

# THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



The team of visiting senior enlisted leaders stands on the roof of the TRADEX Radar Building after their visit to ALCOR and ALTAIR radars in the background. Left to right: Master Chief Petty Officer Charles L. Dassance; Sgt. Maj. Paulette J. August-Spicer; Sgt. Maj. Patrick A. Kutac; Chief Master Sgt. Thomas S. Narofsky; Command Sgt. Maj. Ralph C. Borja and Command Sgt. Maj. James N. Ross.

Photo by Vanessa K. Peeden

# Has the limit finally been reached?

From what I've heard so far, more than 18 NFL teams have passed on signing Michael Vick. That shows some intelligence on the part of those team owners. Of course, it may just be they won't touch him because of the terrible publicity and distractions it would bring to their organizations and it wouldn't be worth it,

Even rabid football fans love their dogs. The image of Vick hanging or electrocuting animals that didn't fight well enough for his taste is hard to forget and possibly harder to forgive.

Do any NFL teams need a quarterback that badly?

There's always someone, somewhere, waiting in the wings, who is bigger, stronger and better than Vick and doesn't carry any baggage. To tell the truth, I never thought he was all that great anyway. How many Super Bowl rings does he have?

It just comes down to the fact that a line needs to be drawn in the sports world, whether it's football, baseball, basketball, hockey or any other sport. I'm tired of hearing about players being involved in shootings, rapes, hit-and-run driving accidents, driving while under the influence and beating up a girlfriend or a wife. You name

it, I've had it.

The worst part is that it always seems to end the same way. The athlete calls a press conference where he 'confesses' his sins, asks forgiveness, says he's found Jesus and he won't ever do it again . . . until next time. The next thing you know, there he is on the football field, the baseball diamond or the basketball court earning his millions of dollars as fans cheer him on like nothing ever happened. So what if he did hit someone while he was driving drunk? So what if he was involved in

## The Way I See It

Dan Adler,  
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a sexual assault? So what if he probably shot someone outside a strip club? Hey, our team is winning.

So whose fault is it really? Is it the athlete who is pampered and fêted and fawned over and paid millions of dollars to play a game, or is it

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# Volunteers needed for recruit indoctrination

By Maj. Christopher Mills

I would like to invite any and all interested volunteers to participate as Instructors and Assistant Instructors of Math and English for the upcoming session of the Recruit Indoctrination Program. The Recruit Indoctrination Program (RIP) is designed to assist young Marshallese adults who have

aspirations of joining the US Military to achieve desirable results on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB). While it is focused upon Marshallese, it is open to Americans who wish to participate as well.

The key to success of the RIP rests upon volunteers. This fall, the ASVAB will be given on Sept. 23-25. We are preparing to start the pro-

gram on Aug. 19, however, we need your help! Teaching experience is preferred, but not required. Anyone who is interested in helping others improve their future is welcome.

Please contact either myself at this address or Mike Sakaio at *Michael.sakaio@smdck.smdc.army.mil* if you are interested in this truly rewarding activity.

**Thumbs Up to Linn Ezell and Ben Bartyzel for escorting a seriously ill Marshallese woman from Lib to Kwajalein for medical treatment. Also to Steve and Robby Alves for smoothing the way ahead of the boat to make the four-hour ride as smooth as possible for the patient. It was a selfless act that ended up saving the woman's life.**



## Thanks from Doreen Matsunaga

With humble gratitude and much mahalos, I want to thank the doctors, nurses and staff of the Kwajalein Hospital for the excellent service and care I received. The Kwajalein Community truly has a professional and dedicated medical staff. I am grateful that they are here. Additionally, I want to thank friends here and abroad, neighbors and the church for their prayers, thoughts, visits and meals. ALOHA NUI LOA!

— Doreen Matsunaga

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# Senior NCOs make visit to Kwajalein

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After several weeks of coordination, a team of senior enlisted non-commissioned officers from the United States Strategic Command, United States Space and Strategic Defense Command/Army Forces Strategic Command, Naval Network Warfare Command, and 1st Space Brigade visited U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll/Reagan Test Site July 28 and 29.

During their brief time here, the team was given mission area tours of the Reagan Test Site, Kiernan Reentry Measurement Suite and telemetry tours on Roi-Namur, boat orientations of Enniburr and Ebeye islands where much of the local Marshallese work force resides, and a reef island overview by helicopter with a visit to Meck Island.

The U.S. military has designated 2009 as the year of the NCO, honoring those who keep up the standards of proficiency in the military.



Left: The visiting team of senior enlisted leaders on Kwajalein July 29. From L to R: Command Sgt. Maj. Ralph C. Borja, Command Sergeant Major for United States Space and Strategic Defense Command/Army Forces Strategic Command, Huntsville, Ala.; Sgt. Maj. Paulette J. August-Spicer, Joint Forces Office, United States Strategic Command, Omaha, Neb; Master Chief Petty Officer Charles L. Dassance, Force Master Chief Naval Network Warfare Command, Norfolk, Va.; Mike Hendrix, Flight Safety Officer; CW4 Steven Bass; Chief Master Sgt. Thomas S. Narofsky, Senior Enlisted Leader and advisor to the United States Strategic Command Combatant Commander and staff, Omaha, Neb. Lt. Col. John Eggert, Director, Reagan Test Site, Republic of the Marshall Islands; Command Sgt. Maj. James N. Ross and Sgt. Maj. Patrick A. Kutac, Senior Enlisted Leader for United States Army Kwajalein Atoll.

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the fans who forgive almost anything he does as long as their team is winning when he plays?

