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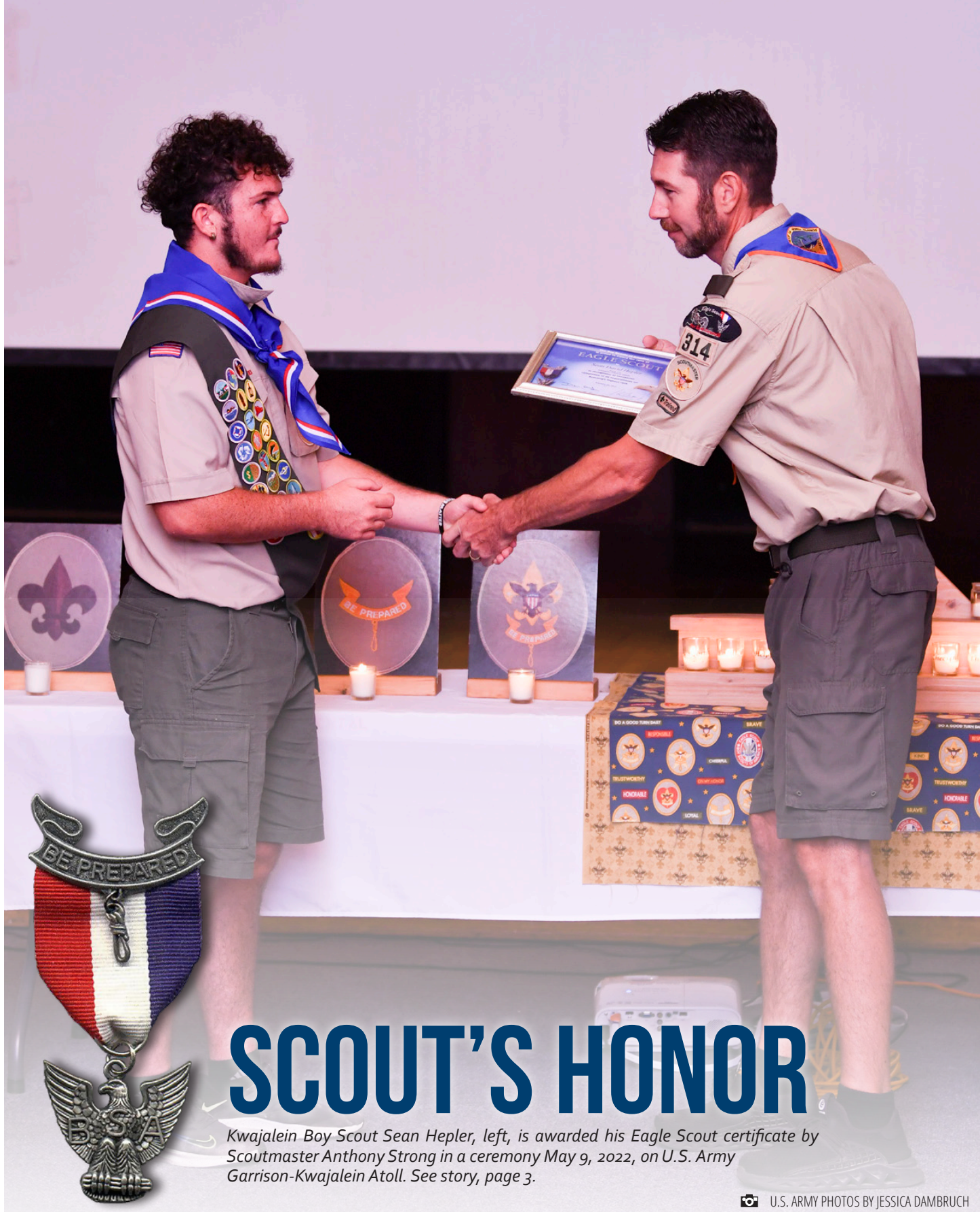
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KWAJALEIN EAGLE SCOUT SEAN HEPLER, LEFT, GIVES HIS MOTHER, AMY LACOST, A PARENT PIN DURING HIS EAGLE SCOUT CEREMONY MAY 9 AT THE CORLETT RECREATION CENTER.

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# SCOUT'S HONOR

Kwajalein Boy Scout Sean Hepler, left, is awarded his Eagle Scout certificate by Scoutmaster Anthony Strong in a ceremony May 9, 2022, on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll. See story, page 3.

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## Celebrate May

## ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH

**In May, the Department of Defense observes the many contributions and rich cultural heritage of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders to American history.**

### THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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# KWAJALEIN BOY SCOUT EARNS TOP HONORS

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**Kwajalein** Boy Scout Sean Hepler attained the rank of Eagle Scout during a Court of Honor ceremony at the Corlett Recreation Center on May 9.

Community members, mentors and Scouts from Kwajalein Troop 314 joined the Hepler family to commemorate the presentation of the honor.

A Scout must complete all tasks and skills requirements for Eagle Scout candidacy before turning 18 years old. Following rigorous final reviews, he is eligible to earn the top Scouting honor.

Senior Patrol Leader Myles Sylvester reviewed the traits, achievements and practical qualifying skills Hepler had mastered over the years.

A Life Scout who had met all badge requirements, Hepler had demonstrated leadership, spirit and actively served his troop and patrol, Sylvester said. He had trained in an array of first aid and outdoor survival skills. He passed numerous final reviews and teleconference interviews with members of the Boy Scouts' Chamorro District Council in Guam. With guidance from mentors, Hepler had additionally coordinated all aspects of a major capstone community service project and organized labor and supplies to build outdoor furniture for a communal island space.

Most importantly, he had remained steadfast in upholding the tenants of the Scout Law and serving as a mentor for younger troop members.

"A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, cour-

teous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent," Sylvester said. "He promises, on his honor, to do his duty."

Becoming an Eagle Scout is a milestone that a young man carries into adulthood, said Scoutmaster Anthony Strong. The sacrifice, leadership and determination of Eagle Scouts is recognized and respected around the world.

"I have even had people ask me about my Eagle Scout status during job interviews," Strong said. "The achievement speaks to them. It is difficult, and it takes years of work to attain."

The eagle as symbolic of the highest levels of Scouting mastery.

"Though an eagle is found throughout the world, he is never found in abundance; he is always rare, and he is always a superb specimen," Strong said. "In Scouting, the eagle stands for strength of character. ... The eagle is a symbol of what a young man has done well and what the young man will do, and will be, when he grows to manhood. The eagle is a leader. The eagle is respected, both by his peers and by his adult elders."

Eagle Scout David Sholar led Hepler in reciting the Eagle Scout Charge before helping him don his new Scout neckerchief. Next, Hepler's parents, Amy LaCost and Doug Hepler came forward to present his Eagle Scout badge. In turn, Sean gave them parent pins—a special award for their years of support to honor them as Scout parents.

Hepler also surprised Jim Johnson, a valuable member

of his Eagle Project team, with a token of gratitude for his enduring support and guidance.

