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Yapese and Micronesian Statesman, Mangefel Passes On

The Honorable John de Avila Mangefel, Remembered for His Impact on Micronesia is Gone But Never Forgotten

By **BILL JAYNES**
The Kaselehlie Press

The Honorable John de Avila Mangefel, former Micronesian Senator, first Yap State Governor, driving force behind the FSM's Constitution, and greatly beloved leader passed away in Yap on Wednesday evening, April 11. He was admitted to Yap Memorial Hospital more than a month ago due to mouth cancer. His condition steadily deteriorated and he was not able to recover.

Perhaps it's easy to say about a person after he has passed on that he was universally loved but in the case of Mangefel it does seem to be true. A native of Yap he was not just loved and respected by his own people, he was revered across



Mangefel being sworn in as the first Governor of Yap in traditional dress.

Micronesia and beyond.

When we asked FSM's second President, Mr. John Haglegam if he had any particular memories of Mr. Mangefel that he wanted to share, he smiled a knowing smile and the stories began to flow.



John Mangefel at the Third Economic Summit in Pohnpei

"John was quite different from other Micronesian leaders," he said. "He can get his point across in a very humorous way. The famous Lord's Prayer; people still talk about that one and the things he said...He could say the most outrageous things and people wouldn't get mad at him."

Haglegam said, "He once told me a story about when he was a student." A professor hired him to clean up around his house. He worked and sweated and did a good job and the professor paid him. The young Mangefel was hungry and went to a restaurant and asked the waitress if the restaurant served pig. Of course he meant pork but Mangefel said that he looked terrible and smelled worse and was sure that the waitress, from the look she gave him, thought that he was asking whether or not they would serve him.

Giff Johnson, in an article he wrote for Pacific magazine in February of 2005 said, "Mangafel (sic) is different. His down-to-earth style-

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Pacific Bird Expert Breaks New Ground

Dr. Douglas Pratt, "Am I An Expert Ornithologist? Guilty as Charged"

By **BILL JAYNES**
The Kaselehlie Press

For many it has been called the definitive field guide for "birders" in Hawaii and the tropical Pacific. Dr. Douglas Pratt, senior author and illustrator of "The Birds of Hawaii and the Tropical Pacific" released in 1987 was in Pohnpei during the first week of April. He was here to do more field study for an entirely new book that he says is still "at least two years out."

Dr. Pratt is the Research Curator of Birds at the NC Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh, North Carolina. He has conducted numerous research expeditions to Hawaii, Micronesia, and Polynesia, and is a pioneer in the recording of vocalizations of Pacific island birds. While doing field work in the Nahn Pil Valley, and in Palikir he was able to get several recordings of the birdsong of the Long Billed White Eye. The recording is groundbreaking in that there is no known previous recording of the songs of that particular bird.

In the field, Dr. Pratt uses a high powered parabolic microphone, a sensitive microphone surrounded by a "dish" that bounces sound

waves into the microphone in a more efficient manner than a microphone alone could do. He also uses a Nagra Ares BB+ portable digital recorder which weighs about two pounds to capture the sounds that the microphone picks up. The digital recorder can capture bird songs in the field as if they were being performed inside a recording studio.

Dr. Pratt's team consists of birdwatchers from Washington D.C., New Jersey, Hawaii, South Dakota, North Carolina, and Illinois. The team is armed with cameras sporting lenses the size of small cannon. They are outfitted with binoculars, and sighting scopes the length of my forearm, digital recorders, computers to store it all and I'm sure, an array of gadgetry that I never saw, all with one purpose in mind: to document birdlife in the Pacific.

Dr. Don Buden, of the College of Micronesia was one of Dr. Pratt's classmates at Louisiana State University. He spends whatever free time he has collecting zoological specimens of many kinds from all over Micronesia. It was during one of his free time excursions to Nahna Laud on the fourth of July



Dr. Pratt and team members recording birdsong in Nan Pil Valley in Pohnpei

in 1995 that he acquired a specimen of the Pohnpei Mountain Starling (*Aplonis pelzelni*), a species of bird found only in Pohnpei. Before that time the bird had not been officially documented since 1956. A report from 1990 said that the birds were "possibly extinct". The specimen acquired on the fourth of July, 1995 was obtained by a local guide who knew the bird was important to biologists. Its presence indicated that there was still a population in Pohnpei. Buden wrote a paper on the finding published in "The Auk" in

1996.

Pratt's group wanted to document the presence of the Pohnpei Mountain Starling while in Pohnpei but the bird remained elusive. Due to follow through problems with a local agency, Pratt's team didn't get an opportunity to make the trek to the summit of Nahna Laud where the bird might have been found. Dr. Pratt, in better humor than might have been expected under the circumstances

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NEWS

EPIC Among Other Things Calls for Scaled Down FSM Games Financing Priorities Include Purchase of MOMI FSM Assets by May 10

By **BILL JAYNES**
The Kaselehlie Press

The Economic Policy Implementation Council (EPIC) Meeting took place in Palikir April 2-4 under the leadership of Vice President Redley Killion, EPIC Chairman. EPIC members include the FSM President, the Governor of each state, Pohnpei was represented by the Lt. Governor, the Vice Speaker of the FSM Congress, and the speaker or Vice-Speaker from each state legislative branch.

The Kaselehlie Press received the resolutions too late to do detailed coverage of the resolutions and will undertake to do so in the near future.

2007-1-01 Regarding Reauthorization of Airport Improvement Project Eligibility

In December of 2003, the President of the United States signed a resolution making certain Micronesian airports eligible for Airport Improvement Program discretionary funds. The program was originally scheduled to expire at the end of fiscal year 2007 though the US Congress is considering reauthorizing the program. Micronesian airports are not on the list of airports under consideration for renewal. EPIC resolved that written communication be made with the US Committee currently holding hearings on the reauthorization asking them to include FSM airports.

2007-1-02 Regarding Acquisition of Independently Owned Fuel Supply Facilities

EPIC has resolved to create a shared fuel entity in order to acquire Mobil Oil of Micronesia, Incorporated (MOMI) assets, the



A green swimming pool and a lumpy graffiti scarred track with grass growing through it are two of the obstacles to the FSM Games.

Photos by Nigel Jaynes



tank farms and other assets of MOMI, nationwide. The new corporate entity would have a board of directors nominated by the President of the FSM and the Governors of each of the states.

The entity would be temporary and would, by legislation divest itself of its assets and operations to the States or to other entities to be designated within a year or when the President and Governors come to a unanimous decision on it.

The new entity would be authorized to borrow up to \$20 million to finance the acquisition and improvement of the facilities across the FSM. The Fuel Task Force is charged with establishing the new business entity by June 30, 2007 and to insure that no supply disruption takes place.

2007-1-03 Regarding Prioritizing Uses of Certain Developmental Financing Assistance

The council established by this resolution the priority of financing so that they can utilize the Chinese Government Concessional Loan as provided under the China-Pacific Islands Cooperation Loan Framework.

The Department of Foreign Affairs is charged with taking the lead to secure a loan under the plan from China for the purchase of the fuel facilities across Micronesia with disbursement on or before May 10, 2007. They are also charged with securing a loan for connection to the submarine fiber optic cable for high speed connectivity amongst all of the states.

2007-1-04 Regarding Continuation of FSM Games

The FSM Games were scheduled to take place in June hosted by Pohnpei. Lt. Governor Jack Yakana said that the state could not host the games due to financial constraints. He said that all of the sports facilities need to be repaired and there is not enough time and no money to do so. Kosrae said they could not send a delegation because of their serious financial problems. The other

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said he was disappointed in the missed trek to Nahna Laud but that the trip to Pohnpei was successful nonetheless.

He said that the "bird population and numbers in Pohnpei [are] in as good a shape as they were 1976" when he was gathering data for his 1987 book. "Pohnpei is in pretty good shape as far as birds go." He said that he was particularly surprised at the numbers of Serehd, the Pohnpei Lorikeet, a member of the parrot family and the Pohnpei State bird. At the time of his first visit to Pohnpei people were capturing the Serehd as pets, and some were being killed for food and for sport. Now that the Serehd is protected under the law, the population is much bigger than when he first visited.

