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A MINUTEMAN III ICBM RE-ENTRY LIGHTS THE SKIES OVER KWAJALEIN ATOLL THIS WEEK.



DI ENVIRONMENTAL IS ON THE JOB

FEATURE / JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Residents of U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll live close to the indigenous corals, sponges, plants and animals that make the Republic of the Marshall Islands their home. When it comes to protecting the environment from the daily impact of human activity, DynCorp International Environmental is proactive and on the job.

DI Environmental is comprised of a team of six specialists with backgrounds in engineering, environmental sampling and biology who locally administer the USAKA Environmental Standards (UES) program. Developed as a requirement in the 1986 U.S.-RMI Compact of Free Association, the UES provides the standards and requirements of U.S. Army activity within its sovereign host nation and requires U.S. activities in the RMI to be reviewed in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Additionally, the UES identifies specific activities that require a Document of Environmental Protection (DEP). These are essentially permits. When developed, the DEPs are required to undergo a public review prior to approval by the governing agencies. There are currently 13 DEPs that are administered at USAG-KA.

The five governing agencies for the UES include: the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Region IX); the National Marine Fisheries Service (Hawaii); the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; the Republic of the Marshall Islands Environmental Protection Authority (RMIEPA); and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

"Every U.S. activity [here] is looked at and evaluated to see what kind of environmental impact it could cause and what conditions must be in place to minimize possible impact on the environment," said DI Environmental Manager Gus Aljure.

"We ensure that there is compliance with those standards," he said. "If you're going to do any activities like dredging, filling or removing sediment from the water to build a new pier, you need to have certain permits. Those DEPs include controls, monitoring and sampling require-

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From left to right: Rahin Balos, Mark Brunson, Gus Aljure and Eric Miller of DI Environmental. Not pictured: Greg Huey and Leigh Ewbank.

ments, inspections, reports and notifications in case something goes wrong."

The team's duties include monitoring the quality of drinking water and the reclaimed water system used for non-potable water. Solid waste management and disposals at the landfills also require the team's attention.

Aljure explained that these aren't simple jobs. Each operation in the atoll has its own set of procedures that require the DI Environmental team to intuit future impacts before a project begins—essentially, forecasting and protecting the future of the natural world.

"We [also] get involved to ensure those aspects of the permits are being covered and addressed," said Aljure. This responsibility requires DI Environmental to make frequent visits to different facilities (including the outer islands) to evaluate compliance with the UES and the associated DEPs.

Examples of environmental activities in the atoll include: the project to transplant coral from Echo Pier in preparation for the renovation project; collecting groundwater samples for analysis from the landfill areas on Kwajalein, Roi-Namur and Meck; conducting facility inspections for management of hazardous materials and waste; and also issuing various vegetation removal permits for operational or safety purposes.

DI Environmental also supports community education through outreach projects. In addition to the weekly E-wareness topics published and posted in the Kwajalein Hourglass and on the AFN Roller, an annual ocean-side Kwajalein Earth Day Clean-Up event promotes recycling awareness and informs island residents about the dangers of aquatic pollution, including plastics.

Aljure recommends residents obtain required permits, follow rules and regulations and enjoy the natural world from a safe distance.

"The key thing is all coral, sponges and many species of fish are protected," said Aljure. "When people go diving, it's easy to grab on to coral and not realize the detrimental impact it can have. It's better to keep a hands-off perspective. We all want to be good stewards of the environment."

DI ENVIRONMENTAL

PHONE: 5-1134 Questions about corals, digs and coconut crabs? Contact DI Environmental at 5-1134 to learn more about how you can protect the natural world.

*Last week the Kwajalein Hourglass published contact information for KRS Environmental. Please call DI Environmental 5-1134 for any and all environmental questions. Thank you for your patience as we update our island phonebook!



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Former YYWC president Mindy Cantrell, left, presents incoming YYWC president Misti French with her official records at the Pass The Binder Ceremony May 16.

