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BUILDER CHIEF PETTY OFFICER CURTIS BRICKWOOD, LEFT, AND LT. SAMUEL REIMER OF NAVAL MOBILE CONSTRUCTION BATTALION ONE, EXCHANGE SALUTES DURING REIMER'S PROMOTION CEREMONY ON OCEANSIDE KWAJALEIN, JAN. 3.



JESSICA DAMBRUCH

HOURLASS INTERVIEWS

COMMAND SGT. MAJ. KENYATTA GASKINS

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Command Sgt. Maj. Kenyatta Gaskins and his family joined the community in October 2018. A native of North Carolina who enjoys spending time with family, Gaskins has traveled and worked throughout the world with the U.S. Army. Now nearly three months into his tour on USAG-KA, the Kwajalein Hourglass spoke with Gaskins about his assignment and the journey that led him to the central Pacific.

HOURLASS REPORT

Kwajalein Hourglass: Please tell us about your role as USAG-KA's Command Sergeant Major.

Command Sgt. Maj. Kenyatta Gaskins: Command sergeants major are the senior enlisted advisors to the commanding officer. I'm Col. DeOre's right hand, his eyes and ears on the installation. We can bounce ideas off each other to make the community and installation better. USAG-KA is a military installation at the end of the day; however, USAG-KA is unique, in that there are a lot more civilians than military. My role is to provide mentorship for the enlisted personnel and to everybody.

HG: What is your command philosophy or personal mission statement?

KG: My command philosophy is to conduct business and treat everyone fairly and equally to accomplish the mission. Kwajalein is quite unique. Working with the civilian population is quite new to me but something I'm getting used to. My personal mission statement is to treat everyone as equals. It does not matter whether they're Soldiers or civilians: It's all about taking care of the mission and

accomplishing what needs to be done on Kwajalein. People just want to be treated as such—as people.

HG: What inspired you to join the U.S. Army?

KG: College money, absolutely. Coming out of high school, I was accepted into a couple of schools. To be completely honest, my family was not financially set up to be able to afford [my college education]. I recognized that early on and I decided I would give the Army a try. So, 23 years later I'm still here. College money was my inspiration to join; however, when I got into the Army life, I absolutely loved it. Like I said, 23 years later, I'm still here in uniform.

HG: Please tell us about a person in your career who made a difference for you as a Soldier.

KG: During my first duty assignment in the late-90s at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, I had a supervisor by the name of Staff Sgt. Neil. She probably doesn't know this, but she would always tell me: "You'll be fine if you're at the right place, at the right time, in the right uniform. And be professional at all times." That sounds basic in nature, but I've always kind of taken that to heart. It has gotten me by and I still live by that mantra.

HG: What duty stations have you enjoyed the most?

KG: Outside of deployments, I haven't traveled extensively—[besides] Kwajalein of course, and Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where I've been at off and on for 12 years. I was also stationed in the Washington D.C. area as well as Panama for about a year in my earlier Army career. There's just so much to do [in the



D.C. area], so much culture there, so many historical landmarks. As amateur foodies, my wife and I like to get out and enjoy the restaurant scene as well. So, D.C. and Panama were good assignments. The relationship between the U.S. and Panama was good for almost 100 years. Beautiful culture, people, land and food. I had a great time out there.

HG: What are a few locations you'd invite visitors to your hometown to check out?

KG: I am from Greensboro, North Carolina, the third largest city in North Carolina behind Charlotte and Raleigh. We're a pretty decent sized city. If anyone were to come to Greensboro, I would recommend they visit the International Civil Rights Museum. It used to be a Woolworth's Department Store back in the 60's and 70's. On Feb. 1, 1960, there was a sit-in, in protest of the unfair treatment of African Americans during the Civil Rights Movement. There were four individuals (known as the Little Four) from

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USAG-KA Commander Col. James DeOre, left, is joined by Debbie DeOre, Tamika and Kennedy Gaskins, and Command Sgt. Maj. Kenyatta Gaskins, at the Assumption of Responsibility Ceremony Oct. 5, 2018 at the CRC.

📷 U.S. Army photo by Jessica Dambruch

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University that decided to sit in. I also recommend the Guilford Courthouse Battlefield. In 1781, during the Revolutionary War, there was a significant battle that took place right there at what has since been named Greensboro. I recommend spending time at those two places if you're ever in Greensboro.

HG: What's the most fun about your transition to island life, right now?

