

# THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



**CSM Ralph Borja, right, passes the NCO sword to incoming SGM Hohn Wolf during the Change of Responsibility ceremony for sergeant major, June 2, in Island Memorial Chapel. For more, see Page 4.**

# Cigarette butts are unsightly litter and may cause harm to wildlife

By Sherry Olsen  
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Worldwide, it is estimated that several trillion cigarette butts are thrown on beaches, public side-walks, nature trails, and other public places every year. Since cigarette filters are not made of cotton but cellulose acetate (a form of plastic) which takes much longer to biodegrade, the evidence of this littering is apparent for decades. The toxic substances used in cigarette production leach out and contaminate both water and soil. This can cost millions to rectify.

Additionally, often wildlife mistakes cigarette litter to be food and ingesting the filters can cause severe illness, injury, or even death. Cigarette butts have been found in the stomachs of fish, birds, whales, and other marine animals. Entire ecosystems have been poisoned by the litter of several trillion cigarette butts. Because of the sheer numbers of cigarette butts being discarded carelessly every year, the amount of toxic materials dumped into water and soil can reach staggering amounts, and render fertile ground or water into a chemical wasteland.

However it's not all about environmental safety; it's also about fire, life, and property safety. A lit cigarette butt is a fire hazard and a danger to everyone, especially if

a fire results. Cigarette butts that aren't properly extinguished can and do start fires. According to the National Fire Protection Agency, upwards of 90,000 fires every year in the United States alone are caused by cigarettes. Cigarette-induced fires claim hundreds of lives in the U.S. each year and injure thousands more, not to mention the millions of dollars that go up in smoke in property damage.

Alarmingly, over the past several months, USAKA Fire Department has responded to and has seen an increase in cigarette butt related incidents and fires. One carelessly tossed cigarette butt or trash thrown into cigarette butt containers can and do start fires. We ask that you never throw trash into a cigarette butt container. The improper disposal of trash as well as the improper disposal of cigarettes poses a significant fire and life safety hazard. Cigarette butt containers are for extinguished cigarettes only, which smokers are encouraged to utilize. The use of a cigarette butt container is a simple solution that can make a profound difference if used correctly.

USAKA has distributed numerous cigarette butt disposal containers. Regulations affirm: Smoking shall be conducted in designated smoking areas only, no smoking is allowed within 50 feet of any building, in any government vehicle, and

smoking material shall be disposed of in authorized containers. If you are a smoker, always carefully extinguish your cigarette. Never toss a still smoldering cigarette butt.

The use of cigarette disposal butt container is a simple, effective and yet an inexpensive way to prevent fire and environmental contamination. The impact of cigarette disposal butt containers can offer:

- Safety in residential areas from accidental fires
- Safety in the workplace from accidental fires
- A cleaner and healthier environment
- Elimination of danger to wildlife from ingesting cigarette butts as food
- Reduction of chemicals leached and deposited into the environment
- Cost saving from cleaning up cigarette butts

For further information refer to the following:

- Smoking Policy Memo 600-08, Tobacco Use in Facilities on USAKA/Regan Test Site.
- SPI 1141, USAKA/Regan Test Site Fire Regulations.
- SPI 1134, Installation Fire Prevention Program.
- Housing Management USAKA/RTS Regulation Number 420-1.

Or call the Fire Prevention Office at 52137 or the Housing Office at 53450.

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# USAKA, RMI, USCG collaborate to rescue adrift vessel in Wotho Atoll

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The U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll assisted with the rescue of a Republic of the Marshall Islands vessel late on June 1, when USAKA officials received a call from the RMI Liaison, Jelton Anjain, requesting assistance. The rescue involved an Ebeye church boat that was adrift in the vicinity of Wotho Atoll, approximately 100 miles northwest of Kwajalein Atoll. The BNJ boat was a 40-foot vessel carrying five crew members and 19 passengers. The vessel's motors were inoperable, however, all electric devices, including radios and GPS, were still operational on remaining battery power.

The RMI Liaison also made an official request for assistance to the U.S. Coast Guard Joint Rescue Coordination Center in Honolulu, asking that they construct a drift model. This computer generated model takes into account weather, ocean currents and a boat's particular characteristics to determine the most likely course of drift. This model would prove crucial should communications be lost with the BNJ boat or if their GPS failed.

Ron Sylvester, whose primary



*Photos by Ron Sylvester*

**The BNJ boat, a 40-foot vessel belonging to an Ebeye church, lost motor power while in Wotho Atoll June 1. USAKA, RMI Liaison's Office, USCG and Harbor Control collaborated to rescue the BNJ boat. The USAKA vessel *Great Bridge* towed the boat to safety and transported passengers back to Kwajalein Atoll.**

job is Captain of the vessel *Great Bridge*, received the call that a rescue was needed at 9:30 p.m. Immediately, phone calls were made to several employees of the Marine Department because they were not

sure who would be available on such short notice. Typical of most employees living on Kwajalein and Ebeye, more than enough volunteers were available and not all could make the trip; volunteers not able to make the trip were Bema Bretheren, Ricky Roberts and Jennifer Senner. Bretheren, being a boat captain himself for many years, volunteered parts that the BNJ boat might need in order to get their engines running again. There were also volunteers from Kwajalein Police Department that in the end were not able to join rescue efforts.

The final crew members were Callon Bellu, Michael Custer, Patrick Gorman, Joe Howard, Eddie Jack, Kinso Jenbwij, Rentha Langbata,



**The *Great Bridge* assists the BNJ boat, whose motors were inoperable in Wotho Atoll.**

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# Change of Responsibility held June 2 to honor SGM Kutac and SGM Wolf

Article and photos by Sheila Bigelow  
Managing Editor

Distinguished guests and community members gathered in Island Memorial Chapel June 2 to take part in the Change of Responsibility ceremony for SGM Patrick Kutac and SGM Hohn Wolf.

SFC Robert Anderson welcomed distinguished guests and audience members to the ceremony in honor of the outgoing and incoming United States Army Kwajalein Atoll sergeant majors. COL Frederick Clarke acted as host for the ceremony. The presiding official for the ceremony was United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command/United States Army Forces Strategic Command, CSM Ralph Borja.

The audience rose to welcome the official party, outgoing SGM Patrick Kutac, incoming SGM Hohn Wolf and CSM Borja. Everyone remained standing as the national anthems were played for the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the United States.

Protestant Chaplain Rick Funk then recited the Invocation. "We thank you for SGM Kutac's leadership and service in the past and we look forward to SGM Wolf's leadership and service in the future," he said to the crowd.



MSG Charles George passes the NCO sword to SGM Patrick Kutac during the Change of Responsibility ceremony June 2 in Island Memorial Chapel.

SGT Joshua Gravett next presented yellow roses to Karen Kutac to say thank you from the Kwajalein community and the USAKA/RTS family. Gravett then presented Lauren Wolf, SGM Wolf's daughter, with a wut (Marshallese head dressing) to welcome her to the community.

SFC Anderson began the official

portion of the ceremony. MSG Charles George, CSM Borja, SGM Kutac and SGM Wolf rose from their seats and stood in a diamond shape with George across from Borja and Kutac across from Wolf. George held the NCO sword horizontally at chest level.

Anderson stated, "The change of responsibility ceremony is steeped in military traditions and serves the dual function of rendering honors to the departing sergeant major and providing official recognition of the transfer of authority as senior noncommissioned officer of the United States Army Kwajalein Atoll to the incoming sergeant major. The symbol of this position is the NCO sword. The sword bearer for today's ceremony is MSG George, senior enlisted advisor for Reagan Test Site."

As Anderson spoke, MSG George passed the sword to SGM Kutac.