YUK WOMEN'S CLUB WELCOMES NEW EXECUTIVE BOARD

NEWS / JESSICA DAMBRUCH

The Yokwe Yuk Women's Club convened for its first annual Pass the Binder ceremony Wednesday, May 16 at the quarters of U.S. Army Garrison Kwajalein-Atoll Commander Col. James DeOre and Debbie DeOre.

After a brief reception, the group of more than 15 female leaders and professionals witnessed the presentation of official club records and events information by the outgoing board to the new executive board officers for 2018.

"Debbie [DeOre] and April [Shirley] wanted a way to show their appreciation for the current board and all they've done this year," said outgoing YYWC President Mindy Cantrell. "I wanted to show the new girls on the board that this was a special group they were joining."

The YYWC is open to all adult Kwaj ladies. Annual community events sponsored by YYWC like the Kaleidoscope of Music and the YYWC Basket Auction raise funds for Kwajalein High School senior scholarships and education grants for student supplies and schools in the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia.

Before they adjourned, the outgoing YYWC board exchanged tokens of appreciation and thanked everyone gathered for their volunteerism.

Each member also received a decal by Jac Crooker sporting the organization's slogan: a pink heart framed by wings and a splash of writing.

"It says Pass the Love," said Cantrell. "YYWC is all about the ladies and children on Kwajalein and all the children in the Marshall Islands and Micronesia."



1) A cool new YYWC decal designed by Jac Crooker waits to be slapped on a Kwaj bike trailer. 2) Debbie DeOre addresses the YYWC board members. 3) The incoming and outgoing YYWC board gathers for a photo at the DeOre quarters, May 16.



1) Kwajalein Dental Clinic's Dr. Jon Sok and Dental Office Lead Jerremy Clayton prepare to do some serious dental work. 2) A sight to behold: A flawless Minuteman III ICBM re-entry from Vandenberg Air Force Base sails through the atmosphere, May 15 into Kwajalein Atoll. 3-4) Hey man, nice pot: FMWR Roi-Namur Supervisor Rob Kent's latest creations from the Roi Hobby Shop are glazed and ready to go on display in a BQ near you.

🖸 U.S. Army photos by Jessica Dambruch and Robert Kent

KWAJ COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

HOURGLASS REPORT

Any USAG-KA resident who would like to adopt a dog or cat on island should check in with Barbara Kocis.

Kwajalein's vet tech hails from Stafford, Virginia and came to the island in November 2017 with a wealth of emergency room medical experience. She is pleased to assist the island's more than 300 total cats and dogs with routine medical check-ups and has a few words of wisdom for Kwajalein's pet owners.

"Cats and dogs can get dehydrated too," said Kocis in a recent interview. "Cats on island should stay inside, out of the sun. They can become dehydrated very easily."

Kocis recommends wet food for cats to assist with proper hydration in Kwaj's hot climate and encourages pet owners to always have fresh water available for the island's fourlegged residents to keep them healthy and safe.



Kwaj vet tech Barbara Kocis is ready to look after the island's pets.



WE'LL MESSAGE YOUR FRIENDS.

Need to send an announcement to the Kwajalein community? Send your message to kwajafnroller@dyn-intl.com and kwajaleinhourglass@dyn-intl.com to appear in the Kwajalein Hourglass and on the AFN Roller Channel. For more information, please call 5-2114.



PROFILE /JESSICA DAMBRUCH

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwa-jalein Atoll Family & Morale, Welfare and Recreation Health and Fitness programming now includes creative cardio courses taught by Allena Childress. the island's newest instructor.

Childress arrived on island in the early spring with a passion for dance and a plan to make fitness fun. Her Zumba classes are packed with happy Kwaj residents who kick fitness into high gear.

"Enjoying motion and movement is a passion thing," said Childress. "Motion is beautiful. When you dance you feel better and more powerful in your own skin."

The instructor brings more than 15 years' dance instruction experience to the island community. She also designed and performed dance routines with a professional troupe in Japan.

On Kwajalein, Childress aims for her students to enjoy their journey to good health in group workout. Don't be surprised if you hear a few of your favorite songs in the middle of an Aqua Aerobics or Zumba class.

