

# THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS



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JESSICA DAMBRUCH



# THE ISLAND MEMORIAL CHAPEL THROUGH HISTORY

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## COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Through history, many places on Kwajalein have become dear to the service members, scientists and families who have lived on the island. This could not be more true of the Island Memorial Chapel, which continues to host religious services for the community.

Written by Kwajalein historian Bill Remick, this article first ran in The Kwajalein Hourglass in February 2020, with the title "Island Memorial Chapel Celebrates 75 Years on Kwajalein."

By Bill Remick

Soon after the assault on Kwajalein was finished, regular religious services began on the island.

Initially, these were improvised affairs, but as permanent structures went up some were converted to part-time use for services.

By the summer of 1944, the Richardson Theater was completed, and many of the services were held there. As many as 20 services on Sundays were held at different locations around the island.

Near the end of 1944, the Marine Air Wing commander asked the chaplains to see about building a dedicated structure for religious services. The chaplains got together with Lt. Daniel Warner of the 893rd Aviation Engineers to discuss designs for a chapel.

In a Dec. 6, 1944 meeting with the island commander, Gen. Ogden Ross (yes, the Army actually ran the island at that time, too) the chaplains were offered a couple of small quonset huts for a chapel. Warner offered to design a better and larger structure out of wood. That evening he completed the design, and crews broke ground two days later.

Construction of the chapel was an all-services project, and the dedication was held on Feb. 11, 1945. It has been in service since that time with only minor interruptions.

The chapel has undergone numerous renovations, with one so large it resulted in, essentially, a whole new building at completion.

A short article in The Kwajalein Post in December 1953 mentions renovations to the chapel, but did not spell them out. The chapel has a very large eave overhang, and the outside edge of the eave was orig-

inally supported by small logs. These were replaced by dimensional lumber in about 1959.

As built, there were interior pillars that bore the weight of the roof, and the roof was strengthened with collar ties. By 1963 someone must have noted an issue with the sturdiness of the roof, and trusses were added to the collar ties. By 1968 even the trusses were not sufficient to keep the building stable, and small concrete blocks were placed around the chapel with supported angled poles to brace the building.

In September 1975, the structure was probably condemned (a familiar theme on Kwaj) and was completely torn to the ground with the exception of the end caps. It is unlikely the end caps were in much better shape than the roof, but this procedure would allow the project to be funded as a renovation instead of new construction.

This time, huge concrete blocks were placed to support the roof beams, thus there were no walls or trusses inside the nave.

The "new" chapel opened on Nov. 8, 1975. The original chapel had a mezzanine behind the altar that seemed to be used for the choir. The 1975 renovation walled off this area.

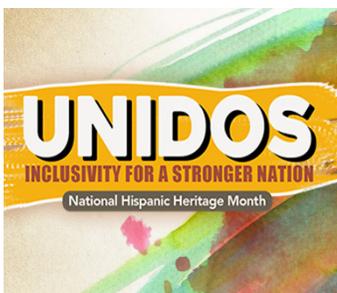
1988 saw an addition to the back of the chapel building for offices. In 1994 a large stained-glass window was added in the eastern wall of the chapel. Except for routine maintenance, the chapel remains pretty much the same today.

One may wonder why the services pushed to build an established chapel, seating just over 200 people, on an island teeming with more than 6,000 men after the war.

It's likely the building's seating capacity was not a significant part of the equation. Rather, the goal was likely to build a dedicated house of worship that could give a sense of community to the personnel stationed on the island. The Island Memorial Chapel still serves that purpose today.

See the next pages for a pictorial review of the chapel as it has changed throughout the years.

## SEPTEMBER IS



### HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

We are proud of the rich cultural heritage of our U.S. military service members. From Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, read more about National Hispanic Heritage Month in The Kwajalein Hourglass.



