedite traffic. We don’t have the traffic other airports do, but we get busy when we have missions. We keep all aircraft out of the area where the mission is going to be.”

To assist the controllers in handling traffic, a communications box in the tower enables them to simply push a button and they are in contact with Oakland, Calif. con-

trol center or San Francisco control center. When aircraft take off from Honolulu en route to Kwajalein, they are under Oakland’s control while climbing and at cruising altitude. As an aircraft approaches to within 120 nautical miles of Kwajalein, Oakland center will contact the air traffic controllers on island and hand the aircraft off to them.

“Another good thing about having an air traffic control facility here is with the close proximity of the golf course, the water catchment and any work going on, we are always looking out there to make sure there are no personnel or anything on the runway,” said Qasem. “We can also visually check an aircraft’s wheels to make sure his landing gear is down and everything else looks good. We can be here for any emergency to give an aircraft all the assistance possible.”

He continued, “That’s what that phone is for,” he said pointing to a red phone on the desk. “We pick up that phone and can immediately contact all of the emergency facilities. Our basic job here is the safety of aircraft and to make sure they take off safely and land safely. As long as we’ve done that, we’ve done our job.”



Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell, left, and Col. Frederick Clarke with friends at Enniburr school during a visit to the island on Wednesday.

Saying goodbye

Commanding general visits Kwajalein Atoll/RTS before upcoming retirement



Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell, left, and Col. Frederick Clarke enjoy some fresh coconut courtesy of Floyd Corder.

Article and photos by Dan Adler
Media Services Manager

After 37 years of serving the Nation in the U.S. Army, Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell, current commanding general of USASMDC/ARSTRAT, will be retiring from the service soon.

The general was at USAKA/RTS Tuesday through Thursday for a farewell visit before he retires.

During his stay, Campbell visited Roi-Namur, Enniburr and Meck Island on Wednesday. He was accompanied by Col. Frederick Clarke, Mike Sakaio of the USAKA Host Nation Office, Jim Landgraff of USAKA Public Works, Kwajalein Range Services President Dave Norwood and Maj. Matt Rauscher.

The general spoke to various personnel during his stops to get an overview of the current situation on

mission capabilities and quality of life issues on the islands.

What the general heard seemed to be a combination of challenges and progress.

When he arrived on Roi-Namur, he was greeted by Floyd Corder, Manager of Public Works Operations, and Stan Jazwinski, Kwajalein Range Services Manager of Liquid Systems.

Campbell spoke with Jazwinski about the fresh water supply situation on Roi. Jazwinski explained that the lens wells were still contaminated from last year's high wave incident and that it would take one more rainy season to dilute the salinity of the well water. However, the good news is that leaks were found in the island's water distribution system and repaired. That reduced the daily water consumption on Roi from 40,000 gallons to just 25,000 gallons. Another 5,000 or so gallons is transported to Ennibur daily.

The general and Corder, along with Clarke, Norwood, Sakaio, and Rauscher also inspected the shoreline that was damaged by the wave action and discussed several measures that were being considered to prevent another high wave incident from causing damage to the island. Jazwinski said berms had been put in place to 'break up' waves before they could get into the lens wells, but that the berms were a temporary measure at best. The general agreed and expressed his opinion that a seawall was needed for a permanent solution.

While on Roi, Campbell was shown bachelor quarter rooms that will be converted into 'married' suites. He remarked on the good condition of the bachelor quarter buildings on Roi. The general and Clarke also checked out the Roi AAFES store.

From Roi, the group traveled to Ennibur where the general inspected the PACOM projects including the solar panels that run a refrigerator in the dispensary to keep medicines stored at a proper temperature, the burn pit, the water catchment and improvements to the school. He greeted dozens of school children and visited briefly with Katrina Steinhorst, a World Teach teacher based on Ennibur.

Corder remarked that the Ennibur school had been ranked near the bottom of all schools in the

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Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell listens as Stan Jazwinski and Jim Landgraff explain the current water situation on Roi-Namur.



Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell, center, is welcomed to Meck Island by Reagan Test Site Director, Lt. Col. John Eggert, far left, on Wednesday.

Republic of the Marshall Islands, but with the PACOM improvements and the World Teach teachers, the students were fast moving up in the rankings. There is no doubt life is still hard on Ennibur, but the improvements have helped greatly.

Campbell and the others then traveled to Meck Island where he was greeted by Reagan Test Site Director Lt. Col. John Eggert, Maj. Steve Ansley and other mission personnel on Meck.

He toured the new fire station and EMT/emergency dispensary with Jerry Leverett, Assistant Chief of Fire Operations.

He was given a briefing on the Meck mission control center by Larry Johnson of Lockheed Martin and he also heard from mission personnel about some of the problems they encountered. The general acknowledged the fact that he knew

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everyone was doing a great job with limited money and resources and that he appreciated their efforts in making the USAKA mission a success.

Upon the general's return to Kwajalein, a gathering was held in the Religious Education Building.

Col. Clarke said, "The main purpose of being here is to say farewell to Lt. Gen. Campbell. He retires soon, so for him to take the time to come out of a very busy schedule is very much appreciated." The colonel said that commanders look up the chain of command for guidance, inspiration and resources and that he has received those from Campbell.

"Sadly to say, you don't always get that," said Clarke.

Clarke continued that in the span of his 14 months as commander of USAKA, significant things have happened with the support of SMDC.

