

#### Letters to the editor

# Resident questions pricing of food, retail items

As everyone knows, Kwajalein Range Services retail started a campaign to try and justify the current food price increase over the last 18 months. The problem with escalated food prices does exist, and is an easy fix. Lower the food and tobacco prices to compete with online shopping and comparable with the military pricing. The statement made in The Hourglass stating the increased Internet shopping is the culprit of excess inventory is true. The only way the online shopping will cease in this community is to lower the prices on all the Ten-Ten and Surfway facilities. If not, more people will use alternatives to save money, instead of putting a large chunk of their paychecks back for everyday needs.

With 57 percent markup on cigarette prices over the past year, more Kwaj

residents are seeking online shopping. Why would Kwaj residents want to pay \$42 for a cartoon of cigarettes at our company retail store, when they can be purchased online and receive three cartons for the price it costs on island for one carton? Anyone with KEAMS access can see the cigarettes are being purchased through KEAMS for about \$11 per carton. If Kwaj retail will check the tobacco sales, they will see that purchases have dropped drastically, and more residents are shopping online. Now retail will have a warehouse full of (tax free) tobacco products to go with the other overpriced items. Stated in The Hourglass, Ten-Ten and Surfway food prices are marked for general overhead and labor charges? I am wondering what supposed overhead there is when

there is no cost to retail in shipping the food items? Shipping is paid by the Army. Is this the justification to mark the food and (duty free) tobacco items up beyond stateside pricing, and more comparable to Ebeye pricing?

To make a long response understandable to Kwajalein retail: People are working and living on Kwajalein, in a remote location to get ahead. We are not working to put all our money back into retail services, or health insurance just to get by. Someone needs to realize that a lower cost of retail food, tobacco and alcohol items are the key to retention of the Kwajalein workforce and need to fix the problem.

Concerned Resident Name withheld by request

## Kwajalein Range Services responds to pricing concerns

Dear Concerned Resident:

I appreciate the opportunity to address the issues that you raise, because they are undoubtedly shared by many island residents. I hope I can clarify the pricing of our retail merchandise, though it is somewhat complex. Keep in mind that when you have individual questions or suggestions, you can contact Kwajalein Range Services Retail Merchandising by telephone at 53307, or by e-mail to retail@smdck.smdc.army.mil.

First, though it is not mentioned in your letter, I'd like everyone to understand that KRS does not receive a share of the store sales as profit, as would be the case for a conventional store. Our situation is closer – though not identical – to a military base store, where sales prices must cover the price of purchasing plus operating costs. If our store sells items for more than those costs, the extra amount goes into the Recreation Fund. Our prices are set two different ways – one for food, and one for all other items.

Food, which includes canned goods, frozen meats, produce, and dairy, is marked up only by the amount that covers operating costs. These include store labor, general supplies like paper bags, cleaning supplies, and ever-increasing credit card fees. The stores also absorb losses

for damaged goods, out-of-date merchandise, and spoilage. Fortunately, transportation from CONUS to Kwajalein is paid by the Army, which is what allows us to price goods at a reasonable level. In answer to your question, store labor is not paid for by the government and, therefore, is part of our overhead cost. Food prices are a concern for everybody, so we monitor them carefully against the U.S. Department of Labor Producer Price Index. On average, Kwajalein food prices are rising at a slower rate than CONUS prices for the same commodity groups.

For non-food items, which include tobacco, alcohol, clothing, household goods, giftware, toys, electronics, and the like, Retail Merchandising's goal is to stay close to the everyday pricing that one would see at a store in a small community with similar population. Due to our small customer base here, we are unable to provide pricing you might see at a large chain store or military exchange. The reason for this is rather simple: Suppliers give the largest discounts to their largest customers, which are chain stores and large Internet retailers who buy in much greater volume than we can. Consequently, the wholesale prices our stores pay are higher than chain stores and Internet

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#### THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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# **Dock Security Checkpoint Building damaged**

# Facility vandalized in an alcohol-related incident

By Nell Drumheller Editor

The dock security checkpoint building flooded with approximately four inches of water on Halloween, and it didn't have anything to do with ghosts or goblins.

At approximately 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 31, at the dock security checkpoint, a young, intoxicated Marshallese man pulled a water pipe out of the wall in the men's restroom, causing pressurized water to burst out of the wall.

A suspect in the vandalism has been apprehended, according to Kwajalein Police Department Chief Joe Barnes

"KPD Lead Investigator Yoshi Kemem was able to find an eyewitness to the incident that then led to the suspect apprehension. Based on the excellent police work of Investigator Kemem the suspect did confess the next day, which then led to the apprehension of the person who illegally sold, through black-market means, the alcohol to the vandal," Barnes said.

Barnes described the circumstances leading to the vandalism, "This young man paid another to purchase a bottle of alcohol. The suspect consumed the entire amount before going to the DSC. In his confession, the vandal stated, 'I wanted to feel like a man." The vandal is a 22-year-old Marshallese local national and the black marketer is a 50-year-old of Asian Pacific nationality, Barnes said.

"Because of the extent of damage, KPD will make the recommendation to the [U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll] provost marshal that both the black-marketer and vandal be permanently barred from the installation of Kwajalein," Barnes said.

Business was brisk on Oct. 31. On island trick or treating, with young people going house to house for

handouts of candy, started at 6 p.m. Many parents and children came from Ebeye to participate in the holiday. "DSC was busy [on Oct. 31], and thanks to the quick reaction of the KPD officers on duty, we were able to set up an alternate processing station outside at the gate leading to the pier," Barnes explained.

Barnes said DSC personnel set up portable barriers outside the front door where officers directed them to the side gate leading to the pier. "While that operation was in play, the remaining officers, to include the Deputy Chief Moses Moreno, immediately began the process of trying to get the water out using two shop vacuums and push brooms. Of course, our greatest concern was the electronic equipment used daily in the processing of personnel in and out of DSC." This equipment includes X-ray machines, metal detectors and the Electronic Badge System.

Barnes said additional personnel were not required to support the entry-exit procedures of dock security that night or to aid in the clean up. "We did have to call in Cpl. Joe Brown, who specializes in our video surveillance system. He helped us recover the subject coming out of the restroom after the vandalism was done," he said.