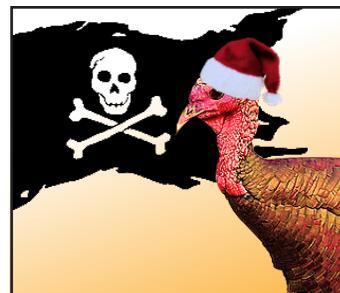
### THE SCIENCE OF FALL

It's fall! The season began September 22, on the autumnal equinox of the northern hemisphere. On that date, the sun crosses the celestial equator in a southerly direction. Though it's 86 degrees outside, "pumpkin spice" season is just around the corner.



### PREVENTION AWARENESS

The Department of Defense has declared September National Suicide Prevention Month.



### 'TIS THE SEASONS

Fall is a busy season. Keep an eye on the AFN roller channel, The Kwajalein Hourglass and the USAG-KA Facebook page for information on upcoming fall fun. It is recommended that you place orders for festive decorations for the fall and winter holidays now to beat shipping times.

## THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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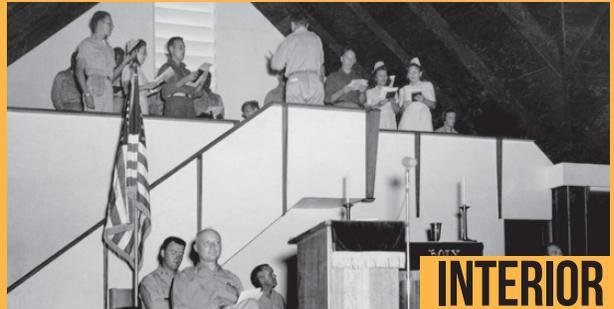
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**EXTERIOR**

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**INTERIOR**

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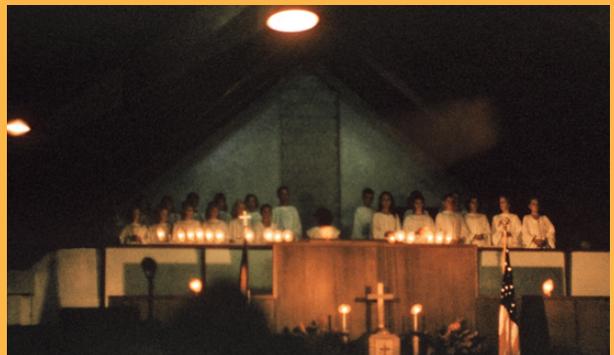
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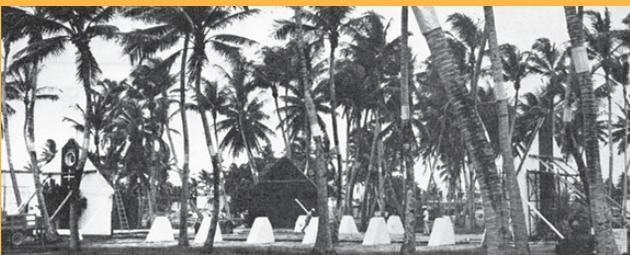
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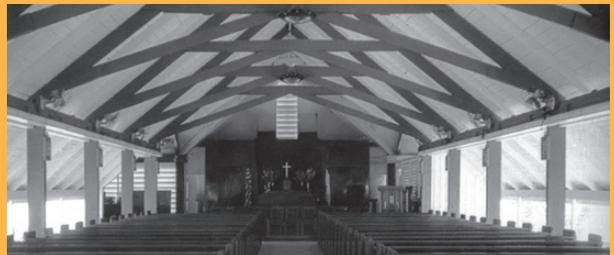
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2016

*A history in pictures: From its beginnings in 1945 to 2022, the Island Memorial Chapel is a mainstay of island community life. The images on this page reflect renovations made to the IMC over the years. Images from: The U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command Historical Office, the Neville Withington Collection, the Bill Remick Collection, Ray Robiani, William Hall, William Perry, Poyntell Staley, The Kwajalein Hourglass archives and historic military photographs. (Images assembled by Bill Remick).*

This excerpt of *Naval Base Weekly*, a local Kwajalein newspaper that existed during World War II, announces the official dedication of the Island Memorial Chapel to take place Feb. 11, 1945.

