

# Soccer coach urges local enthusiasts to keep soccer momentum going



By *Bill Jaynes*  
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**Pohnpei**—Chris Smith of Nottingham has left the building, or more appropriately, Chris Smith has finished his time in Pohnpei after 90 days spent volunteering to work on what he called a “simple, but big idea”. He was here to help to further the development of soccer in Pohnpei. He is guardedly pleased with the progress but urges local enthusiasts to keep the momentum going.

“We’ve got this great youth league going on. If that stops, I want questions to be asked. I want collective responsibility for the things that I believe are good that are happening and that other people believe are

good as well,” he said. “I want someone to keep pushing to keep things going.”

“You can’t, sort of, give up on the kids. That’s where the new talent is coming from and their parents are where the volunteers will come from,” he said.

Quite a lot happened with football (soccer) development while Smith was in Pohnpei, but he is quick to say that it’s not that locals couldn’t have done it. There are several people in Pohnpei who are very interested in promoting the sport but they don’t have a lot of concentrated time. The advantage that Smith had was that he was able to pursue the goal on a full time voluntary basis even if just for a short term.

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# FSM has increased efforts to combat human trafficking, more work to be done report says

By *Bill Jaynes*  
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**July 14, 2017**  
**Pohnpei, FSM**—For the fourth year in a row, the US State Department has ranked the FSM’s efforts to combat the despicable crime of human trafficking as better but still plenty of room for improvement.

In 2011 the State Department said that that the FSM was essentially doing next to nothing to combat the crime that strips human beings of control of their lives through coercion by another human being who profits from their misery. During that year the FSM was ranked at the lowest level it had ever “achieved” on Human Trafficking law enforcement measures. In 2012 and 2013, the State Department figured that the FSM had made modest gains in combatting the crime and ranked them at Tier 2 watch list.

In 2014 the US State Department evaluated FSM’s efforts on eliminating human trafficking at Tier 2, the second highest level and the FSM remained at that level for each of the next four annual Trafficking in Persons reports.

“The Government of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) does not fully meet the minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking; however, it is making significant efforts to do so. The government demonstrated increasing efforts compared to the previous reporting period; therefore, FSM remained on Tier 2,” the report said.

Specifically it said that the government had increased the number of investigations into alleged trafficking cases which led to the conviction of one offender. It also had strengthened its efforts to raise trafficking awareness among law enforcement and government officials. It established new mechanisms—including the creation of an anti-trafficking coordinator position—to oversee government anti-trafficking work.

Despite the increase in efforts there is still room for

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# FSM and U.S. Officials Lift Suspension on Compact Public Infrastructure Grant Funding Pave Way to Release \$150 Million for Infrastructure Projects across Micronesia

U.S. Department of the Interior

June 30, 2017

**HONOLULU, HI** — Delegations representing the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) and the United States of America (U.S.) reached an agreement that enables \$150 million of public infrastructure assistance to be used for projects across the four FSM states of Chuuk, Pohnpei, Yap, and Kosrae, as provided for under U.S. Public Law 108-188 or the Compact of Free Association, as amended.

The delegations met in Honolulu, Hawaii on June 28 – 29, 2017, to discuss issues related to the provision of public infrastructure grant assistance provided to the FSM under the Amended Compact of Free Association between the two governments. The meeting was held to address and resolve concerns that led to the U.S. Government’s April 27, 2017, suspension of Compact infrastructure sector grants.

“It is fair to say that both the FSM and the U.S. delegates are eager to see the FSM move forward and utilize this funding” said Interior Acting Assistant Secretary for Insular Areas Nikolao Pula. “As Compact grant funding was intended to provide a very real and tangible benefit for the people of the Federated States of Micronesia, we don’t want to see any further delay.”

“I am pleased to have led discussions for the FSM on behalf of President Peter Christian as well as our State government leadership,” said FSM Vice President Yosiwo George. “There are critical infrastructure needs in the FSM

that we can now begin to address. The assistance provided for under the terms of the Compact of Free Association provides for the socio-economic development of our people and the mutual benefit of our peoples.”

The FSM and the U.S. have agreed to the following:

- 1. The United States will immediately lift the temporary suspension of public infrastructure grant assistance to the FSM.
- 2. The FSM will terminate the current private contractor managing its Project Management Unit as soon as practicable.
- 3. The FSM will engage the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) on a transitional basis to provide technical advice and assistance managing and implementing infrastructure projects, consistent with the FSM Infrastructure Development Plan and relevant provisions of FSM law, funded under the Amended Compact.
- 4. The FSM will periodically review the involvement of the ACE and make adjustments as appropriate, including ultimately transitioning away from ACE.

The specific terms of this engagement and related costs will be developed in the coming weeks between the government of the FSM and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on mutually agreed terms.

In April, Acting Deputy Secretary of the Interior Jim Cason, as Delegated Authority, had temporarily suspended the public infrastructure funds under the Compact until the FSM and the U.S. could mutually agree upon a process for



*Yap Lt. Governor James Yangetmai; U.S. Ambassador to the FSM Robert Riley, III; Interior Acting Assistant Secretary for Insular Areas Nikolao Pula; Vice President of the FSM Yosiwo George; Chuuk Governor Johnson Elimo; FSM Ambassador to the U.S. Akillino Susaia; Pohnpei Governor Marcelo Peterson; Speaker of the Pohnpei State Legislature Fernando Scaliem*

the management and implementation of the funds. The Department of the Interior is the agency authorized by the U.S. Congress to administer grant funding under the Compact of Free Association to the Federated States of Micronesia.

Insular Areas Nikolao Pula, included U.S. Ambassador to the FSM Robert Riley, III, State Director of East Asia, New Zealand and Pacific Island Affairs Nicholas Dean, and other State and Interior officials.

The FSM delegation led by Vice President Yosiwo George, included the FSM Ambassador to the United States Akillino Susaia, Secretary of Foreign Affairs Lorin Robert, officials of the FSM National Government as well as the State Governments and five members of the FSM Congress who attended as Observers. The U.S. delegation led by Interior Acting Assistant Secretary for

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# Australia displays “Yiwarra Kuju: The Canning Stock Route” Aboriginal photos



By Bill Jaynes  
July 3, 2017

**Pohnpei**—The Australian Embassy in Pohnpei hosted a cocktail party at Mangrove bay on July 3 to mark the opening of an Indigenous photo exhibition entitled “Yiwarra Kuju: The Canning Stock Route”. That evening the photo prints were on display at Mangrove Bay. On the next day, they went up in the arrivals lounge of the Pohnpei International Airport.

