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USACE general reviews Kwaj projects



Brig. Gen. Randal R. Castro, commander and division engineer of the USACE Pacific Ocean Division, gets an overview of housing issues from Col. Gary K. McMillen during a tour of the TDY facility over Macy's last Thursday.

Story and photo by Peter Rejcek

One of the top officials with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) in the Pacific got to see the best and worst housing on Kwajalein during a three-day tour of USAKA/KMR facilities last week.

Brig. Gen. Randal R. Castro, commander and division engineer of the USACE Pacific Ocean Division (POD), arrived on Kwajalein last Tuesday for an orientation visit and to review the atoll's facilities and construction projects under his command. POD oversees the Japan Engineer District, the Alaska Engineer District, the Far East Engineer District (Korea) and the

Honolulu Engineer District, which includes Kwajalein. Louis Askew is the resident engineer for USACE on Kwajalein.

Among the active construction sites the general visited were the NMD GBI silos on Meck, the Roi-Namur power plant and Reef BQ renovation project. On Thursday morning, he toured the Pacific BQ and was briefed on the plans for the building modernization, as well as the current housing crunch, by Col. Gary K. McMillen, USAKA/KMR commander, and Gene Dohrman, USAKA/KMR Public Works engineer.

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MLK event feeds minds

By Jim Bennett

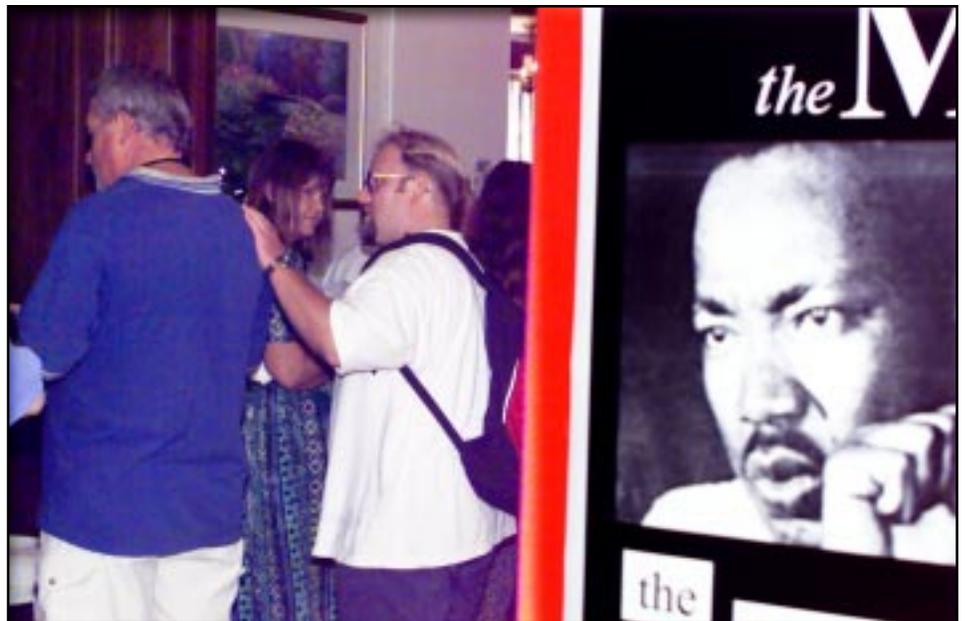
Kwajalein residents gathered Saturday for a lunch at the Yokwe Yuk Club, along with something more.

"Today is a day to remember, reflect and ponder our attitudes toward our fellow man," said Col. Gary K. McMillen, USAKA/KMR commander. "Here on Kwaj, we know we are judged not by the color of our skin, but the content of our character and our abilities. Dr. (Martin Luther) King's dream lives."

More than 100 residents attended the luncheon Saturday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., with the theme, "A day on, not a day off."

The holiday was observed island-

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(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Chris Roth, right, and Flynn Gideon talk amongst the displays honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at the holiday luncheon held Saturday at the Yokwe Yuk Club.

Castro rates Kwaj lifestyle higher than stateside ...

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Castro expressed surprise that personnel were forced to room together, as he was shown a shared room on the second floor of the PBQ. McMillen explained that even after the Reef and Pacific BQs are renovated, there would still be a housing crunch because of the removal of unaccompanied and family trailers from the island by 2003.