I really wonder what would happen if an NFL team signed Vick. Would the fans of that team fill the stadium to see him play or would they boycott the games? Would animal rights activists hold protests outside the stadium and maybe even inside during the games? Would the city the team played in be filled with shame and embarrassment by Vick's presence?

It just might be the people of that city wouldn't stand for it and show it by not buying tickets. There's one thing team owners worry about and that's making money. You can bet if there's a problem costing them profits, that problem won't be around long. Any NFL owner should think about that long and hard.

It's really funny how our society functions anymore. Athletes can commit rape, do drugs, get involved in a shooting where someone dies, kill or injure a person while driving drunk and hey, all is forgiven — as long as the team has a winning season.

But maybe, just maybe, the killing of helpless dogs will be the line that finally, nobody will be greedy enough or stupid enough to cross. Maybe what Vick did really was the final straw. It's too bad there's not as much outrage when an athlete does something to a person, so I guess dogs will have to do.

At least, thank God, it looks like *something* might be too much to brush off and let a spoiled, ego-filled, and apparently unfeeling, unbelievably cruel person go back to making his millions.

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I don't expect athletes to be saints or choirboys. I don't expect them to be what they were when I was a boy . . . heroes we could look up to and be proud of. The only time we heard anything about athletes back then was when they did something great on the field or if they did something like a charity event for the community they lived in. We never heard about drug use, wife beating, drunk driving or anything else.

But today's athletes have changed, at least many of them. Maybe it's just our 'culture,' if you can even call what we have today a culture. Athletes are prima donnas and expect to be above everything and everybody, even the law. They don't respect or have loyalty to the people who come to see them play and who pay their ridiculous high salaries by filling stadium seats. Sometimes, it almost seems like they go out of their way to show contempt for the fans.

No, I don't expect athletes to be saints or choirboys, but I don't expect them to be thugs and hoodlums either. And truthfully, the majority of today's athletes aren't thugs. Most of them represent a good image of the sports they play and they should mightily resent those who don't.

If an athlete is a bad apple and puts his career in jeopardy by being involved in terrible and illegal behavior, then he should pay the price for it. And I don't mean a fine that barely dents his fat wallet and a 'suspension' that basically gives him a few days off from having to play. No, I mean his career should be over, period. I really hope there's a limit to what fans and team owners can stomach.

Is what Vick did to those dogs that limit?

I guess we'll find out.



Three of the ten 100 percent electric vehicles purchased from E-Ride in Maryland. Of the ten vehicles, 7 are on island and 3 are in transit.

# New electric vehicles expected to result in significant cost savings for USAKA

Article and photos by Dan Adler  
Media Services Manager

A conversation between Col. Frederick Clarke and David Stewart, USAKA Equipment Specialist, began an almost year-long electric vehicle quest for Stewart.

“The way this came about was that the Colonel and I were talking one day about how we could come up with

alternatives for all of the engine-powered heavy equipment that we were seeing rolling all over the island,” said Stewart. “I said some companies build electric vehicles that could possibly accommodate some of our needs and we might be able to save energy and fuel by using electric vehicles.”

Stewart started researching in September of last year to find an electric vehicle alternative to some of those

gas-powered vehicles being used. Alan Stone and Alan Metelak of KRS Automotive collaborated in the effort and also researched electric vehicles.

“We were looking for certain requirements in the vehicles we knew we were going to need,” said Stewart.

He added, “At the same time, there was an article in *Army Times* about how the Army at large was going to start using fleets of electric vehicles for use at some of their garrisons for such things as mail delivery or running simple errands. I researched and contacted the company that builds the vehicles the Army is going to use, but after speaking to them and looking at what they had to offer, we determined their vehicles did not have all the features we wanted and would not fit our needs.



The new vehicles have plenty of cargo room, space for tools and a nice cab.



**The new electric vehicles will take on some of the transportation needs that are currently being fulfilled by vehicles such as this step van. That will result in reduced usage of gas-powered vehicles and fuel costs savings.**

For instance, they didn't have an aluminum or stainless steel body and they had standard transmissions which we didn't want. And besides, some of their vehicles cost more than the ones we got from E-Ride Industrial [the company the vehicles were purchased from]."

"We briefed the Colonel and told him these units had the components we needed and that we would like to test 10 of them. Once he looked at it, he decided to support the funding requirement," Stewart said.

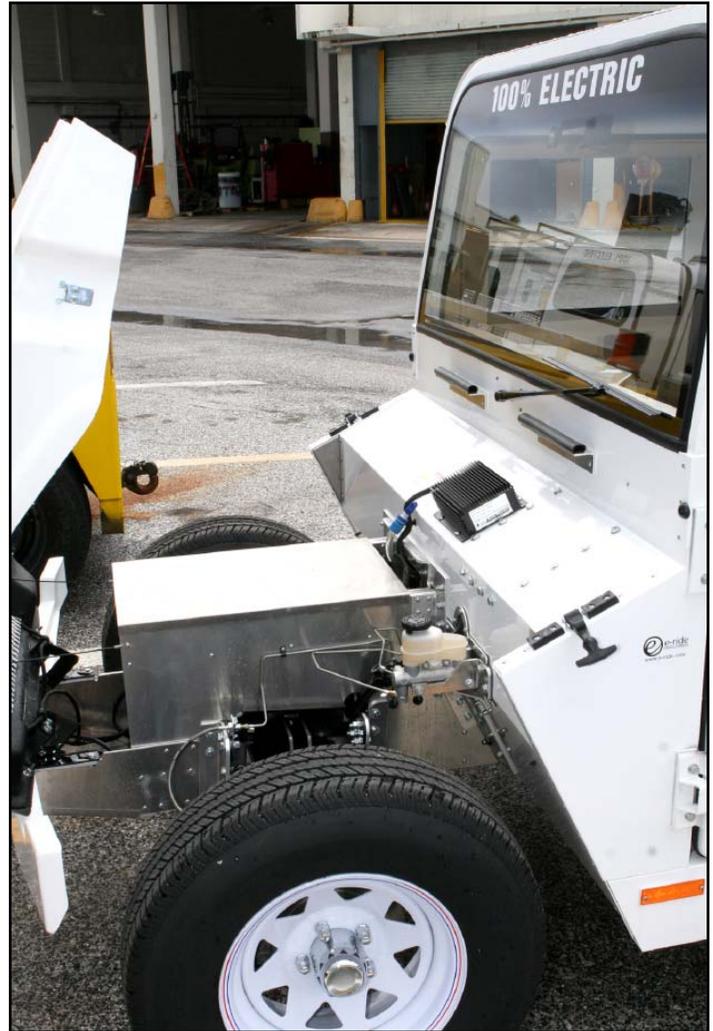
Stewart explained, "The new vehicles are more robust than the current electric scooters," he said. "They have a greater cargo carrying capacity of between 1,000 to 1,500 pounds, plus storage compartments for such things as tools. They have a larger electric motor which gives them more power with a maximum speed of 25 miles per hour."