The display is to mark the ‘National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee’ or NAIDOC, celebration

which this year runs from the 2nd to the 9th of July. Ambassador George Fraser said that the event is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support Australia’s local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

“The origins of NAIDOC Week can be traced back to the 1920s when groups sought to increase awareness of the status and treatment of Indigenous Australians in the wider community,” Ambassador Fraser said. “Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture is the oldest continuing culture on earth. It continues to evolve and contribute to Australia’s cultural diversity.”

“In August 2015, Australia’s Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade released its first Indigenous Peoples Strategy. It embeds consideration of indigenous people’s issues across the full range of Australia’s foreign and trade policy, public diplomacy,



aid programs and internal corporate management. This commitment to indigenous human rights also forms a key pillar of Australia’s bid for a seat on the UN Human Rights Council 2018-2020”, he said.

“We are committed to providing further opportunities to assist indigenous peoples – both in Australia and overseas – to overcome social and economic disadvantage.

“I invite you all to look at the Yiwarra Kuju exhibition, which features stories and wonderful artworks from senior and emerging Aboriginal artists and traditional custodians who returned to their Country in Australia’s Western Desert.”

“For those of you who have not heard of stock routes before; they were developed across Australia as the pastoral industry expanded and were essentially defined routes through government land along which cattle could be driven either between pastoral properties or from pasture to market.

“Such routes typically allowed for access to waters and grasslands so that stock could be fed and watered. It is not unusual, therefore, to find that they often take in stream corridors, lakes, ponds and waterholes.

“These corridors, officially two to three kilometres wide, allowed for the free



movement of stock through the freehold and leasehold lands of the pastoral stations. Many Aboriginal people found work as stockmen and support labour in the pastoral industry.

“The Canning Stock Route itself runs 1850 kilometres through northern Western Australia.

“The history of the Canning Route is, therefore, not just an important story of the development of the north of the state of Western Australia. It is also a case study of events and issues that accompanied the development of stock routes across Australia. As such, it is a national story,” he said.

The exhibition was provided by the National Museum of Australia. “Behind the artwork are important stories of people and places, clash of cultures, survival and resilience. Dots, lines, plants and animals are an integral part of Indigenous Art and modern Australia’s cultural iconography,” the Ambassador told the gathered diplomats and FSM leaders.

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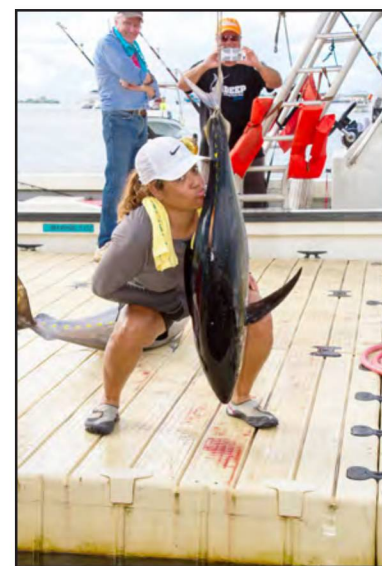
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## Pohnpei LP Gas and Seven Stars' businesses sponsor "big fish" tournament in Pohnpei



By Pohnpei Fishing Club  
July 8, 2017

**Pohnpei**—Pohnpei LP Gas, Seven Stars Inn, Restaurant, and Store, and Hot Plate joined together to sponsor a fishing tournament on Saturday, July 8. It was a "big fish tournament", with prizes awarded to anglers who landed the biggest fish regardless of species and separate prizes awarded to the biggest fish of each qualifying species.

Ferny Perman was the \$1000 prize winner with his 106.5 pound marlin. Walden Weilbacher won the \$600 second place prize for his massive 92.6 pound yellowfin tuna. Rospeihn Marcella Hawley took home \$300 for her 63.1 pound yellowfin, and Marvey Spencer pocketed \$200 for a 54.1 pound yellowfin.

The fishing club did not list the cash award prizes for the winners of the largest fish caught of each qualifying species but the winners were Ryan Hawley for a 53.8 pound yellowfin, Konrad Englberger for a 28.9 pound barracuda, Welber



David for a 15.2 pound skipjack tuna, and Norieka Lekka for a huge 20.3 pound rainbow runner.

For the Lady Angler prizes, the Club did not list fish weights for the winners but the winners were Rospeihn Marcella Hawley who won \$200 for a yellowfin and Rosa Weilbacher who won \$100 for a yellowfin.

We want to thank everyone who helped out including Bill Pendergraft, Tina Albert, Cel Mercado-Perez, Serlynn Kersey, Uta Krause and Jim Tobin on the barbecue, and

Kumer Panuelo's crew on the boom truck and helping with the weigh in. Many thanks to Mangrove Bay for the venue.

No one caught a record breaking marlin. The jackpot now stands at \$2,900.00 for the person who does break the record.

Great tourney, thanks to the sponsors LP Gas, 7 Stars Inn, Restaurant and Store, Hot Plate and all who helped.

The kids tourney is coming up the end of July and Matson is our next adult tourney in August.

## GCF Board strengthens fund's operations

Green Climate Fund

06 July 2017

**Songdo** – The second Green Climate Fund (GCF) Board meeting of 2017 concluded today by adopting a series of decisions that will strengthen the operations of the Fund and help generate high quality funding proposals for climate finance investments in low-emission and climate-resilient projects and programmes in developing countries.

To date, the GCF Board has approved USD 2.2 billion in funding for 43 projects to be implemented in 64 countries. The Board considered lessons learnt from the initial five rounds of funding proposals and endorsed a number of actions to improve the proposal approval process. Drawing on the experience gained from the initial rounds of funding proposals, the Board also agreed on a number of new policies and guidelines to be developed to strengthen and scale up the Fund's pipeline of proposals.

The Board also approved the accreditation of six new partner organisations, including four national-level Direct Access Entities from developing countries. This brings the number of GCF Accredited Entities to 54. These organisations will now be able to develop and submit funding proposals for consideration by the Board. The six organisations are:

- Infrastructure Development Company Limited (IDCOL), based in Bangladesh,
- Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), based in India,
- Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ Limited (BTMU), headquartered in Japan,
- Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), also headquartered in Japan,
- Micronesia Conservation Trust (MCT), based in the Federated States of

Micronesia, and

- CDG Capital S.A. (CDG Capital), based in Morocco.

The Board also took important decisions relating to the Fund's engagement with the REDD+ mechanism, a global program that supports developing countries' efforts to reduce their emissions from deforestation and forest degradation, and agreed on a framework to build complementarity and coherence with other climate funds.

"The Board has continued its disciplined focus on implementation," said Ayman Shasly, Board Co-Chair from Saudi Arabia. "The decisions that the Board adopted will streamline GCF's requirements for climate finance proposals, and enable the Secretariat to work more closely with countries at the early concept stage of their projects. In light of these decisions, the Board will return to its consideration of funding proposals at its next meeting".