"Even when I get everything complete, there will still likely be doubling up," the colonel noted. There are 88 unaccompanied personnel housing (UPH) trailers and 132 family trailers. Plans to build multipurpose townhomes, similar to "new housing," to replace family trailers have recently been abandoned.

The tour then moved to the new TDY rooms above Macy's. These 72 rooms were completed over a year ago in a fashion similar to the Coral BQ and other UPH buildings.

"This is pretty nice," Castro remarked as he looked around a typical TDY room. "This is holding up pretty well, I think."

During a brief interview with the

general before his departure Thursday, Castro said he was extremely impressed with the island's "quality of life, team work and service of country."

Said Castro, "I'm in the business of quality of life. I'm in the business of providing and building facilities where people work, play and live for the people who serve our country ... The reason I'm excited about quality of life is that it's a critical component to our readiness, the readiness of our nation.

"There is a lot going on in Kwajalein that relates to that," he added. "I've been very, very impressed with the program that they have here that is working to make life on Kwajalein as good as possible."

Castro said teamwork between Department of Army personnel and civilian contractors was very much in evidence.

"Everywhere I've gone ... [people] have recognized they are part of a team, which is really a part of teams, multiple teams, working together, that make what happens on Kwajalein so great," he explained.

While conceding, "housing needs a lot of work," Castro said he believes the island's quality of life is defined beyond four walls and a bed.

"When you take the lifestyle: The way the people work together here and the way they play together and the way their children are raised and educated in a standard that's higher than anywhere in the United States... then I say the quality of life is great," he said. "Overall, I'm very impressed with the quality of life only because of the people."

Accompanying Castro to Kwajalein were 1st Lt. Kevin Brown, executive officer at POD, and Lt. Col. Wally Walters, commander of the Honolulu Engineer District.

Stork Club News



Welcome to Claire Leilani Stepchew, who was born Sept. 8 in Honolulu. Her parents are Sarah and Jim Stepchew. Claire weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 21 inches

long. Her sister, Rachel, 10, and brother, Tyler, 6, welcomed her home.

Olivia Malia Graham was welcomed by parents Amy and Matthew Graham and big brothers, Christopher, 11, and Cody, 7, on Oct. 25. Olivia was born in Honolulu. She weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces, and was 19 inches long.



Welcome to Christopher Eugene Smit, who was born Nov. 26 in Honolulu to parents Mandy and Eugene Smit. He weighed 7 pounds, 4.8 ounces, and was 20 inches long. Chris-

topher's grandparents, Jan and Cora Fourie, traveled from South Africa for his birth.

Town hall meeting scheduled for Jan. 21

The first Kwajalein town hall meeting of the new millennium will be held 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21, in CAC Room 6.

Issues of concern can be dropped into the drop box on the mini-mall porch; call the Commander's Hotline phone number at 51404; or just attend the meeting.

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MLK Day inspires thought ...

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wide Tuesday or Monday in the states, where a number of activities were held nationwide.

"This is a theme we've used before, last year. But we've taken it one step further in the states, to put an emphasis on community involvement," McMillen said.

"This should be a day of action, not apathy," agreed Tahara Moreno, who emceed the luncheon.

The luncheon opened with an invocation by Sgt. Linda Wilson and a review of King's life by 1st Sgt. Tony Burford. McMillen next gave his remarks while the audience enjoyed a cajun-style meal.

Along with the luncheon, guests examined a display on King, featuring an interactive replay of King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech and a review of his life and accomplishments.

"This holiday should be seen as a time to reflect on racial equality and non-violent opposition, the beliefs he espoused," McMillen concluded.



Robert and Dorean Harris bow their heads in prayer during the invocation at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. luncheon Saturday at the Yokwe Yuk Club.

(Photo by Peter Rejcek)

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. at a glance

Born: Jan. 15, 1929

Graduated: Morehouse College, 1948; Crozer Theological Seminary, 1951; Boston College, 1955

Married: Coretta Scott, June 18, 1953

Career highlights:

- Led Montgomery Bus Boycott, 1955
 - Founded Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 1957
 - Led Birmingham protests and wrote "Letter from a Birmingham Jail," 1963
 - Delivered "I Have a Dream" speech, 1963
 - Received Nobel Peace Prize, 1964
- Assassinated:** April 4, 1968

Airport lobby cools down with a/c installation

By Barbara Johnson

Airline passengers and residents waiting to greet them or see them off will be much more comfortable since the recent modifications made to Building 901. The air terminal lobby was air-conditioned and doors were installed to help keep the room cooler and dryer.