Anderson continued, "The sergeant major role in the Army is one that is time honored and rich in custom and tradition. If NCO's are the backbone of the Army then the sergeant major is the heart and



SGT Joshua Gravett presents yellow roses to Karen Kutac to say thank you from the Kwajalein community and the USAKA/RTS family June 2.



Left to right, SGM Hohn Wolf, CSM Ralph Borja and SGM Patrick Kutac stand at attention during the playing of the national anthems during the Change of Responsibility ceremony June 2.

soul. The duties of sergeant majors bear no comparison and represent a special kind of trust in the life of non-commissioned officers. That special trust is placed in their hands by the Commander and by each member of the chain of command to develop, mentor, counsel and care for the unit's Soldiers as well as their Families, and to enforce discipline and oversee the training and welfare of the Soldiers. The assumption of responsibility ceremony for the USAKA/RTS sergeant major, SGM Wolf, signifies the Commander's charge of authority and responsibility in the execution of his duties as the sergeant major of the organization."

As Anderson spoke, SGM Kutac passed the sword to CSM Borja, who then passed it to SGM Wolf, and was finally passed back to MSG George.

The official party then took their seats and Anderson introduced COL Clarke, who came up to the podium to make his remarks.

COL Clarke addressed the audience. "What a great day it is for the Kutac and the Wolf family. SGM Kutac has been extremely successful and has set a standard as the first sergeant major to serve under USAKA/RTS. [It is] not a normal tour duty by any stretch of the imagination. As the senior non-commissioned officer and the adviser to the Commander, SGM Kutac played a major role in shap-

ing policies, standards and quality of life in this community. It is difficult to measure the commitment, time and effort put forth by him for the betterment of the community." Clarke stated that Kutac not only helped to better the lives of the community but also helped to improve the security and safety of the installation, making Kwajalein not only a great place to live, but to work as well. "The sergeant major exemplified the traits of an NCO. His focus was always on accomplishing the mission and taking care of the community. SGM Kutac earned our respect and confidence through his actions and not just his words. His integrity was uncompromising and his advice always given with critical thought to the implication of his words." Clarke then addressed Karen Kutac. "There are no words to express our appreciation for the contributions you have made to this community. Your role within the school system, your contributions to the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club and your support to whatever the Command required, you were always there. Thank you so very much." Clarke told the Kutacs that he had no doubts that their experiences on Kwajalein will serve them well on their following assignments. Clarke then welcomed SGM Wolf and his daughter Lauren. He told Wolf the Command is looking forward to working with him and getting to know his family when his



SGT Joshua Gravett presents a wut (Marshallese head dressing) to Lauren Wolf to welcome her to the community.

wife and son join him the following week.

CSM Borja then addressed the audience. He reminded guests that SGM Kutac was the first sergeant major for Kwajalein Atoll. He said that a Commander should have a senior NCO to look out for what is right for the community, for families and for the Army. He said that while stationed here, Kutac had made many accomplishments, many of which were mentioned by COL Clarke. Borja said that anytime he called upon Kutac, he was always there to support what SMDC needed. Borja mentioned Karen Kutac's invaluable work within the community, including the YYWC, the Micronesian Shop and the school system, and thanked her for her dedication to the installation. He wished Kutac safe travels and success on his next assignment. Borja then welcomed SGM Wolf and his family to Kwajalein. He told the audience that he had no doubt that the best and most qualified sergeant major was picked to come serve at Kwajalein Atoll. He wished SGM Wolf and his daughter Lauren his best and wished them great

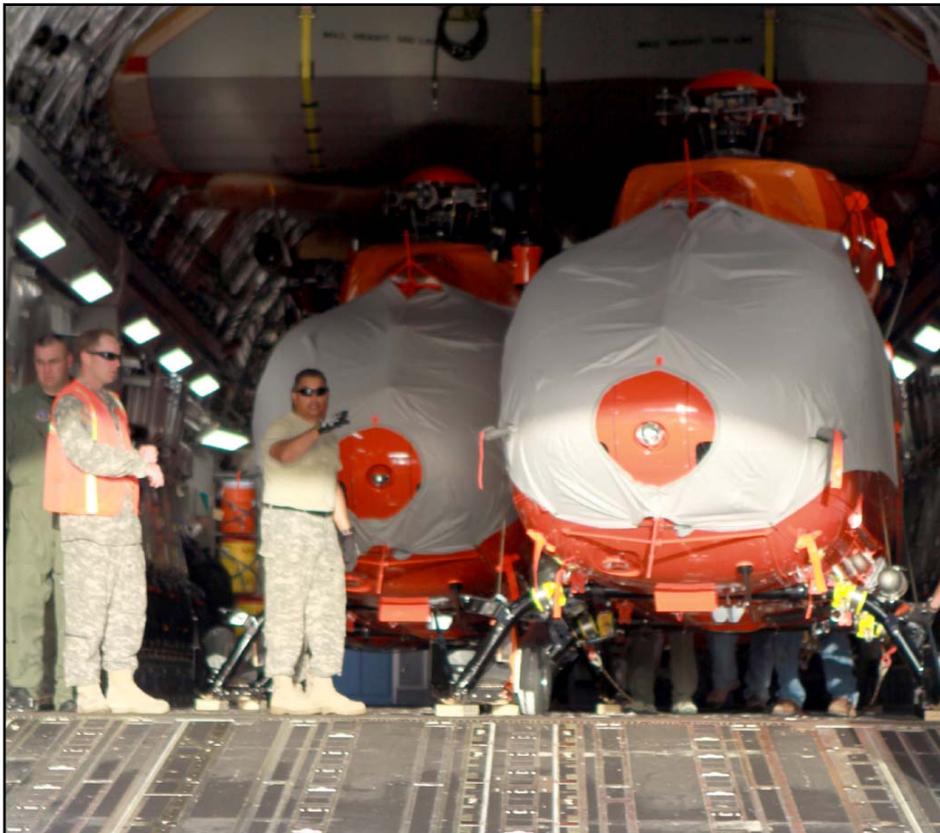
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Photos by COL Frederick Clarke

The first new UH-72A helicopter is moved out of the C-17 June 6. Four new helicopters were purchased for USAKA.

# New UH-72A helicopters are safer, fly longer and are also attention-grabbing



Even LUHs (light utility helicopters) are actually quite heavy, as these men found out when they worked together to push Kwajalein's new helicopters out of the C-17 last week.

Article by Hannah Fronzak  
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As most of the people on-island who have ridden in our UH-1 helicopters will tell you, they are noticeably aged, used since the Vietnam War era. The doors need a little help being shut and without earplugs the noise can be practically deafening.

To that end, USAKA has recently been fielded four brand new bright orange UH-72A Lakota helicopters which are not only sleeker and more attractive, but function at a much higher level and are safer as well.

Though the technical nomenclature for the helicopters is UH-72A, they are more commonly called LUH, which stands for 'Light Utility Helicopter.'

The *Hourglass* spoke with CPT Kevin Coyne on June 6 at the unveiling of the helicopters to learn more about their amenities and what residents should expect to see.

"It is the Porsche of helicopters, designed and built in the 21st century," CPT Coyne said. "They're not built to the same military speci-



*Photos by Sheila Bigelow*

Once each new LUH had been safely extricated from the plane, it was towed and directed toward the airport, where it would be checked over.

cations as a Black Hawk, a Huey, or an Apache, so it's more of a designer aircraft that has maintained its Federal Aviation Administration Certification."

CPT Coyne pointed out several benefits of the new aircraft. "The doors are shut smoothly, not like the UH-1 where you have to slam it shut. Nothing is slammed on this aircraft."

