





### BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**Department of Public Works** personnel returned safely to the ground after experiencing technical issues in a manlift outside LOGCAP V headquarters on April 30.

Metal Shop Kelly Welchlin, DPW Supervisor Matthew Grubel and Heavy Equipment Operator Kobo Anjuron were stranded aloft for more than 30 minutes while performing a routine antenna inspection, Grubel said. The team discovered they could not make their typical controlled descent and alerted their teammates on the ground. They were more than 80 feet high in the air.

Heavy Equipment Maintenance supervisory staff alerted the Kwajalein Fire Department and opted to utilize a second manlift to bring the team down, said personnel on the scene.

Emergency vehicles lined Lagoon Road, as KFD personnel and first responders stood by to monitor the scene and assist as necessary while maintaining a safety perimeter to protect passersby. On the ground, Heavy Equipment Supervisor James Chong Gum directed the recovery via radio with the two vehicle operators.

First, Grubel carefully en-

tered the basket of the second manlift and returned to the ground, followed by Welchlin and Aniuron.

'We'd been up there for a little while and joked that 'it's not bad until the fire department shows up," Grubel said.

Responding to the unexpected in a controlled and safe manner is a key part of training for those who perform work high off the ground. Vehicle safety failsafe mechanisms also help protect teams at work, Grubel said.

'[The lift has] safety features that are designed so that, if something's wrong, it stops," Grubel said.

Chong Gum said he worked closely with both manlift operators to assure the safe recovery of the personnel.

"[Up there] the operator follows everything he is told," Chong Gum said. "Next, the maintenance folks will take it from here."

After careful investigation during the following week, Heavy Equipment Maintenance personnel reported that the technical issue has been resolved. DPW personnel have expressed gratitude for the teamwork that kept them safe and for how island personnel continue to follow safety procedures to protect teams at work.



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Heavy Equipment Supervisor James Chong Gum, left, and Metal Shop supervisor Kelly Welchlin, right, smile for The Kwajalein Hourglass after Chong Gum successfully orchestrated the return of three Public Works crewmembers to the ground, following a mechanical issue with a manlift. Welchlin, along with operator Kobo Anjuron and Matthew Grubel, was one of the three personnel stranded more than 80 feet high April 30.

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Staff Sgt. Gary Likiak instructs Ebeye Gem Christian School students April 21 before they take the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery. Likiak and Master Sgt. John Phillips served as ASVAB test proctors for more than 500 atoll high school students on Ebeye, Majuro and U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll this spring.

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**More than** 500 high school students from the Republic of the Marshall Islands completed the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery this spring. Support for testing was provided by Soldiers from U.S. Army Pacific Command.

Visiting U.S. Army Master Sgt. John Phillips and Staff Sgt. Gary Likiak, proctored the ASVAB test for students on Majuro in January. Students on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and multiple Ebeye schools completed testing in April.

The team received test administration training through Honolulu Military Entrance Processing Station. Quarantine and coordination made testing this year possible with a special trip to the RMI.

"We are doing this to make it work, despite COVID," said Phillips.

On Ebeye, school personnel facilitated testing with coordination from Honolulu MEPS, U.S. Embassy Majuro and the U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Directorate of Host Nation Activities.

On Kwajalein Atoll, more than 130 students representing six public and private high schools completed testing, representing Father Hacker High School, the Seventh-day Adventist School, Ebeye Gem Christian School, Jabro School, Assembly of God Calvary School and the Kwajalein High Schools on Guegeegue and USAG-KA, respectively.

"The Ebeye Gem Christian School students were on Spring Break," said Phillips. "As a result, the school was happy to share one of their classrooms."

Scores will be returned to Honolulu MEPS for processing. Students can expect hard copies of test scores to be returned before the end of their school year, Phillips said. The scores will be valid for two years, allowing students to use their score to apply for careers in the U.S. military and have a greater understanding of their own aptitudes in a variety of areas.

Additional ASVAB learning tools are available online.

"We encourage students to use the ASVAB program.com website," Phillips said. "There, they can review additional online tools and explore careers."

Phillips said he and Likiak enjoyed their stay on the atoll.

"It's been very rewarding providing this opportunity for the seniors who are just weeks away from graduation and the next phase of their lives," he said.

Phillips shared one moment at Kwajalein High School-Guegeegue. Following testing, the KHS ninth grade ukulele band, which had been in rehearsals, gathered to play for the team to thank them for their visit.

Before arriving on Kwajalein, the team

studied Marshallese in a course at Majuro's College of the Marshall Islands. The course proved useful during their Ebeye visit, as Likiak is often spoken to in Marshallese.

"The Marshallese he meets are surprised to learn he is from Kosrae, in the Federated States of Micronesia, and speaks only a little Marshallese," Phillips said, of Likiak. "There are a lot of Kosraeans in the Marshall Islands, so a lot of Marshallese know people in common with Gary."





1) Ninth-graders perform for the visiting Army personnel at Kwajalein High School-Guegeegue. 2) The visiting ASVAB team enjoyed interacting with students and faculty during their visit to KHS-Guegeegue. Pictured here, the ASVAB testing team poses for a photo with Kwajalein Atoll High School seniors.



USAG-KA Commander Col. Tom Pugsley addresses island residents at a Kwajalein town hall April 20 at the Island Memorial Chapel.

# USAG-KA TOWN HALLS ANSWER QUESTIONS ON ROI, KWAJALEIN

BY MIKE BRANTLEY / USAG-KA PUBLIC AFFAIRS

By Mike Brantley, Public Affairs Officer

"Communication; open and candid dialog, is critical to a good partnership," said Col. Tom Pugsley, U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll commander recently at the Kwajalein community town hall meeting April 20 at the Island Memorial Chapel. "That's how teams are formed and it's a critical enabler for success of the mission.

"Everything comes down to success of the mission here on Kwaj, and it takes everyone working together to get after that. So, any issues that we have that are allowed to fester and go unanswered just causes friction in the community."

**On April 19 and 20,** USAG-KA leadership conducted town halls on Roi-Namur and Kwajalein for the community members to share their concerns, questions and compliments in an open forum.

Pugsley opened both town halls by providing information on several topics of interest, such as COVID-19, quarantine, transition, island infrastructure and the Army climate strategy.

**COVID border cases.** "This is what quarantine is for," said Pugsley. "It is to catch positive cases in quarantine, to see them through recovery and then release them back into the general population, minimizing chances of community spread."

**Quarantine.** Pugsley added that no one recommends pre-travel quarantine.

"We fought hard to get that reduced to three days and that is what the RMI is doing," he said, adding that all travelers inbound to the Marshall Islands are currently required to complete five day's quarantine in Hawaii.'

Pugsley said the plan moving foward was always to make gradual reductions in quarantine to ensure the appropriate processes are in place to ensure safety.

"The last thing we want from the garrison's perspective is to induce COVID-19 into the country. In all likelihood, even if the RMI reduces to zero days in Hono, we will slowly phase in a reduction to about three days, maybe two.

"With that being said, if we do go to zero days in Hawaii, United Airlines will probably open up to three flights a week. We're going to have to limit on which flights will be available to people coming to Kwaj due to managing the medical, testing and the quarantine piece. This will help us to maintain control."

The RMI government will present plans for quarantine reduction to the Nitijela, or RMI congress, said Pugsley. The initial plan is to reduce in two-day increments. It is also anticipated that quarantine may be reduced from 14 to 12 days over the next six weeks.

He imparted that RMI Chief Secretary Kino Kabua had said during an April meeting on Majuro that she believed by July, the RMI would be down to zero days' Hawaii quarantine and 10 days' quarantine on Kwajalein.

"So that is what we are looking at—mid- to late-summer—if everything goes right," Pugsley said.

**Transition.** At the time of the town hall, Vectrus was a week away from assuming the base operations services contract.

"Vectrus has been very good at minimizing the impact to the Marshallese workforce," Pugsley said.

**Infrastructure and equipment.** The garrison has currently been operating at reduced capacity without helicopters for several weeks. This has had some plact on mission support activities.