Capt. Ron Sylvester echoed Strong's remarks with a reading of the Eagle Challenge—a creed to guide Eagle Scouts.

"You are a marked man," Sylvester said. "As an Eagle Scout, you are expected to exemplify in your daily life the high principles and val-

ues expressed in the Scout Oath and the Scout Law. ... Be a leader but lead only toward the best. Live and serve so that those who know you will be inspired to the highest ideals of life."

Strong said he knows that Hepler's achievement will serve as an example to the younger troop members.

"To the rest of you, stay with it," Strong said. "Stay the course."



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1) Kwajalein Boy Scouts stand for a photo following the Eagle Scout ceremony for Sean Hepler May 9 at the Corlett Recreation Center. 2) Amy LaCost, center, and Doug Hepler, pin Sean Hepler's Eagle Scout badge to his uniform during the ceremony. 3) Eagle Scout David Sholar, left, leads Hepler in the Eagle Scout Charge.





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*Leightyn Cossey, left, and Keith Brady, present the Stephanie Hibberts Memorial Scholarship during the Kwajalein High School Scholarship Ceremony May 7 at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room.*

# KWAJALEIN HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**A new tradition** began on Kwajalein May 7, as representatives of the local and national Kwajalein Atoll governments joined island community organizations and individual donors in making scholarship presentations to graduating seniors of the Kwajalein High School graduating class of 2022.

The evening ceremony at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room was a first for the school. Traditionally, scholarship awards are combined with spring commencement activities. This year called for a little more joy, said KSS educator Mindi Gerber.

“We worked hard to make this event special for the students and their families,” said Gerber. “We made the decision to capture a new opportunity to celebrate our students’ achievements and let the community show its love.”

KSS Parent Teacher organization members and Kwajalein School System employees prepared homemade desserts for guests to enjoy as students accepted awards. Family members at a distance were also able to watch the ceremony via a live stream.

The evening included moments to commemorate student achievements and thank them for their contributions to island life.

On official business from the Office of the Republic of the Marshall Islands President, Deputy Chief Secretary Abacca Anjain-Maddison presented remarks on behalf of President David Kabua,

honoring the recent achievement of Michael Lojkar, the first RMI citizen accepted to the U.S. Air Force Academy. Kwajalein Sen. David Paul also gave special recognition to Lojkar while presenting scholarships from the Kwajalein Atoll Local Government.

Among the island community organizations and groups represented during the evening were the Island Memorial Chapel, Jinetip Women’s School

Club, Kwajalein Atoll Sportfishing Club, Kwajalein Art Guild, Parent Teacher Organization, Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club, Kwajalein Scuba Club, Kwajalein Sports Association, Kwajalein Girl Scouts, Kwajalein Schools Music Award, the Spartan Award, the Pay It Forward Scholarship, Ri-Katak Alumni Scholarship and Kwajalein Sports Award. Tenant organizations represented included Range Generation Next, Vectrus, Amen-



*From left: Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club representative and scholarship representative Amber Bates, RMI Deputy Chief Secretary Abacca Anjain-Maddison and Kwajalein High School Principal Matthew Gerber.*





tum-DynCorp International and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Two scholarships were awarded in memory of former island residents Ed Zehr and Lee Allas, and three in memory of KHS alumni Lindsay Davis, Jacob Legere and Stephanie Hibberts.

Representatives expressed appreciation for the virtues and talents of their recipients, as well as the difficulty in choosing between them.

Vectrus Task Order Project Manager Bill Cooler praised the compelling student writing submitted in student scholarship applications. He noted how several had expressed the resolve to return and give to the community.

Island Memorial Blessed Sacrament Service Award representative Brian Africano was impressed with the strong dedication and spirit of volunteerism exhibited by the youth in the island's Catholic congregation. He announced that beginning this year, the scholarship will also be named in honor of Mel Sanchez, a longtime member of the congregation who recently PSC'd after 50 years spent on island.

Range Generation Next granted a scholarship to every student. Scholarship representative and RGN Deputy Program Manager Lee Barnby presented a scholarship to each of the 24 student graduates, several of whom are dependents of range-connected families who have lived on Kwajalein for most of their lives.

"As the parent of a young child, I appreciate these kids and what they do for our community," Barnby said. "My child looks up to these kids. They were leaders in our community."



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1) Kwajalein High School Band Director Kyle Miller awards the Kwajalein Schools Music Award to DJ Chong Gum—or is it Chong-Gum? You'll have to ask him about that during graduation on May 20. 2) Michael Lojkar accepts a scholarship from Kwajalein Atoll Sen. David Paul. 3) Recipients and representatives of the Vectrus Scholarship display their diplomas onstage. From left: Vectrus Task Order Project Manager Bill Cooler, Kim O'Rourke, Morgan Dethlefsen, Verlene Lorok, Jenna Gray and Dwight Whitehead of Tech Systems. 4) Kwajalein Girl Scouts representative Carrie Corley, right, leads Kim O'Rourke in the Girl Scout sign before she can claim her scholarship.





# Mission in Top Gear

## USAG-KA is getting ready for big changes

BY MIKE BRANTLEY / USAG-KA PUBLIC AFFAIRS

**Beyond the** International Dateline and more than 2,400 miles southwest from Hawaii, U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll has the distinction of being the first Army installation in the world to welcome a new day. The 1,300 men and women who live and work on Kwajalein and Roi-Namur, two of 11 defense sites spread across miles of ocean in the world's largest lagoon, make up a dynamic team of military, Department of the Army Civilian employees, contractors and family members, whose primary goal is the successful accomplishment of the mission.

Island residents enjoy the small beach town atmosphere that Kwajalein offers. While there are no privately owned vehicles, there are more than 2,000 bicycles on the island.

### About the Mission

**USAG-KA** executes complex installation management and base operation services in support of tenant units and strategic partners.

By building a world-class community and strengthening the mutually beneficial relationship with the Republic of the Marshall Islands government, we improve our shared quality of life and enhance mission assurance throughout the Indo-Pacific

region. With the support of the Marshall Islands, our host nation, and more than 1,000 RMI employees, as well as other stakeholders and tenants, USAG-KA executes the mission by focusing on partnerships.

Through communication, inclusion and open and candid dialog, we synchronize the activities of an array of stakeholders towards a single overarching fact: We and our tenants exist to support national security.

Each tenant is different, so this isn't as easy as you might think. The Reagan Test Site supports the development, test and evaluation of strategic ballistic missile defense systems, strategic systems and system research and development for the nation, while the U.S. Space Force remains operationally focused and provides the nation's premier space domain awareness functions.

Our newest tenant, Vectrus, focuses at the tactical level, and employs the bulk of the population as it manages the base operations support contract needed to keep the Garrison and its tenants functioning. Other than stakeholder integration, USAG-KA's primary role is to provide contract oversight to ensure superior customer service and fiscal responsibility.