KG: The weather: It's summer all year round and I'm just enjoying coming out and seeing the sunshine. Even though there is an occasional rain shower, I'm willing to deal with that so long as it's sunny and warm on a daily basis. I also look forward to getting into the water, sports and activities out here. I'm not a big surfer, snorkeler or scuba diver but these are things I'm willing to try now that I'm out here. I'm in Rome—I might as well do as the Romans do. I'll do deep-sea fishing, too.

HG: What do you enjoy about living on Kwajalein with your family?

KG: There is more time to be together. There's nothing like getting up in the morning or going home after work, [hopping on a bike and being] home in three minutes. It's a little different from my past assignments. I had to deal with the high operational tempo, the commute to work put a strain on things as well. I found myself spending more time at work than I did at home. It's good to see my daughter get here and hit the ground like she's been here 10 years. For her

to be able to see a different side of the world at a young age— [my wife and I] are enjoying that. Going through everything as a family is what we're looking forward to the most.

HG: What do you look forward to about working with the Republic of the Marshall Islands?

KG: So far, just getting to know the people. The Marshallese are so personable and very nice. They're always waving, always taking time out of their day to ask how you're doing. This reminds me of home, being from the South. I'd like to get to know the people, their customs and a bit about their history.

HG: If you could share a message with Soldiers and Veterans, what would you say?

KG: Just thank them for their service. [The military is] not an easy profession to get into. I would especially thank the individuals that joined the military after 9/11. They knew what life could be like once they joined the military. I would say to Veterans and those who continue to serve right now, thank you for your service.

HG: Is there anything else you would care to add?

KG: I'm just happy to be here! I look forward to serving and getting to know everyone. Whatever it is they need, if I can affect that, I'm here for them. I look forward to the ride for the next two and a half years.



VET TECH VISIT KEEPS PETS HEALTHY

By Amanda Diamond
Kwajalein Vet Tech

Did you know that having your cat or dog examined once a year is not only a requirement by USAGKA but also recommended for good overall health? It is much easier (and cheaper) to prevent diseases than to treat them, especially here. Pets age much faster than we do so even an annual exam is more like a human seeing their doctor every three to five years.

Animals are very good at hiding illness and sometimes a problem can be discovered by a physical exam earlier than you might notice any changes at home. During an exam, the veterinarian or veterinary technician will evaluate things like the eyes, ears, nose, mouth, teeth, fur, skin, legs, paws, abdomen, heart, and lungs.

Other recommendations that may be discussed at an annual exam include parasite prevention, vaccines, blood work, oral hygiene and weight management. Factors that affect recommendations include age, sex, breed, behavior, lifestyle and environment. Veterinary medicine is constantly changing and regular veterinary visits are a great way to stay up to date on information regarding your pet. If you have questions about your pet's health, it can be helpful to write them down and bring them with you to your next appointment.

As always, if you suspect your pet may be sick, try to have them evaluated as soon as possible. Waiting can make a big difference in our ability to be able to figure out what may be going on and provide appropriate treatment.

If you'd like to make an appointment to bring your pet into the vet clinic, please call 5-2017. The vet clinic hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



THE PALAWAN MARU

BY BILL REMICK

Most of the larger shipwrecks on Kwajalein were discovered by recreational divers in the mid-1960s. When I was there from 1966-68, there were persistent rumors of a ship sunk in Bigej Pass. Since the pass is not very deep, that didn't seem too likely, but people talked about it a lot anyway.

In the late 1980s, I had a chance to work with Dan Bailey on the update and revision of his book "WWII Wrecks of the Kwajalein and Truk Lagoons." His research turned up records of a ship sunk near the north end of Bigej by shellfire from the destroyer USS Harrison DD-573. Perhaps this was the Bigej Pass wreck the rumors told of. Dan's book had only been out for a few months when I was able to make my first trip back to Kwaj in the summer of 1989. It was my first experience with a "sonar."

In hindsight, I am not sure just what this [sonar] was, but it ran on a paper roll for the output and was a real handful for the poor guy trying to operate it. We towed around for as much time as we had and even pulled some guys behind the boat to no avail. Mark Miller and I made another stab at trying to locate the wreck in 1991 with a fishfinder.

