

# THE KWAJALEIN ISLAND GLASS



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 JESSICA DAMBRUCH



# MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



**HONORING THE PAST,  
SECURING THE FUTURE!**



## USAG-KA WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH OBSERVANCE

**March 27 at 4:30 p.m.  
Island Memorial Chapel  
U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll**

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Join us as we celebrate the contributions and achievements of women in American history and the U.S. Armed Forces.

### 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, Gen. 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."

**When you celebrate women's history, you also celebrate the contributions of the U.S. Armed Forces to protecting peace. Read on to learn more about women's contributions to the military.**

### EXTERNAL REPORT

By U.S. Army Public Affairs

As the nation celebrates Women's History Month, the U.S. Army extends its gratitude to the women who have served, and continue to serve, in its ranks. Women have played vital roles in the U.S. Army since the Revolutionary War, and today's women—Soldiers, veterans, family members and civilian employees—are critical members of the Army team.

"More than 181,000 women serve in the Army today, from enlisted personnel to general officers," said Ryan McCarthy, Secretary of the Army. "The Army is proud of our women Soldiers, who serve with distinction as role models as they exemplify our highest values."

Women Soldiers make up 18 percent of the regular Army, the Army National Guard and Army Reserve, and 36 percent of the Army's civilian workforce is female.

Today's women serve in every career field in the Army. Nearly 1,500 female Soldiers have accessed into infantry, armor, and fire-support occupations; 42 women have graduated from Ranger School, and five have been

assigned to the Ranger Regiment; and last June, Brig. Gen. Laura Yeager became the first woman to command an Army infantry division.

The Army continues to integrate female Soldiers into all units and occupations, and has adopted gender-neutral standards for all occupational specialties. Female and male Soldiers undergo the same training and must pass course requirements to be awarded a military occupational specialty in any career field.

"The Army is people and the incredible contributions and achievements of our female Soldiers contribute significantly to the strength of America's Army," said Gen. James McConville, Chief of Staff of the Army. "Our diversity and commitment to selecting the best-qualified people, regardless of gender, for each job in the Army makes the all-volunteer force the most-ready and powerful in the world."

From the 21,000 women who served in the Army Nurse Corps during WWI, to the 150,000 who served in the Women's Army Corps during WWII, to the 181,000 who proudly serve today—the Army salutes our women Soldiers.



## 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.  
Island Memorial Chapel**  
Come let the command know how they're doing.

## THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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# STUDENTS GO THE DISTANCE TO CONTINUE COURSEWORK DURING RMI TRAVEL BAN

BY JORDAN VINSON

The Kwajalein School System has launched its first remote classroom environment following the RMI Health and Human Services Department's ban of people entering the Marshall Islands. Misti French, a George Seitz Elementary School teacher who headed for a brief trip to the mainland, was ensnared in the recent travel ban and remains in Florida. Eager to avoid disruptions in her fifth graders' lessons, French, along with Kwajalein Schools Administrator Susan Davis and DynCorp International management, have engineered a workaround: remote classroom learning using Google Classroom.

The web service allows file transfer and real-time audio and video communications between French in Florida and administrators and students on Kwajalein. In small groups, students cloister around laptops and use webcams to talk to French and work through lessons duplicated on both ends of the remote connection. A large digital whiteboard at the front of the classroom features French as she works with small groups while monitoring the class from a number of other classroom webcams.

It may look like a scene taken from George Orwell's dystopian novel "Nineteen Eighty-Four," but the "head-on-the-wall" approach is the most effective way to keep French's students on task given the current travel ban. The experience could be beneficial in other ways, Davis said.

While French's remote classroom is a product of the travel ban, specifically, the ongoing remote learning environment is a good trial run for the garrison's schools, should they be closed in the coming weeks due to coronavirus concerns.

"This was a good trial for us," said Davis. "Just to get all the kinks worked out and see how the technology works."

Garrison leadership and Kwajalein Schools management have emphasized there currently is no intention to close the schools and that any form of planning for that contingency, such as exploring remote classroom connections, is merely a means of readying school staff and administrators in the event that the schools close in the future.



*It's a typical day of school for Misti French's fifth grade students—with one exception: French (onscreen) is conducting lessons at a distance. Recent RMI travel safety restrictions caused French to be stranded in the United States while on travel leave. Thanks to some ingenuity and help from Kwajalein School System Administrator Susan Davis and parent volunteers, these students will not get out of the next quiz so easily.*

## PARADE (AT) REST UNTIL NEXT YEAR

COMMUNITY CONNECTION / LIZ NOLAN

Although St. Patrick's Day events were cancelled around the globe this week, it is fun to look back on the origins of the holiday and its famous parade. Though the St. Patrick's Day parade has grown over the years, it is still a procession of colorful floats, pipe bands, dancers and performers marching in celebration without commercial floats and major advertising.

The first documented St. Patrick's Day parade was held in New York City in 1762 as a religious celebration and feast day celebrating the death of the patron saint of Ireland. As the number of early Irish settlers in the United States increased, other March 17 activities evolved into the modern-day events that we have come to know and love. St. Patrick's Day is a festival not only of Saint Patrick himself, but is also a celebration of what it means to be Irish. For those of

Irish descent, it's a day to connect with your heritage and enjoy Ireland's music, food and dance.

Of course, everyone loves a good party. St. Patrick's Day is celebrated all over the world, from Japan to Germany and the U.S. Dublin City hosts its main parade every year, which meanders through the historic streets lined with revelers and ends on O'Connell Street. A large part of the celebrations on St. Patrick's Day are Irish music and dance performances ranging from local events to major music festivals, where audiences enjoy the best of Irish traditions.