"Many who are in the business of selling or providing alcohol for another can never know what may happen in the end. You may not win a popularity contest by refusing to buy alcohol for someone, but you'll not have to worry about the consequences of another's actions either. Excessive alcohol consumption leads to ignorant displays of behavior," Barnes added.

He advised, "Everyone should know their limits, because in the moments after you exceed your limit and not in full control of your actions could very well result in something you regret. Those involved in this are now subject to loosing their livelihood and means of supporting their families. So many lose out as a result of stupidity!"

The cost of the damage caused by the vandalism has been identified as up to \$5,000.

# Raw sewage in lagoon closes Kwajalein beaches

### Accidental discharge from Coast Guard vessel creates environmental concern

#### Hourglass reports

At approximately 6:30 p.m. on Sunday an accidental sewage spill into the Kwajalein lagoon resulted in the lagoon-side beaches being closed.

"As you can imagine, raw sewage in the water is not a good thing, and we do not want anyone exposed to that. We could not determine the direction of the spilled material flow, so as a precaution, we closed the beaches until we could test and determine that we have no contamination," explained Dick Nugent, Kwajalein Range Services Environmental, Safety and Health manager. He determined the beaches needed to be closed.

"The U.S. Coast Guard ship Sequoia

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 Services Environmental, Safety and Health manager was pumping sewage into the sewage lift station at Echo pier," Nugent said. "During the evolution, it appears [has not been confirmed] that the pump was overloaded and this resulted in a spill estimated at 100 gallons. We are attempting to confirm the amount."

The beaches remained closed until test results were negative for raw sewage. Nugent said when the test results achieved an acceptable level of contamination, reopening would occur.

The beaches had reopened at press time.



'Rock fever' can make Kwajalein residents long for the open road and changes of scenery.

# Returning home after vacation can be stressful, difficult, sometimes depressing

By J.J. Klein Reporter

If the thought, 'Ah, it's good to be home' is the farthest thing from your mind when you return from vacation, then you might be someone who struggles with post-vacation blues.

Post-vacation blues are characterized by a feeling of gloominess, trouble getting back to the routine of everyday life, and difficulty getting motivated stopping just short of depression.

"We are mourning the loss of that precious vacation time, sadly acknowledging that we wish we could have had more time away, more time to play, more time to savor our 'vacation self" is how *Fitness Quest* Web site describes post-vacation blues.

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— Sarah Thomas, frequent world traveler

The irony is that most people take a vacation from their job and their daily life to reenergize and renew, hoping to bring this attitude of renewal back with them. Unfortunately, this isn't always the case.

The Hourglass spoke with Kwajalein residents who were gracious in sharing their thoughts on this subject. The names of individuals have been changed to protect their anonymity.

"Just before I board the plane to come back I'll get this feeling like I really don't want to go back," said John Mann, his last vacation was a year ago. "It's not because the vacation was so great, it's that I don't look forward to going back to the grind."

"After returning from vacation, I experience feelings of being letdown or gloomy," said Sarah Thomas, a frequent world traveler, "usually soon after the plane has landed, and I realize it is back to reality.

"As a side note, living on Kwaj is different in the fact that we are seeing the same people day after day and when on vacation it is refreshing to be among strangers for awhile," she added.

For Kim Smith, who has worked at several overseas installations, the vacation blahs hit her one or two days before leaving to return to Kwajalein. "I dread coming back," said Smith. "Either I'm having too much

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fun or I just miss being back home with my family and friends I grew up with."

"Typically when I see the atoll coming into view from the airline window I get a bit of a rush," said Tracy Winter, who is experiencing this for the first time. "However, on returning from my recent vacation I did not feel that way. I was glad to see people I care about, but I wasn't 'excited' about being back."

Although lack of productivity is imperceptible, Mann said the vacation blahs do affect his attitude at work, "The first few days back I find myself daydreaming about vacation and not focusing on the task at hand."

The reasons for why people experience these post-vacation blues are unique to each person.

"I think it happens because we have experienced a whole different environment from home or the place we happen to be living. Going to restaurants, being waited on, doing something fun and exciting everyday and meeting people," Thomas said.

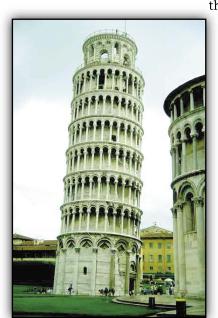
Smith can pretty much pinpoint why she dreads her return to Kwajalein.

"Personally for me, I think it's because I feel like I'm missing important times and opportunities with my family and friends who are dear to me," said Smith. "So, when I leave them to come back to Kwajalein (or wherever I am), I feel a part of me missing. When I see my friends doing well in their life – job, marriage, family, I miss not being a part of their lives. And when there are bad times, I can't be there for them."

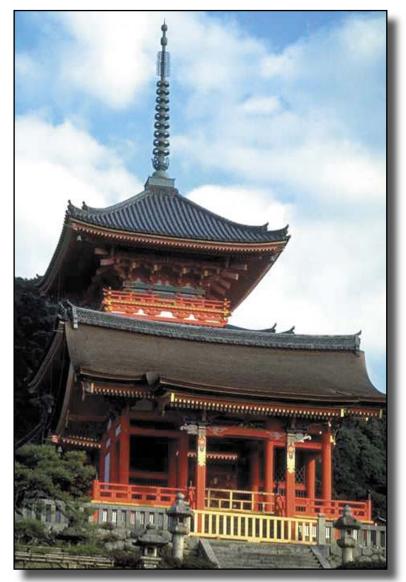
This post-vacation 'funk' seems to last only two to three days, sometimes

as long as a week for the people interviewed. They allow themselves to experience these feelings and then employ different strategies to work their way out of the funk.

"I jump right back into work and island life," said Smith, but admits to using a friend as a sounding board. "I have one very special friend, my one confidant, on-island who has always been there for me - she's a mother figure to me, she knows everything about me, so I always talk to her about stuff."



For some Kwajers, a trip to Europe is just the ticket for 'rock fever.'



Many Kwajalein residents have the opportunity to travel to exotic locations such as Bali, Japan and Thailand.

Thomas manages to transition through the post-vacation blahs with relative ease after years of practice.

