

# THE KWAIALEIN HOURGLASS



**Firearms instructor B.J. Johnson watches Kwajalein Police Department Sgt. Mac Ramirez fire at targets at the Small Arms Range during a tactical firearms certification course given by Johnson. For more, see Page 3.**

*(Photo by Dan Adler)*

# Remember those in harm's way this holiday

**By Lt. Gen. Kevin T. Campbell**  
Commander, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command

Dear USASMDC/ARSTRAT Family:

Thanksgiving affords us time to reflect on the blessings we enjoyed over the past year.

Since the colonial Thanksgiving gatherings, through the establishment of

the first national Thanksgiving holiday in 1863 by President Abraham Lincoln, our nation and Army have overcome tremendous challenges and reached great levels of achievement.

Join me in appreciation of the many accomplishments that have made a positive impact on the world and which reflect well upon our efforts as a nation.

Take a moment to remember the

brave Soldiers, Department of Defense civilians and contractors who diligently serve our country abroad in the Global War on Terrorism.

Also, remember the friends and Families who await their safe return. Let us continue our steadfast commitment toward the success of our nation, providing unwavering support to those who go in harm's way on behalf of our nation. Secure the high ground.

# God knows we need to help each other

I graduated from college with a bunch of guys and a handful of women who were really, really smart. They constantly amazed me with their brilliance and problem solving abilities. They continue to excel to this day.

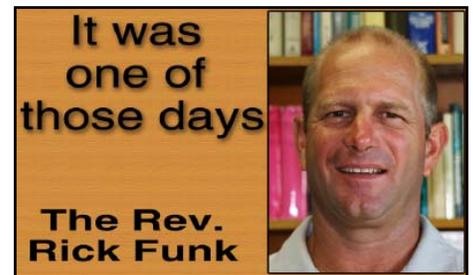
For example, one of my classmates, now a pastor, recently broadcast a technical problem to our class e-mail list. It seems that his congregation has decided to build a new church. Now they live in a region of the country that is prone to thunderstorms and they asked the contractor how much it cost to put up a lightning rod. The answer: \$2,200.

This seemed awfully steep so the question on the e-mail was, Is this for real? Can't I get a better deal? Of course our astute class was quick with the solution. One guy wrote in, (I'm not kidding), "Have someone in your congregation bring in an old set of golf clubs. Take out the one iron and wrap to the top of your building with duct tape. Not even God can hit a one iron." (Fr. Daly tells me he got that idea from Lee Trevino.)

I like to golf occasionally and I could see his point. I have a hard time hitting a seven iron. I have an even harder time hitting the ball. Besides, I think God would have better things

to do than strike a one iron on top of a church with a lightning bolt. But, then again, I wouldn't want to push it. He's been pretty creative in the past.

This brings up the point of asking for help. It also brings up the point of people offering silly answers to serious



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## THUMBS UP

**To the ladies who made the used book sale at the elementary school happen. Your decorations and ambience were reminiscent of Borders, complete with coffee and biscotti, sofas, and an area of small play toys for the toddler and preschool visitors. Thanks for your efforts to serve the community and school in this way.**

**To all of the parents, teachers and volunteers who helped make the Senior/Faculty soccer game a success.**

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## THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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# HOT SHOTS



B.J. Johnson teaches a firearms course to KPD personnel.

## Visiting firearms instructor trains Kwaj police for pistol/shotgun certifications

Article and photos by Dan Adler  
Media Manager

B.J. Johnson is a burly man with a booming voice and a strong handshake. If your job involves the possibility of being in a gunfight, he is the one you would want beside you.

Johnson runs an organization called the Association of Professional Trainers in Missouri and is a 21-year veteran of a Missouri county sheriff's department.

His academy in Missouri trains civilians and federal employees as well as police officers.

He has taught tactical firearms

training in many countries, some of which he can't say he's been in.

He was on Kwajalein for the past 14 days training six Kwajalein police officers, Lt. Chris Mosetti, Sgt. Beth Wiggins, Sgt. Janet

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## FIREARMS from Page 3

Gryder, Sgt. Mac Ramirez, Sgt. Cotton Lincoln and Officer Bobby Love. for certification as tactical firearm instructors.

The training includes how to handle a weapon properly, how to use cover, clearing jams and shooting at multiple targets at close and long range and firing at moving targets. The officers will learn how to clear a jam with one hand which they would have to do if wounded in one of their arms. The course also covers shooting in low light using flashlights, "Because 60 percent of all encounters are in low light or darkness," said Johnson.

He continued, "It's about how to make judgements. It's about when to shoot and when not to shoot. The training isn't just about shooting. Sometimes it's verbal judo trying to talk somebody down."

Johnson said anyone taking his course is taught about moral responsibilities as well as tactics.

"We talk about litigation. What happens if you shoot when you shouldn't shoot. We talk about what types of scenarios instructors should put their trainees through based upon real court cases in the past," said Johnson. "There's a lot of sharks out there called lawyers."

The firearms training is important in legally protecting officers or even civilians with firearms licenses if they are involved in a shooting.

Johnson cited a case in New Jersey where police were returning fire at an armed suspect who was shooting at them. One of the police bullets struck and killed a man who had come out on his porch to see what was happening.

When the case went to court, the judge and lawyers wanted to see documentation of the training those police officers had received in firing at moving targets or firing at targets while the officers were moving. At the time of the shooting, it was 13 degrees above zero and the officers were shooting with gloves on. The officers had never received training in any of the conditions in which the shooting took place.

That incident happened in 1983 and according to Johnson, since then, all police departments have tried to provide such real world training to officers.

Once the Kwajalein police officers complete Johnson's course successfully, they will know how to run a

range and will receive certifications from Johnson's company as well as a certification of training from the Police Officers Association of Missouri. They will then be licensed to teach tactical pistol and shotgun use to other officers in any state or on military bases and in foreign countries.