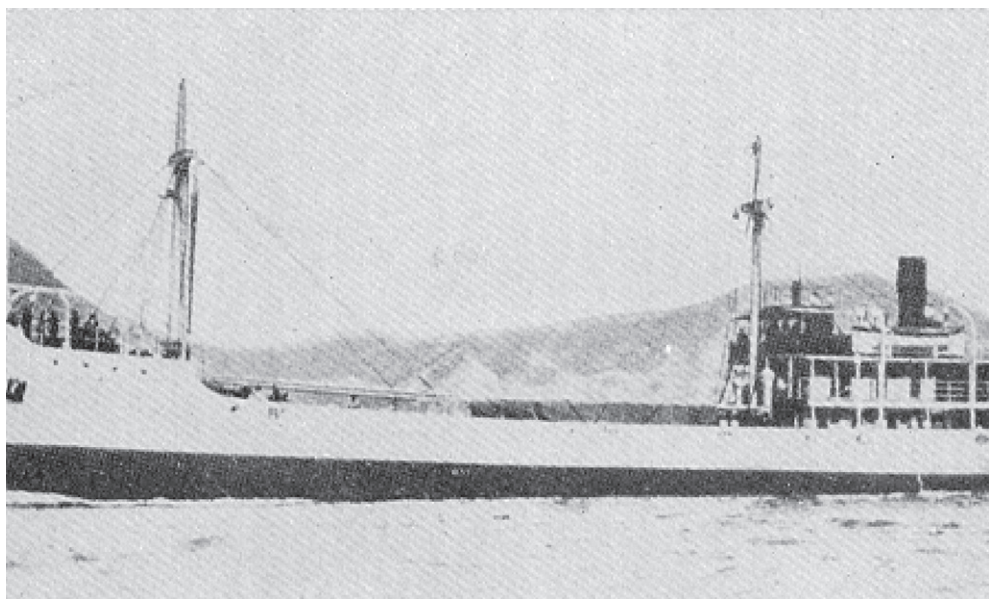
Again, we came up empty handed. In the meantime, lots of other wreck divers were searching for it as well. It was finally discovered in 1992 by local divers Gordon Jones and Richard Jung.

Between the two trips I had contacted the USS Harrison reunion group and became friends with the organizer, John Chiquoine, the son of one of the WWII

crew. He reported that surviving crew members recalled it was a tanker, and they left it in sinking condition. It was assumed to be a tanker because of the aft-engine configuration that was typical of tankers. The crew also thought the tanker had been able to make it to the beach after they departed. The Palawan was built in Hong Kong in 1927. It carried a Philippine registration for a company in Manila, which meant that it was a US-flagged vessel. I have always thought the Palawan was designed for river trade in China where the shallow

draft and extra maneuverability offered by the twin diesels would be a big advantage. The Palawan was caught in the Japanese air raids in Manila harbor in 1942 and sunk there. The Japanese raised and repaired the ship and put it back in service, naming it the Palawan Maru. It was subsequently sunk at Kwajalein on January 31, 1944.

Today the Palawan rests upright in very clear waters and is one of the more picturesque shipwrecks at Kwajalein. The after mast was pulled down as a result of a very large sailboat mooring to it.



TOP: A composite photo of the Palawan Maru. The photos were taken in 1995 by Bill Remick. **ABOVE:** The Palawan Maru, from the U.S. Navy ONI 208 J Supplement Far Eastern Small Craft.

 Courtesy of Bill Remick

KWAJ SOUND BITES

THANK SOMEONE, IN MARSHALLESE

IN MARSHALLESE: "KOMMOL TATA!

IT SOUNDS LIKE: KO-MOLE TATTA!

TRANSLATION: "THANKYOU VERY MUCH!"



SHOP GREEN IN 2019.

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NEW SAC PROGRAMS FOR AFTERNOON FUN

School Age Care (SAC) now offers a daily program option! Based on our daily themes, choose one day a week for your child to attend. The Daily Program Option programming is offered during afternoons and runs from the end of school until 5:30 p.m. Youth can self-release at 4:30 p.m. For more information on registration and fees, visit CYS Central Registration or call 5-2158.

ARTIST WORKSHOP

Tuesday



Budding artists will appreciate learning about significant past and present artists. Together they will recreate pieces of their artwork or create originals using new techniques.



EARLY RELEASE WEDNESDAY



Release that extra energy in Functional Fitness from 2:30-3 p.m.! To sign up for this free programming, visit the Central Registration Office. On Wednesdays, from 3-5 p.m., students will explore cultures of the world!



