

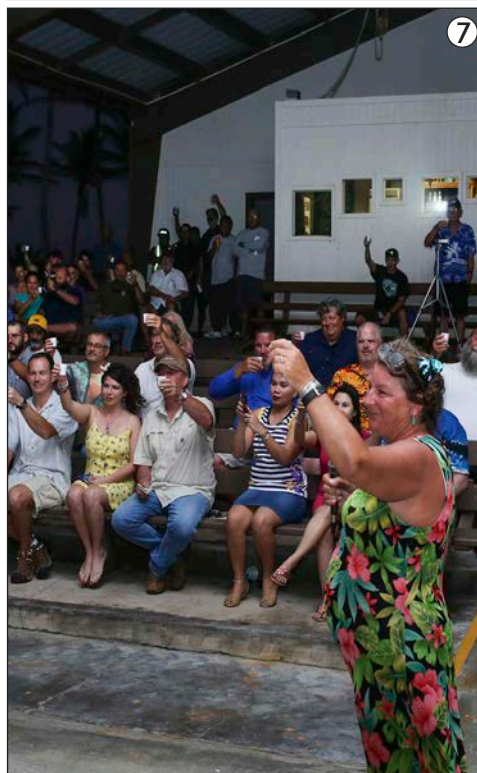
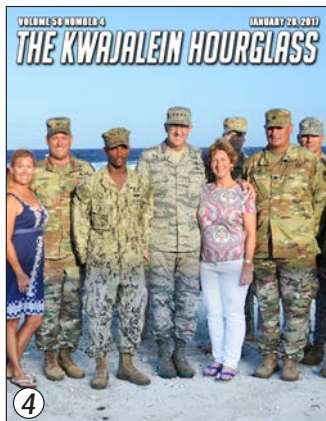
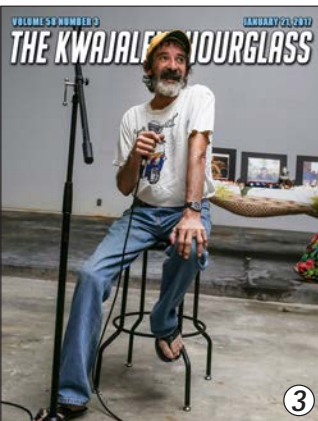
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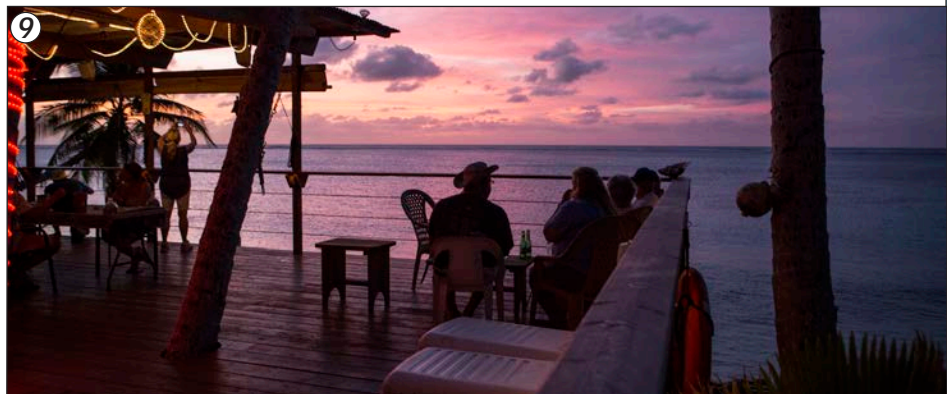
YEAR IN REVIEW

DESIGN BY JESSIE ATAMBERT



JAN

1) Residents enjoy evening strolls by North Point under a stary sky Wednesday. 2) Property Department staff Patterson Nebo, left and Simonson Fraser sort out furniture purchases during the January 11-12 government property sale at the DCCB on Kwajalein. 3) Roi resident Ed Tomasofsky tells stories of Bryan Stigler during a memorial ceremony held Friday Jan. 13 for the Roi community's late friend. 4) Gen. John Hyten, commanding general of the U.S. Strategic Command (center), spends some time getting to know the faces of RTS and USAG-KA during a Jan. 19 visit to Kwajalein Atoll. 5) Diver Derek Glasscock holds up the broken cable that caused an Internet outage. 6) Minister of Health Kalani Kaneko meets Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Rawlings during the first 2017 Nitijela session. 7) Laura Pasquarella-Swain, right, friends and family of Bryan Stigler raise a toast to their departed friend. 8) Lt. j.g. Patrick Edwards of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion ONE tries out the newly paved bike path. 9) Roi residents enjoy a sunset from the Gabby Shack.



