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HIS NEXT WELD.

COMMAND TACKLES COMMUNITY ISSUES IN TOWN HALLS ON KWAJ, ROI

NEWS / JESSICA DAMBRUCH, MIKE SAKAIO

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. James DeOre met with island residents and the RMI workforce of Kwajalein and Roi during recent town hall meetings Jan. 25 and 26.

Kwajalein: RMI Workforce

RMI employees were joined by USAG-KA Commander Col. James DeOre, Command Sgt. Maj. Todd Shirley, members of the Command team, KRS and LOGCAP personnel Jan. 25 at the Island Memorial Chapel. Col. DeOre thanked those in attendance at the event. After an opening prayer and the singing of a hymn by the RMI workers present, DeOre said a few words about how the impending transition would impact jobs on the island and moved into questions. KRS RMI Liaison Harden Lelet translated for the employees gathered.

USAG-KA was deeply indebted to the RMI workforce for all that it does for the atoll community for their role in mission support, said DeOre.

"I can't tell you how important that is to us," DeOre said. "I need to extend our gratitude to you."

DeOre also praised the Seabees whose work has improved the quality of life in the atoll, especially with the Ebeye and Third Island communities; he mentioned the Seabee who saved the life of a child on Third Island and acknowledged that the contract transition is one of the major challenges of the past 15 years.

DeOre shared with the workforce good news in that LOGCAP has offered contracts to about 483 RMI workers and about 91 percent of them will retain their current pay or will get a raise. And that the LOGCAP public works subcontractor has hired about 357 RMI workers and about 94.8 percent will get same pay or get higher wages.

During the question and answer session, inquiries were made about how paid time off will be applied to RMI workers. Often family obligations last longer than the days currently allotted and might be impacted by transit to outer atolls. David Egge, project manager for LOGCAP answered that each fulltime employee will earn 14 days per year in time off, and two floating holidays in addition to regularly scheduled holidays. Grandfathered employees will receive 25 days paid time off per year and three floating holidays. He indicated that he would be open to exploring solutions to accommodate the RMI workforce. Egge



U.S. Army photos by Jessica Dambruch

Kwaj resident Labtak Langrus chats with Col. James DeOre following the Kwajalein RMI Workforce town hall Jan. 25.

further added that workers may also request an additional up to 30 days' time off but without pay.

Another asked about whether it would be possible to not wait for the ferry, boarding time, but rather to board the ferry, especially when there is inclement weather or long boarding lines. DeOre replied that it is not possible to wait on the ferry when it is unstaffed, and that he planned to ride the ferry next week to explore the issue and work to solve any issues that arose.

Employees explored questions about available healthcare coverage, benefits and life insurance, as well as why medical care on Kwajalein is not available for RMI employees. DeOre said he needed to explore the issue of RMI benefits. Visits for RMI employees are not possible, other than those provided at First Stop, or those provided for grandfathered employees.

Another asked about fixing the pathway leading from the

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THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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CORRECTIONS TO LAST WEEK'S ISSUE: 1) The reference to the Kaleidoscope song performed by Mike Tracy, Steve Prudence and Tracy McConnell being dedicated to Mike Tracy's wife was in error. 2) Brandon McAfee's name was misspelled in a photo caption on page three. Apologies to you four.

THE NIGHTLY GRIND

MARINE DEPARTMENT CREW WELDS, TORCHES AND GRINDS THROUGH THE NIGHT

FEATURE/JORDAN VINSON

If you have recently ridden your bike around the Small Boat Marina during the night, you've likely seen long tails of fiery sparks arcing into the air at the back lot of the Marine Department. There, a team of 12 expat contractors and local employees work around the clock, torching, grinding and welding sheet metal on one of the most important vehicles at U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and the Reagan Test Site: Landing Craft Mechanized 8605.

LCM for short, the vessel is one of the garrison's and test range's beasts of burden. Able to haul up to 60 tons of cargo, from aggregate to generators to mission support equipment, USAG-KA's LCMs are the big rigs of the lagoon, says Welder Chris Rice-McClure. He has spent the last four months on LCM 8605, working with a large team to rehabilitate the boat and put her back to work for the test range and garrison.