THURSDAY

Your child may be a future scientist, mathematician, engineer or computer scientist! Send them to STEM on Thursdays to enjoy hands-on activities like volcanoes, rockets and marble runs.

Recreation Friday



Put Some Play in Your Day!

Does your child need revitalization through social activity to get through the rest of the week? Fridays will provide an opportunity to learn a new game or create a game of their own with peers.



SATURDAY

Saturdays feature Character Counts lessons and activities focused on leadership and teambuilding.



HOME-BASED VENDOR LICENSE REGISTRATION

HOURLASS REPORT

With the new year comes the opportunity to share your talents with the Kwajalein community as a home-based vendor. Home-based vendor licenses are valid for one calendar year and must be renewed every year. The license renewal period for 2019 is about to begin! If you are a newcomer to Kwajalein with a special talent, we look forward to you sharing your gifts with us.

How It Works. The registration process is easy. Prospective vendors are required to fill out a vendor form (available at DFMWR office BLDG 805) and bring the form to the AAFES manager for first approval. Vendor services are eligible for approval if they do not compete with an AAFES service. Past skills that have been certified on Kwajalein include seamstress, bike repairman, music lessons, graphic designer, scuba instructor, and photographer—but this is not an exhaustive list. New and unique services are welcome.

How Much Do Licenses Cost? After approval by AAFES, forms should be

brought back to DFMWR for final approval. A fee of \$25 is collected for each certification.

Limitations of Vendor Licensure. Some limitations apply to the USAG-KA vendor licensing process. The Department of Defense requires some vendors with specialized skills to carry proof of current certification (as in the case of a masseuse, scuba instructor or manicurist). Home-based vendors on Kwaj looking to use those skills should plan to provide current copies of their licenses.

The Right Stuff. Vendors must provide their own gear or equipment and may not use government facilities or equipment to conduct business. So, if you're an artist, plan to purchase your own drafting table. If you're a seamstress, or are teaching someone to sew, make sure you have your own sewing equipment. If you're teaching piano, make sure you have your own piano or keyboard. The Army Postal Office (APO) or other military modes of transportation cannot be used for personal financial gain.

Want to Know More? For more information, visit Building 805, Directorate of Family and MWR. Please stay tuned to the Kwajalein Hourglass, the FMWR Reef, the AFN Roller Channel for updates for payment and vendor license registration.

KWAJ ROAD CLOSURES BEGIN THIS WEEKEND

ROAD CLOSURE FOR JAN. 20

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROAD CLOSURE FOR JAN. 13

The West and South ends of the Kwajalein are restricted until this operation is complete. Road blocks will be at the end of the EOD Bunker entrance (Ocean Road) and the intersection of Lagoon Road and Industrial Road, near Range Safety. The operation starts at 5 a.m., Jan. 13 and runs until the operation is complete and barricades are removed. Questions should be directed to RTS Command Safety Directorate, 5-4841.

The West and South ends of the Kwajalein are restricted until this operation is complete. Road blocks will be located on the access road to the weather station (Ocean Road) and the Kwajalein Gardens on Lagoon Road. An additional road block will be located near Space Fence Facility. The operation starts at 5 a.m., Jan. 20 and runs until the operation is complete and barricades are removed. Questions should be directed to RTS Command Safety Directorate, 5-4841.

UXO REMINDER

PUBLIC NOTICE

Remember the three Rs of UXO: Recognize an item as possible Unexploded Ordnance (UXO). Retreat from the area of the UXO. Report suspected UXO immediately by notifying EOD (5-1433) or CPS (5-4445).


Provide the following information: Location (building #, GPS, landmarks, etc); Size (compared to common items - football, scuba cylinder, etc). Treat UXO like you would treat dangerous sea creatures. Look but do not touch, For a detailed refresher, please attend the Island Orientation Briefing on the fourth Wednesday of every month.

Kememj R ko 3. Recognize (kile) juon kwopej bajjok emaron Bokutan ak kein kabokkolok (UXO). Retreat (Jenliklik) bed ettolok im jab kepaak UXO eo. . Report (Ripoot e) boktun ak kein kabokklok eo ien eo emokajtata non EOD ilo nomba kein (5-1433) ak CPS (5-4445).


Ken melele kein: Ia eo (nomba in ijo, GPS, kakolle in ijo, etc.); Jonan (jonan e ibben jet kain mweik - football, taan in turan, etc.). Tiljek kon UXO kein einwot am kojparok menin mour in lojet ko rekawotata. Kalimjek wot jab jibwe. Non bar kakememj eok, eokwe jouj im koba lok ilo Island Orientation allon otemjej.



