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Kwajalein resident Heather Ardrey, right, buys bananas and limes from an R.M.I. vendor during the 12th annual Marshallese Trade Fair Sunday. For more, see page 3.

📷 Jordan Vinson

—HERO— OF THE WEEK

USAG-KA'S Hero of the Week for this week is Roi resident Sung Whitehead. A Community Services finance clerk who works at the Roi Postal and Finance Office, she plays a major part in getting inbound mail and packages to their rightful owners on Roi. With the rise in package shipments to and from Roi during the holiday season, Sung becomes quite the busy bee. The next time you see her, give her a hardy handshake and a pat on the back.

A six-year resident of Roi-Namur, Sung is married to fellow Roi Rat Greg Whitehead. Some of her favorite aspects of life on the islet include the peaceful nature of the community and plenty of opportunities to golf, walk in a beautiful, tropical location and enjoy all those special sunsets.



Kim Yarnes

HALLOWEEN TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS!



SAFETY REMINDER:

On Oct. 31, ALL vehicle traffic (including scooters) will be restricted on streets and fire lanes north of 6th street for trick-or-treat activities from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. ONLY bicycles and emergency vehicles will be allowed.

LET'S MAKE SURE EVERYONE HAS A FUN, SAFE HALLOWEEN!



Thank You!

On behalf of Col. Michael Larsen, thank you for your support and help making the 12th Annual Marshallese Trade Fair a success!

The vendors appreciated your patronage and the respect you showed for their traditions and craftsmanship.



Check out daily news and community updates on the official U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/usarmykwajaleinatoll

For command information questions, please contact Public Affairs at 54848.

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TRADE FAIR CONNECTS

MARSHALLESE BUSINESS WITH KWAJ CONSUMERS

HOURLASS REPORTS

Vendors from throughout the Marshall Islands came to U.S. Army Garrison Kwajalein Atoll last weekend for the annual Marshallese Trade Fair.

The event, now in its 12th year, gave garrison residents a rare opportunity to shop for all things Marshallese. Everything from hand-woven Marshallese handicrafts made by villagers on outer atolls, to pure coconut oil hand soaps made by the Tobolar Copra Processing Authority on Majuro, to fresh lobster and billfish caught by fishermen in the nation's waters were for sale Sunday and Monday.

Hosted by USAG-KA at the Corlett Recreation Center on Kwajalein, the event was a good opportunity for garrison residents and their host nation to come together for a common commercial good. While residents took advantage of the trade fair to stock up on produce, seafood and merchandise, those Marshallese artisans, farm-

ers, distributors and vendors who participated took home loads of cash.

The immediate availability of high-quality island goods, combined with Kwajalein's eager shoppers, makes the event a boon for both the vendors and Kwaj residents, said R.M.I. Ministry of Resources and Development Representative Laban Konelios.

"Your presence here is a testimony in promoting our islands' unique beauty and craftsmanship," Konelios told Kwajalein shoppers Sunday during the fair's opening ceremony. "These fairs have brought forth economic gains, not only to our distributors, but also to the fishermen, farmers and weavers all throughout the islands. We hope that this collaborative relationship will

continue as we strive to enhance the livelihood of our people. Once again, komol tata from the bottom of our hearts."

Pulling off an event like the Marshallese Trade Fair isn't easy, and the event's two-day duration this year made the job even more complex. Deputy Garrison Commander Jenifer Peterson took a moment to thank the parties involved in fulfilling the myriad logistical, political and legal tasks that operated in the background to make the event a hit.

"We have a lot of exciting vendors here, and those who made this event possible deserve recognition," Peterson said. "I would like to thank Mr. Lanny Kabua, our R.M.I. representative to USAG-KA; the assistant chief minister Ms. Abacca Anjain-Maddison from Ebeye and, from the Ministry of Resources and Development, Ms. Laban Konelios. Also, our Host Nation staff: Maj. Holly Grey and Mr. Mike Sakaio. A job well done to you all."