"It lasts a day or so and diminishes when I am forced to get back into the old routine," said Thomas. "Also I fully believe that jetlag, especially after long flights, can have a lot to do with that 'letdown' feeling. Excuse the pun!"

There are several strategies, according to *Fitness Quest*, that can help people beat the just-got-back-from-vacation-blahs. First, recognize that your vacation wasn't perfect. "The point is, if you acknowledge that your time away wasn't perfect, you will discover that your time here, in our 'normal' world, isn't absolutely the pits, either!"

Second, remind yourself that being home can be nice and that "everyday life is where you really live. If everyday were a vacation day, it would eventually become mundane and boring."

Lastly, focus on the positive. Remember the great times you had on your trip and also remember the things you enjoy about your life, your friends and the your community.

Thomas also has a secret for finding her way through these blahs, "a great lift in spirits is to start planning the next vacation!"

# Weather exercise helps prepare island for severe storm scenario

Reporter

A fast-moving tropical depression, headed straight for Kwajalein and rapidly gathering strength, is forecasted to develop into a Category 2 typhoon with winds gusting at 132 miles per hour by the time it slams into the island.

This is the scenario, developed by 3D Research Corporation weather station, the Emergency Operations Center staff considered at the weather exercise on Tuesday when the EOC was activated.

"Is it possible that a 'real bad' storm could hit Kwajalein," asked Thaddeus Cassiday, Kwajalein Range Services Security manager. "The answer is yes."

The weather exercise, held annually, is designed to review and test current emergency action plans, said Maj. Craig Holton, U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll Operations officer. "We hope to identify potential weaknesses in the current weather action plan. Once these weaknesses are identified, we can develop ways to address them.

"Typically, I keep these scenarios a secret so we can get a more realistic reaction from the EOC staff as they direct the island response," said Holton. Prior to the exercise, Holton described the plan, "This year, however, there will no island responders; the EOC staff will be the only players. This 'table top' exercise allows the EOC to fully explore issues without expending island resources.'

As soon as the weather scenario was put into play by USAKA Commander Col. Stevenson Reed, EOC staff members, consisting of senior staff members of USAKA, KRS, 3D Weather, the Kwajalein Hospital and the community fire and police departments, were contacted and rallied at the EOC.

"The goal is to have the EOC operational within 30 minutes of activation," said Holton. "It has never taken that long."

After congregating at the center, the EOC staff members walked through their departmental emergency responses and protocols.

"Each department has what we call Departmental Instructions for Manmade Disasters and Natural Disasters and these instructions are very explicit with what each department must do," Cassiday said.

"The current weather evacuation plan is designed for 'on-island sheltering' of Kwajalein residents. This plan is our reaction to severe weather up to and including Category 3 strength storms," said Holton.

After issues and concerns are brought to light during the weather exercise the EOC develops procedures to address the issues.

The weather exercise last year identified a problem with internal radio communication or too many people trying to use the same frequency and not every radio set with the same preset channels. The staff also discovered the amount of shelter kits and the items within were inadequate for what was needed.

"To address these issues, we developed a communication plan that directed who could broadcast on what channel and what organization goes on each preset radio channel," Holton said. "For example the number one preset on all emergency ops radios is set to the EOC frequency, the number two is on the fire station frequency. We also developed a shelter kit inventory that better addresses the anticipated needs of those in the shelter."

Cassiday added, "I also learned just how good Kwajalein Police Department and the KRS Fire Department personnel are during these exercises. These folks train all the time and they are prepared as well as anybody I have ever worked with."

November is Weather Awareness Month and Cassiday urges Kwajalein residents to review the current phone book for the weather plan.

"Please take 10 minutes to check your personal survival kit. Do not wait until the storm notice comes out on the roller. People do not need to memorize the disaster plan in the phone book, but please do familiarize yourself with it somewhat," Cassiday said. "Come game time you are what you practice."

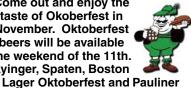
### **Veterans Day** (Saturday) hours of operation

Community Activities

Beaches
Emon 11 a.m 6 p.m.
All other beachesBuddy system at all times
Bowling Center1-9 p.m.
CRC/Raquetball Courts7:30 a.m 9 p.m.
Gear Locker4:30-6:30 p.m.
Golf Course
Golf Pro Shop 6:30 a.m 5 p.m.
Driving Range
Hobby Shop 12:30-6 p.m.
Ivey Gym7:30 a.m6:30 p.m.
Kayak Shack1-6 p.m.
Pools
AdultBuddy system at all times
FamilyClosed Skate ParkBuddy system at all times
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Small Boat Marina8 a.m6 p.m.
ARC11 a.m11 p.m.
Library1-6:30 p.m.
Food Services
Sunrise Bakery7 a.mnoon
Café Pacific
Breakfast Normal hours
Brunch Normal hours
Dinner Normal hours
Three Palms Snack Bar10 a.m8 p.m.
Merchandising
Macy's and Macy's West10 a.m2 p.m.
SurfwayClosed
Ten-Ten
Beauty/BarberClosed
Yuk Club
Ocean View Club4:30 p.m2 a.m.
Post OfficeClosed
Macy's and Macy's West10 a.m2 p.m.
Retail OfficeClosed
Tape Escape
Continental Travel AgencyClosed
Country Club
Community BankClosed
Roi-Namurs
Gimbel's
Post OfficeClosed

## Enjoy Oktoberfest at the Ocean View Club

Come out and enjoy the taste of Okoberfest in November. Oktoberfest beers will be available the weekend of the 11th. Ayinger, Spaten, Boston



will be available. Dinner will be available from 7 p.m. until supplies run out. Menu includes "Old World Saurkraut Supper" Bratwurst, Kapuska (Sauerkraut) Hot Grrman Potato Salad German Rye Bread, **Unberbackener Spinat Mit Kase** (Baked Spinach w/ cheese) and Blitzkuchen Mit Apfeln (apple cake). \$12 for general public and \$8 for meal-card holders. Questions? Call 53419.