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Heavy rains made areas of Kwajalein unsafe for travel May 3, 2018. A record 10.97 inches of rainfall led USAG-KA Command to close portions of Lagoon Road.

 Courtesy of David Seelye

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

By William Hahn

Kwajalein Atoll experienced 146.43 inches in 2018—just over 12 feet of precipitation. This amount fell just short of the record set in 1950 by only 2.7 inches. Rainfall measurements on Kwajalein began in 1945.

To put in perspective how abnormal the 2018 amount of rain is, the yearly average rainfall for Kwajalein since 1945 is 99.82 inches. Two years prior, we received 180.81 inches combined. There were many days with more than two to three inches of rainfall. May 3 stands out with 10.97 inches of rainfall received, and helped set new records for the month of May and the second highest amount of rainfall for a 24-hour period ever. May 3 alone contributed to nearly half of the month's total precipitation and 7.5 percent of the yearly total. The highest ever amount of rain received during a 24-hour period was a day in December 1972, where the atoll received a whopping 17.15 inches.

There are a few potential causes for this significant amount of rainfall. Between 2017 and 2018 there was a weak La Niña event followed by a weak El Niño state. This transition is likely the cause for the wet winter and spring experienced at Kwajalein Atoll. The period from January through April is the driest period of the year, but this past year wasn't close to typical, as January and March experienced triple the amount of normal rainfall; April experienced double. Of the 10 wettest dry seasons, seven of the 10

occurred when transitioning out of a La Niña to an El Niño the next year.

During this transition rainfall totals are above normal. Locally, a La Niña event would mean that there is a pooling of warmer than normal water west of Kwajalein Atoll forcing increased convection (rising air) over the maritime continent, leading to more shower production in that region.

In a transition from La Niña to El Niño, the warm water along the equator is located east of the dateline moving the area of rising air from the maritime continent to Central Pacific region. Thus, during such a transition Kwajalein will be in an area supporting rising air (heavier rainfall) for a period of several months.

The El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO) transition combined with the frequent northward movement of the Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ). It did this due to recurrent low pressure systems in the northern Pacific, which forced the dry season to become a rather wet season. During a normal dry season, high pressure systems in the northern Pacific are a relative mainstay and produce the trade winds we're used to. They also limit precipitation to light trade wind showers, such as those seen in past weeks. These two factors were the driving forces for carrying the precipitation totals to near record levels.

Measuring rainfall is a simple process. One method involves using a rain gauge with a tipping bucket counter. This method utilizes a large cylinder with a funnel on top that collects any rain within that area and funnels it onto a small tipping bucket. The bucket tips out the water af-

ter collecting 0.01 inches of rainfall and a mechanized counter relays the information to a counting tool in the forecaster office. The system gives the forecaster a general idea of the day's rainfall they can share with anyone calling to ask about the weather.

The official daily precipitation measurement comes from a different source. Just outside of the RTS weather station there is a second rain gauge which catches all of the rainfall received at that location. It is a wide cylinder with a funnel on top that catches the rain and funnels the rain into a smaller cylinder inside larger one. This smaller cylinder holds exactly two inches of rainfall. If the amount of received rainfall is greater than two inches, it overflows into the larger cylinder to ensure no loss of water. At the end of the day, around midnight, the on-shift forecaster will go out and measure what is in the rain gauge.

To measure the precipitation, the forecaster uses a ruler modified to account for the shape of the precipitation cylinder and the volume of water it holds. The ruler measures up to two inches and uses 0.01 inch increments to ensure accurate measurements. After the measured is recorded and the water dumped out of the cylinder for the next day, the tipping bucket counter is reset to zero and the number measured is input into a database that allow us to keep track of overall precipitation. The process only takes a few minutes, but it's an important measurement for climate records. It's the same way mankind has measured rainfall for over 2000 years: using a stick.

RESCUE AT SEA

RESPONDERS RESCUE CREW IN MARSHALL ISLANDS



A Coast Guard HC-130 Hercules aircrew flies over the 308-foot Chinese-flagged commercial fish carrier Ou Ya Leng No. 6 on Taka Atoll in the Marshall Islands, Jan. 3, 2019 MHT.

📷 U.S. Coast Guard photo by HC-130 Hercules 1720.