"We got our hospital on the radar scope," he said. "Some might say what's significant about that, but the hospital's been on the radar scope at a very low level for over a decade. In 2000, somebody said it was deplorable, yet nothing happened. But now, it's in discussion at the highest levels of the senior leadership of medical command. That can be attributed to support from our command."

The colonel also said that renovations on Roi-Namur such as the pier, a reverse osmosis system or shoreline modifications were being studied.

He also thanked Campbell and his wife for participating in the Army Family Action Plan on Kwajalein and hearing some of the concerns. One of the biggest changes that came about as a result was the medical billing practice on island was revamped so patients would not have to pay out of pocket for medical services.

Clarke said that SMDC was trying to support Kwajalein with more money that could be put toward missions, quality of life, vehicles,



Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell presents Master Sgt. Charles George with the Army Commendation Medal for his work with the Combined Federal Campaign.

and infrastructure repairs.

The colonel thanked Campbell for all his support and expressed his appreciation.

At the conclusion of Clarke's remarks, Master Sgt. Charles George was called forward.

The commanding general addressed George saying how much he appreciated George's efforts on behalf of the Combined Federal Campaign. The general said the goal for Kwajalein had been \$6,000 and due to George's leadership on the issue, \$20,000 had been collected.

"It usually takes the commander's personal interest and then picking the right horse and saying 'We need you to make this program successful,'" said the general. "Master Sgt. George has done this [in competition] across the entire Space and Missile defense Command of some 5,000 people and many locations and you [George] were by far the number one guy. You've been a 1st Sergeant and a platoon sergeant and you know how to get things done."

The general said that \$7,000 of that money would come back to Kwajalein for youth programs or for other community needs. The rest goes to various charitable organizations.

The general then awarded the Army Commendation Medal to George.

After the medal presentation, the general thanked all of the military

and Department of Army civilians on Kwajalein and Roi who make the mission of the range a success.

"I have a sincere appreciation for the problems that can occur at remote sites such as last week when I got a call that something was wrong on Kwajalein and your power was out. So I really have a place in my heart for you folks who have volunteered to come out here and do this work. It says something about your personality and character to come out here and do this. I'm extremely proud of what you've done and I'm proud of Col. Clarke. He's been an outstanding installation commander in making this place run, with your help, day to day. He's been under a lot of pressure with finances and how to make this thing work. There are countless projects that need to be done that we don't have the money for, so we pick a target and we chase it. None of that's easy because you're competing against Iraq and Afghanistan. Every time I walk in the building and look for military construction projects, it's either mission failure or it won't get done because your competition is Iraq and Afghanistan. So it's a tough hurdle for us to get over to get something done. Fred mentioned the hospital and we're chasing that one."

At the end of the general's remarks, he handed out coins to each of the attendees. The general returned to the states on Thursday.



Public Works personnel attend an appreciation day Nov. 21 at Emon Beach.

Public Works holds appreciation day for workers

By Fred McNickle
KRS Public Works Manager

Kwajalein Range Services Public Works management held its third annual Appreciation Day Party Nov. 21 at Emon Beach to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of all the PW departments such as Utilities, Fire and Emergency Services, Planning, Engineering, PW Operations and Maintenance Services on (Kwajalein, Meck, and Roi-Namur and outer islands during 2009.

The celebration opened with a welcoming address by Fred McNickle, manager of public works, who expressed his appreciation for the hard work and dedication given by all of the PW staff during the year. The Marshallese workforce sang a traditional song to express their thanks to the company and management.

2009 was a busy and very successful year for Public Works which operated once again under very trying conditions as a result of a reduced budget, limited resources, materials, vehicles and equipment.

The group completed more than

400 major projects totaling more than \$10 million. In addition, they continually handled their standing operational orders such as roads and grounds, pest management, janitorial and custodial services, housing change of occupancy maintenance, service order response and all the watch standing required at the power plants, water and waste water facilities and fire departments.

Other areas such as housing operations covered assignment and control of family housing, unaccompanied personnel housing and billeting for visitors.

The engineering and planning groups together provided full support to all production areas and outside customers with technical support, estimating, design development, scheduling and material procurement.

The public works effort encompasses Kwajalein, Roi Namur, Meck and five other outer islands.

A few statistics to indicate the workload handled by the group are:

- Completed over 10,500 service

orders

- Completed over 5,100 preventative maintenance actions
- Completed 227 COOM of quarters
- Processed over 9,500 tons of waste
- Burned over 42,000 gallons waste oil
- Handled over 8,900 visitor check-ins/check-outs
- Produced 77,000,000 gallons of potable water
- Treated 132,000,000 gallons of sewage
- Completed six engine overhauls top end, bottom end and both
- Completed several Six Sigma initiatives resulting in major cost savings

In addition, PW provided support to humanitarian assistance programs conducted by U.S. Army Pacific Command for the Marshallese community.

The performance by the Public Works organization during FY 09 was once again outstanding and was recognized by U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll with an excellent rating for both award fee periods.

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After they were handed their bag, they ran off eagerly to discover what they had gotten this Christmas. Bags were filled with various toys, school supplies and hygiene products according to age and gender.

Once all the bags were given out, the children grouped together and sang two Christmas songs in Marshallese to us. It was a glorious and heartwarming performance.

Next, all the fruit was handed out. Each resident, adults and children, were given an apple and an orange. They all immediately dug in, devouring the juicy, fresh fruit. Bags of rice were also given to the adults to divide among the community members.

