

THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



**Stan Edwards,
Kwajalein Fire
Department chief
of fire prevention,
discusses fire
extinguishers.**

For more, see page 7.

Photo by Catherine Layton

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I want to thank the Quality of Life committee member who created the QOL survey in order to get an idea of how the community feels the monies should be spent. I'm sure the information helps the committee when it comes to their decision making. I appreciated the opportunity to have my say.

I just read the results of that survey and the comments people made. I was impressed by not only the number of comments, but also the many good ideas people have. I know the committee cannot possibly research every idea, no matter how good it is. Could you please tell us the process by which an idea to improve quality of life on Kwaj or Roi becomes a funded Quality of Life project? And what are the restrictions or limitations made on the monies?

– Judith Shimamoto

Dear Judith,

The Quality of Life fund is managed by a QOL committee made up of reasonable representation from all organizations and activities maintaining a permanent presence at USAKA/RTS. The committee is responsible for accepting and reviewing input from all demographics of the Kwajalein and Roi-Namur communities in order to identify and fund projects and programs that will enhance and improve the morale and living conditions of these communities. The committee meets monthly and considers recommendations from all their constituents for potential funding. Proposals are presented to the QOL committee for funding consideration and are voted on by the voting-members of the committee.

If you have a request you would like to present to the QOL committee, simply contact your appropriate representative and they can get you scheduled to present your proposal or they can present to the committee on your behalf. Proposals are typically in a business case format so if you make a request, please be prepared to help gather information about work or purchase estimates and/or pictures and drawings.

Following are the current QOL representatives to contact if you have a proposal for the committee:

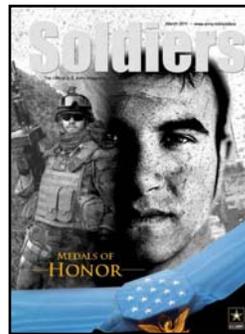
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In regard to your question about restrictions or limitations made on the monies in the QOL fund, there is no restriction on how much money the committee can allocate to a specific proposal other than the overall QOL budget. By its Charter, the committee is to avoid the use of the QOL funds to supplement base-funded requirements and activities. The committee will be voting on projects from the recent QOL survey at their next meeting on March 18. If you would like your voice heard before then, contact your appropriate representative with your suggestions. Comments from the survey have already been discussed and have been taken into account.

If you have further questions regarding the QOL fund, please feel free to e-mail me or contact your representative.

– Sheila Bigelow, Managing Editor



THUMBS UP

To Todd Lopez and *Soldiers magazine* for the great series of articles about Kwajalein. Also, to all the Soldiers, contractors and civilian employees who took time out their day to talk to Mr. Lopez during his visit in November 2010. The series will appear in the March 2011 edition of *Soldiers magazine* and is currently available online at <http://www.army.mil/soldiers>.

To the person(s) who returned the AAFES charbroil grill. Now we can better serve our customers during our BBQ events!

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Photo courtesy of FSC Jason Drzewicki

Sequoia Chief Food Service Specialist Jason Drzewicki offers a ride to Kwajalein residents on the rickshaw he and his crew built.

Rickshaw provides taxi service on Kwaj

By Sheila Bigelow
Managing Editor

You may never see a yellow cab on Kwaj, but over the last month you may have seen members from the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter *Sequoia* offering rides to Kwaj residents aboard their ingenious rickshaw.

The rickshaw was built using scrap pieces of material from the ship. The rickshaw is full of accommodations – cup holders, music, a cover to fight off the rain and sun, a section for your bags, a padded seat for two and a light for nighttime use. The bike was built mainly by the chiefs aboard the *Sequoia* to develop camaraderie between the chiefs, the crew and as *Sequoia* Chief Food Service Specialist Jason Drzewicki put it, “the wonderful people of Kwaj.”

Kwaj was the first and only place the rickshaw has been used. “It seemed to fit in since Kwaj is the ‘bike Mecca of the world,’” said Drzewicki.

The rickshaw was quite a sight, even on Kwaj, and advertised itself. So much interest was sparked that Drzewicki and his crew had to start an appointment book for rides. “It was a complete success; it seemed like I always had a rider in the rickshaw wherever I was going,” said Drzewicki. Riders were taken to almost every spot on Kwaj from the golf course, Vet’s Hall, Emon Beach, and for many different reasons including fishing, shopping, recreation and sunset cruises. They even drummed up business on Valentine’s Day. “Word got out I had appointments to take couples to dinner,

and as I dropped them off, the rest of the couples at the dinner seemed excited about the rickshaw, so I started giving couples moonlit rides ... around family housing area.” Rides were given every day the *Sequoia* was in port and they were at liberty.