"It is important that the Green Climate Fund makes a real climate impact," said Ewen McDonald, Board Co-Chair from Australia. "Having considered our experience and progress to date, the Board focused on strengthening the Fund's capacity to implement effective climate finance initiatives. The decision taken on REDD+ also paves the way for a deeper engagement by the Fund with this vital climate mechanism," he said.

More than 300 GCF Partners gathered at GCF's headquarters in Songdo for the meeting, including observers from civil society and private sector organizations, National Designated Authorities (NDAs), Accredited Entities and climate finance delivery partners.

Video records of the GCF Board meetings are available on GCF's website.

The 18th meeting of the GCF Board will be held from 30 September to 2 October 2017 in Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt.

# SPC seeks “net metering” experts for implementation of small renewable energy projects

By **Bill Jaynes**  
The Kaselehlie Press

July 15, 2017

**Federated States of Micronesia**—The Secretariat of the Pacific Community has a Request for Quotation for experts to help FSM States to either implement existing legislation or to develop new legislation for “net metering”. “Net Metering” is a system in which solar panels or other renewable energy generators are connected to a public-utility power grid and surplus power is transferred onto the grid, allowing customers to offset the cost of power drawn from the utility.

Several years ago, the Pohnpei Legislature passed laws allowing for a net metering plan but according to the SPC Request for Quotation, Pohnpei Utilities Corporation has been unable to implement it which has hampered any significant investment in small-scale renewable energy systems. It says that PUC has not been in a position to implement the net metering act due to lack of policies. It also says that no financial mechanisms to assist the general public to embark on grid-connected small scale renewable energy systems exist.

increased over the past year particularly in the residential sector. Because of this they estimate that 2400 customers still do not have access to pre-payment meters. They say that across the FSM there are 12,016 power utility customers with 53 percent of them in Pohnpei.

“It is with anticipation that this term of reference will outline the necessary processes so as to propose a net metering bill to the other three states and amend or develop policies so as to have these net metering legislation implemented,” the SPC request for quotation says.

“FSM’s current total capacity (conventional) is about 12.1MW. Based on current activities installed renewable energy capacity is 1.9MW as at December 2014. The recent(ly) concluded ADB technical assistance on strengthening of the legal framework and investment plans has recommended 6MW of renewable energy for Pohnpei and 2.5MW for Chuuk. This is in addition to the already approved 1.5MW for Yap. Further, for Kosrae a 1.65MW is envisaged. These add-up to 13.55MW for the FSM, which is equivalent to about 2.71MW net of renewable energy or 70% of the renewable energy target”, it says.

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Development Bank, state power utilities and state governments. At the FSM Development Bank a scheme will be developed to assist the general public access small-scale grid connected RE technologies – this will compliment an existing bank programme on Home Energy Loan Programme (HELP)” the quotation request says.

Respondents to the request for quotation will need to have their bid proposals in to SPC by August 31 and deliverables under any contract awarded are to be completed by November 30, 2017.

The assignment entails the following key tasks:

1. Consultation with the four states (government departments, power utilities and other key partners) on the proposed net metering bill – including workshops at each state
2. Situation analysis of all relevant policies at the states that would be affected by the proposed net metering bill
3. Draft the proposed net metering bill noting that these are to be tailored to the requirements of each state
4. For Pohnpei state, assess the barriers to the

implementation of the current Net Metering Act and develop strategies and where practical address any policy amendments and development to the removal of these barriers 5. As required, provide advice to the respective states so as to assist the enacting of the net metering bills

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## ...Human Trafficking

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improvement in key areas. In the case of the one convicted trafficker, the courts allowed the individual to pay restitution and repatriation in lieu of a prison sentence. It claims that authorities did not follow and establish procedure to identify victims among vulnerable populations or refer them to protective services, which remained undeveloped and under-resourced.

FSM and some State law enforcement entities did attempt to prosecute several alleged human traffickers but some of those efforts were unsuccessful.

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“The government did not allocate any funding for protective services or establish shelters dedicated to trafficking victims. Authorities reported providing physical security and psychological counseling to an unspecified number of trafficking victims during the reporting period,” the report said. “Although there were no reports of victims punished for crimes committed as a direct result of

having been subjected to trafficking, some potential victims may have been detained due to a lack of formal victim identification procedures.”

“In January 2017, the government opened an office dedicated to anti-trafficking efforts under the direction of a newly appointed coordinator and staffed by two investigators; the office opened too late in the reporting period to generate any notable progress,” it said.

“Local authorities claim many sex trafficking cases are unreported due to social stigma and victims’ fear of possible repercussions in their home communities. Foreign migrants from Southeast Asian countries report working in conditions indicative of human trafficking on Asian fishing vessels in FSM or its territorial waters.”

From the State Department’s narrative on the report, it appears that there were a number of activities that were begun too late during the reporting period for the report to have yet had any real impact on the anti-human trafficking efforts. At the end of the reporting period there were two criminal cases that were awaiting trial dates. Two of the States were still in process of establishing anti-human trafficking task forces.

There is still a lot of work to be done to identify and implement mechanisms to truly safeguard victims of the crime. That work is ongoing.



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# Border Control and Resources Management Officers Held Invasive Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle Pest Training in Pohnpei

## FSM Quarantine Services

**Pohnpei, FSM**—A two-day invasive species training focusing on the major coconut insect pest, Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle (CRB) was held at the Pohnpei Port Authority Conference Room in Dekehtik from June 27-28, 2017. The training was co-hosted by the Western Pacific Tropical Research Center of the University of Guam (WPTRC-UOG) in cooperation with the FSM Quarantine Services of the Department of Resources & Development. Quarantine Specialist John Wichep, of the FSM Quarantine Services opened the training by welcoming and thanking visiting WPTRC-UOG Associate Research Biologist, Christopher Rosario and participants, notably the agencies and organizations they represented. Wichep also expressed FSM's sincere gratitude to the USDA Forest Service and Dr. Ross Miller of UOG for the "generous funding support in providing the CRB traps and extending the training to the FSM through Mr. Christopher Rosario." Wichep further commented on the importance of the training and the need for protecting the islands [FSM] from the destructive CRB and other pests and diseases of concern, citing damages it has caused on affected Pacific island countries. He encouraged participants to be as "informal and interactive as much as possible" and to take "this great opportunity to learn more about this serious coconut palm pest and ways in controlling and managing it."