"We've been able to work around this for the most part, but that just goes to show how hard it is to get critical equipment and expertise on island to fix our stuff," Pugsley said. "Most of the infrastructure on the island in some level of disrepair. We are putting a lot of effort into it. We have a team on island that is going to do a complete assessment of all the island's critical infrastructure, and that is going to set a foundational baseline for where we are. It will help better frame the decision for future resources."

Climate Change. "The Army takes climate change seriously," Pugsley said. "A new set of requirements was recently released to which significantly alter how Kwajalein will conduct business over the next 20 years.

"A congressman brought up Kwajalein by name as an exemplar where climate change needs to be addressed at the Department of Defense-level to mitigate and plan for the impending changes the climate is going to have on the national security of the U.S. That's a lot of attention. With attention comes a lot more oversight, consideration and hard looks at how we do business. We've asked the contractors—the teams—to make sure that we are doing our best to provide oversight, and that we're maximizing every dollar of the taxpayers' money that we use to go into this installation. Hopefully, we'll see a lot of goodness coming out of that in the next couple years."

### Questions

## 1) What is going on with Surfway privileges for BQ residents?

We need to do some research to figure out what we are legally authorized to do, what the Army and the DoD will allow, and then the legal justification for either way.

As of now, nothing is going to change. We are going to allow people to use the Surfway until we get a resolution on what our justification will be.

### 2) Will there be fireworks for 4th of July? USAG-KA is determining the feasibility of using a new vendor for fireworks.

### 3) Departing Kwajalein for the summer.

For the last few months, incoming tranches haven't been full. We are running at 25 percent full. Please be conscientious when planning your return flight to not all arrive back here the week before school.

Work with your human resources personnel, as they are the ones allocating you to a tranche. If you have to divert your plans to maximize your chance to get back on the island, I'd highly recommend doing so. While it's pretty easy to get you back now, you should consider your ability to return on time."

### 4) What is the status of space available travel?

"Full servicing on ATI flights will be restored by May 13. Space available travel is authorized for Department of Defense civilians to include non-appropriated fund and U.S. Department of Defense civilian employees without transportation agreements and their dependents while in ordinary leave status.

Military and DoD civilians and their families can fly between Kwajalein and Hawaii for respite, specialty medical appointments, personal business and morale and recreation purposes.



Among the topics Pugsley addressed at the town hall were Covid-19, quarantine and whether unaccompanied personnel can legally be allowed to purchase grocery items at the island's grocery store.

Keep in mind that to return to Kwajalein travelers must still be placed on a tranche by human resources personnel and must quarantine in Hawaii which is currently five days and two weeks on Kwaialein.'

### 5) Do we still have to wear masks on **United Airlines?**

United Airlines dropped their mask mandate for flights on April 20 for domestic flights only. UA maintains a mask mandate in the Kwajalein air terminal and aboard their aircraft to Guam and Hawaii.

### 6) When will the veterinarian and optometrist arrive on island?

The veterinarian is scheduled to arrive in late May or early June. A TDY optometrist will arrive in July. Both are scheduled to be on island for two weeks. All island residents are encouraged to contact the Kwajalein Hospital to be put on a waitlist for appointments.

### From Command Sgt. Maj. Ismael Ortega:

"In order for the transition to be successful, and for this island to be successful, the entire team needs to be rowing in the same direction. There are a lot of things that LOGCAP does for the garrison and there are a lot of things the garrison does for LOGCAP. Without each other, and with the rest of the tenants, the island is not successful. It will take everyone in this community to make this the best in the Marshall Islands.

We have a perfect opportunity to start fresh, and take advantage of the eyes coming in, to set conditions and to lead us going forward."



## Namo Weto Youth Center

Students are required to be registered at the Youth Center to attend.

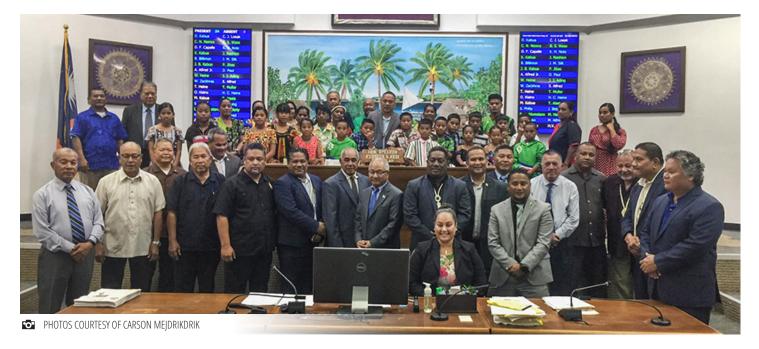
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# RUSTY FAMILY MINI-TRIATHLON

Race day draws near for the Rusty Family Mini-Triathlon, and volunteers and fans are needed. For more information, event updates and to volunteer at the event, please contact Bob and Jane Sholar at 5-1815.



Chaperones and fifth-grade students from Ebeye Public Elementary School Section B stand for a photo with members of the Nitijela during their March Spring Break trip to the national capitol of the Marshall Islands.

### ISLAND COMMUNITIES WORKED TOGETHER TO REALIZE ATOLL PARENT'S VISION

### BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

The Kwajalein Island Memorial Chapel Executive Board recently reported a special grant made in March to fund a Spring Break trip for Ebeye Public Elementary School students to give them a taste of life and work on Majuro.

The trip was organized and planned by longtime Kwajalein logistics employee and Ebeye resident Carson Mejdrikdrik, who approached the Island Memorial Chapel in fall 2021 with the idea to fund an educational trip for fifth grade students to visit the capital of the RMI.

The chapel board was able to grant funds for airfare. Together, Marshallese families and communities raised more than \$5,000 to support expenses for the remainder of the trip.

"Island Memorial Chapel has agreed to donate, a one-time 'love offering' of \$12,810 to provide the airfare for 35 children and leaders, round trip to Majuro," wrote Julie Makovec chapel administrative assistant, in the church funding report, detailing budget plans and the students' itinerary.

The president of the class' parent teacher association, Mejdrikdrik said he believes this is the first time an elementary school class has made the Majuro trip for Spring Break.

"I lay awake last fall thinking about this," Mejdrikdrik said. "Why is it that only the high school students get to go Majuro? Why not the elementary school students, too?"

He was overjoyed with the grant because of the educational opportunities the students would have, he said.

Funds were paid directly to the Air Marshall Island offices to provide 35 airline tickets for the chaperones and students from the fifth-grade class, section B, of Ebeye Public Elementary School.

After receiving news of the IMC grant, Mejdrikdrik worked with the Ebeye and Majuro School systems, as well as numerous Marshall Islands national government officials, officers and helpful households to secure accommodations and an itinerary for the students.

During the weeklong excursion in mid-March, they visited an array of sites, studying education, economy and agriculture in the capital

of the Marshall Islands.

First, the fifth-graders checked out school campuses on Majuro to learn more about student life there. They toured Rita Elementary School, Delap Elementary School, the College of the Marshall Islands and Laura Academy High School, meeting with students and staff. They also looked in on the climate activism workshop Jo-Jikum, co-founded and directed by poet and climate activist Kathy Jetñil-Kijiner.

While in Laura, the class also visited the Laura Farm, a working agricultural facility and its associated greenhouse, pig farm and fields of crops—among them, lettuce, tomatoes papayas and bell peppers. It was the first time the students had visited a working farm.





1) Students and visitors pose for a photo with Majuro Leiroj Esther Zedkaia during their visit to Majuro Memorial Hospital in March. 2) Ebeye students visited with RMI officials during their tour of Majuro worksites, schools and government offices.

During their visit, the class also met traditional and government leaders, including Kwajalein Sen. David Paul, Lib Sen. Joe Bejang and Leiroj Esther Zedkaia. Following the students were tours, treated to special luncheons with the Capelle family and a meal at the home of RMI Minister of Education, Sports and Training Kitlang Kabua.

"Minister Kitlang told the students, 'Learn about everything you see, everywhere you go," he said.

