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RETURNING TO NORMALCY



(Photo by Jim Bennett)

Wrenn pledges to get back to business at town hall meeting

By Jim Bennett

Editor

While Kwajalein remains at Threatcon Charlie, the command is piecing together the specific regulations "in the context of a return to normalcy," said Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr., USAKA commander.

"We are looking at ways to mitigate effects," he said during Tuesday's Kwajalein town hall meeting. "This is going to be an evolving process."

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Surveys find satisfaction with Community Activities, food services still lagging behind

By Peter Rejcek

Associate Editor

The results are out. What's good? Dental services, child care and Grace Sherwood Library. On the hot seat are some retail food services, provisioning and merchandising.

Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr.,

USAKA commander, released the latest results from the command's quality of life survey during a town hall meeting Tuesday at the MP room. Wrenn also announced how the command would spend \$50,000 in APIC money it received for efforts in

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Members of the Queen of Peace Lady Doves softball team lean up against the fence at Ragan Field during a game Wednesday afternoon. Ebeye sports teams were allowed back on island this week as some Threatcon Charlie measures regarding sponsorship were loosened.

Supporting the cause

Chili cook-off raises more than \$6,000 for Enniburr Christmas

By Carol Sword

Contributing Writer

Stinging tears from eating hot chili gave way to tears of laughter at Sunday's Third Annual Roi-Namur Chili Cook-off.

Not even a torrential downpour could prevent scores of Kwajalein residents from flying to Roi to attend the event, a major

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Robert Linstead greets John Wallace with a whip cream pie during Sunday's Third Annual Roi-Namur Chili Cook-off. Linstead and several others paid \$2,270 for the privilege of tossing pies at the RSE site manager. The money benefits a Christmas party for Third Island children.

(Photo by Carol Sword)

Editorial

Post Office delivers the best service it can

I am writing this to the community of Kwajalein as a postal employee. This is a great job and a wonderful place to live. In the states, hundreds of people take tests just for one person to get selected for the title of mail clerk, so I feel fortunate to work here with this fine group of individuals.

From my first day on the job I have experienced customers' anger, harsh words and complaints about mail delays. Our mail comes in on the same planes with yours, so we are disappointed, also. If there is a plane delay in California or Hawaii, we cannot do anything about it. We attended a meeting a few months ago asking us how we could, as postal employees, give better customer service. I mentioned replacement planes when there is a delay. The answer was, Kwajalein is a tiny drop in the big bucket; we should be happy with what we get.

We all do a lot of Internet shopping... but please realize that when the company sends you confirmation that your package should arrive in three to five days, that is to the 96555 zip code, which is in California. It will take a few more days to get on island.

We have a great sorting system ... when the pallets arrive after going through

shipping and receiving, which could be up to two hours after the ATI or AMC lands; those are the only planes that are contracted to carry mail. First class letters are the priority, so some workers are sorting that while others are unloading the pallets of bins of bulk mail ... to be sorted, and other workers are unloading packages from the pallets bags. We work quickly and efficiently, with great teamwork. Being patient while we unload all the boxes and getting them written up for delivery is very much appreciated.

Now, we have the new box renovation in progress, so we are busier moving you to your temporary box, figuring out the combinations, cleaning the glass windows and then installing the newer doors.

Please remember to check your mailboxes daily, even if it isn't a plane day. There is also MPS mail from Community Activities, schools, local billing and personal mail [and don't forget your *Hourglass* on Tuesdays and Fridays — The Editor]. So a kind word or a thank you to your mail clerk is very heartfelt after a long day at work.

**Sincerely,
Patricia Bell**

Entertainment at Kwaj hits high note this year

I would like to thank Steve Snider and the rest of Community Activities for a job well done this year.

I've been on island for about eight months now, and I've seen some great bands and some very interesting entertainment acts. I think the Community Activities Department is under-appreciated on Kwajalein. Residents still don't realize that there is a lot of hard work involved with getting bands, comedians and other entertainers out here. Not only is it a lot of work to put on the shows, one of the toughest parts is probably getting the groups to come here in the first place.

I've heard people say, "Why are we getting comedians/bands during the middle of the week?" Steve has reiterated a hundred times that these entertainers are not scheduled based on our needs. Steve "persuades" these groups to stop here and do performances, based on their already busy tour.

Steve even pushed hard to get the GoGos out here. Granted, they might not have been popular with everyone, but they are still a big-time headliner act, with a

current hit song. Not to mention Belinda Carlisle is on the cover of *Playboy* ...

Anyway, thank you, Steve and Community Activities, for reminding AFE that we still exist and are interested in seeing top-notch performers, even though we are often the forgotten people of the Pacific.

The Comedy Break II show [last] Thursday was hilarious!

Ryan Luedtke

Military will be ready to retaliate when time

In the wake of the tragedy that happened on Sept. 11, 2001, "Attack on America," several members of the community, some [of whom] I see everyday and [who] normally [don't] speak to me, have been asking me when, where and why is it taking the military so long to respond. With me being a soldier, this is my answer to my civilian counterparts.

We are not fighting a specific country, as we did in previous confrontations. We are searching for a network of terrorists, networks that are located worldwide. Trust me, the military will respond, and I believe it will be quite aggressive, but first we must gather as much information as we can to make it a simple and effective task for our side. This is not just an American campaign, but also a campaign worldwide to eliminate terrorist activities.

I have spoken with former co-workers, mostly from my last duty station, and rest assured the military is not sleeping, as some may think. It's like a game of chess, except this is not a game. We are positioning ourselves worldwide, tactfully, for when the call is made, we will be ready.

This will not be an easy thing to do, but definitely ... something our military can ... accomplish. So, just because there is not much activity going on around Kwajalein, or on the news, the soldiers here and worldwide are ready and prepared to do the job they have chosen to do — "defending this nation!"

Sgt. Charles Johnson

KSC offers appreciation

The Kwajalein Scuba Club wishes to thank USAKA and all agencies, clubs, small groups and individuals for your support and efforts that made this year's island clean-up a huge success.

Ivy Springer and Don Wren

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Message from the commander

As a result of last week's terrorist attacks on America and the death of many of our citizens, the Department of Defense has initiated a THREAT CONDITION "C" to minimize potential danger to our military, civilians and contractors all over the world.

As Commander of USAKA, a DoD facility, I have implemented appropriate security measures to minimize any potential threat to all of our people including Marshallese workers and travelers.

For our Marshallese friends, I have decided to reopen all sponsorship programs

with the exception of the commute list program. As THREAT CONDITIONS change we will modify this policy and increase or decrease our security measures as appropriate. But, for now, it is very important that we enforce stringent security processing for all individuals requesting access to USAKA.

I wish to thank the Marshallese government and our friends from Ebeye for their concern and support during this time of crisis. With your continued patience and support we will get through this together.

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Worldwide Caution
Sept. 12, 2001

The events of Sept. 11 at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and Somerset, Penn., serve as a cruel reminder of the continuing threat from terrorists and extremist groups to Americans and American interests worldwide. This situation remains fluid and American citizens should be aware of the potential risks and to take these into consideration when making travel plans. The Department will continue to develop information about potential threats to Americans overseas and to share credible threat information through its consular information program documents available on the Internet at www.travel.state.gov.

As the U.S. government has reported in public announcements over the last several months, U.S. citizens and interests abroad may be at increased risk of terrorist actions from extremist groups. Most recently, we advised that we had unconfirmed information that terrorist actions may be taken against U.S. military facilities and/or establishments frequented by U.S. military personnel in Korea and Japan.

In addition, we continue to be concerned about information we received in May 2001 that American citizens may be the target of a terrorist threat from extremist groups with links to Usama Bin Ladin's Al-Qaida organization. In the past, such individuals have not distinguished between official and civilian targets. We take this information seriously. In light of the above information, U.S. government facilities worldwide remain at a heightened state of alert.

U.S. citizens are urged to maintain a high level of vigilance and to increase their security awareness. Americans should maintain a low profile, vary routes and times for all required travel and treat mail and packages from unfamiliar sources with suspicion. American citi-

zens are also urged to avoid contact with any suspicious, unfamiliar objects and to report the presence of the objects to local authorities. Vehicles should not be left unattended and should be kept locked at all times. U.S. government personnel overseas have been advised to take the same precautions.

U.S. citizens planning to travel abroad should consult the Department of State's public announcements, travel warnings, consular information Sheets, and regional travel brochures, all of which are available at the Consular Affairs Internet Web site at www.travel.state.gov. We will continue to provide updated information should it become available.

American citizens overseas may contact the American Citizens Services unit of the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate by telephone or fax for up-to-date information on security conditions. American citizens in need of emergency assistance should telephone the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate before visiting there. U.S. government facilities have and will continue to temporarily close or suspend public services as necessary to review their security posture and ensure its adequacy. In those instances, U.S. Missions will make every effort to provide emergency services to American citizens.

In addition to information on the Internet, U.S. travelers may hear recorded information by calling the Department of State in Washington, D.C. at 202-647-5225 from their touch-tone telephone, or receive information by automated telefax by dialing 202-647-3000 from their fax machine.

This public announcement supersedes the Public Announcement - Worldwide Caution of Sept. 7, 2001, to inform U.S. citizens of our continued concern about safety and security overseas in light of the events of Sept. 11. This public announcement expires on March 12, 2002.

Flag etiquette 101

From Staff Reports

As many residents display the American flag in support of the nation following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the command thought it a good idea to remind people of proper flag etiquette.

In short, all flags hanging on poles or staffs, should fly freely, unrestrained, at half-staff, until Sept. 22, by order of President George W. Bush.

When the flag is displayed from a staff horizontal or at an angle from the front of a building, the union of the flag, or blue field with stars, should be placed at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half-staff.