In addition, Stewart said the new vehicles are all aluminum with all aluminum cargo beds and bodies. They have an aluminum frame and a very flexible suspension so they should hold up very well in the corrosive environment on Kwajalein.

Stewart added, "They also have direct drive which means there is no standard transmission to cause maintenance problems and they should require far less maintenance than a standard vehicle with a steel body and frame. They can run for up to eight hours on a single charge as opposed to the current scooters which need charging every four hours."

The ten vehicles will serve as a 'test bed' to determine if they are going to be economically efficient based on fuel cost savings and how much maintenance they will require and how much life expectancy they will have. Right now, the current scooters have a maximum life of five years, but many have only made it for four or less. However, although they are more 'robust,' the new vehicles are not intended to take the place of the electric scooters being used now.

"We would like to test these new vehicles for a certain period, say six months or so," according to Stewart. "Then we can see what the failure rate would be. Is the vehicle serving the purpose that we had intended for it to perform, is the cargo capacity enough, is the suspension holding up and so on. We also would want to see how easy it would be to get parts to flow. Most vendors should be able to supply parts because they are not unique to these vehicles. We should be able to go to most vendors and say we need a particular part and get it. The tires and rims are also not unique to these vehicles, so getting new tires and rims from almost any



**The 'computer' on board monitors vehicle performance.**

tire dealer shouldn't be a problem. We really think these vehicles are going to be very versatile."

As far as life expectancy for the new vehicles, Stewart said he believed that with proper maintenance and use, seven years would be reasonable .

The plan is to shift some of the workload that heavier gas-powered vehicles such as big dump trucks, pickup trucks and step vans are being used for onto the electric vehicles. Work such as picking up coconuts, palm fronds and other trash or going out on service calls can easily be done by the new electric vehicles since they have a good cargo carrying capacity. The vehicles will be divided among Public Works, Supply and the Central Motor Pool.

In just one example of cost comparison, the new vehicles run \$19,000 per unit whereas a step van's price tag is \$30,000. Right now, step vans are being used to do work they really aren't needed for. While the electric vehicles are not going to replace step vans, pickup trucks and dump trucks, they will help to reduce usage of those gas-powered units, thereby saving a significant amount in fuel and energy costs.

"I really think we're going to be impressed with these new vehicles," Stewart said.

The Colonel also hopes others will take note and that customers and tenant organizations on Kwajalein consider switching to energy efficient vehicles that meet their mission requirements.

# Wireless internet network now available in AAFES food court, adult recreation center

By Sheila Bigelow  
Associate Editor

Move over Starbucks, Kwajalein internet has finally stepped into the 21st century and now offers wireless internet access in both the AAFES food court and the Adult Recreation Center. Dial up internet can be snail-like and frustrating, and DSL may be a long time coming; so in the meantime, I suggest you try out the new wireless internet at the food court and ARC, you might be surprised and delighted with what you find.

Talks about improving the public network experience here in Kwajalein and Roi began in February, 2008. The Quality of Life committee proposed the plan and provided the funds for all the necessary equipment. Kwajalein Range Services, MIT and AAFES banded together for the common interest of providing a wireless network to Kwajalein and Roi residents. Members from each group met informally on a volunteer basis to discuss which services would make sense to offer, such as email and an on-island chat server.

In the past, there were several constraints keeping this project from moving forward; however, now there is support from management, volunteers, approval from the government side and funding from the Quality of Life committee that have made the completion of the project a success.

The new wireless network access points use the same public network as for dial-up, which is the only common network everyone on-island can use. It will be especially useful to those that are not on the government business network ("dot mil") or take temporary jobs and are only allowed access for short periods at a time.

Who can use this new wireless network? Anyone with a K-badge is allowed access. This includes Roi and Kwajalein employees, and their dependents. Children under the age of 18 must obtain parental permission. Even TDY employees are eligible for temporary access for the time they are working here. Roi residents sign up in the same manner as Kwajalein residents and are able to use the network when they are on Kwajalein.

How do you sign up? From any network (home, work or public), log onto <http://newuser.kwajalein.com>. Fill out the form on the screen with all your information. Hit the SUBMIT button. You will then be asked to verify your information. Once you are certain it is all correct, SUBMIT again. You must then print out the form. (NOTE: The site gives you an option to have the document sent to your email address. This is recommended so that you have a copy for your records.) What is also important to note is that this is the *one* time you are given your temporary password. Be sure to write it down or there is also an option to have it sent to your email account.