Johnson said that 30 of his graduates are currently in Afghanistan or Iraq working as bodyguards and teaching weapons use.

If you don't think the training Johnson provides is important, statistics say that the national average for police officers hitting their target in gunfights is 11 to 16 percent. Johnson's graduates who have been in shootings have scored 96 percent hits.

According to Johnson and other sources, most police combat takes place at distances of seven yards or less.

"We are seeing more rifles being used, so those distances are becoming longer," Johnson said. "Police departments are more and more issuing weapons like the M16. Because if the bad guys have rifles and the police have shotguns and pistols, that's not a good situation. But still, most gunfights are bad-breath close."

According to Johnson, police officers are taught to keep shooting until a threat is neutralized. "There is no such thing as knock down power in any handgun cartridge," he said. "If a cartridge was powerful enough to knock someone down when it hit, the recoil would be powerful enough to knock the shooter down too. That's not to say there aren't one-shot stops — there are. That means someone may stop fighting after being hit only once. But that's rare."

He continued, "That's why you see so many rounds fired by police these days. It's not because of the high magazine capacity of today's guns. Whether it's police officers or civilians, you have to protect yourself."

Johnson said the reason hollow-point bullets are used is, "not because they kill better like everybody thinks, but so they flatten out, don't over-penetrate and go through a bad guy's body like ball ammo would and hit an innocent bystander."

Kwajalein police officers have to qualify once a year but, "Qualifying is just shooting 50 rounds at a piece of paper to see if you can hit it. That's not training," said Johnson.



**B.J. Johnson watches KPD Sgt. Cotton Lincoln fire at targets.**

"We're going to change that to five or six times a year. How can they be expected to be proficient with firearms if they never shoot? The Marshall Islands obviously doesn't have a lot of crime or major issues, but that doesn't mean they [KPD] shouldn't be prepared if a situation does arise."

Johnson came to be on Kwajalein after KPD had sent a couple of officers to his course in Missouri to be certified as submachine gun instructors. They liked Johnson's program and it was decided it would be cheaper to have Johnson come to Kwajalein than send officers to Missouri one or two at a time.

"I've travelled widely, so it wasn't a big deal for me to come out here," Johnson said. "I took some time off from my job so I could come out for a couple of weeks."

Johnson's transportation, lodging, meals and teaching fee are paid for by KPD.

"The chief [Angelia Pinto] is very accommodating. She is motivated. She likes getting her people trained and stands behind what they're doing. When you have a leader like that, it makes things a lot easier," he said.

Johnson added, "Not only does training make an officer more marketable, if he or she is ever involved in a shooting and lawyers start climbing into their jacket and see that they are well-versed and well-trained, it makes a difference and that's the sort of thing the chief cares about. She really cares about her people and I like that about her. She's a good chief."



Swimmers race for the finish at the Fall Season Swim Team championships Monday.

# Final meet of Fall Swim Season held

Article and photos by Dan Adler  
Media Manager

The Kwajalein Swim Team's fall season, which began Sept. 22 and included four swim meets, came to a conclusion Monday with the championships.

Some 75 children participated in the season as members of either the Makos team or the Barracudas team.

It was an eventful season as several records fell.

Annie Hepler, 12, broke the 100-yard individual medley record, the

50-yard butterfly stroke record and the 50-yard fly record.

Dane Bishop, 14, broke the best 100-yard breast stroke time and Julie Alves, 16, toppled the 50-yard butterfly record.

Other notable performances included Dash Alfred, 8, who shaved

23 seconds off his seed time in the 100-yard individual relay; David Sholar, 10, who shaved 7½ seconds off his seed time in the 50-yard fly; Danielle Junker, 10, shaved 19 seconds off her seed time in the 50-yard fly and Kaya Sylvester, 6, knocked 10 seconds off her seed time in the 25-yard backstroke.

Ebeye was represented by Darren Joji, 14, Alice Joji, 10, and Phillip Kinono, 12.

The coaches for the season included Susan Landgraff and Julianne Kirchner for ages 8 and under.

For the 9-12 group, Glen Hibberts, Amy LaCost and



Left to right, Julliane Kirchner, CC Brady and Melissa Peacock dive in to start a race.

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# Yokwe Yuk Women's Club silent basket auction raises \$8,845 for Outer Island Christmas Drop

By C.R. Stewart  
Contributor

The Yokwe Yuk Women's Club fourth Annual Basket Auction was a success, thanks to the generous efforts of many Kwajalein residents. This event was held on Nov. 16 at the High School Multi-Purpose Room.

An assortment of dazzlingly-decorated baskets were displayed on the tables for the silent auction. Participants carefully reviewed their basket auction description list, and then browsed the displays to make their bids.

Attendees were hoping not to be outbid, but kept in mind that if they were outbid, not to "take it personally" as stated by Kathleen Denny.

The goal of the Basket Auction is to raise money to bring Christmas to 300 children on the islands of Ebadon and Majetto, which are located in the north-west corner of Kwajalein Atoll. Each child will receive a backpack with basic clothing and necessities. Each island community will receive two community bins furnished with school supplies, medical supplies, rice, and fishing nets.

This year's Basket Auction had three parts. Tony Vierup hosted a live auction of a sunset cruise, a couple's spa basket and a cigar and Scotch basket.

The second part of the evening consisted of the traditional silent auction, featuring thirty-nine gift baskets donated by island residents. There were baskets for 'tee' time and tea time as well. Baskets included items for entertaining, dinners, piano lessons, pampering, pooches, and play-time for children. Everything from birthdays to Christmas, family night to movie night, ice cream to margaritas and



Photo by Peter Dolan

**Residents attend the Yokwe Yuk Women's Club Silent Basket Auction. The event raised a total of \$8,845 for the Outer Island Christmas Drops.**

lots in between could be found.

Raffle tickets were sold by 'Vee' Clarke for John Breen's photograph entitled 'Morning Commute.'