## **Thursday**

Time	Channel 9 Roller	Channel 14 AFN News	Channel 17 AFN Prime	Channel 20 AFN Spectrum	Channel 23 AFN Movies	Channel 26 AFN Family	Channel 29 AFN Sports	Time
midnight	Roller	Today Show	The Late Show	Late Night with	Movie: (cont.)	Kim Possible	SportsCenter	midnight
12:30 a.m.			Late Late Show	Conan O'Brien	Movie: <:46>	The Proud Family		12:30 a.m.
1 a.m.			with Craig Ferguson	C.S.I.	The Brady	Zack & Cody	NFL RePLAY	1 a.m.
1:30 a.m.			Judge Judy		Bunch Movie	Naturally Sadie	Game #1	1:30 a.m.
2 a.m.		CNN Newsroom	Stargate SG-1	Criminal Minds		Everwood		2 a.m.
2:30 a.m.					Backstage Pass		NFL RePLAY	2:30 a.m.
3 a.m.		CNN Newsroom	Oprah Winfrey	The West Wing	Movie:	Even Stevens	Game #2	3 a.m.
3:30 a.m.					Drumline	Home Improvement		3:30 a.m.
4 a.m.		MSNBC Live	Dr. Phil Show	Will & Grace		Moesha	SportsCenter	4 a.m.
4:30 a.m.				King of Queens		Degrassi		4:30 a.m.
5 a.m.			CBS Evening News	Carol Duval Show	Movie: <:14>	Teletubbies	NFL Live	5 a.m.
5:30 a.m.			ESPNews	Breathing Space	A Perfect	Barney & Friends	NBA Fastbreak	5:30 a.m.
6 a.m.			Today	Caribbean Workout	Murder	Sesame Street	NBA	6 a.m.
6:30 a.m.				The Right Fit			SuperSonics	6:30 a.m.
7 a.m.		Fox News Live		Good Eats	The Entertainers	Bear in the Big Blue	at	7 a.m.
7:30 a.m.				Unwrapped		Blue's Clues	Heat	7:30 a.m.
8 a.m.		Studio B with	Sesame Street	30 Minute Meals	Behind the Scenes	Dora the Explorer		8 a.m.
8:30 a.m.		Sheppard Smith		Food 911	E.T.	Go, Diego, Go!	The Sports List	8:30 a.m.
9 a.m.		The Situation Room	The View	Roseanne	Movie:	Connie the Cow	NFL Live	9 a.m.
9:30 a.m.				Roseanne	The Linda	Miss Spider	Jim Rome	9:30 a.m.
10 a.m.		The Big Story	Dr. Phil	Ally McBeal	McCartney Story	Franklin	Around the Horn	10 a.m.
10:30 a.m.		w/ John Gibson			Movie: <:45>	Reading Rainbow	PTI	10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.		Around the Services	E.R.	E! News Live/	Les Miserables	Miss Spider	SportsCenter	11 a.m.
11:30 a.m.		NBC Nightly News		Daily 10		Connie the Cow		11:30 a.m.
noon		ABC World News	Access Hollywood	Blind Date		Go, Diego, Go!		noon
12:30 p.m.		CBS Evening News	Judge Judy	Living Single		Dora the Explorer	NBA Shootaround	12:30 p.m.
1 p.m.		Countdown with	Guiding Light	The Cosby Show	Movie:	Blue's Clues	NBA	1 p.m.
1:30 p.m.		Keith Olbermann		Mad About You	Flashdance	Bear in the Big Blue	Suns	1:30 p.m.
2 p.m.		Hannity & Colmes	General Hospital	Emeril Live		Sesame Street	at	2 p.m.
2:30 p.m.					Movie: <:47>		Spurs	2:30 p.m.
3 p.m.		Lou Dobbs Tonight	Passions	Kidspace	Almost Famous	Funniest Videos		3 p.m.
3:30 p.m.				That's Clever!		Funniest Animals	NBA	3:30 p.m.
4 p.m.		News Hour with	Oprah Winfrey	Third Watch		Pokemon	Pistons	4 p.m.
4:30 p.m.		Jim Lehrer				Yu-Gi-Oh!	at	4:30 p.m.
5 p.m.		Special Report with	Wheel of Fortune	C.S.I.	True Hollywood	SpongeBob	Kings	5 p.m.
5:30 p.m.		Brit Hume	Jeopardy		Story	Fairly Oddparents		5:30 p.m.
6 p.m.		Your World with	Headline News	Seinfeld	Backstage Pass	Kim Possible	SportsCenter	6 p.m.
6:30 p.m.		Neil Cavuto	ATS/Regional News	The Simpsons	E.T.	The Proud Family		6:30 p.m.
7 p.m.		World News Now	Everybody Hates	BET Awards	Movie:	Unfabulous	SportsCenter	7 p.m.
7:30 p.m.			Girlfriends		What a Girl	Zoey 101		7:30 p.m.
8 p.m.		<:15> Pacific Report	Hell's Kitchen		Wants	Gilmore Girls	NBA	8 p.m.
8:30 p.m.		Tavis Smiley			Movie: <:50>		Suns	8:30 p.m.
9 p.m.		Business Report	Without a Trace		Runaway Bride	Even Stevens	at Spurs	9 p.m.
9:30 p.m.		Nightline				Home Improvement	_,	9:30 p.m.
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11:30 a.m.		NBC Nightly News		Daily 10		The Wiggles	,	11:30 a.m.
noon		ABC World News	Access Hollywood	Blind Date		Go, Diego, Go!	ı.	noon
12:30 p.m.		CBS Evening News	Judge Judy	Living Single		Dora the Explorer	College Football	12:30 p.m.
1 p.m.		Countdown with	Guiding Light	The Cosby Show	Movie:	Blue's Clues	Louisville	1 p.m.
1:30 p.m.		Keith Olbermann	Odiding Light	Mad About You	Mighty Joe Young	Bear in the Big Blue	at	1:30 p.m.
2 p.m.		Hannity & Colmes	General Hospital	Emeril Live	Wilghly occ roung	Sesame Street	Rutgers	2 p.m.
2:30 p.m.		riaminty & Comies	General Hospital	Lillelli Live		Jesame Street	Nuigers	2:30 p.m.
3 p.m.		Lou Dobbs Tonight	Passions	Design on a Dime	Movie: <:09>	Funniest Videos		3 p.m.
3:30 p.m.		Lou Dobbs Torright	Fassions		The Dead Zone	Funniest Animals	SportsCenter	3:30 p.m.
		Nowa Hour with	Oprob Winfroy	Style Star	The Dead Zone	Pokemon	SportsCenter	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
4 p.m. 4:30 p.m.		News Hour with Jim Lehrer	Oprah Winfrey	Third Watch		Yu-Gi-Oh!		4 p.m.
		Casaial Banart with	Wheel of Fortune	The Dood Zone	Dio graphy:		NFL Live	4:30 p.m.
5 p.m.		Special Report with Brit Hume	Wheel of Fortune	The Dead Zone	Biography: Robert Duvall	SpongeBob	PTI	5 p.m.
5:30 p.m.		Vous Wardalish	Jeopardy	Cointeld		Fairly Oddparents		5:30 p.m.
6 p.m.		Your World with Neil Cavuto	Headline News	Seinfeld	Ebert & Roeper	Kim Possible	SportsCenter	6 p.m.
6:30 p.m.			ATS/Regional News	The Simpsons	E.T.	The Proud Family	Consuma Constant	6:30 p.m.
7 p.m.		World News Now	The Office/ (:25) Old Christine	How I Met Your Mom	Movie:	That's So Raven	SportsCenter	7 p.m.
7:30 p.m.			Window on the Atoll (7:50pm)	How I Met Your Mom	X2: X-Men United	Phil of the Future		7:30 p.m.
8 p.m.		<:15> Pacific Report	Bones	Next Top Model		Veronica Mars	NBA	8 p.m.
8:30 p.m.		Tavis Smiley					Bulls	8:30 p.m.
9 p.m.		Business Report	C.S.I. Miami	Law & Order	Movie: <:28>	Even Stevens	at	9 p.m.
9:30 p.m.		Nightline			The Scorpion	Home Improvement	Cavs	9:30 p.m.
10 p.m.		Hardball with	Headline News	Will & Grace	King	Moesha		10 p.m.
10:30 p.m.		Chris Matthews	Tonight Show	King of Queens		Degrassi	NBA	10:30 p.m.
11 p.m.		O'Reilly Factor	W/ Jay Leno	The Daily Show	Movie: <:11>	7th Heaven	Mavericks @	11 p.m.
11:30 p.m.			The Late Show	Colbert Report	Courage Under Fire		Suns	11:30 p.m.