Even with good partners, USAG-KA faces many challenges as we attempt to adapt to the ever-changing operations environment.

### The Challenge of COVID

**Since March 2020**, the RMI has maintained its ban on all incoming travel. There has been a mandatory quarantine process in Hawaii and in the RMI, the most restrictive in the world.

Together with support from island logistics personnel, USAG-KA has brought more

than 2,000 individuals on 100 tranches through the repatriation process. In addition, USAG-KA has supported the RMI's quarantine process and has helped repatriate more than 1,000 Marshallese.

This support will continue until the country is ready to reopen borders. While Kwajalein has had 17 COVID border cases since the start of the pandemic, it has remained one of the last spots on the planet with zero transmission.



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*Above: Spalling on the Kwajalein Hospital, one of U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll's most critical service facilities. The current hospital has remained in constant use for more than 40 years. Plans are in development for a new medical services facility.*



# The Impact of Climate Change

Being one of the lowest lying installations in the DOD, averaging just six feet above sea level, Kwaj is at the forefront of climate change discussion. By tackling goals outlined in the Army Climate Strategy, USAG-KA will increase capacity to provide support to STRATCOM, SPACECOM and INDOPACOM missions; gain substantial resiliency and readiness; modernize its degraded infrastructure; save significant expense and decrease risks associated with importing energy; and improving relations with the RMI.

USAG-KA's current goals include the following: the installation of Building Control Systems by 2028; provide 100 percent carbon-pollution-free electricity by 2030; a 50 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions in buildings by 2032; installation of additional microgrids by 2035; provide on-site carbon pollution-free power generation for Army critical missions on all installations by 2040; and attain net-zero GHG emissions by 2045.

These are big goals for an installation that provides 100 percent of its own power and water on site, without a single external service provider.

## Aging Infrastructure

Kwajalein has the dubious distinction of the most corrosive environment in the DOD, Kwajalein's infrastructure is in critical condition.

To mitigate these impacts, USAG-KA's objectives are four-fold: to sustain enduring facilities; dispose of facilities no longer needed; improve facility quality; and build-out only the most critical shortfalls.

Currently, USAG-KA has several military construction projects approved, to include new family housing, air traffic control tower, medical clinic, power plant controls and annex generator, desalination plant, saltwater cooling station and rooftop solar photovoltaic systems, all designed to increase resilience and provide much needed redundancy.



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From left: USAG-KA Commander Col. Thomas Pugsley, U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands Roxanne Cabral, RMI First Lady Ginger Kabua, RMI President David Kabua and Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade Casten Nemra, attend the 35th Anniversary of the signing of the Compact of Free Association, Oct. 21 in Majuro. (U.S. Army Photo by Mike Brantley)

## In Partnership with the RMI

In 1986, the Compact of Free Association, a document defining the special relationship between the RMI, and the U.S. was ratified and signed by then-U.S. President Ronald Reagan and the RMI Congress.

Last October, the U.S. and RMI celebrated the 35th anniversary of the COFA in Majuro.

While 35 years marks the signing by the two countries, the U.S has maintained a constant presence in the RMI since the end of World War II.

The RMI remains an important U.S. ally, and the mutual bonds of friendship between the nations continue to be strengthened over the years.

The U.S. and RMI are currently renegotiating the COFA, which is set to expire in 2023. The outcomes of those negotiations could have significant impacts on the Garrison's operations in-theater.

On any map, Kwajalein may appear as small as a postage stamp in the Pacific Ocean. Despite the rust, Kwajalein functions on trust, cooperation and common goals.

Though remote, Kwajalein's small, hardworking team is second to none. Together with our critical teammates from the RMI, the dedication and hard work of Kwajalein's contractor, military and DA civilian personnel all make the installation a great community in which to work, play and live.



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1) Kwajalein Atoll Local Government Ebeye Major Hirata Kabua, right, greets USAG-KA Commander Col. Tom Pugsley at the USAG-KA Change of Command ceremony in June 2021. The two leaders remain in constant dialogue on issues of mutual importance to the communities on Ebeye and Kwajalein. 2) An Ebeye police officer displays the flag of the Marshall Islands during the 2022 Kwajalein Kamolol Day ceremony. The annual observance honors the liberation of Kwajalein from enemy combatants during World War II and includes a community celebration with cultural arts activities, sports, fishing and Marshallese music and dance.





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# RUSTY FAMILY MINI-TRIATHLON



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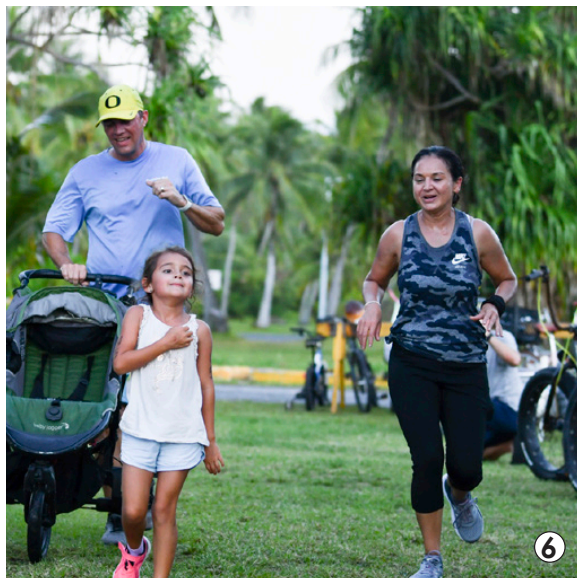
BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

## There's nothing mini about this triathlon.

Families and island residents competed in the annual Rusty Family Mini-Triathlon May 9 at Emon Beach. The condensed triathlon event is coordinated by the Kwajalein Running Club.

Don't let the event name fool you. The event includes a 500-yard swim, 10-mile bike and 2-mile run. More than 20 individual participants and teams completed this year's event, with personal bests, first-time competitors and young RustMan triathletes joining in the fun.

Be sure to check out the scores and photos to follow, and come on out to cheer on the mini-triathletes next year.



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1) Ember Miller completes the swimming segment. 2) Lauren Wallach slings water to a cyclist during his bike segment. 3) Jacob Hutchinson races around the block. 4) Elsie DiBiase cruises down Speedball Lane during the bike segment. 5) Nova Miller dashes across the finish line followed by her mom, Kristin. 6) Team "It's Padma's World" run together. From left: Eric, Padma and Wagma Venghaus. 7) Congratulations for this year's first place Rusty Family solo athlete goes to Josie DiBiase, with a 0:08:46 swim time, 0:35:28 bike time and 0:19:39 run time, for a total of 1:03:53.





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1) Noah DiBiase hits the beach running during his swim segment. 2) Go Team Zink! Pictured here, Anne Marie Zink, left, and Christine Zink display their Rusty Family certificates. (Not pictured: James Zink). 3) It's The One-ers: From left, Caedmon Rios, Matthew Walter, Emily Walter and Kwajalein Running Club race coordinator Bob Sholar stand for a photo during the awards ceremony. 4) JP Melody, left, shoots photos while his dad Kevin drives a mobile bike maintenance station. 5) Nathan Melody blasts through the finish line with a personal best time during this year's is the winner of this year's Rusty Family Mini-Triathlon. Check out the following page for Rusty Family scores.



