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Pohnpei lagoon monster could be an adult saltwater crocodile

Authorities have not verified what the animal is for certain

By **Bill Jaynes**
 The Kaselehlie Press

U, Pohnpei – Like stories of Scotland's fabled Loch Ness monster, rumors and reported sightings of a "huge" saltwater crocodile in the area of Awak Pah, U and Pali Powe, Nett in Pohnpei vary wildly. Residents

in the area give estimates of the size of the creature that range from 10 to 20 feet. At press time there had been absolutely no official confirmation that the large swimming animal is in fact a crocodile at all.

On Monday, August 24 rumors regarding the creature that have been circulating for at least two months intensified when Pohnpei State Police received a call from Kerardo Salons. He reported that his nephew, Alfred Salons returned from fishing in the lagoon waters off Pali Powe, Nett talking about having seen a large crocodile in the lagoon waters.

When asked why he thought the large creature was a crocodile and not just a large fish he said, "From movies. He said he saw the appearance of the head and it looked like a crocodile."



Milton Salons told The Kaselehlie Press, "I saw it with my own two eyes... I saw it swimming along the side, on top of the ocean." When asked how big he thought the creature was he said, "By my own thinking I am thinking it was maybe 20 feet long."

Director of the Department of Public Safety, Lucas Carlos said that the police department has been out several times to hunt for the creature.

On Friday afternoon, August 28 a crowd of approximately 20 people kept vigil on the roadside in Awak. A hundred yards away small children played at the water's edge. None of the Awak residents gathered there at that time had seen a crocodile. One of the men said that a police officer reported seeing it the morning before but that no one he knew of had seen it since then. He said, "We're watching so we can be sure that it's a crocodile."

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Weno road project plans incorrect

Work continues on the road despite the problem

By **Bill Jaynes**
 The Kaselehlie Press

Weno, Chuuk – Residents of Weno, Chuuk have long been waiting for their pothole scarred roads to be replaced. Plans have been drawn up. Anxious to get the project underway during his term Governor Wesley Simina broke ground on the project before the gubernatorial elections took place in March. Materials for the project have begun to arrive at the Transco dock. Pacific International, Incorporated won the bid to build the road and it appears that all is ready for the actual work to begin and it actually has begun but there is a problem. The plans are wrong.

Pat Campanella represents Lyon and Associates, Incorporated, the company hired by FSM's Project Management Unit (PMU) to design the road. Campanella is a frequent poster on Micronesia Seminar's forum discussion website and is one of the few people who posts messages on the website under his own name. On the 21st of August he posted a message that said that the firm he represents had not been retained

to provide services during the construction of the road. That fact is "very unusual. In fact, the first time I have experienced this for a road project," he wrote. "As you can imagine, I am very 'nervous' when I have to visit this forum to find out what is going on with the project," he concluded.

Robert Westerfield, who works for the PMU, the component that manages all of the infrastructure projects funded by the FSM-US Compact of Free Association, said that when his office discovered that the plans were wrong he wrote an email to Lyons and Associates immediately. That was on the 17th of August. As of the morning of the 25th, his office had not received a response from the company nor to the letter they wrote to the company on the 20th. Campanella wrote in a later posting that they did respond to the letter on the following day.

Westerfield said that Lyon and Associates had not been retained as a project manager because of an Executive Order made by President Mori that precludes a project planner from also being involved in the project design or the project

designer from being involved in the construction phase of a project. He said there was nothing untoward or unusual about the designer not being involved in the construction phase just because they were the designer of the project. He said that Mori issued the Executive Order to avoid problems of conflict of interest such as allegedly arose in the FSM's relationship with GMP Hawaii, a matter that is to go before the FSM Supreme Court in October.

According to Westerfield, there are two problems with the plans provided by Lyons for the Weno road project and both of them have to do with sewage lines. In the area near Chuuk High School the plans for sewage lines apparently bear no relationship whatsoever to the existing sewage lines which are currently in use in the area and cannot be connected to the existing system which is already in use. He said that sewage lines are often replaced when building a new road because the existing system is likely to be damaged by the use of heavy equipment in the area. He said that this first problem is likely not as big a problem as the other that has arisen because the current lines in the area don't actually follow the new road that is planned in the area so one possible solution would be to just not build a new sewage line in the area. He said that though that solution is a possibility it has in no way been decided upon and that it likely would not make the contractor very happy as it would be a huge reductive change order.

The most serious problem with the plan has to do with elevations recorded by Lyons on the plan for the sewage manholes between the

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Surf Camp



The Third Annual Surf Day for Kids, conducted by Alois Melitani and the Pohnpei Surf Club, was a huge hit for the more than 50 kids attending.

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H1N1 Virus Update



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U.S. Embassy Compound Inauguration



Ground was broken for the new US Embassy in May of 2007. Two years later the compound is complete.

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More cases of H1N1 influenza confirmed in FSM

FSM Information Services

August 26, 2009, Palikir, Pohnpei – On Friday, August 21, 2009, the FSM National H1N1 Task Force convened to discuss issues to assist in the preparedness and response effort to the several new cases of H1N1 Influenza that have been confirmed in the FSM. Acting Assistant Secretary for Health and Social Affairs (DHSA) and acting Chairman of the National H1N1 Task Force, Mr. Moses Pretrick, called the meeting based on new cases of H1N1 Influenza being reported by the FSM National Influenza Surveillance Coordinator, Ms. Melinda Manglay. During the meeting, Ms. Manglay gave the latest updated details on newly confirmed cases of H1N1 Influenza in the FSM States of Pohnpei and Yap. She explained that in the two latest sets of samples sent to Australia for testing, there were 7 new confirmed cases of H1N1 in Pohnpei State and 4 new cases in Yap State. The samples were sent in for testing on two different dates, July 14th and July 28th. According to Ms. Manglay, it took about a month to receive the test results due to a combination of shipping and testing issues. While information on the patients who tested positive remains confidential, their illness history, including no recent history of off-island travel, and illness signs and symptoms strongly indicate that there is local community transmission of the H1N1 virus.

The Taskforce wants to inform the general public that as the states department of health services continues with their preparedness and response efforts, there will be a point at which sampling of specimens from suspect cases will need to be changed to meet the progress of the H1N1 influenza.

The Taskforce wants to inform the public of the presence of the H1N1 virus in our communities, but stressed that all the states department of health services are working hard to help and prevent H1N1-related complication. To help the process, the Taskforce continues to encourage the

general public to do the general hygienic measures that includes:

- **Wash your hands often with soap and water or use an alcohol-based gel, especially after you cough or sneeze.**
- **Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw used tissue in a trash can.**
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.**
- **If you are sick stay home for at least 24 hours after fever is resolved.**
- **Avoid close contact with sick people (standing closer than 6 feet, touching, kissing, hugging)**
- **Do not travel, if you are ill.**
- **Seek medical assistance if you are having flu-like symptoms for proper evaluation and testing.**

The Taskforce is awaiting recommendations and updates from the Immunization Section and Public Health and Hospital Preparedness Program of the Department of Health and Social Affairs on the work-progress and status of when the FSM might be able to receive the H1N1 vaccine currently underproduction. However, the four states department of health services had already started working on vaccination plans so that they are better prepared to carry out vaccination campaigns.

Remember, if you get sick, especially if you develop a flu-like illness, avoid or limit contact with others and **REPORT TO THE HOSPITAL FOR IMMEDIATE MEDICAL CARE.** Be sure to tell them right away that you might have the flu.

For more information, please contact one of the following:

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Chuuk State Hospital 330-2216
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FSM Association of Chambers of Commerce in the pipeline

FSM Information Services

During the Second Symposium on foreign investment laws and regulations applicable in the FSM held in the Kosrae State from the 4 to the 6 of August 2009, the FSM Association of Chambers of Commerce (FSM ACC) held a meeting attended by the presidents of Pohnpei and Yap Chambers of Commerce, and the Chairman of the Kosrae Chamber of Commerce.

The meeting, which was also attended by representatives from the FSM Department of Resources and Development (R&D) and the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, was aimed at discussing issues of common interest for the four State Chambers of Commerce.

The President of Pohnpei Chambers of Commerce, Mr. Leon Senda, informed the Meeting that the charter document for the FSM ACC is being circulated among the Presidents/Chairmen of State Chambers of Commerce for signature and will be ratified very soon. Participants also learned that the Association has already been admitted as a member of the Pacific Islands

Private Sector Organization (PIPSO), and has attended several regional meetings.

The Meeting considered problems faced by the FSM ACC, including its pending annual subscription fees to PIPSO, the need for technical and financial assistance, and the low level of involvement in decisions affecting the local business community.

Following a broad discussion, participants acknowledged and commended the assistance received from the Department of R&D and recommended that the President of Pohnpei Chambers of Commerce follow-up and speed up the process of formalizing the FSM ACC. The meeting further called on the FSM Department of R&D to consider the request made by the FSM ACC for assistance.

It should be noted that the idea of a National Association of Chambers of Commerce has been burgeoning since 2007, with the view to establish a network of the business community in the FSM, and foster discussion on issues of common interest for the private sector. The FSM ACC comprises the Chambers of Commerce of Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Yap States.

Study says plastic decomposes at sea

American Chemical Society

WASHINGTON — Environmentalists have long denounced plastic as a long-lasting pollutant that doesn't break down. A new study indicates that, in the oceans, plastic does decompose, but says that's not a good thing either.

Thousands of tons of plastic debris wind up in the oceans every year, some of it washing up on coasts, some being swirled by currents into the Great Pacific Garbage Patch between California and Hawaii, said to be larger than Texas.

"Plastics in daily use are generally assumed to be quite stable," Katsuhiko Saido, a chemist at Nihon University, Chiba, Japan, said in a statement.

"We found that plastic in the ocean actually decomposes as it is exposed to the rain and sun and other environmental conditions, giving rise to yet another source of global contamination that will continue into the future," said Saido, who presented his findings at the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society on Wednesday.