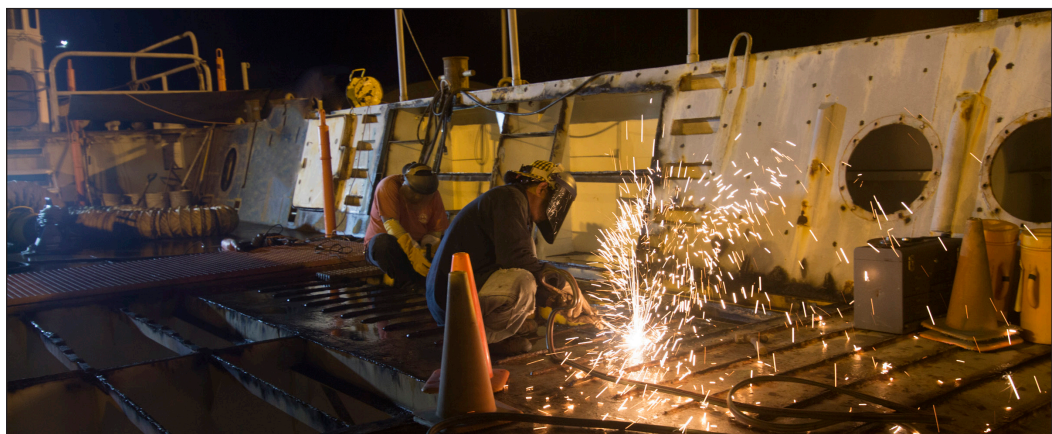
"We need to have it back in the water by the 13th of February," he says before handing me a hard hat and escorting me across a worksite showered in ruddy phosphorous light. Up the LCM's thick steel plated bow doors we walk, stopping before a two-man crew grinding and torching dilapidated steel deck plating weathered by the harsh equatorial Pacific elements.

A gold colored welder's mask protecting his face, Rice-McClure leans into the gunwale aboard the deck of the boat and unleashes the light of a small sun, pushing molten carbon steel into the nooks of a two-foot-long hull stiffener he's been attaching to the boat. It's but one of many jobs going on around him. To his



Welders Chris Rice-McClure, left, and Peter Davis perform finish welds on the inner walls of LCM 8605 during an overnight shift at the Marine Department Jan. 26.

U.S. Army photos by Jordan Vinson



Using an acetylene torch, a Marine Department weld crewman foreground, burns off old carbon steel from the structural support beams that carry the weight of the deck of the LCM. Another crewman behind him uses a grinder to smooth out and prep the beams for laying on the new steel plate deck. "So, it's all in progress, and you can see we've got three or four guys up here working the torch pretty much all night," says Rice-McClure. "It's time consuming, but it's the quickest way to do it. The other option is to build a new structure underneath and cut all the structural steel out. That's much more time consuming."

right, Peter Davis, another welder, pulls out rods of carbon steel, sticks them into his welder, slaps down his welder's mask and lays down a small puddle of metal along the seam of a small entryway into the hull. Amid the whirr of air movers supplying fresh air to workers down-

stairs, banging, scraping and cutting occurs up and down the deck as a half-dozen coworkers dig into the boat like ants to a dead beetle. It's a ballet of sorts to accomplish so many tasks aboard a 71-foot-long LCM with a little over two weeks left in the project, Rice-McClure says.



A crewman blasts away old carbon steel from structural support beams Jan. 26. "He uses the torch to sort of melt the old deck off where it's still welded to the structural steel and then he uses an oxygen stream to sort of wash it off," Welder Chris Rice-McClure says. "It's called scarfing; we call it washing, too. ... And then your sheet will go on top of that."



"For a long time it was just five of us working on the welding side of it," he says. "Right now we've got about a dozen people working on it. Again on the welding, metal working side of it. There's also other people working the day shift, from the paint shop, blasting and repainting."

The main objective for the project being to replace the cargo deck of the LCM, the torchers and welders work through the night seven days per week to cut and burn off the old steel platform and then cut, emplace and weld together huge sheets of brand-new plate steel to form the new deck. A day shift crew then comes in after the night crew clocks out

at dawn and sandblasts and paints the freshly laid metal. Working in tandem like this allows for as quick a work rate as possible.

"That's the gist of it. There's also the engine shop," Rice-McClure says. "They just put in the replacement engines back in, and the electrical shop wired everything together behind us. And the carpentry shop does all sorts of odds and ends too" like building consoles for instruments, interior work, benches and signs.

A welder with about four years of one-the-job experience, Rice-McClure takes a great deal of satisfaction from the type

ABOVE: Chris Rice McClure, left, and Peter Davis peer through the welder's glass in their protective helmets during the night operation. Along with the rest of the crew, they're working seven nights a week from 6 p.m. until 5 a.m. to finish the LCM 8605 project on time. **BELOW LEFT:** Peter Joel touches up a finish weld in the interior of the LCM. Air is pumped below the deck via air movers outside. **BELOW RIGHT:** A crewman works the grinder, smoothing out freshly exposed carbon steel that will support the steel plate decking above it. With a bang, another crewman hammers off loose pieces of metal.