Once you have printed out your completed form,



Look for this Kwajalein public net Wifi zone sticker that identifies locations that pick up the wireless network signals.

you need to sign it and bring it to the IS Help Desk in building 806 along with your K-badge. You will not be allowed to turn in the paper without your K-badge for identification. Each person must turn in their own document.

Only register one time. If you make a mistake and re-submit your form, your most recent password will serve as your temporary password. However, if for some reason you lose or forget your temporary password, you must re-register in order to obtain a new one. Anytime you re-register, you must bring a new paper to the IS Help Desk to turn in.

Once you have turned in your paper, you will receive an email from Kwajalein.com. The email will give you a link to follow to change your temporary password (<http://changepassword.kwajalein.com>). This must be done from the public network (dial-up, wireless, school or public computers at the ARC or library). Once you have changed your password, you are able to access the wireless network at either the food court or ARC.

Another suggestion I would make before you take your laptop to either the food court or ARC is to follow the link <http://wifi.kwajalein.com/> and set up your wireless connection settings. Provided are step by step instructions for wireless settings using Windows XP or Vista. Instructions for Mac OSX are com-

ing soon.

Once your wireless settings are in order, you are ready to head to the food court or ARC and surf the web. The first thing you should do is to check out the new services available to you. Check out <http://mail.kwajalein.com> to see all the features now available at your fingertips including an on-island chat server, address book, task list, notebook, briefcase and calendar.

Everyone who signs up to the wireless network will be given a Kwajalein.com email address powered by a Zimbra server. Zimbra is similar to Microsoft Outlook, so those that have used it will find it easy to navigate and use.

The calendar feature will be very useful once more residents sign up. Right now there are about 300 people signed up with more to be expected when everyone gets back from vacation at the end of the summer. With the calendar tool you will be able to view other individual calendars and also group calendars. The Scuba Club or Community Activities can create their own calendar with event and meeting dates that are easily view-

able by the public. Stuck at home with nothing to do on a Saturday night? Check out some group calendars to see what's going on around and about the island. Want to plan a dinner party for a few of your friends? Pull up their calendars and check to see which night everyone has free.

The briefcase tool is also useful. You can upload documents and photos into your briefcase and will have access to them at any computer on the public network. You can update important documents and then save them back into your briefcase to be worked on later. There is a file sharing component as well, allowing you to share photos among friends.

Another key feature is the Windows Update server. Windows is prompted to install updates from a Microsoft update server when necessary. Instead of having multiple residents download the same large file, using off-island bandwidth, a local Windows Update server will download the update one time. Residents will then be able to download the updates from the local server which will be much faster. When this functionality is

ready, it will be described on the wiki (<http://wiki.kwajalein.com>) so that public network users can self-configure their computer to make use of it.

Everything in Zimbra, including your email, briefcase and notebook contributes towards your total 100 MB of space available.

There are plans in the works for more improvements to the network. Approval is currently being sought to expand locations for wireless access.

Future locations may be at the Roi air terminal, Roi community building, Kwajalein air terminal, Grace Sherwood library and the Kwajalein high school library. Information about available services, future wireless access point rollouts and more will be posted to the public network wiki at <http://wiki.kwajalein.com>.

All work on the new wireless network is being done on a completely volunteer basis, so residents are asked to be patient if problems arise. If you are having problems with connectivity, log on to <http://wiki.kwajalein.com> from a public computer to look for simple solutions.

## Fifteen servicemembers die in Iraq, Afghanistan

**Spc. Herberth A. Berrios-Campos**, 21, of Bealeton, Va., died July 24 in Salman Pak, Iraq, of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

**Pfc. Donald W. Vincent**, 26, of Gainesville, Fla., died July 25 of wounds sustained while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

**Spc. Justin D. Coleman**, 21, of Spring Hill, Fla., died July 24 in Nuristan Province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit using small arms and rocket-propelled grenade fires. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry), Fort Drum, N.Y.

**Sgt. Gerrick D. Smith**, 19, of Sullivan, Ill., died July 29 in Herat, Afghanistan, of injuries sustained from a non-combat related incident. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 130th Infantry, Illinois Army National Guard, Marion, Ill.

**Chief Warrant Officer Douglas M. Vose III**, 38, of Concrete, Wash., died July 29 in Kabul Province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using small arms fire. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group, Stutt-



Lyrics from American Anthem from Ken Burns' The War

*Let them say of me  
I was one who believed  
in sharing the blessings  
that I received*

*Let me know in my heart  
when my days are through  
America, America,  
I gave my best to you*

gart, Germany.

Two Marines died July 30 of wounds suffered while supporting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. **Lance Cpl. Gregory A. Posey**, 22, of Knoxville, Tenn., and **Lance Cpl. Jonathan F. Stroud**, 20, of Cashion, Okla., Posey was assigned to 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C. Stroud was assigned to 2nd Combat Engineer Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp

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# Shocking!

## *Rainy season brings increased chance of thunderstorms, lightning at Kwajalein*

By Mark Bradford  
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**N**ational Lightning Safety Week in the United States was June 21st through 27th. Lightning is a concern to us here at Kwajalein as we move into our rainy season. This is the period during which we are most likely to experience thunderstorms that produce local lightning and thunder, and the distant lightning flashes we see at night. In this article, we will tell you things you should know about lightning and provide safety tips that may save your life during a thunderstorm.

First, let's talk safety. During a thunderstorm, you really want to get indoors. An enclosed structure, like a building or substantial house provides some protection. But just because you are inside doesn't mean you are safe from lightning's reach. If indoors, stay away from windows and plumbing fixtures. Avoid touching electronic equipment, including the telephone, as these things can be conductors of lightning. It is even risky to use a cordless phone.