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP-LEFT: Laban Konelios, of the Marshall Islands Ministry of Resources and Development, inaugurates the trade fair with a short speech. Within 20 minutes of opening, the CRC becomes packed with customers looking for items to use themselves and to send out as gifts during the holiday season. Kwaj residents shop for Japanese glass balls, fruits and handicrafts. Staff with the Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority load fresh octopus into bags for customers. A handicrafts salesperson displays dozens of Marshallese handicrafts, from baskets and mats to wall decorations and tree ornaments. Christina Sylvester takes advantage of the event to buy a large hand-woven floor mat.



KIDS GET SPOOKED

HOURLASS REPORTS

The Keystone Club and the Torch Club hosted a Halloween Carnival for the Kwajalein community Oct. 25. Tons of kids and parents came out to the event, kicking off a full week of Halloween-themed haunts and fun on the island.

For Addison Cossey, vice president of Keystone, the insane asylum-themed haunted house was one of the scariest the club has organized.

"I thought it was our best one yet," Cossey said. "It was an original idea that everybody helped pulled off fantastically. It was the perfect last Haunted House for the seniors."

While Keystone teens took on the responsibilities of scaring the pants off visitors in the haunted house, the Torch Club helped the younger kids celebrate the upcoming Halloween weekend with games and activities like cookie decorating, pumpkin walking and face painting. Smiles and awesome costumes abounded.



TOP: Katie O'Rourke, dolled up as a wicked witch, participates in the Halloween Carnival Sunday. Bottom: Kwaj Kids take part in a pumpkin walk outside the Youth Center.

📷 Colleen Ferguson

JACK-O'-LANTERNS Á LA KWAJALEIN

HOURLASS REPORTS

Kwajalein scuba aficionados hit the lagoon Sunday to try their luck at a classic tropical Halloween past time on the garrison: underwater pumpkin carving.

Sponsored by the Kwajalein Scuba Club, the event drew out teams of two-to-four people and challenged them to use their knives to carve up jack-o'-lanterns in an awkward underwater environment. Teams went into the water with whole pumpkins in tow and emerged later with jack-o'-lantern that judges reviewed and voted on.

The winners, all of whom earned both mad respect and

some hot KSC merchandise, are listed below:

BEST OVERALL:
Dan and Karen Simas

SECOND OVERALL BEST:
Sam and Melissa Engelhard

THIRD OVERALL BEST:
Amy LaCost and Sean Hepler

MOST ORIGINAL:
Dan and Karen Simas

SCARIEST:
Galbraith family

FUNNIEST: *Tommy, Angela and Emily Ryon*



Dan Simas puts the finishing touches on his and Karen Simas' underwater jack-o'-lantern. The two won first place in the Kwajalein Scuba Club's annual Underwater Pumpkin Carving Contest Sunday. They also took the prize for the most original entry.

📷 Courtesy of Dan and Karen Simas

DRILL TESTS KFD, HOSPITAL

HOURLASS REPORTS

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll's first responders and Kwajalein Hospital personnel worked through a major drill Oct. 23 on Kwajalein.

The mass casualty exercise, the last of which occurred two years ago during an Army medical team visit, centered on a hypothetical explosive ordnance situation: A group of 13 individuals had been impacted by an explosion at the Shark Pit area. The accident, caused by an unexploded WWII-era round, left a few dead and several more injured, some seriously. All were rushed by Kwajalein Fire Department first responders to the Kwajalein Hospital, where hospital staff went into overdrive to treat the influx of injured patients.



It's an extremely valuable type of drill, said Christine Dejongh-Lewis, the hospital administrator.

"We need to stay ready for these types of incidents," Dejongh-Lewis said. "We pray that they will never happen, but we need to practice our responses to them to ensure that we have the right skill mix, personnel, supplies, and other resources required to respond to such an incident."

From hospitals' points of view, mass casualty events are situations in which a large number of patients—larger than the norm for a given hospital and its staff—flood the facility. The drills force hospital staff to utilize all resources available to provide adequate treatment to waves of the incoming injured.



It can be a high-stress type of exercise, with staff scrambling to set up makeshift triages throughout the medical facility and running from floor to floor to communicate with one another. While the team's performance Oct. 23 left a few areas

for improvement, everyone involved did a good job, Dejongh-Lewis said.