One of the more recent St. Patrick's Day traditions is the famous "dyeing of the river green." This unusual practice originated in 1962 in the city of Chicago, which is also the homeplace of the world's second biggest St. Patrick's Day parade. Since then, "the wearing of the green" has been used to transform iconic landmarks worldwide. The Empire State

Building, the Sydney Opera House and the Pyramids of Giza have at one time or another had their taste of wearing the green. Aside from wearing green, some other unusual new additions to St. Patrick's Day are green shamrock milkshakes at fast food restaurants and the creation of green beer in bars and restaurants.

Ireland's patron saint is woven into the heart of the country and has left his mark on the landscape and the globe. St. Patrick is in everything from stories of driving out metaphorical snakes, to the namesake for Dublin City's beautiful cathedrals. He's reflected in Irish poetry, "St. Patrick's Breastplate," and in the works of the artist Harry Clarke and the annual pilgrimage on Croagh Patrick, a holy mountain where St. Patrick is said to have fasted for 40 days.

So, keep a green shirt by for 2021. We'll all celebrate with festivities, song and dance next year.



# STUDENT ART SHOW EXPLORES “WHAT IF”

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

The *googly eyes* of 20 monsters stared down at the costumed attendees at the George Seitz Elementary School Spring Art Show March 17.

The show's theme, "If," is the culminating exhibition for the year's artwork. Students dressed in costume to show their creativity. Kwajalein School System art teacher Jane Christy provided snacks and even dressed in costume herself.

In public school, students receive the introductory foundation they need to produce artwork in a variety of mediums, whether it be clay, plaster or two-dimensional surface drawing. George Seitz students took the themed challenge to the next level. In some cases, students chose their own "if." For example, if I could eat my favorite food for a year, or, if I could change my hair-style. As a creative beginning, asking "if" questions can help artists overcome the most stubborn of creative blocks—and help them meet course objectives. In reality, Christy's "ifs" led students to seriously engage in self-portraiture, still life, color studies, figurative surrealism and a host of other skill-building exercises with imagination and enthusiasm.

If you ever go to one of these shows—and you should—talk with the students about their artwork. A few students were on hand in the classroom to explain the concept behind their vivid colors and fantastical paintings.

"I just decided to do something different," said Chevelle Eiswirth included real sea creatures and a diver alongside the more imaginative creatures in her underwater self-portrait. "The fins and scales were the hardest part."

The googly eyes in question belonged to monsters created by fifth graders. Attendees had only to look around the room to spy other small colonies of creatures produced during the year. Christy adorned tables with armadas of tiny clay boats fixed with paper sails, mandala-like designs, bright and scaly sea creatures and masks.

Enjoy the photos and keep watch for the upcoming high school show.



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

1) Calvin Gibbon takes a big look at a tiny boat at the George Seitz Elementary School student art show March 17. 2) Mike and Solomon Howe check out the display. 3) Chevelle Eiswirth explores the question "If we explored the oceans more closely..." in this colored pencil study of sea life.





On this page, The Kwajalein Hourglass decided to ask its own "if" question: "What if student art escaped the classroom? Check out student art answering big "if" questions:

- 1) "If I had a treasure map."
- 2) "If I were a monster."
- 3) "If I had a new hairstyle."
- 4) "If I could only eat one thing for the rest of my life."
- 5) "If we explored our oceans more closely."
- 6) "If I had a new hairstyle."
- 7) "If I had a pirate ship."
- 8) "If I were an alien."
- 9) "If I were a sea creature."

Enjoy more George Seitz Elementary School art photos on the Kwajalein Hourglass Flickr website.





There's no better place to catch island breezes than the west end running path. Mike McMahon (above) is in the lead. The 2020 Downwind Dash challenges island runners to run their fastest mile with an added burst of speed from a tail wind.

# RUNNERS SPEED UP IN DOWNWIND DASH

## HOURGLASS REPORT

**Congratulations** to the runners in this weekend's Kwajalein Running Club Downwind Dash, a long-time event that challenges athletes to best their fastest speed with the help of an island tail wind.

This year's champion was Michael McMahon, the proud owner of a 4:36 mile.

Event organizer Bob Sholar shared some highlights this week from years past with runners this week. In 1986, the runners had 20 knots of wind at their backs. In 2020, 16-18 knots.

"So, let's call us statistically tied," wrote Sholar in his open letter to the 2020 runners. In 1986, Sholar took first place in the event with 4:50.

Check out the race photos from Linn Ezell, and join the Kwajalein Running Club for next year's Downwind Dash.



1) Iji Cardillo makes a run for it. 2) Rachel Melody, left, and her mother, Mandy, team up to run the race together. 3) California-native Jesse Forsmann is a man on a mission. 4) Blink and you might miss her: Elsie DiBiase takes off like a shot.



# NEW HOUSING FOR KWAJ EARLY KWAJ, PART FOUR

In honor of the impending construction of additional island quarters, let us take a look back at the beginnings of new housing.

Today, you might hear Kwaj residents refer to the North Point neighborhood as “new housing,” “North Point” or even “Army Corps housing,” but we first knew the North Point neighborhood as “Silver City.” Of course, the name “Silver City” refers to the island’s former modular quarters and those replaced by the new housing development.

Today, much of new housing stands empty and will be demolished at a future date. However, years ago, new housing sported several playgrounds and was an active, lively neighborhood. The first units of this short-lived housing development were completed in 1988 and celebrated with much aplomb, a community ceremony and model home tours. The 1988 community had a keen interest in who would be eligible to live in the new quarters. You can read all about it in an Aug. 15, 1988 Public Affairs Office press release on the right.