The purpose behind the rickshaw was a sort of initiation for new chief petty officers aboard the *Sequoia*. Drzewicki, Chief Machinery Technician John Melus, Chief Machinery Technician Ben Morris and Chief Electronics Technician Carl Sgambelluri were the lucky drivers of the rickshaw and those being initiated. The rickshaw’s official purpose is the Chiefs’ Call to Indoctrination, which is to prepare prospective chief petty officers to perform their roles and responsibilities. According to Drzewicki, this event recognizes the achievement of a significant career milestone. “CCTI reinforces the responsibilities of the entire chiefs’ corps as leaders and mentors. These indoctrinations serve to inform the command that a new senior leader is present and ready to accept the additional responsibilities as a leader and mentor. It also provides the prospective chief petty officers with better understanding of the importance of camaraderie between chief petty officers to help further personal, unit and organizational goals. The fundraising activities are outstanding opportunities to not only reduce the cost of conducting CCTI, but to build camaraderie among the participants. Chiefs are always willing to extend a helping hand to shipmates when the need arises.”

Nothing but smooth sailing for the KYC Commodore's Ball

Article and photo by Jude Winchester
Commodore's Ball Chairman

Sailors and non-sailors alike enjoyed the 2011 Kwajalein Yacht Club Commodore's Ball at the country club on Sunday evening. It was an opportunity for the ladies and gents to wear their finest "island formal" attire for an evening of dining, dancing, award presentations and some fun and games around the "bilge bowl." Attendees were welcomed and presented with fresh orchid leis and enjoyed cocktails and pupus before dinner. Commodore Ken Winchester thanked last year's officers and presented them with plaques expressing appreciation for their service to the club and the community. Race Chairman Patrick Gorman presented awards to winners of the 2010 KYC Race Series, and he took home the grand prize trophy. Vice Commodore Tim Roberge and Quarter Master Monte Junker presided over the traditional "bilge bowl" as the Commodore challenged party goers to answer nautical questions.



Yeoman Denise Dorn receives recognition for her service with the Kwajalein Yacht Club.



Six servicemembers die in Afghanistan

Staff Sgt. Jerome Firtamag, 29, of Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia, was medically evacuated from Kandahar, Afghanistan, to the United States on Dec. 1, 2010, for treatment of a non-combat related illness. He died Feb. 24 in Pembroke, Ky. Firtamag was assigned to the 96th Combat Support Battalion, 101st Combat Aviation Brigade, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

Cpl. Johnathan W. Taylor, 23, of Homosassa, Fla., died Feb. 22 while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 8th Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Spc. Andrew C. Wilfahrt, 31, of Rosemount, Minn., died Feb. 27, in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using an improvised explosive device. He was assigned to the 504th Military Police Battalion, 8th Military Police Brigade, 8th Theater Sustainment Command, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Spc. Brian Tabada, 21, of Las Vegas, died Feb. 27, in Konar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using small arms fire and a rocket propelled grenade. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Air As-

sault), Fort Campbell, Ky.

Sgt. Kristopher J. Gould, 25, of Saginaw, Mich., died Feb. 27, in Ghazni province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using an improvised explosive device. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 2nd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Knox, Ky.

Pfc. David R. Fahey Jr., 23, of Norwalk, Conn., died Feb. 28, in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, of wounds suffered when insurgents attacked his unit using an improvised explosive device. He was assigned to the 504th Military Police Battalion, 42nd Military Police Brigade, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash.

Girl Scouts, KSC spruce up public gardens

Article and photos by Carrie West
High School Girl Scout

If you have ridden your bike past Kwajalein Public Gardens this week, you may have seen a big change. On the morning of Feb. 22, the Kwajalein Scuba Club and Kwajalein Girl



Claire Stepchew lifts a bag of debris to be hauled away.

Scout Cadette troop members Ella Wiley, Claire Stepchew, Christine Abragan, Claire Grant, Addison Cossey and Carrie West teamed up to take on the weeds, spiders, and general grossness of the gardens. The Girl Scouts came up with the idea to beautify the gardens because, as Addison Cossey, 12, said, "It was my favorite place when I was little and I hate to see how overgrown it is ... I want this place to be a place where people want to come." When the KSC heard of the Girl Scouts' idea, they pitched in to help out the worthy cause. The KSC purchased refreshments for the morning and a pair of gardening gloves for each of the Girl Scouts. Many KSC members and community members who heard about the event also came down to help with the clean up.

After a few hours of raking, sawing, clipping, mowing and sweating, the gardens were back to their former glory. The Girl Scouts enjoyed their volunteering experience. "My favorite part of the day was when Claire Stepchew and



Claire Grant, left, and Christine Abragan take inventory of gardening tools for clean up of the public gardens.