The control panel is almost totally digital, which is a big advantage over the outdated analog systems on the UH-1.

"It's a full autopilot aircraft, as opposed to the older UH-1 which is more direct inputs by the pilot. This is a fully automatic system so it can almost fly itself. You put in the headings and it'll go where it needs to go," CPT Coyne explained.

There are multiple other features which also make these LUHs safer. Each helicopter features twin engines, making travel over water much less risky; if one engine fails, there is another that will pick up the slack. Flotation devices including an external life raft are attached to the skids. Passengers are no longer required to pull out the life raft in case of an emergency. The external raft will deploy automatically. The helicopters can hold roughly 1,150 pounds each, so they'll seat four to six people, depending on weight of the passengers and cargo.

"We're not restricted as we were before in the UH-1's in terms of total flight hours. We can fly 1,850 hours a year on the aircraft so we're able to significantly increase our flight hours which is a good thing,"



Each of the new "LUHs" had to be pushed out of the plane and down the ramp. These four new helicopters will be taking over for the UH-1s previously used by USAKA.



Before all the helicopters could be safely removed from the plane, a team of men worked together to clear the rest of the cargo from the hold.

CPT Coyne pointed out. "But it reduces our capacity to carry larger cargo items and [more] people. That was just one of the trade-offs when the Army bought the LUH." That issue can be taken care of by taking

more frequent turns to the islands. Reef sweeps can be conducted with two helicopters instead of one. Just like the old UH-1's, the new LUHs will continue to be used mostly for outer island mission support.

# International D.A.R.E. program brought successfully to Kwajalein

Article and photos by Hannah Fronzak  
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June 2 marked a turning point in the lives of the 5th and 6th grade students at George Seitz Elementary School. Each of the 53 children successfully completed the international D.A.R.E. program taught by Kwajalein Police Department Officer Shelby Gibson.

The D.A.R.E. program started in 1983 after Los Angeles Chief of Police Daryl Gates discovered his own daughter's drug abuse. He reasoned that educating children at a young age to resist peer pressure and violent behavior would assist the children in making safe choices throughout their lifetimes. Armed with a large team of police officers who serve as the D.A.R.E. teachers, the 'Drug Abuse Resistance Education' program grew quickly. Today D.A.R.E. is a part of the curriculum for over 75 percent of the nation's school districts.

Though there has been some opposition to the program, D.A.R.E. is generally very widely encouraged and appreciated by both the officers who teach the class and the students who participate.

This year's program was no exception. Officer Shelby Gibson,

the program instructor, traveled to Hawaii last year with another KPD officer to take an intensive two-week course that qualified both of them to be D.A.R.E. teachers. Officer Gibson praised the D.A.R.E. program, saying that the lessons learned are helpful in everyday life, and the decision-making model has long-term benefits and could be universally practiced.

The ceremony itself was held in the Coconut room at the elementary school June 2. The first guest speaker was Provost Marshall MAJ Wesley Huff, who used a line

he remembered from a prayer to highlight the importance of choosing the harder right instead of the easier wrong.

"What an exciting day," Huff said. "You've accomplished so much and come so far. This is the culmination, this is the graduation, this is the top of the mountain. You can now go from this room today and say 'I've been successful.'"

Huff also mentioned the decision-making model taught in the program, and how similar it was to the military's decision-making model. "Define the problem;



Provost Marshall MAJ Wesley Huff, the guest speaker for the elementary school D.A.R.E. graduation last week, offers the 5th and 6th grade students some words of



To conclude the ceremony, each of the 53 students in 5th and 6th grade who graduated were awarded a D.A.R.E. certificate showing that they completed the course. The D.A.R.E. program is a 10-week course taught by KPD that teaches children about living well in body and spirit, saying "no" to peer pressure, harmful effects of drugs and alcohol, and to be comfortable with confiding in adults about problems they may have or see other people struggling with.

what is the problem? Assess your choices; what are your options? And then you respond; you either do it, or you don't do it. And then finally you evaluate your decision," he explained.

Huff also advised the students to talk to adults about their problems and questions. His parting words were to impress upon the children one of the core values of the program; that it was ok to say "no" to drugs.

On that note, officer Gibson took the floor again. She explained some of the methods they used to teach the kids, including games, role playing and question and answer sessions.

The final assignment of the course was for each child to write an essay talking about what they learned from D.A.R.E. The winner from the 5th grade class was Leah Lokeijak. The 6th grade winner was Jared Wase. Both children had the opportunity to read their essays aloud and received D.A.R.E. backpacks when they were done.

At the end of the ceremony, all the children stood up. Boldly and in unison they read the D.A.R.E. Pledge that summarizes what they learned in the course. "I know who I am and that I want to stay healthy and happy. I can stand up for myself and stick to my decision to live a drug-free life. I can ask for support from my family, friends and teachers, and even from the police. I pledge to say 'no' to offers to use drugs and alcohol. I can help others say 'no' to drugs and alcohol."

Before leaving for the reception, certificates of participation were passed out to each of the children. The students and adults alike exited the room laden with cake and punch for a small recess, during which the children played with balloons and experimented with two pairs of 'beer goggles'; Harry Potter-esque glasses which distort vision to simulate the effects of excessive drinking on the body.

"Each year each grade level takes on a different focus. They pinpoint key areas they know the age level struggles with," explained 5th grade teacher Tonya Thompson. "The kids really enjoyed being able to discuss and role play and be able to say 'what would I do if this happened to me?'...They clearly



The 6th grade essay contest winner Jared Wase reads his essay aloud as Officer Shelby Gibson congratulates 5th grade essay winner Leah Lokeijak.



Attending parents and police officers look on proudly as the 5th and 6th grade graduates read the official D.A.R.E. Pledge aloud.



David Sholar learns what it can feel like to abuse alcohol while trying to maneuver through an obstacle course wearing "beer goggles" that distort vision.



The Class of 2010 partake in the tradition, 'Turning of the Tassels,' at their graduation ceremony June 4 in the MP room.

# Recent Kwajalein graduates say, "The tassel was worth the hassle!"



Alexis Yurovchak receives her Kwajalein Range Services scholarship from Dave Norwood, president of KRS.

Article and photos by Sheila Bigelow  
Managing Editor

As most soon find out after moving here, Kwajalein is a unique place. We may not have a 24-hour supermarket and our Burger King may not have a drive-thru, but we have experiences here unlike anywhere else in the world, one of them being the Kwajalein High School graduation ceremony. Family and friends began lining up outside the Davye Davis Multi-purpose room an hour before the ceremony was set to begin. Seating at this event is a premium as it is a special event for not only family and friends, but for the whole community, both Kwajalein and Ebeye.

The MP room was decorated in true blue and white Spartan spirit, with balloons and palm fronds lining the walls along with collages of each graduate.

The doors opened at 6:30 p.m. sharp. Members of the junior class were present to assist with seating of parents, faculty and other distinguished guests.

At 7 p.m. the MP room went dark. All that could be heard was the whispering and 'shushing' of audience members as they grew excited for the graduates' entrance. Each graduate entered slowly, each carrying one lit candle. Soon the dark room was filled with camera flashes, as proud parents and friends snapped shots of their beloved graduates. After all 16 students entered and took the stage, senior Kitlang Kabua welcomed the audience.

"Good evening and welcome to the graduation cel-



**Joshua deBrum accepts his scholarship from Cliff Mattos and Len Isotoff, representatives from Matson Navigation Company at the graduation ceremony June 4.**

celebration for the class of 2010. On behalf of the graduating class of 2010, we would like to thank all of our families, friends and community members for attending our ceremony tonight. Our class would like to say a special thank you to all of the distinguished guests for joining us. We are glad you could come and we hope you enjoy this special evening.”