The total amount raised from the Basket Auction was \$8,845.

The evening was a wonderful event thanks to the many supporters, generous contributors, volunteers, and the YYWC Basket Auction Committee.

Meg Dolan, chairperson for this event, said, "I was touched by the outreach of the community and could not have done it without the help of all of the volunteers."

Jenny Norwood, President of the YYWC, said, "I was amazed by the generosity of the community, the

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An example of this generosity was Dr. Ed Lyvers' donation of an Italian-themed dinner for eight people, which raised \$850.00. This particular item was such a hit, that Dr. Lyvers graciously agreed to prepare a second dinner, which raised an additional \$900 during an encore live auction.

While this was a huge undertaking by the YYWC and plans are already underway for next year's event, just in case you were not able to attend, there are still opportunities to help with the Christmas drop.

Volunteers are needed to organize and pack the children's backpacks before the Dec. 19 delivery to the outer islands.

Additional items that are still needed include: 20-pound bags of rice, combs and brushes, and medical and personal hygiene items.

Contact Meg Dolan at 52843 for more information.

# Native American Heritage Month

## American Indian Medal of Honor recipients who made a difference in defense of the United States

In the 20th Century, five American Indians have been among those Soldiers to be distinguished by receiving the United States' highest military honor: the Medal of Honor. Given for military heroism 'above and beyond the call of duty,' these warriors exhibited extraordinary bravery in the face of the enemy and, in two cases, made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

November is Native American Heritage Month. In observance of the contributions made to the United States by Native Americans, a list of Native American Medal of Honor recipients is shown below:

• **Jack C. Montgomery.** A Cherokee from Oklahoma, and a First Lieutenant with the 45th Infantry Division Thunderbirds. On 22 February 1944, near Padiglione, Italy, Montgomery's rifle platoon was under fire by three echelons of enemy forces, when he single-handedly attacked all three positions, taking prisoners in the process. As a result of his courage, Montgomery's actions demoralized the enemy and inspired his men to defeat the Axis troops.



• **Ernest Childers.** A Creek from Oklahoma, and a First Lieutenant with the 45th Infantry Division. Childers received the Medal of Honor for heroic action in 1943 when, up against machine gun fire, he and eight men charged the enemy. Al-



though suffering a broken foot in the assault, Childers ordered covering fire and advanced up the hill, single-handedly killing two snipers, silencing two machine gun nests, and capturing an enemy mortar observer.

• **Van Barfoot.** A Choctaw from Mississippi, and a Second Lieutenant in the Thunderbirds. On May 23, 1944, during the breakout from Anzio to Rome, Barfoot knocked out two machine gun nests and captured 17 German soldiers. Later that same day, he repelled a German tank assault, destroyed a Nazi fieldpiece and while returning to camp carried two wounded commanders to safety.



• **Mitchell Red Cloud Jr.** A Winnebago from Wisconsin, and a Corporal in Company E., 19th Infantry Regiment in Korea. On Nov. 5, 1950, Red Cloud was on a ridge guarding his company command post when he was surprised by Chinese communist forces. He sounded the alarm and stayed in his position firing his automatic rifle at point-blank range to check the assault. This gave his company time to consolidate their defenses. After being severely wounded by enemy fire, he refused assistance and continued firing upon the enemy until he was fatally wounded. His heroic action prevented the enemy from overrunning his company's position



and gained time for evacuation of the wounded.

• **Charles George.** A Cherokee from North Carolina, and Private First Class in Korea when he was killed on Nov. 30, 1952. During battle, George threw himself upon a grenade and smothered it with his body. In doing so, he sacrificed his own life but saved the lives of his comrades. For this brave and selfless act, George was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor in 1954.



### Nineteenth Century

- **Alchessay.** Indian Scouts.
- **Blanquet.** Indian Scouts.
- **Chiquito.** Indian Scouts.
- **Mad Bear** Sergeant, Pawnee Scouts, U.S. Army. Place and date of action: At Republican River, Kansas, July 8, 1869. Entry of service date unknown. Birth: Nebraska. Date of issue: Aug. 24, 1869. Citation: Ran out from the command in pursuit of a dismounted Indian; was shot down and badly wounded by a bullet from his own command.
- **Elsatsoosu.** Indian Scouts.
- **Jim.** Sergeant, Indian Scouts.
- **Kelsay.** Indian Scouts.
- **Kosoha.** Indian Scouts.
- **Machol.** Indian Scouts.
- **Nannasaddie.** Indian Scouts.
- **Rowdy.** Indian Scouts.

All of the medals except Mad Bear's were awarded to Indian scouts for bravery in engagements with Apaches in Arizona during the winter of 1875.

*Editors note: Information was gathered from [www.history.navy.mil](http://www.history.navy.mil) and [www.medalofhonor.com](http://www.medalofhonor.com).*

## BREAKING THE CEILING



U.S. Army Lt. Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody (center) smiles as Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. George W. Casey (left) and her husband, Craig Brotchie, pin the rank of general on her during her promotion ceremony in the Pentagon on Nov. 14. Dunwoody is the first female in the U.S. military to achieve the rank of four-star general.

*DoD photo by Petty Officer 2nd Class Molly A. Burgess, U.S. Navy. (Released)*

# Bargain Bazaar needs items for Ebeye shopper day

## Hourglass reports

Are you trying to clean the house for the holidays? Are you getting ready to make way for new toys and goodies for Christmas? Do you want to encourage your children's gift-giving and sharing spirit?

The Bargain Bazaar is in need of children's

items, books, toys, games, stuffed animals, dolls, cars, etc. The Yukwe Yuk Women's Club is soliciting donations for an Ebeye Shopper Appreciation Day to be held by the Bargain Bazaar on Dec. 20.

They need gently used items that are in good shape and clean.

Please do not take any toy drive donations to the

Bargain Bazaar, they have no room.