Flags hung against a wall or vertically suspended should hang with the union on the flag's right, or viewer's left. That includes the paper flag images passed out in a recent flyer. If in a window, the flag should face viewers on the street.

If the flag hangs with other flags, such as the Republic of the Marshall Islands flag, all other flags must fly to the flag's left, or viewer's right. Under international guidelines, all national flags flying together should be of about the same size and no one flag may fly higher than another.

No American flag should fly at night or in inclement weather unless it is properly illuminated and or made of all-weather material.

Commerical passengers must show photo i.d.

Continental and Aloha passengers, as well as all passengers going to Majuro, must show photo identification. No exceptions. Also, if a "lap" child's age is questionable (under two years old) a birth certificate is required to verify age. Otherwise, a ticket must be purchased for the child, too.

Aolep pajinjia ro an Continental im Aloha im bareniwot ro rej eatl nan Majuro, aikujin lon aer ID rot en elon pija ie. Ajiri rot en enaj jijot ion jinen ak jemen, im epake 2 aer yio, renaj aikujin lon aer ID ak birth certificate nan kwalok jonan yio ko aer. Ne ejelok enaj aikuj lon aer ticket.

There is an important meeting about mammography services for all Kwajalein and Roi-Namur women, Monday, 11 a.m., CAC Room #6. Col. Wrenn, Dr. Lindborg and Mr. Wallace encourage all island women to attend.

Pies pick up big bucks for Third Island party ...

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fund-raiser for the Enniburr Children's Christmas Fund. More than \$6,000 was raised for the annual Roi Christmas party for Third Island's children.

Extra planes were added to regularly scheduled flights in order to accommodate all who wished to come to the fund-raiser.

"We're always happy to support a good cause and the Kwajalein community," said Joe Johnston, Aviation deputy manager.

Some of the passengers were vendors who had come to sell their wares, which ranged from silver jewelry to shell crafts and note cards. Bruce Johnson displayed a collection of mother-of-pearl inlaid wooden boxes and papyrus art, which came from Egypt. Roi resident Dave Saunders' showpiece was a handcrafted silver necklace studded with Kingman turquoise. His wife, Carol Golby-Saunders, offered blended teas and aroma therapy oils. Jill Lutz sold out of her handmade candles before the chili contest was over.

While shoppers inspected the goods, diners sampled the chili. Twenty-two entrants brought crock pots filled with their own special recipes to the cook-off. The chilies were as exotic as their names. A



(Photo by Carol Sword)

Jeff DeLong taunts the crowd to get him wet as one of the victims in the dunk booth at Sunday's Roi-Namur Chili Cook-off.



Barbara Wallace, at center serving, took second place in Sunday's Roi-Namur Chili Cook-off. The event raised more than \$6,000 for the Enniburr Children's Christmas Fund. Roi resident Gwen Cardoos took first place in the contest.

(Photo by Carol Sword)

Hawaiian chili was spiked with chunks of pineapple to give it a sweet taste, and the "Majol Pink" carried a local flavor, with its pieces of green papaya and coconut milk.

Ballots were passed around to 125 judges, and after all the chili had been sampled, the winners were named. Last year's defending champion, Floyd Corder, came in third place with his "Spice of Life" chili. When asked why he didn't repeat last year's success as the grand winner, Corder said, "I tried to make it hot, but I think I burned it."

Barbara Wallace took second place with her "Sam's Chili," but first place went to Gwen Cardoos for "Bite Me." Cardoos received a stained-glass panel donated by Kerry Young, who made it specially for the occasion. The panel featured a string of chili peppers and a bowl similar to the design on the T-shirts for this year's event.

When asked about her recipe, Cardoos said, "I used beef, kidney beans, baked beans and some secret spices."

Other events on the day included a dunking booth and beach volleyball. Matt Hatfield, Jeff DeLong, "Cowboy" Galloway and Al Gregoire were among the dunkees at the booth. Gregoire was a last-minute participant after Mary Roberts challenged him to sit in the dunk tank. She paid \$100 for the opportunity to hit the target and dunk him in the water below. She gave him no excuse to escape his fate.

"She even found me a bathing suit to wear," Gregoire said.

The infamous pie auction was the highlight of the day, and a major part of the funds were raised by this event. Volunteers

were up for bid by those who wanted to toss a plate of whipped cream into their faces. Bridget Rankin acted as auctioneer. Victims included Corder, Phillip "Smitty" Smith and Joe and Diana Woods. Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr. volunteered himself and raised \$1,200.

"I was on TDY last year, and my wife Sheila told me the Enniburr Christmas party was one of the most rewarding events she'd ever attended," said the USAKA commander. "To see the final result of the fund-raiser, which is the smiles on the children's faces at the Christmas party, makes you want to participate."

Raytheon Site Manager John Wallace raised the highest bid at \$2,270. Two groups won the opportunity to toss pies; Wallace was covered in white cream.

"It's a great event that brings out the community and shows how caring and generous our island residents can be," Wallace said, adding, "I'm glad I didn't get outbid by the colonel."

Not only did the Roi Chili Cook-off raise more than \$6,000 this year, but the participants had fun doing it.

"With all the good sports, we raised a lot of money for the children's Christmas party," said Jennifer Hatfield, ECCF vice president.

"What a day," Rankin said. "What other event have you ever seen Col. Wrenn and John Wallace covered in whipped cream and still smiling?"

ECCF members Trina Royne, Margaret Thompson-Williams, Rankin, Robert Linstead and Jennifer Hatfield coordinated the event.

Standardized testing debated at school board meeting

By **KW Hillis**
Feature Writer

The validity of administering standardized tests every year, the criteria for students taking advanced placement classes, who monitors the “across the curriculum classes” and the possibility of teaching Marshallese words to students came up during Wednesday’s School Advisory Council meeting.

Testing results

Although the results of the Iowa Test of Basic Skills and Educational Development scores show that Kwajalein second- through 10th-graders are ahead of their counterparts on the mainland, parent Ann Cohen brought up some objections to the annual test.

Pointing out that stateside schools take the test every two or three years, Cohen listed the time taken by both the students and teachers to take the test as one of the reasons she was not comfortable with it being given every year.

Due to the “transient group on Kwajalein” and the “small sampling” of students, Cohen questioned the test’s validity on an annual basis, pointing out that “standardized test scores go up just by the nature of taking the test.”

Finally, she said that the test costs \$2,400 just to have it scored and asked if there wasn’t a better use of the money and staff time.

As a result of her questions, a survey will be sent to parents before the next SAC meeting to see if they want the testing cycle to change, said school superintendent Karen Ammann.

“Maybe it’s time for a change,” said Matt Reed, SAC chairman.

School guidance counselor Bob Ammann also presented the SAT scores for Kwajalein’s graduating seniors, comparing them to stateside scores over the last 21 years. The analysis showed Kwajalein seniors scoring as much as 200 points higher than their counterparts in the United States.

Any resident who would like a copy of the SAT or ITBS and ITED score handout can call Bob Ammann at 52015.

North Central District goals

The emphasis on increasing communication skills at all grade levels—last year by having students write in every class, this year by speaking in every class—was also challenged.

“Just writing is not going to change the mistakes,” said resident Scarlet Scholte. Scholte, a retired English teacher, said she supported improving students’ writing skills, but was concerned about how the program was conducted, especially at the high school level. She also questioned the need for writing in physical education or music classes.

How students’ work is tracked and how much improvement is seen will be addressed by the program coordinators at the next SAC meeting, Karen Ammann said.

Parent Kris Brown’s suggestion to use the University of Maryland as a resource to set up a class on how to teach speaking skills for elementary and junior/senior high school teachers is under consideration, Ammann added.

In addition to focusing on effective communication, Ammann said each grade level is working toward a North Central District technology goal.

“For example, sixth-graders are learning PowerPoint and will do a PowerPoint presentation at the end of the year,” Karen Ammann said.

AP classes

Questions from Scholte about the criteria for determining which students are eligible for AP classes, and if the resources used were worth the effort, is up for discussion at the next SAC meeting in October.

Enrollment down

A total of 433 students—270 elementary and 199 junior/senior high school—started school this year, Karen Ammann said. This is a drop of 32 students from last

year and a 60-student drop from the year before.

Predicting the number of teachers and classes from year to year is difficult, Karen Ammann said. Last year, there was a large fifth-grade class, but this year the sixth grade is small and the seventh-grade class is large.

“Enrollment is down ... but the kids don’t leave equally by grade level,” she said, explaining that since all the teachers have contracts, no changes are planned this year other than realigning and balancing classes.

Missing school books

Vocabulary and other books still have not been received, said Brown, saying she was concerned because the same thing happened last year.

“Supply is working very closely with the schools on the issue,” Ammann said. “They are flying in what they can, but they are having problems since nothing is flying.”

Ammann said calling the textbook manufacturer for permission to copy the texts until the books arrive is being done at each

teacher’s discretion.

Other business

• In response to queries from parents and residents, student sports schedules, dances and other activities during and after school are available in newsletters from the high school and elementary school, the *Hourglass* and on the Sports Hotline, 54190, said school administrators and council members.

Newsletters will be sent to parents from both the elementary and high schools on Oct. 1, said Karen Ammann and Steve Howell, Junior/Senior High School principal.

• Parent Dotty Miller volunteered to head a committee to teach some Marshallese words to all grade levels.

“It’s a good idea,” Ammann said. Reed said he was happy with the ideas expressed.

“I want to encourage more participation,” Reed said. “I want to get people thinking ... I know there are people on this island that are very happy about the school system. [People] should show up and show their satisfaction or dissatisfaction.”

Kom ruwainene

“Kom ruwainene” is the Marshallese way to say, “Welcome.”

Sgt. ELIZABETH Y. LOREDO-FLORES, husband JULIAN, and children DOMINIKUE, 8, and VICTOR, 3, arrived at Kwaj Sept. 6 from the Dallas Military Processing Station.