The following article by Hourglass feature writer Megan Stegmann continues the Kwajalein Hourglass Archive series “Early Kwajalein.” Stegmann’s article first appeared in The Kwajalein Hourglass on Aug. 15, 1988 and details the excitement surrounding the much-awaited new quarters. The article has been edited for publication in 2020.

By Megan J. Stegmann  
Hourglass Feature Writer

**KWAJALEIN**—More than 90 residents toured the first completed unit of the \$14.4 million Department of Defense housing project located on the east end of Kwajalein Thursday, Aug. 11, in an Open House ceremony.

In addition to new furniture from the Philippines, the model home was set up with display-only furnishings like crystal, glassware, wall mirrors, linens and other accessories available from Macy’s.

“It’s first class,” said former USAKA Commanding Officer Col. Richard G. Chapman Jr., about the housing project. “And Kwajalein deserves it.”

He added that many contractors and USAKA departments were instrumental in seeing this project through thus far.

Chapman said he was delighted that the prime contractor, Morrison-Knudsen hired a Marshallese sub-contractor, Pacific International.

“Kwajalein residents are in for a real treat,” Chapman said. “It has been long-awaited, and I am absolutely delighted to see a completed unit before I depart.”

Chapman said that plans for another 100 units were also being considered. Chapman then jokingly endowed incoming USAKA Commander Col. Philip R. Harris with the completion of the housing project.

Rob Lewis, Corps of Engineers’ acting site manager said the Morrison-Knudsen contractors went even beyond their scope of work in the design of the new

homes, enlarging the total living space as well as usable storage and closet areas.

The most commented-upon aspects of the model home were the number of bathrooms (2.5 in the three-bedroom units and 1.5 in the two bedrooms) and the amount of living, storage, closet and kitchen counter space.

After seeing the spacious home, one woman said, “I was surprised [with the large size of the house] because it doesn’t look that big from the outside.”

Remarking on the spacious homes, she said, “I’d never have to ask someone to move so I could get up from the table. I’d never have to put my ironing board away and I wouldn’t need a ladder to get into my cupboards.”

The area surrounding the new homes will be seeded with grass and have a rock garden and some curb-side shrubbery, but they will not have the landscaping details seen at the model home.

Morrison-Knudsen Site Manager Austin Young said, “Six months ago was the ground breaking ceremony for this project. We promised to give USAKA a timely, quality product and I think we have fulfilled that promise.”

Chapman cut the ribbon with assistance from Young, Harris and Lewis, signifying the official opening of the first-finished home. Although only one home was displayed, six have been completed and will be ready for occupancy, Tuesday, Aug. 16.

The remaining units are expected to be filled as they are finished with March 1989 being the projected completion date.

## “New Housing Eligibility”

August 15, 1988

From the USAKA Public Affairs  
Office

*The dedication* ceremony for the new housing at USAKA left one large question in the minds of island residents.

“Who is eligible for the housing?”

The criteria for eligibility are much the same as that for current USAKA housing. Inbound (new) families that meet the eligibility requirements for three-bedroom houses will have the first priority.

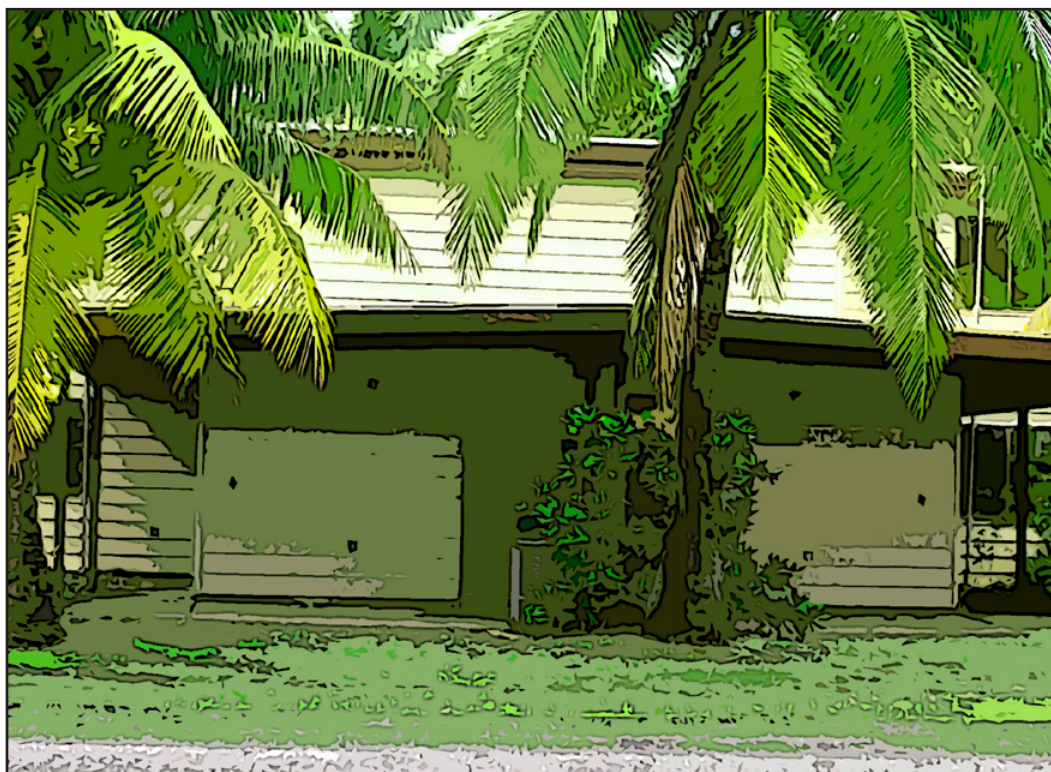
On-island families who are authorized three-bedroom quarters, both who are currently not in three-bedroom quarters, will be next on the property list.