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CHAPLAINS' CORNER

Sunday Church Services:

Roman Catholic:  
 0800 - 8th St. Chapel.  
 0900 - 8th St. Chapel.

Protestant:  
 0800 - Richardson Theater.  
 0900 - Richardson Theater.  
 1830 - Boat Pool Rec., Hut.

Jewish Devine Worship:  
 0930 - (NO SERVICE)

1400 - Meeting at Island Memorial Chapel

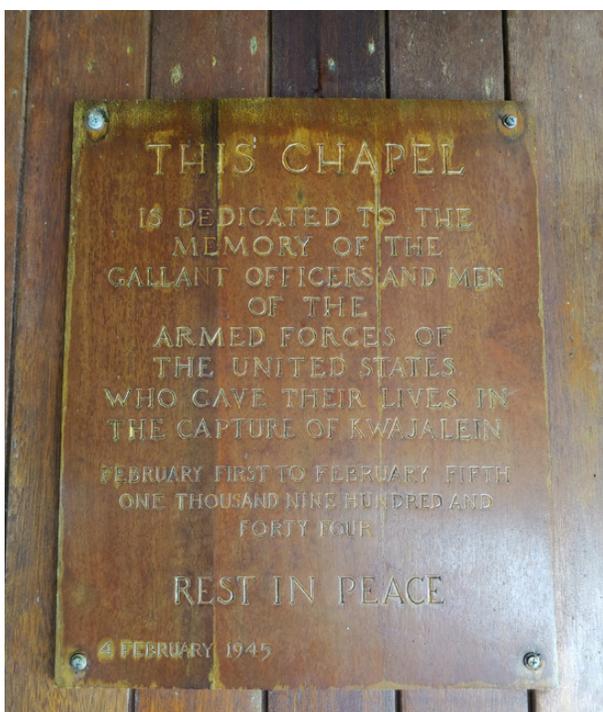
NOTE: Holy Communion will be observed in all Protestant Services.

FOR ALL HANDS: Time: 1030

Island Memorial Chapel Dedication

The dedication of the Island Memorial Chapel Sunday marks the first anniversary of the taking of Kwajalein. The service will be at 1030.

General Ross will unveil the memorial tablet which has been beautifully carved by Dr. Libby of the Navy attached to MAG-15. Chaplain Robert D. Workman, Chief of Navy Chaplains and Chaplain Julius Mark, in charge of all Jewish work for the Pacific Ocean Area will participate in the service. The Chapel will be presented by General Oden J. Ross and representatives of the Jewish, Protestant and Roman Catholic faiths will receive it. The service is for all hands. The Naval Base has contributed its share to the Chapel. The furniture has been made by the Ship Repair Department Carpenter Shop; one altar by the Yard Craft Department, while the carpenters from the headquarters shop have spent days in completing the final details. Chief Hudson of the 15th Special C.B.'s and his men have put the touch of their talented hands to the staining of the furniture.



This photo by Julie Makovec shows the original placard included with the chapel. It reads: "This chapel is dedicated to the memory of the gallant officers and men of the armed forces of the United States who gave their lives in the capture of Kwajalein. February first to February fifth one thousand nine hundred and forty four. Rest in Peace. — 4 February 1945

This Dec. 25, 1953 excerpt of the *Kwajalein Post*, another local Kwajalein newspaper, explains why IMC is "one of the most attractive chapels in the Pacific."