Are you in danger if you are outdoors and see lightning? The answer is yes, if you can hear thunder. If you feel your hair stand up, it is another sign that you are in danger. Attraction between positive charge on your hair and the negatively charged particles in the lower part of a thunderstorm cloud causes your hair to rise. This is an indication that a lightning strike is about to occur. Then, the best thing to do is crouch down on the balls of your feet, put your hands over your ears, and bend your head down. Make yourself as small a target as possible and minimize your contact with the ground. Do not lie flat on the ground.

You don't need to be in the middle of a downpour to be struck by lightning as it can originate from a storm cloud as far as 5 to 10 miles away. The distance between you and a thunderstorm can be determined by counting the seconds between when you see a lightning flash, and when you hear thunder. Every five seconds is equal to one mile of distance between you and the thunderstorm. If the time between the flash and thunder is less than thirty seconds, you should move immediately to the safety of a building. If that is not possible, an automobile may provide some protection if the windows are rolled up and you do not touch any of the car's metal parts. Once inside, you should stay put until at least thirty minutes after the last thunder clap is heard; the 30/30 rule.

Here are some things to remember if a building or automobile is not available for shelter. Generally, lightning will strike the tallest object in the area and this might be you! If a thunderstorm is near, avoid standing in



open areas such as the beach, park, swimming pool, or golf course. Avoid standing by tall isolated structures like towers or trees. Open structures such as car ports, beach huts, and the deck of a boat offer no protection from lightning. Many victims of lightning are not struck directly by a lightning discharge, but are hit as the lightning charge travels in or along the ground.

What should you do if you are caught in a thunderstorm while boating? Keep away from metal objects that are not grounded to the boat's protection system. Put on your life jacket! If you are struck, you may be rendered unconscious and fall overboard. Additionally, wind and seas may increase around the thunderstorm, making boating conditions unsafe. If possible, get below deck. The prudent mariner, seeing an approaching thunderstorm, heads home to port.

Now let's look at some interesting statistics. At Kwajalein, rain showers occur throughout the year, but our rainy season generally lasts from mid-May through mid-December, the months during which we observe most

of our thunderstorms. We experience 10.3 thunderstorm days per year at Kwajalein (averaged over 56 years through 2008). A thunderstorm day may include observations of one or more thunderstorms during the particular day. During 2008 we recorded 13 thunderstorm days, slightly above our long-term average.

Around the globe, there are, on average, more than one hundred lightning strikes during every second, every day. Between 1959 and 2003, there were nearly four thousand people killed by lightning in the U.S. This figure does not reveal the thousands of other injuries caused by lightning, including severe burns, memory loss, even brain damage. On average, ten percent of lightning victims die. Seventy percent suffer serious long-term effects. Talking on the telephone is the number one cause of lightning injuries that occur inside the home.

During your lifetime, the odds of becoming a victim of lightning in the United States are one in three thousand. Lightning can raise the air temperature by an astounding fifty thousand degrees Fahrenheit, and can contain one hundred million volts of electricity. Lightning can and will strike the same person or place twice. Lightning may even appear to come from out of the blue. This is "positive lightning" which originates from an area of positive charge near the top of a thunderstorm. Positive lightning is particularly dangerous because it can strike as far as five to ten miles from the storm cloud. Imagine standing out under a clear blue sky and being struck by the terrible force of one of these lightning bolts.

Everyone has a role to play when



**Rainy season can bring torrential rain, thunderstorms and lightning to Kwajalein..**

lightning safety is considered. The Kwajalein Weather Station issues lightning warnings in support of USAKA aviation operations, RTS range activities, and for island residents. The Weather Station uses cutting-edge technology to provide these warnings. Data from our dual-polarized Doppler weather radar are automatically evaluated in real-time to warn of any potential lightning threats. Audible alarms from this system immediately alert the meteorologist on duty if a threat is developing. Additionally, an Atoll-wide lightning detection system reports the location of any cloud-to-surface lightning strikes that actually occur within the Atoll area.

Depending upon location of a thunderstorm, a lightning warning may be issued for an island or recreational boating area. Warnings are

scrolled on the TV weather channel, as well as warning cancellations. Coaches, life guards, police, teachers, and parents should all be especially vigilant to guard their charges when lightning warnings are issued and thunderstorms are near.

Remember, if caught in a thunderstorm, head indoors. If you are unable to get into a building, try a vehicle with metal roof, but avoid contact with any metal inside. Otherwise, avoid open fields, tall trees and towers, fences, swimming pools, salt water, open boats, and electrical equipment. Use the 30/30 rule, stay low and safe.

The sources for information provided in this article are the websites of the National Lightning Safety Institute, National Weather Service, University of Oklahoma, and the National Geographic News.

## CASUALTIES from Page 7

Lejeune, N.C.

**Staff Sgt. Johnny R. Polk**, 39, of Gulfport, Miss., died July 25 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Landstuhl, Germany, of wounds suffered when his vehicle was struck by an anti-tank grenade on July 23 in Kirkuk, Iraq. He was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

**Spc. Alexander J. Miller**, 21, of Clermont, Fla., died July 31 in Nuristan Province, Afghanistan, from wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit with rocket-propelled grenades and small-arms fire. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry), Fort Drum, N.Y.

Three Soldiers died Aug. 1 in Mushan Village, Afghanistan, of wounds sustained when insurgents at-

tacked their patrol with improvised explosive devices and rocket-propelled grenades. They were assigned to the 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colo. Killed were: **Cpl. Jonathan M. Walls**, 27, of West Lawn, Penn.; **Pfc. Richard K. Jones**, 21, of Person, N.C.; and **Pvt. Patrick S. Fitzgibbon**, 19, of Knoxville, Tenn.