Saido reported that the decomposing plastics release potentially toxic chemicals such as bisphenol A and PS oligomer, which can disrupt the functioning of hormones in animals.

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...Weno road project

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Chuuk International Airport and the Post Office. This problem is serious enough to have set the project back. When the contractor went to locate the main manhole, the place where all of Chuuk's sewage ultimately ends up before it goes to the treatment plant they discovered that not only was the man hole 20 feet away from where the plans said it was, at only 13 feet deep it was found to be six feet shallower than the plans said it was. The problems of its physical location, said Westerfield is not a huge disaster but the incorrect depth of the manhole is. Because of the problem Westerfield says that the entire sewage system in that area will need to be redesigned.

He said that one solution that might be offered is to put yet another lift station in that manhole to move sewage along to the treatment plant but that the FSM is not likely to accept that solution because it means another ongoing expense to provide power to the lift station that they would not have to pay if the lines had been designed with the correct depths. Chuuk's ability to provide power along with their ability to pay for power they use is still not particularly good.

The contractor can't simply deduct six feet from

the depth of every pipe they lay and call it good because this would mean that some of the pipes, in order to establish the correct sewage flow angle would end up less than the two feet below the ground that they are required to be at a minimum. Some pipe ends would actually end up above ground and that simply is not possible. The fall of the pipes cannot be lessened or raw sewage would simply sit in the pipes.

Westerfield said that the problem is a setback but PII can still continue the road project by beginning at the other end because all of the sewage from that end of the project is moved along by an electrically powered lift station between road end and the Chuuk Post Office. He said that also would not make the contractor particularly happy because the other end of the road is the furthest part of the road away from the materials staging area. Happy or not it appears for now that will be what has to happen while the lines by the airport are being redesigned.

Campanella in his MicSem posting wrote, "For the project, typical for road and utility projects, we rely on the following information to compose the 'Basis of design;' existing data and records, on-site observation, survey and geotechnical investigation (soils report)." He wrote that road projects have "hidden conditions" and that assumptions are based on the information gathered for the Basis of Design. It is the General

Contractor's job to verify existing conditions and design assumptions. This is a standard and normal activity, he wrote.

If a contractor discovers a discrepancy in the design, then standard procedures are composed to resolve the discrepancies, Campanella wrote.

He said that the Weno Road Project had challenges that were outside the norm: The recorded data and information in Chuuk was scant, and what there was there appears to have been inaccurate.

The existing waste water treatment plant appears to be non-functional.

Lyon and Associates had not been retained or invited to participate in any construction phase activities, including meeting with the community and the contractor.

He concluded the list of challenges by saying that Lyons had not been in the loop for any reports, inspections, testing, etc. He wrote that these factors were not the norm for projects in which they had been involved in the past and projects in other places in which they were currently involved.

Campanella in another posting wrote that on the 25th of August, Hawaii Time, which is the

26th of August in the FSM, Lyon and Associates issued a formal reply to PMU's letter. He wrote that in their response the company asked for guidance since there is more than one possible solution to resolve the contractor's request for information. They are currently waiting for feedback from the PMU.

Anonymous posters on MicSem criticized Jack Yakana's communication regarding the job. Yakana directs the FSM's Project Management Unit. Campanella defended Yakana on the forum saying that in his opinion, Yakana had communicated effectively and in a timely manner.

Some MicSem posters said what apparently many in Weno feel. At this point they don't care whose fault it is they just want the new road and they are growing tired of nothing happening.

Campanella said that the General Contractor, PII has already begun work and is doing things that are not highly visible to the public but that need to be done just the same.

He challenged the FSM's PMU to keep the Weno community informed possibly through community forums.

Despite the challenges and hiccups and even the appearances, the Weno road project is already well under way.

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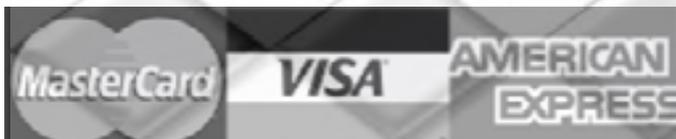
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No one seems to know for absolutely certain. They do know that whatever it is huge and fast. Some residents said they saw a large dark creature in the water that rushed at their canoe as they tried to go up the river.

Authorities aren't taking any chances. They have asked for the assistance of the Conservation Society of Pohnpei to provide boats. CSP has in turn asked for the assistance of noted herpetologist, Dr. Don Buden of the College of Micronesia's National Campus. Buden continues to extensively document the reptile and amphibian life of Pohnpei and has even made at least one discovery of a species of lizard previously unknown in the world.

We were unable to contact Dr. Buden for a comment on the possibility of a crocodile in Pohnpei but one thing is certain. Crocodiles are not endemic to Pohnpei and no one seems really to know what to do.

It would not be the first time that a crocodile has shown up in Pohnpei waters. In 1972, Pohnpei residents Steve Ditchen and Jack Adams captured and killed a crocodile that was fourteen feet in length.

If the Internet's online encyclopedia, Wikipedia can be believed, the largest verified measurement for a saltwater crocodile was 20.7 feet from snout to tail though there have been unverified rumors of crocodiles reaching up to 30 feet in length. They weigh as much as 3,300 pounds.

Though the population of saltwater crocodiles in Northern Australia is estimated to stand somewhere between 100,000 and 200,000 adults, reports of attacks on humans there are rare. This doesn't mean that crocodiles won't eat humans. They can and they do. Wikipedia postulates that attacks on humans are rare in Australia because Australia's citizens are educated about crocodiles and because of the effort

of local wildlife officials to post warning sign wherever crocs have been spotted.

The saltwater crocodile is an extremely dangerous animal not to be trifled with. They are capable of eating any animal within its range both in the water and on land. Their jaws are enormously powerful. They can drag a fully grown water buffalo into the water and kill it. They can move nearly as fast as a quick human can run. Because of their powerful jaws, their immense size and their strength, most crocodile attacks on humans by an adult saltwater crocodile are fatal.

It usually waits for its prey to get close to the water's edge before striking. Using a hunting technique known as the "death roll" it grabs the animal and rolls powerfully which throws any struggling animal off balance making it easier to drag it into the water. The "death roll" is also used for tearing apart large animals once they are dead. Many animals die because of the crocodile's powerful jaws but some animals drown before they are torn apart and eaten.

The Saltwater Crocodile's range is enormous. They have been known to show up in places where they are not a native species, even as far away as the Sea of Japan which is thousands of miles away from their native territory. Though they have the capability to travel great distances crocodiles are very territorial for hunting grounds. It would not be particularly unusual for a crocodile to travel a long distance on the ocean only to confine itself to a relatively small hunting area once it reaches its destination. They can go for months without eating.

Police have baited the waters off of U in hopes of attracting the animal whatever it may be but have not said what their intentions are if it is attracted to the bait.

Authorities do not want to spread a panic but they are urging residents to report any sighting of a crocodile to the police. At press time police still had not absolutely verified that the animal is a crocodile.

Students participate in summer science research and student internships

COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA-FSM

Several College of Micronesia – FSM students participated in research projects, presented research projects and experienced commercial fishing in the Arctic region during the summer of 2009.

According to Instructor Brian Lynch, students Herbert Timothy and Jesse Panuel accompanied him to Hawaii where they presented their summer research projects at the Islands of Opportunity-Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Students Participation program, which supports students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) fields. Herbert Timothy presented a project titled "Diversity and Distribution of Sicydiine Gobies in the Streams of Pohnpei, FSM" while Jesse Panuel presented his project titled "Distribution, Abundance, and Habitat Preference of an undescribed species of blind snake on Ant Atoll, FSM." Panuel was mentored under Dr. Donald Buden.

In addition Leinson Neth, Jacobson Kibby, and

Paulino Balagot all participated in the Undergraduate Research Mentoring (URM) program. All three students spent ten weeks in Hawaii working with UH researchers and graduate students, and completing individual research projects.

Another student John Dale Charley was also selected and attended a two-month long summer program called the "Alaska Experience". The program takes students to Alaska during summers to experience life in Alaska including commercial fishing. This program was created by sponsored by professors Ray Verg-in and Yenti Verg-in.

According to Instructor Brian Lynch, summer internships, research projects, and experiences including the presentations by Herbert and Jesse's projects in Hawaii provided hands on experience in research and presentation to the students to enhance their science skills.

A symposium on the summer activities is being planned for presentation at the college.

Death sentence for Micronesians

Marshall Islands Journal

The State of Hawaii announced last week that it will end dialysis and cancer treatments for Marshall Islanders and citizens of other freely associated states on September 1, saying it cannot continue to pay for these services. At issue is the gap between what the State of Hawaii says these services for FAS citizens cost — estimated at \$90 million annually — and the reimbursement Hawaii receives from the US government yearly — about \$11 million. These cutbacks have sent shock waves through Marshallese, Micronesian and Palauan communities in Hawaii. If they go through as announced, it will be a death sentence for the dozens of islanders who receive the life-extending three-times-a-week dialysis treatment at Hawaii hospitals, as well as chemotherapy treatment for cancer. According to a report in Friday's Honolulu Advertiser, Marshall Islanders, Micronesians and Palauans along with Hawaii supporters are opposing the cuts, asking the state to continue to provide the services.

The Honolulu Advertiser reports that nearly 100 members of the Micronesian community and its supporters held a rally at the state Capitol to demand that the state and federal governments come up with sufficient funds to continue health care benefits for Micronesians living in Hawai'i. Organized by Micronesians United, the rally drew dozens of migrants from Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and Palau who receive health care coverage through the state's QUEST Medicaid program. Several elected officials and representatives from social services organizations also joined the rally. Critics of the new program say the plan will not pay for treatment of serious illnesses, such as cancer and kidney diseases. Manuel Sound, a former lieutenant governor of Chuuk State, moved to Hawai'i seven years ago because he could not receive dialysis treatments in his native Chuuk. If the state puts him on the basic health plan, he said, he will no longer be able to afford the treatments. "I'm worried," the 69-year-old father of seven told the Honolulu Advertiser. "I will get poisoned, then I'll start digging a grave here or wait until I die and then they'll send me home in a box if I stop dialysis." Meanwhile, U.S. Rep. Neil Abercrombie last week successfully included an amendment to a bill that would give the state matching funds for Medicaid to Compact migrants, or about \$15 million annually. Sisan Suda, an officer with Micronesians United, said he appreciated Abercrombie's effort and hoped that it will be enough to care for the people in need. "This is a federal obligation," said Suda, 69. "The state is an extension of the federal government and Micronesians are asking the United States through the state of Hawai'i to meet its obligation."