Floyd Corder, FOM structures superintendent, said that ten tons of air conditioning was installed the first week of January.

The front doors to the area were installed using the doors from Build-

ing 702, where Macy's was located during its renovation. A door leading to the baggage handling area of the terminal was also installed, and some louvers were filled in to help keep the warm air out and the cool air in.

Because of the traffic through the doors at flight times, the temperature may rise some during the day, Corder explained, but should be much better than it was.

The Continental Airlines window was also remodeled as part of the project.

New Books

at

Grace Sherwood Library



McNaughton Fiction

Saving Faith by David Baldacci

Shadow Watch by Tom Clancy

Timeline: A Novel by Michael Crichton

Atlantis Found by Clive Cussler

The Looking Glass by Richard Paul Evans

My Century by Gunter Grass

Hunting Badger: A Novel by Tony Hillerman

Hearts in Atlantis by Stephen King

Jewels of the Sun by Nora Roberts

Irresistible Forces by Danielle Steel

Personal Injuries by Scott Turow

McNaughton Nonfiction

The Lost Explorer: Finding Mallory on Mount Everest by Conrad Anker

The Educated Child: A Parent's Guide from Preschool Through Eighth Grade by William J. Bennett

The Greatest Generation Speaks: Letters and Reflections by Tom Brokaw

A Charge to Keep by George W. Bush

Desire of the Everlasting Hills: The World Before and After Jesus by Thomas Cahill

The Life of Our Lord by Charles Dickens

John Glenn: A Memoir by John Glenn

Anne Morrow Lindbergh: A Biography by Susan Hertog

An Invitation to Joy: Selections from the Writings and Speeches of His Holiness by Pope John Paul II

Selected Letters: 1957-1969 by Jack Kerouac

My Garden Book by Jamaica Kincaid

Are We Living in the End Times? by Tim F. LaHaye

Walter Benjamin at the Dairy Queen: Reflections at Sixty and Beyond by Larry McMurtry

Chuuk's underwater museum reflects war's fury



Story by Bob Fore

Photos by Bob Hatcher

As the airliner passes over Chuuk lagoon, the first impression one has is of great beauty. Lush islands, surrounded by vibrant coral reefs, rise from the blue ocean depths. It is easy to imagine the tremendous importance of this natural anchorage during World War II, when Japanese naval forces headquartered their 4th, and later combined, fleets there.

Some 290 islands are grouped into 15 major island clusters, with a combined land area of only 49 square miles. There are around 40 inhabited islands, with many others being used for food production. There are 11 higher volcanic islands enclosed by a coral reef, which has small low coral isles.

"The diving is great," said Vicky Gil with Continental Travel. "The atmo-



It is difficult to believe war could ever have touched this beautiful setting. Today Chuuk is a major tourism destination for divers from around the world who dive on the remnants of the sunken Japanese 4th Fleet. (Courtesy of FSM Tourism Web site)

sphere of the island is more laid back, and there are fewer hotels; nightlife is very low key."

The Caroline Islands, which encompasses all of the islands written about in this series, experience doldrums, heavy rains and storms from June through November. Starting in December, light to moderate northeasterly tradewinds blow nearly constantly through May.

History

Chuuk Lagoon, which is 40 miles across, is populated by people who, as legend has it, are of Kosraean descent.

Western involvement first came with the sightings of the islands in 1528 and 1565. Perhaps it was the fact that the explorers were greeted by an unfriendly populace in hundreds of war ca-

noes that kept outsiders away until an 1814 Spanish expedition finally established a successful sea cucumber trade with the islanders.

Germany took control of the islands after the Spanish-American War in 1899, but lost it in 1914 to the Japanese.

Japanese defiance of the League of Nations decision in 1935 to not allow a military buildup in the islands eventually led to the deployment of 35,000 Japanese military personnel by the end of World War II.

Operation Hailstone was launched on Feb. 16, 1944 by U.S. forces from nine aircraft carriers. These forces destroyed 250 Japanese aircraft and 350 vessels in 2½ days at a loss of only 26 U.S. aircraft.