## Saturday

Time	Channel 9 Roller/DTS Sports	Channel 14 AFN News	Channel 17 AFN Prime	Channel 20 AFN Spectrum	Channel 23 AFN Movies	Channel 26 AFN Family	Channel 29 AFN Sports	Time
midnight	Roller	Today Show	The Late Show	Late Night with	Movie: (cont.)	Kim Possible	NBA	midnight
12:30 a.m.			Late Late Show w/	Conan O'Brien	Movie: <:55>	The Proud Family	(cont.)	12:30 a.m.
1 a.m.			Craig Ferguson	How I Met Your Mom	Chatlie's Angels:	That's So Raven	SportsCenter	1 a.m.
1:30 a.m.			Judge Judy	How I Met Your Mom	Full Throttle	Phil of the Future		1:30 a.m.
2 a.m.		CNN Newsroom	Stargate SG-1	Next Top Model		Veronica Mars	College Football	2 a.m.
2:30 a.m.					Movie: <:49>		Louisville	2:30 a.m.
3 a.m.		CNN Newsroom	Oprah Winfrey	Law & Order	X2: X-Men	Even Stevens	at	3 a.m.
3:30 a.m.					United	Home Improvement	Rutgers	3:30 a.m.
4 a.m.		MSNBC Live	Dr. Phil Show	Will & Grace		Moesha	SportsCenter	4 a.m.
4:30 a.m.				King of Queens		Degrassi		4:30 a.m.
5 a.m.			CBS Evening News	Carol Duval Show	Movie: <:17>	Teletubbies	NFL Live	5 a.m.
5:30 a.m.			ESPNews	Breathing Space	The Scorpion	Barney and Friends	The Fantasy Show	5:30 a.m.
6 a.m.			Today	Caribbean Workout	King	Sesame Street	Inside the NFL	6 a.m.
6:30 a.m.				The Right Fit				6:30 a.m.
7 a.m.		Fox News Live		Good Eats	Biography:	Bear in the Big Blue	ESPNews Morning	7 a.m.
7:30 a.m.				Unwrapped	Robert Duvall	Blue's Clues	Final	7:30 a.m.
8 a.m.		Studio B with	Sesame Street	30 Minute Meals	Ebert & Roeper	Dora the Explorer	The Hot List	8 a.m.
8:30 a.m.		Sheppard Smith		Easy Entertainig	E.T.	Go, Diego, Go!	Outside the Lines	8:30 a.m.
9 a.m.		The Situation Room	The View	Roseanne	Movie:	Dora the Explorer	NFL Live	9 a.m.
9:30 a.m.				Roseanne	Dawn Anna	Specials	Jim Rome	9:30 a.m.
10 a.m.		The Big Story	Dr. Phil Show	Ally McBeal		Movie:	Around the Horn	10 a.m.
10:30 a.m.		w/ John Gibson			Movie: <:43>	Beauty & the Beast	PTI	10:30 a.m.
11 a.m.		Around the Services	E.R.	E! News Live/	Daddy Day Care		SportsCenter	11 a.m.
11:30 a.m.		NBC Nightly News		Daily 10		Kenny the Shark	•	11:30 a.m.
noon	College Football	ABC World News	Window on the Atoll	Blind Date		Kenny the Shark		noon
12:30 p.m.	UTEP	CBS Evening News	Judge Judy	Living Single	Backstage Pass	Kenny the Shark	NBA Shootaround	12:30 p.m.
1 p.m.	at	Countdown with	Guiding Light	The Cosby Show	Movie:	Kenny the Shark	NBA	1 p.m.
1:30 p.m.	UAB	Keith Olbermann		Mad About You	Pretty In Pink	Kenny the Shark	Heat	1:30 p.m.
2 p.m.		Hannity & Colmes	General Hospital	Emeril Live		Movie:	at	2 p.m.
2:30 p.m.					Movie: <:51>	Snow Day	Nets	2:30 p.m.
3 p.m.	Navy/MCorps News	Lou Dobbs Tonight	Passions	Decorating Cents	Speed			3 p.m.
3:30 p.m.	Roller			The Look for Less		Funniest Animals	NBA	3:30 p.m.
4 p.m.		News Hour with	Oprah Winfrey	Third Watch		Pokemon	Pistons	4 p.m.
4:30 p.m.		Jim Lehrer				Yu-Gi-Oh!	at	4:30 p.m.
5 p.m.		Special Report with	Wheel of Fortune	The Dead Zone	Showbiz Moms	SpongeBob	Lakers	5 p.m.
5:30 p.m.		Brit Hume	Jeopardy		& Dads	Fairly Oddparents		5:30 p.m.
6 p.m.		Your World with	Headline News	Seinfeld	Cinema Secrets	Kim Possible	SportsCenter	6 p.m.
6:30 p.m.		Neil Cavuto	ATS/Regional News	The Simpsons	E.T.	The Proud Family		6:30 p.m.
7 p.m.		World News Now	Deal or No Deal	America's Most	Movie:	Buzz on Maggie	SportsCenter	7 p.m.
7:30 p.m.				Wanted	Old School	Grim Adventures		7:30 p.m.
8 p.m.		Headline News	Survivor:	Invasion		The X's	Sports	8 p.m.
8:30 p.m.		Tavis Smiley	Cook Islands		Movie: <:43>		TBD	8:30 p.m.
9 p.m.		Business Report	Last Comic	Monk	XXX	Ned's Declassified		9 p.m.
9:30 p.m.		Nightline	Standing			What I Like About You		9:30 p.m.
10 p.m.		Hardball with	Headline News	Will & Grace		Switched!		10 p.m.
10:30 p.m.		Chris Matthews	Tonight Show	King of Queens		Degrassi		10:30 p.m.
11 p.m.		O'Reilly Factor	W/ Jay Leno	The Daily Show	Movie:	7th Heaven	NFL Live	11 p.m.
11:30 p.m.			The Late Show	Colbert Report	Striking Distance		PTI	11:30 p.m.