There were several members and officers of the Majuro Women's Club in attendance that day. Irene Abon, a secretary for the Majuro Women's Club, said they were saddened that no members of the YYWC could attend, but sent back messages of gratitude and thanks to them.

Abon also presented three hand-woven baskets full of Marshallese handicrafts to send back to the YYWC from the Majuro Women's Club. "We not only believe in receiving, but in giving as well," said Abon.

After another round of "Thank you's" and "Merry Christmas," the two helicopters took off and headed to their next destination, Ebadon.

The scene at Ebadon was similar to that on Majetto. Members of the community were lined up to present us with marmars and wuts. All seven of us made our way through a line of every resident, shaking their hand and telling them, "Yokwe" and, "Merry Christmas."

Again, they had orange coconuts for us to eat and drink and entertained us with live music and keyboard accompaniment. Sakaio even graced us with a few lovely songs, singing with Elken Livai, the Deacon of the Ebadon Church.

The children of Ebadon brought up a beautiful cowry in exchange for their Christmas bag. It was heartwarming to see children be so giving, even when the day is supposed to be about celebrating



Nelda Reynolds hands out fresh oranges and apples to the community of Ebadon during the Outer Islands Christmas Drop Tuesday.



Maj. Tijuana Collier hands out bags of goodies to children on Majetto during the Yokwe Yuk Women's Outer Islands Christmas Drop.

their Christmas.

Maj. Mills spoke a few words to the community while they looked through their bags and snacked on their fresh fruit.

"Yokwe and Merry Christmas," greeted Mills. "On behalf of the Commander of USAKA and the whole USAKA community, I'd like to thank you for such a warm welcome. I had the privilege of coming up here last year and it is every bit as beautiful and...really is touching for you to allow us to share your Christmas spirit. The gifts that you have here were collected on behalf of the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club."

Maj. Collier then addressed the

crowd on behalf of the YYWC.

"On behalf of the Women's organization, the Yokwe Yuk Club, I want to thank you for your generous gifts and we're really pleased to be here and celebrate this season with you and we hope that you have a happy holiday."

By lunchtime, it was time to head back to Kwajalein, our helicopters empty, but our hearts full.

The Outer Islands Christmas Drop would not be possible without all the hard work of the YYWC. This year, the drop was chaired by Lisa Ansley.

Ansley was involved last year and then became the chair for the event this year.

Throughout the year, several organizations pitched in to help run various charity drives for the Christmas Drop. The elementary classes and the Student Council held drives to collect toys, school supplies and hygiene products. The YYWC uses these items to pack all the backpacks for the kids.

The YYWC also puts on special fundraisers, like the Silent Basket Auction held in November, to collect money for the drop. The money raised this past year will help pay for the Christmas Drop next year.

Ansley said that it's quite easy to get the community involved in such a worthy cause.

"It's something that the community really gets into," said Ansley, "so I think it's a really special charity. I didn't set up the community bins outside of AAFES like in past years because several people, specifically Cassie Rubly's parents, did drives at home for school supplies and sent them. So we had as many school supplies as we could fit."

Other members of the community donated their time and skills as well.

"The baby bags were homemade by Masina McCollum and I'm not sure who else," said Ansley. "She organized all of that. Material was purchased previously and she and I think her mom and a couple of her friends sewed all the baby bags. They sewed them so that they could be taken apart and the material can be used for other things. So that was a huge help. And we tied those with ribbon so they can use the ribbon."

The YYWC also tries to be conscious of the types of items they send to the outer islands.

"Last year the bags were plastic...but I specifically tried to use as many environmentally friendly options as I could for toys and also we take off as much of the packaging as possible."

The YYWC would like to thank the generous corporate donations from Chugach, Kwajalein Range Services and MIT/Lincoln Laboratories. They would also like to thank the personnel at Surfway for



Children on Ebadon eagerly search through their bags to see what they got for Christmas this year, courtesy of the YYWC and generous donations from the Kwajalein community.



Maj. Christopher Mills, right, hands out baby bags made by Masina McCollum, filled with supplies during the Outer Islands Christmas Drop Tuesday.

making the ordering and delivery of the fruit and rice so easy.

The YYWC sometimes receives so many donations, they have to save some for the next year.

"What it comes down to is not how much we want to give, it's how much we can put on the helicopter," said Ansley. "And I was told that we pretty much maxed them out this year. And that's perfect, that's exactly what we want it to be."

The helicopters were available for use because the pilots conducted a training mission which validated their ability to provide rotary wing aircraft support to

the outer-reaching portions of Kwajalein Atoll. They moved a fuel tanker up to Roi and conducted a refueling operation on Roi prior to flying over to Majetto and Ebadon to simulate delivering emergency supplies and then returning to Kwajalein.

Christmas really is the most wonderful time of the year, and it is especially rewarding to be able to witness such selflessness and giving to those living in the outer islands. They were truly thankful and all involved should feel pride and fulfillment for all that they did. The YYWC does plan to continue supporting the Christmas Drop in the future.



John Sholar hands off to Austin Skinner during the Pauper's Marathon.

Photo by Jane Sholar

KRC holds 28th annual Pauper's Marathon

By Bob Sholar
KRC President

The 2.6 mile north Kwajalein loop was thicker than ever with runners and walkers at the 28th Annual Paupers' Marathon and Relay held on Monday. The field of 14 attempting the full 26.2 mile modern marathon and 56 as team members started at Namo Weto Youth Center at various times over a six-hour period.