Elizabeth is the new USAKA postmaster.

They say the new island lifestyle, “looks difficult, and it will take some getting used to.”

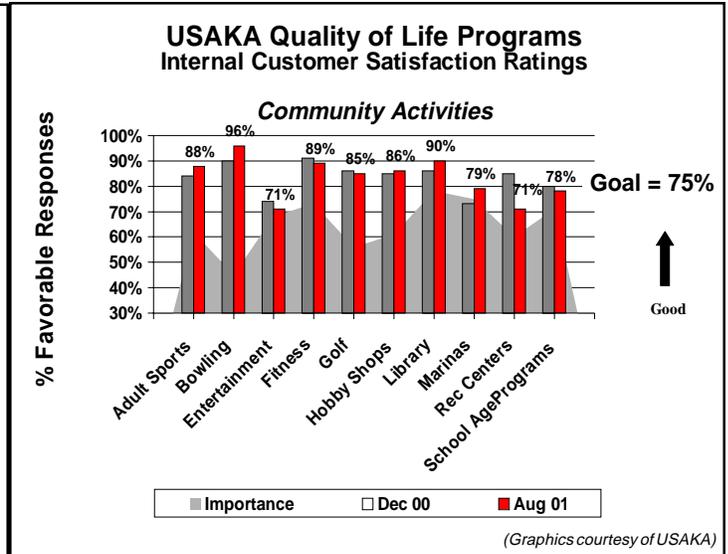
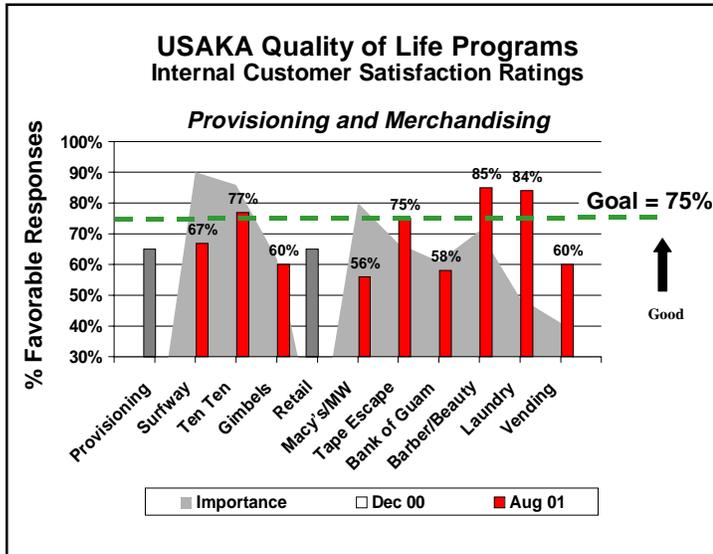
MICHEL LAURENCEAU recently arrived here from Fort Bragg, N.C.

Michel works for USAKA as a general engineer.

On arrival, he said, “Great island. Fun place to be for a while. Will have to make some adjustments. Folks welcome you; they are nice and pleasant.”

Welcome and farewell forms are available at the *Hourglass* office in Building 805.

Laundry privileges on Kwajalein for Ebeye residents have been terminated during THREATCON CHARLIE.



Food services survey by RSE due out in October ...

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improving how the installation does business and satisfies its customers. The surveys are part of that initiative.

For instance, the numbers from the August survey show almost across-the-board approval for Community Activities services, with a rating of 75 percent used as the benchmark for satisfactory performance. Only two areas, entertainment and rec centers, fell below the line, both to 71 percent. Meanwhile, other activities scored percentages from the high 70s well into the 90s.

Wrenn said he was confused by some of the results, particularly in regard to entertainment.

"I'm disappointed with that considering all the diverse acts Steve Snider, Simone Smead and the rest of Community Activities bring out here," he said. "The Ghostplayers, the Harlem

Ambassadors, all the bands, I could go on and on ... and it's all free.

"Then I look at the library. It's got a 90 percent," he added. "The people are happy with it but it's woefully under-resourced."

For its excellent marks, the library was awarded \$15,000 of APIC money. The funds will be used to purchase equipment for a computer lab with access to high-speed Internet. (See related story opposite page.) APIC funds were also allocated to bathroom construction at the Roi-Namur golf course (\$15,000), purchase of bike racks for BQs (\$15,000) and materials for a dive pavilion and dip tank (\$5,000) at the scuba steps along Perimeter Road. The scuba club will provide the labor for the project.

Lt. Col Steve Morris, USAKA assistant chief of staff, Operations, said during an interview

Wednesday that his office received a number of suggestions on how to spend the money, which was awarded by the installation's major command, SMDC.

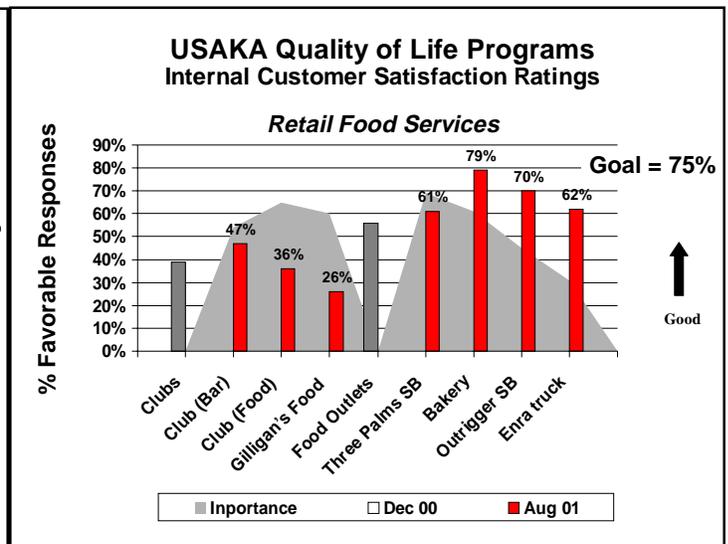
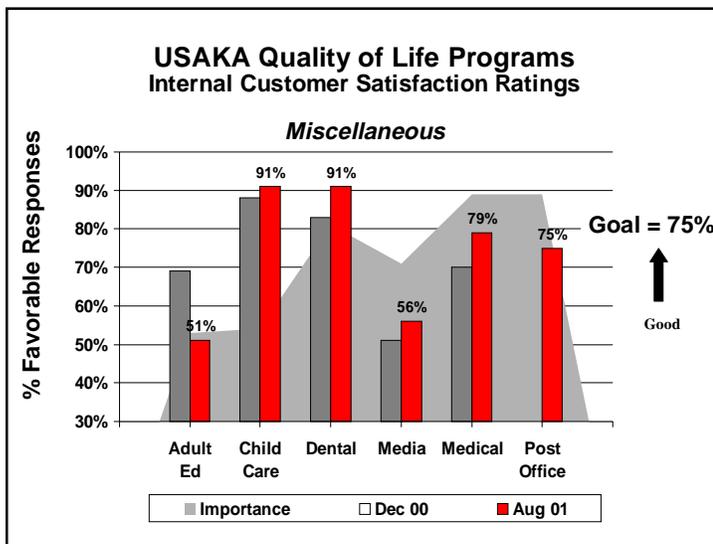
"We wanted to do something which would benefit as many people as possible," he explained.

Last year, USAKA took top prize with a \$75,000 cash purse.

Hard to swallow

Returning to the survey results, Wrenn noted that the command has made little improvement in retail food services based on customer response. The Yokwe Yuk Club restaurant scored only 36 percent satisfaction, while Gilligan's bar menu only pleased a quarter of respondents. The bar alone scored less than 50 percent. In the first survey conducted

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Library to add high-speed Internet to services

By Peter Rejcek
Associate Editor

The Grace Sherwood Library is going to be one of the fastest places to escape from Kwajalein.

Thanks to a \$15,000 grant from USAKA's major command, SMDC, for the installation's work to implement the Army Performance Improvement Criteria, the library is receiving new computer equipment, according to Simone Smead, Community Activities manager. The hardware will be hooked up to what's called a Digital Subscriber Line by IT, making it about 80 times faster than residential dialup Internet access, he said.

"One of the things that is extremely popular is the Internet access at the library," said Steve Snider, Community Activities superintendent of Entertainment Services. "There's always a waiting list."

Currently, only one computer has Internet access and shares a phone line with the library's fax machine. The APIC money will purchase three compact computers with flat screens, Zip drives, CD/DVD drives and a high-speed laser printer, according to Snider.

In addition, Snider said more electronic materials will be added to

the library's shelves, including periodicals on disk, such as *National Geographic*, and encyclopedias.

The purchase coincides with a project to renovate and reshuffle space at the library. Plans include new carpet, new shelves, relocating the video collection into one area and streamlining the collection.

"It will be a necessary time for us to do some reshuffling to make space for the APIC additions," said librarian Pat Wanslow, who took over for Phyllis Manley after she PCS'ed last month.

Wanslow said patrons can expect some interruption in services, particularly when the new carpet is being laid. Snider said he is looking into the possibility of finding a satellite location with a limited number of materials during the renovation.

"It's going to be a big project," Snider said, adding that the target date for completion is the first quarter of fiscal year 2002, which begins Oct. 1.

And it's always an ongoing project, Wanslow pointed out.

"A library is a living thing," she explained. "A library is always in a state of flux. Books come in and books come out."

Added Snider, "We're open to suggestions from the community about what they'd like to see."

Smoking to be banned from Yuk Club beginning in 2002 ...

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in December 2000, all of the facilities had been lumped together, scoring about 40 percent satisfaction.

"We know we missed the mark for retail food services," said RSE Site Manager John Wallace. Wallace said Raytheon is doing two surveys next month, one concentrating on food services, to "not only identify why the numbers are low, but how we can fix it ... We are anxious to prove to our community that we can and will make significant improvements.