#### **HELP WANTED**

Kwajalein Range Services has the following job openings. For contract hire positions, call Teresa Bell, 256-890-8705. For all others, call Jack Riordan, 55154. Full job descriptions and requirements for contract openings are located online at www.krsjv.com. Job descriptions for other openings are located at Human Resources, Building 700.

NEED EXTRA money? KRS employment applications are continually accepted for the Community Activities and Food Services departments for casual and part-time positions. If you are interested in being a scorekeeper, sports official, recreation aide, recreation specialist, library aide, lifeguard, disc jockey, pizza delivery driver, catering/dining room worker or temporary office support, please submit your application to the HR department for consideration as positions become available. For more information, call the KRS HR Office at 54916.

ADMNINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, Child Development Center. Full time. Strong office and computer skills required. HR Req. K031397.

AUTO BODY TECHNICIAN, Automotive, HR Req. K031086.

ELECTRICIAN, HR Req. K030983.

ELECTRICIAN I, Generator Shop, HR Reg. 031254.

ELECTRICIAN I, Kwajalein Operations, full-time, HR Reg. K031092.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE, Generator Shop, HR Req. K031253.

MECHANIC I, Kwajalein Automotive. Four positions, HR Reqs. K030332, K030641, K030331 and K031029.

MECHANIC II, Automotive Services, HR Req. K031139.

MECHANIC II, Kwajalein Power Plant. Full-time, HR Req. K031124.

MECHANIC HEAVY EQUIPMENT I, HR Req. K031162.

PROGRAM LEAD, Youth Services, two casual positions, HR Reqs. K031323 and K031324.

RECREATION AIDE II, Roi Community Services. Full-time. HR Req. K031217.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST, Education Services, Casual position. HR Req. K031299.

STOCK CLERK, Gimbel's. Casual. HR Req. K031339. Enniburr residents apply to Annemarie Jones, Gimbel's manager.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS, Education Department. HR. Req. K031285.

TOOL ROOM ATTENDANT LEAD, HR Reg. 031239.

#### KRS CONTRACT POSITIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II, HR Req. 031673.

To honor veterans,
Macy's, Macy's West
and Gimbel's will offer a
10 percent discount on
any purchase over \$100
to all veterans showing
military identification,
10 a.m.-2 p.m., on
Saturday. This offer
excludes tobacco, alcohol
and health and beauty aids.

# THE HOURGLASS WILL PUBLISH ON FRIDAY INSTEAD OF SATURDAY DUE TO THE VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY.

BUYER II, HR. Reg. 031539. Richmond hire.

CALIBRATION TECHNICIAN II, HR Req. 031653.

CAPTAIN, Fire Department, HR Reg. 031060.

COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN, HR Req. 031437.

COMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN III, two positions, HR Req. 031029 and 031565.

COMPUTER TECHNICIAN II, HR Req. 031671.

CONTRACTS PURCHASES SPECIALIST, HR Req. 031525.

COORDINATOR REMOTE LAUNCH SITES, HR Req. 031583.

DESIGNER/PLANNER IV, HR Reg. 031100.

DESKTOP ANALYST II, HR Req. 031759.

DISPATCHER II, aircraft, HR Reg. 030988.

ELECTRICIAN II, HR Req. 031116.

ELECTRICIAN III/MARINE ELECTRICIAN, HR Req. 030924.

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN I, HR Req. 031563.

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN II. Six positions, HR Reqs. 030817, 031495, 031601, 031603, 031605 and 031607

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 031561.

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN III – ALTAIR, HR Req. 030669 (Roi-Namur).

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 031527.

EMERGENCY VEHICLE TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 031032.

FIELD ENGINEER I, HR Req. 031189.

FIELD ENGINEER II, six positions, HR Reqs. 031315, 031157, 031373, 031511, 031559 and 031148.

FIELD ENGINEER II, Roi-Namur, HR Req. 030741.

FIELD ENGINEER II, TRADEX, HR Req. 031245 (Roi-Namur).

FIREFIGHTER, five positions, HR Reqs. 031054, 031056, 031082, 031124 and 031142.

FIREFIGHTER/EMT, two positions, HR Reqs. 031138 and 031140.

HARDWARE ENGINEER III, HR Req. 031493.

HAZMAT SPECIALIST II, HR Req. 031108.

MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST, HR Req. 030871.