LEFT: Rice-McClure stick welds a hull stiffener to the inner wall of the cargo area while Peter Davis reloads his weld “stinger”. The spark Rice-McClure is controlling is about 6,500 degrees F and can permanently blind you within seconds. **RIGHT:** Peter Joel and Davis chat for a moment before the team takes a short break; grinding and torching continues in the background. **BELOW:** Davis lays down a cap layer of molten metal to water tighten and weather proof a small entryway just above the deck while Rice-McClure continues the hull stiffener weld.

of work he does—though he admits the hours are often grueling. He was one of several welders who tackled the Space Fence sensor project build, installing the shielding around the radar. His job there finished, he joined Chugach last September to help the Marine Department get boats rehabilitated and back into the

water. While the Space Fence facility is important to the Air Force’s mission to identify and track debris and satellites in the Earth’s orbit, vessels like the LCMs are just as important to the missions of the garrison and the test range.

“With Space Fence, we started with nothing and turned it into Space Fence,”

he says. “With something like this, we start with a boat that’s got a lot of rot on it, and when it’s done we should have a pretty good unit ready to go back in the water, back into service for several more years.”





LEFT: The Kwajalein community listens to discussions between residents and the garrison commander Jan. 26. **ABOVE:** A member of the Kwajalein RMI workforce addresses a question to Col. DeOre.

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DSC to the laundromat and the Bank of the Marshall Islands, as there is a puddle in the middle of the path when it rains, making it hard to travel the path. DeOre responded affirmatively and said that this would be looked into, to include plans to have a gate for access to the Bank of the Marshall Islands for workers.

In response to a question about impending job offers, Egge replied that LOGCAP is working to release additional offer letters. DeOre encouraged those employees to visit Building 602 to discuss the matter with LOGCAP personnel. He urged them to visit soon because they want to retain as many loyal, knowledgeable employees as possible.

A member of the audience inquired about the potential to transition from a casual or temporary work position to a fulltime position. DeOre said he thought that would eventually be possible due to an increase in the demand for labor on the island.

An employee inquired about emergency shelters on Kwajalein and Ebeye in the event of a missile threat (similar to one experienced with the Hawaii incident). DeOre said though he did not foresee a threat but that it was important to think about. He offered that it would be best to seek shelter in concrete buildings.

The garrison will continue under LOGCAP for this part of the contract, said DeOre, and that KRS would stay to complete their communications and RTS contract. As of yet he is unaware of who future contractors may be, or what their transition schedule will be like.

Employees also asked about how bank allotments would be affected by the LOGCAP transition. Egge said that LOGCAP will do only one allotment and that is to

deposit the pay into an employee's bank account. It would be the responsibility of the employee to make arrangements with their bank to pay for other allotments or debt they may have with other entities or banks. One asked if it was possible to split the pay into and have separate portions be deposited at different banks. Egge said he would explore further details with his finance staff.

DeOre encouraged the RMI employees to present their needs to their employers.

"They care about you, they care about your welfare and they care keeping you as a happy employee," he said. "Believe me when I say that. They have told me exactly the same thing."

Kwajalein: Residents

The town hall for Kwajalein residents began with a video introduction from Lt. Gen. Dahl and a brief of the island schedule by Maj. Walker. DeOre reviewed his expectations for proper behavior for the Army Team, including avoiding cyberbullying. DeOre and Shirley were joined by members from KRS, USAG-KA and LOGCAP personnel.

DeOre mentioned that Lt. Gen. Dahl will make a return visit to the garrison and also asked that garrison residents not post town hall slides to the internet. He went on to talk about the garrison's initiative to begin recognizing community volunteers.

"It's about time we did something about that. Those folks that are in our community contributing their time will now be recognized on a semi-annual basis," DeOre said.

He also briefly addressed issues related to retention of RMI employees during the contract change.

QOL vs. MWR. DeOre described the

benefits of MWR (Morale, Welfare and Recreation), as opposed to the KRS QOL Committee. DeOre lauded the improvements made possible by QOL funding and donations. Some funded items will be left after the KRS contract transition, and will remain on island. DeOre said he foresaw a break in services until four golf carts from Hawaii would arrive at the garrison. In addition, ten new club carts are on order and they are expected in mid-February. Two pick-up trucks are also on order from Japan. He cited the implementation of new bowling alley fixtures and equipment as a recent success for the community.

The Vets Hall. Changes in waivers to Army regulations for private organizations have changed since American Legion Post No. 44 took over the Vets Hall in the early 1980s. Those changes may determine the fate of the structure. DeOre said he recognizes the philanthropy and important role the Vets Hall has played in the community and is still working toward a solution regarding the building.

The bar can be changed into a contracted, non-appropriated fund bar, take nothing away from the American Legion, except, of course, that revenue, because there can't be a revenue-generating private organization, according to DeOre.