David Fearon and Wayne Diggs planned to walk the entire distance and started a little after midnight (David walked two extra loops for a total of 31 miles). Then, at 3 a.m., a handful of full marathoners and a couple of teams got going, knowing that at that very moment the 2009 Honolulu Marathon was also starting. Others started between then and 6:30 a.m. at times of their choosing, leaving several stop watches running at the timing table with sticky notes indicating which group or runner they applied to.

Of the 14 full marathoners, 12 finished. First timer Phil Lindert disappointedly, but wisely bowed out after 21 miles due to dehydration symptoms; however, Lindert just began running about a year ago to get in shape and has amazed us all with an incredible transformation. Dr. Kevin Skinner was paged away to the course-side hospital multiple times while running and for good after his fifth lap. The 12 finishers of the full marathon at Kwajalein makes for the most since the early 1980s.

Notable achievements included first place male finisher Jon Jahnke in 3:50:27, winning for the fourth year in a row! First place for the ladies was Alex McGlinn, who has now entered the "Sub-Four-Hour Club". Alex did a personal best of 3:58:39, in second place overall, not far behind Jahnke. This was especially satisfying for McGlinn who had to drop out of the event last year due to foot blisters caused by an early . . . er, uh . . . blistering

pace.

The field of 'whole enchilada' marathoners included two tenth grade Kwaj High School students, Tyler DeCoster (6:20:36) and Shawn Brady (6:44:00). Visiting college student Tom Hansen ran his first marathon ever in 5:28:00.

There was something new, novel and surprisingly fun in the team section this year, conceived by Rich Erikson. Erikson formed two teams of 11. These teams did not follow the older format of one team member on the 2.6 mile loop at a time. Erikson's teams spread out at 10 equal intervals along the 2.6 mile loop, passing a baton between each other every quarter mile. So, after advancing a quarter mile, the members had 12-or-so minutes to catch their breath, before being tagged again to advance the next quarter mile.

A team of all Jr/Sr High School students finished this new format in 2:22:58, averaging 5:27 minute miles and beating the adult team by nine minutes.

Six servicemembers die in Iraq, Afghanistan

Sgt. Elijah J. Rao, 26, of Lake Oswego, Ore., died Dec. 5 in Nuristan, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit with an improvised explosive device. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 77th Field Artillery Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colo.

Cpl. Xhacob Latorre, 21, of Waterbury, Conn., died Dec. 8 of wounds sustained while supporting 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. Ralph Anthony Webb Freitas, 23, of Detroit, Mich., died Dec. 8 as a result of unknown causes in Baghdad. He was assigned to Marine Wing Support Squadron 172, Marine Wing Support Group 17, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Okinawa, Japan.

Pvt. Jhanner A. Tello, 29, of Los Angeles, Calif., died Dec. 10 in Baghdad, Iraq, of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to the 3rd Aviation Support Battalion, 227th Aviation Regiment, 1st Air Cavalry Brigade, 1st Cavalry Divi-

sion, Fort Hood, Texas.

Pfc. Jaiciae L. Pauley, 29, of Austell, Ga., died Dec. 11 in Kirkuk, Iraq, of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.

Tech. Sgt. Anthony C. Campbell Jr., 35, of Florence, Ky., died Dec. 15 of wounds suffered from the detonation of an improvised explosive device in Helmand Province, Afghanistan. Campbell was assigned to the 932nd Civil Engineer Squadron, Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

*Volleyball
Season*



2009

Tuesday, Dec. 8

'A' LEAGUE

Tip Drill vs. 9th graders: 25-17, 22-25, 15-6

Nice Sets vs. 12th graders: 25-22, 25-19

Just for Fun vs. I'm on a Boat: 19-25, 25-18, 16-14

Thursday, Dec. 10

'A' LEAGUE

Tip Drill vs. 12th graders: 25-23, 25-13

Monday, Dec. 14

'A' LEAGUE

11th graders vs. 10th graders: 25-8, 25-15

12th graders vs. I'm on a Boat: 22-25, 25-18, 15-8

Just for Fun vs. 10th graders: 25-15, 25-10

Wednesday, Dec. 16

'B' LEAGUE

7th graders vs. V8 Splash: 25-16, 12-25, 9-15

Wednesday, Dec. 9

'B' LEAGUE

MIT defeats Hospital Scrubs: Scores not available

On Vacation vs. V8 Splash: 29-27, 25-19

Troubled Ladies vs. 7th graders: 25-15, 25-11

'A' LEAGUE

Just for Fun vs. 11th graders: 25-9, 25-15

Friday, Dec. 11

'B' LEAGUE

MIT vs. 9th graders: 25-7, 25-11

Volley Tears vs. Hospital Scrubs: 25-7, 25-16

On Vacation defeats Troubled Ladies: Scores not available

Tuesday, Dec. 15

'A' LEAGUE

Nice Sets vs. 9th graders: 25-27, 25-22, 15-4

Team Standings

(final)

'A' LEAGUE

Tip Drill:	7-0	11th graders:	3-4
Nice Sets:	5-2	12th graders:	3-4
Just for Fun:	4-3	10th graders:	2-5
I'm on a Boat:	4-3	9th graders:	0-7

Team Standings

(final)

'B' LEAGUE

On Vacation:	7-0	7th graders:	2-5
Troubled Ladies:	6-1	V8 Splash:	2-5
Volley Tears:	4-3	9th graders:	2-5
MIT:	3-4	Hospital Scrubs:	2-5



Band Director Dick Shields conducts the Kwajalein Junior/Senior High School Concert Band at the Holiday Concert Dec. 10.