As the total number of housing units increases for resident occupancy, Pan Am families will have initial priority. This is due to the fact that Pan Am is currently some 70 units short of their needs to meet contract planning figures.

All other organizations at USAKA are currently at 100 percent or more of their contract requirements.

The first six families to move into the new housing will begin to do so on Tuesday, Aug. 16.

The first building will have full occupancy by Aug. 23. Additional units will be occupied as construction is completed.



*Few would have been displeased to learn they were moving into North Point Housing in 1988. The completion of the Kwajalein housing development created numerous new quarters with private yards, ample storage and bike parking. The development is scheduled to be demolished to make way for a brand new development in the coming years.*



# TIPS FOR TALKING KIDS THROUGH TOUGH TIMES

## EXTERNAL REPORT

*Stress can take an exorbitant toll on a young person. In the following excerpt, the Centers for Disease Control provide tips on how to help set a good example for youth and children.*

**Concern over COVID-19** can make children and families anxious. While we don't know where and to what extent the disease may spread, we do know that it is contagious, that the severity of illness can vary from individual to individual and that there are steps we can take to prevent the spread of infection.

Acknowledging some level of concern, without panicking, is appropriate and can result in taking actions that reduce the risk of illness. Helping children cope with anxiety requires providing accurate prevention information and facts without causing undue alarm.

It is important to remember that children look to adults for guidance on how to react to stressful events. If parents seem overly worried, children's anxiety may rise. Parents should reassure children that health and school officials are working hard to ensure that people throughout the country stay healthy.

However, children also need factual, age-appropriate information about the potential seriousness of disease risk and concrete instruction about how to avoid infections and spread of disease. Teaching children positive preventive measures, talking with them about their fears, and giving them a sense of some control over their risk of infection can help reduce anxiety.

### **Remain calm and reassuring.**

- Children will react to and follow your verbal and nonverbal reactions.
- What you say and do about COVID-19, current prevention efforts and related events can either increase or decrease your children's anxiety.
- If true, emphasize to your children that they and your family are fine.
- Remind them that you and the adults at their school are there to keep them safe and healthy.
- Let your children talk about their feelings and help reframe their concerns into the appropriate perspective.

### **Make yourself available.**

- Children may need extra attention from you and may want to talk about their concerns, fears and questions.
- It is important that they know they have someone who will listen to them; make time for them.
- Tell them you love them and give them plenty of affection.

### **Avoid excessive blaming.**

- When tensions are high, sometimes we try to blame someone.
- It is important to avoid stereotyping any one group of people as responsible for the virus.
- Bullying or negative comments made toward others should be stopped and reported to the school.
- Be aware of any comments that other adults are having around your family. You may have to explain what com-



ments mean if they are different than the values that you have at home.

### **Monitor TV viewing and social media.**

- Limit television viewing or access to information on the Internet and through social media. Try to avoid watching or listening to information that might be upsetting when your children are present.
- Speak to your child about how many stories about COVID-19 on the Internet may be based on rumors and inaccurate information.
- Talk to your child about factual information regarding COVID-19 to help reduce anxiety.
- Avoid constantly watching updates on the status of COVID-19. This can increase anxiety.
- Be aware that developmentally inappropriate information (i.e., information designed for adults) can cause anxiety or confusion, particularly in young children.
- Engage your child in games or other interesting activities instead.

### **Maintain normal routines as possible.**

- Keep to a regular schedule, as this can be reassuring and promotes physical health.
- Encourage your children to keep up with their schoolwork and extracurricular activities, but don't push them if they seem overwhelmed.

### **Be honest and accurate.**

- In the absence of factual information, children often imagine situations far worse than reality.
- Don't ignore their concerns, but rather explain that at the present moment, very few people in this country are sick with COVID-19.
- Children can be told this disease is thought to be spread between people who are in close contact with one another—when an infected person coughs or sneezes.
- It is also thought it can be spread when you touch an infected surface or object, which is why it is so important to protect yourself.

### **Additional Resources.**

For additional factual information, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> website and speak to a health practitioner on Kwajalein. The Employee Assistance Program is able to offer assistance and guidance to parents working to develop effective communication with children about tough topics.

### **Talking With Children: Tips for Caregivers, Parents, and Teachers During Infectious Disease Outbreaks**

<https://store.samhsa.gov/product/Talking-With-Children-Tips-for-Caregivers-Parents-and-Teachers-During-Infectious-Disease-Outbreaks/SMA14-4886>

### **Coping With Stress During Infectious Disease Outbreaks**

<https://store.samhsa.gov/product/Coping-with-Stress-During-Infectious-Disease-Outbreaks/sma14-4885>

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Coronavirus Disease 2019**

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





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REPUBLIC OF MARSHALL ISLANDS  
2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)  
UPDATED INTERIM HEALTH TRAVEL  
ADVISORY & RESTRICTIONS  
**ISSUANCE 10: As of 17 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 **162 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, Issuance 8: 7 March 2020, Issuance 9: 8 March 2020) have been reviewed and updated as of **17 March 2020** (Issuance 10) with the following interim inbound and outbound travel restrictions for all visitors to RMI. These requirements will come into force effective immediately.