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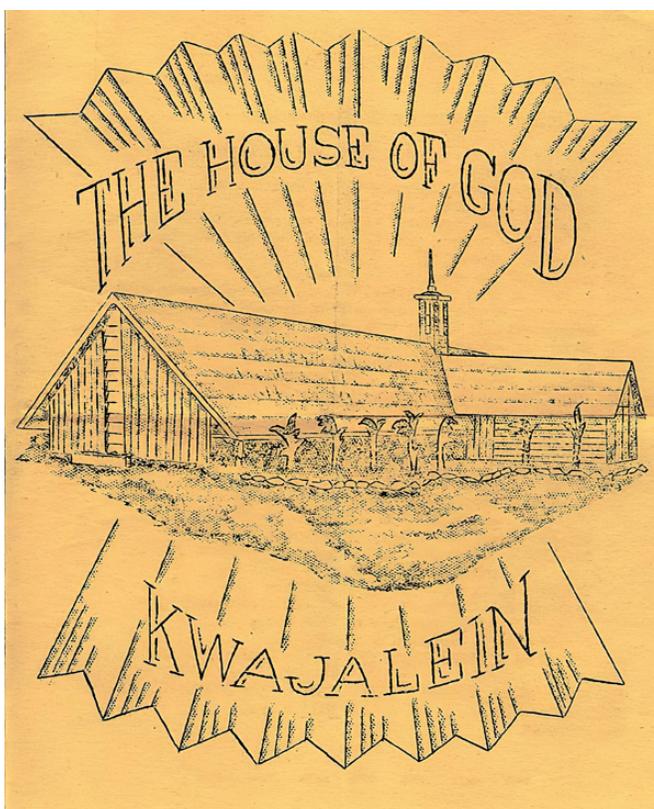
## Memorial Chapel Monument To Armed Forces

Although dedicated to the memory of those who lost their lives in the capture of Kwajalein, the Island Memorial Chapel is also a monument to the spirit of cooperation of all religious groups and all branches of the Armed Forces.

The building was designed by a member of the 893rd Aviation Engineers at the request of Major General Louis E. Woods, Commanding Officer of the Fourth Fleet Marine Air Wing. Materials were furnished by the Army. Marine carpenters constructed the edifice, and the Navy men made the church furnishings. The dedicatory plaque was carved by a member of Marine Air Group 15. Just two months after ground was broken, the Chapel was dedicated on 11 February 1945.

The only native style building on Kwaj, the chapel is 110 feet in length and 35 feet in width. Low sweeping eaves end in open sides, the dark mahogany interior is free of obstruction, and in contrast to the white and light green exterior. There are two transepts, one fitted out as a permanent Catholic Chapel, the other for organ and choir.

Recent renovation and partial refurnishing has enabled the Kwajalein Memorial Chapel to keep secure its reputation as "one of the most attractive Chapel in the Pacific".



A worship service book cover from 1945.

EXCERPT IMAGES FROM BILL REMICK



PHOTO BY DAN ADLER

In this Kwajalein Hourglass photo dated Feb. 26, 2007, Beverly Vencill, left, and husband Jim, right, inspect the memorial wall and plaque honoring all military personnel and their families who have served on Kwajalein since 1944 to the present during a visit to Kwajalein. The wall and plaque and the nurse's memorial plaque at Bucholz Army Airfield were dedicated by the Kwajalein community. (Photo by Dan Adler)

## ISLAND BOY SCOUT TO RESTORE MEMORIAL WALL WITH VOLUNTEERS

EDITORIAL / JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**This weekend**, one island Boy Scout will take on the restoration of Kwajalein's largest memorial for a culminating community service project: the flower mural that runs parallel to Lagoon Road.

The memorial honors all service members and family members who have served on Kwajalein and was conceived by former island resident Beverly Vencill, who served as the secretary to the USAG-KA commander in previous years.

"I have chosen to restore this memorial because it is a memorial to honor veterans and their families who have served on Kwajalein since 1944," Acosta said. "Restoring this wall will show respect to the veterans and bring an overall better look to the island and its beauty."

Acosta has been planning the project for a long time, he said. The challenge of the wall, a high-visibility landmark, intrigued him. He made his decision after listening to different community members express their desire for the wall to be restored.