"Certain initiatives are already in place, but they will be finalized when the surveys are complete," he added, but declined to discuss specifics at this time.

Morris noted that the surveys are serving as agents of change, forcing the installation to focus on customer satisfaction as its primary business goal.

"We had wanted to change the culture of our organization," he said, referring to USAKA's 1999 initiative to adopt the Army Performance Improvement Criteria, which is based on business sector practices that measure improvement.

"I think it's catching on," Morris said. "What gets measured, gets done."

Not just blowing smoke

That seems to be the case in an unrelated survey regarding smoking at the Yokwe Yuk Club. The Army has mandated that all of its facilities will be smoke-free by 2003, but USAKA is taking the initiative and plans to go non-

smoking at the beginning of 2002.

Morris said that 25 percent of the respondents to that survey were smokers, with the rest saying they were non-smokers. He said that ratio matches stateside demographics. However, there was no clear majority opinion, though the edge went to non-smoking at the club, he said.

"The majority said that either it wouldn't affect their club habits or that they would go more often," Morris added.

Wrenn said he decided to pre-empt the Army's 2003 deadline because of health and welfare, citing poor ventilation at the club. The command is looking into building an outdoor smoking area adjacent to the bar area if funds are available, he said. The policy at other club facilities is still undecided.

Morris said he did not believe there would be any long-term economic impacts to the club, noting that California has adopted a no-smoking policy statewide.

"Initially, [they] saw drop-offs out of protest. As time went by, about a year, the revenues climbed back up and continued to climb with added profits."

The rest of the story

The remainder of the quality of life surveys discussed at Tuesday's town hall meeting showed strong customer satisfaction in child care and dental and medical services. The Post Office scored a 75 percent rating, while adult education and media services hovered around the 50 percent mark.

Wrenn said he believed the low media scores

reflect the public's interest in cable TV. "I think I know where that comes from. We surveyed last year, and 77 percent said they wanted cable TV."

USAKA is still flipping through its options, but most possibilities have been cost-prohibitive, Wrenn said. Marshallese entrepreneurs had brought one deal to the table, but it would only have provided eight channels at a cost of \$40 to \$50 per household. Wrenn said the command is waiting for a sequel deal involving direct satellite — one that won't cost residents a penny.

Provisioning and merchandising at stores like Surfway, Gimbel's and Macy's are also performing below the 75 percent benchmark, the surveys found. New RSE Retail manager Paul Divinski pledged during the town hall that his goal is to replenish the stores with basics, such as toothpaste and clothes, and move away from the giftware items like Irish crystal and hardwood furniture.

"The buck stops here," Divinski said, adding that he would be shifting to larger retailers like K-Mart and offering more "trendy" stateside merchandise.

"He's off and running," Wallace said.

Wallace encouraged residents who have suggestions or constructive criticism in any area of service to bring them "up the chain of command" before resorting to the Commander's Hotline. Raytheon has its own hotline number, 55468, as well as a Human Resources Department.

"[Residents] have a number of options," he said.

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Tonight

Channel 9
5:00 Jeopardy!
5:30 Headline News
6:00 **Window on the Atoll/Bulletin Board**
6:30 The Jeffersons
7:00 Friends
7:30 The Steve Harvey Show
8:00 Will and Grace
8:35 The Drew Carey Show
9:00 NYPD Blue
10:00 Headline News
10:35 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno
11:35 The Late Show with David Letterman

Channel 13
5:00 News with Brian Williams
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 Nightline
7:30 Nightly Business Report
8:00 CNN International World
8:30 CNN/SI
9:00 Greenfield at Large
9:30 Headline News
10:00 MLB: Athletics/Rangers

Saturday, Sept. 22

Channel 9
12m The Late Show (contd.)
12:30 ESPNews
1:00 **Movie "Last Embrace" (PG)**
3:00 The Jetsons
3:30 Leave It To Beaver
4:00 Happy Days
4:30 The Jeffersons
5:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:00 The Today Show
8:00 Zoboomafoo
8:30 Wheel of Fortune
9:00 Oprah Winfrey
10:00 Port Charles
10:30 Travel Tips
11:13 General Hospital
12n **Window on the Atoll/Bulletin Board**
12:30 Judge Judy
1:00 **AFN Special: A Tribute to Heroes** An all-star cast of entertainers join together live (delayed for Kwaj) in a program on more than 22 television networks to raise funds for terrorist attack relief efforts.
3:00 Arthur
3:30 Disney's Pepper Ann
4:00 Moesha
4:30 Sabrina, the Teenage Witch
5:00 Jeopardy!
5:30 Headline News
6:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:30 The Jeffersons
7:00 The Simpsons
7:30 Malcolm in the Middle
8:00 **AFN Special: Animal Rescues**
9:00 X-Files
10:00 Headline News
10:35 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno
11:35 The Late Show with David Letterman

Channel 13
12m MLB contd.
1:00 Headline News
1:30 Morning Business Report
2:00 CBS Early Show
4:00 Headline News
4:30 Burden of Proof
5:00 Primetime Thursday
6:00 Greenfield at Large

6:30 Headline News
7:00 Fox News Live
8:00 Your World with Neil Cavuto
9:00 Newsfront
10:00 Headline News
10:30 NBC Nightly News
11:00 ABC World News Tonight
11:30 CBS Evening News
12n MLB: Cubs/Astros
3:00 Crossfire
3:30 Lou Dobbs Moneyline
4:00 Larry King Live
5:00 The News with Brian Williams
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 Nightline
7:30 Nightly Business Report
8:00 **AFN Special: A Tribute to Heroes (encore)**
10:00 Headline News
10:30 Baseball Tonight
11:00 Dateline Friday

Sunday, Sept. 23

Channel 9
12m The Late Show(contd.)
12:35 ESPNews
1:00 Masterpiece Theater: **Great Expectations (part 2)**
2:30 Mr.Bean
3:00 The View
4:00 Better Homes and Gardens
4:30 A Wedding Story
5:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:00 CNN/SI
6:30 NBC Nightly News
7:00 Clifford, The Big Red Dog
7:30 Dragon Tales
8:00 Disney's Recess
8:30 As Told By Ginger
9:00 Pokemon
9:30 City Guys
10:00 Headline News
10:30 McLaughlin Group
11:00 Capital Gang
12n The View
1:00 The Simpsons
1:30 Malcolm in the Middle
2:00 Everybody Loves Raymond
2:30 Will and Grace
3:00 ER
4:00 Magnum P.I.
5:00 All in the Family
5:30 Sanford and Son
6:00 America's Funniest
7:00 My Wife and Kids
7:30 Everybody Loves Raymond
8:00 JAG
9:00 Law & Order
10:00 **Bulletin Board**
10:30 **Movie: "The Producers"**

Channel 13
12m CNN Saturday Morning
1:00 NBC Saturday Today
3:00 Headline News
3:30 Navy/Marine Corps News
4:00 NCAA Football:Wisconsin/Penn St.
7:30 NCAA Football: Arkansas/Alabama
11:00 Headline News
11:30 Air Force TV News
12n MLB: Cubs/Astros
3:00 Science and Technology Week
3:30 People in the News
4:00 Judith Regan Tonight
5:00 Larry King Weekend
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 Headline News
7:30 Moneyline Weekend
8:00 Hot Shots
8:30 Navy/Marine Corps News
9:00 Headliners and Legends
10:00 International World News

10:30 Business Unusual
11:00 Fox News Live

Monday, Sept. 24

Channel 9
12m **AFN Special: Viva Hollywood**
1:00 Headline News
1:30 Seinfeld
2:00 Drew Carey
2:30 Walker, Texas Ranger
3:30 America's Black Forum
4:00 The 700 Club
4:30 Real Videos
5:00 **Bulletin Board**
5:30 Hour of Power
6:00 Celebration of Victory
6:30 Coral Ridge Hour
7:00 The Word In the World
7:30 Café Video
8:00 Little Bear
8:30 Rabbit Ears
9:00 **Family Movie: Ronnie and Julie**
11:00 Wild Things
12n Headline News
12:30 **Bulletin Board**
1:00 Dawson's Creek
2:00 Discover Magazine
3:00 The New Detectives
4:00 Law & Order
5:00 **Movie: "I Know What You Did Last Summer" (PG)** Teens accidentally kill a man and are terrorized for it later.
7:00 **Window on the Atoll/Bulletin Board**
7:30 Seinfeld
8:00 **Movie: "Before Sunrise" (PG)**
10:00 **Movie: "Shoot to Kill" (PG)**

Channel 13
12m Fox News Live (contd.)
1:00 CBS News Sunday
2:30 Face the Nation
3:00 Headline News
3:30 Navy/Marine Corps News
4:00 NFL Today
5:00 NFL: Raiders/Dolphins
8:00 NFL: Jets/Patriots
11:00 Headline News
11:30 NASCAR: Wintson Cup
3:30 Headline News
4:00 MSNBC Investigates
5:00 Hannity & Colmes
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 CNN World Report
8:00 NFL: Broncos/Cardinals
11:00 Good Morning America

Tuesday, Sept. 25

Channel 9
12m Law & Order
1:00 **Movie: "I Know What You Did..." (repeat)**
3:00 The Jetsons
3:30 Leave It To Beaver
4:00 Happy Days
4:30 The Jeffersons
5:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:00 The Today Show
8:00 Dragon Tales
8:30 Wheel of Fortune
9:00 Oprah Winfrey
10:00 Port Charles
10:25 Guiding Light
11:13 General Hospital
12n **Bulletin Board**
12:30 Judge Judy
1:00 America's Funniest Home Videos
2:00 Sesame Street
3:00 Casper
3:30 Angela Anaconda
4:00 Popular Mechanics for Kids