An extension of the **total suspension of international travelers coming into the RMI** via air travel until April 5, 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.

- Suspension of all domestic passenger air travel between Kwajalein and Majuro on international airlines. Air travel between Kwajalein and Majuro on Air Marshalls is still permitted.
- All cruise ships and yachts at this time are suspended from visiting the RMI until further notice.

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 adhere 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.

- 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 Chief Secretary, as the head of the National Disaster Committee, together with the Secretary of Health and Human Services, based on recommendations from the RMI Public Health division and the National Disaster Committee, 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.

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

March 17, 2020

## 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.





# USINDOPACOM RAISES HPCON LEVEL

## PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

**U.S. Indo-Pacific** Command has raised the HPCON level for all countries within its area of responsibility to level Bravo (Moderate). The Republic of the Marshall Islands falls within USINDOPACOM's area of responsibility.

With that said, there are still no suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases in the RMI.

- 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.

**BRAVO  
MODERATE**  
Increased community  
transmission

**O  
ROUTINE**  
No community  
transmission

**ALPHA  
LIMITED**  
Community transmission  
beginning

**BRAVO  
MODERATE**  
Increased community  
transmission

**CHARLIE  
SUBSTANTIAL**  
Sustained community  
transmission

**DELTA  
SEVERE**  
Widespread community  
transmission

# 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.

### O ROUTINE: No community transmission

Take everyday actions to stop the spread of germs:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Wash hands often and for at least 20 seconds with soap and water.
- Cover your coughs.
- Sneeze with a tissue and throw the tissue 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

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

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

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

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.





**UNITED AIRLINES’ KWAJALEIN TO MAJURO DOMESTIC FLIGHT IS SUSPENDED.**

PASSENGERS TRAVELING TO MAJURO MUST UTILIZE AIR MARSHALL ISLANDS FLIGHTS ONLY. AS OF MARCH 20, UNITED AIRLINES HAS SUSPENDED THE ISLAND HOPPER FLIGHT SCHEDULE UNTIL MAY 3 WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS: FLIGHTS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 13 (EASTBOUND TO HONOLULU) AND APRIL 14 (WESTBOUND TO GUAM). THESE FLIGHTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. THESE CHANGES ARE DUE TO UNITED AIRLINES’ WORLDWIDE REDUCTION IN FLIGHTS BY 80 PERCENT.

**QUESTIONS? CONTACT UNITED AIRLINES AT 1-800-864-8331.**

**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
- Use hand sanitizer when soap and water are unavailable
- Cover your cough/sneeze with a tissue, then throw it in the trash; cough/sneeze into your elbow if tissues are unavailable
- Create an emergency preparedness kit

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

- 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

**COVID 19**

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/childrenindisasters/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 COVID-19 is present in your community

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

**COVID 19**

For more COVID-19 information:  
<https://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/diseases/Pages/2019-nCoVChina.aspx>  
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WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION





# A MEDEVAC INSURANCE PRIMER

## PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

**Once the** Department of Defense travel restrictions have been lifted and you have visitors traveling to Kwajalein on a 480 or 55R, medical evacuation insurance is a very important part of the onboarding process to consider.

Ensure your visitor is covered by a medevac insurance plan before travel plans are finalized. Failing to do so could net you, the visitor's sponsor or the garrison, \$130,000-250,000 in uncovered costs associated with performing a medical evacuation for a serious illness or injury to Hawaii or beyond. It's like buying a house—but not getting a house.

Of course, we all want our friends, family and staff who visit to have a fun and safe time, and to have a safety net if something happens. Fortunately, that safety net can cost a fraction of a fraction of the price of an uncovered medevac from Kwajalein Atoll. To shop around for plan prices, simply use your favorite internet browser to take you to online insurance plan exchanges where you can compare different plans and prices to fit your visitor's needs.

Here are some pointers to keep in mind during the shopping process.

Travel insurance does not equate to medical evacuation insurance. Unless your travel insurance plan explicitly states medical evacuations, you should only assume medical expenses, such as medical procedures and medicine, are covered—not the costs of physically

relocating the patient from point A to point Z.

If your visitor has health insurance (typically plans offered through employers), there is no guarantee medevacs are covered. Again, you must read the plan's details and know exactly what is covered and what is not. For most state-side residents, medevacs from nations as remote as the Marshall Islands will not be covered. Your visitor will need to contact their insurance provider for additional information and to verify service areas.

If your visitor has a credit card that offers medical evacuation coverage as part of their membership benefits, again, it's important to read the fine print. For instance, is Kwajalein Atoll/Marshall Islands within the area of responsibility of the credit card company's coverage provider? A medevac from the Bahamas may be covered by a credit card company, but a medevac from the Marshall Islands may NOT be covered. Your visitor will need to call customer support to find out more before traveling.

Most importantly, if your visitor is not covered by medevac insurance via one of the methods already described, they should take this to heart: Medevac coverage does NOT have to be pricey. Yes, it is possible to visit USAG-KA without medevac insurance; it is not a requirement to enter the garrison on a 480 pass, for instance. But a three-week period of full coverage can cost as little as \$120. That's \$40 per week for peace

of mind—and freedom from the catastrophic effects a full medevac bill will cost a sponsor in the event of a medical evacuation.

When selecting a plan, be sure to take note of any plan activation conditions associated with the plan. For instance, some providers stipulate that the plan must be purchased a month or so before the start of the travel period. Not understanding these conditions could make or break the bank in the event of a medevac.