He said, "People want to know

where they can spot a Serehd. I tell them, 'Just look up. You'll find them everywhere!'"

Micronesian Pigeons are another story. They are large birds unprotected by law and are hunted for food. Pratt said that the bird appears to be experiencing a decline in Micronesia.

The group has gone to Palau followed by trips to Yap, Saipan, and Rota before they return to their homes.

Pratt intimated that Saipan is going the way that Guam has already. He and his team want to document the birdlife that remains. Because of the unintentional introduction of the non-indigenous Brown Tree Snake, Guam has a noticeable absence of birds. Pratt said, "Guam is a poster child for ecological disaster."

Dr. Buden said about Pratt, "He's a talented guy! He's an illustrator and an expert ornithologist."

Buden's words might be an understatement. Dr. Pratt has, despite his lack of artistic training become a preeminent illustrator. His paintings and illustrative credits are extensive and impressive. He considers his remarkable illustrative work to be "a hobby that got out of hand." His first book illustrations were for Lowery's *The Mammals of Louisiana and its Adjacent Waters* (1974), soon followed by illustrations of birds and mammals for *Encyclopedia Britannica*. He painted one quarter of the illustrations in the National Geographic Society's *Field Guide to the Birds of North America* (1983-2002), which has become one of America's best-selling field guides. Many other publications contain his illustrations and paintings.

His ornithological beginnings were humble which seems to be an apropos description of the man himself. He said that his aunt who he later learned was an amateur bird watcher gave him what he now recognizes as a poorly illus-

trated book of birds for him to color. Regardless of the quality of the illustrations Pratt said the glorified coloring book probably first influenced him. When he was in the third grade his mother gave his father a pair of binoculars for his birthday. Two weeks later, little Douglas had taken possession of his father's binoculars so that he could watch birds. His father never got them back.

Pratt, who, when he was a young man, earned the highest achievement in the Boy Scouts of America, the Eagle Scout Award, said that he probably started getting serious about bird watching while he was working toward the Bird Study merit badge.

In Pohnpei, at the Village Resort and Hotel, one of the members of his team who is from South Dakota came to the table where I was interviewing Dr. Pratt and excitedly mentioned that they had seen and photographed a Laughing Gull that very morning. Dr. Pratt smiled a knowing smile.

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NEWS

German Born Artist Makes New News From Old

Using Newspapers From Each of the Nations of the UN, Xenia Marita Riebe Creates a Global Community

By **BILL JAYNES**
The Kaselehlie Press

The name Xenia Marita Riebe is obviously not a Pohnpeian name, which makes sense since she was born in Moenchengladbach, Germany. Though Germany has a history in the FSM this is not a story about that. This is a story about the world, and one artist's desire that no culture should ever be lost in the process of globalization.

In 2005, the artist known as Xenia began an art project she calls the "Global Citizen Project". To call it an art project understates what she is trying to accomplish. To put her subject into her own words, "the main topic of the project is to transform global society in its cultural variety by means of art."

Xenia forms small figures about 30 centimeters (just under 12 inches) tall from national newspapers she has obtained from all over the world. "Each figure represents one country so the whole group of 'Global Citizens' will be about 230 altogether according to the number of nations represented at the United Nations."

Each figure will have small magnets in their feet so that they will stand upright on metal representations of each continent. Pacific Island nations will "have their own symbolic forms in the display."

The debut of her project will take place at an international unveiling in June of 2007 that will be attended by many important visitors including former Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev.

Xenia, who takes a firm stand on political and social issues says that "Evidence suggests that the economically powerful countries will lead the way with regards to political, social, ecological, and economical conditions and that the poorer nations will have to yield thus becoming 'victims' of globalization."

She says, "My figures represent individuals [who are] genetically almost identical but also quite different. They speak different languages, use different scripts and have different religions. Their cultures show a great diversity. They have achieved cultural assets and their cultural heritage should be preserved."

"More and more people, however, realize how fragile their culture has become, how their language isn't used any more, how their history has been forgotten... One common purpose to be achieved is to preserve cultural diversity with all its essential effects on mankind."

Xenia is dogged in her pursuit of newspapers that have not responded to her requests for a copy of their paper. Much to our embarrassment, the Kaselehlie Press did not respond to her requests until after her forwarded emails from all over Micronesia started to arrive in our inbox. To complete her project in terms of Oceania countries she is still in need of newspapers from Nauru, Niue and Tuvalu. Those who have contact with those newspapers can email The Kaselehlie Press for Xenia's contact information at email address, kpress@mail.fm.



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he is usually clad in rubber slippers, a T-shirt and shorts, with a well-traveled betel nut bag clasped firmly under his arm—can lead those who don't know him to underestimate his acumen." Many people underestimated him.

Former President Haglegam said that Mangefel was once invited to have dinner with the Governor of Guam at the Hilton. As is the security procedure, the governor entered the private room and a police officer was stationed at the door to guard it. Mangefel arrived in his zorries, T-Shirt, and shorts. The police officer didn't know who he was and must certainly have thought that he could not be the governor's invited guest. The officer told him that it was a private party with the governor and he couldn't enter so Mangefel turned around and left. The governor was understandably upset at the officer and sent him to find Mangefel.

Senator Resio Moses who was Governor of the State of Pohnpei at the same time as Mangefel was Governor of the State of Yap and later was his boss at the Department of Foreign Affairs said, "He was a great statesman with a great sense of humor... He was a real leader; a great statesman of Micronesian vintage and probably equal to the best."

Moses said that in 1983 a Micronesian contingent was scheduled to appear before Senator McClure's committee in the U.S. He was nervous about it not knowing what to expect but not Mr. Mangefel. He made the committee laugh and everyone in the room instantly felt better. Mr. Mangefel had the true statesman's penchant for putting people at ease.

He was not just a court jester. There was wisdom in all that he said. Though his early education was interrupted by World War II and much of what was left was given him in the shade of coconut trees due to the bombing of school buildings, the Bachelor's Degree in English Literature that he earned in 1963 at the University of Hawaii at 31 years of age served him well as both an orator and as a writer.

In 1967 he left his position as Yap

Superintendent for Elementary Schools to run for a seat in Micronesia's Congress House of Representatives. In the short biography he wrote that appears in a book he co-authored with Dr. Michael Caldwell the first copy of which came off the presses on the 12th of this month, he said in his typical humble style that he was "luckily elected". In 1974 he was once again "luckily" elected for a Senate Seat and it was during that time that he says he "was involved with the group whose work resulted in the creation of the FSM, as well as first FSM Compact of Free Association.

In 1979 the Yap leadership asked him to run for the position of Governor. At his inauguration the honorable John Mangefel stood dressed in "thus" the traditional Yapese loincloth. He said to the assembled business suit wearing audience, "Yap should not be carried away in the tide of foreign influence, but should preserve its own culture and traditions handed from our ancestors. We should go about building our country in ways that are closely in tune with our traditions."

He said that the necktie was the "most insidious evil perpetrated upon the people of Micronesia in the past 400 years" in a proposed bill to outlaw "this nefarious invention" and called it "offensive to the morals of the people of Micronesia" and an article of clothing with "no redeeming social qualities."

Mangefel was not a man to stand on artifice and cared deeply about Micronesia, traditional island values, and unity. He wanted to be certain that the agreement between the United States and the FSM would not result in a deterioration of the islands' traditional values saying to the U.S., "I can put my canoe on your carrier but you can't put your carrier on my canoe."

Perhaps his most famous oration occurred on the 8th day of the first special session of the Sixth Congress of the Senate of the Congress of Micronesia. It is difficult to choose what to print and what not to print. The entire oration speaks volumes about the man and appears still to apply and so it appears in its entirety here.

"Mr. President and members of this last holdout of male chauvinism in the Congress of Micronesia (with apologies to our Journal Clerk):

"At this time I wish to say a very few words about the present financial mire in which we find ourselves and the Trust Territory Government stuck.

"Since about two years ago, when the world shortage of gasoline, ping pong balls, toilet paper and other life essentials hit us in the face (so to speak), things have not been the same.