"We did very well, given the circumstances and situations and supplies on hand," she said. "The government has received the drill's action review."



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP-RIGHT: Kwajalein Fire Department first responders hand off a patient to Kwajalein Hospital staff during the mass casualty drill Oct. 23. Dr. Paulette Galbraith assesses a patient's injuries. Dr. Craig Shaffer stabilizes a patient during the drill. Staff rush a patient into an emergency room.

Kevin Chalmers, Jordan Vinson

SENIORS ACHIEVE MILESTONE

BY COLLEEN FERGUSON



Colleen Ferguson

Two seniors at Kwajalein Jr./Sr. High School became National Merit Commended Students last week. Danielle Rivera and David Sholar received the news from Kwajalein Schools Superintendent Chad Struhs, who himself was advised by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation that the two had passed the grade.

The two had earlier entered the 2016 National Merit Scholarship award competition by taking a grueling preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholar-

ship Qualifying Test. Of the more than 1.5 million students nationwide who took the test, Rivera and Sholar scored in the top five percent.

School officials congratulated the two during a SAC meeting Oct. 20. Both conveyed their joy in placing so high in the competition.

"It was nice to receive formal recognition for something we put so much time and effort into," Sholar said. Rivera agreed.

"I am happy to earn the award," Rivera said. "All that

studying paid off."

A spokesperson with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation drilled in on the significance of their achievement: "Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success. These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of the educational excellence of our nation."

COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

KRS and Chugach listings for on-island jobs are posted at: Kwajalein, Roi-Namur and Ebeye Dock Security Checkpoint locations; outside the United Travel Office; in the Roi Terminal/Post Office; at Human Resources in Building 700 and on the USAG-KA webpage under Contractor Information>KRS>Human Resources>Job Opportunities. Job listings for off-island contract positions are available at www.krsjv.com.

KRS is searching for available, on-island licensed registered nurses, individuals with medical billing and coding experience and dental hygienists. For more information, please contact HR/Julie Gooch at the Temp Pool at 50777.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

October birthday bash—Halloween style. 8 p.m., Oct. 31, at the Ocean View Club. Join us in celebrating October birthdays. There will be spooky drink specials and music hits. Must be 21 years of age or older.

Christmas is coming, and so are the live Christmas trees! Pre-order a tree at the Holiday Art and Craft Fair 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Nov. 2, in the CRC Gym. Price per tree is \$70, and quantities are limited, so act fast. After Nov. 2, stop by the high school office to purchase your pre-ordered tree. Questions? Call 2011.

KRC Monthly Fun Run. 5:30 p.m., Nov. 2, beginning outside the bowling alley. Show up before 5:25 to sign in. Questions? Call Bob and Jane at 51815 or Linn and Ben at 51990. Public/visitors welcome.

The optometrist, Dr. Chris Yamamoto, will be on Kwajalein and will see patients until Nov. 3. Please call the Hospital for an appointment at 52223/52224 for eye exams or ES&H at 58855 for prescription safety glasses.

EOD explosive operation. 1-2:30

p.m., Nov. 4, at the "Shark Pit" area on Kwajalein. Roads will be blocked until operation completion. Questions? Call 51433.

Quizzo. 7:30 p.m., Nov. 6, at the Vets Hall. Special guest host will be Adam Picard. Will we be able to weather his trivia tsunami?

Merebabes Swim Class. 9-9:30 a.m., Nov. 7. This is a FREE American Red Cross parent-child swim lesson that is designed for children six months of age to three years of age. All participants must be accompanied by an adult in the water, and swim diapers are required for children not yet potty trained. This class meets the first Saturday of every month. Questions? Call Cliff at 52848.

Please call the Help Desk at 52444 at least five working days in advance of TDY to schedule a time to pick up work laptops. Every laptop is required to be re-built with the latest software and security features prior to leaving the Help Desk office.

Come learn to Swing Dance. 6-7:30 p.m., Wednesdays, in CRC Room 6. Get ready for the Kwaj Ballroom dance in May. No Fee.