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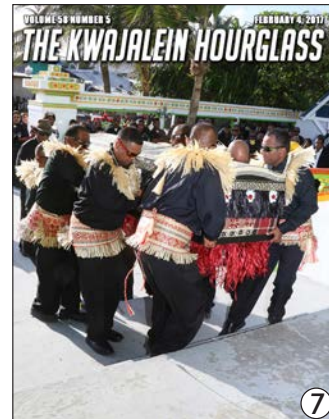
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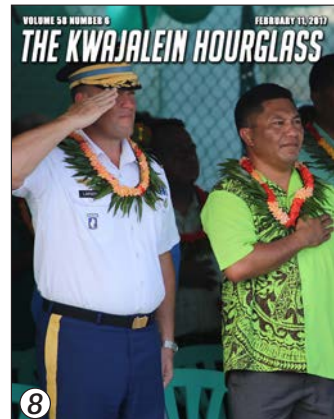
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1) Iroij Kotak Loeak is crowned by Leroij Hyphen Neimed on Ebeye Feb. 16. 2) The Kwajalein Jr.-Sr. High School Marching Band performs Feb. 9 during Ebeye's 2017 Liberation Day Parade. 3) Visitors honor the fallen at the WWII Memorial to Korean, Japanese and Marshallese casualties on Kwajalein in mid-February. 4) Kwajalein Girl Scout Troop 801 attends the worldwide annual Thinking Day event in the Kwajalein Jr.-Sr. High School Library. 5) Ebeye residents queue up to try out tasty foods at the Ebeye Wellness Center following Liberation Day activities. 6) Together on Jan. 2 residents of Ebeye witness the funeral procession of Leroij Seagull Kabua. 7) Pallbearers transfer the remains of the late Leroij Seagull Kabua into Ebeye United Church of Christ on Ebeye. 8) U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. Michael Larsen and RMI Health Minister Kalani Kaneko render honors during the playing of national anthems during the Ebeye Liberation Day Ceremony. 9) Ebeye residents attend the opening of the Ebeye Health and Wellness Center, a new nonprofit health-focused organization on the island. 10) Roi rat Conrad Nakasone swings in to chip his ball in the 2017 Atoll Cup Golf Tournament.



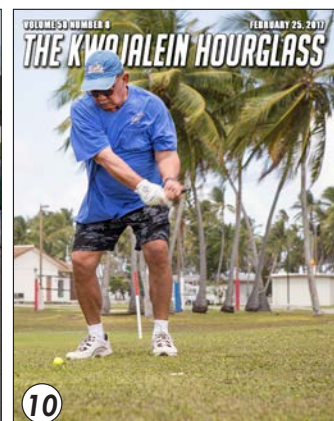
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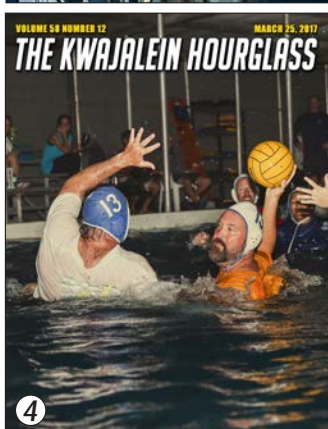
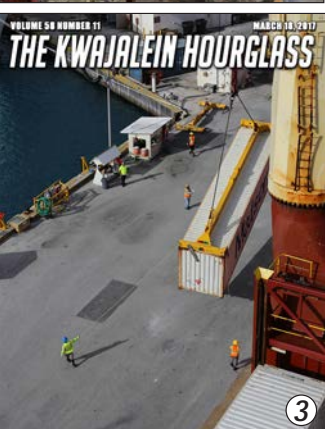
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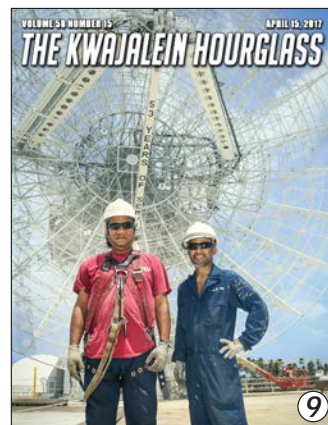
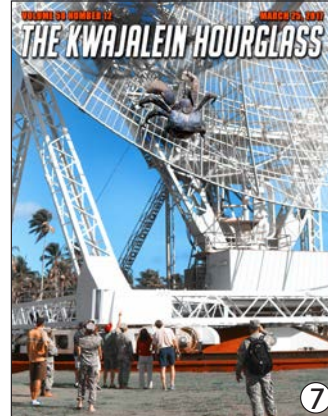


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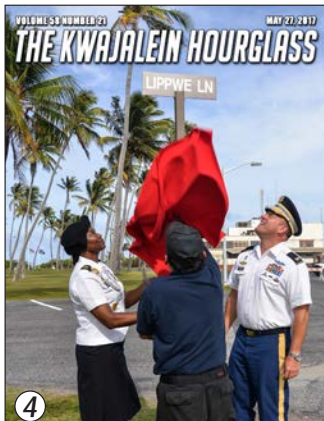
1) USAG-KA Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Rawlings awards Navy Seabee Brandon Grant a garrison certificate of appreciation for his role in the USAG-KA Youth Mentorship Program. 2) U.S. Army Aviator Maj. John Osterson takes in the view while flying one of USAG-KA's Lakota UH-72A helicopters up to 10,000 feet during a reef sweep of Kwajalein Atoll. 3) Stevedores discharge a container from the Papa Mau during a supply offload March 1. 4) Zissou's Brian Charlton eyes an opening in Chargoggog's defense during the 2017 Kwaj Inner Tube Water Polo Championship. 5) Mike Symanski, Dan Lavery and Jordan Vinson of surf rock band The Atomic Playboys perform at the Ocean View Club. 6) Chief Stevedore Mike Peoples and his hardworking crew pause for a photo during barge offloading operations. 7) Rose Zuckley delivers the gift of sports equipment to students at Ebeye's Seventh-day Adventist school. 8) Tim Roberge and Kiersta Bailey whip up a bidding war at the YYWC Basket Auction. 9) Friends of former Kwaj resident Stan Edwards gather outside the Kwajalein Fire Department to snap a photo for Edwards.