EXTERNAL REPORT

**By Chief Petty Officer Sara Muir
U.S. Coast Guard District 14
Hawaii Pacific**

The crews of a Marshall Islands patrol vessel and a Chinese-flagged fishing vessel rescued the crew of a 308-foot fish carrier Saturday grounded on Taka Atoll in the Marshall Islands.

The crew of the Lomor and the Shen Lian Cheng 737 rescued all 24 mariners from the Ou Ya Leng No. 6.

The mariners reportedly climbed down a Jacob's ladder, walking across the shallow reef to the protected side that was not taking breaking surf and were shuttled by small boat to the Chinese fishing vessel. They were transported to Majuro. A Coast Guard HC-130 Hercules from Air Station Barbers Point was on scene to coordinate the response and provide a resource should any of the

mariners been swept out to sea.

The Ou Ya Leng No. 6 remains grounded and upright. The owner of the vessel will work with the Republic of the Marshall Islands to address the ship. The cause of the incident and disposition of any cargo or fuel remains unknown. There are no reports of injuries or pollution. Any investigation will be the responsibility of the vessel's flag state.

At 4:15 a.m. Wednesday, Maritime Rescue Coordination Center China personnel notified the Coast Guard of a fishing vessel taking on water 180 nautical miles (207 statute miles) northeast of Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshall Islands.

Weather in the area at the time of the grounding was 11-foot seas with 25 mph winds. Degrading conditions slowed the arrival of response vessels.

The Hercules crew came from Wake Island where they were previously involved in the Sincerity Ace case since Monday.

The Ou Ya Leng No. 6 is reportedly a Chinese-flagged fish carrier targeting squid in the Western and Central Pacific Fishing Commission area now aground in the territorial waters of the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Taka Atoll, also known as Toke Atoll, is a small, uninhabited coral atoll in the Ratak Chain of the Marshall Islands and is roughly triangular made up of six small islands with an area of less than a square mile and lagoon in the center. Around 400 people inhabit nearby Utirik Atoll. The Republic of the Marshall Islands is located near the equator and slightly west of the International Date Line. Its total population of about 53,000 people live across the nation's 29 coral atolls with Majuro as the capital.

All dates and times in release are in HST (Hawaii Standard Time GMT -10). Photos taken in the Marshall Islands in MHT (Marshall Islands Time GMT +12).



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COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

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HELP WANTED

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

San Juan Construction has multiple openings on Kwajalein. Please see our website www.sanjuanconstruction.com or contact recruiter Tim Hughes at thughes@sjcco.com or (970) 497-8238.

DynCorp International (DI) is looking for qualified candidates to fill various positions. Current DI open positions on USAG-KA include education services, aviation and airfield operations, marine operations and public works among others. For more information and to apply, go to: www.dilogcap.com or contact your local HR representative.

Berry Aviation has an opening for an Aviation Supply Supervisor (unaccompanied). If interested please apply at www.berryaviation.com "Careers" and/or call Steve Simpson @ 5-2273.

ENVIRONMENTAL

E-wareness: Marshall Islands Shark Sanctuary. The Marshall Islands established the shark sanctuary on 2 October, 2011 ending commercial fishing of sharks in 768,547 square miles of its waters. The Marshall Islands' law includes: No commer-

cial fishing of sharks or sale of any sharks or shark products. Any shark caught accidentally by fishing vessels must be set free. Fines up to \$200,000 for anyone found fishing for sharks or in possession of shark fins. No use of wire leaders or long-line fishing gear which is among the most lethal to sharks. Please, do everything you can to avoid catching sharks while fishing. If sharks are caught accidentally, attempt should be made to release them as safely as possible. Sharks should not be brought to the small boat marina. If you have any questions, please call DI Environmental at 5-1134.

E-wareness: Aelon in Majol ej jikin kojbarok Bako. Majol in ekar ejake juon kakien in kojbarok bako ilo 2 October, 2011 non kaboajak eonod im wia kake bako jen 768,547 sq. miles in lojet eo itorerein. Kakein eo an Majol ej einwot: Ejelok eonod bako ak wia kake jabdrewot bako ak part in bako. Jabdrewot bako ko ekajok ej aikuj in karolok i. Fine ilon lok non \$200,000 non jabdrewot eo ebo an eonod bako ak ewor ulul in bako ippen. En ejelok ri-enwod ej kojerbal wire leader ak eeo aetok im jabdrewot kein enwod bako. Jouj komane jabdrewot wawein ko komaron non kojbarok an koojak bako ilo ien am enwod. Elane ekoojak, kajeon karolok e ilo ejelok uwata. Ejab aikuj lon tok bako non small boat marina. Elane elon am kajitok, jouj im kurlok DI Environmental ilo 5-1134.