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USAID sponsors disaster damage assessment training in Kosrae

Embassy of the United States of America

On August 12-13, the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) sponsored damage assessment training at the Kosrae State Governor's Office in Tofol. Training in Initial Damage Assessment (IDA) was delivered by The Asia Foundation, through ongoing support from the USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA). The course was developed under the Pacific Disaster Risk Management based in Fiji.

Members of the IDA resource

team included: Pacific Disaster Risk Management Program Director Kathryn Hawley; FSM OEEM Representatives Oleen Poll Peter and Anthony Neth, Pohnpei Department of Public Safety and Emergency Management State Disaster Coordinator Dais Lorrin, Pohnpei Department of Public Safety Corrections Captain Patterson Lawrence, and IDA Course Coordinator Vinson Henry.

If any area is struck by a disaster, local communities need to be able to count upon knowledgeable individuals who are immediately available to make accurate assessments. IDA training provides indi-

viduals with the tools necessary to perform comprehensive assessments, which are a basis to request appropriate assistance.

Participants in the IDA training course came from a variety of government departments, Tofol-based organizations, and surrounding municipalities.

The training also enabled participants to develop partnerships and networks among the organizations and agencies in Kosrae involved in disaster management. Such partnerships ensure an integrated approach to the building of national and state capacity in disaster management and response.

NOAA holds workshop in Chuuk

Embassy of the United States of America

On August 11-12, a representative from the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association (NOAA) conducted an Annual National Weather Service Tropical Cyclone, Disaster Preparedness, and Climate Workshop at the High Tide Hotel in Weno, Chuuk.

National Weather Service Warning Coordination Meteorologist Charles 'Chip' Guard, from the NOAA office in Guam, presented seminars on a myriad of natural disaster-related issues that threaten Chuuk State, including tropical cyclones, tsunamis, typhoons, volcanoes, El Niño and La Niña. In order to understand the source of such disasters, participants studied the causes of weather events and such oceanic occurrences as currents, rip currents, and tides. Mr. Guard held a separate presentation for attendees on how to recognize tropical cyclone categories and wind-damage scale applications, how to

extrapolate pertinent information from weather systems, and how to make critical, life-saving decisions. Climate and climate change were also discussed.

In addition to oceanic and atmospheric education, the workshop detailed the program and product offerings of Weather Forecast Office (WFO) Guam and WFO Guam's coordination with Weather Service Office (WSO) Chuuk. Mr. Wilfred Robert, Chuuk State Disaster Coordination Officer, who is also the Governor's Chief of Staff, along with Mr. Johannes Berdon, Official in Charge of the Chuuk Weather Service Office, and Mr. Sanchez Salle, the Senior Weather Service Specialist at the Chuuk Weather Service office also discussed their roles and how they coordinate among themselves during emergency conditions. In order to enhance local understanding, much of this discussion was in the Chuukese language. Chuuk State Lieutenant Governor Johnson Elimo opened

the workshop with a keynote address.

As well as weather forecasts, severe storm warnings and climate monitoring, NOAA conducts fisheries management, coastal restoration and marine commerce support. NOAA provides to the FSM planners, emergency managers, and decision makers, accurate and timely information on oceanic and atmospheric issues. NOAA is considered an international leader on scientific and environmental matters. Its mission is to understand and predict changes in Earth's environment and conserve and manage coastal and marine resources in order to meet economic, social, and environmental needs. In organizing such workshops and other outreach activities, NOAA hopes to promote an informed society that can count upon a comprehensive understanding of the role of the ocean, coasts and atmosphere in order to make the best possible social and economic decisions.



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1. Parcel No. 009-H-22, land known as "Minef", situated in Ngolog Village, Rull Municipality, Yap State, with an area of 5,800 square meters, more or less, as described in Certificate of Title and Cadastral Plat No. 009-H-00, registered as Document No. 3051 at the Yap State Land Registry, Office of the Registrar.

2. Parcel No. 004-F-02, land known as "Fitewayang", situated in Mulro' Village, Weloy Municipality, Yap State, with an area of 759 square meters, more or less, as described in Certificate of Title and Cadastral Plat No. 004-F-00, registered as Document No. 3049 at the Yap State Land Registry, Office of the Registrar.

- There are no minimum bid amounts for the parcels.
- Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "September 23, 2009 Land Auction" by personal delivery to Ms. Teresa Fagaltinan at the front entrance area of the FSM Supreme Court courthouse in Colonia, Yap on Wednesday, September 23, 2009 between 12:00 p.m. noon and 4:00 p.m.
- The deadline for submitting bids will be 4:00 p.m. on September 23, 2009.
- All bid submissions must state the full name, mailing address, phone or fax numbers, e-mail address or other valid contact information for the person submitting the bid.
- All bid submissions must clearly state the bid amount for the parcels. Bids may be placed on one or both of the parcels.
- The winning bidder for each parcel will be notified by a duly issued Court order transferring title to the land, including all buildings, fixtures, equipment, and other improvements on the land, upon delivery of a cashier's check in the full amount of the bid payable to the "FSM Supreme Court" no later than ten (10) days after notice is given.
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U.S. inaugurates new embassy compound

Embassy of the United States of America Kolonia

On August 26, the United States Embassy held its New Embassy Compound Inauguration in Nett, Pohnpei. The ceremony celebrated the facility completion, a two-year project which broke ground in May 2007.

U.S. Ambassador Miriam Hughes said the construction and inauguration of the beautiful, new diplomatic headquarters renews a profound commitment to a vital bilateral relationship. The Honorable Doahkasa, Nahmwarki of Pingelap, welcomed this achievement on behalf of Micronesian Traditional Leadership. Renditions of the U.S. and FSM National Anthems were performed by Nan Mahnd Church band Pwihno. Speeches followed by FSM Foreign Affairs Secretary Lorin Robert, Speaker of the Congress Isaac V. Figir, Pohnpei State Governor John Ehsa, and U.S. Department of State Overseas Building Operations Managing Director Jay Hicks, who launched and completed efforts to build the new Embassy compound. Assembly of God Church Reverend Trudy R. Jackson concluded the ceremony with a benediction.

Representing Pohnpei traditional leadership were The Honorable Isipahu, Nahmwarki of Madolenihmw, The Honorable Sahngoro, Nahmwarki of U, The

Honorable Doahkasa, Nahmwarki of Pingelap, and Representative Wainer Louis, on behalf of the Nahmwarki of Sapwuhfik.

Attending the ceremony on behalf of the FSM National Government Executive Branch were His Excellency President Emanuel Mori and First Lady Emma Nelson Mori, Department of Foreign Affairs Deputy Secretary Jane Chigiyal, Department of Health and Social Affairs Secretary Vita Akapito Skilling, Department of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure Secretary Francis I. Itimai, Department of Education Secretary Casiano Shoniber, Postmaster General Midion G. Neth, and Civil Aviation, Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure (TC&I) Assistant Secretary Waynold K. Yamaguchi.

Representatives from FSM National Congress included Senator Frederico O. Primo, Senator Dion G. Neth, Senator Peter Sitan, Senator Paliknoa K. Welly, Chief Legal Counsel Lam Dang, and Chief Clerk Liwiana Ramon.

At the state level, attendees included Kosrae State Governor Robert Weilbacher, Chuuk State Governor Wesley Simina, and Pohnpei State Lieutenant Governor Churchill Edward. Leading the State Legislatures of the FSM were Pohnpei State Speaker Nelson A. Pelep, Kosrae State Speaker Lyndon H. Jackson, and Chuuk State House of Repre-

sentatives Speaker Florencio Singkoro Harper. From Pohnpei State Legislature, attendees were Senator Wincener David, Senator Salter Loyola, Senator Robert Nakasone, Senator Magdalena A. Walter, Senator Nihlis I. Ernest, and Senator Stevick Edwin.

Attending from Pohnpei State Supreme Court was Chief Justice Benjamin Rodriguez. Kosrae Chief Justice Aliksa Aliksa also attended.

Representing the Diplomatic Corps were Her Excellency Australian Ambassador Susan Cox and staff, His Excellency Chinese Ambassador Zhang Weidong and staff, and officials from the Japanese Embassy.

Ambassador Hughes described the Embassy as a platform for the integration of services by a rich constellation of U.S. Government agencies. An array of United States Government departments and agencies were present, including: Commander of Naval Forces Marianas Rear Admiral Douglass Biesel; Director Alcy Frelick of the State Department Office of Australia, New Zealand and Pacific Island Affairs; U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Representative Bart Deemer; Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Representative Kevin Clark; USDA Rural Development California Representative Sue Ladner; USDA Natural

Resources and Conservation Services Pacific Islands Area Soil Specialist Dr. Kevin Robotham; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Weather Service Deputy Director Edward Young; Lyon Associate Representative for the Federal Aviation Administration Dr. Mao Peng; and Department of State East Asia Pacific Post Management Officer Mike Bradecamp.

Complimenting these U.S. Government officials were several Pohnpei-based U.S. Government agency officials from the Peace Corps, USDA/RD and USDA/NRCS.

Although he was unable to attend the inauguration, Hawaii Senator Kalani English sent a declaration from the Hawaii State Legislature that reaffirmed America's commitment to a transparent partnership with the FSM. The declaration identified the new Embassy as a hub for United States Government agencies.