At the National Disaster Council, students got an insider's look at how the RMI government works to plan and mitigate disasters for with teamwork and planning. They also learned more about the national government and its affiliated organizations at the RMI Social Security Office and Majuro Memorial Hospital, and were special guests during a session of the Nitijela.

To his surprise, during the meeting Mejdrikdrik was invited to address the gathering of RMI senators. Not having prepared formal remarks, he said he spoke from his heart.

"I explained about our trip," he said, "and Sen. Hilda Heine addressed us," Mejdrikdrik said. "I was honored. She told our students: 'Go to school. Go to school every day. Keep going, and someday, you'll sit here in the Nitijela, too.'

Mejdrikdrik, is the father of Tina, a fifth-grade student who attended the Majuro trip. He is grateful for the outpouring of support and welcome from the atoll community and hopes learning about different aspects of life and business on Majuro will make an impression on the young students as they continue their education.

The Majuro trip also inspired community members on Ebeye, Mejdrikdrik said. He described how neighbors and friends would ask to see the physical paper from the IMC announcing that the trip funds from Kwajalein had been awarded.

That inspiration has continued. The concept of an elementary school fieldtrip to Majuro has appealed to other parent teacher associations at looking for ways to engage their young students

in learning.
"They're asking now, 'Why shouldn't we also plan a similar trip for our students?" Mejdrikdrik said.











1) Fifth-grade students from Ebeye Public Elementary School visited Majuro over Spring Break with airfare assistance from the Island Memorial Chapel. Pictured here, students visit with a Majuro class. 2) Tall cornstalks from the Laura Farm wave in the breeze. 3) Ebeye Public Elementary School Parent Teacher Association President, Fifth Grade, Section B, Carson Mejdrikdrik, left, stands for a photo with Leiroj Esther Zedkaia, who students met during their Majuro visit. 4) Fifth-graders listen to proceedings during a session of the Nitijela congress. 5) The class and its chaperones enjoy a break with some lunch at Laura Beach.

### KWAJALEIN READY TO WELCOME TDY OPTOMETRIST

HOURGLASS REPORT

The island community will welcome TDY optometrist Dr. William T. Black out of quarantine later this summer to conduct appointments on Kwajalein.

Island residents are strongly advised to contact the Kwajalein Hospital as soon as possible to be added to an appointment waitlist. Call 5-2223/5-2224 to join the list or to receive more information.

### **About the Optometrist**

Dr. William T. Black is a 1992 graduate of Pacific University. He earned his optometric physician's degree with distinction and founded Family Eyecare Specialists in January 1994, with the vision to provide personalized, attentive and outcome-based care while also offering exceptional products and services to patients.

Dr. Black has grown his medical busi-

ness model to five locations, more than 50 staff and eight full time doctors.

He is a current member of the American Optometric Association, the Idaho Optometric Association, and the St. Alphonsus Foundation Board. He is also a former Caldwell School Board Trustee.

Black serves as the President of Family Eyecare Specialists and specializes in diabetic eye health, glaucoma, cataracts, dry eye and general primary optometric care. With a passion for children, he established a pediatric clinic in 2006 that serves Idaho Health and Welfare youth under the age of 21.

Additionally, his professional time is spent travelling as a national contact lens speaker and facilitator for Alcon Vision, as well a consultant for Keplr Vision, a practice acquisition company.

Black enjoys traveling, hot yoga, social hours, golfing and spending quality time with his wife Abby, and their two daughters and son-in-law.



Don't miss him. TDY optometrist Dr. William T. Black will visit Kwajalein later this summer to perform eye exams. Contact the Kwajalein Hospital to be added to an appointment waitlist.

### BUILDER SMS MILITARY HOUSING INSPECTION NOTIFICATION

### PUBLIC NOTICE

### **Dear Housing Residents,**

U.S. Army Garrison Kwajalein will undergo an installation-wide facility inspection program between May 4 and June 11.

WHERE: USAG-KA Army Family Housing and Bachelor Quarters

WHEN: Through June 11, Tuesday through Saturday, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Housing residents are not required to be home during the inspection, which could take 60 to 90 minutes.

WHY: Inspections of Army Family Housing and BQ facilities are required by HQ IMCOM to document standardization of facility conditions. Inspections will allow consistent reporting to the Army's real property database and provide analytical data for resourcing of funding.

Housing-escorted contractor teams of two to five assessors from Wood, PLC, will be required to enter your housing unit to complete a visual inspection of building components. The contractors must access all interior and exterior spaces to take measurements and document findings. The contractors are required to take photos of building components but will not take photos of residents or personal identifiable information such as names, photos and certificates.

A full schedule is being developed, and can be found on the next page. Please note there could be short-notice changes to the schedule. This is a mandatory inspection that helps standardize documentation of facility conditions.

### **Before Inspection Day**

To ensure safety for your pets and our inspection team, before inspections begin, it is required that all pet owners please notify Jim Streetman via email if you have a dog and/or cat residing in your house. Some team members may be allergic to cat hair and pet dander. All pets must be secured before entrance into the home and remain secured until our team departs your home.

Thank you for your continued patience as we work to provide you the safe, quality housing that you deserve.

For more information, please contact **Wood Field Project Manager** Jim Streetman at jim.streetman@woodplc.com (704)-724-2708

This information was approved for release by Lauren Jackson, USAG-KA DPW Housing Manager

### **Kwajalein AFH Inspection Schedule**

**Tuesday, May 10:** 177, 179, 181, 188, 190, 192, 150, 151, 152\*, 153\*, 154\*

Wednesday, May 11: 183, 185, 187, 189, 191, 155, 157\*, 158\*, 159 **Thursday, May 12:** 102, 203, 207, 208B,

209, 160, 161\*, 162, 163\*, 164

Friday, May 13: 210, 211, 212, 214, 215, 106, 205, 217, 219, 241

Saturday, May 14: 103, 105, 206, 213, 216, 464, 465, 483, 488, 489

Tuesday, May 17: 176, 461, 466, 468,

486, 222, 223, 224, 462, 487, 208A **Wednesday, May 18:** 104, 204, 405, 411, 225, 226, 227, 228, 220

Thursday, May 19: 406, 408, 410, 412, 414, 413, 420, 428, 429, 441

Friday, May 20: 415, 416, 417, 418, 442, 460, 467, 469, 471

Saturday, May 21: 421, 423, 426, 427, 473, 475, 477, 479, 481

Tuesday, May 24: 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494

Wednesday, May 25: 435, 436, 438, 439, 443, 437, 451, 495, 139B

Thursday, May 26: 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 116, 156, 482

Friday, May 27: 449, 452, 453, 454, 455, 402, 404, 407, 409

Saturday, May 28: 456, 457, 470, 472, 474 **Tuesday, May 31:** 476, 480, 484, 496

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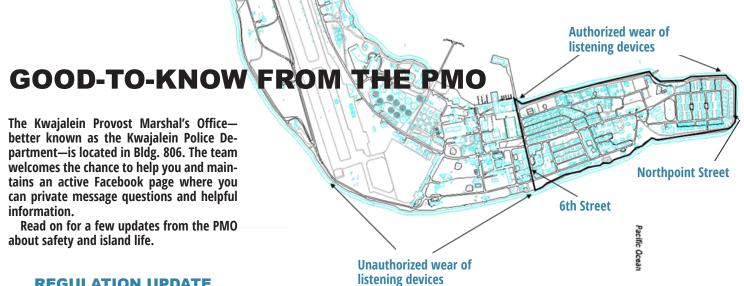
### **Kwajalein BQ Inspection Schedule**

Saturday, May 21: Surf and Tropics **Tuesday, May 24:** Coral and Sands Thursday, May 26: Palm and Reef Friday, May 27: Ocean and Shell

### **Roi BQ Inspection Schedule**

Wednesday, June 8: Ajax and Sprint Thursday, June 9: Apache, Zeus, Nike Friday, June 10: Ratak "A" and Ralik "B" Saturday, June 11: Spartan





### **REGULATION UPDATE**

USAG-KA Regulation 56-4 Motor and Non-Motor Transportation, Vehicle Operation and Control, was signed into effect April 26. (This action rescinds US-AG-KA Regulation 190-5, Motor Vehicle, Non-Motor Vehicle and Bicycle Traffic Supervision, and consolidates its contents into USAG-KA 56-4).