Today, Chuuk is part of the Federated States of Micronesia. The majority of the estimated population of 53,300 lives on Moen, Weno, Dublon, Fefan, Uman, Udot and Tol islands.

Culture

Chuukese culture has been complicated, in part, due to tradewinds that made trade and contacts with some islands easier than with others. Occasional violent encounters between the different island groups also splintered the society.



The remains of Japanese ships and aircraft provide excellent dive sites for divers visiting from all over the world.

This has resulted in differences in dialects between the different islands. While mutually understandable, there are a couple of dialects that are more difficult for the other Chuukese to understand.

"Like on other islands, local people show their culture through the way they dress and live," Gil said.

Villages generally are along the shoreline and lower elevations, with most of the habitable areas being used. Houses of both traditional and modern influence co-exist side by side. Small gardens are situated by the houses, raising sweet potatoes, tapioca, squash, green beans and cucumbers.

Meat and leafy green vegetables, while available, are not a major staple of the Chuukese diet. Fruits, such as limes, oranges and mangoes, are grown on the higher islands.

Fine handicrafts, such as masks, love sticks, war clubs, handbags, baskets, stools and wall hangings, prove popular with the tourists.

Sights

"I liked to get out in the early morning and watch the commuter boats carrying people to work on the different islands," said Kwajalein resident Bob Hatcher of his trip last year. "To see the sights takes a day or two, but to dive all the wrecks could take a long time."

The panoramic vista at Moen of the Tol group of islands, with the sun setting behind them, is truly magnificent.

There are roads along both the north and west sides of Moen Island, as well as a pleasant footpath that can be walked in three hours along the southeast coast, completing the encirclement of the island.

The east end of Moen has a good view of the northeast passage out of Chuuk lagoon. This is located at the old Japanese lighthouse above Xavier High School.

Also on Moen are the Ethnological Exhibition Center at the Chuuk International Center and the dried fish plant.

Chuuk (then known as Truk) was of strategic importance in war planning by the Japanese in WWII. The massive U.S. attack in 1944 left major devastation in its wake.

War ruins too numerous to mention can be found throughout the different islands and provide an insight to the size and determination of the U.S. attacks that were carried out. Local guides are recommended for many of these visits, and a good travel book detailing the sites is a valuable companion to have along.

The outer islands contain beautiful beaches and small villages where the islanders lead a simple lifestyle.

Dining and accommodations

A good cross section of hotels and restaurants are available for tourists to choose from.



The ruins of the Japanese hospital are just one of many that can be found on the different islands that make up Chuuk.

"The accommodations were very nice and reasonable in my hotel," Hatcher said. "The hotels have bars, but there is not much nightlife."

The Federated States of Micronesia has a Web site on the Internet at www.fm/index.htm, which has a listing of restaurants and hotels on the different islands.

Getting there

Continental Air Micronesia provides flights on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays to Kosrae, Pohnpei, Chuuk and then on to Guam. Return flights to Kwajalein are scheduled on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Diving information

Chuuk Lagoon provides what has

to be a Mecca for divers from around the world. With more than 60 diveable wrecks and 50 years of coral growth, one of the finest artificial reef dives in the world awaits.

A top-class dive industry has developed locally, with dive shops, guide boats and guides available.

More than 1,000 divers and snorkelers annually visit the islands, so the Chuukese government made the lagoon a state monument in 1971, and prohibited under penalty of law the removal of any artifact or marine life from the wreck sites. This has had the desired effect of preserving the pristine nature of the location.

There are also liveaboard dive boats operating at Chuuk, descriptions of which can be found in dive magazines.

The dive sites, known by the names of the sunken vessels or airplanes, are scattered on the bottom of the lagoon in water with a visibility of 50 to 100 feet.

"I went to dive, and it was just great. They (dive shops) don't take chances and were very professional," Hatcher said. "Some of the shallower wreck dives are covered profusely by coral. They try very successfully to maintain the sites as is for future divers."

It is small wonder then that Chuuk Lagoon provides what could be called a vast underwater museum of wartime relics, not to mention a naturalist's dream.