In her remarks as Master of Ceremonies, Ambassador Hughes explained that now is a pivotal period in U.S.-FSM relations and it is an "important time to pull together." As a vital bilateral relationship continues to mature, she emphasized it is important to strengthen the authority of the Ambassador as the coordinator of U.S. interagency activities. She said, "A clear and predictable chain of communication reinforces relations between two sovereign nations."



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- Construction Services

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Results of FSM National Government exit conference on 2008 Audit Report

FSM Information Services

August 18, 2009 Palikir, Pohnpei – On July 24, 2009, an exit conference was held in Palikir, Pohnpei between the auditors of the FSM National Government (FSMNG), Deloitte & Touche LLP, President Mori, the Vice President, the Secretary of Finance & Administration, Finley Perman, and representatives of the Cabinet and the National Public Auditor's Office. The exit conference discussed the highlights of the 2008 audit report.

To begin, the President was congratulated by the auditors on the job done by the National Government as a whole and particularly the work of Secretary Perman and his department personnel in implementing a very challenging automated accounting system during the year,

while simultaneously resolving and achieving corrective action on prior year matters, primarily capital asset accounting and questioned cost resolution. During the year ending September 30, 2008, approximately \$11 million of questioned costs were resolved for the FSM as a whole. This effort involved people across the nation and the President was congratulated for effectively organizing the resolution of the issues under the specific direction of the Secretary of Finance & Administration with substantial assistance from the National Public Auditor. Another major effort was the performance of reconciliations with State Finance offices to clarify the balances due to or from those entities. The effort involved was substantial and the correction of these matters has been urged by the auditors for some time.

Despite the challenging economic environment, the FSMNG ended the year with a General Fund surplus as of September 30, 2008. This is despite investment losses sustained as a result of the world wide economic crisis and certain expenses that had to be taken into account for various prior year matters. Tax revenues actually increased by some 7% during the year and fishing fee revenues increased as well. The carrying value of investments however, had to be reduced to reflect the adverse economic factors pervasive in the world since the FSMNG must reflect the market value of its investments in its financial statements as this is a requirement of generally accepted accounting principles in the United States.

The auditors discussed the implication of the ongoing impact of the FSM National Fisheries Corporation joint ventures on the financial statements of the FSMNG and upon certain State governments, and various recommendations were offered to the President for future consideration in resolving these matters.

The audit reports of the National Government may be found online at the FSM Public Auditor's website at www.fsmopa.fm.

COM-FSM is party to a \$867K program to support health education programs in Micronesia

The College of Micronesia -FSM

The College of Micronesia – FSM is a party to a program for the Guam/Micronesia Area Health Education Center (AHEC) which was recently funded. The partners under the program include the University of Guam (UOG), the University of Hawaii (UH), the Guam Community College (GCC), the College of Micronesia – FSM (COM-FSM), the College of the Marshall Islands (CMI), and the Pacific Islands Health Officers Association (PIHOA). The UOG has been designated as the office for the program.

The Department of Health and Human Services awarded \$867K in funding to UOG for the first year of a three-year grant that supports the improvement of individual and community health throughout Micronesia by recruiting and training additional health care professionals.

According to Maria Salomon Director of Nursing at the University of Guam and Guam/Micronesia AHEC program office director, Area Health Education Centers will be established in Guam, the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia.

The goal of the Guam/Micronesia AHEC is to improve the health of the underserved through collaborative regional training initiatives across the Micronesian region. This area has some of the highest health workforce shortage ratings, and greatest health and education disparities in the US. The Guam/Micronesian Area Health Education Center emphasizes community-based interisland training for healthcare providers and students while enhancing health career education and recruitment from elementary to community college levels. The grant objectives include:

- Improve the diversity of the health professions workforce by mentoring and providing health career activities for over 1,200 underrepresented minority students per year.
- Improve the distribution of the health care workforce in Micronesia by providing local/on-island interdisciplinary training for more than 150 students a year.
- Improve the quality and retention of the health workforce in Micronesia by providing culturally relevant continuing education to more than 780 medical providers.

According to Salomon, the program will begin with recruitment activities throughout the region at the elementary level in order to familiarize young students with health care professions. She also said the program will be created to train students based on the health care needs of each particular area served by the centers. Training and continuing education programs will include curricula for nurses, dental workers, technicians, public health professionals, and physicians, among others.

For its part, the College of Micronesia – FSM has launched its first Public Health Training Program by Fall 2009 semester and is currently developing its own nursing program to be launched when approved. Both programs are expected to receive assistance from the AHEC grant.

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Highlights of recent visits to the States by a delegation from the Department of Transportation, Communication, and Infrastructure

FSM Information Services

Palikir, Pohnpei August 18, 2009 – A delegation from the FSM Department of Transportation, Communication, and Infrastructure (TC&I), headed by Secretary Francis I. Itimai, has just completed its visit to the States of Yap, Chuuk, and Kosrae where it conducted a series of meetings with the state leaderships, as well as members of the private sectors and non-government organizations in the community, on a wide range of priority issues facing the Department. The priority issues included a proposed legislation that is intended to inject transparency and accountability in the management of the FSM Telecommunication Corporation. The consultations with the three states took place from 28 July to 05 August 2009, following a similar meeting with the Pohnpei State leadership.

This was the first time that the Department of TC&I had dispatched a delegation to the states with the expressed purpose of briefing the state leaders and other interested parties on issues facing the Department and seeking their guidance as to how such issues may be resolved and how the Department could improve the delivery of its services to the states and local communities. State leaders found

the briefings and exchange of ideas most useful, and thus encouraged that such consultations be undertaken more regularly. The states leadership for all three states expressed their full appreciation to the President and his Department of TC&I for this important undertaking.

One of the issues that the states were briefed on is the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), a non-compact, US Department of Transportation funded program for US airports designed to upgrade the safety of airport facilities, which FSM and other Freely Associated States (Republic of Palau and the Republic of the Marshall Islands) became eligible recipients from 2004-2008. Eligibility for this non-compact grant program expired in 2008 but extended on a continuing resolution basis. Extension of eligibility for the FSM in the next budget cycle until FY 2012 has been sought. Toward this end, similarly worded language has been incorporated in proposed legislations by both the US Senate and the House. The gist of the presentation was on the status of the current AIP projects in the states visited as funded under the USFAA Grants and matched by each respective state under their shares of the Compact Infrastructure Sector Grant (CISG). A thorough presentation on the AIP Proj-

ect was presented by the AIP Manager, Mr. Massy Halbert, assisted by Ms. Eva Villanueva, from Lyons and Associates working under the AIP Project Manager.

The Division of Infrastructure presented a briefing on the Omnibus Infrastructure Development Projects (OIDP) funded partly by Asian Development Bank (ADB) with approved counterpart matching funds from the four FSM states. These developments comprise Water Supply Improvement projects intended for Yap and Kosrae State, a Power Rehabilitation Project intended for Chuuk State, and a Wastewater System Upgrade for Pohnpei State. Chuuk Weno Wells Rehabilitation Project is currently reported in progress under the ADB and Japanese Poverty Reduction Program. The objective was to present the status of the projects in each of the states and, where there are discrepancies, to reconcile the differences. Another technical assistance that was reported during the briefing was the revaluation of capital fixed assets for the State of Chuuk.

An issue that attracted enormous attention in all the three states is the Submarine Fiber Optic Cable (SFOC) project, very possibly because it is the three States of Yap, Kosrae, and Chuuk that are

not included in the current project driven by the FSM Telecommunication Corporation to link up Pohnpei only in the main submarine cable system connecting Kwajalein and Guam. This main cable system was put into place for the use of the US Defense Department. Upon the request of the governments of the FSM and the RMI, a second fiber was placed in the cable – separate from the one for the US military – for the use of the two Micronesian countries. It is projected that Pohnpei would acquire broadband connectivity when the fiber optic project goes into effect in March 2010.

Shortly upon assuming office, President Emanuel Mori issued a memo dated May 29, 2007, establishing as a top priority of his Administration that all of the four FSM states, not just one, should have access to broadband connectivity. Seeing broadband connectivity as a backbone for socio-economic development in terms of distant education, telemedicine, and e-health, among other applications, President Mori declared that no state should be denied the benefits of broadband connectivity through fiber optics.

The three states were also briefed on the

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FSM welcomes new Chinese Ambassador to the FSM

People's Republic of China

FSM leaders and dignitaries gathered at the Cliff Rainbow Hotel and Restaurant on the evening of August 27 to welcome the new Ambassador from the People's Republic of China to the FSM. Secretary for Foreign Affairs Loren S. Robert spoke as well as Ambassador Zhang who said:

"Good evening. I am very delighted to have all of you here today. Thank you for your kind presence.

This is my first time to be posted in a pacific island country ever since I entered the Chinese foreign services in 1982. As soon as I stepped on your land, I am deeply impressed by the exotic beauty of this country. It is beautiful for its natural sceneries. The blue sky and blue lagoon, the green hill and the fresh air are so impressive. It is beautiful for its rich history. The famous Nan Madol, the mysterious city ruin, known as Venice of the Pacific, can be dated back to 1 AD. It is beautiful for its unique culture. The different customs and traditions vary from state to state. It is beautiful for its friendly people. Once I got off the board, I was greeted by the federal and local officials. I felt the warmth of your welcome as well as the warmth of the weather. This evening, I have so many distinguished guests, friends of old and new, to join me to mark the assumption of my duty. I am deeply touched. Thank you for your warm welcome and thank you for your friendship.