"I find music helps all different kinds of people get into fitness," said Childress.

Depending on the day's students, she may cue up rock and roll, 80s hits or techno to energize the afternoon.

Childress knows Zumba will appeal to experienced and novice cardio lovers alike. Picture action-packed sequences of lunges with low kicks and punches and all of your friends jamming out to a favorite hit song.

Better yet-try out a Zumba class and bring your friends.

"Zumba moves can be found in [a style called] Latin Heat," said Childress. "It incorporates all kinds of dance moves and styles."

The typical Zumba workout routine is less about high kicks and more about fun flow and energy with room for personalized expression.

"I always throw in some flair with my hands," Childress said. "I love to dance."

If dance isn't your forte, Childress just added kickboxing fitness courses to the FMWR Health and Fitness Schedule. The instructor invites everyone to pick a course to try out.

"Check out these classes and find one you likethey're fun," said Childress. "There is something here for everybody to try."

For more information and updates to the current class schedule, please visit the FMWR Health and Fitness Facebook page or contact 5-3331.





🖸 U.S. Army photos by Jessica Dambruch

Allena Childress and the growing weekly fitness crew on Kwajalein hit the pool for Aqua Aerobics and Zumba.

FMWR HEALTH AND FITNESS WEEKLY CLASS SCHEDULE

Join the fun! Bring a friend and get fit in one of FMWR's weekly health and fitness classes!

Tuesday in CRC Room 7 5:30 a.m.—Zumba 5:30 p.m.—Zumba Step and Core

Wednesday in CRC Room 7 9 a.m.—Zumba 5:30 p.m.—Zumba

Thursday

9 a.m.—Zumba Step and Core, CRC Room 7 6 p.m.—Aqua Aerobics at the Adult pool

Friday in CRC Room 7 5:30 a.m.—Zumba 5:30 p.m.—Kickboxing

Saturday in CRC Room 7 9 a.m.—Kickboxina 6 p.m.—Aqua Aerobics at the Adult Pool



We got your Want to see Kwaj and Roi in action? Check out the Kwajalein Hourglass Flickr page and the the Kwaj Current TV Show on channel 29-1.



COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

KWAJALEIN MOVIES

15:17 To Paris (PG-13) Saturday, May 19 7:30 p.m. at CRC Room 6

Sherlock Gnomes (PG) Sunday, May 20 7:30 p.m. at CRC Room 6

Paul, Apostle of Christ (PG-13) Monday, May 21 7:30 p.m. at CRC Room 6

ROI MOVIES Star Wars: The Last Jedi (PG-13) Saturday, May 19 7 p.m. at Tradewinds Theater

Annihilation (R) Sunday, May 20 7 p.m. at Tradewinds Theater

HELP WANTED

To research and apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit www. usajobs.gov.

KFS, LLC has an opening for a Staff Environmental Technician (Remediation) on USAG-KA. Please forward email or resume to vrabelc@kfs-llc.com.

USAG-KA is hiring a full-time GS-11 Protocol Officer. The job announcement is posted on USA-Jobs.gov. Announcement number WTEW 186959085092; Control number 498846300. (Job announcement closes May 21).

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Optometrist, Dr. Chris Yamamoto, visit has been rescheduled and will see patients June 1-12. All patients with appointments will be contacted and rescheduled by Hospital staff. The Hospital is still taking eye appointments, call 5-2223/5-2224 to schedule. The EAP office has moved to Room 224, still on 2nd floor of hospital. Please call 5-5362 to schedule an appointment. We offer support to any resident, employee or dependent.

Smoking Cessation program regularly offered. Ask a physician or contact Mary Beth at 5-5362.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month! If you are struggling or curious how to help someone you care about, please call 5-5362 or speak with a Physician. We are here to help.

Kids stressing you out? Feeling frustrated or unsure of how to communicate with your teenager? Join other parents for a 6-week parenting group. May 8-June 12, every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Call 5-5362 to confirm participation.