# DO THE RUSTMATH

NAME	SWIM	BIKE	RUN	TOTAL
Josie DiBiase	0:08:46	0:35:28	0:19:39	1:03:53
Nathan Melody	0:10:01	0:37:09	0:20:34	1:07:44
Anya Campbell	0:08:51	0:35:42	0:23:22	1:07:55
Noah DiBiase	0:10:10	0:38:48	0:20:37	1:09:35
Sydney Jones	0:10:02	0:39:06	0:22:13	1:11:21
Ellie Miller	0:10:31	0:42:45	0:18:10	1:11:26
Rowen Primeaux	0:11:34	0:42:21	0:22:03	1:15:58
Gabe Makovec	0:11:07	0:44:49	0:22:15	1:18:11
James Kabua Sakaio	0:11:11	0:43:49	0:23:54	1:18:54
Elsie DiBiase	0:11:42	0:46:46	0:23:17	1:21:45
Benjamin Venghaus	0:10:22	0:45:51	0:25:44	1:21:57
Jack Holland	0:11:17	0:39:34	0:32:26	1:23:17
Jacob Hutchinson	0:10:56	0:50:12	0:26:53	1:28:01
Michael Melody	0:11:20	0:44:40	0:32:04	1:28:04
Ethan Venghaus	0:15:47	0:46:35	0:27:49	1:30:11
Dani Makovec	0:10:42	0:47:31	0:32:55	1:31:08
Abri Makovec	0:11:18	0:49:40	0:30:41	1:31:39
Brooklyn Hill	0:11:48	0:51:58	0:28:44	1:32:30
Danica-Rose Primeaux	0:16:10	0:51:58	0:28:53	1:37:01
Eva Acosta	0:11:17	0:58:09	0:36:36	1:46:02
Kira Campbell	0:15:00	1:05:53	0:28:29	1:49:22
Rachel Melody	0:16:08	1:16:42	0:31:25	2:04:15
Lucas Howe	0:15:28	1:17:58	0:32:37	2:06:03



TEAM	SWIM	BIKE	RUN	TOTAL
The ONE-DERS..... Matthew Walter; Caedmon Rios; Emily Walter	0:10:16	0:35:34	0:21:57	1:07:47
HE>I..... Samuel May; Suelen May; Sarah & Eric May	0:15:14	0:36:46	0:20:24	1:12:24
TEAM ZINK..... Christine Zink; James & Anne Marie Zink	0:14:26	0:39:20	0:18:42	1:12:28
TEAM BUNCH GROUP..... Crimson Stambaugh; Pixille Stambaugh; Justin Stambaugh	0:11:36	0:47:59	0:15:00	1:14:35
ANNIE'S ANCHORS..... Justin Pace; Annie Acosta; Dominic Garcia	0:08:32	0:47:34	0:18:42	1:14:48
OLIVER'S THE BOSS..... Colleen Williams; Oliver Williams; Jeremy Williams	0:10:12	0:48:41	0:19:05	1:17:58
SMITHS..... Casey Smith; Tim Smith; Cavin Smith; Ryne & Kassidie Smith	0:15:17	0:41:59	0:22:03	1:19:19
PRAY WE MAKE IT..... Julie Makovec & Michael Makovec	0:16:24	0:37:28	0:26:08	1:20:00
MILLER'S LAST LAP..... Orion Miller; Ember Miller; Derek Miller; Kristin Miller; Nova Miller	0:12:40	0:52:19	0:28:01	1:33:00
THE MAXON'S..... Joshua Bell; Stephanie McCutcheon; Maxon Bell; Miller Bell	0:14:52	0:52:14	0:25:59	1:33:05
TRIPLE A'S..... Argelia Alvarez; Andres Alvarez; Andres Alvarez	0:21:22	1:06:35	0:35:49	2:03:46
TRIPLE Y'S..... Yessenia Johnson; Yamila & Yenovi Johnson	0:27:46	1:11:13	0:29:22	2:08:21
HOW WE TRI..... Mike Howe & Solomon Howe	0:20:25	1:13:20	0:36:07	2:09:52
IT'S PADMA'S WORLD..... Padma Venghaus; Eric & Wagma Venghaus	0:23:06	0:33:07	1:22:56	2:19:09
CAMPBELL..... Anthony Campbell; Lydia & Paul Campbell Tyras Brown	0:19:17	1:30:16	0:31:39	2:21:12



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1) James Kabua Sakaio clears his goggles after completing the swim segment for the annual Rusty Family Mini-Triathlon, May 9 at Emon Beach. 2) Ashley Howe photographs her family during the Rusty Family awards ceremony with Bob Sholar. 3) Several helpful families manned water stations and cheered from the sidelines to support the event. 4) Safety First! Volunteer route guard Blair Jones points the way for bikers to begin laps around the air-field.





# HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH

## THIS MONTH IN U.S. SPACE AND MISSILE DEFENSE COMMAND HISTORY

BY SHARON WATKINS-LANG, USASMDC HISTORIAN

**May is** Historic Preservation Month. Created in 1973, the theme this year is “People Saving Places.”

Kwajalein has played an important role in recent history in the areas of space and missile defense from the Cold War to the present. Kwajalein and the Marshall Islands were also pivotal in the history of World War II in the Pacific.

Through archaeology, the island also provides important clues to the cultural development of the Marshall Islands.

In August 1986, Kwajalein and Roi-Namur Battlefields were dedicated a National Historic Landmark. This was particularly significant as the site at the time was less than 50-years old.

While it is not possible to preserve all the historical structures, given the tropical climate, every effort has been made to fully document them. The RMI Historic Preservation Office also published the five-volume Archaeology of World War II.

In the 1990s, the USASMDC Historical Office in conjunction with others developed three publications: “Comprehensive Resource Inventory and Preservation Planning Study for World War II Cultural Resources,” “Historic Survey of Cold War Era Properties at the U.S.

Army Kwajalein Atoll;” and “In Anxious Anticipation of the Uneven Fruits of Kwajalein Atoll.” Similarly, the Stanley R. Mickelson Safeguard Complex near Grand Forks, North Dakota, has also been preserved through the Historic American Building Survey/Historic American Engineering Record.

Numerous ongoing efforts are on-going to preserve the history of both the United States and our Host Nation.

In previous years, the SMDC Historical Office designed and erected the battlefield tour markers and the Makin Raider, World War II, and Zamperini memorials.

In more recent years, the Historical Office has turned to digitization and preservation of materials related to the installation. For example, we are working to collect and digitize the complete series of The Kwajalein Hourglass newspaper. Boxes of materials were rescued from various warehouse across the island and sent to Huntsville for preservation and scanning.