He formalized his ideas in a proposal to USAG-KA Commander Col. Tom Pugsley and Command Sgt. Maj. Ismael Ortega. After obtaining approval, he submitted the proposal to the Scouting Council in Guam for full approval, he said.

"Now it is approved, I am looking for any and all volunteers to help."

For the next two consecutive weekends, from Sept. 24-26 and Oct. 1-3, Acosta welcomes any and all volunteers

to pick up a paint brush and to join him at the wall. No experience is needed to assist with the memorial restoration.

"I anticipate having a large group of volunteers to help with all of the work," he said. "Coordinating this large of a group will be a challenge, but it is a worthwhile challenge, because so many people are passionate about the memorial, and want to volunteer their time to restore it."

To volunteer, email your interest to [ckacosta.ethan@gmail.com](mailto:ckacosta.ethan@gmail.com) to receive a schedule of dates and times to assist with the massive painting project.

Acosta recommends volunteers wear sun protection and bring bottled water and hats. All painting supplies will be provided.

To younger scouts who have yet to choose a project, Acosta encourages them to think broadly and to be creative.

"Choosing an Eagle Scout project is very fun and important to do as you finalize your time as a Boy Scout," he said. "Your project will need to be beneficial to your community, or your church or school. It doesn't have to be anything too big, but it needs to be impactful."

## Volunteers Needed

TO PAINT AND RESTORE THE FLOWER WALL



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA – EAGLE PROJECT by:

**ETHAN ACOSTA**

Sept 24-26 and Oct 1-3

No Experience Necessary

To Volunteer – contact [ckacosta.ethan@gmail.com](mailto:ckacosta.ethan@gmail.com)





U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

College of the Marshall Islands representative Elmi Keju, left, distributes information packets to prospective students in the first vocational training cohort established between CMI and Vectrus during a question-and-answer session Sept. 17 in the small sanctuary at the Island Memorial Chapel. Vectrus will support students with financial aid and time to pursue technical coursework.

## VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM COMING SOON FOR MARSHALLESE EMPLOYEES

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**Vocational** cross-training opportunities are coming soon for a cohort of more than 30 Marshallese employees working on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll.

The program is part of a developing educational initiative supported by the College of the Marshall Islands and Vectrus, base operations services contractor on USAG-KA. Kwajalein employees living on Ebeye will be able to diversify their skill sets and increase their technical aptitudes across a variety of career areas through a combination of coursework and skill building.

Vectrus Deputy Task Order Manager Oscar Olivares addressed members of an initial cohort selected from public works and automotive department personnel in a Sept. 17 meeting at the Island Memorial Chapel with CMI representative Elmi Keju.

“You have my full support in this program,” Olivares said to attendees. “We want to give you the opportunity to succeed and to train in new areas related to

your field of expertise. If you’re in carpentry and want to try welding or electrical work, this program will give you that chance.”

Day-to-day logistics activities on US-AG-KA can provide students preparatory and observational learning opportunities in a “working classroom” to build knowledge to bring to their coursework, Olivares said. He looks forward to the growth of the program and its students.

“It’s as much about the mindset you bring to your work as it is what you do,” he said. “We’re not building Ferraris at Kwajalein Automotive, but it is still a place where you can grow and develop knowledge and great team dynamics. You’ve got to work hard and go to class. We will give you the time to make sure you can do these things.”

Olivares, who recently completed coursework through the Harvard Business School, also had a promise for the students.

“I’m going to check in with each of you about how your classes are going,” he said.