If you enjoy listening to music or audiobooks while walking or doing physical fitness activities around Kwajalein, this regulation applies to you.

Wear of portable listening devices is authorized only while walking, running, jogging and cycling on USAG-KA roads between 6th Street and Northpoint Street, so long as the device is not "noise canceling."

Wear of listening devices south of 6th Street is unauthorized.

- Bicycles and/or riders are required to operate a form of lighting in use while operating on USAG-KA roads between sunset and sunrise. Headlamps on the rider and/or flashlights affixed to the bicycle are acceptable.
- Wear of protective helmets while cycling is a Sponsor's decision. However, helmets are required when conducting "speed training."

For more information, email usarmy. bucholz.311-sig-cmd-mbx.usag-pmo@ army.mil

### **HOW TO SUBMIT GUEST SPONSORSHIP FORMS**

The Provost Marshal's Office will no longer accept hard copy forms. Only forms sent digitally will be accepted. All 55R's, Community Exchange, 48o's and Day Guest forms will be sent to **usarmy**. bucholz.311-sig-cmd.mbx.usag-pmo@ army.mil.

All documents must come from your servicing Human Resources representative. All forms must be received 14 days prior to the beginning of travel of the sponsored.

Questions regarding forms can be directed to the 5-4416 or 5-3739.

## STAY CONNECTED TO PUBLIC WORKS WITH THESE NEW POINTS OF CONTACT

Community members play an important role in maintaining island housing units. Assigned occupants help the Army identify maintenance issues and safety-related concerns so they can be addressed. These efforts are appreciated.

The safety of your quarters is important to the Department of Public Works.

Due to the ongoing LOGCAP V base operations services contract transition, some contact information for DPW has changed.

Read on for the best contact phone numbers to reach out to DPW to get the help you need.

### **For Service Orders**

PublicWorksServiceDesk@ Vectrus.com

POC: PW Service Desk 5-3550

### **For Dig Permits**

 $Dig P\bar{ermits} DPW @Vectrus.$ 

POC: Darryl Lorok 5-2049

### Get to know ArMA.

ARMA will continue to be utilized for all routine "priority 3" requests for Army Family and bachelor quarters requests. If you are a new island resident, be sure to register for your ArMA account online https://www.armymaintenance.com.

The Army's online maintenance tracking system is a one-stop shop for reporting all routine service order requests for on-island quarters, to include both bachelor quarters and Army Family Housing units. Housing occupants can upload photos of maintenance issues and log maintenance requests through the website. The ArMa system maintains a permanent log of all records for issue tracking purposes.

### For Emergency **Service Orders**

To report emergency service order requests, call 5-3550. Emergencies include major water leaks, loss of all air conditioning, no operational toilets or inoperable appliances, smoke detectors, door locks or plumbing.



## PLANNED WATER OUTAGE TO OCCUR WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

**Vectrus** is planning a four-hour potable water outage beginning at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, May 11. The outage will allow Vectrus to install a new potable water service valve for the renovation project at Quarters 454.

The potable water outage will affect the following quarters: 441, 442, 443 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456 and 458.











1) Ben Jackson sprints for home during a softball playoff game May 3. 2) Derek Miller is up at bat for team Rust Life. 3) Annie Hepler throws the ball back to the infield during the women's championship games. 4) Players from Spartans I Women's Softball and coaches Masina McCollum, left, and Chelsea Reed, right, stand for a victory photo May 3 at Ragan Field. 5) MWR Supervisor Ziad Abouzeid is ready to sell hotdogs at the ballfield. If you are hungry at the next ballgame, look for the friendly face under the colorful umbrella and purchase some snacks.



A photograph of a Lockheed Martin Terminal High Altitude Area Defense battery test, courtesy of U.S. Space and Missile Defense Command.

### BY SHARON WATKINS-LANG, USASMDC HISTORIAN

May is a busy month in U.S. Space and Missile Defense Command History. Check out what happened on the important dates below.

### The Braduskill Interceptor

**On May 5, 1986,** the Ballistic Missile Defense Program manager approved the establishment of the Braduskill Interceptor Concept Project Office. BIC was a proof of principle technology development program, part of the Strategic Defense Initiative.

As described in an October 1986 letter from Lt. Gen. James Abrahamson, the SDIO Director, BIC "[involves] a ground launched interceptor and a post-boost maneuvering vehicle which incorporates some midcourse discrimination capability."

After launch, on board sensors would guide the interceptor to locate and then fly alongside the target objects. During this time, the sensors would identify the warhead from the debris cloud.

The BIC would then destroy the target with explosive warheads guided by infrared sensors or radar sensitive homing devices.

Originally known as the Boschma Interceptor Concept in 1984 in honor of its developer, it was subsequently renamed Braduskill to reflect the intercept method –"bradus"—the Greek word for slow, combined with the English word "kill."

### The Overwatch System

The Overwatch System was deployed in-theater for 90 days with the RAID Product Management Office for an operational assessment as the Overwatch RAID Force Protection Initiative on May 12, 2005.

Attached to the RAID towers in a stationary mode, the Overwatch was a sensor targeting system which could automatically detect, classify and locate hostile multiple types of weapon fire.

Developed as an Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration, it combined the Battlefield Ordnance Awareness passive infrared and processing technologies with military communications systems and an imager to confirm the target.

### **USASMDC Armed Forces Week**

Twenty-five years ago, in a ceremony in downtown Huntsville, Alabama, a proclamation was signed making May 19-23, 1997, Armed Forces Week, a Celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command for Huntsville, Madison, and Madison County.

The proclamation was signed by Huntsville Mayor Loretta Spencer, Madison Mayor Chuck Yancura, and Chairman of the Madison County Commission Mike Gillespie.

Speaking to a group of civic leaders, contractors, and command leaders during the



Writing about the Rapid Aerostat Initial Deployment Tower in 2011, Dr. Christina Bates described it as "the most powerful sub-system of the Base Expeditionary Targeting and Surveillance Systems" Combined (BETSS-C) Family of Systems," pictured here in this undated U.S. Army photo.

ceremony, Lt. Gen. Edward Anderson told the group "You have lived this technology for the past 40 years, so there is no better place to celebrate what we do than here in Huntsville."

### **Lockheed Martin**

**In recent weeks** Lockheed Martin announced that it

would be providing the U.S. Army with its eighth Terminal High Altitude Area Defense battery. On May 26, 2004, LM began manufacturing the THAAD at their extensive new facility near Troy, Alabama. This facility performs final integration, assembly and testing of the THAAD missile, a six-week process.

# THE LIBERTY PASS

**Kwaj Weekend and Activity Guide** 



Karaoke Night Saturday, May 7 Begins at 8 p.m. Oceanview Club

Get ready to sing at this annual MWR event at the Oceanview Club for attendees aged 21 years and up.



Kwajalein Yacht Club Mother's Day Sail Race Sunday, May 8 at 1 p.m. Kwajalein Small Boat Marina

One-minute start time advantage for each mother aboard as crew.



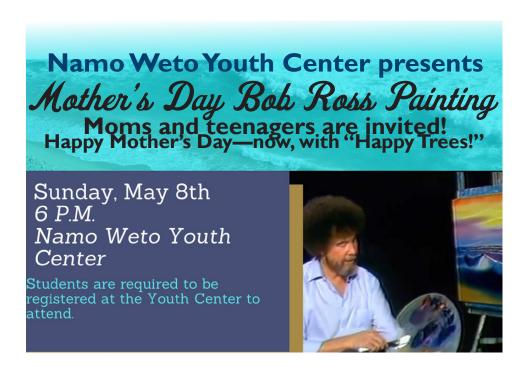
RustMan Triathlon Monday, May 9 Race begins at 4:30 p.m.

Join the fun this weekend at Emon Beach for the Rusty Family Mini-Triathlon. For more information, about this family friendly event, please contact Bob and Jane Sholar at 5-1815.