With that warmth and friendship kept in my

heart, I take it as a great honor and privilege to serve as the seventh resident ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the FSM, particularly on the occasion when China and the FSM will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic ties next month. I am really lucky to stand here. I am here for the purpose of strengthening the mutual understandings between our two countries and peoples. Before I left Beijing, China, I watched a TV show one day. When the interviewer asked, "where is the FSM?" A university student answered, "is there such a country?" Many Chinese, especially the young students don't know the FSM very much. And after I arrived here, on my way to a courtesy visit one day, I saw the national flag of China was hung upside down. I know it is not political oversight, but I felt that how much work we need to do to enhance our mutual understandings. We need to know each other better and the exchanges and communications between the two peoples need to be deepened. I am here



for the purpose of building up the political trust. Since the establishment of diplomatic relations in 1989, our two countries have treated each other as equals and with mutual respect, sought common development and conducted close communication and coordination in regional and international affairs. We shall move forward on that basis. I am here for the purpose of advancing the economic cooperation. Two days after I arrived, I went to the constructing sites and the pilot farm in this state. I encouraged the Chinese constructors and technical personnel to work still harder for the benefit of the people of the FSM and for the friendly relations between the two countries. We shall have more cooperation in the future. I am here for the purpose of deepening the culture exchanges. I notice the name of this restaurant is "rainbow". Just like a rainbow consists of many colors, our world is full of different cultures. Both China and the FSM are steep in history. We are both developing countries. There is a lot we can and we have shared. At the mean time, we have also a lot of differences. We shall respect and learn from each other.

My task is heavy indeed. Especially, when we are facing with many challenges in the world now, including the world financial crisis. As the Chinese Ambassador, I will do my utmost to further strengthen the strong ties between China and the FSM. I have the confidence of finishing my mission well. I am confident because I will receive the generous support and help from the federal and local officials and people of the FSM. I am confident because my predecessors have made significant contributions and laid solid foundation in China-FSM relations. I am confident because there has been a long-term collaborative relationship among the diplomatic corps. I will endeavor to establish good relations, both official and personal, with the Ambassadors from the United States, Australia and Japan, and the representatives of the international organizations and other diplomatic missions. I am sure I will have an enjoyable stay here in my second home."

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proposed legislation that was re-transmitted to the FSM Congress for further action relating to the FSM Telecommunication Corporation (FSMTC). The primary intent of the bill was to ensure that FSMTC, a public corporation, is managed on the basis of the principles of transparency and accountability and a regulatory function be administered by the Department of TC&I as the responsible department for oversight functions. Representatives of and advisors to the Department's Division of Communication pointed out several instances where transparency and accountability were gravely lacking or overlooked. During the presentations on the proposed Bill with the FSM Congress to amend the current FSMTC Law, all three states' leadership, after some important clarifications on the rationale behind the Bill and its intent, underscored their full support of the Bill and requested the FSM Congress to take immediate steps to pass this piece of legislation.

The state visits were coordinated with the FSM Congress and a delegation comprised of members of the FSM Congress travelled to the three states at the same time as the DTC&I delegation to conduct hearings on the above Bill. It has come to be known as the "Telecom Bill" as well as other matters. The Congressional delegation consisted of Chairman Joseph Urusemal and Chairman Paliknoa Welley. They were joined by other FSM Congress members that were in the states at the time of these meetings.

Prior to the presentation and discussion on the subjects of the SFOC and the Telecom Bill, a one-page survey was handed out to the participants in the meetings, who were asked to indicate their views on various aspects of the SFOC and the management of telecommunication services by the FSM Telecom. Those who completed the survey include state leaders such as the governors, lieutenant governors, presiding officers and members of the state legislatures, members of the executive branch cabinet members, members of the state chamber of commerce and many other who participated in the meeting. The General Managers of FSM Telecommunications Corporation in the three States were also invited to the meeting and completed the survey. The Board members of FSMTC in Yap and Kosrae also attended the meeting and completed the survey. The survey data was tabulated by the DTC&I Communications Team and verified by a team at the University of Hawai'i.

According to the survey results, an overwhelming majority of the leaders in the three states believe that telecommunications is important for the economic and social development of the states. Their responses showed that while FSMTC is providing acceptable residential telephone and long distance services, the FSMTC is not providing acceptable levels of mobile and other telecommunications services. The leaders and others who completed the survey also said that the FSM should not continue the monopoly in telecommunication services and that other companies should be allowed to provide telecommunication services in the FSM. The leaders did say that they would "pay a little more for services if they were better." Only 30% of the leaders and others who completed the survey felt that their state would benefit "immensely" when the submarine fiber optics is operational in Pohnpei.

In addition to the survey, presentations were made on the sea transportation issues faced by the entire nation and the Division of Civil Aviation made presentations on airline and airport security.

Chinese mainland stands together with Taiwan compatriots in typhoon relief

People's Republic of China

On August 8, the Typhoon Morakot hit southeast coastal area of Chinese Mainland and Taiwan islands heavily and left 6 people dead and 3 missing on Chinese Mainland and 141 people dead and 440 missing on Taiwan islands. It has caused 408.19 million U.S. dollars of loss in Taiwan.

Hu Jintao, secretary general of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC) said on August 18 that the mainland shared "the same feeling" with Taiwan compatriots and expressed deep sorrow and condolences for the typhoon

victims. So far the Chinese mainland has donated about 26 million U.S. dollars and 4 million US dollars of disaster relief materials including 10,000 sleeping bags, 10,000 blankets and 1,000 sterilizers, to Typhoon Morakot-stricken Taiwan. The Chinese mainland is on standby to send a civilian helicopter and medical team to Taiwan to aid typhoon relief efforts. Now, aid from the Chinese mainland and the international society are still pouring in Taiwan.

On August 20, Minister of Commerce in China Chen Deming said when meeting a Taiwan islands delegation

led by politician Kao Chin Su-mei that the ministry would lead mainland entrepreneurs to visit the island's areas inhabited by ethnic minorities to purchase local products. Chinese mainland authorities have promised ethnic minority groups in Taiwan preferential assistance in trade, tourism and other sectors to promote the island's economic and social development after the devastating Typhoon Morakot.

The Chinese Government expressed gratitude to the international community for typhoon disaster relief aid.

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Pursuant to the order of the FSM Supreme Court entered on July 16, 2009, public notice is hereby given that the parcel described below will be sold by auction to the highest bidder under the following terms:

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- If the winning bidder fails to remit payment within the required time, the award will be granted to the next highest bidder and the same conditions will apply.
- The parcel is offered for sale "as-is" with no guarantees or warranties as to its condition whatsoever.

Questions concerning this auction may be directed to Skiller Jackson, Representative for Land Sales, phone nos. 691-370-2751 or 370-7820, email: Skiller@pacificsbdc.com or Nora E Sigrah, Legal Counsel, FSM Development Bank, PO Box M, Pohnpei, FM 96941, phone no. 691-320-2840, fax no. 691-320-6533, email: noras@fsmdb.fm, website: www.fsmdb.fm

Women Action Network - empowering women in politics

FSM Women Action Network

The FSM Women Action Network convened its inaugural FSM Women-in-Politics Network (WIPNET) Dialogue on 18th -20th August 2009 at the Central Facility, FSM National Capitol in Palikir, Pohnpei State, FSM. The theme of the WIPNET Dialogue is "Enhancing Women's Participation in the Electoral Process through Learning and Sharing of Good Practices" and aimed to (a) provide an opportunity for Micronesian women politicians to share their experiences and stories in order to encourage more FSM women to run for political office and (b) to establish the WIPNET Dialogue as an ongoing exchange, mentoring and support network for the FSM women electorate.

Thirty women participants from the four FSM States of Chuuk, Kosrae, Yap and Pohnpei, including members of locally

based Diplomatic Corps, Development Partners and the Media, attended the 3 day dialogue. The Honorable Tina Muna Barnes, Secretary of the 30th Guam Legislature, Speaker Judith Won Pat of the 30th Guam Legislature and former Senator Lou Leon Guerrero sent apologies and request for inclusion in future WIPNET Dialogue, including a support letter for C.B. 16-10 from Senator Barnes.

The Honorable Senator Magdalena Walter of Pohnpei State Legislature gave the Welcome and Opening Remarks. In her statement, Senator Walter stressed the importance of the WIPNET Dialogue to enhancing women's participation in the election process and further urged women to share and learn from the training and from each other's experiences. Her Excellency Ambassador Miriam K. Hughes delivered

the keynote address. In her remarks, Ambassador Hughes alluded to her personal experiences, US policy and American history to convey the importance of empowering women. She stressed the need for a woman to "hold her own" in politics, to possess the strength and courage to advocate for change even when odds historically may be stacked against her. She identified such a journey as long, she nonetheless recognized it as an "exciting and fruitful road to enter". The Ambassador highlighted President Obama's nomination of women to key positions in his administration as part of his gender equity policy. The Ambassador also pointed out that US women did not secure the right to vote until the early 1920s when the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution was adopted and that women were the main advocates for this key constitutional amendment.

Ambassador Hughes stressed the importance of inclusivity, by saying "There is no true democracy without equal participation. We cannot simply solve the global problems confronting us - worldwide financial crisis, risk of climate change, chronic hunger disease and poverty - when half of the world's population is left behind". She urged participants to draw strength from example of other women all over the world and expressed support for their "intelligent and inevitable drive for inclusivity and progress within [their] own cultural and political context". The Ambassador's final advice to participants was, "Do not be afraid to do what you believe in".

The WIPNET Dialogue Agenda ranged from presentations on the FSM women-in-politics project; temporary special measures (TSMs), especially C.B. 16-10 - the proposed legislation to reserved 4 at-large seats for women in the FSM Congress; the FSM election legal framework; the art of politics and gender and politics to political campaign role playing and presentations; sharing political experiences and stories, and ending with "brainstorming" on the WIPNET Dialogue as a potential biennial women-in-politics dialogue process. Participants listened, shared and learned key messages and acquired new sets of skills from the WIPNET Dialogue. Participants agreed that additional "women-in-politics" training be an ongoing initiative and must target women and the general public at all level.