Three Soldiers died from wounds suffered when insurgents attacked their vehicle with an improvised explosive device Aug. 2 in Qole Gerdsar, Afghanistan. Killed were: **Capt. Ronald G. Luce Jr.**, 27, of Fayetteville, N.C.; **Sgt. 1st Class Alejandro Granado**, 42, of Fairfax, Va.; and **Sgt. 1st Class Severin W. Summers III**, 43, of Bentonia, Miss. All three Soldiers were members of the Mississippi Army National Guard, and assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 20th Special Forces Group (Airborne), Jackson, Miss.

**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.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND** is looking for a biology instructor for face-to-face evening classes from August 24 to October 18. Classes are held at the High School two evenings per week, three hours per night. Instructors must have a masters degree. If interested, contact Jane Russel, [jrussell@asia.umuc.edu](mailto:jrussell@asia.umuc.edu). Call 52800 Tuesday through Saturday 1 – 5 p.m.

**WANTED**

SCUBAPRO AIR2 alternate regulator with hose, new or used. Call John, 53290.

**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

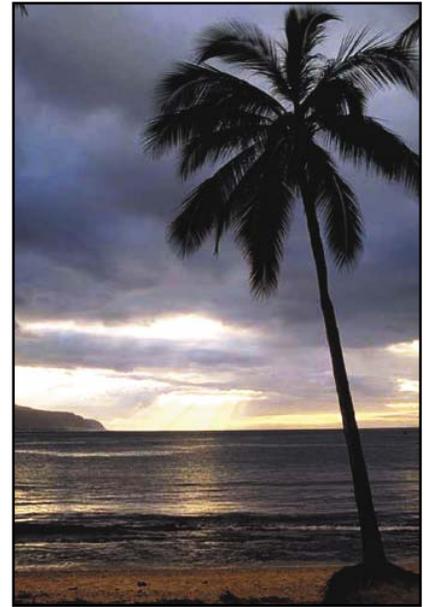
10 a.m., Sunday, in

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.

**THE MIC SHOP** is moving downtown! In preparation for our move, the Mic Shop is permanently closing the doors at its current location and moving next to Gold Mine Jewelry and Tropic Jewelry in the area formerly used by the DVD Depot. Join us for our grand re-opening celebration August 16. Ribbon cutting ceremony at 1 p.m. and extended hours until 5 p.m.



**FOR SALE**

RUBBERMAID BURLEY, \$100; Schwinn burley, \$15; computer desk, \$50; Sun bike frame, \$50 and a 40 gigabyte iPod Photo, \$50. Contact 52279.

TWO SCUBAPRO GLIDE Plus BCDs, one medium and one extra large with integrated weights and Air2, in excellent condition, \$250 each; Scubapro octopus with MK250 first stage and a Dacor Magnum regulator \$50 each. Call 53336.

MICROWAVE, small, \$25; desk chair, \$20; bike trailer, large and heavy duty aluminum, \$100; two bar chairs, folding, \$30; clothes hanging rack, free-standing, \$15; beach umbrella, new, \$15; medicine chest, metal and locking, \$10; electric razor, \$10; hammock, \$12 and a CD Drive, used for \$15 or best offer. Contact 53417 or 55590.

NINTENDO WII AND Xbox 360 video games, \$10 each; new men's size 11 1/2 Rockport leather dress shoes, \$25; cordless phone, \$25; desktop Dell computer with 17 inch flat screen monitor and wireless keyboard/mouse, \$350 and a microwave, \$25. Call 54216 and leave a message.

TV, 32 inch, color with remote control and TV stand, \$300. Call 54803 after 4:30 p.m.

BOOTS, BRAND NEW leather Timberland Pro Series, size 10 wide, electrical shock hazard/ steel toe/anti-slip, comes with waterproofing material, paid \$130, asking \$65. Call 52434 and leave a message.

TWILIGHT SERIES TO BORROW, would like to read Eclipse and Breaking Dawn by Stephanie Meyers, will return when finished. Contact 52597.

SIT-ON-TOP KAYAKS and kayak paddles. Contact e-mail, [zorijoki@yahoo.com](mailto:zorijoki@yahoo.com).

TALL FENCING for yard and a living room sofa. Call 54586.

HOUSE-SITTING situation, pets and plants preferred, short or long-term. Contact at [zorijoki@yahoo.com](mailto:zorijoki@yahoo.com).

CYSS IS SEEKING volunteer coaches for Youth Basketball for kindergarden through sixth grade, no experience necessary. Contact 53796 for more information.

FELLOW BRIDGE PLAYERS, any skill level. Call 52843 and leave a message.

PA SPEAKER SET and stand for small-scale private indoor/outdoor musical performance. Will pay reasonable price for used equipment. Call Dan Hopkins at 51460 or 52349.

SEA GLASS/BEACH GLASS. Don't just toss it away! I will buy your unwanted Kwaj Sea Glass/Beach Glass. Call Billy or Jane at 55269 after 5:30 on workdays, anytime weekends. If not home leave a message.

FAMILY-SIZE microwave in good condition. Call 53290.