George Seitz Elementary School Spring Band Concerts Friday, May 13 at 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. Kwajalein High School Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room

Donations of packaged snacks, school supplies and hygiene products are appreiated for our Ri-Katak program.





### At The Movies

Unless otherwise indicated, all movies begin at 7:30 p.m. Contact MWR at 5-3331 for more information. Showtimes may vary for special "Movies Under the Stars" events.

### Yuk Theater Kwajalein

Saturday, May 7 "Sing 2" (PG) 110 min.

Sunday, May 8 "Redeeming Love" (PG-13) 134 min.

> Monday, May 9 "48 Hours" (R) 96 min.

Saturday, May 14 "American Underdog" (PG) 112 min.

Sunday, May 15 "Legally Blonde 2" (PG-13) 95 min.

Monday, May 16 "House of Gucci" (R) 158 min.

### Roi C-building

Saturday, May 7 "Don't Let Go" (R) 107 min.

Sunday, May 8 "The Possession of Hannah Grace" (R) 86 min.

Saturday, May 14 "The Little Things" (R) 128 min.

> Sunday, May 15 "The Mule" (R) 117 min.

## **COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS**

The community wants to hear from you. Email announcements and advertisements to kwajaleinhourglass@amentum.com Wednesdays by close of business. Ads received after deadline will be published in the next issue of The Kwajalein Hourglass.

### **ARMY REGULATIONS**

TOBACCO USE. USAG-KA Policy Memorandum 600-8 protects others from the negative impact of tobacco use. On USAG-KA, smoking is permitted in designated smoking areas only. Smoking and cigarette butt receptacles must be at least 50 feet from the entrance of facilities.

CANDLES and open flames are not permitted in BQ rooms. The Kwajalein Fire Department thanks you for keeping your neighbors safe.

### **CLASSES**

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS. Open meetings for this group are Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the REB, Room 213.

BLDG. COORDINATOR TRAINING. This training for building managers is required by AR 420-1. Kwaj training occurs on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 10 a.m. in the Religious Education Building. Roi-Namur training occurs on the second Wednesday each month at 9:30 a.m. in C-building. Call 5-3364 to register.

SMOKING CESSATION. Ongoing smoking and tobacco cessation counseling is available. Call the EAP at 5-5362 or email marybeth.mawic-ki@internationalsosgs.us for more.

### **FACILITIES**

RACQUETBALL COURT CODE. Residents can obtain the door code from the MWR Desk at the Grace Sherwood Library. The code will not be given out over the phone. Contact MWR at 5-3331 with questions.

### HELP WANTED

To research and apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit usajobs.gov. Write to kwajalein.hourglass@amentum.com to remove your listing.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT. This position provides daily administrative task support for operations at the Island Memorial Chapel. For questions or to submit a resume, please call 5-3505. Send to kwajchapel@gmail. com and Ch. Brian Conner at brian\_conner@sbcglobal.net.

CALIBRE seeks a Military Material Specialist. For more information, or to apply, visit https://jobs.silkroad.com/calibresys/httpscalibresyscareerssilkroadcom/jobs/4013.

INTERNATIONAL SOS seeks a dental assistant and applicants for administrative positions. Send your resume to marykathleen.bryan@internationalsos.com.

KAIHONUA is hiring for multiple positions. For more information or to apply, please contact Tribalco Human Resources at 5-4344 and visit https://honuservices.jobs.net/page/kaihonua. Applicants must meet job requirements.

NAN, INC. seeks a welder, welding inspector, quality control manager (QCM), and site safety and health officer (SSHO). To apply, visit www. nanhawaii.com and contact Clint Ueatari or Kevin Short at 5-2632, 5-4995 or 5-4996.

QUANTUM DYNAMICS, INC., is accepting resumes for positions on

Kwajalein and Roi-Namur in the following areas: Vehicle Maintenance, Transportation Motor Pool, Movement Control, and Custodial. Please apply to specific opportunities at https://qdyncorp.com/home/careers/or contact Ms. Trina Romeo, HR Manager at 5-1509 (office phone), email: tromeo@Qdyncorp.com or stop by Building 1071 (Emergency Operations Center) located at the southern end of Kwajalein.

TRUESTONE is hiring for multiple positions. Contact Tribalco Human Resources at 5-4344 and visit https://www.akima.com/careers/. Visit www. tribalco.com/careers.html.

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.

USAG-KA CYS has openings for new employees and coaches. Required experience levels vary. All children of head coaches play for free. Visit Central Registration or call 5-2158 in Building 356.

### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

COMMON ACCESS CARD OFFICE is open Tuesday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Schedule appointments at https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco.

AUTOMOTIVE LICENSING. The Automotive Licensing Office has moved to Bldg. 808. Please visit during regular hours of operation to complete license testing and documentation.

The SELF HELP CENTER is in Bldg. 1791. Hours of operation are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Visit Self Help for tools and materials for household upkeep projects.

### MWR RENTALS

MWR RENTALS. When requesting a tent, two weeks' notice is required for dig permit approval. To request tables, linens, chairs, bounce houses, or MWR equipment, call 5-3331/3332 or visit the Grace Sherwood Library in Bldg. 805 Tuesday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

### OPTICAL CARE

CALL THE Kwajalein Hospital to express your interest in securing a future optometry appointment at 5-2223.

### **ORGANIZATIONS**

KWAJALEIN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB. Looking for active members and leadership positions to take the club to new heights. Contact the club at 5-2501 or email kwajradioclub@gmail.com to learn more.

UKULELE CLUB. The Kwajalein Ukulele Club is a free club open to ukulele enthusiasts of all ages and skill levels. Bring your uke and join us for a strum-along each Friday in CRC room 6 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. Sign up for the mailing list to receive updates and sheet music by writing to kwajukeclub@gmail.com.

KWAJALEIN GIRL SCOUTS. The Kwajalein Girl Scouts are open to all school-aged K-12 girls on Kwajalein (USAGSO.org). Membership fees are TEACHING ASSISTANTS WANTED. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lincoln Laboratory, Beaver Works Summer Institute seeks teaching assistants to support this year's program, which will run for the full month of July.

Summer TAs will help local high school students learn an introduction to coding in Python and robotics using the miniRACECAR curriculum. All applicants must be at least 18 years-old by the program start date. Experience with coding is required, and Python experience is preferred. Top consideration will be given to candidates who apply before May 15. For more information, contact Dr. Sarah Willis on Facebook.

Interested candidates should fill out the application at the link below: https://mit-bwsi.formstack.com/forms/beaverworks\_job\_application\_2022?fbclid=lwAR35VAi34\_wk8xZMQw-ZGZLc2PJOb1Z8WURRK7PmLi3urMVkZSIAmt6EWRUk.

### WILL YOUR PET PCS SOON?



Please notify island veterinary services as soon as possible if you plan to PCS with your pet. COVID has created increased delays in some necessary testing needed for most destinations outside of CONUS.

If a Fluorescent Antibody Virus Neutralization test is needed for

your PCS, it could take eight weeks to receive results. You should allow three to six months to leave Kwajalein with your pet(s); however, if you need to leave on shorter notice, Vet Services may be able to help.

**Kwajalein Veterinary Services** 

Phone: 5-2017

Email: kwajaleinveterinaryclinic@internationalsosgs.us

\$45. Also seeking adult volunteers. Contact Carrie Aljure at whatacod@ aol.com.

TWO LIFEGUARDS REQUIRED. For safety reasons, an extra lifeguard is required for parties held at the Millican Family Pool. Questions, or to reserve the pool, contact Cliff Pryor at Clifford.PryorJr@amentum.com or 5-2848.

METAL DETECTORS are not allowed on Kwajalein according to Army Regulation. Unexploded Ordnance exists and could be dangerous if disturbed. Contact Deirdre Wyatt-Pope at 5-1442.

MILITARY WORKING DOGS. The community is advised to follow these tips for safety around military working dogs. WDs will conduct inspections at locations like BQs, transient facil-

ities and other areas.