The digitization process has gone well, and we hope to make them available soon. That said there are still gaps, single issues, weeks, months, with nothing found yet. We expect new shipments soon which we hope will address some of these issues and provide us with new opportunities.



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*Scenes from the Marshallese Cultural Center on Kwajalein during the 2018 Manit Day festivities.*

What can you do to help save our places? On the island, in addition to the Micronesian Handicraft Shop, the Marshallese Cultural Center contains an interesting collection which preserves and documents many facets of the history of the Marshall Islands through artifacts and a world-class photography collection.

Contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 5-9502 for more information and ways to assist and volunteer. Every contribution helps to keep the facilities open and accessible to the public. In these days of growing international concerns and tightening budgets, official funding is tight. You can make a difference.



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KWAJALEIN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2022

## 1) Annie Acosta

**Hometown:** Strasburg, Colorado, and Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** a trip to Gugegue with my whole class

**In the Future:** I will study mathematics and education at Brigham Young University-Hawaii.

**Years on Kwaj:** 4



## 2) Dominic-Anthony Aragon

**Hometown:** Wahiawa, Hawaii

**Favorite Memory:** Setting the island record with a 523-pound marlin

**In the Future:** I will study international studies at the University of West Florida in Pensacola.

**Years on Kwaj:** 3



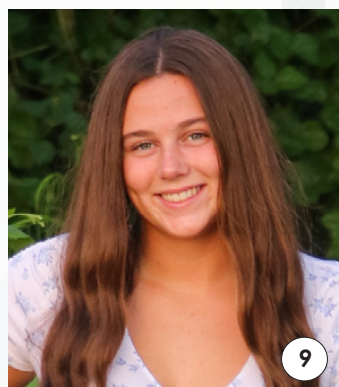
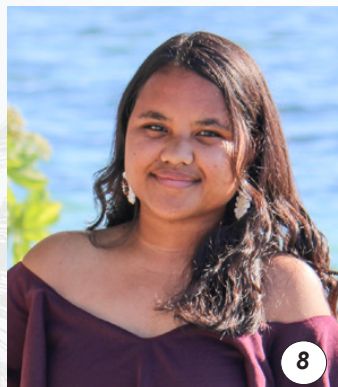
## 3) Tokmen Boutu

**Hometown:** Fort Campbell, Kentucky

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** boat trips with family and friends

**In the Future:** I will attend Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

**Years on Kwaj:** 6



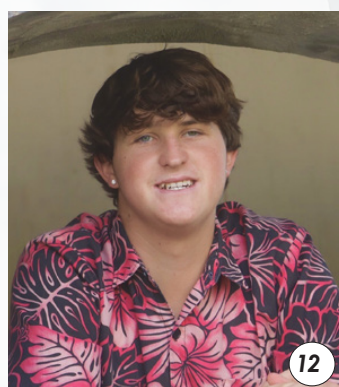
## 4) Caitlin Charlton

**Hometown:** Washington Township, New Jersey

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** driving around and exploring the islands with friends

**In the Future:** I will attend Florida State University in Tallahassee.

**Years on Kwaj:** 7



## 5) Carson Collup

**Hometown:** Everywhere: I come from a military family.

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** skating and walking with friends

**In the Future:** I plan to live in Germany and take online classes through Southern New Hampshire University.

**Years on Kwaj:** 2 (almost)

## 6) DJ Chong Gum

**Hometown:** Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** hanging out with friends, laughing, and telling stories

**In the Future:** I will attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

**Years on Kwaj:** 16

## 7) Morgan Dethlefsen

**Hometown:** Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** spending time on Roi with family and friends

**In the Future:** I will study political science at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island.

**Years on Kwaj:** 15

## 8) Kathrine Giedroc

**Hometown:** Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** visiting the turtle pond every weekend

**In the Future:** I will serve in the United States Navy.

**Years on Kwaj:** 18

## 9) Jenna Gray

**Hometown:** Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** surfing with friends and camping at Nell

**In the Future:** I will attend the University of Arizona.

**Years on Kwaj:** 17

## 10) Sean Hepler

**Hometown:** Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** swimming, fishing, and going to all the beaches

**In the Future:** I will study welding technology at Southeast Community College in Lincoln, Nebraska.

**Years on Kwaj:** 18

## 11) Ryan Hess

**Hometown:** Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** the kindness and hospitality of everyone on island

**In the Future:** I will study mechanical engineering at the University of Alabama.

**Years on Kwaj:** 10

## 12) Nathan Jones

**Hometown:** Kwajalein

**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** going to Roi, visiting the beaches, and driving around the island

**In the Future:** I will study engineering at Oregon State University.

**Years on Kwaj:** 15



# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KWAJALEIN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2022



**13) Litokne Kabua**  
**Hometown:** Ebeye  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** riding the ferry between Kwaj and Ebeye  
**In the Future:** I will attend the University of Nebraska in Lincoln and come back to serve the Marshall Islands.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 19

**14) Angelma Lima Lelet**  
**Hometown:** Kwajalein  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** going on beach picnics with friends and family



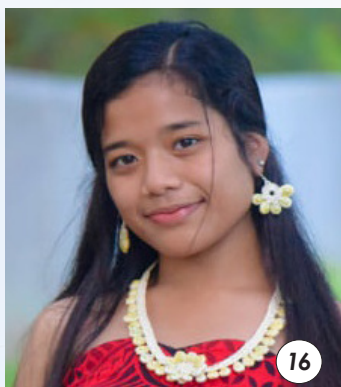
**In the Future:** I will attend Eastern Washington University in Cheney.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 18

**15) Michael Lojkar**  
**Hometown:** Ebeye  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** riding the banana boat when I was young  
**In the Future:** I will attend the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 19



**16) Verlene Lorok**  
**Hometown:** Ebeye  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** hanging out after school with my friends  
**In the Future:** I plan to attend college.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 18

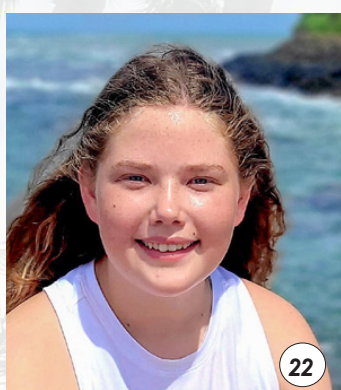
**17) Leilani LiKino Maika**  
**Hometown:** Kwajalein  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** boat trips to Ebeye for picnics  
**In the Future:** I will attend Eastern Washington University in Cheney.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 18



**18) Abrianna Makovec**  
**Hometown:** Clarksville, Tennessee and Kwajalein  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** going to the ski dock at Emon Beach with my friends  
**In the Future:** I will attend Carteret Community College in Morehead City, North Carolina.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 3



**19) Maddy Nienow**  
**Hometown:** Kwajalein  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** snorkeling at night with turtles and octopi  
**In the Future:** I will attend the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 6



