

THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



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 JESSICA DAMBRUCH

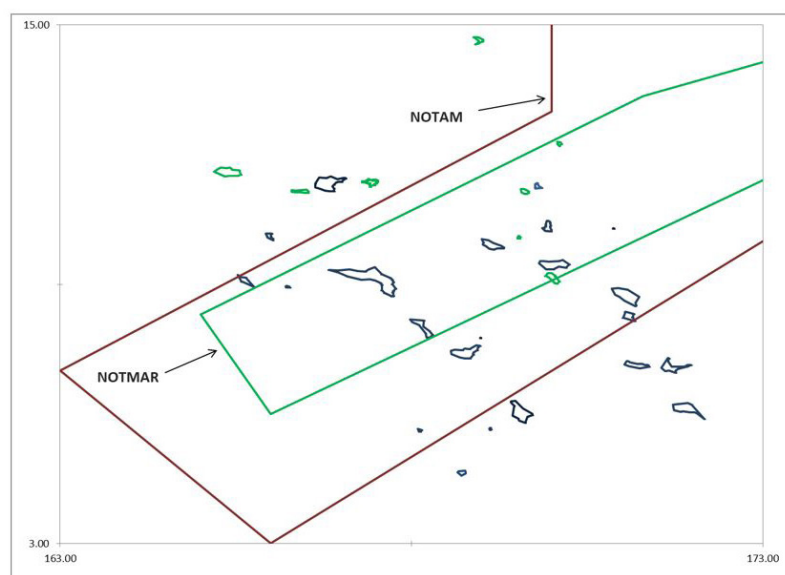
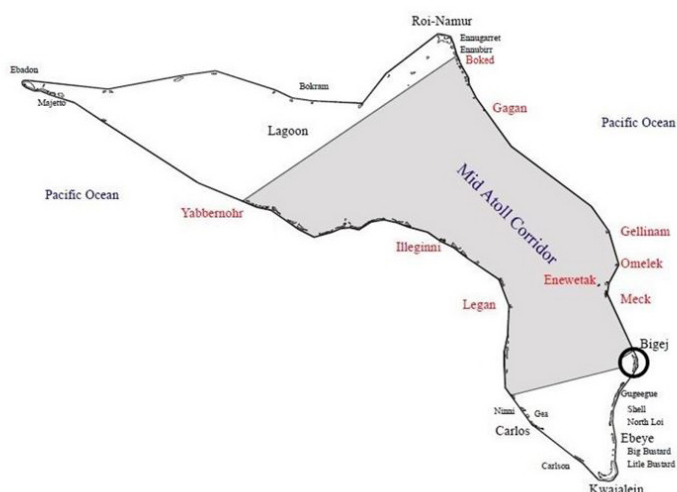
RTS MISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

A RANGE OPERATION IS SCHEDULED FOR 17-21 MARCH 2020. DAILY CAUTION TIMES ARE 8:37 P.M. (2037) THROUGH 2:30 A.M. (0230) IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS OPERATION.

DURING OPERATIONS, NOTICE TO MARINERS (NOTMAR) and NOTICE TO AIRMEN (NOTAM) CAUTION AREAS WILL EXTEND INTO THE OPEN OCEAN NEAR THE KWAJALEIN ATOLL AND SURROUNDING AREAS.

QUESTIONS REGARDING THE ABOVE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS OPERATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE REAGAN TEST SITE (RTS) MISSION SAFETY OFFICE AT 5-5625.

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MID-ATOLL CORRIDOR CLOSED FROM 1601 HOURS, 13 MARCH 2020 THROUGH OPERATION COMPLETION.

THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

We Can Do It...
and She **DID**
WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



USAG-KA WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH OBSERVANCE

March 27 at 4:30 p.m.

Island Memorial Chapel

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll

For more information, contact Samuel Whitley
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Join us as we celebrate the contributions and
achievements of women in America history
and the U.S. Armed Forces.

March is a month to celebrate. Join us as, together with the Department of Defense, we pay special tribute to the women who changed the course of American history as civilian leaders and servicemembers in the United States Armed Forces.

These women redefined the gender barriers that barred the way to citizenship and equal rights, and they blazed a trail for others to follow.

Great change is never easy. It takes courage to face opposition with firm, unwavering vision. Perhaps Helen Keller best describes these qualities: "Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, ambition inspired, and success achieved."

ABOUT THE ART

Women's History Month honors and celebrates the struggles and achievements of American women throughout the history of the United States.

The Department of Defense Women's History Month poster is the second in a series of posters commemorating the 75th Anniversary of World War II. During World War II, General Dwight D. Eisenhower, then commander of U.S. forces in Europe, declared, "They (women) have met every test and task assigned to them ... their contributions in efficiency, skill, spirit, and determination are immeasurable."

WWII ushered in opportunities for great change in American women's lives. As their male family members shipped out to fight in Europe and the Pacific, women assumed employment reserved for men in peacetime by the millions. They worked on assembly lines, in factories, in offices and on military bases.

By 1945, nearly one out of every four married women worked outside the home. The U.S. workforce had increased from 27 to 37 percent between 1940 and 1945.

Of all these industries, aviation had the greatest increase in its female workforce. By 1943, women made up 65 percent of its total workforce—that's more than 300,000 women who stepped up to help their nation.

USAG-KA TOWN HALL



All residents of
U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll
are encouraged to attend a
Kwajalein town hall meeting
hosted by
USAG-KA Commander
Col. Jeremy Bartel

March 27 from 6:30-8 p.m.
Kwajalein Jr.-Sr. High School
Davey Davis Multi-Purpose Room

Come let the command know
how they're doing.



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KHS BANDS PAY TRIBUTE TO POP

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Thanks to the Kwajalein High School Bands, Thor, god of Thunder, Kevin Bacon and Stevie Wonder were present March 5 at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room—in song, that is. Hopefully you didn’t miss “Kwaj Pops,” the bands’ spring concert tribute to popular music featuring a spectrum of tunes from movies, video games and social media.

Director Kyle Miller allowed students of the junior high, senior high and stage bands to help theme the concert and assemble the repertoire, he said during the performance. Listen closely during the concert and you were sure to encounter a favorite tune.

If you didn’t recognize the song right away, a projected logo for the musical piece or artist would give you a clue.

The “Footloose,” and “The Avengers” movie themes were met with all-round applause. There were gasps and cheers when Morgan Dethlefsen stood to perform the saxophone solo from George Michael’s hit song “Careless Whispers” a motif that has skyrocketed to new on-line popularity thanks to internet memes.

Video game aficionados enjoyed “Sons of Skyrim,” the anthem for the Bethesda Game Studios’ popular fantasy role-play video game. One of the memorable highlights of the evening was a live vocal performance by Kye Lorok of “Isn’t She Lovely,” by Stevie Wonder.

1) Kwajalein Schools Director of Bands Kyle Miller gives the downbeat to the high school concert band during the March 5 “Kwaj Pops” performance. 2) Kye Lorok sings “Isn’t She Lovely,” by Stevie Wonder. 3) The concert band stands for applause.

MARCH IS MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH

For more than 30 years, March has been officially designated by the National Association for Music Education for the observance of Music In Our Schools Month. It is the time of year when music education becomes the focus of schools across the nation.

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MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS MONTH®

The purpose of MIOSM is to raise awareness of the importance of music education for all children – and to remind citizens that school is where all children should have access to music. NAFME hopes that teachers, students and music supporters alike will find ways to join in on the celebration through creative activities and advocacy. Learn more about how NAFME works to support music education.

For more information about MIOSM, visit <https://nafme.org/programs/miosm/> and get to know the music educators in our community.



ZERO GRAVITY

2020 BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

The Kwajalein High School Spartan mascot didn't have to work too hard to raise spirits at the 2020 Basketball Championship games March 7. The CRC Gym was packed with fans cheering the games through to the night's breakneck finish March 7. The season wrapped with wins by Kwaj Condition, Too Much Busy and Faith, respectively.