At the end of the three day event participants agreed to and endorsed the following WIPNET Dialogue outcomes: (a) WIPNET Dialogue to be held biennially as a national initiative; (b) women-in-politics training on "Rule of Procedures" and "How to Formulate a Bill" be priority training issues for 2009; (c) States' WIPNET follow-up action plan adopted; and (d) FSMWAN and partners to mobilize resources, coordinate with WIPNET State Committees implementation of national and state WIPNET Actions and monitor progress of the "Women-in-Politics" empowerment process.

The WIPNET Dialogue is one key outcome indicator of the FSM Women Action Network's "Addressing the Under-Representation of Women in the Political Process in the Federated States of Micronesia" project funded by the US Department of State Pacific Islands Fund for Small-Scale Development. Other key performance indicators include a publication on women in leadership and management role in the FSM and a pool of state legal rights training officers (LRTOs) who would be responsible for the delivery of public awareness and education campaign on human rights, civic and voter education and legal literacy training at state and community level throughout FSM. The project is due to be completed by mid-November 2009. Funding to continue this strategic WIPNET Dialogue is a major challenge for the Organization and its partners.

U.S. supports FSM Women Action Network on women in politics

Embassy of the United States of America

On July 18-20, the Federated States of Micronesia Women Action Network (FSM-WAN) hosted its Women-in-Politics Network (WIPNET) Dialogue at the Palikir Central Facility, FSM National Capitol. The Dialogue served as a key component of a FSMWAN gender empowerment initiative funded by the U.S. Government and spearheaded by women advocates in the FSM.

On July 18, the forum commenced with an opening plenary, prayer, and welcoming remarks by Pohnpei State Senator Magdalena Walter. United States Ambassador Miriam K. Hughes provided the keynote address, and FSMWAN Founder and CEO Tina Takashy served as Master of Ceremonies.

Participants in the WIPNET Dialogue included: FSM Department of Foreign Affairs Deputy Secretary Jane Chigiyal, FSM Legislature Chief Clerk Luiana Ramon, SBOC Assistant Director for Compact Management Suzanne Lowe, Pohnpei State Legislature Representative Macy David-Anson, Kolonia Town Councilwoman Yuko Nakasone, Kolonia Town Councilwoman Justina Olter, Attorney-at-Law Marstella Jack, women's advocate Linda Mori-Hartman, and Ginger Mida. Women Representatives from Yap, Kosrae, and Chuuk also attended the forum.

In her remarks, Ambassador Hughes integrated points from her personal experience, U.S. policy, and American history to convey the importance of empowering women. She stressed the need for a woman to "hold her own" in politics, that is, to possess the strength and courage to advocate for change, even when the odds historically may be stacked against her. While the Ambassador identified such a journey as long, she nonetheless recognized it as an "exciting and fruitful road to enter."

To illustrate her statement, Ambassador Hughes noted the United States Senate's recent confirmation of Supreme Court Jus-

tice Sonia Sotomayor, whose appointment makes her the first Hispanic justice and only the third woman justice to sit on the Nation's highest court.

She additionally highlighted Secretary Hillary Clinton's creation of an Ambassador-at-Large position to strengthen the State Department's work on women's global issues. She stressed Clinton's statement that, "The status of women and girls is a key indicator of whether or not progress is possible in a society; the best way to improve economic and political conditions around the world is to empower more women."

Although the United States first celebrated its independence on July 4, 1776, Ambassador Hughes described the long struggle required for women and men activists to pass the Susan B. Anthony Amendment, which became the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution in 1920, giving women the right to vote.

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In 2008, FSMWAN commenced the gender empowerment initiative "Addressing the Under-representation of Women in the FSM Political Process". Out of that initiative, the Women-In-Politics Network (WIPNET) process is one of the key performance indicators of the project, as it supports the political and leadership aspirations of FSM women.

The United States Embassy assisted FSM-WAN to realize its initiative with a \$24,090 grant from the U.S. Department of State Pacific Islands Fund (PIF) for Small-Scale Development. PIF offers assistance for activities promoting democracy, rule of law, and good governance.

FSMWAN's receipt of PIF financial assistance coincided with the presentation of FSM Congressional Bill NO. 15-169; if enacted into law, this bill would add four At-Large seats to FSM Congress reserved specifically for women representatives.

FSMWAN's Mission is to "[Empower] Women, Youth and Communities to Live Productive and Self-Fulfilled Lives."



Pohnpei State Senator Magdalena Walter looks on as United States Ambassador Miriam K. Hughes takes questions from WIPNET Dialogue Participants.

K-Press Perspective

Every day, or all at once at the last minute?

Anyone who knows me knows that I am a terrible procrastinator. The ones who know me best know that part of the reason is because I am a perfectionist, scoff though you may. Sometimes I just can't see how to begin a project until I can see exactly how things will fit together perfectly from beginning to end. Left to my natural tendencies nothing would ever get done until each thing could be done to the utmost of my own concept of my own potential.

This tendency is the bane of my very existence and often results in personal train wrecks that could have been avoided had I simply thrown the switch earlier. It bothers me and if there was one thing about my life that I could fix, procrastination would be the one. I'm sure I'll get around to that someday but fire fighting is so much more exhilarating.

I've long known that I am not the only one who has a problem with procrastination. I see it all the time and on the afternoon of Friday, August 28 I saw a classic example.

I was coming back from Awak where I had been essentially going from house to house looking for anyone who had seen the rumored crocodile with their own eyes. It was deadline day at the newspaper and I was pretty desperate to get back to the office so that I could write the stories I should already have written. I was cruising down the road, thinking about what I would write when traffic stopped dead right next to the M.L. Cho Garage. I thought we were waiting for a car to turn left but when I passed that intersection and traffic was still inching along I began to worry.

Traffic gets bad in Pohnpei on occasion but I had never seen it as bad as it was on Friday afternoon. My camera was on the seat next to me so I pulled it out of the case and strapped it around my neck thinking that perhaps authorities had captured the croc even though I knew it had never been spotted in the area. We passed the river and I began to worry that there might have been an accident at the Etscheit construction area or that something had happened at the US Embassy. After 20 minutes I called my wife with the few minutes I still had left on my cell phone to tell her that I was stuck in traffic. She told me that what was happening was a Police department road block of all vehicles. They were checking licenses and registrations.

The worry I had that someone had been hurt in an accident ahead gave way to a boiling anger.

Trickles of traffic passed going the opposite direction. Two big yellow school buses passed, the seats completely packed, the aisles full and the faces of High School students smashed against the windows. One of the buses had the front door open and there was a student standing there. I've seen other school buses stopped by police

for the same violation of safety laws but not that day. Both of those buses had made it past the police blockade with their dangerous human payload intact.

When I arrived at the blockade in front of the Pohnpei Center Cinemas with my registration and license in hand I struggled to remind myself that the officer who checked my documentation did not order himself to be where he was and did not personally deserve to bear the brunt of my anger. He was friendly and quick and placed a little green sticker on my windshield, apparently so that I wouldn't have to be stopped on the other side of town where police had situated themselves in the parking lot of The Rusty Anchor. I'd just have to wait for everyone else who had to stop.



Usually the results of my procrastination are some sleepless nights doing at the last minute, poorly that thing I should have done well at my leisure much earlier. My wife suffers when I procrastinate because I find myself working late at night when I probably wouldn't have needed to do if I'd just done what I should have to begin with. That's not a good situation and I hate it about myself but my procrastination doesn't usually interrupt the lives of the entire community.

We're only talking about one hour of my time on deadline day sitting in the blazing sun in a vehicle without an air conditioner. That's not such a big deal but the roadblocks were also an unnecessary interruption in the lives of every single person in every single vehicle who waited in that line for an hour on Friday at the height of the school traffic rush. Likely it also interrupted the lives of every school child who had been expecting a ride home from school who probably stood waiting as patiently as school children do when their ride is late, meaning not at all.

How does all this relate to procrastination? With all due respect to Director Lucas Carlos, Chief Joe Roby, and all of the officers of the Pohnpei State Police, if officers would every day enforce the laws that say a person must have a valid driver's license to operate a motor vehicle in Pohnpei and that his or her car must be registered, road blocks would be completely unnecessary, and life would continue as it should except

for those who violate the law.

From stories I heard from others who were stopped in the road block, apparently not everyone is following the law. Cars were impounded, traffic tickets were written and, if the two men I saw riding with forlorn faces in a Pohnpei State Police car are any indication of events of the day, arrests were made.

Great!! Fantastic! Needs to be done but does it need to be done all at once? I mean, I of all people understand procrastination. I'm better at it than anyone. I know all about it but this is law enforcement. Doesn't it need to be done everyday? Or am I wrong?

Apparently it's not enough to just put the

sticker on your license tag that you waited in line to get in the first place. You know the one. It's the one that says that your vehicle is registered and up to date. An officer following any vehicle in the state should be able to tell with one glance whether or not a vehicle's registration is up to date. I know this because I was once stopped two days before the end of the month in which my registration was due because the officer who stopped me apparently forgot that I still had two days to get my registration done. It wasn't quite the last minute yet so I still hadn't done it. I had been busy procrastinating.

Some violations of the law are harder to spot than the lack of proper registration of a vehicle. One of those is whether or not the operator of a vehicle has a valid driver's license. Several people were caught up in the net yesterday without a valid license who might otherwise never have been found out. Don't know why. It was probably just procrastination but that was the chance those people took. They knew the law and what the consequences would be if they were caught and they chose to take their chances or just simply forgot to take care of getting their license or getting it renewed.

Did the enforcement have to be done late on a Friday afternoon when it was too late to go to the Motor Vehicle section so that a person could get into compliance with the law once they were caught? Apparently officers who discovered that a person's

registration wasn't valid stuck a different color sticker on the windshield than they stuck on mine. One person I know tried to pass another road block without having taken care of his expired registration police impounded the vehicle. It's likely that the situation was much more complex than I was told but just the same how could a person take care of registration at 4:15 on a Friday afternoon in Pohnpei whether they were flagrantly in violation of the law or just forgot about it?