As you consider policies, please make sure that you select a medical evacuation insurance policy that includes a minimum of \$1 million of emergency medical evacuation (costs vary from \$130,000 to \$250,000), medical expenses, repatriation to home of record and repatriation of mortal remains (\$25,000-50,000), as well as 24/7 access to a travel assistance center. The policy should also include coverage for emergency medical expenses, as your home country insurance may not extend to Kwajalein. Moreover, if you are evacuated, the destination healthcare system may not accept your current insurance plan.

Finally, at every point along your path in shopping for a plan, make sure Kwajalein Atoll is within the geographic area of responsibility of the medevac provider. Ask this at the beginning of the process, during the shopping process, and verify at the end before purchasing.

If you have questions regarding medevac coverage for you and your dependents, please contact your human resources office.

## TO ALL IN THE KWAJALEIN COMMUNITY: IT'S TIME TO STAY VIGILANT.

### BE ALERT.

OUR ADVERSARIES ARE ALWAYS TRYING TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT OUR OPERATIONS AND CAPABILITIES. REFRAIN FROM DISCUSSING SPECIFIC WORK DETAILS IN PUBLIC SETTINGS.

### PROTECT CRITICAL INFORMATION.

THIS IS INFORMATION THAT DEALS WITH SPECIFIC FACTS ABOUT MILITARY INTENTIONS, CAPABILITIES, OPERATIONS OR ACTIVITIES. IF AN ADVERSARY KNEW THIS DETAILED INFORMATION, U.S. MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENT AND PERSONNEL SAFETY COULD BE JEOPARDIZED.

### BE CAREFUL.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO LIMIT, CONCEAL AND PROTECT CERTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT OPERATIONS ACROSS THE ATOLL. BE MINDFUL OF WHAT IS SHARED ON SOCIAL MEDIA, AND AVOID SENDING WORK RELATED EMAILS TO COMMERCIAL ADDRESSES. (I.E. @YAHOO.COM, @GMAIL.COM, ETC.)



PLEASE REMEMBER TO ALWAYS BE MINDFUL AND PRACTICE GOOD OPSEC. QUESTIONS? CONTACT JASON RANDALL, USAG-KA SECURITY OFFICER, AT 5-2110 OR JASON.M.RANDALL.CIV@MAIL.MIL.



# ARTS AND MUSIC



## 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 3-10 p.m. The day-long event is a family-friendly fundraiser that supports the Kwajalein MIA Project, an organization dedicated to the recovery of missing WWII aircraft in the lagoon with possible missing service-members on board.

### Want to Play?

Contact Tim Roberge with your lineup and performance plan.

## Kwajalein Art Guild Spring Art and Craft Bazaar

Join Kwaj crafters, vendors and artisans April 6 in the CRC Gym for an annual island favorite. It's never too early to stock up on holiday gifts to send to your loved ones, or to pick up a vendor's licence to participate in next year's fair. Contact Teresa Mitchell with USAG-KA FMWR to learn more about how to acquire a vendor's licence at 5-3400.

## MWR MOVIES

All movies begin at 7:30 p.m.

### YUK THEATER

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.

Saturday, March 28  
"Miss Bala"  
(PG-13) 104 min.

Sunday, March 29  
"Father Figure"  
(R) 113 min.

Monday, March 30  
"A Question of Faith"  
(PG-13) 104 min.

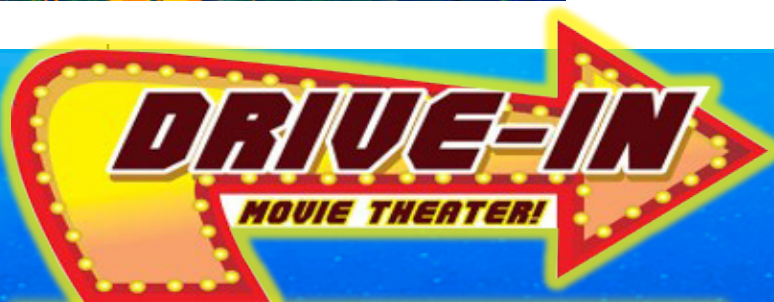
### TRADEWINDS THEATER

Saturday, March 21  
"Tag" (R) 100 min.

Sunday, March 22  
"Fast and Furious: Hobbs  
and Shaw"  
(PG-13) 137 min.

Saturday, March 28  
"The First Purge" (R)  
97 min.

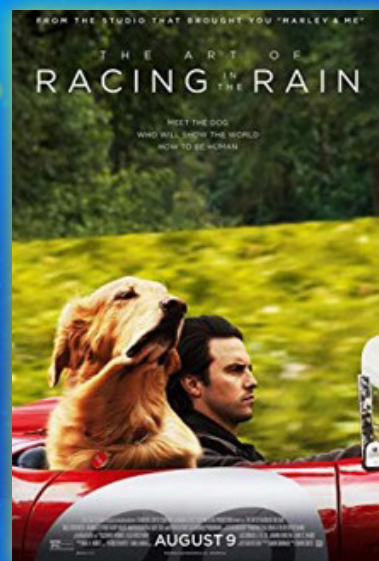
Sunday, March 29  
"Holmes and Watson"  
(PG-13) 91 min.