Agility was in excess on the court during the women's league championship. After half-time, Rebecca Hiller's layups and artful dodging by Deidre Wyatt-Pope, Christina Dodson and Vanessa Wamsley planted Kwaj Condition firmly in an insurmountable sweet spot the women of Spartans I could not defeat. The winning combination bolstered Kwaj Condition all the way to a season win, 26 to 19, and a king-sized coconut trophy.

Blink and you might have missed the B League's Net Rippers and Too Much Busy. Both teams are gifted with speed. Coupled with hard and fast teamwork, it was Too Much Busy who took home the win, 41 to

23. Player Thompson Tarwoj didn't even stop to cool down. He finished the game and—still working to catch his breath—donned the black and white stripes to referee for the A League game.

There on the court, Spartans I Men struggled with Faith. Both teams are strong all around, with a practiced defense and aggressive, coordinated offense. More than once, it appeared gravity loosened its hold on the offense so they could defy the laws of physics and sink baskets as they were meant to be sunk—in mid-air.

The decisive moment came seconds before the end, as Faith scored a final three points, much to the surprise of their worthy Spartans I opponents, but not to the disappointment of the fans. It was a night of great games.

Get ready to support MWR Softball. Registration has ended and it's time to head outdoors. Check out the weeknight action on the softball fields. For more information, contact MWR at 5-3331.

1) B League Net Rippers and Too Much Busy fight it out in the air.

2-5) The scene on the court during the 2020 Basketball Championship games.

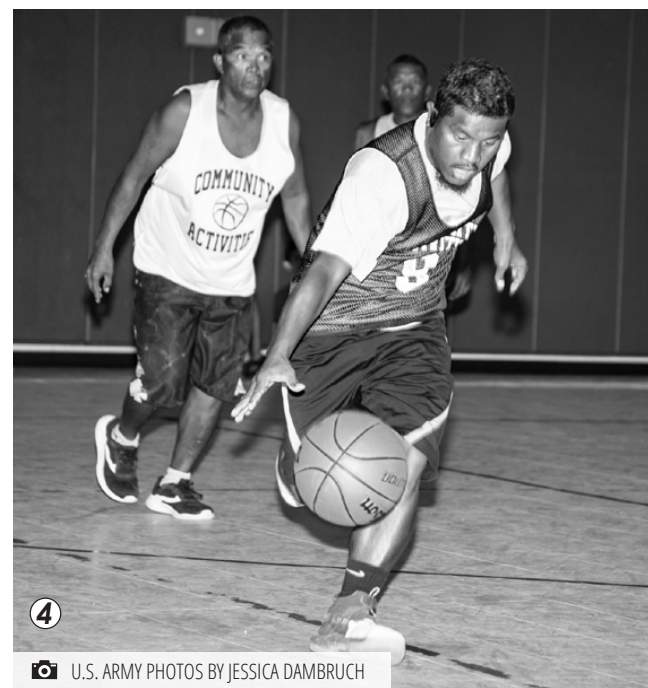
NEXT PAGE: 1) Spartans I Men's Basketball fights Faith. 2) Kwaj Condition Vanessa Wamsley narrowly evades Lana Kabua from Spartans I Women's Basketball. 3) Women's League Champions Kwaj Condition. 4) Sarah Smith, left, and Jeemin Taylor are ready to cheer on the teams. 5) B League Champions Too Much Busy. 6) A League Champions Faith. 7) Thompson Tarwoj was one of a few players who refereed other games during the championships.



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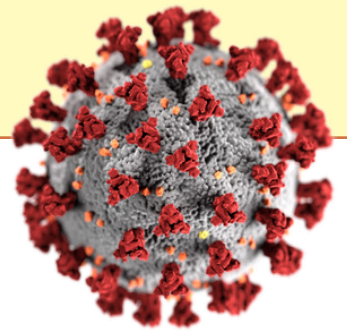
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READ ON FOR THE OFFICIAL WORD FROM THE U.S. ARMY ABOUT HEALTH AND SAFETY AS TOGETHER WE WORK TO FIGHT THE PANDEMIC COVID-19.

DEFENSE DEPARTMENT ORDERS 60-DAY TROOP TRAVEL BAN FOR VIRUS-AFFLICTED COUNTRIES

EXTERNAL REPORT

By Hope Hodge Seck

Less than an hour after President Donald Trump announced a 30-day suspension of travel from Europe to the U.S. in an address to the nation, the Defense Department released its own list of travel restrictions for troops, military families and DoD civilians.

The restrictions, which become effective on Friday, include a 60-day ban on travel to all countries designated as “Level 3 locations” by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention due to the widespread and ongoing transmission of coronavirus. Those countries include China, where the virus originated, as well as Italy, Iran and South Korea.

“This restriction includes all forms of travel, including Permanent Change of Station, Temporary Duty, and government funded leave,” the Defense Department announcement states. “The Level 3 countries are set by the CDC and may change. The DoD guidance will follow those changes. Service secretaries and commanders may issue waivers to this policy as they determine necessary to ensure mission readiness and address specific cases.”

According to a Pentagon memo, military travelers are advised to plan trips with care, making sure they don’t make stopovers in Level 3-designated locations.

“Authorized Departures are delayed until appropriate transportation and reception procedures are in place for their intended route of travel as prescribed in this memorandum,” the memo states.

Also in place as of Friday is a 60-day prohibition on official travel to “Level 2 locations” for military families and civilian personnel. These locations, for which the CDC advises taking advanced precautions, include the United Kingdom, Japan, Singapore and Bahrain. Bahrain, which houses the headquarters for U.S. Naval Forces Central Command, is a hub for thousands of U.S. troops and DoD civilians.

The travel restrictions also entail a hiring freeze: for civilians awaiting hiring actions for jobs in Level 2 and 3 locations, those actions will be paused, as long as the jobs are designated non-essential and travel has not already begun.

The individual Defense Department components must also make determinations about whether travel plans to

non-Level 3 locations are mission-essential and postpone them if they are not.

Exceptions to these restrictions are intended to be rare. Waiver requests must prove extreme hardship, a mission-essential purpose, or necessity based on humanitarian reasons. These requests can only be granted at the general or flag-officer level.

“The Department of Defense’s top priority remains the protection and welfare of our people,” Secretary of Defense Mark Esper said in a released statement. “While directing this prudent action, I continue to delegate all necessary authority to commanders to make further decisions based on their assessments to protect their people and ensure mission readiness. While we deal with this fluid and evolving situation, I remain confident in our ability to protect our service members, civilians and families.”

For required travel to countries designated Level 2 or 3, military officials plan to “implement enhanced health care protocols for traveler safety” and use military or contracted aircraft rather than commercial transit, according to

the announcement.

For all Defense Department personnel who have recently passed through Level 2 or 3, countries, an across-the-board 14-day self-monitoring period at home will be observed, officials said. That policy will be reviewed at the end of the 60-day period. For those who live in barracks or other open-bay housing arrangements, separate lodging will be arranged and funded by the DoD component to which they are assigned.

The memo also urges individual DoD organizations to “take immediate action” to establish communication systems with all personnel and establish “pre- and post-travel screening and reception procedures” for those with approved travel plans. A separate memo notes that those traveling on military aircraft will get a temperature check and answer a questionnaire at the point of embarkation to screen for symptoms and risk of exposure.

Coronavirus, known formally as COVID-19, was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization earlier on Wednesday. In the United States, public gatherings of all kinds are being cancelled, while virus-affected Italy is observing a national shutdown in efforts to slow the spread of the disease.

As of noon Wednesday, there were 938 confirmed cases of coronavirus in the U.S. and 29 deaths; while globally there have been more than 126,000 cases and 4,600 deaths.



U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY AMBER SMITH

Soldiers stationed on U.S. Army Garrison Casey conduct pre-screening processes on individuals awaiting entry to the base, USAG-Casey, Dongducheon, Republic of Korea, Feb. 26, 2020.



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REPUBLIC OF MARSHALL ISLANDS
2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)
UPDATED INTERIM HEALTH TRAVEL
ADVISORY & RESTRICTIONS
ISSUANCE 9: As of 8 March 2020

(Subject to regular review, as required)

On 30 January 2020, World Health Organization declared the current novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC). The virus was first detected in Wuhan city, Hubei Province, PRC, and subsequently cases of COVID-19 have been detected in **103 countries and territories**.