APR

1) Kwajalein EOD technicians detonate a glitter bomb on Roi. 2) Karen Brady and Chamee Cross rent neckties during the Spring Break Music Fest. 3) Kwaj resident Tom Sandifer kicks off his new island special delivery service Sunday, March 26. Using his custom-built cargo bike, he's been busy ferrying everything from five-tier wedding cakes, houses of cards and snowmen to island residents. 4) Employees of Berry Aviation International donate scholarship funds to administrators from Ebeye's Seventh-day Adventist School. 5) Sue Zehr mans the ladle during the Spring Break Music Fest Chili Cook-Off contest. 6) Pools and Beaches Manager Cliff Prior is prepared to lead the Antisocial Community Activities Committee. 7) USAG-KA and KRS officials grapple with the task of removing an overgrown coconut crab that climbed aboard the ALTAIR radar on Roi March 29. 8) Steve Banducci prepares to taste test a platter of samples at the Chili Cook-Off during the 2017 Spring Break Music Fest at Emon Beach April 2. 9) TRADEX radar technicians Hesbon Jokas, left and Jerry Samuel pause at the Radar on Roi-Namur in early April 2017. 10) Students at Ebeye's Seventh-day Adventist School prepare to begin classes April 10.



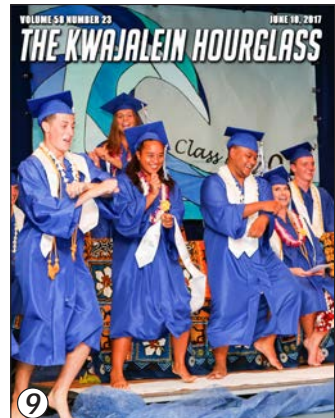
MAY

1) Chaplain Patrick McCormick, Paul and Lucienne DeMeo and USAG-KA Commander Col. Michael Larsen celebrate the dedication of DeMeo Athletic Field April 30. 2) KHS Stage Band musician Thomas Greene performs a solo during the Ballroom Dinner Dance May 7. 3) Steven Felicien and Brent Tumlin rig lighting for the upcoming "All of the Lights" electronic dance music event at the Country Club May 17. 4) USAG-KA Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Rawlings, left, SAC Security Officer Hiram Airam, center and Commander Col. Michael Larsen unveil the street sign for the newly named Lippwe Lane May 19. 5) From left to right: Michael Hillman, Michelle Huwe, Lobo Arelong and Leimamo Wase stay cool during a Lock-In event at the Namo Weto Youth Center. 6) Paul and Lucienne DeMeo visit with friends after the dedication of the athletic field in honor of their son, 1st Lt. Paul M. DeMeo. 7) Minnie Snoddy plays piano May 7 during the Ballroom Dinner Dance. 8) Advanced hula dancers perform at Masina McCollum's Hula Review in mid-April. 9) Members of Alutiiq Pacific LLC and staff from Kwajalein's Security and Access Control share a photo at the ceremony to name Lippwe Lane. 10) Jane Christy dresses as Marvel Comics' Thor at the opening of the high school art show in the MP Room in late May. 11) Kwajalein MIA Project leader Dan Farham presents Larsen a limited edition photo print of the Gunga Din airplane wreck site.



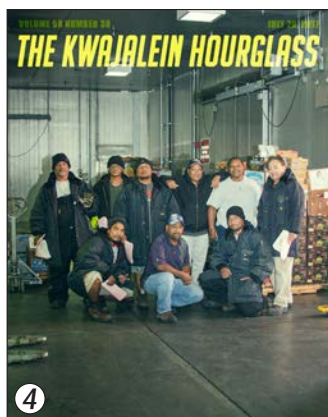
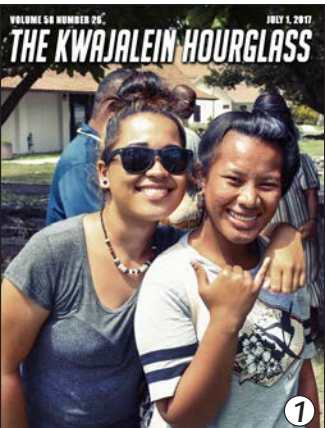
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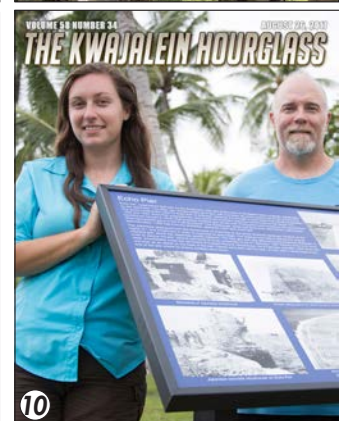
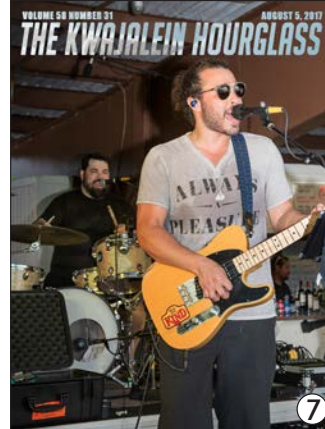
1) Kwaj residents enjoy a performance by Rebel Souljahz at the Rich Theater. 2) The KHS show choir performs at the Boys and Girls Club of America Talent Show in the MP Room. 3) Kwajalein Jr.-Sr. High School teacher Ric Fullerton retires. 4) Members of the Kwajalein Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts present wreaths during the USAG-KA Memorial Day Observance. 5) Erik Lacaria and Mason and Chase Otto enjoy holiday fun during the Memorial Day Beach Blast. 6) Members of the Senior class of 2017 gather for a photo after their baccalaureate ceremony at the Island Memorial Chapel. 7) USAG-KA Command staff celebrate the Army's birthday. 8) A Ground Based Interceptor launches from Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, May 30 (PST). Minutes later, it destroyed an ICBM-class missile launched from Meck Island in a crucial test for the GMD program. 9) Members of the 2017 KHS senior class dance together during the June 2 Commencement Ceremony at the Multi-Purpose room on Kwajalein. 10) William Boehnke, left and Jim Severson place markers for an underwater navigation course in the Emon Beach Lagoon May 29. 11) USAG-KA Commander Col. Michael Larsen meets with members of the RMI workforce at a town hall meeting at Roi-Namur's Tradewinds Theater.