Over 20 representatives from local border control agencies and key stakeholders of the environment and resources management organizations, including airline and shipping companies attended the two-day CRB training. WPTRC-UOG Research Associate Biologist Rosario lectured on topics covering CRB biology, likely pathways for its spread, detection and eradication measures. Dead adult CRB specimens were shown to participants so they know exactly what the pest looks like. Images of CRB adults, eggs,

grubs [larva], and infested and dying coconut palms were also displayed. A 'demo' session was held giving participants the know-how and experience in assembling and installing CRB DeFence Trap units brought in by Mr. Rosario.

"I am happy to be in Pohnpei again, this time, to share the knowledge and research that we [WPTRC-UOG] are doing in Guam to control the Coconut Rhinoceros Beetle. Its [CRB's] successful behavior has had resulted in what is now known as the Guam biotype [G-biotype], of which has mutated, become genetically different and resistant to the 'nudivirus biocontrol,' initially used to control and suppress it on Guam. The CRB has had decimated coconut palms on Guam and continues to spread throughout the island. This is a regional issue as the G-biotype has been detected in Papua New Guinea, Hawaii and Solomon Islands." Rosario added that the University of Guam is "currently looking into a biocontrol that would hopefully, be effective in controlling the rhino beetle. By then, such information will be shared with jurisdictions throughout the region. In the meantime, it is important we [border control agencies] are extra careful and be vigilant in our inspections of 'high risk' cargo arriving from 'high risk' areas."

The CRB, known scientifically as *Oryctes rhinoceros*, is a serious coconut palm pest. The adult rhino beetle is nocturnal [active after sunset] and is the only one that causes the damage. It bores into trees with its horn and spiked legs to feed on the sweet sap in the heart of the palm, weakening and killing it over time. Bore holes about one to two inches in size are symptomatic on petioles of infested coconut trees. An inverted 'V'-shaped leaf can be also noticed on affected palms. "The V-shaped palm leaf can be misrepresented as CRB damage, as cutting off of coconut palm leaves or leaves in contact with adjacent utility lines can also result in new-growths being V-shaped," explained Rosario. "What is important though is to also investigate for bore holes at the base of the leaf structures of suspected coconut palms," added Rosario.

The beetle has four life stages: egg-8-12 days; larvae-1st instar-10-21 days; 2nd instar-12-21 days; 3rd instar-60-165 days, pupa-17-30 days and adult-5-10 months. The female rhino beetle lays about 100 eggs [in her lifetime] in decaying organic matter. Once hatched, the grubs feed in organic matter, helping to break it down into compost. It takes about 60 days for the grubs to pupate transforming into adult beetles; once the adults emerge they fly off to find food, continuing their cycle of destruction. The beetle is known to have covered up to two miles in flight (University of Guam Brochure, n.d.). According to Rosario, they could also hitchhike on airplanes especially in the wheel wells. This destructive coconut palm pest is known to have nested in pandanus as well.

Given its native range of southeast Asia [primarily Indonesia and the Philippines], it has moved to other islands in the Pacific during the past century due to the increase in air and sea trade. It was first detected in Tumon, Guam in 2007 and was reported in Oahu, Hawaii in 2013. The rhino beetle is reported to be present in Fiji, Palau, and Samoa, infesting and killing coconut palms. How it had gotten to the other islands is still unknown, but most likely through shipping container holding construction materials (University of Guam Brochure, n.d.).



Adult and grub stages of the CRB  
Photo courtesy: John P. Wichep, FSM Quarantine Services

As part of the training, several CRB traps were installed at strategic locations at the Dekehtik Sea and Airport. "FSM is still CRB-free, knock on wood. We are very mindful of this serious pest and others; hence, we are holding this training to better equip ourselves and establishing this early detection system [DeFence Traps] generously supplied by USDA Forest Service through the University of Guam at no cost. It is envisaged that similar trainings are also held in the other FSM States in due time," commented Wichep. During the training, The Invasive Species Task of Pohnpei (iSTOP) presented its draft CRB Emergency Response Plan (ERP), highlighting the importance of a well-coordinated effort by partner agencies and stakeholders in case of an incursion. "Yap State also has a Draft CRB ERP in place and we are committed in having ERPs for all FSM States," added Wichep. While closing the training, Wichep remarked "this immense responsibility of protecting our islands and their resources is everyone's responsibility and I hope this is not the end, but the beginning of our efforts in revitalizing our island way and spirit of working together."

The general public is encouraged to report any suspected sighting of CRB or any invasive species to the following personnel of the following Offices and Agencies. FSM Quarantine Services, Mr. Petring Albert; Mr. John P. Wichep, Tel nos.: 320-4969/5133; Mr. Adelino Lorens; Mr. Delson Luke, Pohnpei Division of Agriculture, Tel no.320-2400 or Mr. Bejay Obispo; Ms. Francisca S. Sohl of Conservation Society of Pohnpei; Tel no.: 320-5409. The FSM Department of Resources & Development and the University of Guam would like to thank the following organizations and agencies who had assisted one way or another in the fruition and success of the CRB Training:

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Mr. Rosario and CRB trainees installing CRB DeFence Traps (Tekken nets, UV-lights and pheromones) at the Pohnpei International Airport  
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# Seabees build relationships in Micronesia with a school renovation

By Builder 3rd Class Alexa Trafton

June 29, 2017

**NAVAL STATION ROTA, Spain** - Deployed Seabees renovate an eight room school that has been in a dilapidated condition and condemned on the island of Kosrae, Federated States of Micronesia, June 29, 2017.

In February, Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 began renovation of the facility that was condemned in 2016 because of a collapsing roof. Upon completion, the renovation will allow 210 students to return to a more conducive learning environment while reducing overcrowding in another school on the island.

“Building the school is very important to this community,” said Builder 2nd Class Lecreia Hudson, from Gary, Indiana. “The kids are right next door in an overcrowded school, and this school will create a larger, safer and cleaner environment that lets the students focus on learning.”

Hudson is the crew leader of four Sailors and two local construction apprentices during the project. The renovation consists of framing walls, placing a new sidewalk, constructing two rain water catchment systems, extending a concrete pad, and installing new windows, doors, electrical, flooring, roof and gutters.

“The Sailors of NMCB 1 could not be more proud of working to help the people of Kosrae and their children by building a school in one of the most remote locations in the world,” said Officer in Charge Lt. Michael Yeary, from Cumming, Georgia. “The locals just don’t have a lot, and being able to share the goodwill of the U.S. helps not only our national partnership but truly impacts these children’s lives and futures. I could not be more proud of what the crew has done.”