The new virus is a coronavirus, which is a family of viruses that include the common cold, and viruses that cause severe respiratory infections. The virus can be transmitted from person to person, similar to other influenza viruses.

In response to the declaration of PHEIC, the Republic of Marshall Islands’ (RMI) former COVID-19 travel advisories and restrictions (Issuance 1: 24 January 2020, Issuance 2: 31 January 2020 and Proclamation declaring State of Emergency dated 7 February 2020, Issuance 3: 13 February 2020, Issuance 4: 26 February 2020, Issuance 5: 25 February 2020, Issuance 6: 3 March 2020), Issuance 7: 5 March 2020 and 7 March 2020 (Issuance 8), have been reviewed and updated as of **8 March 2020 (Issuance 9)** with the following interim inbound and outbound travel restrictions for all visitors to RMI. **These requirements will come into force effective immediately.**

- Total suspension of international travelers coming into the RMI via air travel effective immediately for two weeks beginning on the date of the issuance of this Travel Advisory until March 22, 2020. All aircraft that need to land in the RMI for refueling purposes must adhere to the RMI Ports Authority Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). Human-to-human contact is strictly prohibited.
- To make sure that we can continue to allow food and supplies to enter the country, all container vessels and fuel tankers, which are coming from the restricted countries listed below on their routine path or port of departure, are exempt from the suspension of sea travel though strictly required to spend 14 days outside of the RMI after departure and prior to arrival at the RMI Pilot Station. All container vessels and fuel tankers must ad-

here to the RMI Ports Authority Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). Human-to-human contact is strictly prohibited.

- Citizens and residents of the RMI with plans to travel abroad are **strongly advised** to consider postponing their travel arrangements. If travel arrangements cannot be postponed, individuals should be aware that they may be subject to restrictions on reentering the RMI if they have travelled or transited via a country listed under RMI’s COVID-19 travel restriction.
- Effective immediately until further notice, **all GRMI officials, including elected officials, SOEs and auxiliary bodies, are required to suspend** all international trips paid for by the GRMI or sponsored by outside agencies or organizations with the exception of patients approved by the RMI Medical Referral Committee.
- RMI Residents and Citizens who are planning to attend **missions, conferences, trainings and group trips** held outside of the RMI are **strongly advised** to postpone their travel until further notice.
- The Secretary of Health and Human Services together with the Chief Secretary as the head of the National Disaster Committee, based on recommendations from the RMI Public Health division, reserve the right to make exceptions to any of the above restrictions to allow for essential services. All safety protocols developed by the Ministry of Health and Human Services in compliance with WHO and CDC guidelines will be followed in these instances.

These are interim travel restrictions, which have been introduced by the Government of the RMI as part of current health emergency preparedness measures for COVID-19. These restrictions will be reviewed and updated as needed and communicated to the public.

The following list of COVID-19 affected countries is subject to rapid change based upon global situation and risk, as determined by Secretary of Health and Human Services and cleared by Cabinet by official notice.

COVID-19 affected countries subject to RMI travel restriction:

People’s Republic of China	Macau SAR	Hong Kong SAR
South Korea	Japan	Italy
Iran	Germany	France
	Spain	

Jack Niedenthal
Republic of the Marshall Islands
Secretary of Health & Human Services

March 8, 2020

HEALTH PROTECTION CONDITION 0: ROUTINE – NO COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION

While there is currently no immediate public health threat within the Marshall Islands, we want you to know that the United States Army Garrison Kwajalein Atoll and the Kwajalein Atoll Local Government are working together proactively and taking every possible precaution to respond to threats of public health.

The fact that COVID-19 has caused illness and is known to be transmitted from person to person is concerning and for that reason we are assessing the situation constantly and will update you if further precautions are necessary. We are using a risk-based framework to make necessary decisions about our response posture to ensure the health

and safety of our community. We will communicate current conditions as a Health Protection Condition. We ask that you familiarize yourself with the framework and encourage everyone to stay informed. Actions at this time are routine, normal operations, and we support ordinary, good, proactive health practices every day.



PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

Current Situation: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Military Health System, and the U.S. Army Public Health Center are closely monitoring an outbreak of respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) coronavirus. Cases have been identified in a growing number of international locations, including in the United States, and transmission has occurred in communities near OCONUS U.S. installations. This is a rapidly evolving situation and information will be updated as it becomes available.

Transmission: Human coronaviruses are most commonly spread from an infected person to others through:

- the air by coughing and sneezing.
- close personal contact, such as touching or shaking hands.
- touching an object or surface with the virus on it, then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes before washing your hands.

How to protect yourself and others: There are currently no vaccines available to protect you against human coronavirus infection. To reduce your risk of infection or transmitting the virus to others:

- wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- avoid close contact with people who are sick; and stay home while you are sick.

Symptoms: Common human coronaviruses usually cause mild to moderate upper respiratory tract illnesses, like the common cold. Most people get infected with these viruses at some point in their lives. These illnesses usually only last for a short amount of time. Symptoms may include:

- runny nose
- cough
- fever
- headache
- sore throat
- general feeling of being unwell

Human coronaviruses can sometimes cause lower-respiratory tract illnesses, such as pneumonia. This is more common in people with cardiopulmonary disease, people with weakened immune systems, infants, and older adults.

Testing: If you have symptoms and have had recent travel to the affected geographic areas identified by the CDC, or been in direct contact with a person known to be infected with the virus, contact your local healthcare treatment facility and follow their instruction. Your healthcare provider will order appropriate tests, if needed, and determine if additional precautions should be taken.

Treatment: There are no specific treatments for illnesses caused by human coronaviruses. Most people with common human coronavirus illness will recover on their own. Medications for pain and fever can help relieve symptoms. If you are mildly ill, drink plenty of fluids, stay home, and rest. If you are concerned about your symptoms, you should contact your healthcare provider.



For additional information on the current outbreak, visit the CDC and APHC websites:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

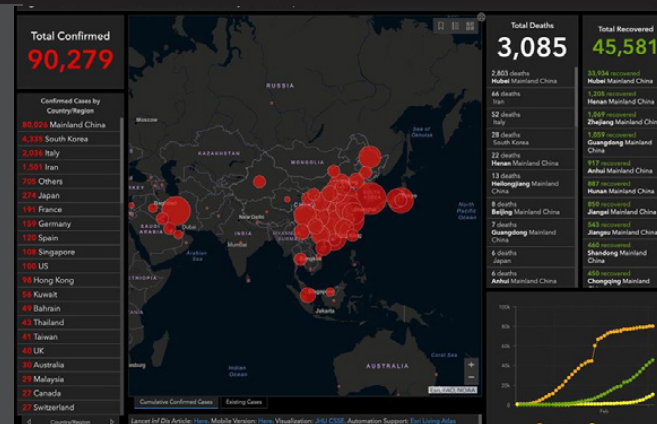
<https://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/discond/diseases/Pages/2019-nCoVChina.aspx>

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READ UP ON THE BIG PICTURE WITH JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

The global outlook for COVID-19, the novel coronavirus, is constantly changing. To help keep you stay informed, we'd like to share a live map of COVID-19 global cases published by the Johns Hopkins University Center for Systems Science and Engineering. The map is a tool to help travelers and researchers understand the spread and containment of the virus around the globe.

Click the logo to the right, or visit <https://systems.jhu.edu/research/public-health/ncov/> to view the map.





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International SOS staff conduct a training meeting at the Kwajalein Hospital March 7 to discuss health and safety measures on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll.



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KWAJ HOSPITAL INVITES YOU TO “THINK SINK”

Use Hand Wash Station before Entering Hospital Waiting Area, Island Dining Facilities

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Visitors to the Kwajalein Hospital must sanitize their hands at an entryway hand wash station before proceeding to the waiting area, according to hospital staff. Signs posted in English and Marshallese announced the new requirement. Visitors have two options to clean up before they enter the waiting area. They can use the sink and soap or a wall-mounted sanitizing foam dispenser before opening the waiting room door.

Sink Sense

The hand wash requirement is one initiative to educate residents and employees about best hygiene practices to fight the spread of common and virulent infection.