Long Distance Phone Calls. A 2015 change in Army Regulation 25-1 will end personal long distance phone calling privileges made possible through a NETCOM contract for Kwajalein March 1. Residents who wish to make long distance calls will soon have to sign up for a commercial Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) service plan. The VoIP system cannot work unless the resident subscriber also pays for internet access. The 911 service is already in place.

Residents can expect 911 and local calling to remain in place as a safety initiative.

It will no longer be possible to place calls using a personal PIN. Business pins will still be available for limited on island and TDY personnel, however, no one will be authorized to use a work PIN number to make personal calls. The nature of future technical support services and pricing are not yet known. DeOre assured the community that he will work diligently toward a solution to help Kwajalein maintain communications without a break in service. USAG-KA has requested continued phone service until the joint venture is online.

Red Cross contact information will be posted to the roller, as requested.

Private Shipments. Private shipments via cargo container ship, or barge, will no longer be available after March 1. Residents can rely on DHL or commercially ship through Matson.

Surfway. An interruption in services at Surfway during the transition is not expected. DeOre reminded residents that supplies and goods should be purchased for island residents only. He asked that anyone who saw an abuse of that privilege to mark the time so that the DOL team could verify compliance. Produce delivery twice per week is not possible due to supply chain and logistics issues. Home delivery of goods purchased at Surfway may be temporarily discontinued.

Drone Policy. Drones are back. Residents who wish to fly drones on Kwajalein must first register with the Provost Marshal and receive instructions about permissible flight areas. Roi residents are not allowed to fly drones at this time. No one in the atoll is permitted to fly DJI products. More details to come.

Rumors

DeOre addressed a few island rumors during the town hall.

- **Zamperini Dress Code.** At this time there is no plan to institute a formal dress code (closed-toed shoes and long slacks) for the Zamperini Dining Facility.
- **Unaccompanied Status.** DeOre and Command Sgt. Maj. Todd Shirley addressed how Kwajalein was one in a handful of worksites where accompanied status and privileges fell under scrutiny because of potential cost savings. There is no immediate plan to transition the island to unaccompanied personnel.
- **BQ Room Double Occupancy.** While this is a possibility with the



LOGCAP Project Manager David Egge answers questions with Naomi Napa following the Kwajalein RMI Workforce Town Hall at the Island Memorial Chapel.

number of incoming DI personnel, DeOre said there are many rooms available in the BQs right now, so while this is plausible, it is also unlikely.

- **Housing Shortages.** Due to an increase in personnel and degradation of existing structures, there remains limited housing available.
- **Wi-Fi Hotspots.** After March 1, some island Wi-Fi hotspots that are unofficial internet access points will go away.

DeOre ended the town hall by thanking the community for its hard work and effort during the transition. "There's a lot great things going on around the island and the atoll and it's because of you all. Thank you, very much."

Roi: RMI Work Force

DeOre addressed some 50 plus attendees to the RMI workforce town hall. He thanked them for their continuing service to the Command and to the mission. He spoke of the on-going contract transition to LOGCAP, adding he understood the anxiety that they and other workers, both U.S and RMI, are going through.

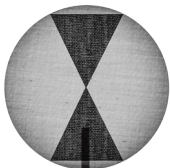
DeOre shared with the workers what he discussed with the RMI workers at the Kwaj town hall, informing them about pay increase, job retention and the percentages of the RMI workforce who have obtained jobs under the new contract. DeOre said if any of them had any questions related to the new contract, or if any have not had an offer and want to ask in person, that members of the command and LOGCAP would be available right after the meeting to receive their questions, comments.

During the question and answer session, one gentleman asked if those who are on casual or temporary work schedule would be able to get permanent positions. LOGCAP Project Manager David Egge, commented that depending on the job requirement, that those working part time presently, may be able to get full time positions; adding also, that LOGCAP has many part time positions to be filled. Another asked whether the \$20 limit on AAFES purchases for on-island consumption can be increased. DeOre responded that this limit will not change; presently, there continues to be a challenge in trying to bring adequate resources and supplies to take care of the workers on ROI.

Roi: Residents

DeOre also welcomed the U.S residents and workers on Roi to the town hall meeting, thanking them for all that they do in support of the mission and the command. He shared with the residents topics discussed at both Kwaj Town Halls and with the RMI work force on Roi. He highlighted community concerns similar to those expressed on Kwajalein regarding the status of QOL carts, internet, phone service, drone regulations and the future of the Vets Hall. He also shared information about a request by Air Nauru to operate transit to Kwajalein, adding that the airline is still working its landing permit for Guam. At the conclusion of meeting, he thanked everyone and also introduced his staff as well as the DI reps noting that they will be available to meet with anyone who may have additional questions.





KRS takes over contract performance

By KW Hillis
Feature Writer

Kwajalein Range Services opened for business Saturday.