MATERIAL HANDLER II, HR 031621.

MECHANIC III, two positions, HR Reqs. 031000 and 031102.

MECHANIC IV, HR Req. 030966.

MECHANIC HEAVY EQUIPMENT III, four positions, HR Regs. 030376, 030862, 030912 and 030506.

NETWORK ENGINEER II-MO, HR Reg. 031227.

OPERATIONS TEST DIRECTOR, HR Req. 031485.

OPTICS TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 031595.

PLANT TECHNICIAN II, HR Req. 031645.

PLANT TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 031643.

PRODUCTION CONTROL CLERK I, Automotive. Full -time, HR Req. K031250.

Kwaj bingo will be
Thursday at the Yuk Club.
Card sales at 5:30 p.m. Play begins
at 6:30 p.m. Blackout at 54 numbers
with a \$750 jackpot. Bring ID to
play. Must be 21 to enter.

PROGRAMMER, HR Req. 031067.

PROJECT CONTROLS ENGINEER II, HR Req. 031591.

RADIO/TV OPERATOR, HR Req. 031667.

REGISTERED NURSE, three positions, HR Reqs. 031635, 031637 and 031597.

RF SAFETY SPECIALIST/FIELD ENGINEER II, HR Req. 031147.

SERVER ADMINISTRATOR I, HR Req. 031631.

SERVER ADMINISTRATOR II, HR Req. 031557.

SUPERVISOR SERVER ADMINISTRATOR, HR Req. 031629.

SOFTWARE ENGINEER II. CONUS-Lexington, HR Req. 031175.

SUPERVISOR, Air Terminal Services, HR Req. 031148.

SYSTEMS ENGINEER III. Two positions, HR Reqs. 031481 and 031483.

SYSTEM ENGINEER IV, HR. Req. 031555.

TELEPHONE TECHNICIAN III, HR Req. 030965.

TRAINING COORDINATOR II, HR 031663.

WAREHOUSEMAN II/SHIPPING AND RECEIVING CLERK, CONUS-Richmond, HR Req. 030843.

WEB SOFTWARE DEVELOPER I, HR Req. 031639.

#### **AMERICAN LEGION POST 44**

CLUB STEWARD, BAR STEWARD and BARTENDER. Job descriptions and applications may be obtained by calling 53436.

#### WANTED

HOUSE-SITTING situation for former Kwaj residents for Dec. 9-Jan. 23 or any part of that time frame. They are responsible, Christian, non-smokers, will take care of your pets, yard and home. Call Carla, 52642.

ROLLERBLADES, men's size 10-11 and pads. Call Nathan, 54388, work or 54640, home.

#### **FOUND**

MEMORY CARD, Oct. 31, on Lincoln Street. Call 52529.

MONEY, next to bus stop across from Macy's. Call Wendi, 52200.

#### PATIO SALE

SATURDAY, 8-11 a.m., Quarters 122-D. PCS sale.

#### FOR SALE

JVC 32-INCH TV, retails for \$600, find online for \$350 (JVC AD-32D305) with great reviews, \$325; Pioneer Dolby digital/Pro Logic II/DTS receiver 1000-watts, paid \$200 new, will sell for \$150 and Panasonic DVD player, \$100. Will sell all for \$550. Call 55030.

PCS SALE. Road bike, call for details, \$350; HP Photo Smart printer, \$80; microwave, \$35; blender, \$25; Play Station 2 with assortment of games, \$135; Sony home theater system, \$100; rollerblades, \$50; toaster, \$15 and Uniden cordless telephone, \$15. Call 56744 or e-mail lonnie.harrell @smdc.smdck.army.mil.

COYOTE NORTHSHORE polarized sunglasses, rose lenses, new, \$60. Call 51314.

CRIB BEDDING, Brandie Danielle Jungle, \$30; Enfamil Lipil powder formula, 39 ounces, \$30; package of 52 diapers, size four, \$7; inflatable playnest with

# Town Hall Meeting

KWAJALEIN RANGE
SERVICES, U.S. ARMY
KWAJALEIN ATOLL AND
KWAJALEIN POLICE
DEPARTMENT INVITE THE
COMMUNITY TO A JOINT
TOWN HALL MEETING AT
7 P.M., Nov. 14, IN THE
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM.

play arch, \$20; homemade baby food book, \$3; *What to Expect the First Year* book, \$7; family-size picnic table, \$70 and rocking chair, \$50. Call 50167.

SEVEN-PIECE comforter set for king-size bed, \$100; various plants (not including orchids); women's bike with aluminum frame and wheels, \$25 and Univega bicycle for two, \$250. Call 52788, home, or 50958. work.

BEAUTIFUL healthy plants, bougainvillea, orchids, crotons and ixora. Call 54826 and leave a message.

AQUARIUM, 90-GALLON, hood/lights, new Magnum 350 Pro canister filter (with bio-wheel), stand, \$200 or best offer. Call 52853 or 51485.

TWO 26 by 1.9 to 2.125 thorn resistant/Schrader valve tubes, \$10 and two 26 by 1.75 CST Enduro 5 mm/high protection tires, \$40. Call 52328, days.

BOAT, 21-FOOT, with 225 horsepower Johnson, plus backup eight horsepower outboard, boat shack and Boat Lot 65, trailer and tools, Seats five to six, includes new VHF radio, GPS, DVD/CD and stereo, \$10,900; Bose 901 series speakers with Bose EQ, dark wood, \$375. Call Herb,59662.

FOOTLOCKER, \$35; one-cup coffee maker, \$5; assorted cigars and humidors; outdoor canopy including netting and all poles and stays, \$75; small Christmas tree with lights and decorations, perfect for an office, \$35; assorted Christmas decorations and other items. Call 52116, days, or 54535, nights.

ROLLS SIX-VOLT deep cycle marine batteries, 262 AH each, good condition, \$50 each. Call Rick, 53725, home or 54420, work.

LAZYBOY RECLINER, \$200; Akona dive gear; fins, booties, knife, mask, snorkel, bag all new \$200; keyboard/MIDI controller with case and instructional DVD, \$125; guide books for Cambodia, Thailand and Hawaii and dive guide to Truk, Kosrae and Pohnpei, \$5-10. Call 56494.