Another wash station is installed in the Zamperini Cafeteria. A sign posted there advises diners to wash before

proceeding on to a meal. These public reminders and wash stations might at first seem enough; however, those who merely rinse their hands over the course of the day, or worse—skip the sink altogether—increase the consequences of contamination and infection.

One has only to review recent challenges to RMI public health for evidence of how quickly an isolated health crisis may become a communal burden. The summer began with the management of typhoid and dengue fever outbreaks.

Late 2019 brought increased travel quarantine and vaccination requirements for travelers to prevent the spread of measles.

In 2020, the RMI instituted travel regulations to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the novel coronavirus. As details emerge about the global effort to contain the virus, healthcare profession-

als have emphasized the necessity of basic handwashing as a first line of defense.

“In addition to measures governments are already taking, we all share a collective responsibility to act to protect ourselves, our communities, and the most vulnerable among us,” said Dr. Takeshi Kasai, regional health director for the Western Pacific World Health Organization in a Feb. 14 press release. “The best thing you can do to protect yourself and those around you from COVID-19, and other respiratory illnesses, is to wash your hands – frequently, and thoroughly. If you are coughing or sneezing, cover your nose and mouth with a tissue or with the fold of your elbow. Keep your distance – at least one meter – from people who are unwell. If you are sick, stay at home so you don’t risk infecting others, and seek medical care if you have trouble breathing.”

Washing 101

It takes less than one minute to wash your hands. In fact, the 20-Second Rule applies. That’s how long it takes to sing “Happy Birthday” to yourself—twice. Health practitioners remind us to scrub under fingernails, between fingers and to thoroughly soap and rinse both sides of the hands. As an extra measure, use a paper towel to turn off the faucet and open the door.

Please comply with these basic health measures to keep yourself and your community healthy. For more information about handwashing, contact the Public Health Nurse at 5-8836. If you think your health is someone else’s responsibility, think twice. And since you’re thinking twice, you might as well reach for the soap and sing “Happy Birthday.”

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19): Protect Yourself and Your Family

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Wash your hands often for at least 20 seconds with soap and water
- Ensure all immunizations are up to date, including your seasonal flu shot
- Stay home if you are sick and avoid close contact with Family members and pets
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Cover your cough/sneeze with a tissue, then throw it in the trash; cough/sneeze into your elbow if tissues are unavailable
- Use hand sanitizer when soap and water are unavailable
- Create an emergency preparedness kit

**Prevent COVID-19:
Take everyday actions to prevent the spread of germs**



For more COVID-19 information:
<https://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/diseases/Pages/2019-nCoVChina.aspx>
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
Emergency Kit Checklist for Families:
<https://www.cdc.gov/childrenanddisasters/checklists/kids-and-families.html>
 The Military Health System Nurse Advice Line is available 24/7 by phone, web chat, and video chat.
 Visit <https://www.health.mil/-/Am-A/Media/Media-Center/NAL-Day-at-a-glance> for more information.



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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19): Protect Yourself and Your Family

- Continue taking everyday actions to stop the spread of germs
- Routinely clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Stay informed by routinely checking reliable sources of information such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and your local public health agencies before going to the clinic
- If you are sick, call your medical provider for instructions on receiving care before going to the clinic

If COVID-19 is present in your community



For more COVID-19 information:
<https://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/diseases/Pages/2019-nCoVChina.aspx>
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
The Military Health System Nurse Advice Line is available 24/7 by phone, web chat, and video chat.
 Visit <https://www.health.mil/-/Am-A/Media/Media-Center/NAL-Day-at-a-glance> for more information.



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PREFLIGHT MESSAGE



Through March 22, no international passengers inbound to Kwajalein Atoll will be allowed to disembark.

Effective March 28 through April 30, United Airlines' Island Hopper flights to and from Kwajalein will operate on an adjusted schedule.

←GUAM TO HAWAII
UA155 operates Monday and Friday

HAWAII TO GUAM→
UA154 operates Tuesday and Saturday

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WORLD HEALTH
ORGANIZATION



UNDERSTANDING HEALTH PROTECTION CONDITION LEVELS

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

By The Army Public Health Center

The Department of Defense Instruction 6200.03 “Public Health Emergency Management Within the DoD,” and supplements, provides military commanders with policy applicable to the COVID-19 outbreak. Commanders review and update the health protection condition based on the risk level in the local community and in cooperation with local, state, or host nation guidance.

Commanders and public health personnel use HPCON levels to guide specific actions you can take in response to a health threat.

While it’s always important to prevent the spread of germs, there are additional steps you can take if COVID-19 transmission becomes more widespread in your community.

This page lists potential actions that may be indicated as a result of COVID-19. Regardless of the current HPCON level, always follow the guidance from your installation and local public health agencies.

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ROUTINE

No community transmission

0 ROUTINE:
NO COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION

Take everyday actions to stop the spread of germs:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Wash your hands often and for at least 20 seconds with soap and water.
- Cover your cough/sneeze with a tissue, then throw it in the trash; cough/sneeze into your elbow if tissues are unavailable.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Ensure all immunizations are up to date, including seasonal flu shots.
- Stay home if you are sick. Avoid close contact with family members and pets.

ALPHA

LIMITED

Community transmission beginning

ALPHA LIMITED:
COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION BEGINNING

Continue all previous actions and: Routinely clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

If you are sick, call your medical provider for instructions on receiving care before going to the clinic

Stay informed by routinely checking reliable sources of information such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and your local public health agencies.

BRAVO

MODERATE

Increased community transmission

BRAVO MODERATE:
INCREASED COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION

Continue all previous actions and:

- Avoid unnecessary contact with others, such as shaking hands and hugging.
- Avoid unnecessary travel, especially to areas known to be experiencing active disease transmission.
- Ensure supplies of food, medication, and other items needed for babies and pets are available to last at least 14 days.
- Prepare for travel restrictions and cancellation of public gatherings, such as school, religious, and other community activities; make alternative arrangements for childcare.
- Observe local guidance on movement restrictions and access requirements for military installations.
- Seek guidance from employers and unit leaders about changes to work practices (e.g., telework) and training events.
- Comply with medical orders for self-isolation or quarantine.

CHARLIE

SUBSTANTIAL

Sustained community transmission

CHARLIE SUBSTANTIAL:
SUSTAINED COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION

Continue taking all previous actions and:

- Expect cancellation of in-person gatherings (e.g., schools, daycare, all community activities) and restricted ability to travel.
- Plan activities for Family members, especially children, in case you are restricted to your home for prolonged periods of time.
- Prepare for the potential of limited access to supplies and services, including severely restricted access to military installations.
- Implement remote work procedures as directed by your employer.
- If outside the United States, authorized or ordered departure actions may be implemented.

DELTA

SEVERE

Widespread community transmission

DELTA SEVERE:
WIDESPREAD COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION

Continue taking all previous actions and:

- Expect to remain at home for extended periods of time as movement in the community may be restricted.
- Expect that home isolation or quarantine may be directed.
- Follow all directives and guidance from local, state and Federal authorities. These actions are to protect the health and safety of you and your Family.

2020 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TALENT SHOW

March 20, 5:30 p.m.
Kwajalein Jr.-Sr. High
School Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room
All are welcome. Admission is free.

The kids of Kwaj are incredibly talented. Young singers, dancers and actors will showcase their skills for all to enjoy at this event. Please consider bringing a donation of \$5 or more to help support the Parent Teacher Organization’s efforts to give back to the George Seitz Elementary School community. There will be a bake sale before the performance at 5 p.m. Thank you for supporting our kids.



In this photo by Albert Bridge we see Slemish, County Antrim, Ireland, an area where it is believed Saint Patrick spent time as a shepherd slave.

WEARING OF THE GREEN

COMMUNITY CONNECTION / LIZ NOLAN

Every year on March 17, Irish people all around the globe come together to celebrate their heritage and culture on St. Patrick's Day. La Fheile Padraig as it's known in the Irish language, St. Patrick's Day is a day for the Irish diaspora to reconnect to their roots, and for those who are Irish-at-heart to celebrate the spirit of Ireland, and what it means to be Irish. The one thing that makes them instantly recognizable on this day is the universal wearing of the green.