4:30 The Amanda Show
5:00 Jeopardy!
5:30 Headline News
6:00 **Window on the Atoll/Bulletin Board**
6:30 The Jeffersons
7:00 60 Minutes
8:00 The West Wing
9:00 The Practice
10:00 Headline News
10:35 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno
11:35 The Late Show with David Letterman

Channel 13

12m Good Morning America (contd.)
1:00 Headline News
1:30 Morning Business Report
2:00 CBS Early Show
4:00 Headline News
4:30 Burden of Proof
5:00 Crime Wave
6:00 Dateline Sunday
7:00 Fox News Live
8:00 Your World with Neil Cavuto
9:00 Newsfront
10:00 Headline News
10:30 NBC Nightly News
11:00 ABC World News Tonight
11:30 CBS Evening News
12n Wolf Blitzer Reports
12:30 The Point with Greta Van Susteran
1:00 Hannity & Colmes
2:00 Headline News
2:30 Greenfield at Large
3:00 Crossfire
3:30 Lou Dobbs Moneyline
4:00 Larry King Live
5:00 News with Brian Williams
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 NFL: Redskins/Packers
10:30 **Bulletin Board**
11:00 Biography: *Jeffrey Dahmer*

Wednesday, Sept. 26

Channel 9

12m The Late Show (contd.)
12:35 ESPNews
1:00 **Movie: "It Could Happen To You"**
3:00 The Jetsons
3:30 Leave It To Beaver
4:00 Happy Days
4:30 The Jeffersons
5:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:00 The Today Show
8:00 Franklin
8:30 Wheel of Fortune
9:00 Oprah Winfrey
10:00 Port Charles
10:25 Guiding Light
11:13 General Hospital
12n **Bulletin Board**
12:30 Judge Judy
1:00 Star Trek: Next Generation
2:00 Sesame Street
3:00 Disney's 101 Dalmations
3:30 Digimon
4:00 Nick News
4:30 Are You Afraid of the Dark?
5:00 Jeopardy!
5:30 Headline News
6:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:30 The Jeffersons
7:00 Whose Line is it Anyway
8:00 **Movie: "For Love or Country" (PG)**
10:00 Headline News
10:35 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno
11:35 The Late Show with David Letterman

Channel 13

12m The Practice
1:00 Headline News
1:30 Morning Business Report
2:00 Early Show

4:00 Headline News
4:30 Burden of Proof
5:00 48 Hours
6:00 Army Newswatch or Air Force TV News
6:30 Headline News
7:00 Fox News Live
8:00 Your World with Neil Cavuto
9:00 Newsfront
10:00 Headline News
10:30 NBC Nightly News
11:00 MLB: TBA
2:00 Headline News
2:30 Greenfield at Large
3:00 Crossfire
3:30 Lou Dobbs Moneyline
4:00 Larry King Live
5:00 The News with Brian Williams
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 Nightline
7:30 Nightly Business Report
8:00 CNN International World
8:30 CNN/SI
9:00 MLB: TBA

Thursday, Sept. 27

Channel 9

12m The Late Show (contd.)
12:35 ESPNews
1:00 **Movie: "The Truman Show" (PG)** Jim Carrey plays a man who finally learns he has grown up as the subject of a television show.
3:00 The Jetsons
3:30 Leave It To Beaver
4:00 Happy Days
4:30 The Jeffersons
5:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:00 The Today Show
8:00 Shining Time Station
8:30 Wheel of Fortune
9:00 Oprah Winfrey
10:00 Port Charles
10:25 Guiding Light
11:13 General Hospital
12n **Bulletin Board**
12:30 Judge Judy
1:00 America's Funniest Home Videos
2:00 Sesame Street
3:00 Lloyd in Space
3:30 Rocket Power
4:00 Bonehead Detectives
4:30 Hang Time
5:00 Jeopardy!
5:30 Headline News
6:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:30 The Jeffersons
7:00 Sabrina, the Teenage Witch
7:30 Boy Meets World
8:00 Dark Angel
9:00 Ally McBeal
10:00 Headline News
10:35 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno
11:35 The Late Show with David Letterman

Channel 13

12m NYPD Blue
1:00 Headline News
1:30 Morning Business/Channel 1
2:00 CBS Early Show
4:00 Headline News
4:30 Burden of Proof
5:00 Dateline Tuesday
6:00 Greenfield at Large
6:30 Headline News
7:00 Fox News Live
8:00 Your World with Neil Cavuto
9:00 Newsfront
10:00 Headline News
10:30 NBC Nightly News
11:00 MLB: TBA
2:00 Headline News
2:30 Greenfield at Large

3:00 Crossfire
3:30 Lou Dobbs Moneyline
4:00 Larry King Live
5:00 The News with Brian Williams
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 Nightline
7:30 Nightly Business Report
8:00 CNN International World
8:30 CNN/SI
9:00 Navy/Marine Corps News
9:30 Headline News
10:00 MLB: TBA

Friday, Sept. 28

Channel 9

12m The Late Show with David Letterman
12:35 ESPNews
1:00 **Movie: "The Hospital" (PG)**
3:00 The Jetsons
3:30 Leave It To Beaver
4:00 Happy Days
4:30 The Jeffersons
5:00 **Bulletin Board**
6:00 The Today Show
8:00 Dora, the Explorer
8:30 Wheel of Fortune
9:00 Oprah Winfrey
10:00 Port Charles
10:25 Guiding Light
11:13 General Hospital
12n **Bulletin Board**
12:30 Judge Judy
1:00 America's Funniest Home Videos
2:00 Sesame Street
3:00 Rugrats
3:30 Space Goofs
4:00 Pokemon
4:30 Superman '96
5:00 Jeopardy!
5:30 Headline News
6:00 **Window on the Atoll/Bulletin Board**
6:30 The Jeffersons
7:00 Friends
7:30 The Steve Harvey Show
8:00 Will and Grace
8:35 The Drew Carey Show
9:00 NYPD Blue
10:00 Headline News
10:35 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno
11:35 The Late Show with David Letterman

Channel 13

12m MLB (continued)
1:30 Morning Business Report
2:00 Early Show
4:00 Headline News
4:30 Burden of Proof
5:00 20/20
6:00 MLB: TBA
8:00 Your World with Neil Cavuto
9:00 Newsfront
10:00 Headline News
10:30 NBC Nightly News
11:00 MLB: TBA
2:00 Headline News
2:30 Greenfield at Large
3:00 Crossfire
3:30 Lou Dobbs Moneyline
4:00 Larry King Live
5:00 News with Brian Williams
6:00 The O'Reilly Factor
7:00 Nightline
7:30 Nightly Business Report
8:00 CNN International World
8:30 CNN/SI
9:00 MLB: Astros/Cubs

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Town hall meetings covers security, budget cuts ...

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Policy, in fact, continued to evolve shortly before press time Thursday, as the command announced a period of mourning through Oct. 11, exactly a month (CONUS time) after the terrorist attacks.

Several events, including this weekend's attempt to break the tequila slam world record at Gilligan's and the Sept. 30 luau at the Kwajalein Public Gardens, have been postponed.

Meanwhile, talking with around 200 residents, Wrenn addressed the issues surrounding Threatcon Charlie, budget cuts and the contract rebid process during the town hall meeting.

Security ups and downs

True to his word, the commander rescinded Wednesday a rule banning Marshallese, except for badged workers on duty, students and domestics — about 1,500 people all tolled.

But Marshallese buying airplane tickets and flying off-island were forced to follow stringent security measures including comprehensive bag searches at the Dock Security Checkpoint and strict rider lists aboard USAKA ferries. The USAKA launderette closed, sports programs stopped and guest sponsorships ceased.

"I'm sure there is disappointment, anger and frustration in our closing the gates," said Lt. Col. Steve Morris, deputy chief of Staff, Operations. "But we've got to continue to work with our Marshallese hosts to find ways to balance heightened security requirements with access for our neighbors, relatives and guests, and to do it in a nondiscriminatory manner."

So when the risk assessment committee met both Tuesday and Wednesday, among the recommendations was to lift guest sponsorships, for both American and Marshallese visitors.

The men's and women's softball season resumed with Marshallese teams Wednesday night (see related story, page 12). Marshallese Shopping Day remains on the calendar for Sept. 29.

But many Threatcon measures are still in effect including the 100 percent ID checks at all facilities and the parking of vehicles away from buildings.

The launderette has not reopened because of the inherent inclusion of numerous large bags, bags that would have to be searched and could not all be searched because of the number.

Also, the kids who come from Ebeye to collect water will not be working. Instead, spigots have been installed at the Ebeye water plant to provide the islanders with fresh water. (See

related story, opposite page.)

New FAA regulations have tightened boarding procedures at Bucholz Army Airfield. So much so, only passengers may go inside the terminal, thus cutting off the Micronesians Shop from its customers.

"We may have to look at relocating the Mic Shop," Wrenn said.

"Things changed in America on Sept. 11," Morris said. "We will never go back to the laissez faire lifestyles we enjoyed in the states. We're currently looking at ways to reduce inconveniences to the greatest extent possible, but security will always be our overriding concern."

(See related announcement, page 3.)

Prior to the terrorist attacks, however, rules for Entry-Exit changed, and Wrenn addressed those changes, as well. The command increased the time off-island visitors may stay from 30 up to 60 days. USAKA also put limits on domestics — three days a week for unaccompanied personnel maids and 60 hours a week for accompanied personnel nannies.

"We were flooded with waiver requests, and we granted two," Wrenn said. "You're going to have to make a compelling argument for me to overturn that rule."

'Show me the money'

The atmosphere continued as Wrenn discussed upcoming budget cuts and the news wasn't good. Over the next two years, the command will receive a \$25 million cut.