Then, in what can only be described as the extraordinary spirit of diverse friendship shared between American and Marshallese students, CC Brady then welcomed the RMI guests by translating Kabua’s welcome speech into Marshallese.

The Valedictorian address followed, by Christine Woodburn. “Over the past six years, each of us has found greatness through strength,” she began. “As we continue on to new beginnings and profound experiences, we will continue to be great.” She told the audience that as she thinks back to those years of high school, she can recall good times, bad times, stressful times, fun and exciting times, but no matter the obstacles, they still made it through.

She went on to state some of the accomplishments she and her classmates have made. “A member of our class won two medals at a swimming championship. One of us started a successful band. One of us finished a mini-triathlon. A member of our class won an award for outstanding volunteerism and one of us was the president of the United States for a day,” she said, prompting a loud laugh from the audience. She continued, “Several of us went to leadership programs throughout the United States and several of us have been on countless mission trips, delivering supplies to schools on Ebeye. A student in our class led the whole school through two Turkey Bowls and a Bigej trip. One of us went to the Olympics. Members of our class performed at Kaleidoscope. We have an accomplished artist and we have a newcomer that became part of our family and shared her amazing dance skills with us. We have a class president who led us through numerous successful fundraisers. We have a thriving ping pong player and several remarkable basketball



**Senior Julieanne Kirchner receives numerous leis from her family and friends in the MP room after graduation.**

players. And finally, three graduates sitting before you spent over 2,340 hours on a boat over their school years to come to Kwaj for school alone. Clearly, we are a successful group of young people.” Woodburn looks to the future and stated that even though they have all accomplished so much to date, they still have a long way to go.

“From this point on, it now becomes our decision to use our strength to the best of our ability or let it pass us by. We have been given all the tools that we need for future greatness, and now it is our turn to use those tools to continue to be great.” She said she looks upon the diplomas they are about to receive as an invitation to achieve greatness and to change the world.

Next the audience was treated to a beautifully danced hula by seniors CC Brady and Barlik Gold. They danced to *Pua Mana*, a warm song that speaks of a home that sounds a lot like Kwajalein. As the girls danced, their hands moved as if waving goodbye to their home and to Kwajalein High School.

Next was the portion of the graduation ceremony that the seniors were eager to get started, the presentation of scholarship awards. The following awards

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were given:

- *Kwajalein Jr/Sr High School Marshall Islands Club*: Kitlang Kabua
- *Student Government Association*: CC Brady, Kaitlynn Phillips, Alexis Yurovchak
- *American Legion Post 44*: Kaitlynn Phillips, Christine Woodburn
- *Jinetiptip*: CC Brady, Josh deBrum, Barlik Gold, Kitlang Kabua, Nakoli Sakaio, Christine Woodburn
- *Kwajalein Art Guild*: Coleen Engvall
- *Kwajalein Scuba Club*: Kaitlynn Phillips
- *Yokwe Yuk Women's Club*: Kelly Grant, Kitlang Kabua, Julianne Kirchner, Emma Peacock
- *Berry Aviation*: Alexis Yurovchak
- *Matson Navigation Company*: Barlik Gold, Josh deBrum
- *MIT Lincoln Laboratory*: CC Brady, Kitlang Kabua
- *Space X*: Christine Woodburn
- *Kwajalein Range Services*: CC Brady, Kaitlynn Phillips, Christine Woodburn, Alexis Yurovchak
- *Quality of Life*: CC Brady, Kitlang Kabua, Julianne Kirchner, Emma Peacock, Christine Woodburn, Alexis Yurovchak

Emma Peacock and Devin Vinluan read aloud an amusing and nostalgic class history. It was surprising how many graduating seniors have attended school on Kwajalein most, or for some, all of their lives. Vinluan got a loud laugh from the crowd as he said, "At the beginning of our second grade year we welcomed the cutest kid ever...Devin Vinluan." Peacock got the crowd and students laughing as she told them, "We thought we were short [in third grade], until the shortest of them all, Joshua deBrum, joined our class. Kelly Grant later joined our class and shocked us all with her style of florescent spandex pants." Peacock went on to talk about the difficult year of being a 'sevie.' The class was at the bottom of the food chain, and according to Peacock, that meant wedgies, being introduced to high school courses and getting the 'best seats in the house' at Turkey Bowl, the ground. Eighth grade welcomed back several long-lost students, Ryan DeCoster with his Boston accent, CC Brady and her swimming



The Class of 2010 gather together after receiving leis and congratulations from family and friends at graduation June 4.



Barlik Gold and CC Brady hula dance to *Pua Mana* during the graduation ceremony.

skills, and Julianne Kirchner. They welcomed new student Kaitlynn Phillips along with her savvy fashion sense and cheerleading skills. The next year, they finally had a 'title': Freshmen. That year they added Troy Walter to their class. They were also introduced to a new teacher, Miss Davis, now known as Mrs. Cardillo, and as Peacock said, she "had all the boys drooling." Vinluan interjected, "Sorry Mr. Cardillo," making the crowd burst into laughter again. "Tenth grade flew by so fast because apparently we can't remember anything that happened. But we do remember talented Lexi running into a stationary bus, while doing her French homework, on the way from bowl-

ing and PE," joked Vinluan. "Senior year at last," he continued. "We are finally the Top Dogs again. We weren't expecting anyone new but Azure Nelson surprised us with her dancing skills and her love of the color blue."

"It's hard to imagine that just nine months ago we began our final year of high school," said Peacock. "Nevertheless, we had fun watching Nakoli and his band perform at Coffee Shop. And we will always remember Kitti's ridiculously long hair and how shy Barlik is until she's in front of a crowd. Sadly, our incredible journey ends tonight but a new one begins in the fall. But we will never forget that we are the outstanding class of 2010."



**Ryan DeCoster shares a heartfelt hug with his father at the graduation ceremony June 4.**



**Coleen Engvall and Azure Nelson greet friends and family members in the courtyard as recent high school graduates.**

Finally there was a moment that camera flashes stopped, the crowd got quiet and all eyes were glued to the stage. It was time for the senior class to sit on the ground in a group in front of the stage to watch the 'Album of Memories' put together by senior Alexis Yurovchak, with the help of Dave Greene. Once Vinluan finally got the screen to pull down on the stage and the crowd quieted down, the slideshow began. The photos were a mixture of cute baby pictures that got the crowd saying, "ooh and ahhh," and embarrassing childhood photos that got the crowd laughing. There were photos of school dances, Halloween costumes, underwater photos, school activities, sports and band. The photos showed student accomplishments, whether it be starting a band, learning to hula or making it to Olympic Village. At the end of each student's section, it showed them with their family and then the last photo was of them with one of their classmates. The slideshow ended by showing old class photos

throughout the years.

Kaitlynn Phillips and Ryan DeCoster took the podium to say thanks to the many people that helped to get them on that stage for graduation. "Throughout the years there have been many people who have been vital to our success," said Phillips. "Without the encouragement and support of these people, we would not be standing here today." They thanked their teachers for their guidance and insight, members of the Kwajalein community that have influenced them throughout the years and their class advisors for making their years enjoyable and productive. DeCoster took the microphone to give thanks to senior parents. "This year our parents have stepped up to go above and beyond to assist us. Without their time and dedication, our senior year would not have been as enjoyable or successful. You have gone out of your way to provide us with encouragement and the resources to make each and every year a complete success. We would literally not be here without you. Thank you so much for all of your support." At that, all the seniors left the stage to find their parents. Thanks, hugs, kisses and tears were shared as the seniors thanked their family members for their invaluable support.