Island Memorial Chapel will host the Baccalaureate Ceremony for the Senior Class of 2018 at the main sanctuary Monday, May 27 at 7 p.m. The community is invited to attend this free event. A dessert reception will follow.

Support the Sophomore Class and get an airbrush tattoo at the Memorial Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 29 at Emon Beach. A large variety of small to large tattoos will be available for a suggested \$2-5 donation.

The next Island Orientation for new hires will be held on Wednesday, May 30 at 12:30 p.m. in Corlett Recreation Center (CRC) Room 6. Please send an email to LOG-CAPIV@dyn-intl.com or call Asia Williams @ 5-5169 to register.

Kwajalein Bowling Alley hours of operation are Saturdays and Sundays, 1-9 p.m., and Monday from noon to 9 p.m.

E-wareness: Hazardous Waste Collection Area. Contact Environmental at 5-1134 for information. A Hazardous Waste Collection Area is a designated location where a generator accumulates as much as 55 gallons of hazardous waste in containers at or near any point of generation for safe storage and removal per USAG-KA regulations. Weekly inspections must be conducted by a trained materials custodian.

E-Wareness: Light Bulbs/Tubes Disposal: Incandescent bulbs and halogen bulbs do not contain toxic materials can be thrown in the regular trash. Fluorescent lamps (CFLs) are considered household hazardous waste because they contain mercury. Light-emitting diode (LED) bulbs contain phosphor powder. These types of tubes/lamps/bulbs can be turned-in to Self-Help and will be forwarded to HazWaste for proper disposal.

E-Wareness: Ejelok menin baijin ilo incandescent im halogen bulb ko im remaron jokpij ilo nien kobej ko. Emoj likit flourescent tubes im compact fluorescent lamp ko (CFLs) bwe dren bed iumin kopij ko rekauwotata kinke ewor mercury ie. Elon phosphor powder ilo Light-emitting diode (LED) ko. Tubes/lamps /bulb kein ren etal nan Self-Help im etal wot nan HazWaste nan aer jokpiji.

E-Wareness: Ta in Hazardous Waste Collection Area? Jikin ae kwobej ko rekauwotata rej ijoko emoj kamelim an department/ shop ko likit tarin 55-gallon in kwobej ko rekauwotata ilo container ko ijoko jerbal ko rej komon ie.

Keen/Kuwat in propane jidrik ko ewor kobbaeir rejjab aikuj ped turin container in flammable liquid ko. Ekkar nan kakien ko an OSHA im Compressed Gas Association, emmo kakkon kaan in compressed gas cylinders ko turin wot oil ko, kiaj/karjin ko, im menoknok ko epidodo aer urur kin kijeek.

New Residential Internet users must sign-up and pick-up a modem at Building 806, DynCorp Help Desk. Questions, call 5-3000.

Free Bargain Bazaar Donation Pickup. Monday, May 21, 10 a.m.noon; Tuesday, May 29, 12-2 p.m.; Tuesday, June 5 and 12, 5-7 p.m. Got a large load of items to donate? Bargain Bazaar volunteers will bring a truck to your house or BQ and take the items to the Bargain Bazaar for you. Contact Alexie McElhoe to schedule pickups at 5-2630; e-mail: mcelhoea@gmail. com; Facebook: Alexie McElhoe.

Community Bank needs your coins! Community Bank is low on coin money right now due to a coin shipment delay. The bank asks customers to exchange their coins for paper bills. Coin wrappers are available free at the bank for customers to roll their money for exchange.

KRS no longer supports residential internet. Please do not visit 1008 for internet related service. For support go to the following locations: Internet sign-ups building 702 Modem pick-up building 806.

Renovations are presently underway to correct sanitary and safety conditions currently affecting the front locker room at the Country Club. All members come by the club at their earliest convenience in order to have their locker reassigned to the back room. This will be a permanent change. Additionally, it is requested that all members update their contact information as well during this time. Thank you for your understanding as we work to make the golf course a better place.