Songs of the Season

Kwajalein Junior/Senior Band and Choir perform in Holiday Concert



Junior Carrie West guest conducts the Concert Band for *Carillon* from *L'Arlesienne Suite No. 1*.

The Kwajalein Hourglass

Article and photos by Dan Adler
Media Services Manager

If anyone had a 'Bah, Humbug' attitude when they arrived at the high school multi-purpose room for the Kwajalein Junior/Senior High School Band and Choir Holiday Concert Dec. 10, the chances are they didn't when it was over. It was a wonderful evening and a great way to get out of the Scrooge doldrums and into the 'holiday spirit.' To add to the holiday mood the MP room was whimsically decorated with snowflakes, colored lights, candy canes and a beautiful Christmas tree.

As is usual for the high school concerts, the room was packed with family, friends and other residents wishing to enjoy an evening of music under the direction of Band Director Dick Shields and Choir Director Cheryl Shields.

The concert began with the Junior Band performing *Fantasy on an English Carol*, *The Twelve Days of Christmas* and *Chorale Prelude in E Flat*.

The Concert Band traveled north to borrow some music from our Canadian neighbors with a *Canadian Brass Christmas*. One of the more notable pieces of music played is the *Huron Carol*, written in 1643 by a Canadian Jesuit missionary named Jean de Brébeuf for the Huron Indians. It is one of Canada's oldest



Band Director Dick Shields conducts the Junior Band in *The Twelve Days of Christmas* at the Holiday Concert Dec. 10.

Christmas songs.

The Concert Band also played *Fantasia for Christmas* and selections from Handel's *Messiah* including a very stirring rendition of *Hallelujah*. Also included were *And the Glory of the Lord*, and *the Pastoral Symphony*. One of the highlights of the band's performance was junior Carrie West's guest conducting of the band on *Carillon*.

The Junior/Senior Choir then gave a delightful performance singing in perfect harmony on *Carol of the Bells* and a heart-warming rendition of *Baby, It's Cold Outside*. They also sang *Candle in the Window*, *A Carol For to Sing* and *Carol Tapestry*.

Listening to their young voices raised in song, one couldn't help but feel the peace of the season.

After the choir finished, it was the Stage Band's turn. The Stage Band is made up of the best musicians the school has to offer and when they played, everyone knew that was the case.

They entertained with a lively *Winter Wonderland* and *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*. But the highlight was *Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let It Snow*. Dick Shields showed he had some theater in him as 'snowflakes' fell from the stage ceiling onto the musicians and collected at their feet. Of course, it also collected on their clothes, in their hair and in their instruments. It really was the 'coolest' part of the evening.

The Junior/Senior High School Band concerts are always a treat no matter what time of year, but the Holiday Concert is always special.

Dick and Cheryl Shields and all of the students who participated in playing for the concert should be congratulated and thanked for giving the gift of holiday music that warms the heart and brings a smile.

Saturday, Dec. 19, 2009



The Junior/Senior High School Choir sings harmony on the *Carol of the Bells*. The Choir also sang *Cradle in the Window*, *A Carol for to Sing*, *Carol Tapestry* and *Baby, It's Cold Outside*.



Stage Band member Kaitlynn Phillips shakes 'snow' from her instrument after the band played *Let It Snow*.

The Kwajalein Hourglass

HELP WANTED

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/Post Office bulletin board. Full job descriptions and requirements for Contract openings are located online at www.krsjv.com.

NEED EXTRA MONEY? 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, Media Services Specialist, Substitute Teacher, and HR Temp Pool Office Support. Questions? Call 54916.

IT'S OFFICIAL, WE NEED YOU! Community Activities is hiring paid officials, scorekeepers and gear locker attendants for the upcoming 2010 softball season. If you are interested, please contact Jen Yezek at 53331 or jennifer.yezek@smdck.smdc.army.mil, or go directly to HR and fill out a part-time/casual hire employment form. No experience necessary.

WANTED

2010 KWAJ CALENDARS for my family. Please call 59242 and leave a message.

ROSETTA STONE Spanish software. Call Mike, 55987.

BOAT PROJECT MATERIAL. Looking for epoxy preferably with 209, glass cloth, epoxy-soluble mat, epoxy filler, brushes, syringes, five inch five-hole hook and loop sanding discs, 4.5 inch grinding wheels, 1/4 inch marine grade ply and deck paint. Call 55024.

WORLDTEACH volunteer on Ebeye still seeking sponsor for short visits to Kwajalein once or twice a month at the convenience of the sponsor. Would appreciate contact with a member of the teaching community for "shoptalk". Please contact Bill at wbridgeford3@gmail.com.

FOUND

SUNGLASSES on tennis court. Call 54364 to identify.

LOST

CHILD'S PLAY TENT, red and blue, with a hole in one side and flaps on another. Last seen on Redstone Rd., near North Point, Nov. 26. Please call 52398 if it blew your way and we'll pick it up.

PRESCRIPTION SCUBA mask at North Point. Cannot replace! Please call 57178 during the day or 54728 after 6 p.m.

PATIO SALE

TODAY, 3:30-6 p.m., quarters 483-A. Girls clothes, size four, girls shoes, dress-up costumes, toys, luggage, bike parts, flower pots and more.

MONDAY, 8-11 a.m., quarters 483-A.