**20) Kim O'Rourke**  
**Hometown:** Kwajalein  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** spending days at the beach and watching the sunsets  
**In the Future:** I will attend Auburn University in Alabama.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 10



**21) Eden Pope**  
**Hometown:** Fishers, Indiana  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** golf cart rides and boat trips  
**In the Future:** I will attend Wake Forest University in North Carolina.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 6



**22) Penny Reed**  
**Hometown:** Kwajalein  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** sunset paddle boarding and golf cart rides with friends and family  
**In the Future:** I plan to attend college to become a nurse.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 6

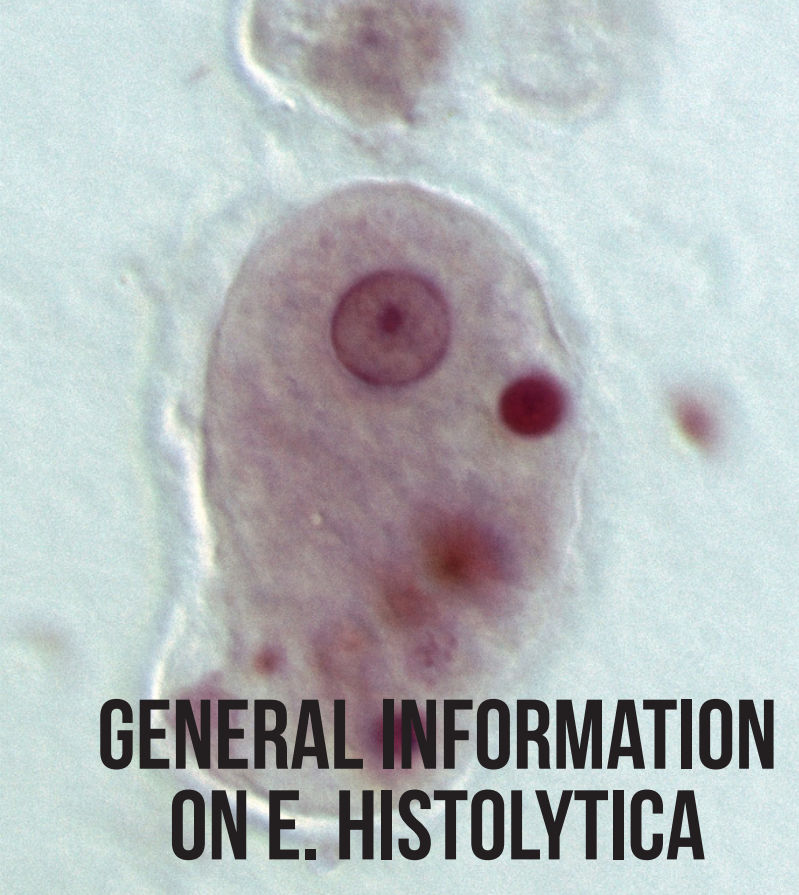


**23) Shannon Robert**  
**Hometown:** Ebeye  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** sunsets, the beach, and spending time with friends  
**In the Future:** I plan to attend college.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 19



**24) Tatina Samson**  
**Hometown:** Ebeye  
**Favorite Kwaj Memory:** going to the Gerbers' house and eating all their food!  
**In the Future:** I will attend college.  
**Years on Kwaj:** 19





# GENERAL INFORMATION ON E. HISTOLYTICA

COMMUNITY CONNECTION / KWAJALEIN HOSPITAL

By Chief Medical Officer  
Evert Bentley

**Only about** 10 to 20 percent of people who are infected with *E. histolytica* become sick from the infection.

The symptoms are often quite mild and can include loose feces, stomach pain and stomach cramping. Amebic dysentery is a severe form of amebiasis associated with stomach pain, bloody stools and fever.

Rarely, *E. histolytica* invades the liver and forms an abscess. In a small number of instances, it has been shown to spread to other parts of the body, such as the lungs or brain, but this is very uncommon.

Those people who do become sick usually develop symptoms within two to four weeks, though it can sometimes take longer.

Precautionary steps should be taken if someone has the symptoms above.

Refrain from work or school and seek medical advice when suffering from gastrointestinal symptoms such as diarrhea, abdominal pain or cramping.

Here are some general guidelines that may be helpful if an outbreak occurs in the community. Some information might not necessarily be relevant to Kwajalein.

## Prevention: Maintain good personal hygiene

Perform hand hygiene often, especially before handling food or eating, and after using the toilet or handling fecal matter.

Wash hands with liquid soap and water and rub for at least 20 seconds. Then rinse with water and dry with a disposable paper towel or hand dryer. If hand washing facilities are not available, or when hands are not visibly soiled,

hand hygiene with 70 to 80% alcohol-based hand rub is an effective alternative.

## Maintain good food hygiene

Adopt the 5 Keys to Food Safety in handling food, i.e. Choose (Choose safe raw materials); Clean (Keep hands and utensils clean); Separate (Separate raw and cooked food); Cook (Cook thoroughly); and Safe Temperature (Keep food at safe temperature) to prevent foodborne diseases.

- Drink only boiled water from the mains or bottled drinks from reliable sources.
- Avoid drinks with ice of unknown origin.
- Eat only thoroughly cooked food.
- Wash and peel fruit by yourself and avoid eating raw vegetables.
- Exclude infected persons and asymptomatic carriers from handling food and from providing care to children, elderly and immunocompromised people.

## How is amebiasis diagnosed?

Your healthcare provider will ask you to submit fecal samples. Because *E. histolytica* is not always found in every stool sample, you may be asked to submit several stool samples from several different days.

Diagnosis of amebiasis can be very difficult. One problem is that other parasites and cells can look very similar to *E. histolytica* when seen under a microscope. Therefore, sometimes people are told that they are infected with *E. histolytica* even though they are not. *Entamoeba histolytica* and another ameba, *Entamoeba dispar*, which is about 10 times more common, look the same when seen under a microscope. Unlike infection with *E. histolytica*,

*E. histolytica*, which sometimes makes people sick, infection with *E. dispar* does not make people sick and therefore does not need to be treated.

If you have been told that you are infected with *E. histolytica* but you are feeling fine, you might be infected with *E. dispar* instead. Unfortunately, most laboratories do not yet have the tests that can tell whether a person is infected with *E. histolytica* or with *E. dispar*. Until these tests become more widely available, it usually is best to assume that the parasite is *E. histolytica*.

A blood test is also available but is only recommended when your healthcare provider thinks that your infection may have spread beyond the intestine to some other organ, such as the liver. However, this blood test may not be helpful in diagnosing your current illness because the test can be positive if you had amebiasis in the past, even if you are not infected now.

## How is amebiasis treated?

Several antibiotics are available to treat amebiasis.