Mr. Williamson saved the butterfly from the spider web," said Claire Grant, 12. Ella Wiley, 9, thinks the best moment from the clean-up was "the popsicles afterward!"

Then & Now

See how Kwajalein has transformed over the years

Island Memorial Chapel



Photo from Hourglass Archives



Photo by Ruth Miskovsky

FIRE!

Extinguisher training gives CYSS employees knowledge, experience

Article and photos by Catherine Layton
Associate Editor

Few scenarios would be more stressful than being in a room with small children with a fire alarm ringing out. Child, Youth and School Services here on Kwajalein always wants to be prepared for any possible situation, and the Kwajalein Fire Department gives annual training to help make that stressful experience one where instinct kicks in, and an orderly resolution occurs.

One part of the annual training includes fire extinguishers — how to use them and the benefits and limitations of them. At the Kwajalein Fire Department, Stan Edwards, chief of fire prevention, and Sherry Olson, fire inspector, conducted a class for the employees of CYSS, showing how to use the right extinguisher for the right type of fire.

No one ever wants to be in an emergency situation where a fire must be put out, but it is a possibility. Knowing how to operate an extinguisher is vital, so no time is lost trying to figure out how to use the equipment.

Extinguishers are effective on small fires, about the size that would be in a trash can. “When a fire gets bigger than that, you are going to have more to deal with than the fire; you get toxic smoke and fumes. Get out, sound the alarm, get everyone else out,” said Edwards.

In general, all extinguishers operate the same way. All

extinguishers have a carrying handle, a pickup tube that runs down the center of the cylinder, a hose and a horn. They all have a pull pin as a safety device, so you can’t discharge it accidentally. Also, they should be stored upright. When using an extinguisher, a good way to remember how to operate is to think of the “PASS” method:

- Pull the pin or ring (located by the handle)
- Aim the hose at the base of the flames
- Squeeze the lever on the handle
- Sweep the chemical at the base of the flames.

There are a few different kinds of extinguishers on Kwajalein. There is a water extinguisher, recognizable because of the silver colored steel canisters. They hold 2-1/2 gallons of water and are useful only for Class A fires, or fires from ordinary combustibles like wood, paper or cloth (see graphic on next column).

The CO₂ extinguishers contain carbon dioxide, a non-flammable gas, and are highly pressurized. They are used for class B and C fires. CO₂ dissipates oxygen, so using it in a confined space is not recommended. “The oxygen depletion is probably not enough where you might notice, but you start getting bigger extinguishers in smaller spaces, and people have lost consciousness while using them,” said Edwards. CO₂ is extremely cold when it comes out of the nozzle, it is -137 degrees; it is the same as dry ice, which is just compressed CO₂. One should never touch anything the CO₂ has traveled through on an extinguisher directly after it has been discharged. “Your skin would actually stick to it,” said Edwards.

The best extinguishers on island are the ABC dry chemical five-pound extinguishers. They are referred to as ABC extinguishers, because they are rated to douse any class A, B or C-type fires. The ABC type is filled with monoammonium phosphate, a yellow powder that leaves a sticky residue. Dry chemical extinguishers have an advantage over CO₂ extinguishers since they leave a non-flammable substance on the extinguished material, reducing the likelihood of reflash, or reignition.

KFD inspects all the extinguishers on island annually and tags them with a yellow card that will be punched with the month they were inspected. A blue seal for 2011 is also affixed, “That way, if I walk into a building and I see a red seal, I know that extinguisher needs to be serviced,” said Olson. Moreover, each extinguisher should be checked monthly by someone in the environment it is being stored. For the monthly checks, verify the extinguisher



Stan Edwards, Kwajalein Fire Department chief of fire prevention, demonstrates what can happen when the incorrect extinguisher is used on a fire. The inset photo shows a small gasoline fire, while the large photo illustrates the danger when a water extinguisher is used in an attempt to douse a flammable liquid fire.



is not blocked by equipment, coats or other objects that could interfere with access in an emergency. Check the gauge near the handle. The needle should be in the green zone – not too high and not too low. Make sure the pin or ring and tamper seal are intact. There should be no dents, leaks, rust, chemical deposits or other signs of abuse/wear. Wipe off anything that may be on the extinguisher.