MONDAY, 7-11 a.m., quarters 134-B in backyard.

FOR SALE

RENELL 19 foot boat with an inboard motor, boat #52 and boat lot #505; Waterboyz surfboard, seven feet, two inches long, \$300; waterproof housing for iPod Nano, second generation, \$20; Schwinn burley, \$10; five-person tent, \$10 and camping utensils set, new, \$20. Email briannnew1@hotmail.com.

EPSON SCANNER, \$20; Grill-mate grill, \$10; HP Deskjet printer, \$25; Hawaiian shirts, sizes small to medium, \$5 each; golf clubs, \$15 per set and books, 50 cents-\$1. Contact Brandon at 55317.

TROLLING ROD, six feet, 80 pounds, with Shimano 50 pound, two speed reel, \$350. Call Tim at 59081/2559.

OFFICE TASK CHAIR, \$25; two patio chairs, \$7 each; heavy duty Christmas tree stand, \$20; hose caddy with 100 foot hose, \$30; pedestal fan, \$20; bike repair stand, \$75; dive suit, extra large, \$50; unicycle, \$25 and extension cord, new, \$10. Call 53360.

ROLLERBLADE DYNAMO adjustable girls inline skates, new in box, fits kids' shoe sizes 11-1. Call 55176.

LUDWIG DRUM SET, five-piece, \$500; Small, three drawer book case, \$10; slender, tall, white, six shelf unit, \$15 and corner shelf unit, holds 30 inch TV, \$30. Call work, 55199, or home, 54517.

PANASONIC 36-inch TV, \$200; Sanyo 32-inch TV, \$150; Game Cube plus four games, \$70 and Sony Mavica Camera, \$50. Call 50894 (h) or 50533(w).

LAMBORGINI BIKE, seven speed, women's, green, seven months old and in good condition, \$100 and women's K2 roller blades, size 9, with knee/elbow/wrist pads, used only 10 times and in great condition, \$125 or best offer. Call 51597.

KAYAK, 13 FOOT, yellow, comes with new paddles and seat and two rod holders for fishing, \$400 or best offer. Contact Chris at 52715.

PLEXIGLASS FISH TANK, 40 gallon, \$25; Schwinn bike trailer, \$40; Burley bike trailer, \$40; wine making kit/supplies, \$20 and charcoal grill, \$40. Call 54322 after 5 p.m.

TWO BIKE TRAILERS, both with new axles and new bearings, great for scuba gear or general hauling, up to 100 pounds. Call 52642.

TENNIS RACQUET, Price O3 Hybrid Spectrum OS, paid \$100, asking \$50. Call Gary at 54364.

AQUARIUM, 20 gallon with all accessories to run it, \$50 and boy and girl 20 inch bicycles, used only for two weeks for visitors, were \$60 new, asking \$35. Call 54798.

WII ACCESSORIES and games; men's Eberle Automatic watch, great condition, \$300; Igloo cooler, small, \$2; electric clock, new, \$12; CD alarm clock, 10; Crown Royal chalkboard, \$5 and digital camera with SD card, \$25. Call Jeremy at 52525.

KITE BOARDING complete package: four-line Naish 13.5-meter AR5 kite that holds air in all bladders and flies great. Package includes kite, bar, lines, never used harness with spreader bar, never used board with bindings and board bag to carry everything, \$900 for all.

Religious Services

Catholic

Saturday Mass, 5:30 p.m., in the small chapel.

Protestant

Sunday

8 and 10:45 a.m., on Kwaj and Roi-Namur service at 4 p.m.

Baptist

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

Latter-day Saints

10 a.m., Sunday, in

Corlett Recreation Center, Room 3.

Jewish services

Last Friday of the month in the Religious Education Building. Times will vary. Contact the Chaplain's office, 53505, for more information.

Call Jeremy at 52525.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SCUBA SANTA will arrive at 7 p.m., Dec. 20, at Emon Beach. The Kwajalein Yacht Club Parade of Lights is to follow after sunset.

KPD WILL BE conducting a Pistol Range from 8 a.m.-noon on Dec. 22. Please observe the red flag hazard areas. If you have any questions, contact KPD Training at 54452.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL Unaccompanied Stray-Dog Christmas Party will be held at 2 p.m., Dec. 25, at the ARC. Come join us for a game of pool, ping-pong, shuffleboard and meet some new friends. There will be door prizes, snacks, home-baked goodies, grab-bag gifts, music and movies running all day in the TV room. At 6:30 p.m. is a showing of *Santa Claus Conquers the Martians*, so come and laugh with us. BYOB and ARC rules apply. Questions, contact Sabrina at 54498 or 51115.

KWAJALEIN YACHT Club Meeting will be Dec. 26. Happy hour starts at 5:30 p.m. Meeting, dinner and gift exchange will be at 6:30 p.m. Please bring a pupu or side dish to share. Call Monte at 52165 with questions.

CYSS YOUTH SOCCER league registration is Dec. 8-Jan. 9. League dates are Jan. 21-Mar. 13. Open to boys and girls in grades K-6. Volunteer coaching opportunities available. START SMART soccer program registration is Dec. 8-Jan. 9. Program dates are Jan. 27-Mar. 3. Open to boys and girls ages 3-5. Contact 52158 for registration information, building 356, sports program information call 53796.