Perhaps I am wrong and this K-Press Perspective will generate a Letter to the Editor from DPS. That would be great. I will publish it if it comes but for now I wonder, besides the obvious revenue stream that license fees generate isn't the purpose of a license to insure that a person who gets behind the wheel of a motor vehicle is qualified to operate it? There are so many terrible and even selfish drivers in Pohnpei that I'm really very surprised that I don't see more of us stopped by police officers on a daily basis. Unless I've missed my guess, an officer needs some kind of probable cause to stop a vehicle in the first place unless there is a road block in which everyone is being stopped. Wouldn't the kind of reckless driving that an unlicensed driver might do give probable cause for an officer to make a stop. Wouldn't the officer then discover the lack of a license? So isn't this one way of daily license enforcement that does not involve stopping every last vehicle moving in and through Kolonia Town including all of us who happen to be in compliance with the law that time?

Yet, and I know I'm not alone on this, I've witnessed police officers completely ignore blatant violations of traffic laws that are obvious even to completely ignorant people like me.

So police did enforcement for a couple of hours on the outskirts of Kolonia Town on a Friday afternoon. Do you suppose they think that they caught all of the violators in Pohnpei? Or do you suppose there will be another road block on Social Security day that will shut the whole town down for hours but will catch violators from Nett, U, Kitti, and Madolenihmw?

I'm not going to even touch the subject of the apparent feeling of driving invincibility that seems to come over an officer who's turned on his or her siren as if were a magic bubble surrounding the car that protects the driver from any possible head on collision with another vehicle. I'm not going to touch that one at all.

Bill Jaynes
Managing Editor

Congratulations to Janet for her recent promotion

Crossword - Food, Wonderful Food (3)

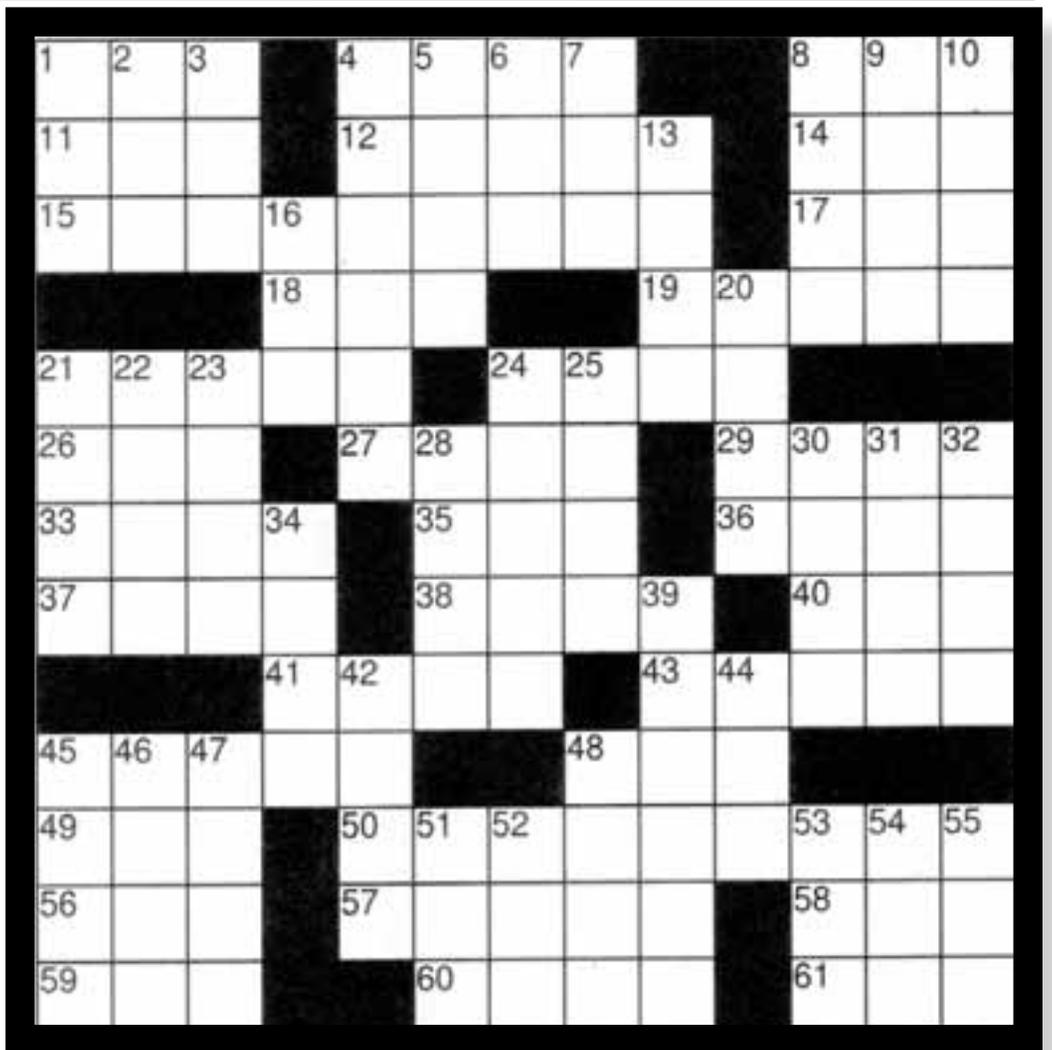
ACROSS

- 1. Italian wine standard
- 4. Dutch cheese type
- 8. Cola, casually
- 11. Beating and folding add this
- 12. Where to coat with egg and bread crumbs, fry, and season with Parmesan
- 14. Food pesticide regulator
- 15. Diner "special"
- 17. Cooking vessel
- 18. French for "garlic"
- 19. Campfire treat
- 21. Rub clean
- 24. ___ spumante
- 26. Anago or unagi
- 27. Waffle brand
- 29. Mexican dough
- 33. Trans fatty ___
- 35. Chef Rachael ___
- 36. ___ Chef (Japanese head-to-head cooking show)
- 37. Mostly Martha adoptee
- 38. Spanish grapes
- 40. Pistachio or macadamia
- 41. Cannoli or manicotti
- 43. Pub on Murphy Brown
- 45. Had a fine meal
- 48. Milk, at a diner
- 49. Italian for "goose"
- 50. Another name for mut-tonfish
- 56. Tasty mushroom
- 57. Chinese takeout disclaimer, often

- 58. Summer refresher
- 59. Cookie selling gp.
- 60. Beef Wellington or mayonnaise honoree, originally
- 61. Recipe unit for whale chowder?

DOWN

- 1. Type of flounder
- 2. Sesame or olive product
- 3. French or Italian vineyard
- 4. Kind of apple
- 5. Type of seasoning
- 6. Recipe preposition
- 7. Place setting, perhaps
- 8. Hard-skinned fruit
- 9. ___ ayam (Indonesian chicken in coconut milk)
- 10. French mixture served with bread
- 13. Bird's ___ soup
- 16. ___-de-vie
- 20. "La Bohème" lead, who has no money for food
- 21. Cook en papillote
- 22. Another name for a 'chickpea
- 23. Chocolat actress
- 24. Tequila base
- 25. ___ bean milk
- 28. Food, casually



- 30. Souvlaki ingredient
- 31. ___ food
- 32. They can be covered in chocolate and eaten
- 34. Middle Eastern fruit
- 39. ___ cake
- 42. Thick Japanese noodle
- 44. ___ sack (grain bag)
- 45. One step up from I Across
- 46. Italian desserts
- 47. California wine region
- 48. Completely cover
- 51. Haddock's family
- 52. Aussie delicacy
- 53. Common cereal grain
- 54. Japanese veggie similar to fennel
- 55. Arm count for calamari

K P r e s s P u z z l e P l e a s u r e

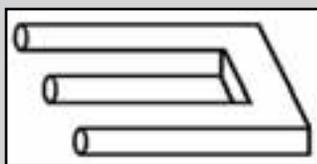
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See the face of a soldier and a man that is bending over on this illusion

This impossible object is called "devil's fork" or "Schuster's Conundrum"

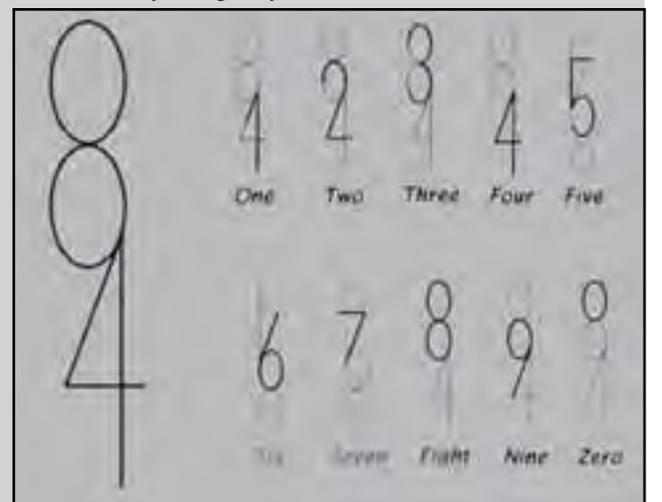


Who do you like more? women or saxophone players?

Given the wood do you think you could make this?



It is quite interesting that all numbers can be created by using only two numerals - 4 and 8.



If you can read the following picture, then you can shout...



Puzzle Pleasure Previous Issue's Solution

Crossword Solution



TEASE YOUR MIND!

- A) **UND(ERGRO)UND**
- B) The only vowel they contain, when written out fully, is the letter E.
- C) It consists of the digits 0 to 9 in alphabetic order.
- D) They each have ANT appended to form a new word.
- E) "A man cannot be too careful in the choice of his enemies."
(Oscar Wilde)

Food Wonderful

Food (2)

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A cowgal way out in Wyoming
Went out for a ride in the gloaming,
It's a purdy good hunch
That she met a cowpunch:
When she came in her hair needed combing!

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Submission of your news item does not guarantee that the item will necessarily get to print as much as we would like to accommodate most submissions.