After the current fiscal year, which ends Oct. 1, the command will drop from a Congressional allotment of \$155 million in FY '01 to \$147 million in FY '02. The allotment drops to \$130 million in FY '03.

Some of that decrease can be attributed to the Kwajalein Modernization and Remoting program, Morris said. When proposing KMAR in 1997, the command told Congress it would save \$17 million by FY '03, and if Congress would fund the program, they could take the \$17 million out of the budget in that year. Congress did not fund the program, but did decrement the USAKA budget beginning in FY 03.

"We went ahead with KMAR because it was the right thing to do," Morris said, adding that the command likely won't see the entire \$17 million in savings either.

"We've got to figure out in next two years how to cut \$25 million," Wrenn said.

"We're a \$200 million a year operation," he continued.

The difference from \$200 million and \$155 million comes from about \$50 million in user

fees charged to customers, such as the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization and Air Force. One option, besides cuts, would be to raise fees, but the Range is quickly pricing itself out of business, Wrenn said.

One example, this month, came with a proposal to the Theater High Altitude Area Defense, or THAAD program. Range officials reworked numbers and cut an initial proposal by nearly half before presenting it to THAAD officials on Sept. 10. THAAD is now reviewing the RTS proposal alongside those from other ranges.

The program could bring up to \$100 million in user fees over the life of the program, Wrenn said, and the Range is crossing its fingers.

The command has been cutting costs already, with \$7-\$8 million in savings during FY '00 and another \$9 million in FY '01. But more cuts are coming.

"Some cuts hit home and they are rather personal," Wrenn said, announcing the Hospital may cut mammography service.

"I really want to hear from the ladies," he added.

A special meeting for Kwajalein Roi women will be held Monday, 11 a.m., at CRC Room 6. Wrenn asked that men not attend, besides himself, RSE Site Manager John Wallace and Dr. Eric Lindborg, Kwajalein hospital chief medical officer, who are all linked to the program.

Other cuts came from smaller revenue consumers.

"We got down to the level of Fourth of July fireworks, \$50,000, and we said, '[it's] not worth cutting,'" Wrenn said.

On the suggestion of one resident, Wrenn said closing the schools was not an option.

The schools are needed to attract customers such as THAAD, which would send employees to Kwajalein, as well as recruit people for the Range, many in technical positions.

"I'm not looking for kids just out of college," Wrenn said of those positions. "I want a 35-year-old with a masters degree, who is working on a doctorate, has some years of experience, and those people are going to have a family."

Studies showed that the Range would have to increase pay 200 percent or more to entice some workers to leave families in the states, he said.

The command, however, is working other cost-savings measures.

The Department of Defense continues to forward its Pacific Range Architecture, which is similar to the USAKA Vision 2015 in that it

(See *Rebid*, page 11)

Rebid offers next contractor 20-year deal, one contract

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establishes a pan-Pacific range. Launch sites at Kodiak, Alaska, and Vandenberg Air Force Base would work in conjunction with the intercept sites at the Pacific Missile Range Facility in Hawaii and Kwajalein.

Combined with mobile sensors, moved around the architecture as needed, personnel costs on Kwaj and elsewhere would drop as technicians for the multi-facility range were consolidated.

The key remains fiber optics, which would allow for the transmission of data worldwide and the remoting of key functions, including the control center.

"That is the key enabler," Morris said.

"Give me fiber, and I can move half this island off," Wrenn said, adding he still intends to remote space surveillance functions to Colorado Springs by FY'03, with or without fiber.

Not all 'doom and gloom.'

The commander announced proposals for a new cold storage warehouse had reached the final steps for approval at the Congressional Appropriations Committee. An in-flight communication system had also reached a final funding phase.

RSE will restart housing renovations on Jan. 15.

"In the spirit of partnering, Raytheon worked with us to bring the costs down from \$6-\$7 million to \$3 million," Wrenn said. "Raytheon really stepped up to the plate."

Rebid, Rebid, Rebid

The present represents a difficult time for islanders, as all major contracts go through rebid process, Wrenn said.

A new law enforcement contract will be awarded Nov 1, while Aeromet and others are vying for the meteorological contract.

Raytheon, among others, is working to win the two largest contracts, the technical and logistics contracts, which for the first time may be awarded to a single company or conglomeration. Also new this go-around, the single contract has a life of up to 20 years.

The contract holds a standard four year life cycle with seven two-year options and a final two-year government option to allow for the next rebid process.

"I think it's great," Wrenn said. "The contractor will be here 20 years. They'll have a vested interest. This will really become his island. You get his buy-in."

The new contract will also offer the winner costs, plus an award fee, unlike the current contract which gives out fixed costs, annual profits and award fees.

"They said they'd rather have the knowledge they'd be here for awhile," Wrenn said.

The colonel said a draft request for proposal, outlining contract requirements went out to bidders in July. Bidders returned with 200 questions. The final RFP will be issued in October, giving bidders 60 days to file proposals. The Army hopes to select the new contractor by May or June 2002, with that contractor beginning the transition on Oct. 1. Final takeover should be completed by Jan. 1, 2003.

Ebeye water plant pumping fresh water, more to come

By Jim Bennett
Editor

Ebeye residents have fresh, clean drinking water on the island now after a multimillion dollar effort to revitalize the system. And more improvements are in the works, planned before, but spurred on by recent Threatcon measures, according to Maj. David Coffey, USAKA chief Host Nation Office.

Following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the U.S., USAKA stood up Threatcon Charlie measures, one of which was to stop water carriers from coming to Kwajalein. Consequently, Host Nation pushed forward a plan to open spigots from the Ebeye water plants at various locations on the island.

"It is impossible to allow multiple containers on the ferries at a time when we are concerned about safety and are required to search everything," Coffey said. "Even if this attack had not occurred, we usually raise our Threatcon for every NMD test and with the projected increase in test tempo, we can anticipate regular interruptions in the water transport if we don't just move [it] to Ebeye."

"We thought it was a good time to implement that plan because the water on Ebeye is now consistent and potable to our standards," he added.

Since September 2000, workers from American Samoa Power Authority have rebuilt reverse osmosis units within the old water plant and installed new reverse osmosis units at a new plant, together producing 550,000 gallons of water a day, said Tusi Faafeta, ASPA manager.

The estimated 12,000 residents on Ebeye currently consume 750,000 to one million gallons each day. And most people have catchments supplementing their water plant-fed supply.

Five 250,000-gallon tanks located near the Ebeye public schools hold the water. Three hold fresh water and two more hold salt water for a non-potable sewer system. The fresh water, tested weekly by USAKA, passes all U.S. standards for bacterial content, Coffey added.

ASPA has plans, beginning early

next year, to build two more water plants, each producing 250,000 gallons a day, bringing the level up to where residents really need it.

The plants are the result of a \$3.7 million matching grant to the Marshallese government from the U.S. Department of Interior.

ASPA also has plans to clean and replace or, if necessary, install pipes to all houses on Ebeye by Christmas, Coffey said, eliminating the need for spigots or water carriers.

The new spigots and cessation of water carriers answers other concerns, as well, Coffey said.

During the Community Relations Council meeting on Aug. 29, USAKA and RMI officials agreed to address complaints regarding the overcrowded conditions on USAKA ferries, largely related to the amount of cargo, specifically water containers and laundry.

"We discussed many solutions, but the one easiest to implement and enthusiastically supported by everyone present, was to develop a plan to inform the residents of Ebeye about the recent upgrades to the Ebeye water system, and that there is no longer a need for the waterboys to ride the ferries," Coffey said. "Right now, legions of young boys are carrying heavy water canisters to Kwajalein several times per day. The containers take up much of the room on the ferries and often block exits used in emergency situations. These heavy containers are the source of much complaining from other passengers and they make it dangerous for the kids transiting off and on the ferries."

Likewise, a cholera outbreak hit Ebeye in December, and officials with the Centers for Disease Control tracked the illnesses to water containers used to transport water from Kwajalein to Ebeye.

"This is reason enough to move the spigots to Ebeye," Coffey said. "Then the residents won't have to fill as many containers and can allow them to dry out between uses since they can walk down the road and get more water at any time."

U.S. attacks disrupt local softball season

Ebeye teams return to field this week, games to be made up during weekends

By Bruce Sinkula
Sports Writer

Twenty-nine teams began play earlier this month, as the fall softball season kicked off on Sept. 7, with 10 teams seeing action on opening night. However, the tragic events of Sept. 11 in New York City and Washington, D.C. disrupted the softball season, causing numerous games to be postponed.

The implementation of Threatcon Delta, later downgraded to Charlie, last week forced the postponement of "over 20 games," according to Ian West, supervisor of Adult Athletics for Community Activities. All postponements involved teams with large Ebeye contingents.

Access to Kwajalein by Ebeye residents had been restricted to individuals with official business on the island. This included badged and domestic workers, as well as school children.

Maj. Mark Harmon, USAKA provost marshal noted, "that over time, certain Threatcon Charlie measures can be tightened or relaxed on a case-by-case basis. That is totally the commander's prerogative."

Col. Curtis L. Wrenn Jr. exercised that prerogative on Wednesday when he granted access to Kwajalein by Ebeye residents who participate in sponsorship programs, according to Harmon. The fall softball season is back on track.

West said the postponed games are going to be rescheduled, generally on the weekends.

He said the playoffs will likely be modified rather than extend the season beyond Oct. 20. Details will follow, he added.

Around the leagues

Participation from Ebeye is very strong this season. Ebeye residents make up a significant portion of 14 team rosters — spanning every division.

Over half of the men's teams, 12 total, signed up for C Division play, necessitating East and West divisions.

The defending champion Podunkers, the Guppies and the Criminals return to do battle in the Men's A division. They are joined by a strong RMI team called She-I-Ik-Ki-Ki.