Known as the land of saints and scholars, Ireland has always been a romantic draw for people from all over the globe. Its verdant landscape, passionate music and dance along with its unique heritage, has captured the hearts of millions. Irish people are known for their friendliness, love of life, along with a razor-sharp wit. A love of family and friends is central in their lives, but their poeticism and depth of emotion is evident through all aspects of their music, art and literature.

Most people would have you believe that St. Patrick was simply an Irish bishop who drove the snakes from Ireland, but there is much more to him. Most of what we know about St. Patrick comes from a book called *The Confession of St. Patrick* or the Confessio.

This book was written by St. Patrick later in life and details not only his life experiences, but also his absolute faith in what God called him to do.

Known as the Patron Saint of Ireland and the Apostle of Ireland, St. Patrick was originally born in Britain around 387 A.D. At the age of sixteen, he was taken as a slave to Ireland. He eventually escaped and made his way to France where he joined a monastery and was converted to Christianity. His time away from Ireland was short. In a dream, a voice gave him counsel telling him that he would be the "Voice of the Irish," and he decided to follow the voice. St. Patrick returned to Ireland and began to convert the Irish from paganism to Christianity. Patrick called the Irish "People of the

Lore and the Children of God." He challenged the Druids and those with pagan beliefs, eventually driving them away. It is said that St. Patrick drove the snakes from Ireland, but many hold the opinion that this myth stems from the image of him driving the Druids away, as the symbol of the snake was widely used by those of the pagan faith.

The tradition of wearing shamrock to celebrate Saint Patrick seems to date from the 17th or 18th century—a turbulent time in Irish history. The British invasion resulted in oppression and suppression of the Gaelic way of life. The Catholic religion was forced underground and strict laws were enforced preventing Catholics from attending schools. This resulted in schools being held in secluded places. These schools became known as 'hedge-schools', as they were operated in secret, literally under hedges at the sides of roads or in fields.

Teaching religion was also forbidden, and so the shamrock plant was used to

illustrate the message of the Holy Trinity. St. Patrick is credited with using the shamrock for his teaching. The wearing of the shamrock was adopted later as a form of defiance to this British rule.

Wearing a clump of shamrock is now a firmly established tradition throughout the world to celebrate not just Saint Patrick, but Ireland itself. The shamrock symbol is widely used by businesses seeking to associate with Ireland and, along with the harp, is perhaps the single most recognizable symbol of Ireland. It is a shame though that the shamrock is not a blue plant as the color originally associated with Saint Patrick was blue.

St. Patrick's revelers thought wearing green made the wearer invisible to leprechauns, the infamous fairy folk who would pinch anyone they could see not wearing green. Following from this folklore, people began pinching those who didn't wear green on the day, as a reminder that leprechauns could sneak up and pinch those who abstain from wearing green.



Famous flutes. In this March 17, 2011 NASA photo, International Space Station Expedition 27 flight engineer Catherine Coleman displays a tin whistle and traditional Irish flute she carried into space. Among the other musical gear in her payload were flutes belonging to rock musicians from The Chieftans and Jethro Tull. This just goes to show that even astronauts will support Irish pride with the color green.

MODEST BEGINNINGS

EARLY KWAJ, CIRCA 1944, PART THREE

By Mary Browning
Hourglass Feature Writer

The following article continues the historic, three-part Kwajalein Hourglass Archive series "Early Kwajalein." This week, former resident Mary Browning describes the beginnings of Kwajalein's early infrastructure. We also learn the namesake for facilities still in use today. The article first ran Tuesday, February 16, 1988. This series has been edited for publication in 2020.

KWAJALEIN—Housing on Kwajalein has ranged from Quonset hut to wooden frame to cement block. Much changed gradually, but in one 11-month period nearly half the cement block housing was built in a great burst of activity.

The monument at the corner of Sixth and Lagoon tells briefly what happened.

"The houses of this village were constructed by U.S. Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Eleven, November 8, 1955 to October 5, 1956."

Prior to the arrival of CB 11, dependent housing was scattered. The few families here before 1950 were housed in two loose rows of frame buildings, one stretching along the ocean side of the island from, roughly, the present commanding officer's quarters, to the Hotel—now called Kwaj Lodge—the other paralleling the lagoon.

The first cement block house was 241, followed by the two-story multiple-unit buildings, two on Ocean Road, 401-404, all completed by 1952. The following year six more buildings in the area between the first 400 structures were completed, forming a small conclave on Taro and Pine. By 1954, all but one of the 100 series buildings were completed, four of the 200 series and 10 more of the 400 series (*the latter all still in the area between Lagoon and Ocean). The remaining quarters, more than 100 buildings representing nearly double that number of family units, were completed within the 11-month period indicated on the Coral Sands Marker.

Mobile Construction Bat-

talion Eleven had a brief but busy history. Organized in September 1953, the battalion had already spent 13 months building facilities at Cubi Point, Philippines and seven months at Kodiak, Alaska, prior to coming to--as they called it-- "Kwajalein, Pearl of the Shark-Infested Pacific."

Dependents had lived on island since the spring of 1946, and it seems certain that some sort of school was established soon afterward. According to present records, George Seitz Elementary School was established in 1956, with buildings presently in use having been built in 1961-2. It is named for the island's former chief military government officer, a Navy commodore who resided on Kwajalein from December 1946 to 1947.

Some of the most popular spots, however, are on the southern side of the island. All sizes and degrees of Scouts, both girls and boys, enjoy Camp Hamilton, named for Gene Hamilton, Martin Zachry Project manager. The camp, which was built in 1962 by Martin Zachry, was dedicated by Capt. Allen, then commanding, at a ceremony after completion and then turned over to the Scouts. It's interesting to note that the roofs of the buildings were originally used on the ZAR Transmitter Building.

Just beyond the camp was the handsome MZ Club which has since been removed. It was a private club which was operated and maintained by Martin Zachry employees.

One of the busiest places on the island is Holmberg Fairways, named for Rear Admiral Paul A. Holmberg. During his term as commanding officer, he was instrumental in the establishment of the course. The Holmberg shelters were completed in 1964. The club house was added later.

On the lagoon side of the island, at the edge of the fish pond, lies Tinker's Grave. A small granite tombstone inside the white picket fence enclosure tells about Tinker, "Japanese canine survivor, Kwajalein invasion, 1944, World War II. Befriended by members of the U.S. Armed

Forces. Born approximately 1943, died 15 January 1962."

Tinker's is the only tombstone on Kwajalein, but not the only grave.

Further west, lying just beyond the Pan Am/DynCorp Photo Lab, is the Japanese Cemetery.

It's doubtful that much ceremony attended the burial at this site under the circumstances which existed at the time of the island's capture. Nevertheless, this large common grave was set aside immediately and is now fenced, landscaped and ornamented with a vermillion Torii over the entrance.

In the mid-1960s, a protracted and interesting correspondence began between officials here and the Marshall and Gilbert Island Bereaved Families Association, a group of families of Japanese Soldiers who fell in the Indo-Pacific region during WWII.

Various requests were made by the association and, when possible, carried out on Kwajalein. Large quantities of sand were requested from Kwajalein and Enwetak atolls to be distributed among bereaved families as something symbolically close to the men at the time of death. This request was met. The association wished also to place a monument in the cemetery, but when asked for details of the proposed marker, sent a sketch of a memorial that appeared to be nearly billboard in size. This request was not approved.

Another request was met in 1966 when a commemorative "sacrifice" ceremony was performed at the cemetery by USAG-KA officials assisted by Myron Tanaka. Offerings of flowers, food and drink were placed on a table in the cemetery and left for two days.

A year later, a grave post, which had been forwarded by the association, was installed at the cemetery. The wording on the side of the post facing the Torii indicates that the marker is in memory of Japanese soldiers killed on the Marshall and Gilbert Islands. On the other side of the post is the Japanese date which translates as December 28, 1967 and names the sponsoring association.



STUDENT ART SHOW

George Seitz Elementary
School Art Studio
Tuesday, March 17
4-6 p.m.