The company took over full performance from Raytheon of the now combined logistics and technical contracts on Kwajalein.

"I'm looking forward to improving the quality of life on the entire atoll -- Roi Namur as well as Marshallese communities," said Carmen Spencer, KRS president, adding with full performance came a sense of relief. "Now I can do strategic planning, prioritize everything that I want to accomplish over the next six months and now I have a complete staff of professionals, staff and workers to implement that plan. Basically, I've gone from staff of 50 to over 2,000."

Not only did the signs in front of each building on island change overnight from Raytheon to KRS, on Friday night there was a lot of transition activity up until midnight, said Travis Hensley Raytheon Transition Team manager.

Scheduled by the Finance Department, starting at 3 p.m., each community support operation closed out books, making the final deposits and turned over the operation and keys. Meanwhile Finance worked all night to 5 a.m. getting final reports out of KEAMS.

Information Technology people followed, changing the KEAMS system



(Photo by KW Hillis)

KRS President Carmen Spencer signs forms taking over nearly \$850 million in government property from Raytheon, Saturday, as KRS Contracts Manager Nick Perry looks on. The new contractor assumed full performance.

over to KRS, leaving a system for the closeout team to use.

"So that we could do our financials and our bill paying," Hensley said.

Raytheon officially handed over the proverbial keys for Kwajalein and trans-

ferred nearly \$850 million in government property to Kwajalein Range Services Saturday in the office of Earl Davis, RSE Supply and Transportation manager.

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Kwajalein Hourglass

Tuesday
March 4, 2003

KRS opens new, safe era with full performance

By Carmen Spencer
KRS President

They say it is the beginning of a new era on Kwaj. Perhaps it is, but as KRS moves into full contract performance, it is probably an appropriate time to pause and reflect on where we have been and where we are going.

The last 16 months have been a real roller-coaster ride for almost everyone.

For those on the island, there has been anxiety, confusion and undoubtedly stress associated with trying to plan around a contract award which never seemed to happen.

While from my perspective, the excitement started when I was asked to lead and form a team to bid for the contract in September, 2000, 29 months ago. The Proposal Team has also experienced the anxiety of the delayed award, the short-lived elation of winning and mobilizing to Kwaj, only to be cut short by the protest.

Well, this roller coaster has certainly had its ups and downs. However, that is all behind us and today, 1 March, I'm excited but somehow humbled at the job ahead. Now is the time for KRS to really prove itself. Having said that I wish I could wave a magic wand and make everything



fine for everyone. However, many challenges lie ahead.

What do I see for the future? I see a period of adjustment, moving from a known organizational structure, to the "unknown" KRS. As with any new organization, there are opportunities to develop new roles, take up new challenges, acquire new skills and provide leadership to others. These are exciting times.

Now is the time for KRS to really prove itself. Having said that I wish I could wave a magic wand and make everything fine for everyone. However, many challenges lie ahead.

We are also seeking from you your ideas on how to make things better. We want to save the government and the tax payers' money by finding more efficient ways of doing business. Give us your ideas. In the next few days, we will be establishing a KRS Hot Line to listen to your ideas for making the entire atoll a better place to live, work and play.

For my part, I can promise a commitment to listen, to support, to provide stability, to facilitate continuous improvement, to make Kwaj the most sought after work location, improve the quality of Kwaj life and to expand the role of RMI citizens.

But commitment is not a one-way street and in return I ask something from you. What I need from you is a total commitment to personal safety. KRS can provide a safe work environment, training and personal protection equipment but if you do not make a personal commitment to safety, it will all be for nothing. In a small community such as Kwaj, we are all affected when "things go wrong." In order for this to be truly the best place to live and work in the world, it must also be safe.

Please join with me in committing ourselves daily to making Kwaj the best place to live and work!

From March 4, 2003



1) Col. James DeOre, USAG-KA Commander, joins Command Sgt. Maj. Todd Shirley last week in recognizing the contributions of Navy Seabees Naval Mobile Construction Battalion-1 in their months of work in building infrastructure in the island communities of Enniburr and Ebeye. 2) Samantha Samson and Asia Williams take a few minutes to smile during a tough day of out-processing employees at KRS Human Resources. 3) Ed and Patrice Kramer perform a macabre folk tune during a special Vets Hall fundraiser for Ed Zehr and Danny Barthle. 4) The Atomic Playboys perform live at the Ocean View Club Jan. 27.

REMINDER TO ALL: COCONUT CRABS OFF LIMITS

The Environmental Standards for U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll identify the coconut crab as a protected species. For this reason, USAG-KA residents and personnel should not touch, harass, injure or kill coconut crabs. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Kwajalein Range Services Environmental Office at 51134.