*KOSRAE, Federated States of Micronesia (March 29, 2017) Construction Electrician 3rd Class Edwardo Blanco, from Atlanta, Georgia, marks where trusses of the elementary school need to be cut to renovate the ceiling on the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 elementary school project in Malem on Kosrae, Federated States of Micronesia, March 29, 2017. NMCB 1 is forward deployed to execute construction, humanitarian and foreign assistance, special operations combat service support, and theater security cooperation in support of U.S. Pacific Command. (U.S. Navy photo by Utilitiesman Constructionman Matthew Konopka)*



*KOSRAE, Federated States of Micronesia (May 9, 2017) Construction Electrician 3rd Class Eduardo Blanco, from Atlanta, Georgia, nails in formwork for the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 Elementary School in Malem on the island of Kosrae, Federated States of Micronesia, May 11, 2017. NMCB 1 is forward deployed to execute construction, humanitarian and foreign assistance, special operations combat service support, and theater security cooperation in support of U.S. Pacific Command. (U.S. Navy Photo by Utilitiesman Constructionman Matthew Konopka)*



*KOSRAE, Federated States of Micronesia (May 25, 2017) Builder 2nd Class Desirae Cleary, from Modesto, California, and local construction apprentice measure cement boards for the Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 1 elementary school project in Malem on Kosrae, Federated States of Micronesia, May 26, 2017. NMCB 1 is forward deployed to execute construction, humanitarian and foreign assistance, special operations combat service support, and theater security cooperation in support of U.S. Pacific Command. (U.S. Navy photo by Utilitiesman Constructionman Matthew Konopka)*

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a hearing regarding the above-identified matter will be held in the Family Court of the Third Circuit, South Kohala District Court, 67-5187 Kamamalu Street, Kamuela, Hawaii 96743 on MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. before the Honorable Presiding Judge of the above-entitled Court.

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Civil, Third Circuit Court, State of Hawaii

## Chuukese student wins scholarship to study in the Canadian Arctic

Chloe-Rose Ann Arnold of Chuuk has won a full Scholarship to represent the Island of Chuuk FSM for the STUDENT ON ICE Expedition in the Arctic in Canada. She will be traveling with Students from all over the World, studying and learning about Climate Change. Arnold is currently a student at Xavier High School.



*Photo courtesy: Daisy Arnold (Mother)*

# ...Soccer

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“One thing I’m really keen to happen and I keep going on about is ‘Do not leave it too long before you do this again,’” he exclaimed. “We have a format. We have kids. If we leave it, even if we leave it a couple of months, the kids will disappear. We have an audience now. I’m saying that we should take two weeks off at the most.”

“Whether we have the time to do that or the volunteers to do that, that’s another thing,” he lamented. “There are a lot of committed people and we want to work out how to coordinate them so they don’t go off in separate directions.”

Paul Watson, who at 25 years of age was touted as the youngest national football coach when he came to Pohnpei in 2009 to try to develop the sport for a salary of zero dollars and zero cents has not lost his interest in Pohnpei football. He recruited Smith to spend his own money and time to come to Pohnpei for no salary to also try to further develop the game.

Before Watson came in 2009, the Pohnpei team had already been labeled as the world’s worst, having never won a match. That moniker stuck even harder when at the Pacific Games in 2015, the FSM team gave up 114 goals in three games against Tahiti, Fiji, and Vanuatu. The FSM team didn’t score a single goal during those three matches.

Smith wasn’t necessarily in Pohnpei to build a championship team, he was here to promote the sport for the future. “I mean, it’s anyway you can do it,” he said. “Whether it’s to find the best guys in the State to compete in the Micro Games next year, or whether it’s getting more people participating in the sport,” he said.

He said that for youth development he tried to follow the FIFA guidelines which start with five a side teams for the younger players and moves to seven, nine and finally eleven a side on a full 100 yards by 65 yards soccer pitch as the athletes get older.

Though he arrived four weeks before the end of the school term he was still ultimately able to visit 14 schools all around the island. He said that the schools all had been given soccer balls by the Governor donated by the Guam FIFA chapter but principals were telling him that they wanted the kids to learn soccer but they didn’t know anything about it.

“So I visited the schools and we just had a ‘kick-about’. It wasn’t about coaching or



teaching them skills. It was just, ‘this is soccer’ and here are some games you can play right here on the playground,” he said. “It was basically what we call ‘street games’.”

He also showed them how they could set up simple games using just about anything they have around for goal post markers in just about any size of space. It wasn’t full pitch, 11 on a side, organized, complex soccer but it helped to introduce the students to the sport, and it was fun.

The average number of children at the elementary schools was 40 but with a pretty high standard deviation. One school had 90 children and there were just a few soccer balls. Smith estimates that with his school visits alone he introduced the sport of soccer to between one and one and a half percent of the population of the island.

“I believe more now than I did before I came, that Pohnpei needs in school competitions,” he said. “A lot of the kids told me that the reason they drop out of soccer is because they can compete in other sports like basketball or volleyball, but there’s really no soccer competition to speak of yet.”

He said that so many kids were interested in playing that he really wanted to organize an end of the school year tournament but unfortunately ended up facing problems with his visa. He was told that visa extensions are usually for extenuating circumstance but that it appeared that he had always planned on getting the maximum number of extensions since his onward plane ticket was for 90 days after his arrival. They also told him that it appeared that he had been working which was not allowed under the type of visa under which he entered. He was close to being told to leave the country when Governor Peterson wrote a letter of support that seemed to end it. He said that he had fewer problems when he extended on the following month but it still wasn’t trouble free.



By the time he was able to get that problem sorted out there were only three or four days left in the school term. He was determined still to organize a scaled down tournament. He set up four soccer pitches at the PICS

field and invited those schools who could come to participate. Because of the late notice and distance, it ended up being

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## Value chain workshop to propel growing coconut industry in the Pacific

*The Pacific Community (SPC)*

10 July 2017

**Nadi, Fiji** - A workshop aimed at improving the coconut industry in the Pacific will be held in Nadi this week involving over 50 stakeholders from around the region and experts from South East Asia and the Caribbean.

Local farmers, regional traders, farmer cooperatives, non-governmental organisations, industry consultants, and representatives from key trading partners and actors from all levels of the industry will come together for the three-day workshop from 11-13 July.

The "Coconut Industry Development for the Pacific Value Chain Stakeholders Workshop" is organised by the Coconut Industry Development for the Pacific project (CIDP), a EUR 4 million (FJD 9.33 million) joint initiative with the Pacific Community (SPC), the European Union (EU) and the African Caribbean & Pacific Group of States (ACP).

Participants will have the opportunity to take a 360-degree view of the trends, opportunities, constraints and challenges that the industry and stakeholders face. The information exchange, varying perspectives, in-depth discussions and creative solution finding in the workshop will form the basis for developing an operational plan with key activities and priorities to be implemented by the CIDP project.