With all of the extinguishers on island, it is up to the fire department to hydrostatic pressure test them regularly. “KFD is one of the only fire departments in the world that does this pressure testing,” said Edwards. KFD pressure tests any cylinder on island, from extinguishers to scuba tanks. To perform a hydrostatic test, the cylinder to be tested is filled with water and placed in a pressurized chamber or tank, which is also filled with water. The water pressure within the tank is then raised to the proper test pressure for the given cylinder and allowed to hold for up to 30 seconds. This increase in tank pressure forces the tank to expand, pushing water out of the testing chamber. This water is forced into burettes near the chamber and is measured. The pressure within the cylinder is then released and it is allowed to deflate, allowing water from the burettes to drain back into the testing chamber. The water left behind after draining is measured to determine how much the cylinder has permanently expanded. If this value is within 10 percent of the cylinder’s original volume, it passes the test. “There is a rupture disc on the side of the tank, and if the cylinder does explode, it does so in the tank and only blows the rupture disc, and there is no damage to the tank itself,” said Edwards. If a cylinder doesn’t hold the pressure or deflate to back within the parameters, it is tagged as no longer usable.



Felix Dribo, KFD extinguisher maintenance inspector, affixes the lid on the hydrostatic test tank. Cylinders are placed inside the tank for pressure testing.



Sophia Graham learns the “PASS” technique – Pull the ring, Aim the hose, Squeeze the lever, and Sweep the base of the flames – and extinguishes the gasoline fire in seconds.

Winter
Season

KWAJ SPORTS



2011

BOWLING

Tuesday, Feb. 1

TOP BOWLERS - MEN

Keith Huston: 215

Bill Hahn: 214

Shane Jacobs: 206

TOP BOWLERS - WOMEN

Rebecca Ramsey: 166

Evelyn Smith: 144

Palepa Smith: 139

TOP SERIES

Bill Hahn: 580

Rebecca Ramsey: 438

Team Standings (as of March 1)

	WIN-LOSS	TOTAL PINS
One and Done:	18-6	14329
California Roll:	16-8	14185
No Business:	14-10	14088
Kwaj Boyz:	14-10	14060
Blue Balls:	13-11	14033
Random Shots:	10.5-13.5	14216
3 Aces & A Joker:	5.5-18.5	13597
3Xs & A No Show:	5-19	13683

BASKETBALL

Thursday, Feb. 24

A LEAGUE

Hoops defeat Fun-Da-Mentals: 62-60

Bakaiaro defeat Spartans: 52-49

B LEAGUE

Sweet Swishers defeat Dogs of K-Town: 30-18

Chuckers defeat Wii Not Fit: 43-26

Tuesday, March 1

A LEAGUE

Hoops defeat Bakaiaro: 51-44

Spartans defeat Fun-Da-Mentals: 61-54

B LEAGUE

Dogs of K-Town defeat Wii Not Fit: 33-28

Sweet Swishers defeat Chuckers: 43-32

Team Standings (as of March 1)

A LEAGUE		B LEAGUE	
Hoops:	7-1	Sweet Swishers:	8-0
Spartans:	6-2	Chuckers:	5-3
Fun-Da-Mentals:	1-7	Dogs of K-Town:	2-6
Bakaiaro:	2-6	Wii Not Fit:	1-7

WATER POLO

Saturday, Feb. 26

Chargogg defeat USAKA: 39-24

Spartans defeat Turbo Turtles: 51-50

Zissou defeat Turbo Teachers: 38-33

Tuesday, March 1

Turbo Turtles defeat USAKA: 48-26

Chargogg defeat Zissou: 48-26

Spartans defeat Turbo Teachers: 37-23

TOP SCORERS

Shawn Brady (Spartans): 42 points

Jeremy Gideon (Chargogg): 41 points

Bruce Premo (Turbo Turtles): 40 points

Bill Williamson (Turbo Turtles): 31 points

Maggie Fronzak (Spartans): 29 points

Team Standings (as of March 1)

Spartans:	5-0	Zissou:	2-3
Chargogg:	4-1	Turbo Teachers:	1-4
Turbo Turtles:	3-2	USAKA:	0-5

View from Kwaj

Submit your own photo! E-mail to hourglass@smdck.smdc.army.mil.



Photo by Col. Joseph Gaines



Photo by Sheila Bigelow



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Photo by Nancy Moscone



Photo by Sheila Bigelow



Photo by Jane Erekson



Photo by Bob Sholar



Photo by Sheila Bigelow

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, on the bulletin board by the Continental Travel Office and on the Roi-Namur Terminal/Post Office bulletin board. Full job descriptions and requirements for Contract openings are located online at www.krsjv.com.

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.

BANK TELLER, part time, 30 hours. E-mail nj.kim@dodcommunitybank.com.

WANTED

HOUSE for family visiting for graduation from May 26-June 8. Good with plants and pets. Contact Gloria Cassiday at work, 55199, or at home, 54517.