The coconut crab (*Birgus latro*), known locally as barulep, is a type of land-based hermit crab. Unlike other hermit crabs, the coconut crab does not make use of a shell beyond the juvenile stages of its life. It is this characteristic that allows the coconut crab to grow so large in size.

Despite their name, coconut crabs have a varied diet which includes other fresh fruits and even meats, usually smaller crabs or dead animals. They use their strong sense of smell to locate food when they emerge from their burrows to hunt at night and, typically, remain inside their burrows during the day to protect themselves from the heat.

Coconut crabs can be found on many of the small islands throughout the Pacific and Indian Oceans. The state of their population remains unknown. For this reason, some nations have given this species protected status.



This coconut crab, photographed by USAG-KA resident Art Bennis on Roi, is one of many on USAG-KA-maintained islands that are protected by environmental standards enforced by the Army and the R.M.I.

WEEKLY WEATHER OUTLOOK

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION: January ends with monthly total precipitation of 14.46 inches or 361 percent of normal. This is the second wettest January we have on record since 1945. The wettest January brought us 15.66 inches in 1951. As discussed in past, the cause for this precipitation was a robust Madden Julian oscillation (MJO) that enhanced the precipitation in the Western Pacific while the Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) was in our region.

Going forward for the next 14 days, the robust MJO will be acting to suppress precipitation in our region. ITCZ will be south of Kwajalein the next seven days, oriented along 5-6 north latitude. Expecting widely scattered to isolated showers with average to below average accumulations. Daily accumulation averages for February are 0.12 inches with 40 percent of the days receiving a trace or more of precipitation. Trade winds will stay in the 13-18 knot range through the weekend but increase to the 17-22 knot range mid next week.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY/MONDAY FORECAST: Isolated showers Saturday, Sunday Monday. Winds E-ENE at 15-20 knots.

MID-WEEK FORECAST: Isolated showers next week. Winds ENE 17-22 knots.

SUN-MOON-TIDES				
	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	7:10 a.m. 6:56 p.m.	10:24 p.m. 10:01 a.m.	6:44 a.m. 4.0' 6:55 p.m. 4.4'	12:40 a.m. -0.8' 12:41 p.m. -0.3'
MONDAY	7:10 a.m. 6:57 p.m.	11:14 p.m. 10:47 a.m.	7:20 a.m. 3.7' 7:28 p.m. 3.9'	1:14 a.m. -0.4' 1:18 p.m. 0.1'
TUESDAY	7:09 a.m. 6:57 p.m.	----- 11:31 a.m.	7:57 a.m. 3.4' 8:02 p.m. 3.3'	1:47 a.m. 0.0' 1:57 p.m. 0.5'
WEDNESDAY	7:09 a.m. 6:57 p.m.	12:04 a.m. 12:14 p.m.	8:40 a.m. 3.1' 8:40 p.m. 2.8'	2:20 a.m. 0.4' 2:44 p.m. 1.0'
THURSDAY	7:09 a.m. 6:57 p.m.	12:52 a.m. 12:57 p.m.	9:38 a.m. 2.8' 9:40 p.m. 2.3'	3:00 a.m. 0.8' 3:59 p.m. 1.4'
FRIDAY	7:09 a.m. 6:58 p.m.	1:40 a.m. 1:42 p.m.	11:20 a.m. 2.6' -----	4:04 a.m. 1.1' 6:28 p.m. 1.4'
FEBRUARY 10	7:09 a.m. 6:58 p.m.	2:28 a.m. 2:27 p.m.	12:05 a.m. 2.0' 1:12 p.m. 2.8'	6:04 a.m. 1.3' 8:09 p.m. 1.1'



Have something the USAG-KA commander needs to know?

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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

LUNCH

Sunday

Beef Enchiladas
Chimichangas
Tamales

Monday

Italian Beef Stew
Mozzerella Eggplant
Herbed Rice Pilaf

Tuesday

Craby Mac & Cheese
Chicken Veggie Toss
Corn on the Cob

Wednesday

German Pork & Cabbage
Alpine Potatoes w.Bacon
Steamed Asparagus

Thursday

Cabernet Braised Short Ribs
Italian Cod Fish Stew
Antigua Blended Veggies

Friday

Tex-Mex Pasta Sautee
Hungarian Goulash
Noodles and Cabbage

Feb. 10

BBQ Chicken
Baked Beans
Kickin Collards

DINNER

Sunday

Beef and Broccoli
Lumpia w/Chili Sauce
Steamed Rice

Monday

Teriyaki Glazed Hen
Brat & Veggie Skillet
Jasmine Rice

Tuesday

Swiss Steak & Mushrooms
Baked Spaghetti
Curried Carrots

Wednesday

Steak Night
Grilled Chicken Mornay
Creamed Spinach

Thursday

Cranberry Pork Loin
Brown Rice Pilaf
Monaco Veggie Blend

Friday

Pasta Night
White Clam Sauce
Steamed Green Beans

Feb. 10

Filipino Paella
Adobo Beans
Roasted Papaya

Captain Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility

*MENU CURRENT AS OF Feb. 2

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.