- Maintain a distance of five feet at all times.
- Do not attempt to pet or agitate the Working Dogs on patrol or at the K-9 kennel area
- Follow all instructions from the Kwajalein Police Department and K-9 dog handlers at all times

Questions? Contact the Provost Marshal's Office at 5-2109, 5-8859 and 5-3530.

### VETERINARY CARE

Call 5-2017 or email the Kwajalein Veterinary Clinic at kwajaleinveterinaryclinic@internationalsosgs.us to get on the list or make an appointment for prescreening conditions like dental care, diabetes, eye issues, lab work and medication.



### SMALL ARMS RANGE ON MAY 7

USAG-KA Police will conduct a small arms range on May 7 from noon - 7:30 p.m. Please observe the red flag hazard area. Contact Security Chief Chris Ramsey at 5-2109 with any questions.



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# **BAAF PERIMETER ROAD CLOSED** FOR CONSTRUCTION

The Bucholz Army Airfield perimeter road will be closed during airfield construction work on May 8 and 15 from 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

### ATTENTION: LOGCAP V - NEW DRIVER'S TRAINING PROGRAM

Driver's training for current LOGCAP V employees, USAG-KA and military personnel. Classes for other island residents will be scheduled for a later date. Please contact driver training at 5 -3291 to register for a class. Class sizes are limited.

Kwajalein Classes: Kwajalein Automotive, Building 856, Room 103 Tuesday - Friday, 9 - 11 a.m. and 1 - 3 p.m. at

Roi Classes: C-Building, Saturday only, from 9 – 11 a.m. and 1 – 3 p.m.

Please bring a valid stateside or Marshall Islands driver's license with you to class.

### **U.S. ENTRY REQUIREMENT** A REMINDER TO ALL DEPARTING ON UNITED AIRLINES

It is a requirement of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that all passengers have a negative COVID test one day prior to departure.

How does this impact you? If you are traveling to the U.S., you must call the hospital no later than a week prior to your departure to schedule your COVID test. Payment will be expected at the time of service.

\*EXCEPTON: Government, Active Duty or DoD Civilians/dependents traveling on official orders do not require a COVID test to fly on United Air-

### **DO NOT TAKE CULTURAL ARTIFACTS**

Remember, it is illegal to remove cultural resources from the atoll. This includes any protected species, unexploded ordnance, WWII-era artifacts and ancient Marshallese artifacts.

These resources are protected under U.S. federal and RMI law. Please do not remove these precious ieces of atoll history from Kwajalein. For any questions about cultural resources, please contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 5-9502.



# **QUARTERLY INNOVATION**

The Garrison Commander wants to hear from you.

U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll is looking for great ideas to help make innovations and improvements to our island community life. You can help.

### You can win the Quarterly Innovation Challenge.

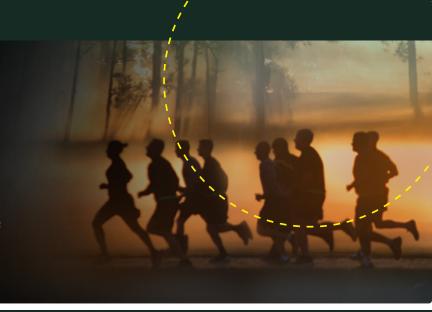
Winners will receive an official innovator's award and a special AAFES gift card presented by Col. Tom Pugsley.

### **Submit your great idea:**

- Call the Commander's Hotline at
- Send an email to USAG-KA Public Affairs Officer Mike Brantley, at james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil.
- USAG-KA Command thanks AAFES for supporting this special community initiative.

believe when we take care of our people and treat each other with dignity and respect we will have a much stronger and more committed Army."

- Army Chief of Staff Gen. James C. McConville



# READINESS AND RESILIENCE

### MWR FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE

### **TUESDAY**

5:30 a.m. Zumba - CRC1 5:30 a.m. - 6:30 a.m. - Free Spin - CRC7 9:15 a.m. Kickboxing + Core - CRC1 5 p.m. Yoga - CRC7 6 p.m. Water Aerobics - Adult Pool

### **WEDNESDAY**

9:15 a.m. - Zumba Toning - CRC1 6 p.m. - Zumba - CRC1 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. - Free Spin - CRC7

### **THURSDAY**

5:30 a.m. - 6:30 a.m. - Free Spin - CRC7

10:30 a.m. - Water Aerobics – Adult Pool

5 p.m. - Yoga CRC7

6 p.m. - Kickboxing + Core - CRC1 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Free Spin - CRC7

### FRIDAY

9:15 a.m. - Step & Core - CRC1 6 p.m. - Zumba Toning - CRC1 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Free Spin - CRC7

### **SATURDAY**

5:30 a.m. - Step & Core - CRC1 5:30 a.m. - 6:30 a.m. Free Spin -CRC7

10:30 a.m. - Water Aerobics - Adult Pool

\*All classes are held in CRC7 unless otherwise noted.

\*All classes require an MWR Fitness Pass. Annual, six-month, eight-punch passes can be purchased at the MWR Desk in the Grace Sherwood Library, Bldg. 805 \*All classes are subject to change without notice. For more information, please call MWR at 5-3331.

# RELIGIOUS SERVICES ISLAND MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Join the congregations of the Island Memorial Chapel for weekly services and opportunities to join in fellowship and praise activities.

Be sure to keep an eye on Kwajalein social media for event announcements for the island's fellowship groups. Check out additional community services provided by the chapel team. Call 5-3505 to speak with a religious services team member about your specific worship needs.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Send prayer requests electronically to: m.me/IMCKwajalein

### **COUNSELING SESSIONS**

Counseling sessions are available by appointment. Call 5-3505.

## PROTESTANT SERVICES Early Sunday Services

Sunday, 8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship Small Chapel

### **Mid-morning Services**

Sunday, 11 a.m. Contemporary Service Main Sanctuary

## CATHOLIC SERVICES Morning Services

Sunday, 9:15 a.m. Main Sanctuary

### **Daily Mass**

Tuesday through Friday 5:15 p.m.
Chapel office

### **Saturday Evening Mass**

5:30 p.m. Small chapel

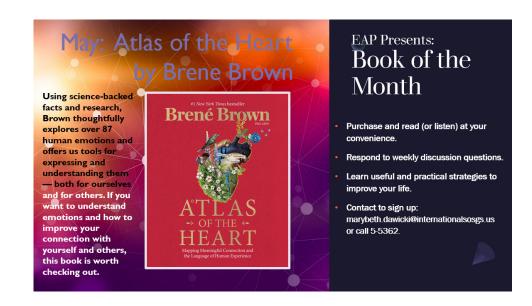
### **ROI SERVICES**

Protestant Services 1st & 3rd Fridays at 6:30 p.m.

### CHAPEL ACTIVITIES

**Night of Prayer and Praise** 

Join the Island Memorial Chapel for a night of worship. Event meets monthly at 7 p.m. on first Sundays in the IMC main sanctuary.



# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

# MINUTEMAN III MODIFICATION/FUZE MODERNIZATION FLIGHT TESTS AND GROUND BASED STRATEGIC DETERRENT (GBSD) TEST PROGRAM DRAFT DOCUMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (DEP)

PUBLIC NOTICE

**The United States** Department of the Air Force, Global Strike Command and Space Launch Delta 30 of the U.S. Space Force has prepared a Draft Document of Environmental Protection for the Ground Based Strategic Deterrent Test Program Environmental Assessment/ Overseas Environmental Assessment, in accordance with the U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll (USAKA) Environmental Standards and Procedures (UES), Section (§) 2-17.3.1(j).

The 2021 EA/OEA analyzed the implementation of the GBSD Test Program, which represents the modernization of the U.S. land-based nuclear arsenal, eventually replacing the aging Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile system.

Before DAF can make future decisions to transition the Minuteman III weapon system from active status to the GBSD weapon system, developmental and operational program testing of the new system must occur.

Because the proposed GBSD Test Program would overlap several years of Min-

uteman III flight testing, the Proposed Action analyzed in the 2021 EA/OEA took into consideration actions and resulting impacts that would occur from conducting both GBSD and Minuteman III test programs in parallel.