The Girl Scouts will be receiving donations of used toys and children's clothing for the toy drive on the AAFES porch on Dec. 1, 8, and 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If that time isn't convenient for you, Vee Clarke has graciously offered to have her house be the drop off point for the

donations. If she's home, you can hand donations to her. If she's not, then toys and children's clothing items can be left in her carport in a garbage bag or box on Ocean Drive at Qtrs 241. She said you can start dropping things off anytime now.

For more information contact Jenny Norwood at 54798.

# Five servicemembers die in Global War on Terror

**Gunnery Sgt. Marcelo R. Velasco**, 40, of Miami, died Nov. 19 from injuries sustained in a non-hostile incident in Anbar province, Iraq. He was assigned to I Marine Expeditionary Force Headquarters Group, I MEF, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

**Pvt. Charles Yi Barnett**, 19, of Bel Air, Md., died on Nov. 20 of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident in Tallil, Iraq.

**Sgt 1st Class Miguel A. Wilson**, 36, of Bonham, Texas, died Nov. 21 in Abu Sayf, Iraq, of injuries sustained during a rescue attempt of another soldier while their unit was conducting a dismounted reconnaissance mission. He was assigned to the 2nd Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Hood, Texas.

1st Lt. William K. Jernigan, 35, of Doraville, Ga., died

Nov. 24 in Baqubah, Iraq, of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to Headquarters Company, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

**Master Sgt. Anthony Davis**, 43, of Deerfield, Fla., died Nov. 24 in Baaj, Iraq, after being shot by an Iraqi Security Force soldier while he was conducting a dismounted humanitarian food drop. He was assigned to the Military Transition Team, 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas.

**Capt. Warren A. Frank**, 26, of Cincinnati, Ohio, died Nov. 25 while supporting combat operations in Ninewa province, Iraq. He was assigned to the 5th Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Okinawa, Japan.



Photo by Dan Adler

Kwajalein high school students do their version of *High School Musical*.

# High school holds Thanksgiving break celebration

By Dan Adler  
Media Manager

Other schools may have Homecoming Day, but if having fun and laughing till you cry are two of your favorite things, you should have been at the Kwajalein High School Turkey Bowl held Thursday.

Laughter, raucous music, skits, a 'symphony,' hula dancing and even a visit by Gov. Sarah 'You Betcha' Palin, (aka teacher Christi Davis) rocked the multi-purpose room.

The annual event is held to mark the Thanksgiving break from school.

Points are awarded to the classes for the best Turkey Bowl poster, the best class cheer, the best skit, pie-eating contest and best sand castle. Whichever class has the most points at the end of the day wins



Photo by Allison Villarreal

Teachers Paige Singleton, left, Paula Fluhrer and John Jahnke 'perform' a bluegrass number.

the Turkey Bowl.

Michael Hillman and Troy Walter acted as Masters of Ceremonies and got things rolling.

The festivities included students impersonating their favorite teachers such as Dick Shields, Doug Hepler, John Janke and principal Al Robinson to the delight of the audience.

Also, teachers Paige Singleton, Paula Fluhrer and John Jahnke did a hilarious hillbilly/bluegrass song and dance act that got the audience clapping and foot-stomping.

There was even a 'Dancing With the Stars' segment complete with critical judges. Students Cassie Griswold, Andy Hogan, Monica Peters, Bret Young, Jeff Saunders and teacher Barbara

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# Planets headed for conjunction Monday

By Dr. Lisa Shier  
Astronomer

Venus, Jupiter and the crescent moon are headed for a spectacular conjunction in Kwajalein skies on Monday.

Venus and Jupiter are the two bright "stars" that have been dominating the evening sky of late. Both are very bright and easily visible in the western sky after sunset. Venus is the brighter of the two.

On Monday evening, the two planets will appear very close to each other in the sky and be joined by a crescent moon. All three objects will outshine all of the stars. Even though the moon and planets appear to be next to each other,

they will actually be millions of miles apart. As December progresses, the two planets will separate, with Jupiter disappearing into the sunset and Venus rising higher in the west after sunset. The moon moves very quickly with respect to the stars and planets and will pull away from the planetary pair in just a couple of days.

In December, the familiar winter constellations of Orion, Taurus, and Canis Major shine in the east at sunset and climb overhead later in the night. Orion is easily recognizable and passes almost directly overhead at Kwajalein's latitude. Orion contains the bright orange/red star Betelgeuse and the bright blue star Rigel. Taurus is

a Y-shaped formation of stars and includes both the Hyades and the Pleiades, the two closest star-forming regions to Earth. Canis Major, to the South of Orion contains the star Sirius, the brightest star in Earth's sky. The constellation Cygnus, also known as the Northern Cross, disappears into the sunset in December. The Crux, the Southern Cross, appears in the south east before dawn late in December.

Next summer there will be a major astronomical event in the Marshall Islands. There will be a total eclipse of the sun on July 22. The path of totality passes through the Western Marshalls, just missing Kwajalein Atoll. The eclipse will be total in Namu and Lae Atolls.

## The 41st annual Santa's Arrival Parade and Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony is Saturday, Dec. 6 as follows:

- **5-5:15 p.m.:** Santa arrives at the airport. Meet ocean-side of the terminal. Remember that bikes, rollerblades, scooters and skateboards are not allowed in the parade.
- **5:15-6 p.m.:** Santa's Parade. Join Santa and his merry band of elves on a parade to the downtown area for the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- **6:15 p.m.-sunset.** 41st Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony featuring the high school band and choir and local dancers.

Enjoy food and drink provided by Retail Services from 7 to 9 p.m. Downtown block party follows the tree-lighting ceremony with the community band playing holiday favorites. There will be inflatables for children and special sales at the AAFES stores. Save with the AAFES Grand Opening Celebration, Dec 4-7, with extra savings from 6-9 p.m. Lots of prizes drawings to be held at 8:30 p.m. The PX/PXtra and Shoppette will be open until 9 p.m.