Resources

A good travel guide such as *Fodors* or *Lonely Planet* covering the islands in this series of articles can be ordered over the Internet from book dealers like Barnes and Noble (www.barnesandnoble.com) or Amazon (www.amazon.com). Internet web sites, as well as Grace Sherwood Library, also provide reference materials.

Information sources

- *Micronesia Handbook*, David Stanley, ed.
- *Federated States of Micronesia web page* at www.fm/Index.htm
- *Landfalls of Paradise* by Earl R. Hinz
- *WWII Wrecks of Kwajalein and Truk Lagoons* by Dan E. Bailey

Classified Ads and Community Notices

HELP WANTED

FILM TECHNICIAN, Photo Lab/Optics. Full-time position. Individual will be responsible for receiving and maintaining computer files on photographic job orders as well as classified data products and preparing time and material expenditures for billing. Individual must be able to operate KMR digital archiving system, perform Adobe PhotoShop manipulations, scan and archive mission and non-mission film data products. A top secret security clearance is required. Submit application or resumé to HR, Nancy, 53705.

SECRETARY, Community Activities. Part-time position. Looking for well-qualified, self-motivated individual who will be responsible for the development and maintenance of an administrative database, labor recording, supply requisitions, as well as other duties. Experience in Microsoft Office 95, filing systems, basic office organization and good interpersonal, oral and written communication a must. Submit application or resumé to HR, Nancy, 53705.

SERVICE DESK REPRESENTATIVE, Project Planning and Control. Full-time position. Duties include processing service orders and work requests and dispatching trouble calls. Individual must possess good organizational, customer-service and interpersonal communication skills. Knowledge of construction helpful, as well as MS Word and Excel. Submit application or resumé to HR, Nancy, 53705.

INVENTORY MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST, Supply and Transportation (non-stock supply). Temporary position. Individual will be responsible for assisting customers with supply orders; data entry and tracking in Gold+; processing and expediting orders with vendor purchasing; and reconciling receipts and shipments with freight operations. Individual must have strong verbal and written communication skills and knowledge of MS Office. Submit an application to HR, Nancy, 53705.

SECRETARY, Human Resources. Full-time position. Individual will be responsible for general secretarial duties including, but not limited to, filing, typing, phone coverage and answering basic HR inquiries, as well as directing the flow of employees/customers coming to the office. Individual must have experience in computers, including MS Word and Excel, along with excellent verbal and written communication skills. For more information or to submit an application/resumé, call HR, Nancy, 53705.

ADULT NIGHT SUPERVISOR for evening recreation programs. This is a paid position and a great opportunity to get involved in community activities. Supervisor needed for softball, which begins Feb. 4. For more information, call Lynn, 53331.

RECREATION AIDE, Bowling Center. Part-time position. Candidate must be willing to

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Deadline is Feb. 3.

Happy Valentine's
Day

work evenings and weekends and be on-call as needed. Duties include handling cash and working with machinery. Submit application to HR, Nancy, 53705.

HOUSING ASSISTANT. Full-time position available. Responsibilities include maintaining the family housing database (FoxPro), providing RSE management and USAKA/KMR with reports and statistics and coordinating family housing assignments and termination with the organizational housing representative. For more information and/or to fill out an application, call HR, Nancy, 53705.

ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN, Aeromet Weather Station. Responsibilities include installing, maintaining, troubleshooting and repairing weather and weather-related systems throughout the atoll, as well as working rotating meteorological observer shifts. Specific job tasks include maintenance and repair of weather radar, weather satellite receiver, computer workstations and PCs, upper air sounding systems, wire and fiber communications and meteorological observing and recording systems. Knowledge of radar systems and calibration techniques is highly desired. Call Julie Rehman, 51508.

Raytheon postings for on-island positions are listed in the Hourglass. Off-island positions are updated weekly in the Career Opportunities Book at the HR counter, Bldg. 700.

WANTED

ELECTRIC KEYBOARD. Call 52965.

LAPTOP COMPUTER. Call 51591.

ROOM DIVIDER or privacy screen, 3' to 5' to close off portions of room for guests, Feb. 10-26, to buy, rent or borrow. Call 52504.

THE HOURGLASS will soon be running a series on travel to the island of Guam. We need aerial photos or any photos with scenic or cultural content. Photo credit will be given and photos will be returned. Call Bob, 53539.