"In that short time world leaders have come and gone and others have emerged or have been replaced; nations have collapsed; millions of people have been killed by wars and starvation, and the TV program "Gunsmoke", has gone off the airwaves. Inflation, recession, and depression are now the watchwords, and financiers nervously take the pulse of the prime lending rates like vacationers waiting for spring, watching the movements of groundhogs.

"While all of these momentous events have taken place, we in Micronesia have suffered a lot, but done very little. For my part, I have made a number of important and reasonable recommendations, but no one has had the foresight—or the temerity—to follow them.

"Consequently we find ourselves in a messy state.

"As an example, we have just approved a salary plan on legal paper, which neither we in this Congress nor the U.S. Government can finance. Our grant fund appropriations have recently been cut. Scrounging from all available corners of our national pockets has just barely enabled our government to meet its payrolls, and funds slated for capital improvement projects are being transferred to cover operations which are supposed to support the capital improvement projects, the funds for which are being used for operations—or something like that.

"I confess, Mr. President, I am somewhat at a loss as I ponder how all these problems could be solved. Even dipping into my betelnut basket yesterday and this morning did not provide me with any inspirations to share with my distinguished, and I am sure, equally befuddled colleagues. I searching my soul, the answer finally was revealed to me. In seeking solutions to our problems, we must consult with that higher administering authority, and His words, as promulgated in that

ethereal order, the Good Book. The solution at hand, I now would like to highly recommend that the procedure I will shortly describe be followed before the convening of all cabinet meetings, all sessions of the Congress of Micronesia, all meetings of the House Appropriations, Senate Ways and Means Committees, Joint Committee on Program and Budget Planning, and be recited prior to any appearance of members of Congress before committees or members of the United States Congress, and those of the President's Office of Management and Budget.

"To close this preamble, I now will offer my solution. Furthermore, on order to appease our Senate and Journal Clerk's penchant for assigning a title and number to everything that we do, I have ventured to entitle the solution in the following manner:

**"THE LORD'S PRAYER,
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HUMBLE JOHN DE AVILA
MANGEFEL**

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"My logic for this suggestion is, as usual, very simple Mr. President. It is taken from the works of some other sage (whose name escapes me for a moment), but whose forebodings nevertheless ring true today as they did when he said, "If God be with us—then who can against us?"

"Amen, Mr. President."

Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced. The Honorable John A. Mangefel will be missed by all of Micronesia. Truly a great leader has died but he will be long remembered. Dr. Caldwell is in possession of most of the notes and the draft of his work on part of Mangefel's autobiography.

Bourne Identity: Animal Specialist in Pohnpei

Veterinarian will focus on preventing the spread of bird flu disease

By Olivier Wortel
The Kaselehlie Press

KOLONIA, Pohnpei – Although it's likely not anything to be too concerned about, and since it's also a good habit to be safe rather than sorry, the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) has brought in a permanent veterinarian to its staff to focus on the potential spread of avian influenza – commonly referred to as bird flu – from SE Asia into the Micronesian region.

But the main concern about bird flu is not necessarily the devastating effect that it could have on local chicken populations, migratory birds in the tropics, as well as native bird species; the primary concern may be its effect on humans. "It has been shown that it can spread to humans," said Dr. Judith Bourne at her new office in the SPC building in the bucolic Pohnpei Botanical Gardens. "It caused disease and death in Indonesia," added Bourne on the spread of bird flu from chickens to people.

"It's a serious animal health concern," says Bourne, who was the Principal Veterinary Officer in Biosecurity Australia before joining SPC in the FSM. Her main task will be assisting the northern Pacific islands "in their preparedness for the possible incursion of Avian Influenza," states a short press release by SPC. Bourne will work "with all levels of government" to develop a task force and preparedness plans, which will look at, amongst other things, bird migration routes and the major transport routes throughout the Micronesian subregion.

The bird flu disease is highly effective once the virus adapts itself and spreads to humans, exhibiting a 50% mortality rate. The plan that is being formulated now to prevent this from happening is referred to as the Pacific Regional Influenza Pandemic Preparedness Plan (PRIPP).

A quick reference to the SPC Website shows the PRIPP as one of its current "Highlights". "It will give Pacific Island countries an opportunity to establish a



proper framework for addressing zoonotic diseases (diseases that are spread from animals to humans) and other emerging health threats...and are prepared to act quickly in the event of an incursion of avian influenza," explains Dr. Ken Cokanasiga, Adviser for the Animal Health and Production Group in Suva, Fiji.

In the Pacific, human influenza outbreaks can happen at any time of year, either through the many people who pass through from the more temperate regions of the world, or through the movement of migratory birds and legal and illegal trade in poultry and poultry products.

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states went with the consensus and the June games are now cancelled for the third year in a row.

EPIC mandated the Department of Health, Education and Social Affairs to create a "mini-FSM Games including only volleyball, basketball, and softball. Jim Tobin has prepared a budget for the scaled down games which will be submitted to the new national administration for decision.

2007-1-05 Regarding Use of Carryover Funds

EPIC instructed FSM JEMCO representatives to convey to the United States, their continued appreciation for assistance provided under the Amended Compact. It also instructed representatives to "further convey the request of EPIC that, beginning with the fiscal year 2006 Carryover Balances, all carryover funds and unallocated balances be allocated with due regard to the priorities of the government for whose benefit the original Sector Grants were allocated, and in all cases, that such decisions be taken in a manner more fully consistent with the express terms of the Amended Compact.

2007-1-06 Regarding Requesting an Extension of the Time Allowed for the Transitioning Out From Capacity Building Sector Grant Funding

EPIC instructed FSM JEMCO representatives to request a two year extension to the five year phase out of Capacity Building Sector Grant funding. The resolution said that 3 of the 5 governments are on track with the phase out plan but "due to the uncertainty of anticipated revenues" two of the governments were "facing great difficulty in doing so."

2007-1-07 Expressing Condolences of the EPIC on the Passing of the Honorable Tosiwo Nakayama.

In addition to the resolutions, EPIC also received a briefing from TC&I and Telecom on the status of the Fiber Optic Cable Project from Guam to Kwajalein which according to the brief indicates that the cost for FSM participation in the project has decreased substantially. The estimated time for completion of the project is just under two years.

EPIC received a briefing from the Executive Steering Committee that is charged with implementing Tax Reforms. The brief said that a comprehensive tax reform is needed in order to raise local revenues to compensate for the declining level of annual grants under the Amended Compact and to provide an environment conducive to private sector growth. The brief also said the Tax reform should aim at raising revenues by increasing compliance, and should not impose additional tax burden beyond the existing tax burden on the private sector.

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Street Talk!

The FSM Games have, for the third year in a row, been canceled or scaled back. How important do you think sports are to the FSM?



Duemes Simeon

It's good! It gives us a chance to get together. The games are fun because we get to see and meet new people. The games are good for Pohnpei..



Richard Kersey

I think that the FSM needs sports because it unites the community and it makes people more active. I hope that they bring the games back.



Julio Mendez

Here in the FSM things are really slow. Few people make it really far. If the games are canceled, I think most people won't really be affected.



Luciana Sorech

Sports are truly important for the well-being of humanity. Micronesians should spend more time with sports for physical health reasons. The FSM has plenty of money. I wonder why they canceled it again. Where is all the money? Well, the games are very important.



Kevin Solden

I would like to say that it is important to have sports here in Pohnpei because it leads people away from drugs and alcohol., and brings you a lot of friends.



Ramsie Joab

I was dissapointed to hear they canceled again. Based on what I learn from playing sports, it's all about exchanging cultures and making people more connected. Most importantly, it's about making friends from around the world.



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Internet, search engines and email.

Experience: Minimum of three (3) years in the development and
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Language: Fluent in written and spoken English and knowledge of
local language of the duty station.

Remuneration: Total Net Salary \$1416 per month. The position
provides no benefits although employees may be eligible for health
insurance.

Duty Station: Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia

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FSM National Government Department of Finance and
Administration

Attention: Personnel Officer
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NEWS

Chinese Ambassador LIU Fei Visits Chuuk and Hands-over the Chuuk Airport Renovation Project

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the Federated States of Micronesia, made her first official visit to the State of Chuuk, during which she attended the inauguration ceremony of the Associate Justice of the FSM Supreme Court in Chuuk and hosted the hand-over ceremony of the Chuuk International Airport Renovation Project to Chuuk State.