JUL

1) Kwajalein Atoll High School graduates Liahona Enos and Morlynn Dribo pause for a photo outside the Marshallese Cultural Center. They are two of the eight RMI graduates who received Kwajalein Range Services academic scholarships during the week of June 28. 2) Dr. Christine Altendorf, director of U.S. Army Installation Management Command-Pacific passes the garrison Colors to Col. James DeOre, the new commander of the U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll, July 11. 3) During a trip to Ennubir last week, Lt. Gen. James Dickinson, commanding general of U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, presents local Ennubir officials gifts purchased for island youth. 4) The Cold Storage Warehouse gang gathers for a group photo at the chilly storage facility July 25. 5) U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. James DeOre greets Iroj Michael Kabua following the USAG-KA Change of Command ceremony. 6) Col. Michael Larsen shares a photo with Kabua at a farewell party. 7) Angie Dickinson reads to Kwaj children during story time at the Grace Sherwood Library July 22. 8) RMI politicians and traditional leaders US-AG-KA and Space and Missile Defense Command personnel in a ribbon cutting ceremony at the newly established RMI Liaison Office.



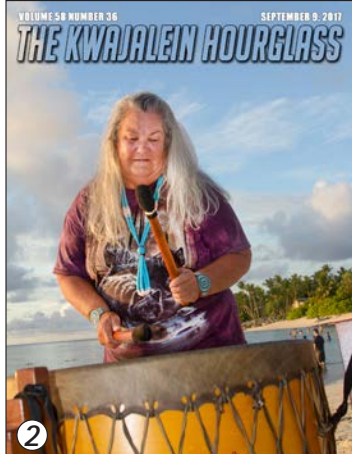


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1) U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Command staff and Naval Mobile Construction Battalion ONE share a photo after a ceremony recognizing the battalion's work in the atoll. 2) Members of the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources gather at the Ebeye KALGOV offices with KALGOV staff and members of the USAG-KA Command Team. 3) KRS Dining Services' Masao Boas and Peter Lone prepare to bake treats for the morning. 4) MIT Lincoln Laboratory summer interns, staff and Col. DeOre share a photo following the interns' culminating presentation. 5) A painted coconut catches a swell before racing ahead of the competition during the 2017 Roi coconut Cup. 6) Don Ryan congratulates Anitak Joseph Jr. and Francis Bokin, two newly certified garrison tower climbers. 7) The Patrick Sieben Trio performs for the Kwaj community Sunday, July 30 at Emon Beach. 8) Members of NMCB 1 receive commendations from USAG-KA Commander Col. James DeOre and Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Rawlings. 9) KRS Dining Services' employee Elme Jaime serves a delicious chocolate glazed donut with sprinkles at Sunrise Bakery, Aug. 16. 10) KRS Archaeologists Caitlin Gilbertson and Grant Day inspect a new historical marker for Echo Pier.



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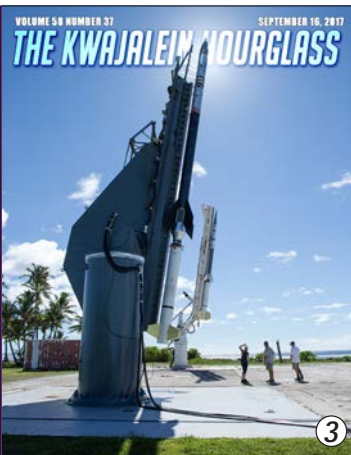
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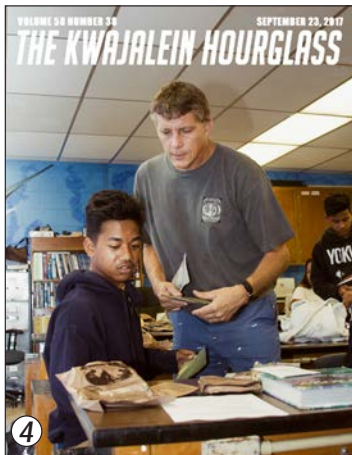
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1) U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Rawlings christens the K80 StanLove B-boat Aug. 24 at the Kwajalein Small Boat Marina. 2) Cindy Dean joins Drum Down the Sun, the Kwaj percussion gang, with her 28-inch Native American drum during the Labor Day Beach Blast Sept. 4. 3) Technicians and visitors check out the Terrier-Black Brand IX and Terrier Malemute sounding rockets set to launch in NASA'S WINDY experiment in early September. 4) Kwajalein Jr.-Sr. High School Science Teacher Brett Crow shows KJS freshman Kye Lorok how to activate an MRE heating element during class Wednesday. 5) Local grease monkey Don Engen lends a hand during the recent Island Memorial Chapel Bike Blessings event on Kwaj. 6) Robyn Chatwood enjoys a dive off Emon Beach. 7) Members of the visiting Patriot team enjoy lunch at the Beach Blast. 8) Atmar Bosin, a Water Distribution Shop Employee, takes elevation readings of a storm drain pipe. 9) USAG-KA Commander Col. James DeOre presents the command colors to Command Sgt. Maj. Todd Shirley during USAG-KA's Change of Responsibility Ceremony Sept. 13. 10) Atoll employees of over 30 years enjoy a lunch and award ceremony provided by KRS.