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Bicanich channeled celebrities and professional dancers.

'Maestro' Ric Fullerton led a faculty 'symphony' in a laugh-till-you-cry rendition of the *William Tell Overture*, aka *The Lone Ranger* theme.

Hula dancers swung their hips to Tahitian music eliciting cheers and whistles from the audience. The entertainment concluded with an ensemble cast of students dancing and singing their rendition of *High School Musical*.

After lunch, the Turkey Bowl resumed at Coral Sands Beach with snacks, drinks, volleyball, kickball, sand castle building, a tug-of-war and just a relaxing day at the beach.



Photo by Steve Beuby

**Mad 'Maestro' Ric Fullerton conducts a faculty 'symphony.'**



Photo by Steve Beuby

**Hula dancers entertain the audience.**



Photo by Steve Beuby

**Gov. Sarah Palin (Christi Davis) makes an appearance at the Turkey Bowl.**



Photo by Steve Beuby

**Monica Peters and Bret Young do a 'Dancing With the Stars' routine.**



Photo by Steve Beuby

**Andy Hogan and Cassia Griswold join in 'Dancing With the Stars.'**



Photo by Allison Villarreal

**Students do a group dance for 'Dancing With the Stars.' Left to right, Kasih Hoch, Ashley Cochran, Matt Elkin, teacher Phil Lindert, Monica Peters, teacher Barbara Bicanich, Bret Young, Andy Hogan, Cassia Griswold and Jeff Saunders.**

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# 401(k) meetings scheduled for December

## Hourglass reports

Kwajalein Range Services, LLC and Vanguard are offering you several education meetings December 10-12.

Mark your calendar and get answers to your questions about retirement and information about your Kwajalein Range Services 401(k) Savings Plan. The meetings are scheduled as follows:

### Dec. 10

- 8-9 a.m.:  
*Join Your Plan*  
CRC Room 1.

- 9:30-10:30 a.m.:  
*Save More*  
CRC Room 1.
- 1-2 p.m.:  
*Join Your Plan*  
Roi-Namur Building C
- 2-3 p.m.:  
*One to one with Vanguard Rep*  
Roi-Namur Building C
- 3-4 p.m.:  
*Save More*  
Roi-Namur Building C

### Dec. 11

- 10-11 a.m.:  
*Save More*  
CRC Room 1.

- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.:  
*Join Your Plan*  
CRC Room 1.
- 2-4 p.m.:  
*One to one with Vanguard Rep*  
HR Office, Building 700
- 6-7 p.m.:  
*Join Your Plan and Save More*  
CRC Room 1

### Dec. 12

- 8:30-10 a.m.:  
*One to one with Vanguard Rep*  
HR Office, Building 700
- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.:  
*Save More*  
CRC Room 1.

## SWIM TEAM from Page 5

Jenni McMaster did the honors as coaches.

Kwajalein Swim Team head coach Sarah Stepchew and Julianne Kirchner coached the 13 and over swimmers.

Some of the volunteers who helped make the season a success were Bob Sholar, head of timers; Wendy Peacock, head of stroke judges and Jim Cossey who heads up the starters.

Other volunteers include Jenni McMaster, head of the ribbons and trophies committee, Christina and Matt Daggett who head up the set-up committee, and bull-pen workers, Marianne Osterbauer, Nancy Grant and Brynn Lovato.

Each of the committees is also staffed by loyal assistants who work tirelessly during the swim season.

The list of volunteers is long as at least one parent of each child on the team must volunteer. That is important because KST is strictly a volunteer-run activity.

"There are so many volunteers, we can't give credit to all of those deserving recognition for their service this season," said Judy Kirchner.

An awards ceremony will be held Dec. 1 recognizing all the Kwajalein Swim Team swimmers who put in outstanding efforts in the fall season.



Judges watch swimmers during a race.



Swimmers wait in the 'bullpen' for their races to begin.

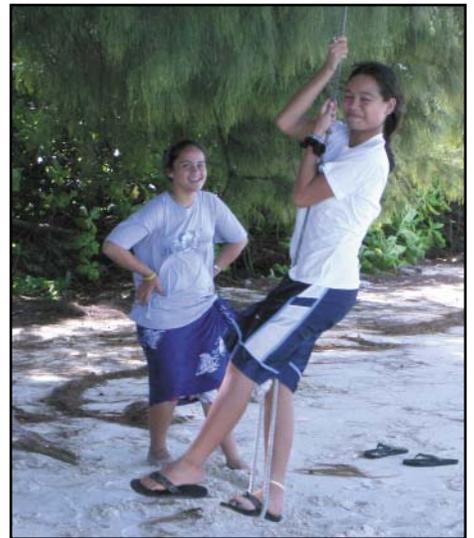


**Students enjoy a day at the beach..**

*Photo by Dan Adler*



**Some need encouragement to get in the water.**



*Photo by Dan Adler*

**Glothelia Mijena plays on a tree swing at Coral Sands while Hagar Kabua looks on.**



*Photo by Dan Adler*

**Chris Sanborn, left, and John Sholar battle it out with 'belly bumpers.'**



*Photo by Dan Adler*

**Leia Klinger, left, and Coleen Engvall start building a sand castle.**



*Photo by Dan Adler*

**Just hanging out at the beach is a good way to spend Turkey Bowl Day.**

**HELP WANTED**

**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/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.

**U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll**

OFFICE AUTOMATION ASSISTANTS, GS-0326-6. Temporary position not to exceed two years. The employee provides clerical support to ensure efficient office operations. The employee accomplishes various duties to provide essential office automation support and production. The employee performs a variety of assignments using the advanced functions of various database software packages. The employee prepares

**Religious Services**

Catholic

Saturday Mass, 5:30 p.m., in the small chapel.  
 Sunday Mass, 9:15 a.m., in the main chapel.  
 Mass on Roi is only on the first Sunday of the month at 12:15 p.m., in Roi 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.

varied documents with complex formats using the advanced functions of word processing, desktop publishing, and other software types. The employee performs systems maintenance functions for electronic mail systems. The employee performs a variety of assignments using the advanced functions of one or more spreadsheet software packages. The employee performs a variety of secretarial and other clerical and administrative functions, using judgment to answer recurring questions and resolve problems. Apply at <http://cpolwapp.belvoir.army.mil>.