Six teams populate the Men's D Division, including two of the three Spartan boys teams.

The Spartan I girls team is back to defend



(Photo by Jim Bennett)

G-4 second baseman Noda Lojkar gets ready to make a throw to first base during a Wednesday softball game at Brandon Field.

their spring A division title with 30-Something, Homeplate and Jab Elik lik trying to unseat them.

Three teams comprise the Women's B division including the Spartans II girls team.

Adult Softball Schedule

Saturday

5:15 p.m. ... She-I-Ik-Ki-Ki/Podunkers Dally
5:15 p.m. ... Ebeye Doves/G-4 Brandon
5:15 p.m. ... 30-Something/J. Elik Elik ... Ragan

Monday

4 p.m. HB Monnin/Spartans 1 Dally
4 p.m. Sp II Ladies/Scrubs Ragan
5:30 p.m. ... Q. of Peace/Da Bomb Brandon
5:30 p.m. ... Housing/Spartans 3 Dally
5:30 p.m. ... Sp I Ladies/Homeplate Ragan

Tuesday

5:15 p.m. ... Maika/Gummos Dally
5:15 p.m. ... Nike/G-4 Brandon
5:15 p.m. ... Sp II Ladies/Scrubs Ragan
6:45 p.m. ... HB Monnin/Mix Plate Brandon
8 p.m. Barnacles/Spartans 1 Brandon

Wednesday

5:15 p.m. ... Spartans 2/Calvary Dally
5:15 p.m. ... E. Doves/Coast Guard ... Brandon
5:15 p.m. ... Sp I Ladies/30-Something . Ragan
6:45 p.m. ... Brothers All/Tarlang Brandon
8 p.m. Podunkers/Criminals Brandon

Thursday

5:15 p.m. ... Maika/Barnacles Dally
5:15 p.m. ... She-I-Ik-Ki-Ki/Guppies Brandon
5:15 p.m. ... Lady Doves/Scrubs Ragan
6:45 p.m. ... G-4/Coast Guard Brandon

Friday

5:15 p.m. ... Spartans 2/Q of Peace Dally
5:15 p.m. ... E. Doves/Tarlang Brandon
5:15 p.m. ... Sp I Ladies/J. Elik Lik Ragan
6:45 p.m. ... She-I-Ik-./Criminals Brandon

KRC Columbus Day Roundabout record books growing dusty

From Kwajalein Running Club

Ten of the 15 records for the Columbus Day Runabout have been around since the 1980s. In fact, only two new records, both in 2000, have been set in the last eight years.

Runners will get a chance at history at the Kwajalein Running Club's 24th Annual Columbus Day Runabout. The event is scheduled for 6 a.m., Tuesday, Oct. 9.

Registration forms with race information are available at the mini-mall bulletin board. Preregistration is Saturday, Oct. 6; otherwise, a late registration fee applies.

The course is basically the paved road perimeter of Kwajalein island, starting and ending at Namu Weto Youth Center. One loop is 6.52 miles; two loops make 13.04 miles.

As longtime race director Eric Lindborg used to say, "In case you don't already have anything penciled in on that 6 a.m. slot for the Columbus Day holiday, please consider the Columbus Day Runabout."

Registered participants will receive custom commemorative T-Shirts.

Questions? Call Bob and Jane, 51815, Qtrs. 457-A.

MEN'S COMPETITION RECORDS

Dist.	Category	Record Holder	Record	Year
¼	Under 13	Daniel Radcliff	45:16	1984
¼	13-21	Scott Davis	36:53	1983
¼	Open	Bob Sholar	39:10	1983
¼	Masters	Larry Moore	43:12	1980
½	Under 13	Kenny Jourdan	1:52:50	1983
½	13-21	David Rehman	1:40:43	2000
½	Open	Bob Sholar	1:22:06	1993
½	Masters	Dennis Fitzgerald	1:23:26	1980

WOMEN'S COMPETITION RECORDS

Dist.	Category	Record Holder	Record	Year
¼	Under 13	Jennifer Homan	50:40	1983
¼	13-21	Jennifer Homan	52:54	1985
¼	Open	Brigid Shank	43:33	1991
¼	Masters	Carolyn Homan	51:02	1985
½	Under 21	Cindy Ward	2:04:05	1981
½	Open	S. Greenbaum	1:41:32	2000
½	Masters	Laura Clark	1:43:03	1991

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CAFÉ PACIFIC



Lunch

Sat	Spicy tofu and vegetables ★ Chicken teriyaki Beef empanadas Grill: Italian meatball sandwich
Sun	Garden vegetable quiche ★ Honey-glazed ham Country-fried chicken Grill: Brunch station open
Mon	Brunch station open ★ Skillet-fried pork chops Italian pasta bar
Tues	Eggplant parmesan ★ Braised Swiss steak Greek-style roast chicken Grill: Ham and Swiss sandwich
Wed	Top-your-own taco bar ★ Baja-style roast pork Lime cilantro mahi mahi Grill: Chicken and chili quesadilla
Thur	Tofu and vegetable stir-fry ★ Penne with beef ragu Grilled ham steak Grill: Barbecued beef and cheddar
Fri	Spinach and mushroom lasagna ★ Beef and sausage lasagna Fish and chips Grill: Philly steak sandwich ★ <i>This symbol denotes the Wellness menu</i>
Dinner	
Tonight	Chicken and vegetable stir-fry ★ Char siu roast pork Korean short ribs
Sat	Assorted baked pizzas (if oven is operating) ★ Southern-fried chicken Seared pork chops
Sun	Sizzling fajitas to order ★ Ensenada roast pork Texas-style chili
Mon	Sesame ginger tofu ★ Marinated flank steak Roasted turkey
Tues	Oven-baked breaded mahi mahi ★ Savory beef brisket Cajun honey pork loin
Wed	Fettuccine a la primavera ★ Roast prime rib Apple-glazed chicken
Thur	"Da Kine" ono saimin bar ★ Chicken Hekka Mongolian beef
Fri	Grilled citrus salmon ★ Country-fried chicken Grilled herb pork chops

HELP WANTED

The following on-island positions are open with Raytheon. For more information or to submit a resumé or application, call HR employment, Andrea Dixon, 53705.

DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR, Safety and Environmental Dept. Full time. OTIS database administration. Responsibilities include managing database of employee training required through USAKA, OSHA, EPA and DOT programs and expansion of the OTIS program to include other departmental requirements, schedule and coordinate training events and notifications to employees and managers and generate reports. Seeking candidate with previous database management experience.

ASSISTANT RETAIL MANAGER, Macy's. Full time. Responsibilities include supervision and development of staff and management of facilities and inventory. Looking for candidates with experience in planning, organizing, directing and controlling retail store operations and merchandising. Must possess strong leadership and customer-service skills, as well as decisiveness and quality decision-making.

RETAIL MANAGER, Gimbel's. Full time. Responsible for supervision and development of staff and management of Gimbel's and Third Island retail stores on Roi-Namur. Looking for candidates with experience in planning, organizing, directing and controlling retail store operations and merchandising. Must possess strong leadership and customer-service skills, as well as decisiveness and quality decision-making. Must be able to manage effectively with a high-degree of autonomy due to distance from central office on Kwajalein.

LIBRARY AIDE, Grace Sherwood Library. Casual. Duties include data entry, shelving and check-out of books. Seeking mature, responsible individual to work six to 10 hours per week in the afternoons, with occasional evening or weekend hours.

HOBBY SHOP COORDINATOR. Full time. Position involves supervising and scheduling staff, ordering supplies, working with computers, keeping office records and providing customer service. Ideal candidate will have bachelor's degree in related field, experience in woodworking, ceramics, pottery, photo developing and office skills.

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

WANTED

PIANO TEACHER for eight-year-old girl. Call 51800.

SNAP-N-GO stroller frame that infant carseat fits into. Call Mary, 52793.

CHEAP GUITAR amplifier, with or without electric guitar. Call 52344.

INDIVIDUAL NEEDED for teaching guitar lessons to my son and myself. Call Geary at 52345.

LOST

BEAUTIFUL 5' plant with pretty green and white leaf pattern from front of Qtrs. 126-B. Lots of sentimental value. Call Ann, 52293.

FOUND

WATCH at Youth Center. Call Audra, Community Activities, 53331.

CLASSES AND COURSES

KDA BALLROOM dance classes begin Friday and Saturday, Sept. 28-29. Introductory level four-week sessions of swing, waltz, rumba, salsa, tango and cha cha are being offered. Partner required; call if you need one. To register, call Donna, 53470, no later than Thursday.

BIBLICAL discipleship training course begins Oct. 12. Call Joan, 54519, or e-mail at joan@seventh-son.com, or Susannah, 52188, or e-mail at jazzy@cwia.com.

WOULD-BE LIFEGUARDS. Pools and Beaches is looking for people interested in lifeguarding. Sign up for the lifeguard certification class that begins Sept. 26. Space is limited, so reserve your spot quickly. Call Kristin, 52847.

TOEFL exam is scheduled for Oct. 20. If you are not registered, you must do so right away. For more information, call Community Education, 51078.

INTERMEDIATE SEWING class is open for registration. Classes begin first week in October. For more information or to register, call Community Education, 51078.

PATIO SALES

MONDAY, 7-11 a.m., Qtrs. 120-B (in back).

MONDAY, 8-11 a.m., Qtrs. 204-B. PCS sale.

FOR SALE

FULL-SIZE loft, \$100; small BCD, \$60; rollerblades, size 10½, with pads and helmet, \$80; golf bag. Call 54168.

CRIB and MATTRESS, \$75; Graco five-way Pack 'n Play, new, \$125; LL Bean infant/toddler backpack, \$25; medium pet carrier, \$20. Call 53470, evenings.