"Without a doubt, coconuts are highly significant for daily subsistence and economic and cultural value in the Pacific. The 'tree of life' is abundant in our islands and provides not only a direct source of cash income for those in the rural areas, but also a myriad of products that are useful. In food

security, land stability, construction and building, beauty and skincare, cultural production, transportation, and even in mixed production systems where copra meal can be used as a source of protein for cattle and livestock, coconuts feature prominently in almost all aspects of day-to-day Pacific life," the Director of the Land Resources Division of the Pacific Community, Jan Helsen said.

The workshop will include a "Coconut Market Place" where participants will show examples of their products and innovations and share ideas about new product development and market opportunities.

"Identified as one of the most important agricultural crops in the Pacific Islands, a multitude of opportunities are rapidly emerging in the sector that will bring positive effects in local economies and livelihoods around the region. Despite all this, the coconut sector in all Pacific Island countries is behind in reaching its full potential," said Karen Mapusua, Team leader for the CIDP.

CIDP was established to address these issues and developments, and is determined to bolster the coconut sector through improving the competitiveness of small producers, strengthening regional integration of related markets and intensifying production. By bringing together diverse industry stakeholders for this workshop, CIDP will be able to identify priority areas for training, needs for potential study tours and develop robust value chain road maps.

Ms Mapusua further added that the workshop is an excellent platform to provide private sector members exposure to examples of innovation in the coconut sector from their Pacific neighbours and the international arena.

### About Coconut Industry Development for the Pacific (CIDP):

Coconut Industry Development for the Pacific (CIDP) is a joint initiative of the Pacific Community (SPC) and the European Union (EU) as part of a broader economic partnership between the EU and the African Caribbean Pacific (ACP) states. The aim of CIDP is to bolster the coconut sector in the region through improving the competitiveness of small producers engaged in the coconut value chains, strengthening regional integration of related markets and the intensification of production across the Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu. The programme runs from 2016-2018 and is valued at EUR 4 million.

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mostly those schools that are in Kolonia or close by. Despite the short notice, over 50 children turned up for the hastily arranged tournament. They formed 8 teams of 4 plus alternates for each team.

“I was amazed that you could pull that together in just three or four days so that kids could play,” he exclaimed.

He told the kids that if they turned up at the same place and the same time every week he would help them to learn some soccer skills. And they did turn up after school. It was completely ad hoc but for the next three weeks an average of 25 kids showed up even when it was pouring down rain.

Before they were done, they combined together with the children participating in the Spanish Wall Summer Camp soccer program run on a volunteer basis by Bob Paul, one of the original Pohnpei State players. Apparently Paul has been running the summer camp for several years now.

The two groups came together and they put together four seven a side teams and ran another tournament on a two thirds sized field. The finals for that tournament were on the day before Smith left Pohnpei.

“One of my favorite things I’ve done here is to introduce different game formats, like Futsal,” he said. Futsal is a high intensity form of soccer played indoors in a much smaller space. Because it was the rainy season when he arrived, he needed a way to continue his work. The College of Micronesia FSM Pohnpei Campus allowed use of their gym in Daini.

Alternate forms of the game, like Futsal, addressed several issues that affect development of soccer in Pohnpei. Some of those factors are the number of available players, the weather, pitch quality, the technical ability and the speed

of the game. “Futsal was like this solution to all of them. It was a consistent pitch. You have to be more active on defense and tackles. You can’t just stand and wait for the ball. We actually got more people for that than we did at PICS field,” he said.

Facilities are hard to come by for a sport like Futsal but Smith said that Jose Joab, the President of the Sports Council has been very supportive. “I was told that PICS gym has a full schedule of basketball and volleyball but Jose said, ‘well, if basketball has two days and volleyball has two days, surely we could give at least one day to soccer.’ So he’s supporting us getting use of that gym,” Smith said.

“I support the development of a Futsal league. It’s easier to get teams, more teams; shorter, quicker games but, I’ve run out of time, basically.”

Smith said that there is so much to do and to see in Pohnpei, “Nan Madol was mind blowing!” But he was heavily invested in what he was here to do and didn’t get to see all of the things that he wanted to see. He is okay with that. “If I had seen everything I wanted to see and if everything had been done I wouldn’t need to come back. But I hope, provisionally to come back next year to see how everything is going and when the Pohnpei team is ramping up for the Micro Games.”

Though he did work with the athletes that may become part of the team to represent Pohnpei at the Micro Games, it was not his highest priority. The team members have not yet been finally selected. He said that there are a lot of varying motivations for the adult players. Some just come out for a “bit of kick about...it’s hard to be motivated to seriously train when the games are over a year away and there aren’t any real matches between now and then.”

Still he hopes that training of the team will begin in earnest soon.



### WHO WE ARE

Micronesia Red Cross Society (MRCS) is a non-profit, humanitarian organization, founded in 1998 and formally recognized by a Resolution adopted by FSM Congress in 2000.

In 2003, MRCS was recognized by the International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC) and became the 181st member of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC).

MRCS’s headquarters is in Pohnpei and it has Chapter offices in the States of Chuuk, Kosrae and Yap. A National Governing Board elected by the membership oversees the work of the National Society; Chapter Governing Boards support and assist with the work of MRCS in each Chapter. MRCS has a membership and groups of trained volunteers supporting its work in each state.

### OUR VISION

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There are two kinds of forms provided for the service. One is a form given to a doctor who will confirm the illness or death of the family member. Two, is a form about the service member’s information; his rank, where he’s stationed, etc.

When an emergency alert is given to the service member, the request form from the MRCS will have to go through the American Red Cross, then the American Red Cross will send the request to the Commander of the service member. The request helps the service member to get an early emergency leave. This is how a service member get an emergency take off to the families back home.

If a service member needs to extend their trip for an extra week, he/she will need to go through MRCS, so that the MRCS can relate the message to American Red Cross letting them know about the extension. The service member will need to let the MRCS know that he has arrived, so that the MRCS can close the case. MRCS has been serving Micronesia for many years now, and this Armed Services is a service that has been a great help for the service members and their family.