COMMUNITY NOTICE

Ongoing Smoking and Tobacco Cessation offered. Please call EAP at 5-5362 or make an appointment with a physician.

The Optometrist, Dr. Chris Yamamoto will be on Kwajalein and will see patients on Friday, Feb 1 through Sunday, February 10, 2019. Please call the Hospital for an eye exam appointment at 5-2223/5-2224.

Attention USAG-KA Residents: Telephone Fee Collection. DynCorp International is collecting for residential and business phone services. Kwaj residents can pay at the cash cage in building 702, Tuesday – Saturday from 1 – 5 p.m. Roi Namur residents can pay at the Finance Office, Tuesday – Friday from 1 – 4 p.m. The monthly fee is \$10 per line and due no later than the 10th of each month.

Middle School Youth Fellowship meets at 3:30 on Jan. 21 in the REB. For more information, contact the Soks, Kara Larsen or Julie Richey.

High School Youth Fellowship meets at 6:30 on Jan. 14 and 28 in the REB. Contact the Kirks or Alex Coleman for details.

GPS Praise and Worship Group that meets on Fridays and Saturdays at 7 p.m. at the ARC will resume on Jan. 12. All are welcome to attend. Contact MJ Jackson (purposedrivenwoman63@yahoo.com) for more details.

Christian Women's Fellowship Meets Jan. 13. All ladies on island of any faith are invited to attend the next luncheon. Please join us at 12:30pm on Jan. 13 in the REB. Our theme this year is the five love languages. Julie Richey will be speaking on Quality Time. A delicious meal will be provided and there is no cost to attend. Contact Angel Bolton (angel.bolton@gmail.com) for more information.

Want to learn a new instrument? Handbell choir will be starting on Sunday, Jan. 13 at 5 p.m. in the REB. Check out this first meeting to find out more about this opportunity. Contact Sally Bulla at 5-9804 after Jan. 3 for more details.

Mom's Morning Out. Calling all homeschool mamas! Would you like to cultivate lifelong learners at home? Start by being one yourself! Join us on Jan. 14 from 10 a.m. to noon for part of the Learning Well Retreat. If you're interested, please contact Susan King at sukirn@gmail.com or 5-2616.

Prayer Quilt Ministry. Prayer Quilt ministry meets weekly, Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in the REB. We make quilts to give to those who have experienced tragedy and illness. Interested in learning how to quilt or enjoy quilting? Come when it works for your schedule.

School Advisory Committee Meeting. The next Kwajalein School Advisory Committee Meeting is Wednesday, Jan. 16 at 7 p.m. in the Coconut Room of George Seitz Elementary School.

WEATHER WATCH


RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

DISCUSSION: Typical Dry Season pattern to persist through the week. Daily weather will be consistent with isolated to widely scattered fast moving showers that don't amount to much accumulation. Moderate trade winds in the mid-teens for velocity. Continues to look like a real dry season for 2019.

SATURDAY: Partly sunny with isolated showers (10-20 percent coverage across the atoll). Winds NE-ESE at 13-17 knots.

SUNDAY: Partly sunny with isolated showers (10-20 percent coverage across the atoll). Winds NE-ESE at 13-17 knots.

MONDAY: Partly sunny with isolated showers (10-20 percent coverage across the atoll). Winds NE-ESE at 13-17 knots.