DO YOU KNOW someone in the community who volunteers his or her time above and beyond the call of duty? If so, drop that person's name along with a 25-word description of that person's contribution in the Hourglass drop box (Building 805, second floor).

LOST

BLUE BACKPACK containing ID and personal medicine. Call Keith, 58017H or 57246W.

BLUE "LOONEY TUNES" tricycle with pedal extenders held on with duct tape from Qtrs. 468-A. Return or call 54624. No questions asked.

FOUND

CHILD'S stretch string pearl necklace on Lagoon Road. Call 52034.

SNORKEL and MASK at North Point. Call 50944.

CLASSES AND COURSES

COMMUNITY EDUCATION ESL II is postponed. New dates are Feb. 2 through March 17.

FOR SALE

TWO PACKS OF SNUGGIMS pull-ups, size 32 lb. plus, girls', 15 per package, \$5 each. Call 50225.

BEAUTIFUL STRAW hats with tropical print sashes, \$10; golf shoes, like new, \$10; Yamaha keyboard, six months old, paid \$300 new, will sell for \$250; pasta maker, \$25; tulip glasses, \$2 each; platters and plates, \$2 each; silk rose bushes, still in packages, \$5 each.

LADIES' BICYCLE, Kwaj-condition, \$25 or best offer; hand truck, \$20; men's three-speed coaster brake bicycle, \$50 or best offer. Call 52602.

WEIGHTS: Three 25 lb., four 10 lb., two 18 lb., two 15 lb., \$50 for all or best offer. Call 52602.

FOUR KWAJ-CONDITION bikes, \$30 each; over-stove microwave shelf, \$25; two pet kennels, \$10 each; bean bag chair, tan, \$5; "Little Tykes" toy box, \$10; gas BBQ, \$25; plants, \$5-\$25. Call 51189 between 2 and 6 p.m.

SCUBA GEAR: Large BCD, first and second stages, Sherwood dive computer, weights, belt and bag. Call 50150.

GOLD TV VIEW scan converter: Displays computer video on any TV, good for presentations, Internet browsing and more, remote control included, new in box, paid \$249, will sell for \$75. Call 54827.

FINANCIAL PLANNING book and software for Windows by Ernst and Young, \$25. Call 54827.

BABY SWING, battery-operated, \$30; baby car seat, \$15; feeding pillow, \$10; rocking chair, \$100; sit-and-stand buggy, \$50; baby activity frame, \$5; futon, \$100. Call 53488.

STAINED GLASS hanging lamp, \$30; beading loom, \$3; decorative glass bottles, \$1 each; scuba stuff; hair coloring, \$2 each; craft items; Cuisinart, \$40; two glass shelves, \$2; old records, \$1 each; garment bag, \$25; cookbooks, various prices; hardside Samsonite suitcase, \$15; back pillow, \$5; assorted curtain rods and sheers; shelving in assorted sizes; storage rack for

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Kwajalein Dance Association

KDA's monthly community-wide dance party is Sunday, Jan. 30, 7-10 p.m., in the MP room.

Free admission **singles and couples,**
teens and adults



Introductory group lesson, 7-7:30 p.m.



Come check out the world of social dancing
Bring your own non-alcoholic beverage.
For more information, call Donna, 53470.

pantry wall, \$15; bookcase, \$5; bookcase, \$25. Call 52449 after 5 p.m.

SONY CD player (five-disc), model CDP-C435, \$120; Sony DVD player, model DVP-S530D, \$300. Call 51099.

LARGE HOUSE-SIZE Kenmore dehumidifier, five months old, with built-in air cleaner, \$200; two CD racks, \$7 each. Call 52123, 6 a.m.-noon.

MEN'S THREE-SPEED coaster brake bicycle with baskets and lock (available Jan. 19), \$50; bicycle trailer, \$50; trailer with flat tire for free. Call 52602.

FULL COMFORTER set, southwestern pattern, includes full set of sheets, two extra pillow cases, shams, dust ruffle, comforter and accent pillow. Call 59232.

BLUE RUG, 9' x 12', \$50; purple rug, 8'-10', \$20; blue La-Z-Boy, \$20; oak finish computer table, \$35; light blue ladies' wingback La-Z-Boy, \$75; wooden wagon, \$25; oak finish 27" Panasonic console color TV, \$250; two outdoor Bose speakers, \$60; two large Sansui speakers, \$20; two-seater bike, six months old, good condition, \$300 new, asking \$150; medium-size dog carrier, \$30; two extra-large plumerias, \$45 each; 21" Panasonic TV/VCR, \$100; four beige pleated shades, 36" wide, \$30. Call 51591.