**RTS WEATHER STATION**

ELECTRONICS TECHNICIAN. Our 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.

**WANTED**

SOMEONE WITH appropriate tools and knowledge to remove links from a watchband for a reasonable fee. Call Sam, 52785 or 52789.

FENCING, brown preferred, or decking materials, patio upgrades or outside upgrades, Kwaj bikes in good condition and boat house or space to share. Call 52211, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

ARE YOU TAKING down your fence? We want to buy it. Call 52319.

OUTDOOR AWNING and plastic patio table and chairs to buy. Call 53370.

HOUSE-SITTING for visiting parents Dec. 2-19. Call Ona, 52276.

X BOX 360 PS3, can pay up to \$200. Call 53416.

NATIVITY SETS for the Kwajalein Nativity Show on Dec. 8, at the Religious Education Building. Share your nativity set(s) and help spread the Christmas spirit this holiday season. Contact Jane Erekson, 54876 or [mjejuly@gmail.com](mailto:mjejuly@gmail.com).

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to assist in preparing and processing of the archive of old *Hourglass* newspapers. These papers are from 1961 to 2000. The job entails removing staples, unfolding papers and putting them in special folders in chronological order. Interested persons should e-mail Leslie Mead at [leslie.mead@smdck.smdc.army.mil](mailto:leslie.mead@smdck.smdc.army.mil) or call 58867. Volunteers will work at Building 905 from 7 a.m.-3 p.m., or by arranged time.

**LOST**

WHITE CROCHET hook tool near elementary school a week ago. Call 52597.

LAND'S END red raincoat with gray lining, youth size medium. Call 52398.

**FOUND**

WOMEN'S READING glasses on path near Richardson Theater. Call 52169.

SCUBAPRO SNORKEL, black, at marina dip tank or fell out of my trailer. Call Jaime, 59987.

YOUTH SWIM GOGGLES on Lagoon Road. Call 52110, work, or 52342, home.

DARK GREEN Stearn's raincoat, adult size large, on Redstone Road near SR1. Call 52398.

**PATIO SALES**

MONDAY, 7 a.m.-noon, Quarters 481-A. Boy's clothing, Legos, books and household goods.

MONDAY, 8-11 a.m., Quarters 129-B. Moving sale.

MONDAY, 8:30 a.m.-?, Dome 166 (in back). PCS sale. Household items, plants, clothes, pots and pans, kitchen appliances, TVs and toys.

MONDAY, 8 a.m.-noon, Trailer 754. Multi family PCS/ moving sale. Furniture, electronics, kitchen goods, plants, fishing and scuba gear.

MONDAY, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Palm BQ Room 301.Desktop and laptop computer with printer; Bose noise canceling earphones, \$150; scuba BC, men's, \$200; 27-inch TV/ VCR combo, \$150; DVD player, \$60; shirts; bedding; toaster and espresso coffee maker. Call Keith, 53612.

**FOR SALE**

TOSHIBA HD-DVD player with *Planet Earth*, HD version,\$100. Call 52342, home, or 52110, work.

SCUBAPRO Ladyhawk extra-small woman's BC, great condition, many extras, paid \$475, will sell for \$150. Call Rick or Kendra, 51132.

25-FOOT CATAMARAN with twin 115-horsepower Yamaha four-stroke engines, spacious deck, huge fish wells, great for fishing, diving, cruising, etc., \$45,000; drop-leaf dining room table with four chairs, \$100; stocked wine rack with glasses, \$75 and plants, \$5-40. Call Kim, 51256, or see at Trailer 754 Monday.

ROSEWOOD OVAL TABLE, 38-inches wide, 60-inch length with an 18-inch extension leaf, \$150; light colored wooden entertainment cabinet, 53-inches wide by 48-inches height, \$95; light colored wooden end tables with file drawer, 17-inches wide by 26-inches height, \$20 each and queen-sized mattress and box springs with 12-inch risers, \$150. Call 54613.

NICE TREATED DECK, \$250; Weber grill with stand and two tanks, \$125; loveseat, \$450; two recliners, \$250 each; two TV antennas with pole, cable and amp, \$150 and drip water system, \$100. Call 50172.

ICE CREAM MAKER, \$20; bread maker, \$30; two 8 x 10 decks, \$50 each and plants, \$5-25. Call 53496 or

*Café Pacific*

**Lunch**

<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Dec. 5</i>
Swedish meatballs	Roast pork loin	Beef tips in Burgundy	Chicken/sherry sauce	Stuffed cabbage	Fried chicken	Roast turkey
Fish sandwich	Crab Benedict	Whole roast chicken	Broccoli/rice casserole	Chicken pot pie	Short rib stew	Broccoli stir-fry
Peas and carrots	Meat/cheese pizza	Ham Marco Polo	Beef peapod stir-fry	Pasta a la pesto	Beans in broth	Sage stuffing
Grill: Hot dogs	Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Sloppy Joes	Grill: Tuna melt	Grill: N/A	Grill: Hot dog

**Dinner**

<i>Tonight</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>
Thanksgiving Feast	Chicken-fried chicken	Spaghetti	Salisbury steak	Sweet-and-sour pork	Carved top round	Roast pork
Turkey	Parker Ranch stew	Veal Alfredo	Barbecued chicken	Chicken hekka	Lemon herb chicken	Beef fajitas
Steamed crab legs	Vegetarian beans	Pesto mahi mahi	Spicy tofu/vegetables	Korean beef steak	Pinto beans	Chicken enchiladas



**A BIKE RODEO will be 9 a.m.-noon, Monday, by the AAFES Food Court. The rodeo is designed to help children learn to bike safely. The event is sponsored by KPD.**

51071.