Although the deadline for submissions is on the Friday before the Wednesday that the paper comes out, if your item gets to us earlier it has a better chance of being run.

Even advertisers should consider the "earlier is better" guideline. We do run out of space even for advertising.

The Kaselehlie Press will take submissions in any form, however, your item has the best chance of run-

ning and the end result will have no transcription mistakes if it is submitted in one of the word processing formats for text material or jpg files for graphics. Power Point is not a word processor but we can accept it if need be.

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An old data processing term still applies in terms of photo printing, GIGO, Garbage in garbage out. Please keep this in mind.

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Astronomical Tide Prediction **September 2nd through September 15, 2009**

	Pohnpei				Chuuk			
Wednesday	09/02		09/09		09/02		09/09	
	02:25AM	4.4	12:23AM	1.4	01:42AM	2.4	02:42AM	1.0
	09:14AM	0.3	05:51AM	2.9	09:37AM	-0.4	09:12AM	0.0
	03:08PM	3.1	11:49AM	1.1	03:38PM	0.6	05:02PM	1.7
	08:35PM	0.8	06:39PM	3.6	06:44PM	0.4	11:33PM	0.9
Thursday	09/03		09/10		09/03		09/10	
	03:02AM	4.6	01:11AM	1.8	02:14AM	2.4	01:47AM	1.0
	09:40AM	0.3	05:52AM	2.4	09:48AM	-0.3	09:06AM	-0.2
	03:36PM	3.4	11:51AM	1.4	03:28PM	0.8	05:26PM	1.6
	09:15PM	0.6	07:21PM	3.3	07:37PM	0.3		
Friday	09/04		09/11		09/04		09/11	
	03:37AM	4.7	11:20AM	1.5	02:42AM	2.2	09:08AM	-0.3
	10:06AM	0.3	08:54PM	3.0	09:56AM	-0.1	05:59PM	1.5
	04:05PM	3.7			03:33PM	1.0		
	09:53PM	0.5			08:22PM	0.3		
Saturday	09/05		09/12		09/05		09/12	
	04:10AM	4.5	09:25AM	1.5	03:05AM	2.0	09:14AM	-0.3
	10:32AM	0.4			09:58AM	0.1		
	04:34PM	3.9			03:45PM	1.2		
	10:31PM	0.6			09:04PM	0.3		
Sunday	09/06		09/13		09/06		09/13	
	04:41AM	4.2	12:11AM	3.2	03:21AM	1.7	12:14AM	1.5
	10:56AM	0.5	08:40AM	1.3	09:53AM	0.2	09:21AM	-0.3
	05:04PM	4.0	03:33PM	2.3	04:01PM	1.5		
	11:07PM	0.8	06:07PM	2.2	09:43PM	0.4		
Monday	09/07		09/14		09/07		09/14	
	05:09AM	3.8	01:07AM	3.4	03:25AM	1.4	12:40AM	1.7
	11:17AM	0.7	08:36AM	1.1	09:42AM	0.2	09:22AM	-0.2
	05:34PM	3.9	02:49PM	2.5	04:20PM	1.6		
	11:44PM	1.1	07:12PM	2.0	10:20PM	0.6		
Tuesday	09/08		09/15		09/08		09/15	
	05:33AM	3.4	01:40AM	3.7	03:13AM	1.1	01:02AM	1.8
	11:36AM	0.9	08:42AM	1.0	09:26AM	0.1	09:17AM	-0.1
	06:06PM	3.8	02:46PM	2.8	04:40PM	1.7	04:04PM	0.8
			07:47PM	1.7	10:56PM	0.8	06:10PM	0.7

Mand community participates in nutrition survey

By Alyssa Bittenbender

Forty households from the community of Mand, in Madolenihmw participated in a nutrition survey this past July 2009. This is the third survey of its kind conducted in Mand and is part of a larger global study led by the Centre of Indigenous Peoples' Nutrition and Environment (CINE), based in Canada, which is examining traditional food systems and health of indigenous peoples throughout the world.

The Island Food Community of Pohnpei (IFCP) and other agencies began their work in Mand in 2005, with a baseline assessment of dietary habits and health status of community members. The study found that many nutrient-rich local foods such as banana, taro, and breadfruit were being replaced by less nutritious imported processed food such as rice and ramen. Local foods and traditional lifestyles (which includes physical activity involved in growing and harvesting local foods) are important because they help protect against nutrition related diseases such as diabetes, heart problems and certain cancers, as well as vitamin A deficiency and anemia (weak blood). In response to these findings, IFCP conducted a two-year local food promotion program in Mand. A 2007 follow-up survey found that the program had been successful and that local food consumption in Mand had significantly increased.

Now, two years later, IFCP and their inter-agency team returned to Mand to determine if the positive changes documented in 2007 have persisted. A 6-per-

son research team was assembled and led by Master of Public Health candidate, Alyssa Bittenbender with support from IFCP, College of Micronesia-FSM Cooperative Extension Service, Pohnpei Department of Health, Pohnpei Agriculture of the Office of Economic Affairs and Mand Community. Using the same methodology used in 2005 and 2007, the survey team successfully administered 3 sets of questionnaires to 40 heads of households. Upon completion of the survey, Ms. Bittenbender returned to the University of Arizona where she will spend the upcoming school year compiling and analyzing the results. This information will be distributed to Pohnpei State and Mand community and will inform and help direct future nutrition interventions on the island.

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Melsihda and Welsey interview Kathy Hemos



The monster wave rose menacingly, gathering wind and water as it headed for the sharp coral reef just off Nahlap. A handful of kids, caught in between, paddled furiously to get out of its way. Kitti's Ioakin Sarabio, 16, however, merely grinned and with a few powerful strokes was up and surfing toward the shoreline to the cheers of everyone watching.

"I wasn't scared," he said later on the Pohnpei Surf Club boat. "The best part was going real fast."

The Third Annual Surf Day for Kids, conducted by Alloys Malfitani and the Pohnpei Surf Club, was a huge hit for the more than 50 kids attending. "Thirteen surfboards and three stand-up paddle boards were not even close to enough to keep all of them in the water at the same time," Malfitani said. "We had to have them go in shifts."

Surfers Jade Ford, Ryan Mcvey and a host of teachers from the SDA School were on hand and in the water to give first-class lessons. The FSM National Olympic Committee (FSMOC) paid for the water taxis to Nahlap and John David, manager for the resort, provided free entry for all kids under 18 years of age. FSM TELECOM also sponsored the event.

After learning to balance themselves on the stand-up paddle boards provided by Robby Naish, the kids hit the surf off the southwest corner of the island. Belinda Elias, 18, from Kitti, eyed one of the waves warily, then paddled hard, only to miss it as it rolled under her and toward the shore. "At first I was scared, but earlier I caught a wave and it wasn't so scary after all," she said. "I'm going to keep trying."

Kids Splash (And Crash) at Surf Camp

By Jeff Martin



Persistence was also a key part of the day. Maggie Finnen, 11, held on to her surfboard and waited. "As long as it takes," she said.

Zara Ruhl, 8, managed to hitch a ride with Alloys, catching a huge wave. "That was waaay too much fun," she squealed.

For some, though, the waves proved too rough to handle. After being pummeled by a wall of water, Tess Martin, 9, decided to head back to the safety of the boat. "The wave was way too big and it smashed me," she said holding her nose. "I'm done."

Back on the boat, other minor casualties were being taken care of. "A big wave dumped me and it hurt a lot," said Gerald Manuel, 14. "But after a rest I'm going back out there. It's way too much fun."

Nate Anson, 12, a veteran from last year's surf camp, touched the scrape on his back from the same wave, but nodded in agreement. "It only hurt a little," he said, "but I have to expect it if I'm going to become a surfer."

The day ended with FSMOC providing a huge barbeque for everyone involved, complete with more chicken than anyone could eat.

Malfitani said he plans to hold another surf day for kids at Palikir-Pass around December. That would be just fine for eight-year-old Colby Bowley. When asked if he managed to catch any waves he simply responded with, "Too big." His brother, Owen, 7, agreed, adding, "Maybe next time."

Record 60 runners compete in the 2009 INS Half Marathon



By Jim Tobin

The 6th Annual INS Marosong – Pohnpei Half Marathon was held on Saturday, August 22 on Pohnpei. The run was an official half marathon, with a distance of 13.1 miles. The run started at the main Isamu Nakasone Store and finished at the Spanish Wall softball field, with a course that was run through Kolonia, Nett and U municipalities. A record 63 runners started the half marathon, with over 45 finishing within the three hour time limit.

The overall winner was Tim Smith with a time of 1 hour, 29 minutes and 6 seconds. Smith holds the INS Marosong course record with a time of 1.23.21, which was set when he won the run in 2007. Finishing second was Makilihno Ardos (1.34.48), with third place going to Marino Ardos (1.35.09). Other top finishers were: Albert Meyer (4th – 1.36.03); Marlon Etnold (5th – 1.40.52); Eliwel Dorres (6th – 1.48.57); Paulus Charley (7th – 1.49.54); Hendy

Ardos (8th – 1.52.36) also the Junior division champion; Jonathan Laurdine (9th – 1.52.38) and Kana Yasuda (10th – 1.53.11) also the Women's division champion. The 2nd place Women's division finisher was Michaela Corr (1.54.33), with third place going to Laura Peron ((2.02.42).

The Pohnpei Athletics Association and the FSM National Olympic Committee would like to thank the Nakasone family and INS for again sponsoring the Marosong. INS prize money was awarded to the top finishers with the overall winners receiving: 1st - \$500, 2nd - \$250, 3rd - \$100, 4th-10th - \$30, 11th-20th - \$15, 21st-30th - \$10 and women's division: 1st - \$300, 2nd - \$200 and 3rd - \$100 and junior division: 1st - \$100. All participants received an INS Marosong shirt and INS gift bag. Special thanks to Run Director George Steven, INS employees, FSMNOC staff, COM-FSM dorm students, Pohnpei State Police and other volunteers.