The seniors made their way back to the stage, most with red eyes and tissues, realizing the moment had come to accept their diplomas and move on from high school into the great big world of possibilities. Superintendent Al Robinson took the stage to present the Class of 2010. "It's really fun to work in a school system where the kids think that getting really good grades is still really cool. It's a lot of fun to see them compete with their grade point averages and all of the things they do. But we have two students I want to recognize tonight as our Salutatorian and Valedictorian." The grade point averages for those two prestigious titles were based off four years of high school grades. With a GPA of 3.79, Alexis Yurovchak was recognized as the Class of 2010 Salutatorian. With a GPA of 3.91, Christine Woodburn was recognized as the Class of 2010 Valedictorian. "I am happy to announce tonight that these seniors have successfully completed a course of study as required by policies of Kwajalein Schools and USAKA, approved by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Approval and are ready to receive their diplomas." Robinson then invited COL Clarke and SGM Wolf to take the stage next to him to help hand out diplomas to 16 very deserving seniors. After all students had received their diplomas, Yurovchak led them in the tradition of turning their tassels, which signifies the end of their high school careers.

After a boisterous cheer from the crowd, the students made their way back through the crowded MP room and out to the courtyard where family, friends and community members met them with congratulations. In Kwajalein and Marshallese tradition, flower and candy leis were given to students from family and friends. As each lei was put around their necks to congratulate them, some students soon found it hard to fit many more and soon after that found it difficult to see over them. In true Kwaj fashion, rain soon forced seniors, families, friends and community members back into the MP room where they shared refreshments and more deserving congratulations.



**The *Great Bridge* sends over a tow line to the BNJ boat so they can tow them back to safe harbor in Wotho Atoll.**

Roble Ned, Michael Turner and Corey Wiley, with Sylvester as their boat captain.

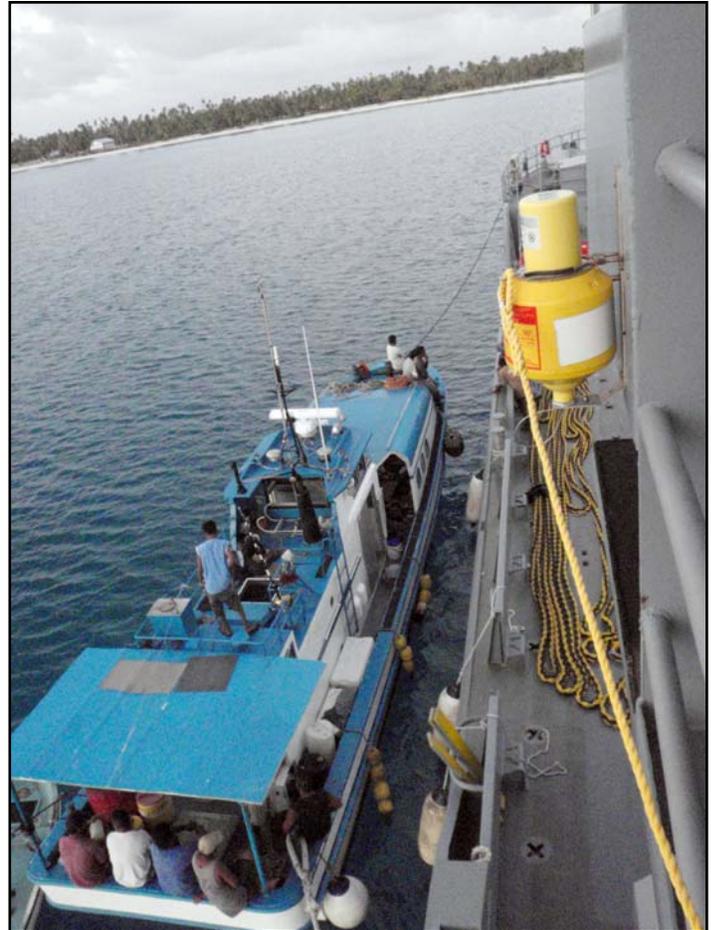
The *Great Bridge* departed Kwajalein at 12:30 a.m., June 2, prepared to travel the 137 nautical miles to Wotho Atoll, which would take approximately 14 hours. They kept in contact with the BNJ boat every hour, getting an updated GPS location, making the mission more of a rescue rather than a 'search and rescue.' The *Great Bridge* rendezvoused with the BNJ boat at approximately 2:30 p.m. They first checked to be sure the passengers were in good health and that the boat was intact. They then sent over a messenger line with a food pack and water because they had begun to run low. Next a tow line was sent over.

Ned acted as Sylvester's interpreter, assisting in the communications between the *Great Bridge* and the BNJ boat. Ned and the captain of the BNJ boat were able to indicate valuable information to one another regarding the tow, such as the maximum speed of the BNJ boat. Once the tow line was in place, the *Great Bride* got underway at 2:55 p.m., the BNJ boat being towed securely behind them.

The decision was made to tow the BNJ boat into a safe harbor in Wotho Atoll. They began to pull in at approximately 6 p.m. Crew members Bellu and Custer had been to that location several times before and instructed Sylvester on the best spot to anchor.

Once they were safely in the harbor, the BNJ boat was brought alongside the *Great Bridge*. Mechanics from both crews determined that the BNJ boat and four crew members would be required to remain in Wotho Atoll until the cause of its engine failure could be known and repairs made.

A small boat was brought out from the island and towed the BNJ boat in closer to land. Passengers were instructed to return to the pier at 6:30 a.m. the next morning to board the *Great Bridge*, which would transport them back to Kwajalein Atoll. Before departing, Sylvester's crew left the BNJ boat crew some supplies



**The BNJ boat pulls up next to the *Great Bridge* so mechanics can attempt to determine the cause of their engine failure.**

including potable water and gasoline for their generator so they could recharge their batteries and have communications on board.

Once all 20 passengers boarded the *Great Bridge*, they set out at 7:30 a.m., June 3, heading back toward Kwajalein Atoll. During transit, crew members cooked lunch and dinner for the guest passengers. They offered them ice, water and even some dried fruit that Christina Sylvester had packed for her husband. Sylvester commends his crew who stepped up to take on multiple roles during the rescue, which included cooking for and watching over their guests during the 14-hour transit home.

The *Great Bridge* arrived at home port at approximately 11 p.m., safely delivering all 20 passengers of the BNJ church vessel. The passengers were very grateful to the crew, expressing thanks many times throughout the trip.

The success of the rescue is attributable to close collaboration and coordination between USAKA, RMI Liaison's Office, Harbor Control, U.S. Coast Guard, and the crew of the *Great Bridge*, those who went along on the rescue and to those who offered. Sylvester even thanks his family, who at a moment's notice, packed him a bag and got his things ready for a two-day boat rescue.



**COL Frederick Clarke recognizes the earned rank of command sergeant major for Patrick Kutac, the outgoing sergeant major for USAKA.**

success here at Kwajalein.

SGM Kutac then took the podium to deliver his remarks. He first thanked distinguished guests and audience members for taking the time to attend the day's ceremony; it meant a lot to him. He remarked that he remembers the day that CSM Borja told him he would become the first sergeant major to serve here on Kwajalein. He said he didn't know what to expect, but that he looked forward to it. He remembers standing in the exact same spot two years ago, telling the community that he looked forward to working with them and would like to develop a team-like relationship to make quality of life better here. He wanted that team to work toward a common goal of mission accomplishment while simultaneously taking care of Soldiers, Families and civilians here on island. "I leave here today feeling good that all of us made that happen as a team. A lot of changes have occurred here in the past two years." He took the time to thank numerous people that worked with him to attain common goals and come up with solutions. He thanked CSM Borja for his mentorship. "Whenever I needed him, he was always there. It's been a privilege and a pleasure working with you and GEN Campbell. You two always had USAKA and its Families at the top of your

priorities." He next thanked COL Clarke. "You are not only my boss but my friend. Sir, it's truly been an honor. I appreciate your candor and always including me in your decision making process. I assure you I have learned from you and will use those lessons when I leave here. I leave here today proud of what we accomplished together."