Please come and support our
young artists at their
Kindergarten-6th Grade
art show!

The Art theme this year is "IF."
Students may dress up and
wear their favorite costume or
outfit.

The Art Studio is located in
GSES room 14,
across the street from the
Millican Family Pool.

Kwajalein Yacht Club 20th Annual Spring Break Music Fest

Calling All Musicians. The
20th Annual Kwajalein Yacht
Club Spring Break Music Fest
is coming up April 5 from 1-10
p.m. The day-long event is a
family-friendly fundraiser that
supports the Kwajalein MIA
Project, an organization dedi-
cated to the recovery of miss-
ing WWII aircraft in the lagoon
with possible missing service-
members on board.

Want to Play?
Contact Tim Roberge by
March 22 with your lineup and
performance plan.



MWR MOVIES

All movies begin at 7:30 p.m.

Yuk Theater

Saturday, March 14
"Fast and Furious: Hobbs and Shaw"
(PG-13) 137 min.

Sunday, March 15
"Tag" (R) 100 min.

Monday, March 16
"Do You Believe" (PG-13)
122 min.

Saturday, March 21,
7 p.m. at the
Namo Weto Youth Center Field
"The Art of Racing in the Rain"(PG)
123 min.

Sunday, March 22.,
7 p.m. at Emon Beach
"Dolittle" (PG)
101 min.

Monday, March 23
"Holmes and Watson" (PG-13)
91 min.

Tradewinds Theater

Saturday, March 14
"Game Night" (R)
101 min.

Sunday, March 15
"Joker" (R)
123 min.

Saturday, March 21
"Fast and Furious: Hobbs and Shaw"
(PG-13) 137 min.

Sunday, March 22
"Tag" (R)
100 min.

CELEBRATE WITH SONG.

St. Patrick's Day Karaoke Party!

OCEAN VIEW CLUB
MARCH 14
9 P.M.- 2 A.M.



IT'S TIME TO GET CRAFTY.

MONDAY, APRIL 6,
9 A.M.-2 P.M.
CRC GYM



E-WARENESS

OCEAN DISPOSAL “Garbage In – Garbage Out”

Waste disposal into the ocean isn't permitted. Keep the ocean clean and be rewarded with beautiful water and plentiful fish.

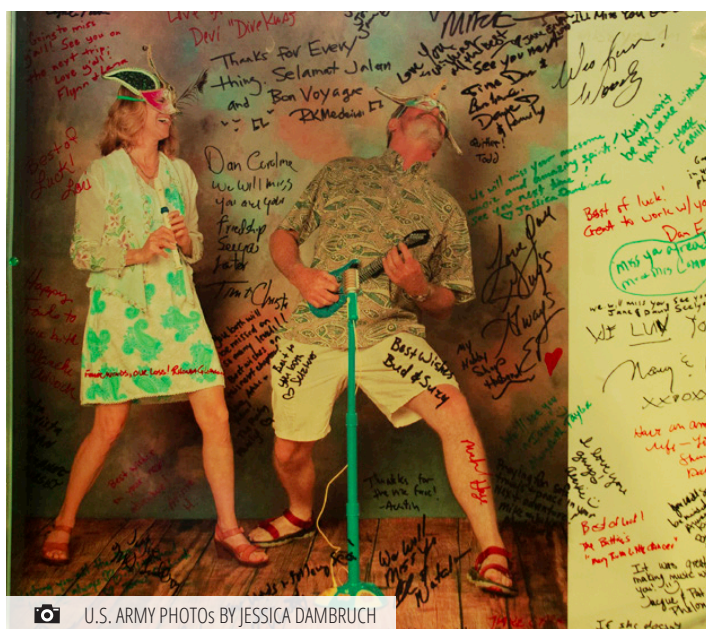
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Kwajalein bid farewell to long-time island residents Dan and Caroline Eggers at a “see you later music jam” at the Kwajalein Yacht Club March 8. The community celebration included special musical performances by Pure Aloha, hula dancing, and lots and lots of food. During his tenure on island, Dan played bass with numerous island bands and performed original music. Thanks for everything, Dan and Caroline. We won’t say farewell—we’ll say see you later. Bar Loeuk!

CYS March Spotlight

Child Development Center

STEAM Afternoons

Join the CDC as we explore science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics.

- Tuesdays-Swimming at Millican Family Pool, 1 p.m.
- Wednesdays-Functional Fitness at 1 p.m.
- Saturdays-Reading Buddies with Ms. Crump's third grade class, 2:10 p.m.

Upcoming CDC Events

Start Smart Sports. Fitness is fun in this program for children aged 3-5 years.

Mini-Golf. Season runs through March 19.

Tumbling. Registration is open through 24. Inquire at Central Registration about program care openings.

Baru Classroom Special Reminders

Saturdays are Water Play Days. Please send your child with swim clothes, a swim diaper (if needed), a towel, and dry clothes.

School-Age Care

Mentor Program

Meets daily 7- 8:30 a.m.

Teamwork is the highlight of this fun, new program, as School-Age Care kids mentor the CDC "littles" in fun projects and activities.

Open Rec

This free fitness program for K-6 students meets first and third Saturdays from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

March 21- DIY Gold Bank

Money Matters March with 4-H Program

Join us as we get into the dollars and cents of basic finance skills in March.

Functional Fitness—Join this free program physical exercise activity program. Meets Wednesdays from 2:30-3 p.m.

CYS Sports

Sports Carnival season ends March 21.

Register for Inner Tube Water Polo through March 24. Season begins April 7.

Special Events at SAC

Spring Camp. Runs March 31-April 4 from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Pre-K Spring Break runs March 31-April 4. Care is still available.

Daily Focus

Let SAC help you foster your child's growing talents and interests with our special one-day activity programming: Art Tuesdays; STEM Thursdays; Recreation Fridays; Character & Leadership Development Saturdays

Namo Weto Youth Center

Sundays

Drama Club, 4 p.m.- March 15 and 29

Tuesdays

Keystone Club at 11:30 a.m.

Wednesdays

Torch Club, 11:30 a.m.-March 18

Smart Girls at 4 p.m.

Thursdays

Trivia Night at 8 p.m.

Fridays

"Money Matters" course at 4 p.m.

Saturdays

Keystone and Torch Club Officers meetings at 4 p.m.

Special Events at Namu Weto Youth Center

Pie Day- March 14

St. Patty's Cookie Decorating- March 17

Paint Night-March 21

Parents' Corner

Special Note

Many CYS programs require pre-registration. If you have questions or would like to learn more about registering your child or volunteer opportunities with CYS, please contact Central Registration at 5-2158.

Teachers' Note

Unless otherwise indicated, all programs for the Namu Weto Youth Center start or meet at the Center. Dates and times for events are subject to change. Please check in at your CYS location for the latest information.

Call for Volunteers

Want to help coach for CYS? Contact Central Registration at 5-2158 for how to become a registered volunteer.



COME SEE A MOVIE UNDER THE STARS

To celebrate the success of the Youth Drivers Pilot Program, we are hosting a Drive-In-style movie at the Namu Weto Youth Center field.

You can rent a cart or bring chairs to enjoy "The Art of Racing in the Rain" on Sunday, March 21 at 7 p.m. For more information, contact MWR at 5-3331.



The Art of Racing in the Rain (PG)
123 min.
March 21, 7 p.m. at Youth Center Field
"Golf Cart Drive-In"



Dolittle (PG)
101 min.
March 22, 7 p.m. at Emon Beach

COMMUNITY NOTES

HELPWANTED

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

RGNNext, LLC seeks qualified candidates to fill several open positions on Kwaj and Roi in engineering, technical and other areas. For more information and to apply, go to: www.rgnext.com.

DynCorp International (DI) is looking for qualified candidates for various positions. Current DI open positions on USAG-KA include administrative services, data analysts, 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.

Kwajalein School System seeks substitute teachers. If you enjoy having a flexible schedule and working with children, we have a perfect opportunity for you. Please contact Susan Davis at 5-3601.

NOTICES

AA meets weekly on Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. upstairs in the REB (Rm. 213).

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

Theology on Tap meets at the ARC March 16 at 6:30 p.m. Call 5-3505 for details.