During her stay in Chuuk, Ambassador LIU paid courtesy calls on Governor Wesley Simina and Lt. Governor Johnson Elimo. Ambassador LIU also met with the representatives of the Chuuk Women's Association, visited the radio station, the Campus of COM-FSM in Chuuk, and Xavier High School, to which she donated more than 200 books on China's history, culture, business, education, tourism etc. Her Excellency also took a boat tour to the island of Fefan and met the mayor.

On March 29, the Hand-over ceremony of the Chuuk Airport Renovation Project was held in the terminal building. Hon. Redley Killion, Vice President of the FSM, Hon. Wesley Simina, Governor, Hon. Johnson Elimo, Lt. Governor, Hon. Detor Santos, President of the Senate, Hon. Singkoro Harper, Speaker of the House, Carl Apis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Foreign Affairs, FSM and other officials attended the ceremony. Ambassador LIU delivered a speech to more than 100 guests.



Ambassador Liu Fei, Governor Wesley Simina, and Vice President Redley Killion unveil the plaque at the Chuuk airport

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AUSTRALIAN RELIEF ASSISTANCE IN THE SOLOMON ISLANDS

The Australian Government has made an initial offer of up to \$2 million in emergency and reconstruction assistance to the Solomon Islands Government following the damage caused by the earthquake and tsunami.

Latest advice from the Solomon Islands Government is that 34 people are confirmed dead, several dozen are still missing and 5,500 are thought to be displaced. It is estimated that between 900 and 2,500 homes have been destroyed. Australia has been working with the Solomon Islands National Disaster Committee, headed by the Solomon Islands' Prime Minister, the organisation responsible for coordinating the Solomon Islands' government response effort.

The distribution of Australian relief is well underway following the arrival of the C130 aircraft at Munda airport in Solomon Islands. Items transported by the aircraft will supplement relief items which were made available immediately following Monday's earthquake-tsunami from Australian stores located in Solomon Islands.

AusAID medical teams have also arrived to supplement Australian medics already working on the



ground. Two Australian Defence Force primary healthcare teams have arrived, including additional personnel to staff hospital wards. They are accompanied by a mobile environmental health team focused on disease prevention, including sanitation. AusAID is sending further supplies of treated mosquito nets and clean water.

The Australian Government stands ready to provide the government and people of Solomon Islands with support for reconstruction and rehabilitation when medium to long term needs are known.

Japan Gives Aid to Solomons

(April 4-Honiara)- The Government of Japan decided on April 4 to extend initial emergency relief goods in kind equivalent to about 13 million yen (blanks and plastic rolls) to the Government of the Solomon Islands, which has suffered great damage and loss of life from and earthquake and tsunami.

From a humanitarian point of view for the disaster-struck people and in light of its friendly relations with the Solomon Islands, Japan offered assistance immediately after the disaster. As the Government of Solomon Islands made an official request to Japan on April 4, the Government of Japan has decided to extend this emergency assistance.

According to a UN Disaster Assessment Coordination team, the devastating tsunami left 7000 people displaced and at least 39 dead.



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Statements of Condition December 31, 2006 and 2005

	<u>ASSETS</u>		<u>LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY</u>	
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>Liabilities:</u>	<u>2006</u> <u>2005</u>
Cash and due from banks	\$5,273,019	\$6,937,071	Deposits:	
Federal Funds Sold	5,195,000	5,945,000	Noninterest-bearing	\$16,871,084 \$21,491,510
Interest-bearing deposits in banks	508,044	695,316	Interest-bearing	46,465,428 46,822,734
			Total deposits	63,336,512 68,314,244
Cash and cash equivalents	10,976,063	13,577,387	Accrued interest payable	99,119 68,813
			Accrued expenses and other liabilities	642,476 576,390
Short-term investment in money			Total liabilities	<u>64,078,107</u> <u>68,959,447</u>
market funds	723,377	75,721	Stockholders' equity:	
Securities available for sale	35,594,565	41,964,454	Common Stock, \$5 par value,	
Loans, net of allowance for loan losses	26,079,754	21,931,667	1,000,000 shares authorized;	
Accrued Interest receivable	581,133	565,284	934,343 shares issued and outstanding	4,671,740 4,671,715
Premises and equipment, net	3,567,179	3,197,335	Additional paid-in capital	4,663,576 4,663,551
Prepaid expenses and other assets	161,199	114,952	Retained earnings	4,621,790 3,862,380
			Accumulated other comprehensive income	(351,943) (730,293)
			Total stockholders' equity	<u>13,605,163</u> <u>12,467,353</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$77,683,270</u>	<u>\$81,426,800</u>	Total Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity	<u>\$77,683,270</u> <u>\$81,426,800</u>

Statements of Income Years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>Non-interest expense:</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Interest income:			Salaries and wages	\$1,427,370	\$1,252,825
Loans	\$2,804,014	\$2,230,458	Occupancy expense	354,671	282,501
Investment securities and due from banks	1,472,435	1,375,532	Employee benefits	273,073	232,608
Federal funds sold	297,216	53,790	Fixed Asset expense	229,847	171,690
Total interest income	<u>4,573,665</u>	<u>3,659,780</u>	Professional Fees	193,311	278,681
Interest expense:			Telephone	173,652	117,899
Time deposits, \$100,000 and over	381,157	264,777	Travel expense	150,069	97,533
Savings	355,328	263,620	Gross Receipts and Use Taxes	128,178	94,359
Other time deposits	74,783	37,055	Stationary and Supplies	109,061	82,371
Total interest expense	<u>811,268</u>	<u>565,452</u>	Data Processing expense	96,170	83,485
Net interest income	3,762,397	3,094,328	Correspondent Bank Fees	70,856	64,000
Provision for loan losses	45,000	15,000	Directors and Shareholders expense	57,912	53,026
Net interest income after provision for loan losses	<u>3,717,397</u>	<u>3,079,328</u>	Insurance	54,396	52,789
Non-interest income:			Business Development	31,166	29,140
Service charges on deposit accounts	350,957	318,170	Credit and Collection	25,737	22,868
Loan fee income	258,481	186,350	Teller and Operating Losses	17,788	8,876
Net gain on available for sale securities	0	2,610	Postage	17,016	14,259
Other	355,521	339,086	FDIC Deposit Insurance	8,116	18,172
Total Non-interest Income	<u>964,959</u>	<u>\$846,216</u>	Miscellaneous expense	37,383	30,372
			Total Non-Interest Expense	<u>3,455,772</u>	<u>2,987,454</u>
			Net Income	<u>\$1,226,584</u>	<u>\$938,090</u>
			Earnings per share	\$1.31	\$1.00

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Media Relations 101

Did you know that there is an entire course work designed around the problem of how to deal with the Media? Yep, there is and I know why. For some we are a problem. We don't mean to be but I guess it's in our nature. Some of us are born with that bloodhound personality. Others of us acquire it for a variety of reasons.

I've written about this before but now I find myself alone at K-Press and it suddenly seems more urgent to me. I've experienced some very interesting things since I've been the editor.

This is my personal list of "interesting things" in no order of importance:

1) I've had people tell me one thing one day and several days later completely reverse their story and swear that they never told me the first thing they said. Just so you know, I do take notes.

2) I've had sources give me information, some of which I've quoted in articles, only to have them later tell everyone they meet that I never talked to them even if I talked to them in front of witnesses.

(Please note, I did publish the fact that on one occasion after repeated attempts to contact a person I published their "statement" and led you to believe that I had talked with that person when in fact, I got the information second hand. I promise that I won't do that again. It was embarrassing.)

3) I've experienced the "flat out lie" factor. That probably bends me more out of shape than anything. I don't always find out about the lie but if I do I go deeper than I ever intended to go.

4) I've had the only people that could give me the information that I was after tell me that their information was "off the record". I honor every time but it's very tough sometimes and usually not fair to the people you represent.

5) I've experienced unresponsive government representatives; the very people who are supposed to get information out to the public. Yes, or no answers don't get the information out to the public. As one of my friends says, "Your pink slip's on your desk."