He then thanked LTC Eggert and the RTS team, proclaiming that it was a pleasure to work with them and was glad that they could work together as a team. Kutac named and thanked numerous USAKA staff and thanked them for their support. He next thanked the civilians stating, "As a soldier, I've never had the experience of working with civilians before. What a dedicated entire group of professionals. Each of you are very dedicated to your job, the USAKA mission and to the community. I wish I could mention you each by name today and thank you personally. It was a pleasure working with each and every one of you." He thanked Dave Norwood and his KRS team. "Thanks for everything you do to make this community better."

Finally, he thanked his wife Karen and daughter Ashley. "Thanks for all the love and support through the years. I appreciate your flexibility, love and patience." He then welcomed SGM Wolf and his family.

"You have a great group of people to work with here and a great community I'm sure your family will enjoy. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did."

With that, SGM Wolf took to the podium. Wolf addressed the audience and thanked them for taking the time to attend the ceremony to honor him and Kutac. He thanked COL Clarke, CSM Borja and CSM James Carr for expressing confidence in his abilities and allowing him the opportunity to serve on this great assignment. "Thank you again for coming out today and I look forward to the opportunities to work with you and continue to build on the relationship and outstanding community that SGM Kutac has already started."

SFC Anderson asked the audience to again stand for the playing of the Army Song and the departure of the official party. Audience members formed a line to say goodbye to SGM Kutac and his wife Karen as they exited the chapel. A small reception was held in the Religious Education Building afterward. As guests entered, they shook SGM Wolf's and daughter Lauren's hands, welcoming them to the community.

Following the ceremony, USAKA personnel and distinguished guests headed to the USAKA conference room for the official promotion of SGM Kutac to a command sergeant major. With SGM Kutac at his side, COL Clarke said to him, "You've done a great job and now it's not about Kwaj anymore, it's about giving you something that you've been doing for two years and that's being a command sergeant major."

SFC Anderson read aloud the proclamation from GEN George W. Casey, Chief of Staff, United States Army, stating that as of June 2, Kutac has earned the rank of command sergeant major.

CSM Kutac remarked that he has waited on this for over a year now. He thanked Borja and Carr for entrusting him to command and take over a battalion. He assured them that he was going to do very well over there [in Japan]. He again thanked everyone for taking the time to be there and to share the moment with him.

# SFC Robert Anderson reenlists in United States Army indefinitely

Article and photo by Sheila Bigelow  
Managing Editor

Following the Change of Responsibility for outgoing SGM Patrick Kutac and incoming SGM Hohn Wolf June 2, the Army celebrated another one of its sergeants as he reenlisted indefinitely; he is a career Soldier.

MAJ Troy Hinkle acted as the presiding official. "Today truly has been a great day. Not only did we [Kwajalein] gain a sergeant major, but the Army has gained a command sergeant major, and now we get to retain a great sergeant in the Army. It's great to keep you," he said to Anderson.

At that, they both raised their right hand and Anderson repeated after Hinkle, "I Robert Anderson, Jr., solemnly swear to support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic. I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same. I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to regulations in the Uniform Code of Military Justice, so help me God."

Anderson has been in the Army for a combined time of almost 22 years, with almost 15 years of that on Active Duty. He served in Desert Shield/Desert Storm and his last combat related tour was in Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom from 2002-2004. He came from Ft Lewis, Wash. where he was stationed from March



SFC Robert Anderson, right, repeats the U.S. Armed Forces Oath of Enlistment, with MAJ Troy Hinkle on June 2.

2006 until Oct. 2009.

He has been involved in several Humanitarian Operations like Operation Safe Haven in Panama for the Cuban refugees, Operation Hawkeye in St. Croix Virgin Islands after Hurricane Hugo and Operation Cooperation Nugget, which signified the opening of JRTC at Ft. Polk, La. with a Joint Training Exercise with Military Forces from every NATO country.

## PROUDLY SERVING

**Former Kwajalein resident Travis Walter, son of residents Jim and Erlinda Walter, is an Airman serving on active duty in the United States Air Force. Walter graduated from Kwajalein Jr/Sr High School in 2008 and will be attending college classes while in the Air Force. Walter is currently stationed in Cannon, N.M. but will be relocated to Ramstein, Germany this October. He is part of the 27th Special Operations Equipment Maintenance Squadron, where he works with Aerospace Ground Equipment.**



By Hannah Fronzak, Associate Editor

**KRS and CMSI Job Listings for On-Island Positions will be available at the Kwajalein, Roi-Namur and Ebeye Dock Security Check Point bulletin boards, the bulletin board by the Continental Travel Office, the Roi-Namur Terminal/Post Office bulletin board and at Human Resources in Building 700. Job Listings for Contract Positions will be available at [www.krsjv.com](http://www.krsjv.com), on the bulletin board by the Continental Travel Office and on the Roi-Namur Terminal/Post Office bulletin board. Full job descriptions and requirements for Contract openings are located online at [www.krsjv.com](http://www.krsjv.com).**

NEED EXTRA MONEY? KRS employment applications are continually accepted for Casual Positions in the Community Services Departments, Medical Department and the HR Temp Pool. Some of the Casual positions are: Recreation Aides, Medical Office, Media Services Specialist, Substitute Teacher, and HR Temp Pool Office Support. Questions? Call 54916.

ATSC, RTS WX, has an immediate opening for an electronics technician. Technicians install, maintain and repair a variety of scientific instrumentation and communications systems and operate upper-air meteorological equipment for daily profiles of the atmosphere. Background in telemetry and analog/digital circuitry desired. Unaccompanied position. Competitive salary and benefits offered. Call 51508.

HUMAN RESOURCES and Travel, Kwajalein Police Department, full-time local hire position. The duties include typing correspondence and various personnel/payroll documents, maintaining personnel files and employee medical files in accordance with applicable regulations. Makes all travel arrangements for leave,

PCS in/out, TDY, and other duties as assigned. Works daily with Microsoft Office suite. Previous HR experience preferred. Applications are available in the KPD Administration Office, Building 835.

**LOST**

US DIVERS MASK and snorkel, blue, lost near small boat marina. Marked "A. Fleet" on each. Call 59154.

LADIES SUNGLASSES with brown strap between Emon beach and Lagoon road. Call 54632.

**FOUND**

CHRONOGRAPH WATCH, Casio, gold face with rubber band. Call 59846 or 54509 to claim.

**WANTED**

ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW! Let's do the Time Warp again. Anyone interested in getting together for a midnight showing of the cult classic movie that exposed most to us of our favorite obsession, contact J.T. Jackson 5-5601.

LARGE COUCH and love seat, or a sectional living room set in good condition. Call Rose at 53731.

**PATIO SALE**

MONDAY, 8 a.m.-noon, quarters 116-B, in the back. PCS sale.

**FOR SALE**

QUEEN SIZE platform bed frame, oak, six drawers on each side, available end of

June, \$200 or best offer. Call Jennifer at 58434.

KNIFE SET, J.A. Henckels International Fine Edgepro, 7 piece, \$65 firm. Call Rose at 5-3731

BOAT SHACK #44, has AC, Deck and more. Hot tub, replaced heater five years ago, replaced water pump and tub frame with treated lumber two years ago and refinished paneling one year ago. Call 9539 or 9444 to see.