Swing Dance Class. Classes are free and everyone is welcome. Come down to the Vets hall to learn swing, ballroom, Latin and blues. Classes are Wednesdays from 7-8 p.m. All experience levels are welcome. No partner necessary. Questions? Email Natalie Bagley at natbagley@gmail.com.

Calling All Vendors. The Kwajalein Art Guild Spring Arts and Crafts Bazaar will be held Monday, April 6 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Email Vickie at travelrat2@yahoo.com for a vendor application.

Internet customers can access their account and pay online. Simply visit KwajNetBilling.dyn-intl.com to log in and pay via our secure, online payment gateway using the payment method of your choice. You may also pay online for future months in advance! For support, contact us via phone @ 805-355-0843 (5-0843) or email KwajNet.Billing@dyn-intl.com.

USAG-KA 2020 Home Business License. Vendors who want to sell goods or offer services need to obtain a license. Stop by the FMWR Office on the first floor of Building 805 for an application. For more information or to submit an application, contact Teresa Mitchell at

5-3400 or teresa.j.mitchell4.naf@mail.mil. Please include the following with your application: Applicable licenses and certifications; pictures and examples of goods offered; proof of insurance; and other relevant business information.

No food and drink on Metro Flights. Eating and drinking on Metro and helicopter flights is strictly prohibited. For your own safety and the sanitation of flights, we ask that you refrain from consuming food and beverages during flights. All drinks and snacks should be enjoyed in the air terminals or upon arriving at your destination. We appreciate your cooperation. For questions, please contact Lee Holt at 5-2102 and Fly Roi at 5-6359.

Need to report a non-emergency incidents or information? Send in secure reports online at the USAG-KA Police Department Facebook page. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/kwajaleinpolice/>.

Self Help is located in Bldg. 1791. Hours of operation are Monday, Wednesday and Friday– 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Visit Self Help to pick up tools to complete a number of household maintenance and upkeep projects, including the following:

- Various appliance and household lightbulb replacements
- Pest control traps and sprays
- Lawn and garden tools
- Hand tools and power tools
- Painting supplies
- Miscellaneous
- Plumbing supplies
- Appliance accessories

Namo Weto Youth Center Hours of Operation

Sunday, 2-9:30 p.m.
Monday, Closed
Tuesday, 3-9 p.m.
Wednesday, 2-9 p.m.
Thursday, 3-9 p.m.
Friday, 3-9 p.m.
Saturday, 3-9:30 p.m.

Power Walk Ex. Stand strong, move forward and get to stepping with Power Walk ExClass meets Thursday and Saturday from 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Walk will begin and end at the Ivey Gym. All MWR fitness classes require a wellness class pass. For more information and to purchase your pass, visit the MWR desk at the Grace Sherwood Library and call 5-3331.

Please provide MWR feedback on what they can do to improve service at the URL below: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3FNC-7BW>

FERAL CAT INFORMATION

Please report all sightings of kittens to Kwajalein Veterinary Services or Pest Control to help manage the population and preserve public safety. Small kittens often need veterinary assistance including formula, vaccines and medications. All feral kittens have intestinal parasites that can be transmitted to

people. Veterinary services helps care for and adopt out kittens. Veterinary services does not practice euthanasia to manage the feral cat population.

Please do not release cats in humane traps. USAG-KA Regulation 210-8, Chapter 5, details the humane methods of the Trap-Neuter-Adopt/Release Program. Failure to comply with the USAG-KA Regulation by releasing cats from traps harms the feral cat population and puts humans at risk for zoonotic diseases such as rabies.

The Kwajalein feral cat population must be controlled to prevent federally-protected endangered species from being hunted. For more information about the Trap-Neuter-Adopt/Release Program, please call 5-2017. To report a feral cat sighting, call Veterinary Services at 5-2017 or Pest Control at 5-4738.

Surf Bachelor Quarters Laundry Room Code Change. The Lock Shop has changed the cipher locks for the Surf Laundry Rooms. If you did not receive a notification with the new code, please contact Leilani Hino at the Housing Office at 5-3440 or 5-2113. Hours of Operation are 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Coaches needed for Child Development Center Activities. Volunteer activity leaders needed for bowling, tumbling and inner tube water polo. Call CYS Central Registration at 5-2158 to volunteer.

Interested in losing weight or just making healthier choices? Kwajalein Hospital staff are here to help with coaching and support. We will work with you to design a customized nutrition and exercise plan to meet your goals. Call the Public Health Nurse for an appointment at 5-8836 or 5-2224 or stop by Bldg. 566.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE ISLAND MEMORIAL CHAPEL

- April 5
Palm Sunday
Normal Sunday services and mass times.
- April 9
Mass of the Lord's Last Supper/
Holy Thursday 7 p.m.
- April 10
Good Friday Interdenominational Service in the REB 6 p.m.
- April 10 Good Friday Mass 7 p.m.
- April 11
Easter Vigil 7 p.m.
- April 12
Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service at Emon at 6:30 a.m. followed by a brunch potluck and 11 a.m. normal service at the large chapel.
- April 13 and 27
Youth Fellowship
- April 19
Christian Women's Fellowship at 12:30 p.m. in the REB
- April 20
Theology on Tap at the Adult Recreation Center 6:30 p.m.

NEED HOME REPAIRS? WE'RE HERE TO HELP.



Call the Public Works Service Desk at 5-3550 Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For after hours emergencies, call 5-3139. After going through the service desk process, if you continue to experience issues, contact us. We will work with you to resolve your issue.

Derek Miller, 5-2283
derek.d.miller14.civ@mail.mil

Scott Hill, 5-0133
michael.s.hill86.civ@mail.mil

GOT A FLIGHT?

ATI CHECK-IN

Early departures—7:45-8:15 a.m. For all other departures, check-in begins at 8-8:30 a.m. *Check with your ATI flight representative to confirm check-in and flight departure times.

UNITED CHECK-IN

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.

SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE

To set up a pick-up time for the shuttle please call 5-8294 or 5-3341. 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.



need to know absentee voting information



To register or request an absentee ballot, use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) at FVAP.gov. To get your ballot sooner, many States allow you to submit the FPCA by email or fax. The instructions in your application package will tell you how you may submit the form.

The length of time an FPCA is valid varies by State. FVAP recommends: Uniformed Service members, their eligible family members and overseas citizens complete a new FPCA each January or at least 90 days before the specific election in which they want to vote. Check FVAP.gov for details.

States are required to send ballots out to voters at least 45 days before an election.

States no longer require voting materials to be notarized for absent military Service members, their families and overseas citizens. Some States still require a witness.

recommended mailing dates

From overseas and deployed naval vessels: 4 weeks before the election.

From within the United States: 1 week before the election.

Don't wait to submit your FPCA. To vote in the general election, submit it no later than August 1.

If you have not received your requested State ballot by October 4, use the FWAB and submit it immediately.

Keep current on voting-related news and subscribe to our Voter Alerts. Sign up at FVAP.gov.

Questions should be directed to:

Federal Voting Assistance Program
4800 Mark Center Drive, Box 10
Alexandria, VA 22350

Office: 800.438.VOTE / Fax: 703.693.5527

Additional toll-free numbers available at FVAP.gov

Email: vote@fvap.gov

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/DoDFVAP>

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/FVAP>



GET READY TO RUN FOR IT.



Ready to run your fastest mile ever? The Downwind Dash is a one mile run along the airfield road with the wind at your back.

The race is **Monday, March 16 at 5 p.m.** on Ocean Road near the Golf Club House. Show up 10 minutes early to sign in. Contact Bob or Jane Sholar at 5-1815 with questions.

NEED TO KNOW? CLICK BELOW.



YOUR WEEK IN PICTURES

Check out Kwajalein Hourglass photos online at the HG Flickr website.



SATURDAY

5 p.m. Saturdays and noon on Tuesdays on AFN 99.9 The Wave. Turn on the TV and listen in on Channel 29-1 or on the Roller.