There are many other situations I've dealt with but I won't go into them here. What I will do is print for you a list of "Do's and Don'ts in Dealing With the Media" from a publication put out by the U.S. Department of State:

DO

...tell the truth-ALWAYS.
...be honest and accurate. Your credibility and reputation depend on it.

...admit it if you don't know the answer to a question. Offer to get the answer, and do so as quickly as you can.

...correct mistakes immediately. State that you didn't give an adequate answer, and you would like to clear up the confusion.

...avoid using jargon. Speak in plain language.

...assume that everything you say is on the record.

...be as open with the media as possible.

...call reporters if a story appears that is inaccurate. Politely point out what was wrong and substantiate it. *(gladly, this has happened even today at the K-Press!)*

...keep a list of accomplishments. Update it frequently. Things happen so quickly that you may forget what you, the official, and your ministry or government have achieved.

...ALWAY RETURN PHONE CALLS, OR HAVE AN AIDE RETURN PHONE CALLS, IN TIME FOR REPORTERS TO MEET DEADLINES *(emphasis added)*

...try to get the information the reporters want even if it means an extra effort, such as staying at work late or hand-delivering material.

...HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOR *(emphasis added again)*

DON'T

...lie-EVER.

...say "No Comment"--EVER
...improvise, don't speculate, and don't guess. Good reporters check facts. If you are wrong, your credibility will be destroyed.

...try to put a comment "off the record" after you have said it.

... be unresponsive.

...make news until you have in hand the information to go with it. Don't make an announcement and then later prepare a press release and fact sheets. If you have the material prepared before a press conference, you can spend time after an announcement explaining it to the press.

Happy P.R!

Bill Jaynes
Managing Editor

A TRIBUTE TO HIS EXCELLENCY, PRESIDENT TOSIWO NAKAYAMA

NOVEMBER 23, 1931-MARCH 29, 2007

On March 29, 2007, all of Micronesia was saddened to hear of the death of our first president and founding father of our Nation, the late, but great statesman, Tosiwo Nakayama. Our most earnest prayers and heart felt condolences are extended to the family of the late, first president in this time of deep sorrow and grief.

As someone who reads with admiration the political discourses by the gentlemen of the Senate of the old Congress of Micronesia, I am humbled by the depth and extent of this historical phenomenon, Tosiwo Nakayama, who was so central to the birth of our Nation.

Tosiwo Nakayama's service to the People of Micronesia began early in his life. Few of us today will remember the crucial role that the U.N. Trusteeship Council played in the birth of our Nation. After World War II and throughout the 1950's, Micronesia lay in the backwater of international attention. It was just a nuclear testing and training ground for U.S. military interests. But the Trusteeship Council was to change all that by bringing the plight of the Micronesian people to the attention of the World community.

In 1961, at the early age of 30, Tosiwo Nakayama stepped forward to become one of the first Micronesian advisors to the U.S. delegation to the U.N. Trusteeship Council. Through his presence and other patriots like him who were brought to the attention of the United Nations, the World began to learn that our islands were populated with real and sincere individuals with our own hopes and dreams and aspirations for the future. And so began the long and slow, but steady climb to our recognition as a sovereign people.

Soon after his entry on the international scene, the late Tosiwo Nakayama was chosen to serve in the Council of Micronesia, the first representative body for the whole of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. Two years later, he was elected to the First Congress of Micronesia, where his fellow Senators quickly recognized his leadership potential, electing

Nakayama as the first Senate President of that august body.

Throughout the nineteen sixties and seventies, Tosiwo Nakayama faithfully served in elected office, never tiring in his quest to gain American and international recognition of the sovereign rights of the Micronesian people. All of his efforts culminated in July of 1975, when Tosiwo Nakayama was elected to serve as the president of the first Micronesian Constitutional Convention, the highest honor bestowed on any of our early leaders.

I cannot in my own words express the importance of Tosiwo Nakayama to the birth of our Nation. Perhaps it is better that we listen to the great man himself, than to attempt to describe his thoughts and feelings at that time. As he opened Micronesia's first Constitutional Convention, Tosiwo Nakayama counseled his fellow delegates.

"As we go about our work, let us keep one thought in mind. That we are writing a constitution for *Micronesia*. No matter who has guided us in the past, no matter who assists us now, this is to be a *Micronesian* constitution. If we face problems, we should solve them in a Micronesian way, searching our own traditions and resources for the answers we need."

Tosiwo Nakayama's central theme of a Micronesian government by and for Micronesians never wavered, both in the early years of his service as an elected representative and later as the very first president of our Nation. And by Micronesia, our first president meant all of Micronesia. In his first inaugural address as the first president of our newly formed Nation, Tosiwo Nakayama told us that "...the Federated States is like a rainbow; it is a beautiful thing, yet it is composed of many different colors. Our differences do not divide us, but make us richer through their diversity. The ocean is our common link, it is our heritage, and our greatest natural re-

See "President" on next page

CHS Students Treated as Subhumans

I am writing to advise you that as a teacher at CHS I find conditions there disgraceful. Explain to me how approximately 800 students and a staff of 50 are to function with only 3 working toilets, no potable water, and no lunch program.

JEMCO is serving as an absentee administrator and it is NOT working! Compact II and the people overseeing it, your office and the Department of Interior, are failing in your duty to assist the Federated States of Micronesia.

The youth of this nation deserve to come to a school where they can get a drink of water and use a bathroom. Lunch would also be nice.

We are not asking for a Starbucks below our office, or a nice view of the harbor, or air conditioned offices, buses to transport us to and from school.

Yes there are morale problems. But what do you expect!

Unlike the \$9,232 available for an American students, a Chuukese student gets approximately \$500. Never mind that a first year teacher in the US with a BA degree earns about \$40,000, while a Chuuk High School instructor with a BA receives \$4,400 (a net salary of \$172. every two weeks).

To make matters worse, the staff works only 72 hours and rumor

has it that this may soon be reduced to 56 hours every two weeks.

Of course, this problem may soon be resolved when CHS is closed and the land given to the College of Micronesia. Never mind that there will be 800 students with no place to attend high school next year.

But forget about these problems, now I am asking for just the basics. I would like to be able to have my students attend school at the "moderate poverty" level. Drinking water and toilets for starters; there is absolutely no excuse for such horrible conditions and it needs to be corrected immediately!

Please let me know the next time you or anyone else from the JEMCO office visits Chuuk, I would like them to visit my Chuuk High School (CHS) social studies/civics class and talk to them. Perhaps you can share information with us about why we are without the basic necessities, and answer other concerns.

To those of you who are concerned, please contact your congressmen and newspapers. The FSM is off their radar and we need to make people aware of the needs here.

Thank you very much.
Clark Graham

Change Your Destiny

I have always believed that a person is not necessarily "DOOMED" to inherit his/her parents' Diabetes or Heart Disease. Instead, I believe, we are doomed to inheriting their food choices as we grow up eating what mommy and daddy prefer and developing a like or dislike for physical activity based on which one they developed. However, like myself whose Chuukese/Japanese mother wasn't all that knowledgeable about nutrition, everyone can choose to read up on nutrition as I did during my first pregnancy. It has made a difference in my adult years and a world of difference in my children's. Constipation, cavities, constant antibiotic treatment are rare for my kids (unlike myself), because I have chosen not to "inherit" or practice what I learned from my parents. I also believe that Micronesian girls are at a great disadvantage because no one is teaching them to love physical activity. Young girls do at first, you see them in grade school jumping rope, playing tag, and Chinese jump rope and volley ball. However, when puberty hits you see a real drop in the numbers of girls who are still active and are enjoying the moving and sweating. This is where parents need to step in. Girls who love sports will become women who love sports, and girls who chose to be sedentary will either choose to be sedentary women or will have to force themselves to exercise and it will be a constant battle to do so. I believe

that one should be aware of his/her parents' ailments, but not feel that they are destined to suffer from them as well. A bit of childhood analysis, information, and determination to choose what is right not what tastes right, and you can change your destiny. In addition, there are many sources out there that suggest that the foods a mother eats when the child is in-vitro and during nursing, are the foods the child will like after nursing. So, if you want your kids to choose the healthy stuff, take the first step by eating them while they are in the womb and when they are nursing. Thanks for all the info which empowers us all to make better, life saving decisions.