Complete female dive set, medium sized, \$300. Call 9539 or 9444.

BAR WITH mini-fridge, stainless steel counter/backsplash and lighting, \$250, call 52332.

SEADOO, 2002, red, and boat shack (Lot #30, Ryan Wagner's old shack), \$3,000; Lamborghini female bike, \$75; 55 gallon fish tank with stand and all the amenities, \$300. Call 5-2279 or 5-4488.

SUN ADULT TRICYCLE, pink, \$150. Call 54586

BENCH FOR shower/bathtub and rails that attach to your toilet, \$20 for both. Call 54168.

HONDA GENERATOR, EU2000i, new in box, \$1,200 and 35 foot Japanese Style fishing/cargo boat powered by a 27 HP diesel engine with a 20 HP outboard kicker, \$17,000 or best offer. Call Dennis at work, 51850, or home, 54489.

**Religious Services**

Catholic

9:15 a.m., Sunday, in Island Memorial Chapel.

Protestant

Sunday

8 and 10:45 a.m., on Kwaj and Roi-Namur service at 4 p.m.

Baptist

9:40 a.m., Sunday, in elementary school music room.

Latter-day Saints

10 a.m., Sunday, in Corlett Recreation Center, Room 3.

Jewish services

Last Friday of the month in the Religious Education Building. Times will vary. Contact the Chaplain's office, 53505, for more information.



FATHER'S DAY BIG BBQ will be at noon, June 20, at Emon Beach. Big BBQ with grilled chicken sandwiches, potato salad, corn on the cob, cotton candy, hot dogs and beverages. Right before the Family Relay!

FATHER'S DAY COOKOUT AND FAMILY RELAY will be June 20. Individual Challenges are from 12:30-1:30 p.m. and the Big Family Relay will be at 1:30 p.m. Registration required. Call Community Activities at 53331. Award ceremony to follow on the Youth Center field.

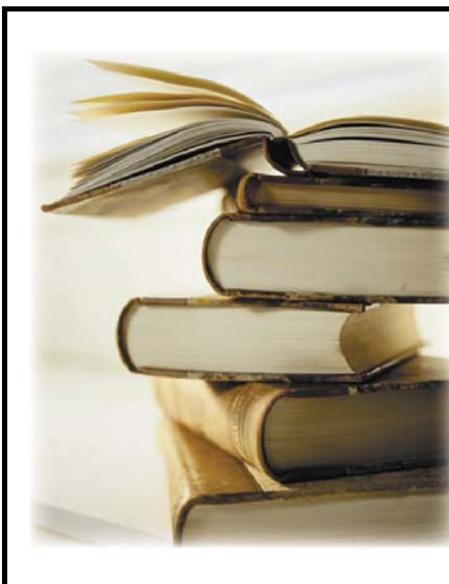


The academic year ends on June 11. Please watch for kids on bikes as they begin their summer vacation!

CROWN LINE FISHING cruiser, 27 feet, 350 mercruiser, plus 15 HP, boathouse 309 and trailer and 21 foot fiberglass high performance boat, 225 HP Johnson plus 8 HP, boathouse 800 and trailer. Call to inquire at 59662 or e-mail hammerheadherb@hotmail.com.

CELESTRON TELESCOPE, new, \$50; 22 inch LCD monitor, new, \$125; executive desk, \$45; six foot long utility wood storage unit, \$40 and assorted rope lights, \$20 each. Call evenings 51564.

DECK with gazebo and swing, \$225; dishwasher, \$125; wood deck, 7x11 feet, \$125; clarinet, good condition, \$125; loft/elevated beds frames, twin, \$30 and queen, \$35; outdoor wood building, 8x12 feet, shelves, pegboard, deck, \$1,000; computer desk, glass and metal, \$35; small dresser, \$35; Kenmore distiller with filters and cleaner, \$20 and plants, \$10.



## Rev up to start reading!

Sign up at the front desk at the Grace Sherwood Library starting June 16. Read books and earn prizes all summer long. All age groups are welcome. Pick a prize and race around the track for every six books or 200 pages you read.

Call 51444.

MICROWAVE, \$19; sleeper sofa love seat; \$350 or best offer; indoor small Silk tree, \$19; four plastic seagrass plants and containers, \$25 each; gas grill and small charcoal grill, \$28; pair of adjustable 24-pound hand weights, three pound increments, \$29. Call Peter, 54879, after 6 p.m.

HOBIE GETAWAY Catamaran, 2007, fast and comfortable, excellent condition, includes sails, Tiger Trax wheels, sail trailer and teal Sunbrella material for boat cover, \$5,000. Call 53003 or 50619 for more information.

### COMMUNITY NOTICES

JOIN US IN SAYING A PCS FAREWELL to the DeCoster family at 6:30 p.m., June 12, at the Yacht Club. Bring a dish to share. Soda and water provided. Questions contact Carolyn 52564.

SUMMER SPORTS and fitness camps are being offered to all CYSS registered youth. Sign-ups are free and open a week before each camp. June sports camps: Basketball K-6 grade, June 22-25 and Golf 2-6 grade, June 29-July 2. Register at CYSS Central

Registration, building 356. Contact Jason at 53796 for more info.

CYSS' BI-ANNUAL babysitter training will take place June 15-16. Attendees must be 13-years-old by Nov. 1, 2010 to attend. Basic First Aid and Child Development Information will be provided. Space is limited. Call Amy Daniels at 53610 to register.

THE ADULT RECREATION CENTER will be closed June 15-17 for carpet cleaning. It will reopen at 5 p.m., June 18. Questions, call 53331.

AMERICAN LEGION Post 44 meeting is at 6:30 p.m., June 18. All members are encouraged to attend.

CYSS SUMMER CAMP 2010. All CYSS Registered youth entering K-6th grade are eligible for camp. Camp will run all summer; the first week begins June 15 and ends August 21. Camp Hours are 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-5 p.m. Register at the CYSS Central Registration Office, building 356 or call 52158 for more information.

REGISTER NOW for Learn to Swim. Session dates are June 16-July 9 at the Family Pool. Cost is \$40. Participants must

## Café Pacific

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	June 19
Oven Fried Chicken	Beef noodle soup	Clam chowder	Tomato soup	Corn tortilla soup	Ministrioni	Chicken rice
Cheese quiche	Pork chops	Minute steak	Grilled cheese	Mexican fiesta	Italian pasta bar	Swedish meatballs
Oriental stir-fry	Lemon basil chicken	Turkey broccoli stir-fry	Sauteed liver	Chicken chimichangas	Italian herb chicken	Chicken stir-fry
Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Pizza burger	Grill: Chicken breast	Grill: N/A	Grill: N/A	Grill: ham and cheese
Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Broiled fajita chicken	BBQ pork butt	Salisbury steak	Kwaj fried chicken	Top sirloin	Stir-fry to order	Build-your-own pizza
Tex-mex stir-fry	Chicken supreme	Tuna casserole	Mahi	Roast chicken	Charisiu spareribs	Pork chops
Grilled short ribs	Baked tofu	Pork pimento	Chinese stir-fry	Ratatouille casserole	Sesame noodles	Chicken stew



**Fourth of July volunteers needed. Volunteer an hour of your time and be rewarded with the happy smiles of kids on the banana boat ride, at carnival games, doing the scavenger hunt or bouncing on the inflatables. Call Community Activities at 5-3331 to sign up today!**

be at least 3-years-old. Register at the Community Activities office, building 805. Registration deadline is June 12.