TWO-WAY DRAW white curtain rod, 86"-150", \$35; 5' x 8' powder blue bath rug, \$10; 4' x 6' white carpet, \$10; two Jansport duffle bags, \$20 and \$25; lawn chair, \$10; two snorkel vests, \$5 each; Yamaha D555 digital five-octave keyboard, \$350 or best offer. Call 54544.

SEGA GAME GEAR system with nine game cartridges, including "Sonic the Hedgehog," "MK II," "Ecco the Dolphin" and padded

carrying case, \$150 for all. Call 52607.

BABY CRADLE with two sets of bedding, \$90; Cosco baby stroller, like new, \$130; Krups 14" x 8" electric grill for indoor use, \$50. Call 52639.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

MAKE 2000 the year to grow spiritually. Kwajalein Church of Christ invites you to worship weekly. Sundays, 10:45-11:45 a.m., in CRC Room 1. Bible study Wednesdays, 7 p.m., in the Religious Education Building.

BARGAIN BAZAAR donations will be picked up Mondays by Nancy. Call 53661.

KWAJALEIN PUBLIC GARDENS is requesting donations of empty plastic containers (water, juice, milk), as well as plant pots. Items may be deposited at the garden or at Qtrs. 472-B. Questions? Call Roxanna, 52927.

CUB SCOUT PACK 135 will hold their annual Pinewood Derby Monday, Jan. 24, 2 p.m., in the MP room. Weigh-in for the race will be Sunday, Jan. 23, 1-3 p.m., at the Scout Hut. All cars must be at this weigh-in to compete in the derby.

ATTENTION KWAJ RESIDENTS: The northeast area of Kwajalein between Ocean Road and Perimeter Road will be undergoing the temporary accompanied living quarters project (TALQ). This area is restricted to construction personnel only. All residents should avoid this area until completion, scheduled for August. Questions? Call Colin Pebbles, 53551, or Louie Rowe, 57179.

JAZZ IMPROMPTU — an informal presentation by Andrea Lindborg and local musicians Saturday, 7 p.m., in CRC Room 6.

WINTER BALL for grades 9-12 will be

Sunday, Jan. 23, 7:30 p.m., in the MP room. Tickets are on sale right after school through Jan. 21. Tickets are \$10 each or \$15 at the door.

MIC SHOP will have special hours (5-8 p.m.) tonight. TDY personnel, take advantage of this special opening.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) will meet tomorrow, 8:45 a.m., at Emon Beach. For more information, call Joan, 52280. MOPS is sponsored by the Protestant chapel.

USASMDC Inspector General, Col. Janer, will be on island Jan. 25-27. Jan. 26, he will be available for interviews on Kwaj in the morning and on Roi in the afternoon. For appointments, call Cpt. Gandy, 53452 or 52101.

SOFTBALL SCOREKEEPING and officiating clinics will be Friday, Jan. 28, in Grace Sherwood Library conference room. Scorekeeper's clinic will be at 5:30 p.m. and the officials' clinic will follow at 6:30 p.m. This is a great way to get involved in community events and earn some extra money too. For more information, call Lynn, 53331.

SOFTBALL SEASON is just around the corner. To register your team for the 2000 main season, managers must attend the meeting Wednesday, Jan. 26, 6 p.m., in CAC Room 6. For more information, call Lynn, 53331.

MARSHALLESE TRADITIONAL MEDICINE: Marshallese Cultural Society is sponsoring a presentation on traditional medicine Friday, 7 p.m., in the Religious Education Building.

FIFTH GRADE Beginning Band Concert will be tomorrow, 7 p.m., in the high school MP room.

MONDAY NIGHT Mixed Bowling League is looking for a full team of bowlers and individual bowlers for the second half of the season, which ends April 24. Call Elena or Harry, 53397.

MICRONESIAN Handicraft Shop always needs volunteers. Join us and meet new friends and learn about Marshallese handicrafts and culture. Proceeds are used for education for Micronesian students. Your efforts would support that cause. Questions? Call Penny, 52425, or Laura, 54473.