Treatment must be prescribed by a physician. You will be treated with only one antibiotic if your *E. histolytica* infection has not made you sick. You probably will be treated with two antibiotics if your infection has made you sick. The following items may not be safe to drink or eat:

- Fountain drinks or any drinks with ice cubes
- Fresh fruit or vegetables that you did not peel yourself
- Milk, cheese, or dairy products that may not have been pasteurized.
- Food or drinks sold by street vendors

## Should I be concerned about spreading the infection to others?

Yes, but the risk of spreading infection is low if the infected person is treated with antibiotics and practices good personal hygiene.

This includes thorough handwashing with soap and water after using the toilet, after changing diapers, and before handling or preparing food.

Prevention of amebic infection in travelers to endemic areas involves avoidance of untreated water in and uncooked food, such as fruit and vegetables, which may have been washed in untreated water. Amebic cysts are resistant to chlorine at the levels used in water supplies, but disinfection with iodine may be effective.

## KEY TIMES to Wash Your Hands



### Before

- Eating or preparing food
- Touching your face

### After

- Using the restroom
- Coughing or sneezing
- Leaving a public place
- Handling mask
- Changing a diaper
- Caring for someone sick
- Touching animals or pets

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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# COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

The community wants to hear from you. Email announcements and advertisements to [kwajaleinhourglass@amentum.com](mailto: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.mawicki@internationalsosgs.us](mailto:marybeth.mawicki@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](http://usajobs.gov). Write to [kwajalein.hourglass@amentum.com](mailto: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](mailto:kwajchapel@gmail.com) and Ch. Brian Conner at [brianconner@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brianconner@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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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=IwAR35VAi34\\_wk8xZMQw-ZGZLc2PJOb1Z8WURRK7PmLi3urMVkZSIAMt6EWRUK](https://mit-bwsi.formstack.com/forms/beaverworks_job_application_2022?fbclid=IwAR35VAi34_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](mailto:kwajaleinveterinaryclinic@internationalsosgs.us)

\$45. Also seeking adult volunteers. Contact Carrie Aljure at [whatacod@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 facilities 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](mailto: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.





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

PUBLIC NOTICE

**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. Following LOGCAP V transition, some contact information for DPW has changed.

Read on for the best 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**

DigPermitsDPW@Vectrus.com  
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 at <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.



# 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@wood-plc.com](mailto:jim.streetman@wood-plc.com) (704)-724-2708**

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

**Kwajalein AFH Inspection Schedule**

- 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, 229
- 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

**\*outside only**

**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

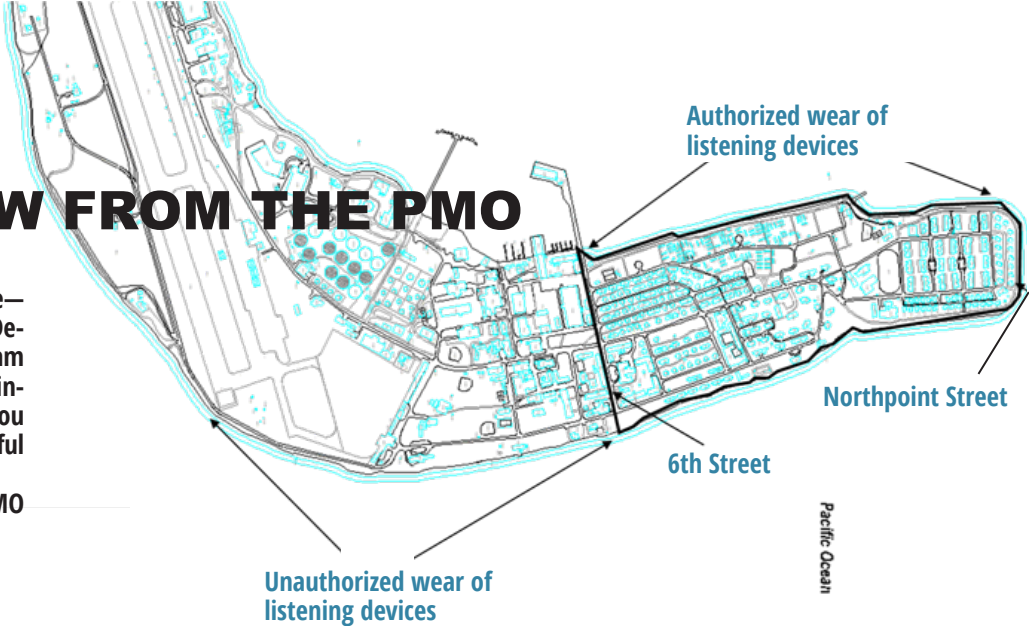




# GOOD-TO-KNOW FROM THE PMO

The Kwajalein Provost Marshal's Office—better known as the Kwajalein Police Department—is located in Bldg. 806. The team welcomes the chance to help you and maintains an active Facebook page where you can private message questions and helpful information.

Read on for a few updates from the PMO about safety and island life.



## 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 USAG-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](mailto: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, 480’s and Day Guest forms will be sent to [usarmy.bucholz.311-sig-cmd-mbx.usag-pmo@army.mil](mailto: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.

# KWAJALEIN READY TO WELCOME TDY OPTOMETRIST

## HOURLASS 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 at 5-2223 to be added to an appointment waitlist.*



CLICK THE 7TH INFANTRY DIVISION LOGO TO VIEW PHOTOS FROM THE KWAJALEIN HOURLASS ONLINE.





## BAAF PERIMETER ROAD CLOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION

The Bucholz Army Airfield perimeter road will be closed during airfield construction work on May 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.

SEXUAL ASSAULT.  
SEXUAL HARASSMENT.  
**NOT IN  
OUR ARMY.**



### 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.

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

### 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 pieces of atoll history from Kwajalein. For any questions about cultural resources, please contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 5-9502.



### QUARTERLY INNOVATION CHALLENGE

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 5-1098.
- Send an email to USAG-KA Public Affairs Officer Mike Brantley, at [james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil](mailto:james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil).
- USAG-KA Command thanks AAFES for supporting this special community initiative.



**"I 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](mailto: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.

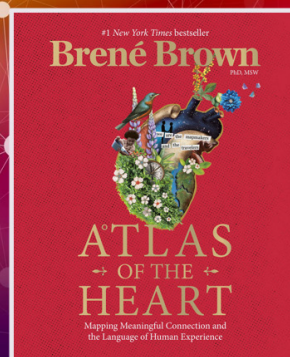
### CHAPEL ACTIVITIES

#### 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.

## May: Atlas of the Heart by Brené Brown

Using science-backed facts and research, Brown thoughtfully explores over 87 human emotions and offers us tools for expressing and understanding them — both for ourselves and for others. If you want to understand emotions and how to improve your connection with yourself and others, this book is worth checking out.



### EAP Presents:

## Book of the Month

- Purchase and read (or listen) at your convenience.
- Respond to weekly discussion questions.
- Learn useful and practical strategies to improve your life.
- Contact to sign up: [marybeth.dawicki@internationalsosgs.us](mailto:marybeth.dawicki@internationalsosgs.us) or call 5-5362.