**BINGO NIGHT** at the Pacific Club is June 17. Card sales begin at 5:30 p.m., Bingo play begins at 6:30 p.m. Blackout completion 60 numbers \$2,00.00 payout; Windfall completion at 29 numbers \$1,900.00 payout. Must be 21 to enter and play, bring your ID. Questions? Contact Erik Wills at 53338.

**MICRONESIAN SHOP** summer hours begin June 19. Monday: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday: 5-7 p.m. Thursday: 5-7 p.m. Saturday: closed.

**JOIN US AT CAFÉ PACIFIC** for Father's Day Brunch on June 20. For your dining pleasure the chefs will be preparing an array of delicious entrees including beef aujus, cajun crab cakes, roast duck, eggs benedict, and strawberry shortcake.

**MURDER IN Margariland** is at 6:30 p.m.,

June 26, at the Country Club. Bus service will be provided from the Ocean View. Get your tickets early to get the best part! Menu to include burger buffet, shish kabobs, veggie trays, island rice and dessert. Drink specials to include margaritas, piña colodas and mai tais. Tickets are \$35 and are for sale at Community Activities.

**COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES** licensed vendors and private clubs and organizations are invited to sell items at this year's July 4th celebration. Deadline to register is June 26. Contact Community Activities at 53331.

**LAUNDRY RETAIL** Customer Service hours will change beginning July 1. The new hours will be 7-9 a.m., 3-5 p.m. Tuesday—Saturday. One day service is available. Questions? Contact Kijenni Lokboj 5-3462

**KWAJALEIN GIRL SCOUTS** are looking for a leader and an assistant for the Daisy troop (K-1st grade) and the Junior troop (4-5 grade). Looking for volunteers to fill the

**POOLS AND BEACHES  
SUMMER HOURS**



**Family Pool:**  
 Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 1-6 p.m.,  
 Sunday and Monday 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

**Emon Beach:**  
 Tuesday-Saturday 12:30-3:30 p.m.,  
 Sunday and Monday 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

Council Advisor positions of President, Vice President and Secretary. You need not have a daughter in Girl Scouts to volunteer. If you are interested or have questions, contact Kim Morris or Carrie West at 53680.

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED** for the Annual Roi-Namur ECCF Chili Cook Off on Sept. 6 at Emon beach. Adults and youth groups are welcome. We will need food handlers, t-shirt booth and game booth volunteers. Please contact Laura Pasquarella-Swain if you are interested at 56048 or 56638, or e-mail [freeatlast39@hotmail.com](mailto:freeatlast39@hotmail.com).

**'KARAOKE NIGHT FRIDAYS'** at Ocean View every Friday at 8 p.m. Come join us for drinks and singing. Contact Erik Wills at 53338 with questions.

**BE ALERT FOR** stinging insects, especially in areas of low activity. Report locations of bee stings and wasp nest sightings for treatment at 54738 or 53550

<i>Café Roi</i>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	June 19
Garlic roast beef	BBQ brisket	Creole pork	Buffalo wings	Hot dog bar	Beef tacos	Chicken sandwich
Chicken marsala	Blackeyed Peas	Crispy garlic chicken	Pulled BBQ pork	Chicken fricassee	Chicken chilaquiles	Roast salmon
Crab cake benedict	Roasted Red Potatoes	Cajun spiced rice	Macaroni and cheese	Penne with pesto	Refried beans	Vegetable stir-fry
Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Beef shoulder	Beef ragu	Chicken with mushrooms	Roast chicken	"Alice Springs" chicken	Roi fried chicken	<b>Panda X-press Nite</b>
Chicken pasta	Chicken breast	Blackened fish	Dijon roast beef	Eggplant parmesan	Grilled pork cutlet	Mongolian Beef
Tomato parm focaccia	Creamy polenta	Mashed potatoes	Grilled vegetables	Baked potatoes	Mashed potatoes	Orange chicken

# Eight servicemembers die in Iraq, Afghanistan

**PFC Christopher R. Barton**, 22, of Concord, N.C., died May 24 in Khowst province, Afghanistan, of wounds sustained when insurgents attacked his unit using small arms fire. He was assigned to the 1st Squadron, 33rd Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

**SPC Jonathan K. Peney**, 22, of Marietta, Ga., died June 1 in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds sustained when he was shot by enemy forces. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Hunter Army Airfield, Ga.

**PVT Francisco J. Guardado-Ramirez**, 21, of Sunland Park, N.M., died June 2 in Baghdad, Iraq, of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 41st Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.

**1st LT. Joseph J. Theinert**, 24, of Sag Harbor, N.Y., died June 4 in Kandahar, Afghanistan, of wounds sustained when insurgents attacked his unit using a rocket propelled grenade and an improvised explosive device. He was a New York Army National Guardsman assigned to 1st Squadron, 71st Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry), Fort Drum, N.Y.



The following Marines died June 6 while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan: **SGT Brandon C. Bury**, 26, of Kingwood, Texas. **Lance CPL Derek Hernandez**, 20, of Edinburg, Texas. **CPL Donald M. Marler**, 22, of St. Louis, Mo. Bury, Hernandez and Marler were assigned to 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, Calif. This incident is under investigation.

**2nd LT. Michael E. McGahan**, 23, of Orlando, Fla., died June 6 in Khogyani district, Nangarhar province, Afghanistan, of wounds sustained when enemy forces attacked his unit using small arms fire. He was assigned to the 1st Brigade Special Troop Battalion, 187th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

## Weather courtesy of RTS Weather

Sunday: Mostly cloudy, 40 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 12-17 knots.  
 Monday: Partly cloudy, 30 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 15-22 knots.  
 Tuesday: Partly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: E-ESE at 10-15 knots.  
 Wednesday: Partly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 10-15 knots.  
 Thursday: Partly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 12-17 knots.  
 Friday: Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: NE-ENE at 14-19 knots.

Annual total: 17.12 inches  
 Annual deviation: -14.16 inches

Call 54700 for updated forecasts or visit [www.rts-wx.com](http://www.rts-wx.com).

### Sunrise/set Moonrise/set High Tide Low Tide

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Sunday	6:30 a.m./7:01 p.m.	2:42 p.m./2:12 a.m.	04:33 a.m., 4.8' 05:02 p.m., 3.5'	11:04 a.m., -0.7' 10:51 p.m., -0.4'
Monday	6:30 a.m./7:01 p.m.	3:35 p.m./2:57 a.m.	05:14 a.m., 4.9' 05:44 p.m., 3.5'	11:45 a.m., -0.7' 11:33 p.m., -0.4'
Tuesday	6:30 a.m./7:02 p.m.	4:29 p.m./3:44 a.m.	05:56 a.m., 4.8' 06:27 p.m., 3.5'	12:28 p.m., -0.6'
Wednesday	6:29 a.m./7:02 p.m.	5:25 p.m./4:32 a.m.	06:40 a.m., 4.7' 7:14 p.m., 3.4'	12:16 a.m., -0.2' 1:12 p.m., -0.4'
Thursday	6:29 a.m./7:02 p.m.	6:22 p.m./5:33 a.m.	07:26 a.m., 4.3' 08:05 p.m., 3.3'	01:03 a.m., 0.0' 01:59 p.m., -0.2'
Friday	6:29 a.m./7:02 p.m.	7:19 p.m./6:17 a.m.	08:16 a.m., 3.9' 09:05 p.m., 3.2'	01:56 a.m., 0.4' 02:50 p.m., 0.1'
June 19	6:29 a.m./7:02 p.m.	8:14 p.m./7:12 a.m.	09:14 a.m., 3.5' 10:15 p.m., 3.1'	03:00 a.m., 0.7' 03:48 p.m., 0.4'