All missile demonstration programs proposed to occur at USAKA and within the Republic of the Marshall Islands territorial waters must comply with the UES. The Draft DEP outlines the activities proposed to occur at USAKA and within the RMI.

Target locations would include the Kwajalein Missile Impact Scoring System, offshore of Illeginni Islet, and land impact on Illeginni Islet.

For GBSD flight tests conducted at U.S. Army Garrison–Kwajalein Atoll, up to approximately nine test reentry vehicle impacts per year would be conducted starting in fiscal year 2024 and continuing until FY 2029. While most test RVs would be targeted at the KMISS ocean area or deep waters in the vicinity of Illeginni Islet, up to three total land RV impacts may be possible at Illeginni Islet through FY 2029.

The Draft DEP is available at https://gbsdtesteaoea.govsupport.us/ and in the following locations:

- 1) Office Lobby of the Republic of the Marshall Islands Environmental Protection Authority, Majuro, Marshall Islands
- 2) Office Lobby of the Republic of the Marshall Islands Environmental Protection Authority, Ebeye, Marshall Islands

Public comments on the Draft DEP will be accepted from April 26 to May 26, and can be provided in either of the following ways:

- (1) The Comments tab at https://gbsd-testeaoea.govsupport.us/
- (2) E mail comments by May 26, 2022 to gbsdtesteaoea-comments@govsupport.
- (3) Mail comments, postmarked no later than May 26 to: USASMDC, ATTN: SMDC-EN (D. Hasley), P.O. Box 1500, Huntsville, AL 35807



# Reclaimed Water vs. Drinking Water

### Kwajalein Island has two water systems.

The reclaimed or non-potable system, color-coded with red labels, is not suitable for drinking.

Landscaping with reclaimed water conserves potable drinking water.

Call Vectrus Environmental at 5-1134.

### Ewor ruo kain system in dren ion Kwajalein.

Reclaimed non-potable system eo, ekokalle kon label biroro, ejjab emman nan idrak.

Utrikrik kon reclaimed water ekojbarok drenin idrak (Potable).

Ne ewor am kajitok kaki, call e lok Vectrus Environmental ilo 5-1134.







# **QUARANTINE DELIVERY PICK-UP TIMES**

Package pick-up for deliveries to personnel in quarantine will depart from Macy's on Mondays at 10 a.m. and Surfway on Thursdays at 2 p.m. A delivery vehicle will arrive 30 minutes before departure. Please ensure all deliveries are securely packed and labeled with the recipient's name and quarters number. Questions? Please call Clint Weaver at 5-2465 or Hugo Arce-Hodgson at 5-8865.



# KWAJALEIN AIR TERMINAL SHUTTLE BUS

Need a ride?

Call 5-TAXI to book your ride to the terminal at least 24 hours in advance of check-in for your United or ATI flights.

## **GLOBAL CAREERS WITH VECTRUS**

### HOW TO GET STARTED

- Visit Vectrus' career site!
- Create a profile at https://careers.vectrus.com/why-vectrus or scan the QR code at the bottom of this flyer.
- Upload your resume and any certifications you may have
- Let us know you are interested in joining the Vectrus team by signing up for the "LOGCAP V—Marshall Islands - Interested Incumbent Only" Talent Pool
- We will send notifications through the talent pool to let you know when positions are available.

Check these exciting opportunities with Vectrus' Subcontractors in the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Interested parties can also look up these positions on www.indeed.com, www.glassdoor.com, www.linkedin.com and www.monster.com.



Berry Aviation (Aviation Positions) - please apply at https://www.berryaviation.com/ job-listings



Quantum Dynamics Inc. (Ground Maintenance, Movement Control, Transportation Motor Pool, Custodial) is accepting resumes for open positions on Kawjalein and Roi-Namur. Please apply to specific opportunities at https://qdyncorp. com/home/careers/



ISOS (medical, Surgical, Optometry, Dentistry and Veterinary Services) please apply at

https://www.internationalsos. com/careers

Louis Berger Services (Engineering,



Wolf Creek (PrevMed, Ground Transportation, Retail Svcs., and Watercraft Operations) - please apply at www.chugachgov.com/ careers



Electrical Utility Services, Airfield and Retail Fuel Operations) - please apply at https://phe.tbe.taleo.net/ phe01/ats/careers/v2/jobSearch



Tech Systems (SSA Operations, FRB, and Ammunition and Munition Operations) - please apply at https:// tsi4usa.com/careers/



MidWest ATC (Air Traffic control) please apply at https://atctower. com/careers



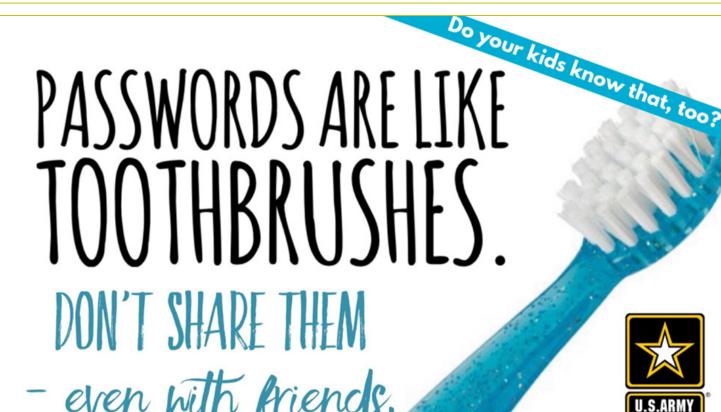












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EXTERNAL REPORT

### By Jason Cutshaw, USASMDC Public Affairs

**REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala.** – The Army's Earth Day 2022 motto was 'Sustaining the Mission and Securing the Future by creating a Partnership for the Planet,' and the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command doing its part in sustaining the mission and securing the future.

In 2021, USASMDC established its own climate change program and joined the Army Climate Change Working Group as an active member, and later requested to be an Office of Collateral Responsibility on several initiatives in the developing Army Climate Action Plan.

"SMDC has been an active member from the start," said Weldon Hill, SMDC deputy chief of staff, engineer. "Not only did SMDC review and provide comments on the drafts of the Army Climate Strategy, SMDC submitted six projects to the ACCWG that demonstrated impacts of climate change on the SMDC mission, the costs to adapt to and mitigate impacts, and performance metrics for the individual projects.

"SMDC provided comments and submitted climate change initiatives to the Lines of Effort leads in efforts to help develop an ACAP that is clear and actionable," he added.

SMDC has been an active partner and leader in bringing additional renewable energy to U.S. Army Garrison Kwajalein Atoll. One of these efforts is the planned construction of a new battery energy storage system, or BESS, based microgrid on the islands.

The command developed a feasibility study and technical specifications describing how solar arrays and complementary BESS can be used at two different outer islands. Diesel generator use would be reduced by approximately 50 percent with the BESS, and it would add a layer of redundancy, increase the lifespan of the current diesel generators, decrease fuel costs, and decrease SMDC's impact on the environment

"A BESS is a device that enables energy from renewables, like wind and solar, to be stored and then released when power is needed," said David C. Hasley, chief of DCSENG Environmental Division.

"The microgrid would serve as an in-

dependent energy system with multiple sources of renewable energy that could operate independently of the power grid. A renewable energy microgrid on the outer islands would mean fewer refueling trips, less risk and greater operational resiliency, and efficiency improvements, while ensuring the ability to self-sustain its critical mission at the Reagan Test Site."

Hasley said Kwaj has unique challenges based on its location and environment and provides opportunities for climate change initiatives such as wind and solar projects. He added that its remoteness has previously made it fully reliant on diesel generators but advances in energy production and delivery technologies are shifting the future of Kwaj toward significant self-sustaining renewable energy production.

"By reducing Kwaj's contribution to climate change, greater resiliency in terms of its utility systems, ability to support critical missions, and protection of the local environment will be achieved," Hasley said. "DCSENG is continuing to act, innovate and implement changes to meet and defeat climate challenges in its 'Partnership for Our Planet' while sustaining the mission and securing the future to ensure the homeland is protected and defended from current and future threats."