San Juan Construction is currently hiring for multiple projects on Kwajalein. If your contract is ending and you are interested in continued work on Kwajalein, please see our website at www.sanjuanconstruction.com for opportunities and to apply or call Tim Hughes, Corporate Recruiter at 970-497-8238.

There are still ExPat positions remaining with DynCorp International. If you are interested in applying please come to the second floor of Building 602 and inquire.

FOR SALE

PCS Sale at Coral 314. Saturday, Feb. 3. from 4 - 8 p.m.; Sunday Feb. 4 and Monday, Feb. 5 from 9 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Navy Leather Loveseat, Tea Cart/Knife Rack, Backpack Beach Chair, Leather Director's Chair, Microwave/Convection Oven, Clothing, Sarongs, Shoes, Kitchen items, Original Artwork & "Buckminster" greeting cards, HP Printer/Copier and more. Come early for the best selection. Questions - Call 5-4498 before 9 p.m.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Ballroom Dance Classes start Tuesday, Feb. 6 from 6:30 - 7:30 in CRC Room 6. Classes run through May 1. We'll start with swing dance (Jitterbug) and also cover cha-cha, foxtrot and rumba. No cost, partner encouraged but not required. Be ready for the Annual Ballroom Dance on May 6. Questions, contact Gus Garcia.

The Family Pool will close at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11 for the KST Swim Meet.

Boys and Girls Club of America Variety Show. Sunday, Feb. 25 7-8 p.m. in the High School MP Room. The Boys and Girls Club of America is preparing to host the annual VARIETY SHOW! All are welcome for a fun and enjoyable night of skits, musical acts, and dances! If you have any questions please contact Michael Hillman at 53796.

2018 YYWC Annual Silent and Live Auction Fundraising Event and Cocktail Party. March 4, 7 p.m. in the MP Room. Tickets are \$25. Each ticket includes two drinks (cocktails, beer, wine, soda) and fabulous food by some of Kwajalein's best cooks and bakers. Ticket sales begin Saturday Feb. 17. Have you helped us out in the past? Are you new to Kwajalein and want to get involved? All of the funds raised go to Education Grants for Marshallese and Micronesian schools! Your donations of goods, services and events are needed and appreciated! Donate something as a business or vendor, on your own, or get together with family or friends to create a basket to be auctioned. To donate contact Amy Spock at amy_keener@msn.com 5-0899 or Kiersta Bailey at renbird74@gmail.com 5-4692.

Be a part of the GSES STEM Festival! Calling all Science, Technology, Engineering and Math professionals and enthusiasts to set up displays or demonstrations at our STEM Careers Expo. Have a great STEM presenta-

CASH AND CHECKS ONLY, FEBRUARY 6.

In support of the contract transition the following facilities will accept CASH OR CHECK ONLY beginning Monday, 5 February: Community Activities, Small Boat Marina, Ocean View, Outrigger Bar and Grill, Sunrise Bakery, Surfside Salon, Zamperini Dining Facility, Café Roi Dining Facility and Roi Small Boat Marina.

Surfway will accept CREDIT CARDS, cash or check through the close of business on Tuesday, 6 February. Post Office operations are on a separate system and will not be impacted. If you have any questions please e-mail Kim Yarnes.

tion and hands-on activity? Then inquire about becoming one of our STEM Specialty Session presenters! Contact Heather Miller at 5-5642 or heathershawmiller@yahoo.com.

SAFETY/ENVIRONMENTAL

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

Safely Speaking/Boat Rolling. Han-

dling heavy weather in small boats means paying attention to conditions and using whatever advantages you have to protect the boat from the waves. It's safest to take the waves on the bow, operate near the windward shore, and stay away from the leeward shore.

E-Talk/Archaeological Resources. This week marks the 74th anniversary of Operation Flintlock, the World War II invasion of the Marshall Islands.

SIGN UP FOR A HEALTH WORKSHOP!

Stress Management. Explore what stress is and how it impacts your health while learning strategies for healthier living. Group will meet Fridays for four weeks starting 2 Feb at 4:30 p.m. through Feb. 23. Meeting to be held in the Hospital Conference Room (2nd floor). Call 5-5362 by Feb. 1 to confirm your attendance, leave message if call not answered.