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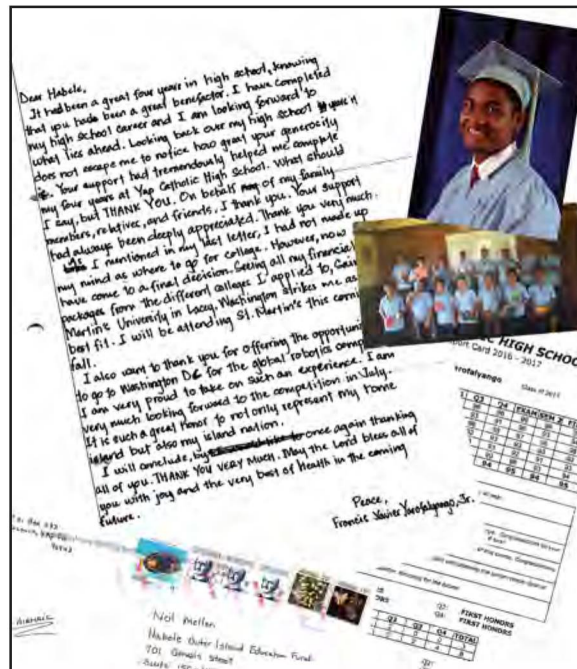
### HABELE

**Colonia, Yap**-A dozen Micronesian students are headed to prestigious private schools this fall, thanks to Habele K-12 tuition scholarships. These students will attend the independent school of their family's choosing.

Described as "an investment in human capital," these grants are funded by donations from former Peace Corps Volunteers, tourists, and other Americans with a personal connection to Micronesia.

Local ownership and sustainability are emphasized throughout the scholarship process by incorporating competition, incentives, and publicity. Habele is an all-volunteer charity based in South Carolina, and relies on private contributions to fund its scholarship programs. Since 2006, Habele has provided nearly \$75,000 in targeted tuition assistance for Micronesian students.

Many of the scholars' families come from isolated islands and atolls spanning Yap and Chuuk States. They have been awarded tuition assistance covering 50 to 100 percent of their 2017-18 tuition and fees. These students will attend independent K12 schools on the State Capital islands of Yap, Chuuk and Pohnpei that have among the highest completion rates, test scores, and post-secondary placements in the nation. Most students will be housed throughout the school year with relatives or host families.



**Former Habele Scholar Francis "Cisco" Yarofalyango of Lamotrek Atoll graduated Yap Catholic High School this summer. He will be attending Saint Martin's University in Washington State this fall."**

The beautiful –and strategically located- islands of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) struggle with isolation and limited natural resources.

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Habele's funding is always focused on individual students, not districts or schools. Each year, applications out-pace scholarship awards by nearly ten-to-one.

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Established by former Peace Corps volunteers, Habele's singular mission is the advancement educational access and accomplishment in Micronesian communities. "For a decade now, ambitious Habele scholars have been making their families, teachers, and communities proud through incredible academic achievement," noted a Habele Director. "Extending ambitious students the opportunity to succeed is the simple part."

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Applications may also be sent by email – all documents should be combined in one single pdf file and sent to mark.waite@cpuc.fm with read request and Subject Line: CPUC CEO Position - [applicant name]

Applications close at 12 noon on Friday 28th July 2017.

#### Eligibility/Other Requirements:

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# U.S. Embassy Celebrates 241st U.S. Independence Day

## U.S. Embassy, Kolonia

The U.S. Embassy in the FSM marked the 241st anniversary of United States Independence with a Fourth of July Celebration on the Embassy grounds. U.S. citizens, veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families, dignitaries from the FSM and Pohnpei governments, members of the Diplomatic Corps, Non-Governmental Organizations, and other agencies attended the event.

Festivities between 4:00 and 7:00PM included face painting, a photo booth, a chalk art contest, and balloon twisting by Ms. Janice Warren. Participants in the chalk art competition, from 7 to 25 years of age, decorated the Embassy walls with scenes on the theme of Ehupene (Pohnpeian for togetherness or unity). Through their creative efforts, they showcased the close and unique relationship between the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia. Prizes for the contest were donated by Ace Office Supply, Bank of Guam and United Airlines.

FSM Ambassador to the United States of America His Excellency Akillino H. Susaia spoke on behalf of the FSM National Government and reiterated FSM's long history with the United States. In his remarks he stated "It would be an exaggeration to say that the values represented by the birth of America have been fully accepted and embraced in every corner of the globe. But the FSM is proud, whether at the bilateral level or at the multilateral level, in collaborating its efforts to safeguard and uphold the institutions of democracy. The citizens of the FSM take great pride in standing shoulder to shoulder with their American comrades in all regions of the world to protect and defend freedom and liberty to the maximum end of their ability. Not

only do the FSM and the US have shared interests, they also have common obligations or responsibilities for humanity. It is proper that we remind ourselves of our common responsibilities on the occasion of the anniversary of America's birth."

The Honorable Marcello K. Peterson spoke on behalf of the Pohnpei State government and stated "We Micronesians are the guardians of our own islands but we affirm our common purpose and commitment to the enduring partnership with the United States of America for peace and progress. Both nations face future challenges, however, with vision and cooperation there are many opportunities for success."

Ambassador Riley spoke of the unique relationship and unity between the United States and FSM, stating "One clear symbol of our unity, and of the FSM's bright future, is Ryback Malakai, a young man who just graduated from Xavier High School students and is now attending the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. He joins Youky Susaia Jr., also at the Coast Guard Academy, and Hitoshi Phillip Oue, attending the U.S. Naval Academy. They will return to the FSM following graduation to use their education to further the future development of the FSM. They, like many other FSM citizens who join the U.S. military, demonstrate the close and mutually beneficial relationship between our nations. They, like the many other FSM citizens who are educated in the U.S. and return to a life of service in the FSM to serve their country, will help to ensure a bright future for the FSM."

MC and Deputy Chief of Mission Joanne Cummings mentioned American efforts to achieve liberty, explaining that men and women share equally in the gifts and obligations of democracy.

The U.S. Embassy in Kolonia would like to recognize the following sponsors and volunteers that made this year's event a success!

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## PNG fishing observer's disappearance raises serious safety concerns for officers at sea

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**Queensland**—Ministers and officials meeting in Queensland to discuss the future of the South Pacific albacore have been blown of course by the news that yet another Pacific fisheries observer has gone missing at sea.

James Numbaru from Papua New Guinea disappeared from a Chinese-flagged, PNG chartered, purse seiner in waters off Nauru, when conditions are said to have been relatively calm.

He's the sixth observer to go missing at sea in recent times, and the fourth from PNG.

Eugene Pangelinan, head of Fisheries in the Federated States of Micronesia, says Mr Numbaru's case is yet another example of safety challenges faced by observers once they leave port.