HOUSE for previous Kwaj residents, Worrell family of five. Need housing from March 11-March 21. Pets okay. Please call 54609 and leave a message.

RUG, 8x10 feet or larger and round dining table in good condition. Call Rose at 53731.

Religious Services

Catholic

5:30 p.m., Saturday, Island Memorial Chapel.
 5:30 p.m., Ash Wednesday service
 6:30 p.m., Friday, Stations of the Cross
 No Sunday services for March

Protestant

8 and 11 a.m., Sunday, on Kwaj.
 Roi-Namur service at 7 p.m. on Friday

Baptist

9:40 a.m., Sunday, in elementary school Music Room.

Latter-day Saints

10 a.m., Sunday, in CRC, Room 3.

Jewish services

Second Friday of the month in the REB. Times will vary.
 Contact the Chaplain's office, 53505, for more information.

PATIO SALES

MONDAY, 8-10 a.m., inside quarters 427-B. PCS sale. Household goods, futon, king size bed, large 7x3 foot wood table.

FOR SALE

SMALL BC with AIR2, US diver regulator and computer, \$150; three-wheel bike, \$100 and 14-inch crystal vase, \$15. Call 51889.

XBOX 360 package with lots of extras, \$325; also saxophone, \$250 and instant pop-up and fold-down tent, \$50. Call Jeremy at 52525.

KING-SIZE BED, pillow-top mattress plus box spring, Serta Vera Wang Paillette, purchased three months ago, paid \$1,100, will sell for \$700 or best offer. Call 52319.

QUEEN-SIZE BED in excellent condition, with custom frame with headboard, box spring, mattress, mattress top, \$400; soccer shoes; children's clothes; Wilson golf clubs, \$75; 2-wheel golf cart, \$25 and chess sets, \$20 each. Call 52544.

TWO WILDERNESS systems tarpon 160i kayaks, paddles, PFDs, kayak stand, and Sunbrella cover, \$1,100 for all. Call 53760.

SEADOO 760 three-seater with trailer and ski shack, all new carburetors, starter, motor mounts and battery, \$3,750; black leather couch, \$750; matching loveseat, \$450 or set, \$1,150; Zojirushi BBCCX20 bread machine, \$100; Kai-cycle chopper bike, \$400; 27-inch TV, \$150; 24-inch TV, \$125 and 17-inch TV, \$100. Call 52366.

SUN BIKE, lime green, little rust, 11 months old, good condition, \$175; area rug, big enough for BQ, less than one year old, \$25 and Panasonic TV, 20-inch, two years old, great condition, \$150. Call 53279.

BAYLINER TROPHY, 1990, 23 feet, twin Yamahas 115HP four-stroke engine, 140-gallon internal fuel tank and new trailer, \$30,000. Call 58240 or 59252.

REINELL CUDDY, red and tan, 1988, 19-inch, inboard powerboat, needs fiberglass work, with boat shack, \$4,000; Lamborghini female bike, \$15; Puma soccer shoes, women's size 7, used twice, \$15; coffee maker, \$15; 50-gallon fish tank and stand with everything to run it, \$350; computer desk, \$75 and camping utensils set, new, \$20. Call 52279 or 53074.

HOBIE GETAWAY CATAMARAN, 2007, fast, fun, comfortable, excellent condition, includes sails, Tiger Trax wheels, teal Sunbrella material for boat cover, \$5,000, all reasonable offers considered; free-standing deck with handrails, 10x6 feet, \$200 and large, healthy potted plants, price negotiable. Call 53003 or 50619 for more information.

CAL 20 sailboat, in water ready to sail, \$4,000; 8x10 foot vinyl shed, \$500; Yamaha 4hp outboard motor, \$500 or all for \$4,500. Call Rebecca at 50617 or 51357.

EURO-PRO seven-quart programmable slow cooker,

very good condition, \$35 and Coleman 100-quart white marine cooler, new, \$80. Call 52517 and leave a message.

COLUMBIA mark II sailboat, 26 feet, in the water on one-year mooring, dinghy and 5HP motor, boat shack, trailer, five sails in excellent condition, CD/iPod/radio/stereo, 2009 10HP Honda kicker, toilet, sink, VHF radio, life sling, barbecue grill, 406 EPIRB, swim platform, sleeps four, everything works and is a great boat, sailed to many places here at Kwaj and to Namu Atoll, bought a bigger boat, \$9,000. Call Ryan Vahle at 52222 or 52590.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KWAJALEIN YACHT CLUB'S first winter series race will be March 6. Skippers meeting at 1 p.m. in front of the SBM office, with the race start at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome to join for a fun day on the water, no prior sailing experience needed. This is a no pressure, fun sailing event; being a part of the experience is what it is all about. For more information, call Jon, at 54156.