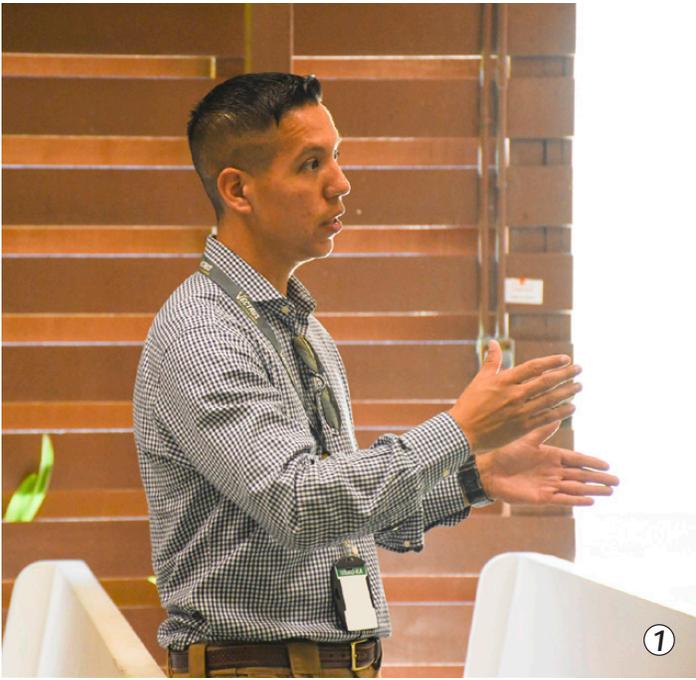
Delivering his remarks in English and

Marshallese, Keju next walked prospective students through an applications and financial aid package. He encouraged everyone to participate and to take advantage of the learning opportunity. He answered several questions about the materials provided.

“If you do not know the answer to a question, fill things out as best you can,” Keju said, distributing information packets to students. He stressed that students who did not possess standard high school diplomas could still qualify for the program by taking an equivalency test. Additional help with application materials would be provided for any prospective students.

The CMI-Vectrus initiative will be the first training program of its kind on US-AG-KA since Vectrus arrived to assume logistics operations. Future program plans in development include inviting course instructors from Majuro to lead guided learning opportunities.

“You were specially chosen for this program,” Olivares said. “Tell your friends about it. Let’s get others in here to give them the chance at success.”



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

1) Vectrus Deputy Task Order Manager Oscar Olivares addresses Marshallese employees during an information session on vocational training at the Island Memorial Chapel Sept. 17. 2) Marshallese Public Works employees check out information packets from the College of the Marshall Islands during the discussion. 3) Prospective students record their contact information on a list provided by Elmi Keju, CMI representative.



THIS IS OUR ARMY.

# NOT EVERY FIGHT IS ON THE BATTLEFIELD





📷 COURTESY OF RACHEL RACZYNSKI

Members of the Kwajalein Keystone Club, a youth organization affiliated with the Boys and Girls Club of America and the Namo Weto Youth Center, met earlier this week to tend to White Park. The club has officially adopted the park with plans to perform upkeep throughout the year.

## KEYSTONE CLUB, YOUTH CENTER STUDENTS ADOPT PARK

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**Special thanks** to the island’s Keystone Club and teenagers at the Namo Weto Youth Center who recently adopted the island’s White Park, located near old Navy housing, as their ongoing community service project.

CYS Teen Center Lead Rachel Raczynski said the students were excited to take on the project.

“They will be doing things like mowing, possibly spray painting the playground

equipment to add some color, and trimming the tree branches hanging in front of the swings,” Raczynski said.

Along with the island’s Torch Club, the Keystone Club is comprised of student leaders and island youth connected to Child and Youth Services.

The organization currently has 27 members and takes on volunteer projects, conducts fundraising activities and provides mentorship and a friendly ear to new students at the high school.



## A WORD FROM THE “SUPER” ABOUT ISLAND LIFE

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**Kwajalein** School System Superintendent Paul Uhren spoke with the Kwajalein Hourglass about what he loves about teaching and living on Kwajalein. The variety of activities available for the island’s youth and being outdoors are just a few of the things that make life on Kwajalein unique.

“I love that we have small class sizes,” Uhren said. “The teachers can really do some fun and neat things

with their individual classes. At the elementary school, we started the Robotics Club this past year, and had an open-house night for the community.