HOLIDAY POST OFFICE shuttle service will be offered by Automotive Services from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-6 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. It

Café Pacific

Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Dec. 26
Pot roast with gravy	Broiled hamburger steak	Spaghetti	Pan fried chicken	Mambo pork roast	CHRISTMAS BUFFET	Meatloaf
Coq au Vin	Sweet & sour pork	Bolognese sauce	BBQ spareribs	Jerk chicken wings	*See special menu	Chicken/peapod stir-fry
Pork pimento	Noodles romanoff	Alfredo sauce	Fried okra	Sesame tofu	and hours of	Oriental vegetables
Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Italian burger	Grill: Cajun burger	Grill: Pepper Jack ham stackers	operation	Grill: Mushroom burger

Dinner

Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grilled minute steak	Char grilled short ribs	BYO tostadas	Braised swiss steak	Carved top sirloin	Herb chicken	CHRISTMAS BUFFET
Chicken stew	Chicken divan	Beef pot pie	Turkey & dumplings	Chicken casablanca	Beef stew	*Limited menu
Salmon on the grill	Vegetarian tofu	Oriental vegetable	Vegetarian lentils	Baked pot/condiments	Vegetable quesadilla	Hours: 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Café Pacific would like to invite you to our Christmas Buffet on Dec. 25:



Our chefs will be preparing an array of tantalizing entrees that will be sure to please even the most discerning tastes. Some of the many items featured will include a carving station with rosemary encrusted rack of lamb and slow roasted baron of beef, steamed crab legs with drawn butter, succulent roast turkey with all the trimmings, scallops alfredo, Virginia smoked ham, vegetable potpourri, chilled seafood bar including jumbo peel-and-eat shrimp, mussels on the half shell, smoked salmon and cajun crawfish. An international cheese bar, assorted salads, fresh fruits and a variety of holiday desserts also await.

Hours of operation:

- Meal card holders: 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Non-meal card holders, families and TDY: 12:30-4 p.m.

Adults cost \$25.95 and children under 12 cost \$11.95.

Beer and wine will be available for sale. Must be 21 or older to purchase.

will be offered from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Please call 53341 or 58294 for service. Customers must travel with their package(s) to their quarters.

ROI RESIDENTS, if you are interested in participating in an 8-week quit smoking class beginning in January, 2010, call Marion Ruffing at 55362 for sign-up.

FREE QUIT SMOKING CLINIC and Smoking Aides given to participants. Program will run Jan. 7-March 4, 2010, every Thursday, at 5 p.m. in the Hospital Conference Room. Limited class size, so call 55362 for sign-up. If you plan to attend this clinic, please call the hospital at 5-2223/2224 and schedule your free physician's appointment prior to the first class. Questions, call Marion at 55362.

THE COMMUNITY is invited to participate in the Cub Scout Celebrity Open Pinewood Derby. Car kits are \$25 per kit and you can race more than one car if desired. To purchase a kit and get derby rules call 52885 or email cgwiley1@yahoo.com. Pinewood Derby will be held Jan. 25. Car kits are limited so get yours soon!

THE NEXT KWAJALEIN Drum Circle and bon fire will be Jan. 30, a full moon night, at Coral Sands Beach.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH USAKA 420-1 sec. 13 and the 2009 NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, sec. 7.1.10.2.1, the following is provided: Fire safety requires two unobstructed exits from all BQ facilities and individual rooms. Storage of any property (personal or government) is prohibited on all walkways, balconies, exterior stairways, interior stairwells, and exits of all

BQ's. The use of Hibachi, gas fired grill, charcoal grill, or similar devices used for cooking, heating, or any other purpose is prohibited within 10 feet of any structure. No furnishings, decorations, or other objects shall obstruct access to, egress from or visibility of any exist.

THE STATUS OF FORCES Agreement [Article VIII] and USAKA/RTS Reg. 190-10 Section 3.2.1 prohibits the importation and possession of firearms, ammunition and explosives at U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll by persons not specifically authorized in writing. Violators of this regulation will face adverse administrative action. A weapons amnesty period is open until Dec. 30. All prohibited items may be turned in to Kwajalein Police. Examples of prohibited items are pistols, rifles, paintball guns, air soft guns, and BB guns. Residents should call the Central Police Station, Roi-Namur Police Station, or call KPD at 54445 (56445 on Roi-Namur) to have the item picked up. Additionally residents may call the KPD tip line at 50966 to report items anonymously.

UNILEVER UNITED STATES, Inc., of Englewood Cliffs, N.J., in cooperation with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, is conducting a nationwide voluntary recall of all Slim-Fast® ready-to-drink products in cans, due to the possibility of contamination with Bacillus cereus. The products are packaged in paperboard cartons and contain four, six or 12 steel cans that are 11 fl. oz. each. Individual cans are also sold in certain retail outlets. The recall involves all Slim-Fast® ready-to-drink products in cans, regardless of flavor, best-by date, lot code or UPC number. No other Slim-Fast® products are affected by this recall. No Slim-Fast® powdered shakes, meal bars, or snack bars are affected by this recall.