Caroline Adams

Funny Exam Answers

The nineteenth century was a time of a great many thoughts and inventions. People stopped reproducing by hand and started reproducing by machine. The invention of the steamboat caused a network of river to spring up. Cyrus McCormick invented the McCormick reaper, which did the work of a hundred men

...President

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source. Our islands form our way of life and our many islands together, our states together, make us stronger than our four states apart."

Tosiwo Nakayama made good on his vision of a whole of Micronesia consisting of many parts. During his first term as president, Nakayama was instrumental in the convening of not less than six State-National Leadership Conferences which produced not less than 187 resolutions. With the resolve of both State and National leaders behind the effort, he took the causes of Micronesia all the way to the halls of power in Washington.

He said, "This period of our his-

tory holds the risk of great peril and great promise, He told his counterparts in Washington, Our mandate, quite simply, is to lead our people into a period of prosperity, national unity and stability."

The mandate with which Tosiwo Nakayama began the presidency of our Nation is a mandate which stays with us today. But as strong and uncompromising as our first president was in his efforts to build a nation for our People, he was humble in his thoughts about his own contributions to the cause. As he brought the First Constitutional Convention to a successful conclusion, Nakayama told his fellow delegates, "Working here, you have confirmed my faith in Micronesia. You have renewed my hopes for the future. If I never hold another public office, never attend another public meeting, it is all right with me. If I retired today, I would be happy. Being

part of the Convention is the most important thing I have ever done."

But Tosiwo Nakayama's work was not done. He went on to become the first president of our Nation. In all respects, Tosiwo Nakayama was not just a part of the birth of our Nation, he was central to its creation.

The Constitution itself was, and remains essential to Tosiwo Nakayama's efforts to bring life and meaning to our new Nation. In pointing the way for those at the Convention who helped him in this quest, Nakayama counseled his fellow patriots, "We must remember that what we do here [at this convention], we do as Micronesians for Micronesians. We will be living with this constitution when our friends are gone. Our Micronesian children will be living with this constitution when we ourselves have departed..."

On March 29, 2007, the late, but great statesman, Tosiwo Nakayama did depart this world, but while he departed from us in person, he still lives and will always live with us in spirit. In summing up his first inaugural address to the Nation, President Nakayama reminded us all of the fundamental importance of self government as the destiny and future of our People. He ended that first, historical address with the words, "For my part, I pledge to you to make that self government into which we begin to enter today, also a good government."

The institution of "self government," that is in its very essence, "good government," was Tosiwo Nakayama's pledge then, and it should be our pledge now. Let us take the words and counsel of our first president to heart.

Akillino H. Susaia

U. S. Ambassador to the FSM Encourages Education, is Interviewed by SDSU Students

Photo by Gary Bloom



Left to right: Welson Nedlic, Ambassador Suzanne Hale, SeNellie Singeo and Liza Allen.

SDSU Students interviewed U.S. Ambassador, Her Excellency Suzanne Hale for the Master's Program on "Diversity in Educational Leadership" as a team project. The interview was recently conducted at the U.S. Embassy with the assistance of Gary Bloom, of the U.S. Embassy

New Lieutenants in Pohnpei



Majors Jeff and Eloisa Martin "commission" the Sardis's. Major Scott Nicloy, Commanding Officer of The Salvation Army, and Lt. Taylor Santos (left and right holding flags) look on.

By **BILL JAYNES**
 The Kaselehlie Press

(Pohnpei, FM) - Susan and Nemensio Sardis are the newest Salvation Army Officers in Pohnpei. On March 4 at the Kolonia Salvation Army they were commissioned as Salvation Army Lieutenants, the second couple to be chosen by The Salvation Army to do their work in Pohnpei.

Senelyn and Taylor Santos of Madolenihmw were commissioned more than a year ago as the first Pohnpeian Officers in the world and have continued to manage the work of The Salvation Army and to be the pastors of the congregation there.

The Sardis's will, in the future, be program assistants in Pohnpei at the Kolonia Church. In The Salvation Army, church's are called Corps.

The Salvation Army, a worldwide organization was founded in 1865 by General William Booth in London, England. It was originally intended to be a parachurch organization helping churches to reach people in darkest England. They became a separate denomination when converted people were rejected by mainline churches of the day and is today one of the most respected and recognizable non-profit ministries in the world.

92nd Anniversary Dawn Service ANZAC Day 0530 Hrs Wed 25 April 2007 Royal Australian Navy Compound Nett, Pohnpei.

An Anzac Day Dawn Service will be held on Wednesday 25 April, 2007 at the Royal Australian Navy Residential Compound (Kangaroo Court) on the western bank of the Nett River, Pohnpei commencing promptly at 0530 Hrs.

The commemorative service is open to all members of the public including Australian and New Zealanders residing in Pohnpei. This year we extend a particularly warm welcome to the many FSM servicemen and war veterans.

To ensure accurate directions and for catering purposes, prior contact should be made to:

Lieutenant Commander Mark Sorby (Maritime Surveillance Adviser to FSM) - 320 4746 or email sorbys@mail.fm



Anzac Day - 25 April - Marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the first World War. ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces have become known as the ANZACs and the pride they soon took in that name endures today. The ANZAC Day dawn service commemorates their legendary sacrifice and the important contribution these soldiers made to Australia and New Zealand and their enduring legacy of dedication, honor, and service to your country.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ALISON!



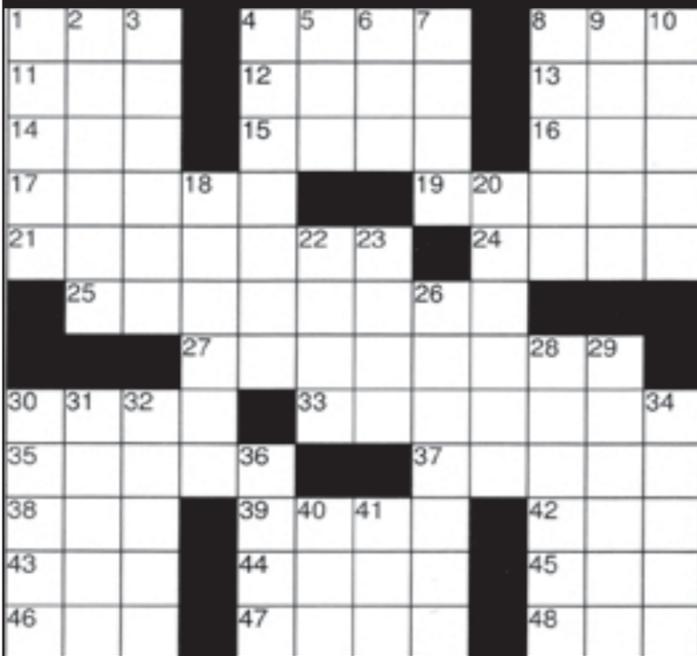
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 TO EXPECT WHEN YOU CAME BUT
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 FOR OUR POHNPEIAN COMMUNITY
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FROM YOUR FRIENDS AND FANS

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



SOLUTION IN NEXT ISSUE

ACROSS

1. Embrace
4. Swiss mountain range
8. Buddy
11. Monkey's uncle?
12. Film holder
13. Diamonds, in gangster slang
14. Voluminous vase
15. Brief skirt, briefly
16. Eureka!
17. Gambling game
19. Youngster
21. One playing alone
24. When both hands meet during the day

DOWN

25. Small dogs
 27. We've been over these before
 30. Wise men
 33. Come forth
 35. Evade
 37. Tart fruit
 38. Speck
 39. Hindu mystic
 42. Pea's home
 43. Cries of content
 44. Historical periods
 45. Freud's focus
 46. down the law
 47. It's what you owe
 48. Freshly minted
1. Lugs around
 2. Remove forcibly
 3. Not too hard person
 4. Clothing cache
 5. Hawaiian necklace
 6. Ink-filled writer
 7. Slender
 8. It has 88 keys
 9. Response to pollen, perhaps
 10. Acquire knowledge
 18. Steamy
 20. Out of one's mind
 22. Location
 23. Semester
 26. Pragmatic
 28. Make moist
 29. Fall guy
 30. General's badge
 31. Hawaiian hello
 32. Daring with funds
 34. Provide
 36. Noticed
 40. Mined, but unrefined material
 41. Chat

Word Search - The Bard's Crew

For a who's who of Shakespearean characters, read through the list below, which contains the names of male and female figures featured in the Bard's works.