*Café Pacific*

**Lunch**

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Aug. 15</i>
Carved pork loin	Egg noodles	Collard greens	Chicken pot pie	Corn bread	Roast turkey	Vegetables
Vegetable stir-fry	Ham Marco Polo	Savory brown rice	Stuffed cabbage	Scalloped potatoes	Sage stuffing	Chicken nuggets
Au gratin potatoes	Whole roast chicken	Beef and peapod stir-fry	Pasta a la pesto	Red beans in broth	Mashed potatoes	Sesame ginger tofu
Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Sloppy Joe's	Grill: Chuckwagon	Grill: Fried chicken	Grill: Grilled tuna melt	Grill: Iowa chop

**Dinner**

<i>Tonight</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Potato Dujour	Spaghetti	Spicy tofu	Egg rolls	Pinto beans	Spanish rice	Pancake supper
Parker ranch stew	Veal alfredo	Whipped potatoes	Chicken Hekka	Beef with au jus	Warm tortillas	Beef brisket with gravy
Chicken fried chicken	Italian bread	Peas and mushrooms	Oriental fried rice	Broccoli Normandy	Chicken enchiladas	Szechuan chicken stir-fry

**MOBILE KITCHEN EVENT** at Emon Beach August 15. Menu to include; sesame sweet BBQ pork with blue cheese over a bed of fresh greens, jalapeño corn bread, shrimp cocktail, mix vegetables, creole rice, Kentucky Bourbon flank steak with Cajun crawfish, water, beer and wine, and strawberry shortcake for dessert. Seating is limited. Cost is \$37.50 for meal card holder and \$42.50 for non-meal card holder. For payment see Marie Curtiss at the Retail Service Office building 805 next to the Bowling Center, 53933.

**BOATHOUSE** with boat cover, lot 305. Two month-old A/C. sturdy cover, 8 foot by 13 foot container with power, lights, etc, \$1,500; 225 horsepower outboard motor, Mercury EFI 2-stroke, good condition, lots of power, \$2,500, or best offer. Call Tyler at 52371.

**DVD'S, CHEAP;** over 200 movies and a DVD/VHS player, for best offer; microwave; toaster oven; coffee maker and a computer. Call Cory at 55525 or 53445.

**ROLLING LITTER BOX,** \$15; dress, formal, black, size 10, \$75; Bionaire air purifier with Hepa filter, \$75; full/queen duvet cover, new, \$35; small microwave, \$25; adjustable curtain rod and two sheer, black curtains, \$15 and a mirror with hardware to hang, \$5. Call 54778 and leave a message.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**THE CYSS SCHOOL** Aged Services before and after school care program for K through sixth graders begins 25 August. Registration and enrollment opens on Aug. 11 at CYSS Central Registration (Bldg. 356), and space is limited. For more information, contact Micah at 52158.

**PASSPORT PHOTOS** will be taken 3-4 p.m., Aug. 13 at USAKA/RTS TOC, Bldg 730 (behind the Post Office). Price is \$10 cash. Contact Nelda Reynolds, 53417 or Rob Clayton, 54013 for further info.

**CYSS Youth Basketball** registration is open until August 29. Open to boys and girls in kindergarten to sixth grade. The league dates are from September 10 to October 31. Contact 52158 for Registration Information. Contact 53796 for Sports Program Information

**OKTOBERFEST** is being celebrated at the Vet's Hall on October 4.

**AA MEETINGS** on Roi-Namur are now being held at 1:30 p.m., every Wednesday, in the KEAMS Training Room at the Terminal Building. Call Bill, 52338 or Marion, 55362.

**IS TRAINING** now has classes available for adults who do not have a CAC. E-mail [cindy.brooks@smdc.k.smdc.army.mil](mailto:cindy.brooks@smdc.k.smdc.army.mil) for a schedule of classes.

**WEIGHT MANAGEMENT** Support Group meets at 5 p.m. every Friday in the Hospital Conference Room. The community is invited. Questions? Call 55362.

**Operation Security is everyone's responsibility**

Be sure all classified documents and offices containing classified materials are secure. Practice good OPSEC.



USAKA is hosting an OPSEC Officer Training Course August 20-22 in CRC Room 6. This training is open to all Contractors, Civilian Government Employees and Military Personnel. This is not the basic annual training but instead the class will certify those who attend as DoD (all service recognized) OPSEC Officers. Graduates of this class will be authorized to be appointed as OPSEC Program managers/Officers, conduct annual training, etc. There will be room for 40 - 50 students. Cutoff date for registration is August 1 at noon. Send in reservation to MAJ Hinkle for the class. Send full name (rank if appropriate), phone number and division/section where you work. Questions: 5-4417 or email [Ronald.hinkle@smdc.k.smdc.army.mil](mailto:Ronald.hinkle@smdc.k.smdc.army.mil)



**THE MARSHALLESE CULTURAL CENTER** will be open 3-5 p.m. on Mondays in August. It will not open on Thursdays due to lack of volunteers. Questions? Call Sue Ellis at 54364.

*Projected menu-subject to change*

*Café Roi*

**Lunch**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Aug. 15
Glazed pork roast	Dijon flank steak	Garlic mahi mahi	Barbecue burritos	Boiled brisket	Barbecued spare ribs	Roast pork loin
Almond chicken	Eggs Benedict	Missile burger	Coca-cola ham	Pasta/clam sauce	Tempura mahi mahi	Chicken cutlet
Eggs Florentine	Baked penne	Chicken sandwich	Fish du jour	Vegetable of the day	Baked beans	Mac and cheese
Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: Brunch station open	Grill: N/A	Grill: N/A	Grill: Cheese sandwich	Grill: P&J sandwich	Grill: N/A

**Dinner**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Aug. 15
Corned beef/cabbage	Shoyu chicken	Pork chops	Carved roast	Spaghetti	Chicken with capers	Grilled steaks
Bangers and mash	Pork adobo	Fish and chips	Roast chicken	Beef totellini	Braised beef	Huli chicken
Cabbage colcannon	Asian noodles	Praline Yam casserole	Parmesan ratatouille	Garlic bread	Lentils and brown rice	Tofu/veggie stir-fry