FMWR Hobby Shop and Woodshop Notice. USAG-KA FMWR now offers one-year memberships at the following rates: individual, \$150; family, \$250. If you have an existing cubby or finished/unfinished projects at the Hobby Shop or Woodshop, please come in and claim them by May 31. All unclaimed projects and materials will be disposed of after June 1. Questions, call Hobby Shop Manager at 5-1700.

(Captain Louis S. Zamperini Cafeteria					*MENU CURRENT AS OF MAY 18	
LUNCH Sunday Pepper Steak Cantonese Spareribs Pork Fried Rice	Monday Honey Chicken Fried Trout Steamed Rice	Tuesday Lemon Baked Fish Fried Pork Chops Noodles Jefferson	Wednesday Fried Catfish BBQ Ribs Mac and Cheese	Thursday Baked Chicken Hamburger Yakisoba Buttered Noodles	Friday Chicken Alfredo Teriyaki Beef Pork Fried Rice	May 26 Chicken and Broccoli Roast Turkey Prime Ribs	
DINNER Sunday Baked Pollock Buttered Egg Noodles Mashed Potatoes	Monday Herbed Salmon	Tuesday Teriyaki Beef Honey Ginger Chicken Paprika Potatoes	Wednesday Beef Stew Chicken Cordon Bleu Steamed Rice	Thursday Lemon Chicken Pineapple Ham Wild Rice	Friday Grilled Pork Chops Baked Salmon Mixed Vegetables	May 26 Grilled Steak Fried Shrimp Basmati Rice	

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WEEKLY WEATHER LOOKOUT

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION. A wave in the ITCZ crossed the atoll region this past Wednesday and Thursday bringing a total of 3.86 inches of rainfall for these two days. Another weaker wave will cross the area today. We are transitioning into a more steady-state ENE trade wind pattern this weekend which will remain in place next week.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY/MONDAY FORECAST: Winds ENE at 10-15 knots with widely scattered showers and partly sunny skies.

MID-WEEK FORECAST: Winds ENE at 10-15 knots with widely scattered showers and partly sunny skies.

MIND THE STOP SIGNS!

Always avoid the caution areas surrounding the ends of the runways on both Kwaialein and Roi-Namur when aircraft are approaching or taking off. Pedestrians, cyclists and drivers must always make a full stop at the stop signs posted near the ends of the runways.



U.S. ARMY GARRISON-KWAJALEIN ATOLL MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

The Kwajalein community is invited to the U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Memorial Day Ceremony

> 10 a.m., Monday, May 28 at the USAG-KA flagpoles

*In the case of inclement weather, the ceremony will convene inside the Island Memorial Chapel





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	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:29 a.m.	10:55 a.m.	7:22 a.m. 4.2'	12:55 a.m. 0.1'
	7:02 p.m.	11:47 p.m.	8:02 p.m. 2.9'	2:01 p.m. 0.0'
MONDAY	6:29 a.m.	11:54 a.m.	8:20 a.m. 3.8'	1:47 a.m. 0.5'
	7:02 p.m.		9:18 p.m. 2.6'	3:10 p.m. 0.4'
TUESDAY	6:29 a.m.	12:51 p.m.	9:38 a.m. 3.3'	3:00 a.m. 1.0'
	7:02 p.m.	12:42 a.m.	11:02 p.m. 2.5'	4:38 p.m. 0.6'
WEDNESDAY	6:29 a.m.	1:46 p.m.	11:14 a.m. 3.2'	4:47 a.m. 1.2'
	7:03 p.m.	1:32 a.m.		6:05 p.m. 0.6'
THURSDAY	6:29 a.m.	2:38 p.m.	12:33 a.m. 2.8'	6:29 a.m. 1.0'
	7:03 p.m.	2:19 a.m.	12:40 p.m. 3.2'	7:10 p.m. 0.4'
FRIDAY	6:29 a.m.	3:28 p.m.	1:34 a.m. 3.3'	7:38 a.m. 0.7'
	7:03 p.m.	3:05 a.m.	1:41 p.m. 3.4'	7:57 p.m. 0.1'
MAY 26	6:29 a.m.	4:18 p.m.	2:18 a.m. 3.7'	8:28 a.m. 0.3'
	7:03 p.m.	3:48 a.m.	2:28 p.m. 3.5'	8:36 p.m0.1'