KELTY baby backpack, almost new, perfect for trips, must see, \$100 new, will sell for

Due to security requirements at the airport terminal, the Mic Shop will be closed until further notice. For information, call Susan, 58062.

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Kwajalein Community Team Building presents:

Introduction to Marhallee culture, everything you wanted to know but were afraid to ask.

Alfred Romeo and Alan Taylor, RSE training specialists, will answer your questions Friday, Sept. 28, 7 p.m., in CAC Room 6.

Small Arms Range Notice

The Small Arms Range will be in operation Tuesday, Sept. 25, 8 a.m.-noon. Avoid the hazard area shown below.

All watercraft observe the red flags on the southwest end of the island.



TOWN HALL MEETING

Roi-Namur, tomorrow, 6:30 p.m., in the Tradewinds Theater.

Kwajalein Dance Association

KDA's first communitywide dance party of the season is Sunday, 7:30-10 p.m., in the MP room.

Free admission

singles and couples, teens and adults



Introductory group lesson, 7:30-8 p.m.

Open dancing until 10 p.m.

Appropriate footwear recommended.



Come check out the world of social dancing.

Bring your own non-alcoholic beverage. For more information, call Donna, 53470.

\$25; Mikasa dish set, some chipped/missing, includes plates, dessert plates, bowls, cups and saucers for eight, \$10. Call 52379

FULL-SIZE brass headboard, like new, \$40. Call Janet, 51668.

PLANTS, various sizes. See in back of Qtrs. 407-B. Call 51229.

MEAD ETX 6" telescope, \$800. Call Eric, 53336 and leave a message.

UNIDEN WIN-CE, PDA, 120 Mhz, 20 MB RAM and accessories, \$120; Sharp palmtop computer with 16 MB RAM, WIN-CE, two batteries and accessories, \$225; Serles personal organizer 3A with manual, \$50; computer desk, good condition, \$50; bookshelf, \$40; scuba gear: BCD, mask, computer, regulator and more, \$600. Call 54197.

BOY'S winter and summer clothes, size 2T,

pajamas, coat, shoes and sandals. Call 53585.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

WATER TAXIS and private boats may dock at Kwajalein, but may not be left unattended.

CUB SCOUT Pack 135 meeting and bicycle rodeo is Monday, 3 p.m., at the CAC. For details, call your den leader, or Steve, 52517.

KWAJALEIN SCUBA Club's September meeting is canceled. The next meeting is Wednesday, Oct. 10.

THE ART GUILD stained glass exhibit and open house is Sunday. Anyone interested in showing their work should call Dana, 54216. Enthusiasts are encouraged to bring copies of their favorite patterns to share and swap glass.



Sunday, Oct. 21,

4:30-11 p.m., at the Vets' Hall

Tickets on sale Monday, Sept. 24, and Monday, Oct. 1, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at the mini-mall. This is a sell-out event, so get yours quick.

Great German food and beverages, adult and children's games, music, yodeling contest, dancing and more.

Adults \$15, Kids \$5



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KGA presents the
2001 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Oct. 7-9, 14-15, at Holmberg Fairways.
Open to all KGA members only with established handicaps. Qualification through Oct. 1. See posted qualification rules at the golf course. For more information, call Mark Bradshaw, 53661.

RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT is Sunday and Monday. All interested participants should sign up at Community Activities. Fee is \$10. Questions? Call Ian, 53331.

KWAJ KWILTERS meeting is Tuesday, 7 p.m., in CRC Room 1. Bring your summer projects, questions and ideas. Beginners and newcomers welcome. Questions? Call Alysse, 55601.

KWAJALEIN FAMILY History Center is open Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m., in CRC Room 3. All island residents are welcome to use CDs, microfilms, microfiche and the Internet. Just starting? No problem, instruction is provided.

ANYONE INTERESTED in participating in a Kwajalein Genealogy Club, call 53140, or come to CRC Room 3, Kwajalein Family History Library, Tuesday, 7 p.m. Bring a friend.

TO ALL UPH residents. Housing will issue NEW meal cards Sept. 25 - 29. Housing representatives will be in front of Café Pacific during lunchtimes ONLY to issue new meal cards and receive OLD meal

cards. If you are going off island or know of someone who is off island, contact Rhonda, Sharon or Pinky at 53593. If you have questions, contact BQ Housing, 53593

KWAJALEIN DANCE Association's free communitywide dance party of the season is Sunday, Sept. 23, at the MP room. Teens and adults welcome. Dance class from 7:30-8 p.m., open dancing until 10 p.m. BYO non-alcoholic beverage. Call Donna at 53470 for more information.

KWAJALEIN ALCOHOLICS Anonymous meets Wednesdays and Saturdays, 6:30 p.m., in Building 932. If you have the desire to quit drinking, call 51143 and leave a message. We will get back to you.

ALCOHOLICS Anonymous meets on Roi-Namur at Tr. 8311, Tuesdays and Fridays, 7 p.m. (note time change). If you have a desire to quit drinking, call 56292 to leave a message. We will get back to you.

Col. Enrique Janer, inspector general for the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, will offer walk-in visits for Kwajalein residents on Friday and Monday, and for Roi-Namur residents on Saturday. For more information, call 50206 or 50216.



Tomorrow,
6 p.m.,
at Emon
Beach.
Burgers, dogs
and more by
Sodexo
USA
Sunday,
8 p.m.,
at Outrigger
Bar,
Roi-Namur



This week at Gilligan's

★ Tonight ★
DJ Chris Eskew
plays the hottest music on the Billboard charts, 7-11 p.m.

★ Saturday ★
Feel the heat of merengue, salsa and reggae, with a spice of hip hop. Caribe Dancehall night with special guest DJ "Estillo," 8 p.m.-2 a.m.

★ Sunday ★
CPN DJ Rich Feagler plays the dance tunes, 8 p.m.-2 a.m.

Tuesday Night Football



on the
BIG SCREEN

7 p.m., Tuesdays, at the OCEANVIEW CLUB

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Tuesday issue: noon Friday
Friday issue: noon Wednesday

See you at the movies!

Saturday

Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey (1993, G)

Two dogs and a cat make a long trek across the Sierra Nevadas to find their way home. Along the way, they encounter a number of dangers, including bears, mountain lions and a violent waterfall. Meanwhile, their owners (Robert Hays and Kim Greist) find out about their disappearance and begin a frantic campaign to locate the missing pets. (Voices of Michael J. Fox, Don Ameche) (85 minutes)

Richardson Theater, 7:30 p.m.

The Forsaken (New Release, R)

A lone traveler picks up a couple of hitchhikers. Bad idea, because they're infected with a vampire virus — and soon so is he. The only way out is to track down and kill the 900-year-old host organism. (Kerr Smith) (90 minutes)

Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.

Sarafina (1992, PG-13)

Musical about a young student in apartheid South Africa whose teacher inspires her to dream of a better tomorrow. (Leleti Khumalo, Whoopi Goldberg) (96 minutes)

Tradewinds Theater, 8 p.m.

Sunday

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Yokwe Yuk Theater, 8 p.m.



Six-year old Kelsey Godfrey, left, and Marty Dietrich, 7, decorate posters last Friday at the Child Development Center. The posters ask residents to save boxtops and labels to help Ebeye's Headstart program.

(Photo by KW Hillis)

CDC label drive to benefit Ebeye Headstart

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

In a time-honored childhood tradition, 15 children from the before-and-after-school Child Development Center program are collecting boxtops, labels, lids and UPC codes hoping to save up enough for toys and special items.

But these first- through sixth-graders aren't badgering their parents to buy one more box of cereal for that secret decoder ring. With hand-lettered and decorated posters depicting flowers, hearts and smiling suns, the children are asking the entire community to save packaging from certain food products to help the Ebeye Headstart program acquire toys and books.

"The children decided they would rather buy stuff for the schools on Ebeye than the schools here because they felt the need was greater," said Trina Tiffany, Kwajalein CDC supervisor.

Nine-year-old Carrie West, who had just finished a heart-festooned poster, agreed, "They don't have as many toys as we do."

General Mills' "Boxtops for Education" gives money for boxtops saved from their products, while Campbell Soup Company's "Labels for Education" will send age- and grade-based educational items ranging from toys to a minivan for labels, lids and UPC codes collected from their products. Web sites listing qualifying products are www.boxtops4education.com and www.labelsforeducation.com.

Boxes for collection and made-up labels next to the products that qualify will be in both Surfway and Ten Ten, Tiffany said, explaining that this is an on-going project and the money from General Mills will be used to buy books.

As of Friday, before the posters or collection boxes were available, the children had counted and bundled 75 labels and 55 box tops.

Even if residents don't have small children they can help, said Amanda Bronson, 11.

"Some people like to drink V-8 and other stuff and can save those labels," she explained.

WEATHER
Courtesy of Aeromet



Sun • Moon • Tides



Tonight: Mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers.
Winds: East to southeast at 5 to 10 knots.
Tomorrow: Partly sunny with isolated showers.
Winds: East-northeast to east-southeast at 6 to 12 knots.
Temperature: Tonight's low 78°
Tomorrow's high 87°
September rain total: 2.99"
Annual rain total: 37.88"
Annual deviation: -29.60"
Call 54700 for continuously updated forecasts and sea conditions.

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Saturday September 22	0638/1845	1050/2251	0652, 4.8' 1911, 5.1'	0051, 1.0' 1252, 1.2'
Sunday September 23	0638/1845	1145/2341	0724, 4.2' 1948, 4.6'	0130, 1.5' 1319, 1.7'
Monday September 24	0638/1844	1239 1st Qtr.	0759, 3.6' 2039, 4.2'	0217, 2.1' 1347, 2.2'
Tuesday September 25	0638/1844	1331/0033	0909, 3.1' 2246, 3.8'	0345, 2.6' 1432, 2.7'