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**CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

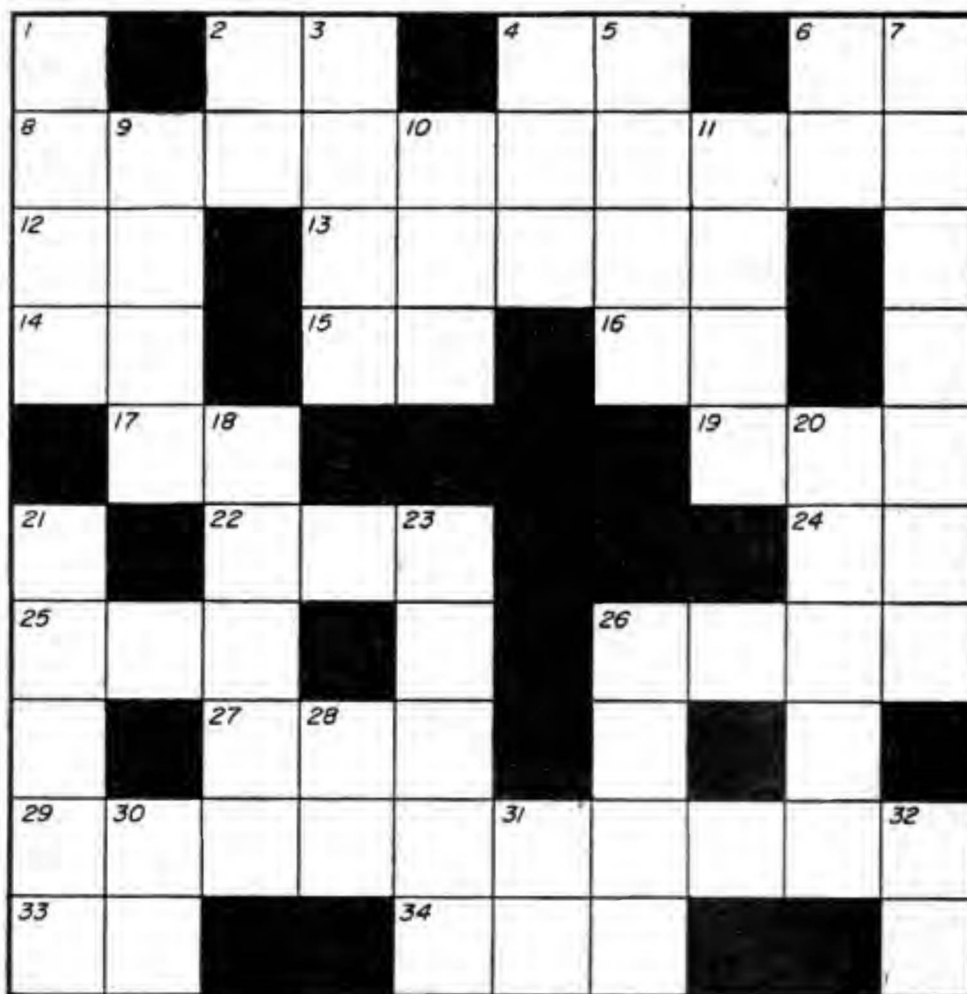
By Arthur L. Branch

**ACROSS**

- 2 Type of voice broadcasting; Abbr.
- 4 Exclamation.
- 6 Rectified current.
- 8 Special type of a.c. generator.
- 12 Chemical symbol for lithium.
- 13 Electromagnetic wave used for communication.
- 14 In: Span.
- 15 Egypt: Abbr.
- 16 Registered nurse: Abbr.
- 17 Suffix denoting one who does.
- 19 Devour.
- 22 Sound detecting device.
- 24 Southern state: Abbr.
- 25 Liquid insulator.
- 26 Part of a transformer.
- 27 Assistance.
- 29 Tubes that operate at firing voltages.
- 33 Compass point: Abbr.
- 34 Five-and-a-half yards.

**DOWN**

- 1 Emitter of magnetic lines of force.
- 2 Input current to rectifier.
- 3 Deep mud.
- 4 Ancient.
- 5 Parts of the head.
- 6 To commit.
- 7 Piezoelectric material.
- 9 Wave propagated by one cycle of a.c. voltage.
- 10 Relation of current to voltage in an inductive circuit.
- 11 Quality of sound.
- 18 Electromagnetic switch.
- 20 To adjust circuit for specific frequency.



- 21 Units of electromotive force.
- 23 Microwaves.
- 26 Line from power source.
- 28 Formula for voltage drop.
- 30 That man.
- 31 Toward.
- 32 Type of broadcasting; Abbr. (for solution)

**Moana Word Search**

Find the words from the right column in the grid. Words may be forward, backward, up, down or diagonal. Good luck!



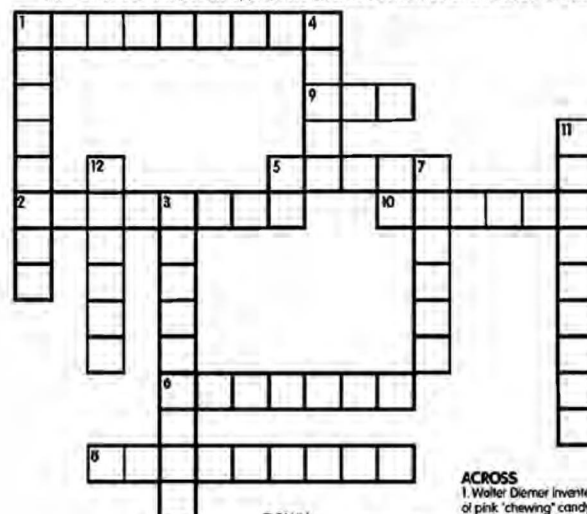
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**ANY IDEAS?**

Read each clue and put the appropriate invention inside the numbered row or column.



- ACROSS**  
 1. Walter Diemer invented this type of pink "chewing" candy.  
 2. Orville and Wilbur Wright invented this flying device.  
 5. Levi Strauss invented these rugged trousers.  
 6. This type of bandage was invented by an accident-prone Johnson & Johnson employee.  
 8. Alexander Graham Bell invented this communication device.  
 9. Ben Franklin invented a "lightning \_\_\_\_\_" used to protect buildings and boats from lightning.  
 10. C.W. Post invented this breakfast food usually eaten with milk.

- DOWN**  
 1. Invented by Ben Franklin after he became tired of wearing two pairs of glasses.  
 3. Invented by Thomas Edison to generate light.  
 4. This special code was named after its inventor.  
 7. Isaac Merrit Singer invented this machine.  
 11. Hans Lippershey invented this when he looked through two lenses and saw his view was magnified.  
 12. Edward Binney and Harold Smith introduced this coloring tool.

**no peeking!**

- ANSWERS:**  
 across  
 1. bubble gum  
 2. airplane  
 3. light bulb  
 4. Morse code  
 5. jeans  
 6. Band Aid  
 7. sewing machine  
 8. telephone  
 9. kite  
 10. cereal  
 11. telescope  
 12. crayon



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