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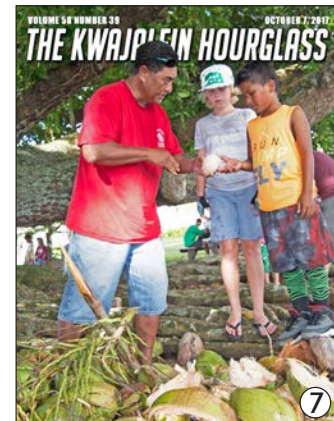
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1) Two laundry employees, Kijenni Lokboj, left, and Dewey Orane check out the machinery on Kwajalein Oct. 17. 2) Athena LaBrie watches professional weavers at the Kwajalein Mani Day Celebration. 3) Makayla Nienow laughs as she launches a shaving cream attack during the 2017 Shaving Cream Social. 4) Island visitor Cassie Fries shows off her jack-o'-lantern at the Roi Pumpkin Carving. 5) Firefighter Kevin Hayes sorts out balloons for the kids at the Fire Department Open House Oct. 13. 6) Austin Maxwell fills in some of his U.S.-Korean flag mash-up design for his senior class logo on Lagoon Road Oct. 2. 7) USAG-KA Host Nations Specialist Mike Sakaio demonstrates the art of coconut husking during the Oct. 2 Mani Day event on Kwajalein. 8) Composer and electronic music artist Kate Havnevik performs live at the Roi Outrigger Club Oct. 6. 9) RMI President Hilda Heine and staff meet with USAG-KA Command personnel at the ALTAIR radar site on Roi-Namur Oct. 11. 10) Lifeguard Kaya Sylvester guards the battle zone during the Kwajalein Shaving Cream Social Oct. 21.



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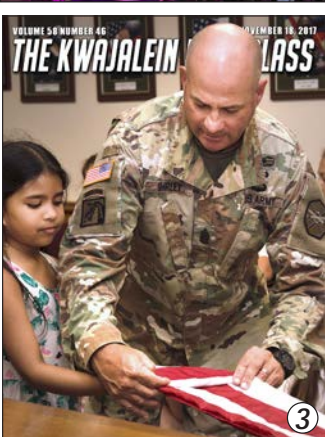
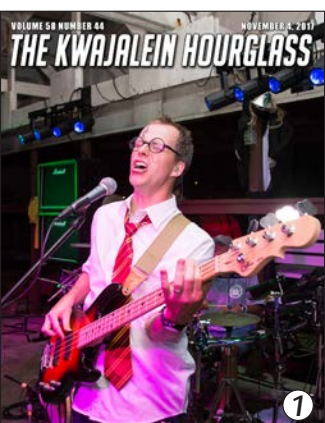
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NOV

1) Bass player Dave Ardrey jams out with Kwaj band Ballistic Love at the Vets Hall Halloween Celebration Oct. 28. 2) Automotive QC and Trainer Richard Ward talks battery power with Clancy Balos and Rakin John at Kwajalein Automotive Nov. 7. 3) U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Command Sgt. Maj. Todd Shirley demonstrates proper flag folding technique with the help of Lorelai Jackson. 4) Ebeye public school students take a break from their lessons Nov. 20 to enjoy gifts presented by Kwajalein Girl Scout Troop 801. 5) An RMI artisan displays decorative wall hangings for sale at the RMI Trade Fair in the MP Room. 6) A sporty skeleton rides a chopper bike in Alvin Kelley's yard on Halloween night. 7) Marshallese Cultural Society President Jordan Vinson and Alele Museum Director Melvin Majmeto check out the displays inside Kwajalein's Marshallese Cultural Center. 8) Kwaj Daisy Troop Leader Stephanie Sandige pauses for a photo with an educator at Ebeye Public Elementary School. 9) Roi residents gather for a Veterans Day Ruck Walk around Dyess Army Airfield.





DEC

1) Sabrina Mumma and Tom Lester prepare to cast off during the Kwajalein Yacht Club Parade of Lights. 2) Kwaj resident Melanie Carr reads to first graders at Ebeye's Queen of Peace Elementary School. 3) Marshalllese and Kwajalein youth run soccer drills during a CYS Youth Sports Exchange event. 4) Karen Brady and the Kwajalein community cheer on the Tiny Dancers during the 50th Annual Kwajalein Tree Lighting Ceremony. 5) Kwaj kids chase Santa from the air terminal to the downtown area for the Tree Lighting. 6) The Tree Lighting Ignition Board stands ready for Santa and U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. James DeOre to hit the big red button Dec. 2. 7) Mallory Masciarelli, Meghan Conner, Alex Coleman and Kyle Miller get covered in goop during the 2017 Kwajalein Jr.-Sr. High School Turkey Bowl event Nov. 22. 8) Kwajalein Fire Department Lt. Douglas Richter renders assistance to volunteer victims in a simulated helicopter crash during a mass casualty drill on Kwajalein Dec. 8. 9) Students at Ebeye's Queen of Peace School show their excitement to learn about Dinosaurs Dec. 10.