LADIES, if you haven't attended a Christian Women's Fellowship luncheon before, at noon on March 6 in the R.E.B. is a great time to join us for a delicious lunch, a little fun and games and great fellowship. All ladies, of all denominations are cordially invited. For more information contact Chapel Office or Paige at 50900.

THE BARGAIN BAZAAR needs your donations. We will pick up at your quarters on March 7. Please leave a message at 53686 with your name, quarters number and phone number.

KWAJALEIN SCUBA Club has a \$50 gift certificate up for grabs to the winner of the best underwater video contest. Bring your video to the 7 p.m. meeting on March 9 in CRC room 1 so members can view it and vote on their favorite. The video must have been taken within the last two years and be no more than five minutes long. To submit your video early, bring it to Bill Williamson's Dive Shop.

JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH choir and band concert is at 7 p.m., March 10, in the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room. The event will feature concert band, choir, junior band and stage band.

COME AND SUPPORT our young artists at their art shows. The theme this year is wonders around the world. Kindergarten through third grade will display their art from 7-8:30 p.m., March 11, in the Coconut Room. Fourth through sixth grade will display their art at the same time and place on March 18.

THE YOKWE YUK Women's Club is hosting a fajita bar social at 6:30 p.m., March 11, at the Pacific Club on Ocean Drive. Open to all women in the community. We'd especially welcome any island newcomers. Come join us for an evening of fun.

JOIN US ON St. Patrick's Day. Come to the Vet's Hall for some holiday shenanigans. Live music by The Insane Gecko Posse at 9 p.m. on March 13.

Café Pacific

Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	March 12
Carved London Broil	Hamburger Steak	Whole Wheat Pasta	Grilled Chicken Breast	Mambo Pork Roast	Pot Roast	Meatloaf in Gravy
Salmon Croquettes	Sweet/Sour Pork	Italian Meatballs	Old-Fashioned Stew	Jerk Chicken Wings	Chicken and Dumplings	Meat/Veggie Stir-Fry
Pork Pimento	Noodles Romanoff	Meat/Veggie Stir-Fry	Veggie Quesadilla	Sesame Tofu	Blackened Tilapia	Carmelized Onions
Brunch Station Open	Brunch Station Open	Italian Bread	Brown Rice Pilaf	Chuckwagon	Grilled Cheese	Chili Dog

Dinner

Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Grilled Minute Steak	Sliced Roast Beef	BYO Tostadas	Braised Swiss Steak	Carved Top Sirloin	Roast Turkey	BYO Pizza
Chicken Stew	Chicken Divan	Beef Pot Pie	Teriyaki Chicken	Chicken Cordon Bleu	Pork Pimento	Spaghetti
Marinated Salmon	Tofu and Eggplant	Breaded Catfish	Mashed Potatoes	Pork Chow Fun	Veggie Pasta	Eggplant Parmesan



KRC Fun Run
 5:30 p.m.,
 March 7,
 in front of the library.
 Half mile
 Two miles
 Five miles
 Runners, joggers and walkers
 welcome.

The Weather Ball

**February Rainfall
 Record Shattered**

February was the wettest February on record; a total 11.79 inches fell on Kwajalein. This is a 15 percent increase over the previous record of 10.21 inches set in 1996. Does this new record mean 2011 will be a wet year? There's a 50/50 chance. In years with the ten wettest Februaries, five had "above normal" annual rainfall and five were "near normal." The normal rainfall for February is 3.73 inches (average from 1971 to 2000). Look for more on the recent heavy rains in a future *Hourglass*.

OPEN ENROLLMENT. Want to grow your retirement this spring? Participating in your Chugach 401k plan could be a great way to start. Contact Prescilla at 50788 if you are interested in the plan. If you are currently contributing you can also increase or change your deferral percentage. Forms must be received by March 19 for an effective date of April 1.

KWAJALEIN SCHOOL Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m., March 16, in the elementary school library. The public is invited to attend.

KALEIDOSCOPE OF MUSIC tickets will be sold for \$15 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on March 7, 14 and 21 in front of the Shopette. The proceeds support scholarships for Kwajalein high school seniors. This is a family-friendly event. The event will take place at 7 p.m., March 27, in the MP Room.

THE ARMY veterinarian will be on island from March 16-22. Owners wishing to make an appointment should call Jenny at Veterinary Services at 52017.

INTERESTED in being a volunteer official? Softball officials clinic is at 5 p.m., March 24, at Community Activities conference room, building 805. Questions, call Mandie at 53331.