ANTONIO
AUDREY
BANQUO
BEATRICE
BENEDICK
CELIA
CLAUDIUS
CORDELIA
DEMETRIUS
DUNCAN
GONERIL
HAMLET
HELENA
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RELIGION

“We See Jesus”

One of the things that I have never liked is to see pictures of Jesus. I understand that as humans we are visually oriented people. Seeing pictures of things helps us to understand them better. However, I don't think we need paintings of Jesus when the Bible paints a picture of Him with words. Let us compare the picture painted with words that the Bible paints of Jesus with the pictures painted by men.

First, in most of the pictures that I have seen of Jesus He is shown as a white man with long flowing blonde hair and blue eyes. I don't know exactly what Jesus looked like, and I apologize for bursting any bubbles, but I am about one hundred percent certain that He was not a white man with blonde hair and blue eyes. The Bible says that

Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea (Matt 2:1). He was a descendant of Abraham, Jacob and David (Matt 1:1-16). Judea is in the Middle East. Abraham, Jacob and David all come from the same region. In fact Abraham was from Ur of the Chaldeans, which is near modern day Iraq. Do people from that region generally have blonde hair and blue eyes? No, not usually. Generally speaking people from that part of the world have darker features and have more of an olive complexion. The Bible picture of Jesus is not one of a white man.

Second, about that hair, we can determine that Jesus hair was not blonde, but what about the length? There are two reasons why pictures of Jesus al-

ways have Him with long hair. First, people confuse Nazarene with Nazirite. A Nazarene was a person from Nazareth. Jesus was from Nazareth, thus He was a Nazarene. A Nazirite on the other hand was a person that had taken a special vow (Numbers 6:1-21). Part of the Nazirite vow was that a razor would never touch their head. Samson, Samuel and John the Baptist were all life long Nazirites. Jesus was not a Nazirite. If He was He could not have instituted the Lord's supper since Nazirites could not drink grape juice (Numbers 6:3,4). The other reason that pictures of Jesus always have Him with long hair is that the most popular pictures of Him were painted at a time when men wore their hair long. However, there is a lot of evidence to suggest that men in Jesus time did not wear their hair long.

Third, in every picture I have ever seen of Jesus He is shown as a skinny almost feminine looking man. In those pictures it seems as if a strong wind would break Him in half. Is that the picture the Bible paints? No! In Mark 6:3 the

people of Jesus' hometown ask, "Is this not the carpenter?" Carpenters that I know are all strong, tough looking men. Keep in mind also that in Jesus time carpenters worked more with stone than with wood. When they did work with wood they did not have power tools to help them. Also consider the accounts of Jesus driving out the moneychangers from the temple. Notice especially Mark 11:16. In this verse Mark says, "He would not allow anyone to carry wares through the temple." Consider the fact that Mark does not say "Jesus and the temple guard" or "Jesus and His apostles." He just says that Jesus would not allow them to do these things. Jesus single handedly drove all of these people from the temple, turned over their tables and then would not allow them to carry their things through the temple. Sorry, but He was not a skinny almost feminine looking man. Jesus was a strong man that could be quite fierce looking when He wanted to be.

The Hebrews writer states "but we see Jesus." You and I don't have any original paintings to go by when it comes to seeing Jesus. Instead of looking to artist's renditions of what He may have looked like we should look to the picture painted by the words of the Bible. When we let the Bible paint our picture we can truly "see Jesus."

Scott Shanahan
Pohnpei Church of Christ

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COMMUNITY

I Know...That I Know...That I Know Pacific Missionary Fellowship Celebrates Easter in a Big Way!

The Easter holidays are always a big event in the FSM, with daily church services and visitations to the sick all week long. This year was no exception, and Pacific Mission Fellowship celebrated in a big way with a musical entitled "I Know...that I Know...that I Know", a lively musical/performance including members of (all ages from) their congregation in Pohnpei.

The performance was in celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, which was demon-

strated in song, skits, dance and artwork. Adults and youth both performed in comical and thought-provoking skits intermingled with lively songs presented by the church chorus or the church band, as well as a beautifully arranged hula dance in/as a display of praise that brought tears to some. The stage was decorated with artwork as well, all of which was provided by church members.

Particularly notable were the two 20 or more feet tall canvases

painted by COM students Romple Enwalu Pulowat and Dickson Tiwelifil of Woleai. The students said they wanted to do the work which took them three weeks to complete as a community service. Sylvia Kalau said they worked too hard on the beautiful and detailed paintings and they would be paid.

Enwalu was primarily responsible for a vibrantly detailed and striking depicting of Christ on the Cross on top of Sokehs Rock. Tiwelifil was responsible for the

same scene but with an empty cross, the message of Easter

The Easter celebration was held at the Pacific Mission Fellowship studio located in Kolonia, Pohnpei across from the Cliff Rainbow Hotel. The first performance was held on Sunday, April 8th at 9AM with scheduled performances on the following Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings at 7PM. The studio seats approximately 300 guests, and performances were standing room only resulting in an unscheduled showing added on Thursday evening.

Photos by Bill Jaynes



Pohnpei Competitors' Association

Standings as of 12 April 2007

BASKETBALL CLUB STANDINGS

OHWA CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL

Rank	Team	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Terrorist	3	3	0	1.000
2T	Young Boys	2	0	2	0.000
2T	Pingpin Ohwa	1	0	1	0.000

GP=Games Played W=Won L=Lost
PCT=Winning Percentage (WGP)

MONOPOLY CLUB STANDINGS

Pohnpei SDA School

Rank	Name	GP	AFP
1	Keoni Samo	1	1.00
2T	Maggie Billingsley	2	2.00
2T	Mack Pangelinan	2	2.00
2T	Genevieve Estur	1	2.00
5	Kimberly Morales	2	3.00
6	Laura Fujimoto	3	3.33
7	Emily Ford	1	4.00

OHWA Christian High School

Rank	Name	GP	AFP
1	Arvizu Nelber	3	1.33
2	Mike Lawrence	3	2.00
3	Roger Salmon	4	2.25
4	Michaelson Samuel	3	2.33
5	Nickson Primo	2	2.50
6	Kelson Saperna	5	2.60
7T	Pedrus Amaralch	2	3.00
7T	Akino Palden	1	3.00
7T	Chuuk Kehn	2	3.00
10	Wayne Weltal	3	3.67

PICS High School

Rank	Name	GP	AFP
1	Adelino Primo	1	1.00
2T	Larry Asher	3	1.33
2T	Jason Donne	3	1.67
4	Salvador Jacob	1	2.00
5T	Justice Hebel	1	3.00
5T	Kentrick Manuelo	2	3.00
5T	Stacy Santos	1	3.00
8T	Bryon Edgar	1	4.00
8T	Bryan Raymond	1	4.00
8T	Ramina Cantero	1	4.00

GP=Games Played AFP=Average Finish Position

VOLLEYBALL CLUB STANDINGS

Pohnpei SDA School

Rank	Team	GP	W	L	PCT
1T	Devils	1	1	0	1.000
1T	Bubble Gum	1	1	0	1.000
3T	Mariko	2	1	1	0.500
3T	Tashy	2	1	1	0.500
5T	Angels	1	0	1	0.000
5T	Smiles	1	0	1	0.000

OHWA Christian High School

Rank	Team	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Young Boys	1	1	0	1.000
2	Boom2	1	0	1	0.000

GP=Games Played W=Won L=Lost
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CHESS CLUB STANDINGS