WEEKLY WEATHER OUTLOOK

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION: 2018 ushers in the dry season. Overall pattern has not changed much from last week. The Intercontinental Convergence Zone (ITCZ) still remains south while our vicinity is within broad trade wind area. We received 0.41 inches of rainfall last week, or 22 percent of normal, so dry is expected. It appears we will end 2017 with yearly rainfall just about average.

Not much change is expected in the larger features for upcoming week. Models introduce a small wave into the ITCZ overnight Monday into Tuesday that lifts the convergence area northward which could bring some rain but that is temporary. Wave passes and larger scale pattern returns to the current situation. We do not expect any type of weather warnings this upcoming week as trade wind speeds are expected to drop and stay within a range of 13-17 knots.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY/MONDAY FORECAST: Isolated showers Saturday, mostly dry Sunday and Monday. ENE at 13-18 knots.

MID-WEEK FORECAST: Widely scattered showers. Stray to isolated showers remainder of the week. ENE at 13-18 knots.



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

CW3 Dave Casbarra

SHARP Victim Advocate

Work: 805 355 3421 • Home: 805 355 1731

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



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



SEE SOMETHING – SAY SOMETHING

REPORTING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

- Date and time activity occurred
- Where and what type of activity occurred
- Physical description of the people involved
- Description of modes of transportation
- Describe what you saw or heard
- Provide pictures if you took any

WHO TO REPORT TO

Local Law Enforcement and Security
*911
*5-4445/4443
*usarmy.bucholz.311-sg-cmd.mbx.usag-pmo@mail



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Have something the USAG-KA commander should know about?

Call the Commander's Hotline at 51098 today!

Captain Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility

*MENU CURRENT AS OF DEC. 29

LUNCH	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Jan. 6
Sunday	Cajun Pasta	Mediterranean Cod	Chicken Pot Pie Casserole	Beef Stroganoff	Jambalaya	Pork Chops
Meat Lasagna	Salisbury Steak	Chicken Cordon Bleu	Cuban Roasted Pork	Cajun Catfish	Roast Beef and Gravy	Squash Casserole
Chicken Fingers	Balsamic Sprouts	Italian Veggies	Chili Lime Black Beans	Buttered Peas	Red Beans and Rice	Steamed Broccoli
Garlic Bread						
DINNER	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Jan. 6
Sunday	Chicken Piccata	Asian Pepper Steak	Steak Night	German Style Spareribs	Fried Fish Wedge	Flank Steak
Beef Yakisoba	Chili Mac	Baked Ziti	Jerk Chicken	Honey Glazed Cornish Hen	Baked Beans	Smashed Red Potatoes
Pork & Beans	Rosemary Potatoes	Garlic Bread	Baked Potato Bar	Honey Glazed Yams	Wild Garden Rice	Garlic Toast
Steamed Rice						

COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

Visit USAJOBS.GOV to search and apply for USAG-KA vacancies and other federal positions. 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 Bldg. 700 and on the "Kwaj-web" site under Contractor Information>KRS>Human Resources>Job Opportunities. Listings for off-island contract positions are available at www.krsjv.com.

Job Opportunity at RTS Weather Station. Position: Radar Engineer/Instrument Specialist (Full-time). Education: Bachelor's Degree. U.S. Citizen/Permanent Resident Card required. For full details and to apply see <http://www.aq-ast.com/careers req.#42>.

FOR SALE

Christmas decorations and lights, dehumidifier (excellent condition, \$75), vacuum, over-toilet shelf, George Forman searing grill, and Crock-Pot. Please call 50173 after 5 p.m. or weekends.

Family Patio Sale. January 6 and January 20, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at Qtrs. 137-F. Small kitchen appliances, house wares, clothing, toys, DVDs and more.

PCS Sale. Friday, Jan. 5, noon to 6 p.m. at Qtrs. 134-B. Kitchen items, tools and misc.

PCS sale at 416-A on Jan. 8 from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. There will be pictures, T-shirts and more. Call John at 59444 or 59539 with questions.

Start your golf session right: Complete set Callaway driver 2/ping clubs. Set includes practice balls and tees. Price \$275 OBO. Contact George at 52053.

REWARD

BIG CASH REWARD for whoever brings back my blue Under Armor drawstring bag containing a blue laser pointer and three midsize JBL bluetooth speakers. Questions, call 51784.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kwajalein Yacht Club's monthly meeting. Saturday, Dec 30. Social Hour begins at 5:30 p.m., Meeting starts at 6:30

p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Bring your own pizza (any way you like) to share. This is a Yankee Christmas Swap. Bring your own gift. Ursula LaBrie 51951.

New Year's Eve Shuttle Bus, December 31, Begins 8 p.m. Shuttle will stop at the following locations: Surfway, Ocean View Club, Country Club, Vets Hall. Ring in the New Year safely. Park your bike and hop on! Sponsored by QOL.

Pools and Beaches Winter 2017 Hours
Millican Family Pool
1-6 p.m. Weekdays and Sunday
9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday
Closed Thursdays
Emon Beach
12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday
Noon- 4 p.m. Sunday and Monday
Adult Pool Open 24 hours
*Closed Fridays for cleaning

Kwajalein Yacht Club presents Sun Fish Sailing. Monday, Jan. 1 from noon until 5 p.m. at Camp Hamilton. This event is open to the community. Questions? Email Mike turner at mshaunter@yahoo.com or call 55987.