# Hazardous operation scheduled

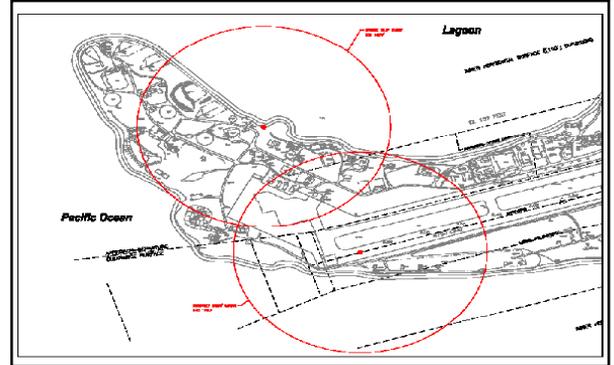
## Hourglass Reports

Due to a mission hazardous operation taking place Aug. 9-10, the airfield and golf course will be closed on Aug. 9 from 5 a.m. until completion of the airfield operations.

KPD will place barricades on the Ocean and Lagoon sides of the runway roads on Aug. 9. These barricades will prevent non-mission essential personnel from traveling south/east past building 1010 on lagoon side and past the terminal on the ocean side until completion of the hazardous operation.

The airfield and golf course will re-open once hazardous cargo moves from the runway to the barge slip ramp on south end of island, expected COB Aug. 9. The barge slip ramp area will remain off limits through Aug. 10 until the cargo has departed. See map of the hazard-

ous operations areas adjacent to this notice. Information will also be on the Roller. Contact USAKA Safety, Billy Traweek at 54841, if you have any questions pertaining to this hazardous operation.



Jikin ekake eo an balun im jikin Golf eo renaj kilok ilo ran in Jabot August 9 lok nan Mondre August 10 ran. Ijokein ba kaki renaj kilok jen 5am jibon ilo 9 August ran mae ien eo ededelok an koman jerbakal kein.

Enaj wor menin binej ial ko ilo turilik im turear in airport eo nan bobrae an jabrewot Armij ejelok aer melim in drelontok ilo jikin jerbakal kein. Ijokein ba kake renaj bar bellok ne emoj komakit men

ko rekauwotota nan ion barge eo ilo ramp eo elkin raelep in Jabot, ijoke ke, jikin ektak mweik eo ilo ramp en enaj kilok maien emoj an emakit kein jerbakal kein ilo ran in Mondre August 10 ran. Enaj wor Kojela ko week in lal ilo Roller eo nan aer kwalok map in ijoko rej kauwotota. Ne elon am kajitok, jouj im kir tok USAKA Safety opija eo Billy Traweek ilo 5-4841.

## FLU PREVENTION TIPS

With the current concern regarding H1N1 Flu, a renewed emphasis on hand washing is one of the most important preventative measures to prevent the spread of germs. **PREVENTION TECHNIQUES to reduce the spread of airborne and contact diseases:**

- Always cover your nose & mouth with a tissue, dispose of the tissue and wash hands immediately.
- Do NOT reuse the tissue or place it in your pocket. If no tissue, use your elbow instead of hands.
- Wash hands for at least 10-20 seconds with warm soapy water. If not water, use an alcohol-based hand

cleaner.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
- Keep a social distance of at least 3 feet from other people.
- If you are sick and have a fever of 100.4, go to First Stop for medication and stay at home for seven days or at least 24 hours after symptoms subside.

For more information visit these WEBSITES:

<http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/>

<https://blog.amedd.army.mil/tsg/?page=PostViewSingle&postId=102>

<http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/pdf/brochure.pdf>

## Weather courtesy of RTS Weather

**Sunday:** Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. **Winds:** E at 5-10 knots.  
**Monday:** Partly cloudy, 30 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE-ESE at 5-10 knots.  
**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. **Winds:** E-SE at 5 knots.  
**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. **Winds:** Light and variable.  
**Thursday:** Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE-E at 5-10 knots.  
**Friday:** Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE-E at 5-10 knots.  
**Aug. 15:** Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. **Winds:** ENE-E at 5-10 knots.

Annual total: 30.92 inches  
 Annual deviation: -18.78 inches

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

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

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Sunday	6:41 a.m./7:08 p.m.	9:08 p.m./ 8:47 a.m.	5:47 a.m., 4.5' 6:07 p.m., 4.0'	12:03 a.m., -0.5'
Monday	6:41 a.m./7:07 p.m.	9:47 p.m./9:42 a.m.	6:14 a.m., 4.3' 6:35 p.m., 3.9'	12:05 a.m., -0.3' 12:27 p.m., -0.4'
Tuesday	6:41 a.m./7:07 p.m.	10:28 a.m./ 10:19 a.m.	6:41 a.m., 4.0' 7:05 p.m., 3.8'	12:03 a.m., -0.1' 12:53 p.m., -0.2'
Wednesday	6:41 a.m./7:07 p.m.	11:12 p.m./11:08 a.m.	7:11 p.m., 3.6' 7:42 p.m., 3.6'	1:10 p.m., 0.2' 1:22 p.m., 0.0'
Thursday	6:41 a.m./7:06 p.m.	/12:01 a.m.	7:48 a.m., 3.1' 8:30 p.m., 3.4'	1:53 a.m., 0.5' 1:58 p.m. 0.4'
Friday	6:41 a.m./7:06 p.m.	12:00 a.m./12:57 a.m.	8:41 a.m., 2.4' 9:47 p.m., 3.1'	2:54 a.m., 0.9" 2:49 p.m., 0.7'
Aug.15	6:41 a.m./7:05 p.m.	12:54 a.m./1:57 p.m.	10:32 a.m., 2.1' 11:52 p.m., 3.1'	4:48 a.m., 1.1' 4:30 p.m., 1.1'