CHRISTMAS TREE,  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -foot tall, slim, spruce, prewired with multi-colored lights, used once, \$80. Call 54538, after 6 p.m., or leave a message.

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

KWAJALEIN SCUBA Club will meet at 7 p.m., tonight, in Corlett Recreation Center Room 1. Items to be covered are the KSC constitutional "wordsmithing/modifications", a special presentation by Doug Hepler and basic information concerning diving and lightning.

BOAT OWNERS. If you missed your previous

# SLAND-WIDE CLEAN UP

An island Beautification Day and dedicated day for yard work around living quarters will take place, 9-11 a.m., Monday, (meet at Richardson Theater for the island-wide cleanup) and all day for residential cleanup.

### What can you do to help?

- Be a volunteer for the island-wide clean up
- Be an area coordinator (call Susannah, 53331, for more details)



BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR AND SPRUCE UP AROUND YOUR QUARTERS

chances of going to the mandatory Hazardous Material Storage and Disposal class, there is another class being held 6-7 p.m., Thursday, in Corlett Recreation Center Room 1. All boat owners must attend an annual hazardous material storage and disposal meeting. Questions? Call Cathy Madore, 58856 or Paul McGrew, 53643.

ENJOY AN EVENING of ballroom dancing, sponsored by the Kwajalein Dance Association at 7 p.m., Saturday, in the multi-purpose room. Free and open to the community. Adults and students. Casual attire. Dance review, 7-7:30 p.m. Bring your own non-alcoholic beverages. Questions? Call Cheryl or Dick, 51684.

RC RACING will be at 4 p.m., Sunday, at the Vets' Hall race track.

STUDENT MUSIC will be at 7 p.m., Nov. 15, in the multi-purpose room at the high school. Piano teachers who would like students to perform should contact Dick Shields to obtain registration forms.

THE SCHOOL ADVISORY Board will hold its monthly public meeting at 7 p.m., Nov. 15, at the elementary school music classroom. School calendar packet for the 2007-2008 school year will be discussed. The public is invited to attend. Questions? Call 53761.

DO YOU WANT to be on the babysitter referral list? Youth Services will hold the bi-annual babysitter training on Nov. 20. Anyone 13 by June 1, 2007 may attend. Red Cross Basic Aid and Child Development Information will be given. Space is limited to 10. Call Amy, 53610, to register.

THE OPTOMETRIST will be on island Nov. 29-Dec. 7. For appointments, call 52223 or 52224.

BEGINNING JAN. 8, all persons, including U.S. citizens, traveling by air between the United States and Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Bermuda will be required to present a valid passport.



America's veterans.
Join the ceremony at
9 a.m., Saturday, at the
flagpoles.
A noon luncheon
will be served at the
Vets' Hall.
All are welcome.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 2006

11 The Kwajalein Hourglass



# Shop 'til you drop!

Resident Greg Horner reaches for an African basket for sale at the Holiday Bazaar sponsored by the Kwajalein Art Guild and held at the Corlett Recreation Center gym on Monday.

More than 40 artists and vendors displayed framed and matted photographs, handmade Christmas ornaments, Balinese jewelry, batik artwork and more at the shop-till-you-drop event held twice a year.

(Photo by J.J. Klein)



ENJOY A GREAT EVENING OF FREE COFFEE, TEA, CAPPUCCINO, ICED TEA, DESSERTS AND LOCAL MUSICIANS. QUESTIONS? CALL JODI, 53606. SPONSORED BY ISLAND MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

#### **RESPONSE**, from Page 2

retailers pay. While we might never be competitive with Wal-Mart or the Internet, we are actively working to lower prices, and are looking into alternative buying methods that may yield better pricing.

The retail markups from non-food items have to pay for operating costs in the non-food stores, plus the costs of purchasing and replacing equipment in all the stores (including the food stores). Like other equipment on Kwajalein, many of our mechanical systems, such as freezers and refrigerated display cases are deteriorating, so those costs are rising. Once the operating and equipment costs have been paid, the remainder, plus any recreational fees, are used to fund island recreational equipment, and programs such as the Hobby Shop, Golf Course, Marina, Bowling, Pools and Beaches, and special events such as the 4th of July fireworks.

Tobacco and alcohol have historically been a bargain on

Kwajalein. The recent price increases were implemented to keep the Recreation Fund viable, by moving closer to CONUS pricing. While cheaper prices for tobacco can be found on the Internet, the current price of \$40 per carton of cigarettes (Benson&Hedges) is less than most stateside retailers (eg. \$38.70 in the AAFES Military Exchange and \$60.38 in the ABC Chain in Honolulu).

I know that with tight budgets we are all feeling the financial squeeze. If you find an item that appears to be priced out of alignment, please bring that to our attention. I hope this response helps you to understand how Retail Merchandising is set up, and how we are focused on providing food and merchandise at prices which are competitive with stores in CONUS.

Stephen C. Beuby, P.E., deputy program manager, Community Services

## Weather courtesy of RTS Weather

Tonight: Partly clear with showers likely. Winds: NE-E at 6-12 knots
Thursday: Partly sunny with showers likely. Winds: ENE-ESE at 5-10 knots.
Friday: Variably sunny with scattered showers. Winds: Variable at 5 knots.
Saturday: Mostly sunny with scattered showers. Winds: NE-E at 5-10 knots.
Annual rain total:

85.59 inches
Annual deviation:
+1.36 inches

For updated forecasts, call 54700 or visit www.rts-wx.com.

### Sun • Moon • Tides

Thurs	Sunrise/set 6:40 a.m./6:26 p.m.	Moonrise/set 9:53 p.m./10:02 a.m.	High tide 6:02 a.m., 3.1' 6:17 p.m., 4.3'	<b>Low tide</b> 12:12 a.m., 0.4' 11:48 p.m., 0.0'
Fri	6:40 a.m./6:26 p.m.	10:51 p.m./10:59 a.m.	6:40 a.m., 2.7' 6:55 p.m., 3.8'	12:53 a.m., 0.1' 12:19 p.m., 0.4'
Sat	6:40 a.m./6:26 p.m.	11:46 p.m./11:51 a.m.	7:24 a.m., 2.3′ 7:42 p.m., 3.3′	1:40 a.m., 0.5' 12:54 p.m., 0.8'