TOP 10 - Pohnpei SDA School

Rank	Name of Player	GP	W	L	D	PCT
1	Genevieve Estur	7	7	0	0	1.000
2	Alex Pangelinan	3	2	1	0	0.667
3	Danzel Itaa	20	13	7	0	0.550
4T	Lloyd Yasuda	2	1	0	1	0.500
4T	Joak Beasig	2	1	1	0	0.500
4T	Mr. Stewart	2	1	1	0	0.500
7	Bear Solomon	7	3	4	0	0.429
8	Odeasa Setele	10	4	6	0	0.400
9	Cameron Haruha	3	1	2	0	0.333
10	Mikay Benjamin	5	1	4	1	0.167

TOP 10 - OHWA Christian High School

Rank	Name of Player	GP	W	L	D	PCT
1	Michael Primo	1	1	0	0	1.000
2	Satrac Sehpa	5	4	1	0	0.800
3	Simon	3	2	1	0	0.667
4T	Arvizu Nelber	4	2	2	0	0.500
4T	Parson Robert	2	1	1	0	0.500
4T	Michaelson Samuel	2	1	1	0	0.500
4T	Wayne Weltal	4	2	2	0	0.500
4T	Kelson Sepia	4	2	2	0	0.500
4T	Roger Simon	4	2	2	0	0.500
10	Arthy Weltal	5	3	4	1	0.375

GP=Games Played W=Won L=Lost
D=Draws or Stalemates PCT=Winning Percentage (WGP)

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Wednesday at Cantero Hall at the Roman Catholic vicariate office at 7:00pm. Public welcome. For details, call 320-2123.

Pohnpei Lions Club meets monthly every 4th Tuesday at Cliff Rainbow Restaurant at 6:30pm. Public Welcome.

The Christian Ministerial Association of Pohnpei meets the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Cantero Hall at the Roman Catholic vicariate office.

Devotions every Sunday 9:30 a.m. at the Bahai Center in Dolonier. For details, call 320-2182.

Habitat for Humanity Pohnpei holds their meeting every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Sei Restaurant.

Soccer practice/games at PICS field Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 5:30p.m. Everyone welcome.

The Rotary Club of Pohnpei holds its weekly meetings Thursdays at 12:15p.m at PCR/Nantehlik.

St John's Catholic Church in Kosrae conducts services every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. For further information, call 370-3240 or 370-3209.

FANGO holds its monthly Issue Base Dialogue (IBD) on the last Wednesday of each Month at the Sei Restaurant at 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. The public is welcome.

Calvary Christian Academy's Jr. & Sr. High School Choir will be presenting its Spring Concert "Master of Miracles" Saturday, April 21st at 6:30 P.M. at Calvary Baptist Church - The public is invited and welcome!

The Community Bulletin is a free message board exclusive to announcements. To post your announcements to The Kaselehlie Press

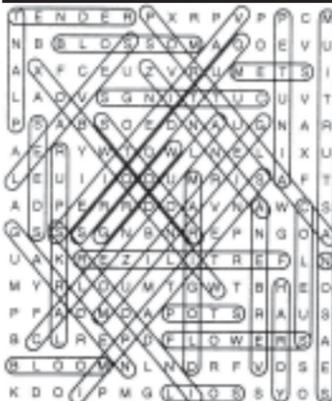


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HEALTH & NUTRITION

How Are My Child's Eating Habits Formed?

By **AMY LEVENDUSKY**

Pohnpei Island Food Community

Parents play a big role in shaping their children's eating habits. When parents eat foods that are high in fat and sugar and low in vitamins and minerals, children learn to like these foods as well. Unfortunately, these children will have a greater risk of suffering from health problems later on in their lives including, overweight and obesity, vitamin A deficiency, diabetes, hypertension, and heart disease if they grow up on such a diet.

When parents put condensed milk, kool-aid, Gatorade, soda or sugary juices into a baby's bottle, the child will develop a taste for sugar at a very early age and it will be hard to change their taste preferences. This sugar will also damage their fragile little teeth. Breastmilk is really the best to give your baby, especially for the first six months and up to 2 years and beyond. If mothers' choose not to breastfeed, only infant formula should be given in the bottle to the baby.

Like wise when parents eat a variety of locally grown foods that are low in fat and sugar and high in fiber, children learn to like these foods as well. **It may take 10 or more tries before a child accepts a new food**, so do not give up if your child does not like a new food right away. Locally grown island foods are rich in vitamins, minerals, fiber and carotenoids. Carotenoids are found in only yellow-fleshed varieties of foods such as papaya, mango, banana, breadfruit, and taro. **Eating yellow varieties helps protect you against, diabetes, heart disease, certain**



June James eating a healthy snack, pandanus (kipar)

cancers, vitamin A deficiency, and anemia.

If your child is in school, find out more about the school's breakfast and lunch programs and ask to have input into menu choices. Request the school to hang up bananas as a healthy, energy giving snack. Parents could take turns donating the bananas. Help your child pack a lunch that includes a

variety of locally grown foods instead of giving them money to buy a can of soda and a ramen bowl. You can also get involved in the parent-teacher association (PTA) to support physical education (PE) and after-school sports. Parents also have an effect on children's physical activity habits as well. You can set a good example by working on your land or

even just going for a walk instead of watching movies. Working on your land or going fishing with your children shows them that being active is fun.

The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) is acknowledged for providing some of the information contained in this article. (<http://womenshealth.aetna.com>)

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SPORTS

FSM Swimmers Go Down Under

By **JIM TOBIN**

Four young Pohnpei swimmers represented the FSM at the recently completed 2007 FINA World Swimming Championships in Melbourne, Australia from March 17 to April 01. The FSM was one of over 150 countries that participated in the world swimming championships. Representing the FSM were Tony Augustine, Justine Rodriquez, Debra Daniel and Kerson Hadley.

Augustine competed in the 50 meter Butterfly (29.45 seconds), 50m Breaststroke (33.96), 50m Freestyle (27.87) and 50m Backstroke (30.91). Rodriquez swam the 50m Breaststroke in 36.10 and 50m Freestyle (27.45). Hadley competed in the 50m Butterfly (29.03) and 50m Backstroke (30.89). Daniel swam the 50m Breaststroke in 42.25, 50m Butterfly (34.00), 50m Backstroke (34.98) and 50m Freestyle (32.07).

At last year's 6th Micronesian Games swimming championships in Saipan, Augustine won one silver medal and three bronze medals, Hadley one gold, two silver and one bronze and Daniel one silver and three bronze medals. The FSM Swimming Association, which Sweeter Daniel is the President, applied for and received a special FINA (International Swimming Federation)

grant to fund the four FSM swimmers and two coaches' participation in the world swimming championships. The FINA grant funded economy airfare from Pohnpei to Melbourne and return, and accommodation and meals in Melbourne. The FSM National Olympic Committee provided a stipend allowance to each participant and travel insurance. Speedo swim suit company donated state of the art swimsuits. Other local sponsors were Pohnpei Arts and Crafts and Etscheit Enterprises.

None of the swimmers advanced beyond the preliminary heat of each event but all swam personal best times. Their swim times were amazingly fast, especially since the swimmers trained at the Kamar River in Nett. For three months prior to the championships, the four swimmers, coached by Sweeter Daniel and Lestly Ashby, swam at the river four times a week for two hour training sessions. The Pohnpei State swimming pool has been closed since August 2006. Rumor has it that a new pump has arrived and the pool will be reopened soon. Next year, the FSM will be sending two swimmers to Beijing, China to compete in the 2008 Olympic Games. The FSMNOC has requested assistance from the People's Republic of China Embassy on Pohnpei to provide an expert swim coach to come to Pohnpei and train the FSM swimmers early next year.



FSM swimmers attending the 2007 FINA World Swimming Championships in Melbourne, Australia were from left to right Tony Augustine, Debra Daniel, Justine Rodriquez and Kerson Hadley.

The logo features a stylized illustration of a female runner in a blue and yellow uniform, running towards the right. She is holding a torch with a flame. The runner is set against a blue circular background with a white crescent moon and five white stars. Below the illustration, the text "WOMEN & SPORT" is written in a large, bold, black serif font. Underneath that, "3rd Annual 5K Run" is written in a smaller, black sans-serif font, and "April 21, 2007" is written in an even smaller, black sans-serif font at the bottom.

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