AMERICAN LEGION'S monthly meeting will be tonight, 6 p.m., at the Vets' Hall. Post meetings for January and February are the third Wednesday of the month. All current and prospective members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Classified Ad Deadlines
Tuesday issue: noon Friday
Friday issue: noon Wednesday

See you at the movies!

Saturday

Jaws (PG, 1975)

A relentless 25-foot-long "killing machine" is on the prowl off the coast of a New England resort town, and nobody is safe in the water. Three shark hunters take it upon themselves to destroy the menace in Stephen Spielberg's masterpiece of action and suspense. (Richard Dreyfuss, Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw) (125 minutes)

Richardson Theater, 7:30p.m.

Goodfellas (R, 1990)

Martin Scorsese's electrifying gangster saga chronicles three decades in the Mafia with Irish-Sicilian mobster Henry Hill and his wise-guy accomplices. (Ray Liotta, Robert De Niro, Joe Pesci, Paul Sorvino, Lorraine Bracco) (146 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8:00p.m.

Goldeneye (PG-13)

James Bond is back, as he tries to stop a renegade Russian general from using a super-secret space based weapon for his own greedy purposes. Plenty of action, special effects and exotic locales dominate the film as is to be expected in a 007 movie. (Pierce Brosnan)

Tradewinds Theater, Roi-Namur, 8:00p.m.

Sunday

In the Heat of the Night (Classic, NR, 1967)

Oscar-winning account of a black Philadelphia detective investigating a murder in Mississippi and matching wits with a redneck sheriff. (Sidney Poitier, Rod Steiger, Lee Grant, Warren Oates) (109 minutes)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Goldeneye (PG-13)

Richardson Theater, 9:30 p.m.

Goodfellas (R, 1990)

Tradewinds Theater, Roi Namur, 7:30 p.m.

Jaws (PG, 1975)

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Monday

Jaws (PG, 1975)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

Goodfellas (R, 1990)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8:00 p.m.



Sophomores (from left to right) Jeff Winters, Jonathon Ching and Marbou Christman study for a world history test in the school library on Friday.

Semester exams test students' habits

Story and photo by Loren Lindborg

For two weeks high school students will be spending most of their time studying. They will face a test. Not a test of strength, but of wisdom and academics. It will be a trial of endurance, as students face their exams with horrible unrest.

Junior Pauline Alfred has a good studying technique. Instead of cramming her brain straight with math formulas or grammar devices, she reviews key concepts for about 15 minutes, then take a break for about 10 minutes, just relaxing her mind and maybe getting a bite to eat. And then she will repeat the pattern.

"English and math will take up most of my time," she said. "Especially math, since I'll need to review and practice doing all the concepts I have learned over the semester."

Other students listen to music while they study in order to keep their mind

focused — like senior Bonnie Hamill.

"It makes studying for me much easier and faster when I listen to music while I review my notes, especially math. Although when I'm memorizing definitions such as my literature terms, I find it easier to be somewhere quiet and alone, whereas in math I find that listening to music and working with a partner is a lot easier," she said.

Junior David Zakeri has an interesting method of studying. He simply allocates his time by reviewing one subject per day.

While students may not have the same study habits, one thing is for sure: No matter how they study, they use the method that feels most comfortable to them. As one student said, "Whether I review everything the night before or whether I cram right before it, it will still be a test and I will still be nervous."

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Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy, with a couple of brief showers.
Winds: Northeast at 4 to 8 knots with higher gusts near showers.
Tomorrow: Partly cloudy with a shower or two.
Winds: Northeast at 5 to 10 knots, with slightly higher gusts near showers.
Temperature: Tonight's low 76°
 Tomorrow's high 85°
Annual rain total: 9.47"
Annual deviation: +6.82"
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	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Tuesday January 18	/1850			2054, 1.0'
Wednesday January 19	0710/1851	1648/0442	0251, 4.2' 1510, 5.6'	0843, 0.9' 2141, 0.5'
Thursday January 20	0710/1851	1751/0545	0339, 4.5' 1554, 6.0'	0930, 0.6' 2224, 0.2'
Friday January 21	0710/1851	1854/0648	0422, 4.8' 1636, 6.2'	1013, 0.4' 2304, 0.0'