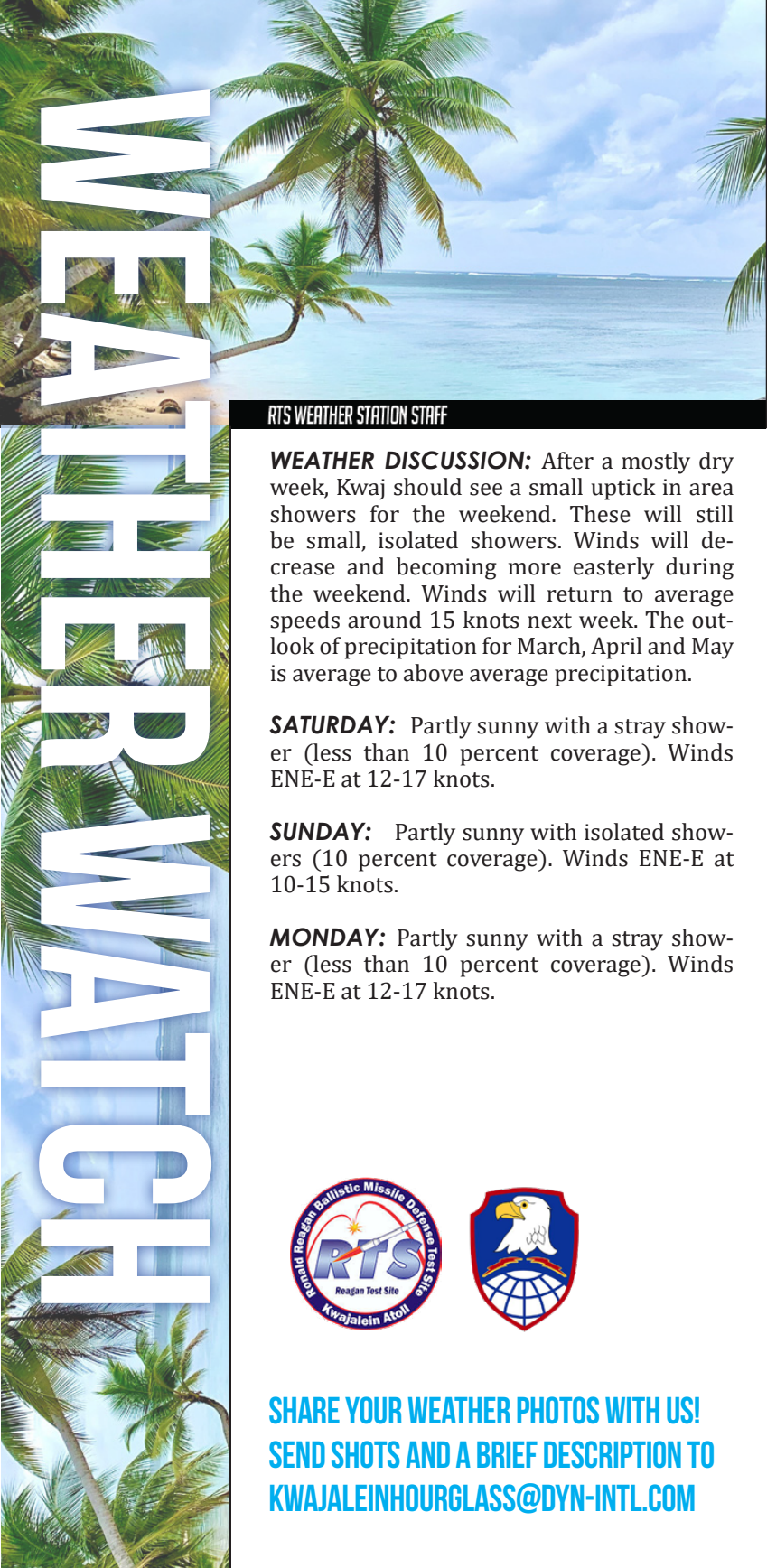
KWAJ CURRENT

Catch the latest episode of Kwaj's local TV show on AFN 29-1.



AFN KWAJALEIN ROLLER CHANNEL IS STREAMING ONLINE

An island mainstay comes to the Internet at last. Stay in-the-know with the AFN Roller Channel online! Check out the US-AG-KA Facebook page connect.



WEATHER WATCH

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION: After a mostly dry week, Kwaj should see a small uptick in area showers for the weekend. These will still be small, isolated showers. Winds will decrease and becoming more easterly during the weekend. Winds will return to average speeds around 15 knots next week. The outlook of precipitation for March, April and May is average to above average precipitation.

SATURDAY: Partly sunny with a stray shower (less than 10 percent coverage). Winds ENE-E at 12-17 knots.

SUNDAY: Partly sunny with isolated showers (10 percent coverage). Winds ENE-E at 10-15 knots.

MONDAY: Partly sunny with a stray shower (less than 10 percent coverage). Winds ENE-E at 12-17 knots.



SHARE YOUR WEATHER PHOTOS WITH US!
SEND SHOTS AND A BRIEF DESCRIPTION TO
KWAJALEINHOURLASS@DYN-INTL.COM

SUN-MOON-TIDES				
	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:56 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	----- 11:27 a.m.	7:48 a.m. 3.9' 8:00 p.m. 2.9'	1:27 a.m. 0.2' 2:08 p.m. 0.6'
MONDAY	6:55 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	12:22 a.m. 12:20 p.m.	8:36 a.m. 3.3' 8:51 p.m. 2.2'	2:00 a.m. 0.7' 3:12 p.m. 1.2'
TUESDAY	6:55 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	1:19 a.m. 1:14 p.m.	10:00 a.m. 2.9' -----	2:43 a.m. 1.2' 6:14 p.m. 1.4'
WEDNESDAY	6:54 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	2:14 a.m. 2:07 p.m.	12:24 a.m. 1.9' 12:51 p.m. 2.8'	5:06 a.m. 1.6' 8:17 p.m. 1.0'
THURSDAY	6:54 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	3:06 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	2:22 a.m. 2.3' 2:11 p.m. 3.2'	7:45 a.m. 1.3' 8:55 p.m. 0.6'
FRIDAY	6:53 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	3:55 a.m. 3:51 p.m.	2:58 a.m. 2.7' 2:52 p.m. 3.6'	8:37 a.m. 0.9' 9:22 p.m. 0.3'
MARCH 21	6:53 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	4:41 a.m. 4:40 p.m.	3:23 a.m. 3.2' 3:23 p.m. 3.9'	9:10 a.m. 0.5' 9:45 p.m. -0.0'

TICKET SALE DATES

YOKWE YUK WOMEN'S CLUB

22ND ANNUAL BASKET AUCTION FUNDRAISING GALA

MAY 10, 2020, 6:30PM, CRC GYM

SATURDAY, DOWNTOWN 14
4:30-6:30PM Mar

MONDAY, DOWNTOWN 16
2-4PM Mar

TUESDAY, SURFWAY 17
4:30-6:30PM Mar

Melissa Selzler
5-3787 or FB Messenger
BASKETAUCTION2020@GMAIL.COM

All tables seat eight. Below outlines
the three ticket tiers

GENERAL

Cost: \$50 Per person Two (2) drink tickets
and Food Buffet

RESERVED

Cost: \$600 (\$75/person), Two (2) drink
tickets Two (2) special redeemable
coupons per table Food Buffet

VIP

Cost: \$1000 (\$125/person), Two (2) drink
tickets, special appetizer and dessert,
Expedited event check-in, first and
second row seating and two (2) special
redeemable coupons per table

Read more about the Yok-
we Yuk Women's Club in last
week's edition of the
MWR Reef.
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UXO REMINDER

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

Remember the three Rs of UXO: Recognize an item as possible Unexploded Ordnance. 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.

Kemejmej 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 kakemejmej eok, eokwe jouj im koba lok ilo Island Orientation allon otemjej.



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CRITICAL/SENSITIVE**

**NOT SURE?
DON'T SHOOT.**
**HOBBIES SHOULDN'T
COMPROMISE OPSEC.**

If you're not sure, don't shoot. Whether your photographs are for work or for recreation, visitors and residents on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll must abide by applicable physical security regulations for island photography. Please contact an island security representative for more information about how you can do your part to take great pictures while supporting the mission of the U.S. Army.

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