United City Ticket Office. In observance of New Year's Day, the City Ticket Office will be closed Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018. Normal operating hours will resume on Wednesday, Jan. 3, 2018.

The Kwajalein Hospital Pharmacy will be closed for retail services on December 30. Normal operating hours will resume on January. 3. For urgent matters, please speak with your doctor or nurse.

2018 Basketball Registration. December 27-January 5. Basketball registration will begin for the 2018 season. Registration fee is \$100 per team. The season will run from January 18-March 2. Team slots are limited, so register fast! Questions? Email or call Derek at 5-1275 or 5-3331.

Please join us for Quizzo at The Vets Hall on Friday, January 5 at 7:30 pm. Special Guest Host Cliff Pryor will ring in the New Year with the first Quizzo of 2018! Questions? Contact Neil Dye or Mike Woundy.

Christian Women's Fellowship Lun-

cheon. Sunday, Jan. 7 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at the REB. Ladies, bring a friend and join CWF for lunch and a special guest speaker!

2018 Winter Bowling League Registration. January 3-12. League games on Friday nights from January 19- March 16. Team slots are limited so register fast! \$70 with shoe rental, \$60 without shoe rental. To register, call or email Derek Finch at 51275. Adults only.

CYS Youth Sports Registration. Bowling: Season Jan. 26-March; cost \$35; ages 8-grade 6. Baseball: Season Jan. 25-March 8; cost \$45; grade K-6. Start Smart Tee Ball: Season Jan. 31-March 7; cost \$25; call about age limitation. Reg. for all three open Dec. 12-Jan. 20. To register, visit Central Registration or call 52158. Questions? Call Mammo Wase at 53796.

KGA Golf Association Annual 2018 Membership Drive. Join the KGA to get your USGA handicaps, participate in fun tournaments such as the Kwaj Open, Coral Cup and others! Dues: \$60. Deadline: Jan. 31, 2018. Cash or check payable to KGA, Attn: Greg Whitehead, Unit 17001 Box 102, APO, AP 96555-0101.

Need a gift for the holidays? Give the Gift of MUSIC! Kaleidoscope of Music tickets are available now in the Mic Shop!

Roi Residents: Contact Jacque Phelon (55124) to arrange ticket delivery.

SAFETY/ENVIRONMENTAL

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:30 -7:30 p.m. at the REB Library on Kwaj.

Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate! The Kwajalein Scuba Club reminds you to drink water before and after every dive.

Safely Speaking/New Year's Safety Resolution: No job is so important, no service so urgent, that we cannot take time to perform our work safely.

Safety Reminders For The Holiday Season: One-third of all candle fires start in the bedroom. Remember that candles are not allowed in the workplace or BQ rooms. Any questions on fire safety call Fire Prevention at 52137. While you may not need a JSA to put up a Christmas tree, it may be a good idea to take five and discuss to ensure everyone understands how to stay safe.

E-Talk/Industrial Stormwater Management. Please practice GOOD HOUSEKEEPING and PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE in industrial areas to minimize pollution in stormwater as detailed in the KRS Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan.



mas Party. From Elves who signed up to bring food and drinks, baked, set-up, helped arrange furniture and transportation, cleaned the ARC (before and after), who donated to the cause and provided the Christmas music that we could all enjoy—THANK YOU and Happy New Year!

—Sincerely, Sabrina Mumma

THUMBS UP to Chugach, who generously donated \$500 to the Kwaj Girl Scouts! Also, **THUMBS up** to Quality of Life, who donated all of the funds collected from holiday wreath sales to the Girl Scouts.

—Kwajalein Girl Scout Troop 801

THUMBS UP to the Tech Choir and the IMC sound crew for making a most awesome joyful noise on Christmas Eve. Sing your note always! Your combined sonic powers are a beautiful force to be reckoned with and I am so grateful to all of you for your hard work.

—Jessica D.

THUMBS UP to Roi Residents for helping five castaways have a memorable Christmas! Everyone was super kind and graciously willing to lend support, from Base Ops, to Community Activities, AAFES, Housing and the Fire Department. Team Roi Rocks! Happy New Year!!

—Carmel Shearer

THUMBS UP to all of the volunteer "elves" who assisted me with the 14th Annual "Stray Dog" Christ-

Café Roi

*MENU CURRENT AS OF DEC. 29

LUNCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Jan. 6
Chicken Cacciatore	Beef Bolognese	Baked Fish	Blackened Chicken Sand.	Sloppy Joe Sand.	Salmon Cakes	Beef Stroganoff
Egg Noodles	BBQ Pork Sandwich	Dry-Rub Roast Beef	Honey Mustard Pork	Roast Turkey	Cuban Sandwich	Egg Noodles
Hamburger Steak	Egg and Cheese Sand.	Roast Vegetables	Stir-Fry Vegetables	Mashed Potatoes	Tater Tots	Italian Baked Chicken

DINNER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Jan. 6
Seafood Casserole	Roast Chicken	Roast Herb Pork Loin	Grilled Steak Night	Fried Chicken	Mongolian BBQ	Fried Catfish
Roast Beef	Jerk Pork Spareribs	Oxtail Stew	Huli Huli Chicken	Roast Pork	Lumpia	Pinto Beans
Carrots	Baked Beans	Black Beans	Corn on the Cob	Mashed Potatoes	Corn Dogs	Macaroni & Cheese

COMMAND REFLECTS ON STRATEGIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

EXTERNAL REPORT

By Jason Cutshaw
SMDC/ARSTRAT Public Affairs

In 2017, Soldiers and civilians of the Space and Missile Defense Command/Army Forces Strategic Command deployed or served at forward stations across 11 time zones, supporting critical operations around the globe 24/7/365 in defense of the nation.