Mindfulness in the Workplace. Learn to become more present and connected to your day to day tasks. Group will provide strategies to improve communication with coworkers and supervisors, learn time management skills and methods of conflict resolution as well as discuss steps to let liberate your highest potential. Meet in the Hospital Conference Room on Wednesday for 6 weeks starting Feb. 21 through March 28. Call 5-5362 by Feb. 20 to confirm your attendance, leave message if call not answered.

Smoking Cessation. Please contact EAP at 5-5362 to enroll in group as it will be built based on interest. Not comfortable with a group setting, individual sessions provided during the workday.

Café Roi

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LUNCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Feb. 10
Roast Duck Bread Dressing Sea Alfredo	Beef Fajitas Spicy Orange Chicken Breakfast Burrito	Grilled Chicken Thigh Chef's Choice Beans Cornbread	Beef Stew Chicken Chimichangas Italian Greens	Baked Ham Roasted Cornish Hen Green Bean Casserole	Tuna Casserole Yankee Pot Roast Mashed Potatoes	Meat Lasagna Cheese Tortellini Alfredo Cheesy Garlic Bread

DINNER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Feb. 10
BBQ Pork Ribs Chicken Wings Mac & Cheese	Chicken Jambalaya Cajun Jerk Chicken Mashed Potatoes	Fried Pork Chop Turkey Ala King Mashed Potatoes	Prime Rib of Beef Herb Baked Fish Baked Potatoes	Fried Chicken London Broiled Steak Mashed Potatoes	Fish & Chips Parsley Potatoes French Fries	Asian Pork Roast Teriyaki Chicken Spicy Sweet Potato Wedges

SELF-SHIPMENT TIPS FROM THE POST OFFICE

HOURLASS REPORT

Planning to self-ship belongings home before your departure from Kwajalein? The Kwajalein Post Office wants to help.

With many island residents mailing boxes, lines have been a little longer than normal. The post office staff reminds the community that special appointment times can be arranged outside of the normal hours of operation. If you have four boxes or more, please take advantage of this appointment time. Kwajalein Post Office clerks are available to discuss your various shipping options. Residents are encouraged to remember that standard height and weight shipping dimensions apply for self-shipments. Boxes and packages have a weight limit of 70 pounds. Length and girth limits are 108 inches for Priority Mail packages and 130 inches for packages shipped via SAM or Parcel Post.

Customs forms can be completed online and all forms should be completed before coming to the mailing window. USPS has a variety of mailing supplies available for free through their website.

For additional assistance and questions please contact the Kwajalein Post Office at 53461 and visit <https://pe.usps.com/text/dmm100/tips-measure-packages.htm>.

UNITED CHECK-IN TIMES

Monday, United 155—3:30-4:45 p.m.

Tuesday, United 154—11-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, United 155—2:30-3:45 p.m.

Thursday, United 154—11:30 a.m.-Noon.

Friday, United 155—3:30-4:45 p.m.

Saturday, United 154—11-11:30 a.m.

ATI CHECK-IN TIMES

Early departures—**7:45-8:15 a.m.**

All other departures—**8-8:30 a.m.**

*Check with your ATI flight representative to confirm check-in and flight departure times.

JERAMON NON KOM

Jeramon non kom is the Marshallese way to say "Goodbye and good luck, friends."

NOTICE ON DRONES

PUBLIC NOTICE

Kwaj residents may use their personal UAS and RC aircrafts (drones). Please stop by the SACC desk at BLDG 807 to review the USAG-KA policies related to the operation of these drones and to register them. You will be given a registration card that must be in your possession while operating your drone. DJI drones are not allowed nor authorized to be used. Questions, please contact the desk officer at 5-4445 or PMO at 5-3739.

KRS FINANCE IS MOVING

KRS Finance has moved from Building 702. For the month of February, the staff is relocated to building 1054, and payments for remaining invoices can be made by credit card or check only. Effective Feb. 1, the Kwajalein Cash Office hours are:

Tuesday	11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Thursday	11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Saturday	11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Roi Residents will have representatives identified who can bring checks to the temporary KRS Finance Office from Roi for processing. Any other payments for services outside of posted hours will be handled by appointment only. Please contact the staff at 52710 for assistance.

Hours of Operation Update Kwajalein and Roi APO Post Office

The Kwajalein and Roi APO Post Offices will have new hours of operation starting Feb. 8, 2018, as follows:

Kwajalein	Roi
Tues- 12:30-4 p.m.	Wed-1-5 p.m.
Wed- 1-5:30 p.m.	Thurs-12:30-6 p.m.
Thurs-12:30-6 p.m.	Fri-1-5:30 p.m.
Fri-1-5:30 p.m.	Sat-12:30-3 p.m.
Sat-12:30-4:30 p.m.	

**Questions, please contact
Staff Sgt. Christina Barnes at 5-0660**