 SUN-MOON-TIDES				
	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	7:08 a.m. 6:47 p.m.	11:59 a.m. -----	8:18 a.m. 2.9' 8:23 p.m. 3.2'	2:10 a.m. 0.4' 2:09 p.m. 0.9'
MONDAY	7:08 a.m. 6:48 p.m.	12:39 p.m. 12:19 a.m.	9:17 a.m. 2.8' 9:21 p.m. 2.8'	2:55 a.m. 0.6' 3:13 p.m. 1.1'
TUESDAY	7:08 a.m. 6:48 p.m.	1:21 p.m. 1:06 a.m.	10:40 a.m. 2.8' 10:53 p.m. 2.6'	3:58 a.m. 0.8' 4:55 p.m. 1.3'
WEDNESDAY	7:08 a.m. 6:49 p.m.	2:05 p.m. 1:54 a.m.	12:13 p.m. 3.0' -----	5:23 a.m. 0.8' 6:44 p.m. 1.0'
THURSDAY	7:09 a.m. 6:49 p.m.	2:54 p.m. 2:47 a.m.	12:37 a.m. 2.6' 1:26 p.m. 3.5'	6:45 a.m. 0.7' 8:00 p.m. 0.6'
FRIDAY	7:09 a.m. 6:50 p.m.	3:47 p.m. 3:42 a.m.	1:54 a.m. 2.8' 2:22 p.m. 4.0'	7:50 a.m. 0.3' 8:54 p.m. 0.0'
JANUARY 19	7:09 a.m. 6:50 p.m.	4:46 p.m. 4:42 a.m.	2:51 a.m. 3.2' 3:09 p.m. 4.5'	8:43 a.m. -0.0' 9:40 p.m. -0.5'



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

CW2 Jarell Smith

SHARP Victim Advocate

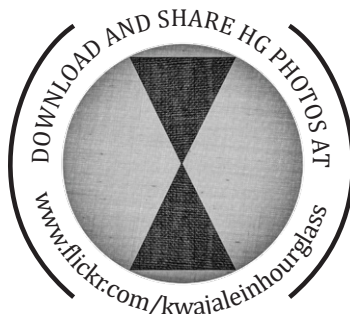
Work: 805 355 2139

Home: 805 355 2036

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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iREPORT **i KEEP US SAFE**
Your Actions Can Save Lives

WHO TO REPORT TO Local law Enforcement and Security *911 *5-4445/4443 *usarmy.bucholz.311-sg-cmd.mbx.usag-pmo@mail	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
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OPSEC

OPSEC CHECKLIST

Social Networking Sites (SNS) like Facebook and Twitter, are software applications that connect people and information in spontaneous, interactive ways. While SNS can be useful and fun, they can provide adversaries, such as terrorists, spies and criminals, with critical information needed to harm you or disrupt your mission. Practicing Operations Security (OPSEC) will help you recognize your critical information and protect it from an adversary. Here are a few safety tips to get you started.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Do you keep sensitive, work-related information off your profile?
- Keep your plans, schedules and location data to yourself?
- Protect the names of coworkers, friends and family members?
- Tell friends to be careful when posting photos and information about you and your family?

POSTED DATA

- Before posting, did you check all photos for indicators in the background or reflective surfaces?
- Check filenames and file tags for sensitive data (your name, organization or other details?)



Passports have arrived. Please stop by USAG-KA HQ building 730, room 113 in the Host Nation Office between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to pick up your passports. For information, please call 5-2103 or 5-5033.

USAG-KA FMWR EVENTS IS ON FACEBOOK.



Follow U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll FMWR on Facebook to receive updates to class schedules, community athletics, rentals, registration, events and fun activities.

HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU, USAG-KA.

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



PATIENTS WITHOUT INSURANCE CARDS TO PAY FULL AMOUNT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Attention USAG-KA residents and pet owners: As of Jan. 1, guarantee of payment will be required at the time of service for all medical services, including veterinarian and dental services. Payments can be made via cash, credit card or check. If you fail to have your insurance card on file or in hand, you will be responsible for the full amount due at the time of service. This will not impact emergency treatment for life, limb or eyesight. For more information, please contact 5-8107.



OBEY STOP SIGNS.

Thank you, USAG-KA Community, for abiding by the stop signs! With school back in session and construction on the garrison's project's underway, everyone appreciates you stopping to look out for bikers, drivers and pedestrians in the community.

*Always avoid the caution areas surrounding the ends of the runways on both Kwajalein 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.

2019 SHAVING CREAM SOCIAL

SATURDAY, January 12 at the Richardson Ravine

4:30-4:40p Pre-School*

*Must be accompanied by an Adult in the Pit.

4:40-5:00p K – 2nd Grade

5:10-5:30p 3rd – 6th Grade

5:40-6:00p Jr. and Sr. High

•Each participant will receive 1 free can of shaving cream.
•Participants are encouraged to wear goggles.
•No Gel, Menthol, or Mint Creams Allowed.

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.

SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE

To set up a pick up time for the shuttle please call: 5-3341 or 5-8294. If a representative cannot be reached, please leave a detailed message and your phone call will be returned as soon as possible. Shuttle services start one hour prior to check-in times for United flights and 0700 for the ATI.