SCWHINN BMX bike, \$30 and toaster oven/broiler/rotisserie, \$30. Call 54230.

COMPLETE MATTING and framing business with a lot of materials and high-end tools, \$5,000. Call John, 59444, or Jay, 50172.

CHILD'S DESK with chair, \$30; little girl's princess vanity, excellent condition, wood, pink with stencils, chair with pillow and skirt, perfect for Christmas, \$100 or best offer; wine rack with top for serving drinks, light wood, \$20 and possible computer table. Call 52211, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

SMITH TURNTABLE sunglasses, new, tortoise/brown lens, \$50 and Electric Overdrive sunglasses, new, black/grey lens, \$50. Call Justin, 51324.

WII DANCE DANCE Revolution, hottest party game, played twice, \$45; new Vera Bradley bags, assorted sizes, Elizabeth pattern, \$75 for all; new Dooney and Burke Wristlet purse, brown leather, \$65 and antique child's wooden desk and chair, \$50. Call 53731.

PS2 SILVER INCLUDING 10 various games and 16MB memory card. \$250; *Guitar Hero* for PS2, \$80; all-in-one HP printer/copier/scanner and fax, \$80; Conair two-sided round silver light up by battery or adapter mirror, \$10 and travel-size ironing board including Iron, \$30. Call Caroline, 58209 (Tuesday-Saturday) or 50167.

4 GB Kingston USB 2.0 flash drive, brand new, still in the package, \$20 and Gameboy Advanced SP with charger, \$40. Call 50165.

WII FIT. NEW IN BOX. never used, \$95. Call 53351.

PCS SALE. Boat, 21-foot fiberglass deep V-hull, 225-horsepower Johnson V6 outboard, 50-gallon fuel tank, VHF radio, safety equipment, trailer, and boathouse on Lot #800, passenger carrying potential, \$7,999 for all, includes eight-horsepower outboard backup motor. Call 59662.

#### COMMUNITY NOTICES

KWAJALEIN YACHT CLUB's meeting is at 6:30 p.m., tonight, at the Yacht Club. Happy hour at 5:30 p.m. Open to the public. Bring your Thanksgiving leftovers.

JOIN RICK AND STACY WELCHER at 6:30 p.m., Sunday, at the Pacific Club, as they celebrate their recent wedding on Oct. 8 in Minnesota. They would like to share photos and memories of the event with their Kwaj family

Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008



## HOLIDAY CONCERTS

- Dec. 4: *Third Grade Concert*
- Dec. 6: *Community Band Christmas Carol Concert, 7 :30 p.m., beside the Shoppette*
- Dec. 8: *Community Choir Christmas Concert*
- Dec. 11: *Junior/Senior High School Concert*
- Dec. 16: *Elementary school Holiday Concert*

**All performances except the Community Band Christmas Carol Concert will be at 7 p.m., in the high school multi-purpose room.**

and friends. Bring your own beverages.

THERE WILL BE a Marshallese-style sewing demonstration 1:30-5:30 p.m., Monday, in the Religious Education Building. Sponsored by the Marshallese Cultural Society.

ISLAND MEMORIAL Chapel's hang time for unaccompanied personnel is 6-8 p.m., Monday at Emon Beach. Barbecue provided. No alcohol please.

THE NEXT BOATER'S orientation will be 6-8:30 p.m., Dec. Wednesday and Thursday, in CRC Room 1. Cost is \$30 payable in advance at Small Boat Marina. Questions? Call 53643.

PASSPORT PHOTOS will be taken 3-4 p.m., Friday, at Building, 901, Room 219. Cost is \$10 a set. For more information, contact Anne Greene, 55033.

EBEYE RESIDENTS can now purchase Christmas trees at the high school office. The price is \$60 and they will make arrangements to meet you at the DSC for transport to Ebeye. Island residents may also still purchase trees. Delivery will be on Dec. 6.

THE BOWLING CENTER is featuring red pin bowling, 1-4 p.m., Dec. 7. Get a strike when the red pin is in the pole position and win a free game.

THE COMMUNITY is invited to a Christmas Nativity open house, 2-4 p.m., Dec. 8, in the Religious Education Building. Free of charge. Light refreshments will be served.

RETIRED MILITARY, Reserve Personnel and their spouses are invited to participate in a sensing session with Mrs. Kevin T. Campbell and Mrs. Ralph Borja to provide input to the Army Family Action Plan. The sensing session will be 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Dec. 12. If interested in attending or in having issues brought before the AFAP Committee and you cannot attend, contact

Roberta Jones at 54932 or e-mail [roberta.jones@smdck.smdc.army.mil](mailto:roberta.jones@smdck.smdc.army.mil) before Dec. 5.

JOIN THE HOBBY SHOP open house for hot cider and Christmas goodies, 6-8 p.m., Dec. 16. Holiday crafts will be on display and gift certificates will be available.

PER SPI 1184 users are responsible for vehicles/equipment weekly exterior wash prior to re-dispatch. To facilitate the washing of light vehicles Automotive will be open from 7:45 to 9 a.m. and 3:15 to 4:15 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Bring vehicles to the south side (gas station side) and follow the signs. Operators will check-in and stay inside vehicle, Automotive personnel will provide an exterior wash and signoff on the check sheet. Thank you for your assistance in prolonging the life of our aging vehicles.

AIRPORT COMMERCIAL service hours are 12:45-7:15 p.m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; 8 a.m.-2:15 p.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Closed on Sundays. If you need to book reservations on Continental, call the Travel Agency, 51013 or 51014. For cargo assistance, call 58660.