Hours of Operation

Friday, Dec. 25

Kwajalein

Emon Beach.....	No guard on duty
All other beaches.....	Buddy system
CRC/Raquetball Courts.....	1-9 p.m.
Golf Course (Kwaj & Roi).....	Sunrise to sunset
Driving Range.....	Closed
Country Club.....	Closed
Hobby Shop.....	Closed
Ivey Gym.....	Cipher lock
Library.....	Closed
Adult pool.....	Buddy system
Family pool.....	Closed
Skate Park.....	Buddy system
Small Boat Marina.....	Closed
ARC.....	2-10 p.m.
Surfway.....	Closed
Shopette.....	Closed
Px and Pxtra.....	Closed
Laundry.....	Closed
Beauty/Barber.....	Closed
Sunrise Bakery.....	Closed
Ocean View Club.....	4:30 p.m.-11 p.m.
Post Office Kwaj.....	Closed.
Roi Post Office.....	Closed
Community Bank.....	Closed
Burger King.....	Closed
Anthony's Pizza.....	Closed
Subway.....	Closed
Baskin Robbins.....	Closed
American Eatery.....	Closed

Café Roi

Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Dec. 26
Carved Roast beef	Grilled cama asada	McMahi sandwich	BBQ beef	Tacos/burritos	Pork stir-fry	Cuban sandwich
Fried chicken	BBQ chicken	Hamburger steak	Buffalo wings	Pork chile verde	Hunan-style fish	Ropa veja beef
Garlic salmon	Southwest chicken breast	Macaroni and cheese	Corn bread	Arroz rojo	Hibachi chicken	Cuban pork stew

Dinner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Dec.26
Beef/sausage lasagna	Whole roast chicken	Beef curry	Grilled sirloin	Lime cilantro pork	CHRISTMAS DINNER	Braised beef
Pork cutlet picatta	Beef bourginone	Canton orange chicken	Stuffed chicken	Asian chicken		Chicken Parmesan
Spinach lasagna	Penne with vegetables	Ginger cod	Roasted squash	Curried noodles		Pasta a la florentina

AAFES offers discounted and free items to students in 'You Made the Grade' program

AAFES Press Release

According to the Department of Defense, children of active-duty military personnel attend, on average, six to nine different school systems from kindergarten to twelfth grade.

As a military command with a motto of "we go where you go," the Army & Air Force Exchange Service is, understandably, attuned to the unique challenges military children face in their educational pursuits.

Beyond being a destination for school supplies and clothes, the PX even offers an array of free and discounted products to students who excel in the classroom through its

"You Made the Grade" program.

Now in its ninth year, AAFES' education rewards initiative is anchored by a booklet chock full of complimentary offers for students in grades one through twelve who maintain a "B" average or better.

The current "You Made the Grade" booklet includes coupons for a free regular six-inch combo meal from Subway and \$2 off any new release DVD. Each booklet also contains an entry form for a quarterly drawing in which three winners are randomly awarded savings bonds in \$2,000, \$3,000 or \$5,000 denominations.

"All authorized exchange shoppers, who are full-time students, are eligible to pick up a booklet and

register for the savings bonds every time they receive a qualifying report card," said the PX's Alex Mamaril, Store Manager. "The program offers a terrific practical learning experience for our military students; it pays to learn."

To receive the AAFES "You Made the Grade" booklet, students must present a valid military ID card or KBadge and proof of an overall "B" or better average to the PX Customer Service Counter. Students may receive one coupon package and enter the savings bond drawing for every qualifying report card. Military Families can contact the PX's Main Store Manager Alex Mamaril at 5-3542 for more information.

"SEASONED" GREETINGS FROM CAFE ROI

- Traditional Shrimp Cocktail
- Mussels in Mignonette
- Wild Rice Salad with Cranberry, Orange and Pecan
- American Fruit Salad
- Onion Soup in a Winter Squash Crock
- Peppered Saddle of Beef
- Grilled Rack of Lamb with Whole Grain Mustard
- Sauteed Scallops with Christmas Salsa
- Snow Crab Legs with Drawn Butter
- Roast Game Hens with Classic Sausage Stuffing

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 Thursday: Partly cloudy, 20 percent showers. Winds: NE-E at 12-18 knots.
 Friday: Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE at 12-18 knots.

Annual total: 72.60 inches
 Annual deviation: -23.96 inches

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	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Sunday	6:58 a.m./6:36 p.m.	10:16 p.m./10:21 a.m.	6:08 a.m., 3.2' 6:17 a.m., 4.2'	12:13 p.m., -0.3' 11:55 p.m., 0.0'
Monday	6:59 a.m./6:36 p.m.	10:54 p.m./11:05 a.m.	6:41 a.m., 3.1' 6:48 a.m., 4.0'	12:44 p.m., -0.1' 12:27 p.m., 0.2'
Tuesday	6:59 a.m./6:37 p.m.	11:32 a.m./11:48 p.m.	7:15 a.m., 3.0' 7:20 a.m., 3.7'	1:16 p.m., 0.1' 1:01 p.m., 0.5'
Wednesday	6:00 a.m./6:37 p.m.	12:09 a.m.	7:54 a.m., 2.9' 7:56 a.m., 3.4'	1:50 p.m., 0.3' 1:40 p.m., 0.8'
Thursday	6:00 a.m./6:38 p.m.	12:37 p.m./12:33 a.m.	8:42 a.m., 2.8' 8:41 a.m., 3.0'	2:29 p.m., 0.5' 2:31 p.m., 1.0'
Friday	6:01 a.m./6:38 p.m.	1:28 p.m./1:19 a.m.	9:47 a.m., 2.8' 9:46 p.m., 2.7'	3:17 p.m., 0.7' 3:46 p.m., 1.3'
Dec. 26	6:01 a.m./6:39 p.m.	2:12 p.m./2:08 a.m.	1:11 a.m., 2.9' 11:21 a.m., 2.5'	4:22 p.m., 0.8' 5:33 p.m., 1.3'