QUIZZO AT THE VET'S HALL has moved to March 11 due to parent teacher conferences. Karaoke is at 8 p.m. on March 5 and 19. Open Mic Night is March 25. Quizzo is at 6:30 p.m. on March 25. Food will be available after 7 p.m. every Saturday night and we will be bringing steak dinner nights back in April. We are open on Sundays again, 7 p.m.-midnight. Questions? Contact Mike Woundy at 54440.

BASKET WEAVING with clay will be our next kid's clay class, in time for Easter. The time is from 6-8 p.m. on March 29. Ages four through 13 are welcome with a parent and the cost is \$15 per child. Sign up now, spaces are limited. Call Ms. Denise at 51700.

STOP BY THE woodshop by March 30 to claim, identify and organize your wood safely. Any wood not claimed will become the property of the Hobby Shop and high school woodshop class. Questions, call Denise at 51700.

SPRING BOWLING league is from April 5-May 24 every Tuesday night. Cost is \$110 with shoe rental and \$100 without. Register now at the CA Office until March 30. Questions? Contact the CA Office at 53331.

SPRING ARTS AND CRAFTS Show and Photo Exhibit will be from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., April 11, in the high school MP Room. Craft show vendor applications located on the mall bulletin board. Questions, call Jayne Cavender at 54643.

THE HOURGLASS STAFF would like feedback regarding Hourglass services and publication. Please take a few minutes to complete the 6-question survey rating the Hourglass. The survey can be found at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/kwajaleinhg>. Your opinion is highly valued and will be used to better serve the community. The

survey will be available until March 24. Any questions, please call *Hourglass* Managing Editor, Sheila Bigelow, at 52114.

IN ORDER TO COMPLY with SPI 2600 Rev 002, storage sheds must have a completed building permit. Specifically, "the addition of new exterior appurtenances, to include but not limited to porches, decks, fencing, canopies and storage sheds require building permit approval." Please follow the instructions in the SPI or contact 59808 for further guidance.

TO CHECK OUT gear from the gear locker, please call Community Activities to make an appointment during business hours of operation. Gear available includes sports equipment, skate equipment, croquet, bocce ball, baggo, badminton, frisbee, golf, wiffle ball and horseshoes. There is no charge for gear check-out, however patrons are responsible for any damages occurring to equipment. Questions, contact Mandie at 53331.

OVER THE PAST two weeks, we have had multiple pieces of fitness equipment walk out of the Ivey gym. This is theft of government property. Please respect our facilities and the government equipment associated with that facility. We ask that the equipment is returned immediately.

SAFELY SPEAKING. Consider the size of your boat, the number of passengers and the amount of extra equipment on-board. Don't overload the boat. Leave your alcohol behind. Work to increase your safety, not increase your risks.

E-TALK. Good practices for air emissions from painting are to mix only enough paint to complete the job, no open floor drains in paint storage areas, use cleaning solvents multiple times before disposing of them and substitute latex paints or low VOC paints for flammable or high VOC paints.

Café Roi

Lunch						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	March 12
Baked BBQ Chicken	Garlic Roast Beef	McFish Sandwiches	Teriyaki Chicken	Sloppy Joes	Meat Calzone	Hamburger Steak
Garlic Roast Pork	Chicken and Bacon	Buffalo Chicken Wings	Ham with Pineapple	Pork and Sauerkraut	Spaghetti	Turkey Wrap
Meat/Cheese Quiche	Egg McMuffins	Potato Wedges	Steamed Yams	Mac and Cheese	Cheesy Garlic Bread	Mashed Potatoes
Dinner						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	March 12
Roast Turkey Breast	Shanghai Sticky Ribs	Whole Roast Chicken	Top Sirloin	Fried Chicken/Waffles	Chicken Enchiladas	Chicken Fried Chicken
Homestyle Pot Roast	Ginger Ahi Tuna	Beef Bourginone	Chicken Cordon Bleu	Southern Meatloaf	Steak Fajitas	Grilled Pork Chops
Stuffing	Chicken Fried Rice	Penne in Creamy Pesto	Baked Potatoes	Mashed Potatoes	BYO Nachos	Mashed Potatoes

Enniburr mission trip both fun and rewarding

By Kory Caughie
Contributor

Several Kwajalein teenagers participated in a weekend retreat and mission trip on Roi-Namur and Enniburr Feb. 19 through 22. For weeks, the teens, along with Laura Alves, Chris Hadley, Amy LaCost and Kory Caughie, had planned the event along with gathering, moving and loading supplies on and off planes, trucks and boats to prepare for the weekend. The big day arrived and all were excited to get away and experience some time focusing on growing spiritually and serving the children from Enniburr. Unfortunately, six guys weren't able to get on the plane due to the limited number of seats available, but they displayed a great attitude even though they were disappointed. Keith Brady definitely received the award for determination, getting up to Roi two days later to be able to experience the Enniburr activities.