## Driver's Training & Licensing Program

### Kwajalein Classes

**Dates:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

**Times:** 9 – 11 a.m. and 1 – 3 p.m.

**Location:** Automotive Area, Bldg. 856, Rm. 103

### Roi Classes

**Dates:** Saturdays only

**Times:** 9 – 11 a.m. and 1 – 3 p.m.

**Location:** C-building

Call **5-3291** to Register. Class size is limited.

Automated scheduling tool coming soon!

**\*\*\*Note:** Bring a valid US, International, or Marshall Islands License with you to class\*\*\*

## 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 bi-roro, ejjab emman nan idrak.

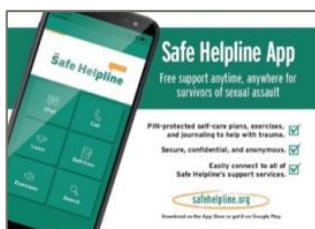
Utrikrik kon reclaimed water ekojbarok drenin idrak (Potable).

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



**E-WARENESS**

## DoD SAFE HELPLINE APP



The Safe Helpline App is a free mobile resource created to meet the unique needs of members of the Department of Defense community affected by sexual assault. By downloading the App, you can access 24/7 support through the Safe Helpline phone and on-line website and helplines. You can also obtain information, resources, and practical exercises to help address the short- and long-term effects of sexual assault so you can manage your self-care.

**WWW.ARMYSRESILIENCE.ARMY.MIL/SHARP**

**DOD SAFE HELPLINE: 1-877-995-5247**

**WWW.SAFEHELPLINE.ORG**



## 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](https://www.indeed.com), [www.glassdoor.com](https://www.glassdoor.com), [www.linkedin.com](https://www.linkedin.com) and [www.monster.com](https://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, Electrical Utility Services, Airfield and Retail Fuel Operations) – please apply at <https://phe.tbe.taleo.net/phe01/ats/careers/v2/jobSearch>



Wolf Creek (PrevMed, Ground Transportation, Retail Svcs., and Watercraft Operations) – please apply at [www.chugachgov.com/careers](http://www.chugachgov.com/careers)



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



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



[careers.vectrus.com](https://careers.vectrus.com)



# Father's Day **Sunday, June 19** DODGEBALL WITH DADS!

## DADS & TEENS are invited

2 - 3:30 P.M. CRC GYM

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





**MEMORIAL**  
**THE SOLEMN PRIDE THAT MUST BE YOURS  
TO HAVE LAID SO COSTLY A SACRIFICE  
UPON THE ALTAR OF FREEDOM.**



**THE COMMUNITY IS INVITED TO ATTEND THE  
U.S. ARMY GARRISON-KWAJALEIN ATOLL  
MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY  
MAY 27 AT 4 P.M.  
THE ISLAND MEMORIAL CHAPEL**



# WHAT IS YOUR OBLIGATION TO REPORT?

Personnel subject to the UCMJ who fail to comply with the reporting requirements of Army Regulation 381-12 Threat Awareness and Reporting Program (TARP) are subject to punishment under the UCMJ, as well as to adverse administrative or other adverse action authorized by applicable provisions of the USC or Federal regulations.

Personnel not subject to the UCMJ who fail to comply with the reporting requirements of Army Regulation 381-12 are subject to adverse administrative action or criminal prosecution as authorized by applicable provisions of the USC or Federal regulations.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

KWAJALEIN RESIDENT OFFICE  
500TH MI  
BUILDING 1163  
KWAJALEIN ISLAND, RMI

(805) 355-9857  
(805) 355-9859

[inscom.army.mil/isalute/](https://inscom.army.mil/isalute/)

TARP

# TECHNOLOGY PROTECTION

Threat Awareness & Reporting Program



# 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

## RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

### Weather Discussion

The Intertropical Convergence Zone is expected to be over Kwajalein Atoll this weekend. Rain will be locally heavy at times with a few thunderstorms remain possible as a result. Rainfall coverage should gradually decrease early next week as the ITCZ pushes southward.

The subtropical ridge will remain in place where localized trade wind convergence will lead to stray to isolated showers by late Tuesday through the end of next week. Winds will remain in the upper single digits to lower teens through the forecast period.

### Saturday and Sunday

Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and a few thunderstorms possible. Winds E-SE at 5-10 knots, possibly calm at times, with higher gusts near showers.

### Monday

Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms possible. Winds ENE-ESE at 8-13 knots with higher gusts near showers.

### Tuesday through Thursday

Mostly to partly sunny with isolated showers and winds E-ESE at 5-10 knots with higher gusts near showers.

SUN-MOON-TIDES				
	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:30 a.m. 7:01 p.m.	6:05 p.m. 5:21 a.m.	3:30 a.m. 4.7' 3:47 p.m. 4.2'	9:46 a.m. -0.4' 9:48 p.m. -0.5'
MONDAY	6:30 a.m. 7:01 p.m.	7:05 p.m. 6:11 a.m.	4:05 a.m. 5.0' 4:26 p.m. 4.1'	10:26 a.m. -0.6' 10:24 p.m. -0.5'
TUESDAY	6:30 a.m. 7:01 p.m.	8:09 p.m. 7:05 a.m.	4:43 a.m. 5.1' 5:06 p.m. 4.0'	11:07 a.m. -0.6' 11:00 p.m. -0.4'
WEDNESDAY	6:30 a.m. 7:01 p.m.	9:16 p.m. 8:05 a.m.	5:22 a.m. 5.1' 5:48 p.m. 3.6'	11:50 a.m. -0.5' 11:38 p.m. -0.2'
THURSDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:02 p.m.	10:21 p.m. 9:10 a.m.	6:03 a.m. 4.9' 6:32 p.m. 3.3'	12:37 p.m. -0.2' -----
FRIDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:02 p.m.	11:23 p.m. 10:15 a.m.	6:48 a.m. 4.5' 7:24 p.m. 2.9'	12:19 a.m. 0.2' 1:29 p.m. 0.2'
MAY 21	6:29 a.m. 7:02 p.m.	----- 11:19 a.m.	7:42 a.m. 4.0' 8:32 p.m. 2.6'	1:05 a.m. 0.6' 2:32 p.m. 0.6'



## SHARP

SEXUAL HARASSMENT/ASSAULT RESPONSE & PREVENTION

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



Sgt. 1st Class Effie Banks  
SHARP Victim Advocate

Work: 805-355-0660

or 805-355-1419

USAG-KA SHARP Pager:

805-355-3241 #0100

DOD SAFE Helpline:

877-995-5247



## Work and play safely.

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

## 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.

**SUSTAIN THE MISSION.  
SECURE THE FUTURE.**  
**A PARTNERSHIP FOR THE PLANET.**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:**

<https://www.un.org/en/climatechange/what-is-climate-change>

[https://www.army.mil/e2/downloads/rv7/about/2022\\_army\\_climate\\_strategy.pdf](https://www.army.mil/e2/downloads/rv7/about/2022_army_climate_strategy.pdf)