TRAVELING SOON? Please check this website for passport and visa requirements' needed for your travel [http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/cis/cis\\_1765.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1765.html). The airlines will not board passengers if the following requirements' are not met. Some examples of places Kwaj and Roi residents visit: Bali: Six months before expiration date of valid US passport and a full page for your Visa purchased on arrival; Thailand: Six months before expiration date of valid US passport; Australia: six months and a valid Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) see [www.eta.immi.gov.au](http://www.eta.immi.gov.au) for more information. FSM: Six months before expiration date of valid US passport; Philippines: Six months before expiration date of valid US passport and RMI: Six months before expiration date of valid US passport. Questions? call Anne Greene at 55033.

# Residents asked to make minor repairs to quarters

## Hourglass reports

Housing and BQ occupants are encouraged to utilize the Self Help store located in building 1791 to correct minor deficiencies in their quarters such as replacing:

- Light bulbs, fluorescent tubes and light covers
- Electrical outlet covers light switch covers
- Toilet seats, ball cocks, flush levers, flappers and faucet aerators
- Towel bars, tissue holders and spindles

Self Help can also be utilized for similar problems at your work place.

Self Help materials cannot be used at private boat houses or on

privately owned fences, decks, gazebos, canopy covers, etc.

Call 54990 for materials and tools availability.

When calling the Service Desk concerning a maintenance issue, please provide as much information about the problem as possible:

- Nature of the problem; Electrical, Plumbing, Roof leak etc
- Location within the facility, room # or name
- Urgency, whether water is flooding, sparks are flying from an electrical outlet, door won't close or secure or just routine. The Service Desk personnel will assign a priority according to this information.

After hours and weekend calls should be limited to true urgent

and emergency situations.

• For instance, a garbage disposal that won't work is not urgent and can wait till normal working hours unless the sink is totally clogged.

• A toilet that won't flush is not necessarily an emergency if it is not overflowing. Water can be poured into the bowl and the toilet will flush. If the call is from a housing occupant and there is a second bathroom available which can be used the situation can wait till normal working hours.

• If a light or electrical outlet won't work check bulbs/tubes and breakers before calling the Service Desk.

For additional information call-Billy Abston, 54840, Rusty LaRoche, 54990, or Melba Abston 53288.

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questions, but that's not the point of this article. I sometimes feel like a six year old bragging to my parents, "I can do it myself" which I probably could, but it would take longer and be more difficult. It usually helps to get some help.

I remember when I was a Captain in the Army and one of our Cobra attack helicopters had sunk with its tail in the dirt and nose to the sky in the thawed turf of Grafenwoehr. Surveying the situation, I came up with three very expensive, time consuming solutions.

Just then, a young private said, "Sir, if we dig out the front of the skids, the helicopter will come level and we could fly it off." My solution: Thousands of dollars and a day's work. His solution: No cost and 2 hours of digging (and he had to dig!). That day it sure did pay to get some help.

I'd like to think of myself as an independent, self-sufficient, pretty bright guy and you might disagree. I typically discover that I'm at my best when I involve others in the success of my endeavors. I know I've tried a couple of times to transport 6 large boxes home from the post office by myself and it rarely works. I've found people on Kwaj are very kind to offer a bungee cord or a hand, or even a bike. That's the sort of help that makes this community rich.

Nobody has all the answers; everybody has something to offer. I believe we are surrounded by a bunch of smart, generous and kind people (and one or two knuckleheads). So, I'd like to say "Thanks!" to all the generous people who have helped me over the years and if you have a problem, I hope I can offer more than a silly answer. Either way, let's help each other out. God knows we need it.

## Weather courtesy of RTS Weather

**Saturday:** Sunny, 0 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE at 15-20 knots.

**Sunday:** Sunny, 10 percent showers. **Winds:** NE-E at 15-20 knots.

**Monday:** Sunny, 10 percent showers. **Winds:** NE-E at 15-20 knots.

**Tuesday:** Sunny, 10 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE-E at 12-17 knots.

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, 20 percent showers. **Winds:** NE-E at 11-16 knots.

**Thursday:** Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. **Winds:** NE-E at 12-17 knots.

**Dec. 5:** Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. **Winds:** NE-E at 12-17 knots.

Annual total: 77.71 inches

Annual deviation: -14.03 inches

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

## Sun • Moon • Tides

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Saturday	6:29a.m./7:03 p.m.	7:46 a.m./7:34 p.m.	4:45 a.m., 3.2' 4:55 p.m., 4.4'	10:33 a.m., 0.2' 11:23 p.m., 0.3'
Sunday	6:29 a.m./7:02 p.m.	8:37 a.m./8:25 p.m.	5:16 a.m., 3.2' 5:26 p.m., 4.3'	11:03 a.m., 0.1' 11:55 p.m., 0.2'
Monday	6:29 a.m./7:02 p.m.	9:26 a.m./9:16 p.m.	5:48 a.m., 3.0' 5:58 p.m., 4.1'	11:33 a.m., 0.1'
Tuesday	6:29 a.m./7:03 p.m.	10:12 a.m./10:05 p.m.	6:21 a.m., 2.9' 6:31 p.m., 3.9'	12:28 a.m., 0.0' 12:05 p.m., 0.3'
Wednesday	6:29 a.m./7:03 p.m.	10:55 a.m./10:53 p.m.	6:58a.m., 2.7' 7:09 p.m., 3.7'	1:05 a.m., 0.2' 12:40 p.m., 0.5'
Thursday	6:29 a.m./7:03 p.m.	11:36 a.m./11:40 p.m.	7:43 a.m., 2.6' 7:53 p.m., 3.4'	1:47 a.m., 0.4' 1:23 p.m., 0.8'
Dec. 5	6:29 a.m./7:03 p.m.	/12:15 p.m.	8:44 a.m., 2.5' 8:51 p.m., 3.2'	2:38 a.m., 0.6' 2:22 p.m., 1.1'