Open enrollment for applicable Kwajalein and Roi residents is scheduled for Nov. 3-16. Enrollment info is available on the KRS HR Benefits Intranet SharePoint site or by contacting the FCE Benefits Office at 50939 or 51071.

The Kwaj Small Boat Marina's winter hours are as follows: 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, Monday and holidays. 1-6 p.m. Friday.

Dog Owners, please pick up after your dog in the dog park. Having the dog park is not a right but a privilege that can be taken away if we do not take care of it.

E-Talk: The Congressional Medal of Honor is the nation's highest medal for valor in combat that is awarded to our nation's bravest Soldiers,

Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen. Find out about the Medal of Honor recipients from Kwajalein Atoll in this week's E-talk!

Safely Speaking: Portable chemical containers must be properly labeled to identify the contents and hazards associated with said contents

An easy way to save energy is to cut down on unnecessary lighting. Turn off all lights when not in use. Use bulbs of lower wattage. Use natural sunlight when possible. Keep bulbs and fixtures clean. Focus light on your task. Use fluorescent lights wherever possible.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Catholic

• 5:30 p.m., Saturday, Small Chapel • 9:15 a.m., Sunday, Island Memorial Chapel
• Roi-Namur service, 4:45 p.m., second and fourth Friday of each month. Appointments available after dinner.

Protestant

• 11 a.m., Sunday, Island Memorial Chapel
• 6:30 p.m., Friday, Roi Chapel

Latter-day Saints

10 a.m., Sunday, CRC Room 3, Contact the chaplain's office at 53505 for more information.

HEY VETS!

The Bowling center will be open 4-8:30 p.m. Nov. 10, and veterans bowl for free. Also, Kwaj and Roi Small Boat Marinas will be open 1-6 p.m., Nov. 11. Rental fees will be waived for vets; fuel costs still apply. Thanks for your service!

COMMANDER'S HOTLINE

Have something the USAG-KA commander should know about?

Call the COMMANDER'S HOTLINE at 51098!



Captain Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility

*MENU CURRENT AS OF OCT. 29

Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Nov. 7
Sauteed beef tips	Beef pot pie	French dip sandwich	Honey roast chicken	BBQ spare ribs	Taco bar	Lasagna
Citrus pork ribs	Chicken cacciatore	Fish sandwich	Stuffed cabbage	Turkey wraps	Chicken quesadillas	Herb baked chicken
Mashed potatoes	Quiche lorraine	Wings of fire	Brown rice pilaf	Potatoes romanoff	Refried beans	Garlic toast

Dinner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Nov. 7
Fried chicken	Spaghetti	Grilled chicken	Grilled top sirloin	Mongolian BBQ Night	Salisbury steak	Chicken fried steak
Meatloaf	Chicken alfredo	Beef broccoli stir-fry	Picante chicken	Garlic marinated chick.	Fish du jour	Mashed potatoes
Roasted potatoes	Garlic bread	Three cheese macaroni	Baked potatoes	Veggie egg foo young	Parslied potatoes	Seafood gumbo

WEATHER

Courtesy of RTS Weather

Day	Sky	Rain	Winds
Sunday	Mostly Sunny	10%	NE-E at 7-12 knots
Monday	Mostly Sunny	10%	NE-E at 9-14 knots
Tuesday	Mostly Sunny	10%	ENE at 8-13 knots
Wednesday	Mostly Sunny	10%	ENE at 9-14 knots
Thursday	Mostly Sunny	10%	NE-E at 8-13 knots
Friday	Mostly Sunny	10%	ENE at 8-13 knots

Yearly rainfall total: 117.09 inches

Yearly rainfall deviation: +43.71 inches

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



Sexual Harassment/ Assault Response and Prevention (SHARP) Contact Information

Chief Warrant Officer 4 Sharnta' Adams
SHARP Victim Advocate

Work: 805 355 2139

Home: 805 355 3565

USAG-KA SHARP Pager: 805 355 3243/3242/3241/0100

USAG-KA SHARP VA Local Help Line: 805 355 2758

DOD SAFE Helpline: 877 995 5247

THUMBS UP



Thumbs up to Command and the rest of the team that repaired the pot holes on Lagoon Road. It is both impressive and comforting to see such a prompt response to a concern raised at the town hall meeting last week. Bravo! —The Prudences