# 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 Namo 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"



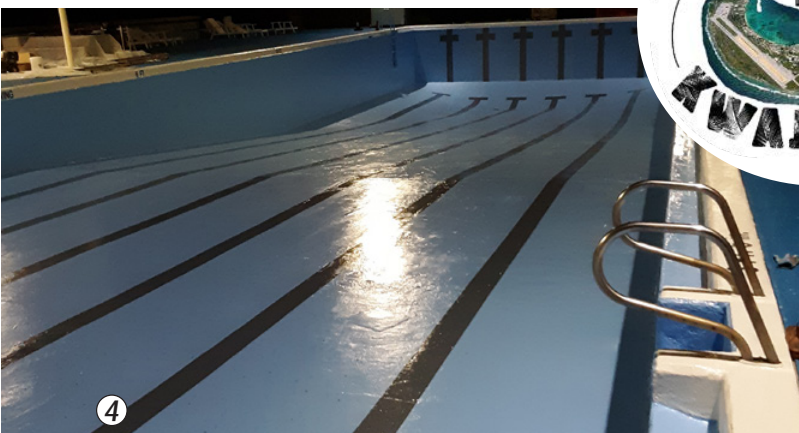
Dolittle (PG)  
101 min.

March 22, 7 p.m. at  
Emon Beach





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1) Kwajalein Hospital staff gather for a morning meeting. 2-5) Get ready for adult swim. The Adult Pool is scheduled to reopen March 22. These courtesy shots by Jan Potter chronicle the refurbishment process. 6) The Joint Law Enforcement sub-Committee, a subcommittee of the Community Relations Council, comprises representatives

from USAG-KA, as well as Kwajalein Atoll Local Government and national enforcement agencies on Ebeye. The JLEC met at the RMI Liaison Office March 11 to discuss issues of mutual interest to both communities. The JLEC meets, at a minimum, every three months unless there is a need to call the group together sooner than scheduled.

FROM LEFT: Abon Arelong (KALGOV); Dennis Johnson (USAG-KA); Ben Clancy (USAG-KA); Lanny Kabua (RMI); MAJ. Daniel Young (USAG-KA); Ben Jacklick (RMI); Scott Paul (KALGOV); Telmong Kabua (RMI); Ted Michael (RMI); Sgt. 1st Class Jonathan Debates; Maj. Jason Grubb; Jackson Kibin (KALGOV).



# CYS APRIL SPOTLIGHT

## U.S. ARMY GARRISON-KWAJALEIN ATOLL CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES



VISIT USAG-KA CYS ON  
FACEBOOK FOR MORE PIC-  
TURES AND INFORMATION  
ABOUT OUR EVENTS AND  
PROGRAMS. [HTTPS://WWW.  
FACEBOOK.COM/USAGKA-  
CYS/](https://www.facebook.com/USAGKA-CYS/)

### *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. STEAM- Swimming at the Pool will be on Tuesday afternoons.
- Yoga on the patio will be on April

#### **Upcoming CDC Events**

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

**Tumbling.** Registration is open through 24. Inquire at Central Registration about program care openings. Season runs April 9 through May 27.

#### **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.

#### **Special Events**

April is Month of the Military Child

March 31- April 4th- Pre-K spring break but care is still available

April 11 - Classroom Easter Celebration

April 14-18 - Week of the Young Child Celebrations

April 14-Tasty Tuesday

April 15- Work Together Wednesday

April 16- Artsy Thursday

April 17- Family Friday

April 18 - Music Saturday

April 17 Army Wide CYS 40th Birthday Celebration

April 24- Purple Up Day- Wear Purple for Month of the Military Child

April 26- 3rd Annual MOMC Family Carnival 1-3 p.m.

### *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.

April 4- Egg Decorating

#### **Drama with 4-H Program**

Join us as we get into creative theatrics and acting onstage! Please register in Central Registration.

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

#### **CYS Sports**

Register for Inner Tube Water Polo through March 24. Season runs April 7 to May 2.

#### **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.

April is the Month of the Military Child  
March 31- April 4th- Spring Camp

March 31- Hat Day- Wear your favorite hat.

April 1- Crazy Hair Day- Get Crazy about SAC

April 2- Twin Day- Team Up and Come to SAC

April 3 - Purple Pride- Month of the Military Child

April 4 - Shades Day- Future is So Bright

April 26- 3rd Annual MOMC Family Carnival 1-3 p.m.

April 29- 4-H Drama Celebration of Learning

#### **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.- April 12 and 26

#### **Tuesdays**

Keystone Club at 11:30 a.m.

#### **Wednesdays**

Smart Girls at 4 p.m.

#### **Thursdays**

Trivia Night at 8 p.m.

#### **Saturdays**

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

#### **Special Events at Namo Weto Youth Center**

Paint Night-March 21

Extreme Dodgeball- Register now in Central Registration- Season runs April 8- May 1.

April 1-2- UPS Road Code- 4-7 p.m.

April 2-3- Caregivers Course- 12:30- 4:30 p.m.- At the CDC

April 3- Ping Pong Tournament- 4-6pm

Month of the Military Child Family Carnival- 1-3 p.m.

#### **Movies**

March 29- Miracle

April 5- Rudy

April 12- Groundhog Day

April 19- The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind

April 26- October Sky

### *Parents' Corner*

#### **Special Note**

Many CYS programs require preregistration. 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 Namo 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.



# COMMUNITY NOTES

## HELPWANTED

To research and apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit [usajobs.gov](http://usajobs.gov).

RGNext, 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](http://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](http://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.

All Community Bank ATMs will be out of service on March 22 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for routine scheduled maintenance. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you in advance for your understanding.

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](mailto: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 [travelratz2@yahoo.com](mailto:travelratz2@yahoo.com) for a vendor application.

Internet customers can access their account and pay online. Simply visit [KwajNetBilling.dyn-intl.com](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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

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.

## FERAL CAT INFORMATION

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.