Celebrating its 60th year, the command's ongoing efforts during 2017 included: supporting a Ground-Based Interceptor flight test from Vandenberg Air Force Base, California; sending the Kestrel Eye demonstrator to the International Space Station; the SMDC/ARSTRAT Targets Team successfully launching risk reduction flights of improved low-cost missile targets; as well as numerous other operations.

Launching off the year, SMDC welcomed a new commanding general. Lt. Gen. James Dickinson assumed command of SMDC and the Joint Functional Component Command for Integrated Missile Defense from Lt. Gen. David Mann during a change of command conducted in the Von Braun III auditorium Jan. 5.

During a directed energy symposium in February, SMDC along with Team Redstone members explained how high energy laser systems will play a vital role in enabling the Army to transform air and missile defense forces to defeat challenging air, missile and asymmetric threats.

"Today's operating environment is among the most challenging we have faced in some time," Richard DeFatta, who was selected as the SMDC Future Warfare Center director in March, said. "This includes changes in the character of war highlighted by increased lethality and potential overmatch, and friendly forces being contested in all domains including space.

"Space-enabled capabilities are critical across all warfighting functions. Seventy percent of Army systems leverage space, with the Army as the largest user of space in the Department of Defense. Army space contributions to the joint fight include globally deployed space forces that plan, coordinate, integrate and synchronize space capabilities for

the warfighter."

With the Mobile Expeditionary High Energy Laser 2.0, the command scored high-energy laser wins as members of the SMDC Technical Center's Air and Missile Defense Directorate participated in the Joint Improvised-Threat Defeat Organization UAS Hard-Kill Challenge at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, and at the 2017 Maneuver Fires Integrated Experiment at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Throughout the year, MEHEL 2.0, demonstrated its counter-unmanned aircraft system capability.

On May 30, the Ground-based Mid-course Defense system achieved success with the Flight Test Ground-Based Interceptor FTG-15, launched by Soldiers from the 100th Missile Defense Brigade. This was the first live-fire test event against an ICBM-class target for the U.S. ballistic missile defense system.

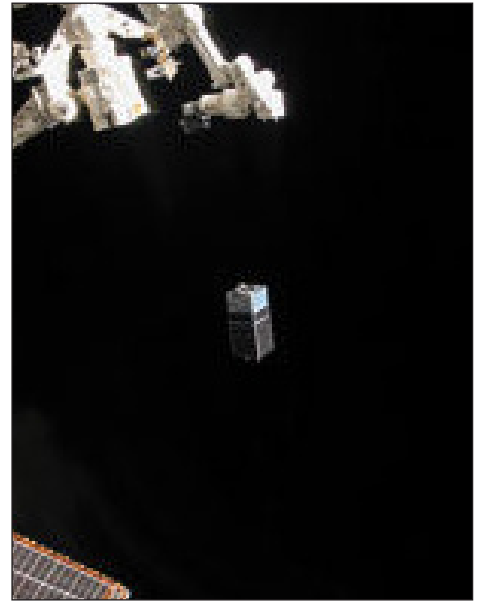
During FTG-15, a threat representative intercontinental ballistic missile launched from Kwajalein Atoll in the Republic of the Marshall Islands in the central Pacific Ocean. The GMD system detected the missile and 100th Missile Defense Brigade Soldiers launched an interceptor from Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, marking the first time an ICBM target was intercepted by a ground-based interceptor.

In June, NASA selected Maj. Frank Rubio, a physician serving with the 10th Special Forces Group at Fort Carson, Colorado, as a member of its new astronaut class.

"It's one of those things where you hope and hope that it's going to happen but you kind of guard yourself against hoping too much because the odds are pretty darn slim," Rubio said. "When it happened, it was awesome. It's hard to describe to be honest. It's thrilling, it's exciting, and it's a relief to some degree because you've been going through this process for a year and a half."

Rubio joined Astronauts Lt. Col. Drew Morgan and Maj. Anne McClain as part of SMDC's Astronaut Detachment in Houston, Texas, in August.

Members of the Tech Center Test Execution Support Division provided realistic threat ballistic targets for use in testing of advanced missile defense systems.



The team launched Sabre short-range ballistic missile targets at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, in June, as well as a later target launch in November.

As part of the International Space Station cargo resupply mission, SpaceX CRS-12 on Aug. 14, the Tech Center's Kestrel Eye, a small, low-cost, visible-imagery satellite technology demonstrator lifted off from Launch Complex 39A at NASA's Kennedy Space Center as a payload aboard the SpaceX Falcon 9 from Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Retired colonel and Astronaut Mark Vande Hei, a former SMDC NASA Detachment commander, deployed and activated Kestrel Eye from the ISS on Oct. 24.

And as the year comes to a close, the Soldiers, civilians, retirees and friends of SMDC came together to honor the command's 60 years of history from 1957 to 2017. The command celebrated its diamond anniversary during a ball in Huntsville, Dec. 8.

"Anniversaries are a time for reflection and celebration," Dickinson said. "From the Cold War to the Gulf War, from the conflict in Vietnam to the current conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, from confronting communism to battling terrorism, the talented and dedicated professionals of SMDC have repeatedly demonstrated their commitment to excellence in defense of our great nation."