Thumbs up to all the organizations and groups that helped us make the annual Kwajalein Sports Association Zombie Run a blast! KSA would like to thank the following for all your hard work: AAFES, San Juan Construction, Fire Dept., Ryan Brocksmith & make-up crew, CYS,

Community Activities, Check in crew, McGlinns, Hospital staff, Airport staff, Kwajalein Swim Team, Kwajalein Yacht Club, Kwajalein Scuba Club, Education Dept., KRS Management, Gary LaRose, Seabees, Command, Ocean Rd. residents, Cathy Furgeson, IT Dept, Drivers, Transportation Dept., Community Volunteers, Addison Cossey, Patrick Ward and Stan Jazwinski. —KSA

Want to thank an awesome community member here? Send an email to the Hourglass editor at jordan.m.vinson3.ctr@mail.mil



www.army.mil/kwajalein

Check out USAG-KA's new website for garrison and community news, links to each directorate and other helpful information. Have thoughts or suggestions? Send them to the USAG-KA Public Affairs Office at Nikki.l.maxwell.civ@mail.mil.

Café Roi

*MENU CURRENT AS OF OCT. 29

Lunch

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Nov. 7
Roast pork loin	Lemon baked chicken	Ham and cheese sand.	Chicken turnover	Veggie quesadilla	Grilled cheese	Chicken fajita wrap
Chicken breast	Fish, egg, cheese sand.	Roast turkey	Beef stroganoff	Roasted pork butt	Country meatloaf	Hamburger steak
Eggs a la lucio	Stewed okra	Stuffing	Noodles	Parslied potatoes	Tofu stir-fry	Broccoli casserole

Dinner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Nov. 7
Italian meatballs	Korean beef steak	Beef tamale	Carved roast beef	Fried chicken	Down Home Night	Stir-fry beef
Fish casino	Chicken adobo	Chicken enchilada cass.	Chicken pot pie	Stuffed peppers	Fried fish	Chinese spiced chicken
Marinara pasta	Brown rice stir-fry	Refried beans	Corn on the cob	Mashed potatoes	Baked beans	Veggie fried rice

2016 BENEFITS OPEN ENROLLMENT

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR APPLICABLE KWAJALEIN AND ROI RESIDENTS IS SCHEDULED FOR NOV. 3-16.

Need help signing up? Attend a question-and-answer session with FCE and Aetna reps at one of the following dates and locations.

**10:30-11:30 a.m., Nov. 4, at the
TRADEX Conference Room on Roi**

**5:30-6:30 p.m., Nov. 4, in CRC
Room 1 on Kwaj**

**5:30-6:30 p.m., Nov. 4, in the CRC
Gym during the CA Health Fair**

Questions? Call the FCE Benefits Office
at 50939 or 51071.

KWAJ SOCCER



RESULTS LAST WEEK

October 20
KFC def. Spartans II 6-2

October 21
Spartans I def. KAT 1-0 for championship win

October 22
Spartans I def. FC Swell 3-1
Spartans II tied Garrison Beast 3-3

October 23
KFC def. Spartans I 2-0
FC Swell def. Kwaj Rejects 6-2

October 24
Garrison Beast tied Kwaj Rejects 2-2



SIMPLY



HOURLASS REPORTS

BREAKER AND ISOLATION PANELS

During multiple inspections of facilities we have found numerous electrical and consolidation panels either blocked, open or both. The following are the minimum requirements that are expected to be observed.

1. Panels must be closed at all times. If the panel does not close, please submit a work order to have it fixed.

2. Panels must have punch-out mechanisms in place if not in use. Have an electrician cover open holes with a proper cap.

3. Inner breaker panel punch-out mechanisms must be in place when not being used. Have electrician replace missing, loose or broken punch-outs.

4. Isolation and breaker panels must be kept clear of surrounding objects. 30 inches of space are required on either side of a panel, and 36 inches of space are required in front of the panel.

5. Isolation and breaker panels must have a clear, accessible pathway.