Hill said gasoline-powered lawn and garden equipment has received little attention in terms of pollution reductions yet are responsible for millions of tons of pollutants per year, including greenhouse gas emissions.

Similarly, SMDC is implementing a pilot study at its headquarters on Redstone Arsenal to show the benefits of autonomous electric mowers. These AEMs can be charged by both the grid and using specialized solar charging stations to reduce its pollutant emissions and environmental risk.

"Our objectives include the reduction of landscaping greenhouse gas emissions and the related gallons of gasoline, improved health of the local greenspace, and reduced heat and pollutant exposure to personnel," Hill said.

The command has also began advocating for surface water runoff reduction efforts at Fort Greely, Alaska.

"The Fort Greely Directorate of Public Works requested a hydrological analysis be completed on Greely's watershed,"

Hill said. "The installation has experienced continued annual surface water flooding issues that has resulted in damage to infrastructure and equipment, and impacted construction efforts. DCSENG is coordinating efforts to evaluate the hydrology of the watershed that feeds on to Fort Greely and to develop engineered ditching and other hydronic structures to mitigate the runoffs in the spring months."

The end state of the Army Climate Strategy will be a resilient and sustainable land force able to operate in all domains with effective mitigation and adaptation measures against the key effects of climate change. Achieving this will require changes that are consistent with the Army's modernization efforts.

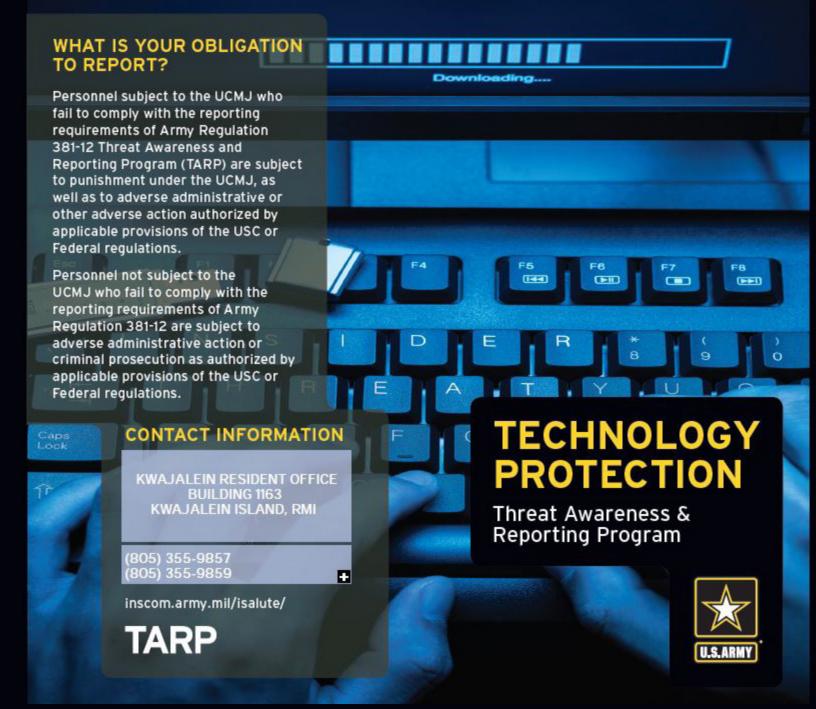
Some key objectives include installing a micro-grid on every installation by 2035; achieving a 50 percent reduction in GHG emissions from all Army buildings by 2032; fielding an all-electric non-tactical vehicle fleet by 2035; developing charging capability to meet needs of electric tactical vehicles by 2050; and attaining net-zero GHG emissions from all Army procurements by 2050.

Hill said SMDC is leading environmental assessments on critical mission tests and technologies to ensure minimal operational impact on natural environments. He added that as an active member of the ACCWG, DCSENG contributed to the development of a strategy and plan to reduce the Army's impact on the environment while becoming more resilient in the process.

"SMDC acknowledges that climate change is a threat to national security and impacts our Soldiers' lives," Hill said. "From being an active member of the ACCWG to developing renewable energy initiatives for the command, SMDC recognizes the benefits that come with self-sustainment, resilient infrastructure, and reducing risks to critical missions.

"The SMDC Climate Change Program will continue to bring awareness to the command on climate change and will persist in providing SMDC with relevant opportunities to mitigate the risks of climate challenges to our nation's security," he added.

\*This piece has been edited for publication. Read more online at https://www.army.mil/ article/255791/smdc\_celebrates\_earth\_day



# HOW WILL THEY APPROACH YOU OR GAIN ACCESS?

Official Foreign Visitors | Collectors may pose as members of a foreign government organization, or an intelligence or security service. Vetted Official Foreign Visitors and their entourage may include last minute, unvetted substitutions.

Conference/Expo/Tradeshow | Public venues align new technologies and Subject Matter Experts. The adversary can collect personal information through registration and/or sign-in.

Academic Solicitation | "Innocent" requests for information may come from students, professors, scientists, or researchers; a foreign affiliation may not be readily apparent.

Unsolicited Contact/Email | The adversary may use the name of a well known company to send requests for military-related information. This method is fast and often undetected.

Joint Research Ventures | Alerts an adversary to current scientific initiatives and the military's latest activities, allowing for tailored contact attempts.

Front Companies | The adversary may shield their true identity by using a shell company or subsidiary typically financed by a foreign bank and with connections to a foreign business or embassy.

### WHO IS AT RISK?

Cleared defense contractors and scientific researchers-because of who you are, what you research, and your knowledge of manufacturing processes, prototypes, and developed products.

### WHO ARE THEY?

Traditional Collectors | Foreign Governments and Foreign Businesses whose intent is to illegally acquire information or trade secrets.

Non-Traditional | Can be anyone: scientists, researchers and developers, students, or sometimes our trusted colleagues who work along side us.

# WHAT MAKES YOU A VALUABLE TARGET?

You have access to valuable insider and proprietary information. In the hands of the adversary, it can shorten their R&D efforts, counter our tech advantage, and cost us untold billions of dollars.



### RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

### **Weather Discussion**

The Intertropical Convergence Zone is draped over the Marshall Islands, producing areas of heavy rain and a few thunderstorms over the region. Rainfall coverage should gradually decrease through the weekend over Kwajalein as the ITCZ becomes more diffuse; nonetheless, heavy rainfall and isolated thunderstorms will remain a possibility.

With the ITCZ overhead, winds have become light and calm at times, with direction varying mostly between southeast and northeast. A steadier NE-E breeze is expected by late Monday.

A lingering, weak trough of low-pressure next week could produce occasional and

spotty shower activity; however, conditions look to be mainly dry through at least Thursday.

### **Saturday and Sunday**

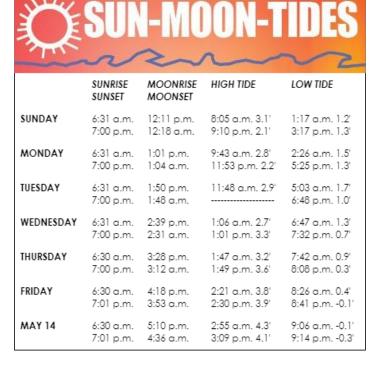
Mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers and stray thunderstorms. Winds NE-SE at 5-10 knots, possibly calm at times, with higher gusts near showers.

### Monday

Mostly cloudy to partly sunny with widely scattered showers. A thunderstorm is possible. Winds E-SE at 6-12 knots with higher gusts near showers.

### **Tuesday through Thursday**

Partly to mostly sunny with isolated showers and winds NE-E at 7-12 knots.





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



# Work and play safely.

For additional weather information, please click the logo to visit the RTS Weather Station online.



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RMI TRAVEL ISSUANCE #38



The Republic of the Marshall Islands government has insituted Travel Issuance 38. This travel restriction applies through May 31.

UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHTS FOR APRIL-MAY

Monday UA155 (HNL) Check-in: 3:30 – 4:45 p.m. Tuesday UA154 (GUM) Check-in: 10:45 – 11:15 a.m.

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