If you work with hazardous materials, wastes, or petroleum products, you do you are required to be trained in safe handling and awareness. Classes on Offer: Spill Notification (ENV110), HMWPP Awareness (ENV081), and HMWPP Custodian Training (ENV100) in one session. Where and When: Kwajalein: CRC Room 1, April 2 or 3, from 8:30-11 a.m. or 1-3:30 p.m.

Roi-Namur: TRADEX Conference Room, April 1, 8:30 a.m.-11 a.m. or 12:30-3 p.m. Call DynCorp Environmental at 5-9817 if you have any questions.

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.

Beginning April 9, Surfside Salon will now accept walk-in customers for haircuts only Thursdays from 2-6 p.m.

Due to safety reasons from wear and tear, beginning at 3:45 p.m. on Saturday, March 21, the playground equipment at George Seitz Elementary School will be off limits. Please do not climb on or around the equipment and leave the red tape in place. Parents, please do not send your children unattended to the school playground.

## 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.

## NO JOB IS TOO SMALL. WE FIX THEM ALL.



Call the Public Works Service Desk at 5-3550 Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For emergencies after regular hours of operation, 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  
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Scott Hill, 5-0133  
[michael.s.hill86.civ@mail.mil](mailto:michael.s.hill86.civ@mail.mil)

# ADULT POOL RE-OPENS MARCH 22

Grab your goggles and get ready to make a splash this weekend. Adult Pool renovations are complete. The pool will re-open March 22 at 9 a.m. for 24-hour swimming Saturday-Thursday. The pool will be closed Fridays for cleaning. For more information, contact MWR at 5-3331.







# WEATHER WATCH

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

**WEATHER DISCUSSION:** The drier weather continues into the weekend. Humidity has been driven down by rare mid-latitude air mass pushing well south to our region.

This is partly related to the persistent Kona low hovering just west of Hawaii. Thus, outside temperatures almost feel chilly in the morning and the afternoon breeze is more refreshing. The humidity will be increasing back to normal as the air mass modifies to local conditions.

Showers in the area will remain sparse, with very little chance of accumulation through Monday. Next week, smaller showers will start to form again bringing at least some rainfall. The NWS Guam office has started issuing their first drought statements covering the RMI for this dry season.

This is somewhat common occurrence this time of year to have smaller water supply, but we are only five percent below normal in rainfall this year.

**SATURDAY:** Partly sunny. Winds ENE-E at 12-17 knots.

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

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



## SUN-MOON-TIDES

	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
<b>SUNDAY</b>	6:52 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	5:24 a.m. 5:27 p.m.	3:47 a.m. 3.5' 3:50 p.m. 4.2'	9:39 a.m. 0.1' 10:07 p.m. -0.2'
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:52 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	6:04 a.m. 6:12 p.m.	4:10 a.m. 3.9' 4:15 p.m. 4.4'	10:06 a.m. -0.2' 10:28 p.m. -0.4'
<b>TUESDAY</b>	6:51 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	6:43 a.m. 6:56 p.m.	4:32 a.m. 4.1' 4:39 p.m. 4.5'	10:32 a.m. -0.4' 10:50 p.m. -0.5'
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:51 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	7:21 a.m. 7:40 p.m.	4:55 a.m. 4.3' 5:04 p.m. 4.5'	10:58 a.m. -0.4' 11:12 p.m. -0.5'
<b>THURSDAY</b>	6:50 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	7:58 a.m. 8:24 p.m.	5:19 a.m. 4.4' 5:28 p.m. 4.4'	11:24 a.m. -0.4' 11:34 p.m. -0.4'
<b>FRIDAY</b>	6:49 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	8:36 a.m. 9:09 p.m.	5:42 a.m. 4.4' 5:52 p.m. 4.1'	11:50 a.m. -0.3' 11:56 p.m. -0.3'
<b>MARCH 28</b>	6:49 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	9:16 a.m. 9:55 p.m.	6:06 a.m. 4.3' 6:16 p.m. 3.8'	12:17 p.m. -0.1' -----

## E-WARENESS

### PETROLEUM PRODUCT STORAGE TANK MANAGEMENT

*Each department owner of petroleum product storage tanks is required to:*

- Designate trained storage tank custodians.
- Conduct weekly storage tank inspections.
- Conduct annual storage tank inspections.
- Document storage tank inspection deficiencies and perform associated corrective actions or contact the Service Desk (5-3550) for support.

*Owner eo ilo department eo an petroleum product storage tank ko ej aikuj:*

- Kolaajrake rijerbal ro ekkar nan tank ko remaron jerbal ie.
- Etale storage tank ko aolep week.
- Komman ien nan jeek e storage tank ko aolep yio.
- Jeiki aolep jorren im likjab ko rar walok im pikwot kilen jerbale jorren ko. Ne ejab, kir lok Service Desk ilo 5-3550.

## 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.



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Department of Defense personnel are encouraged to visit the Centers for Disease Control online the most accurate and up-to-date information on the global status of COVID-19.





**SHARP**  
SEXUAL HARASSMENT/ASSAULT RESPONSE & PREVENTION

**CONTACT THE  
USAG-KA SEXUAL HARASSMENT/  
ASSAULT RESPONSE  
AND PREVENTION  
VICTIM ADVOCATE**

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**SHARP Victim Advocate**  
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877 995 5247

TOGETHER, THIS WE'LL DEFEND



## 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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## 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.

## VISIT USAG-KA ONLINE.

For community updates, and episodes of the Kwaj Current, please visit the official USAG-KA Facebook page and YouTube channel. For command information questions, please contact Public Affairs at 5-4848.



**YouTube**