The weekend started with a picnic and "creatively-played" volleyball at the beach pavilion overlooking the lagoon, followed by the first of five sessions for the weekend. The teens stayed up into the wee hours and "happily" awoke the next morning for a sunrise session, where they learned how to see through their "spiritual" sunglasses. After breakfast, session three began and participants were able to show off their acting skills in skits and athletic skills in games.

Famous missile burgers, onion rings and fries were on the menu for lunch at the pool. Later in the afternoon, the teens gathered for session four, where they took "tests" to identify the areas in which they are gifted. The teens enjoyed their last session, with Justin Ferguson winning the most unique costume, followed closely by Jake Jahnke, Conner Manning and Julie Alves. The fun game of King Frog was played, with Mamo Wase, Missy Schilling, Maddi Hall, Stephanie Premo, Rachel Delange, Leighton

Cossey and several others showing off their uncanny abilities at talking to each other as animals.

The next morning, the group headed off to load the ferry for Enniburr. Robby Amador was a great help in coordinating supplies and transportation over to Enniburr, and stayed all day with the group. As they arrived to the Enniburr dock, many of the island's residents welcomed the visitors with leis, songs and carts to help haul all of the supplies and donations across the island. The teens spent the entire day playing with the kids and doing art projects, balloons and beads until after dark. The teens were surprised with the children's excellent singing and dancing skills. Several volleyball games went on throughout the day, as well as basketball, dodgeball, balloon punching and chase with the younger island boys.

Many teens spent a good part of their day blowing up balloons and making them into animals and hats. Others played with the kids with the big parachute. Jahnke and Annie Hepler shared their musical talent with their guitar and ukulele. Melissa Peacock helped some of the kids learn how to use an evangelcube to tell the story of Jesus' death and resurrection in pictures. Julie Alves kept busy taking care of the newborns on the island. All of the guys helped replace heavy shelves in the library and then several girls shelved books for the much appreciated new library next to the school.

The day ended with each island child getting glow lights to wear as necklaces and bracelets. As the teens walked to the dock, several kids asked when the teens would return.

It was a wonderful weekend with a great opportunity to reach out to the community of Enniburr. The mission trip would not have been possible without the help of Tony Stephens, Roi community activities director, and the Kwajalein community for all the donations.

Weather

Courtesy of RTS Weather

Sunday: Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 11-16 knots

Monday: Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 12-17 knots

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 13-18 knots

Wednesday: Partly sunny, 10 percent showers. Winds: ENE-E at 13-18 knots

Thursday: Partly sunny, 20 percent showers. Winds: ENE-ESE at 12-17 knots

Friday: Partly sunny, 30 percent showers. Winds: E-SE at 12-17 knots

Annual total: 18.45 inches

Annual deviation: + 9.10 inches

Call 54700 for updated forecasts or visit www.rts-wx.com.

Sunrise/set Moonrise/set High Tide Low Tide

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set	High Tide	Low Tide
Sunday	7:01 a.m./7:00 p.m.	7:29 a.m./7:54 p.m.	5:03 a.m., 4.3' 5:13 p.m., 4.5'	11:06 a.m., -0.6' 11:21 p.m., -0.7'
Monday	7:00 a.m./7:00 p.m.	8:07 a.m./8:38 p.m.	5:28 a.m., 4.4' 5:37 p.m., 4.3'	11:32 a.m., -0.6' 11:43 p.m., -0.6'
Tuesday	7:00 a.m./7:00 p.m.	8:46 a.m./9:24 p.m.	5:52 a.m., 4.3' 6:00 p.m., 4.0'	11:58 a.m., -0.4'
Wednesday	6:59 a.m./7:00 p.m.	9:27 a.m./10:11 p.m.	6:16 a.m., 4.2' 6:24 p.m., 3.7'	12:05 a.m., -0.4' 12:25 p.m., -0.2'
Thursday	6:59 a.m./7:00 p.m.	10:10 a.m./11:00 p.m.	6:42 a.m., 4.0' 6:49 p.m., 3.3'	12:27 a.m., -0.2' 12:53 p.m., 0.1'
Friday	6:58 a.m./7:00 p.m.	10:57 a.m./11:51 p.m.	7:11 a.m., 3.7' 7:18 p.m., 2.9'	12:51 a.m., 0.1' 1:27 a.m., 0.4'
March 12	6:58 a.m./7:00 p.m.	11:47 a.m./	7:49 a.m., 3.3' 7:58 p.m., 2.4'	1:19 a.m., 0.4' 2:14 p.m., 0.9'