LUNCH

Sunday Fish Chowder Pepper Steak Cantonese Spareribs

DINNER

Sunday Pizza Minestrone Soup Herbed Chicken Monday Cream of Tortilla Soup Stuffed Bell Peppers Honey Chicken

Monday Mushroom Soup Spaahetti

Okra with Tomatoes

Beef Noodle Soup

Lemon Baked Fish Fried Pork Chops

Tuesday

Tuesday Taco Tuesday Cream of Chicken Soup Honey Ginaer Chicken

Wednesday Gumbo Soup Fried Catfish Mac and Cheese

Café Roi

Wednesday Steak Night Baked Potato Bar Grilled Chicken

Thursday Baked Chicken Seasoned Pollock Garlic Potatoes

Thursday Fried Chicken Bean and Ham Soup Steamed Rice

Friday Minestrone Soup Lemon Baked Fish Pork Fried Rice

May 26 Roast Turkey Grilled Pork Chops Mashed Potatoes

Chicken and Rice Soup

Ham Steak Hawaijan

Jerk Chicken

May 26

Friday Grilled Pork Chops Beef Stroaanoff Brown Rice

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PASSPORT SERVICES MAY 30-31

U.S. Embassy Majuro will conduct American Citizen Services in Building 730 (Garrison HQ), room 102 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. May 30-31.

Adult passport renewal: \$110; Adult passport (first time, 16 and older): \$145; Adult passport (if previous passport lost, stolen, mutilated): \$145; Minor passport (15 and younger): \$115; Adult Passport Card: \$30; Minor Passport Card: \$30; Minor Passport Card: \$15; Consular Record of Birth Abroad: \$100.

Passport photos must be recent (within 6 months) and without eyeglasses.

Only money orders and cashier's checks (payable to "US Embassy, Majuro") accepted; can be purchased from Community Bank or at the Post Office.

For more information, please contact Host Nation Activities, 5-2103 or 5-5325or visit https:// mh.usembassy.gov/u-scitizen-services/ New!

FMWR RENTAL TRUCKS ARE HERE

The FMWR (Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation has two pickup trucks for rent for the Kwajalein community.

Trucks will be available at the community activities Building 805 from Tuesday through Saturday, and from the Country Club on Sunday and Monday. Rental hours are 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at a cost of \$10.00 per hour. There is 2-hour limit on reservations to allow all members of the Kwajalein community to benefit from this program.

A valid USAG-KA driver's license is required to rent and operate these trucks. Please do your best to keep the trucks clean and remember to take your trash with you. Reservations must be made in person and paid for prior to taking possession of the truck. For more information, please call the FMWR office at 5-3331.



NOTARY SERVICES RESUME MAY 22

The new USAG-KA attorney is on board and currently working on a backlog of notary requests. Notary services are available by calling 5-1431 to make an appointment. There are no walk-ins unless otherwise arranged with the USAG-KA attorney.

The attorney is out of the office until Tuesday, May 22. Regarding eligibility for notary services for contractor employees, Army Regulation 27-3 provides that legal services may be rendered to - "(7) Civilian contractors accompanying the Armed Forces of the U.S. outside of the U.S. (and their family members who accompany them), when DoD is contractually obligated to provide this assistance to such personnel as part of their logistical support... (b) Legal assistance is limited to ministerial services (for example, notarial services), legal counseling (to include the review and discussion of legal correspondence and documents), legal document preparation (limited to powers of attorney and advanced medical directives (AMDs)), and help on retaining civilian lawyers."

Accordingly, contractor employees must demonstrate that their employer's contract with DoD provides for such support.



For community updates, and episodes of the Kwaj Current, please visit the official USAG-KA Facebook page and YouTube channel. For command information questions, please contact Public Affairs at 54848.