One thing that makes Kwajalein unique is that we have students at the high school playing sports with other adults on this island. You won’t see that anywhere else in the world except on this base, where you have students and adults interacting together professionally and respectfully on the

game courts.

It’s really a unique place where we get to do that. There are lots of opportunities to learn and to just enjoy life here together.”

During his free time, Uhren enjoys being outdoors.

“I love to go up to Roi to just relax and get away from here. But when I’m on Kwajalein, I like to ride my bike, go out over right around the airport, go sit down on the west end of the island and watch the waves come in.”

## MEMORIAL CUSTOMS MARSHALLESE LANGAUGE LESSON

The traditional Marshallese funeral custom crosses all religious denominations, and with little variation, involves five phases: emmej, a vigil held immediately after death; ilomej, viewing; kallip, burial; anak, time spent with the deceased’s spirit; and eoraak, the deceased’s family’s acknowledgement of community support.

The part of a funeral you may be most likely to attend would be the ilomej; don’t forget to bring cash to offer the family to defray the expenses of the funeral.

**Rimij**, the deceased  
**Ilomej**, wake  
**Kallip**, burial  
**Lob**, grave  
**Mon-jar**, church  
**Buromoj**, mourn, sadness  
**Eoreak**, gravel-spreading

**Rar bok rimij eo nan ia?**  
 Where did they take the deceased?

**Rar bok e nan mon-jar en.**  
 They took the deceased to the church.

**Edrein raan in ilomej ke?**  
 The last wake is today, right?

**Aet bwe rej kallip ilju.**  
 Yes, because the burial is tomorrow.

**Ilo ia?**  
 Where at?

**Ilo lob kan an Handel.**  
 At Handel’s graveyard.

**Oh, rej bar eoreak ijene.**  
 Oh, they will have gravel-spreading there.

**Ak ewi jinom kio?**  
 Where is your mother now?

**EMot nan mweo.**  
 She went home.

**Jab, kwon lelok ao nan in buromoj.**  
 No, just give her my regards (words of sadness).

# SKIP THE SUNBURN



BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**O**ne thing is for sure: Kwaj knows how to do hats. Check out the cool caps in these photos, above.

We can all conclude that no one can wear those sassy sombreros and make them look quite as good.

If you're new to life on Kwaj, remember: The sun knows exactly where you are at all times. It will find you and bring the burn. The deep damage caused by fun in the sun may not appear for years, but the daylight will take its toll on your skin and eyes.

Protect yourself as you work and play on island. Many cancers caused by overexposure to UV rays are among the most common and easily avoided. If you work for extended periods in the

sun, have pale skin and a family history of skin cancer, be especially prepared.

Wear protective clothing, polarized eyewear, a sunscreen of at least SPF 30 and, of course, a snazzy cool hat. If you hate wearing hats, don't worry. At noon, when the sun beats down, you will grow to love your lid. Get a broad brim and block out the direct daylight. Whenever you head out into your Kwaj-busy life, bring a buddy and a ballcap, and get into the spirit of sun protection. Sport a spectacular shadow, skip the sunburn and take your cover with you wherever you go.

Want to learn more about the sun? Get informed about UV rays, sun protection and other health tips. Visit [https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/basic\\_info/index.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/cancer/skin/basic_info/index.htm).

# THIS PIZZA IS A JOKE

Favorite jokes are like pizza toppings—it's a winning combination that can never do you wrong.

This week, in honor of the Sunset Pizza Kitchen reopening after Kwajalein's COVID spike, we bring you some of the best—and worst—pizza jokes out there.

Hey, at least it's not anchovies!

Join in the fun. Send your best jokes and puns to The Kwajalein Hourglass at [kwajaleinhourglass@vectrus.com](mailto:kwajaleinhourglass@vectrus.com).

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I asked my waiter if my pizza would be long. No, he said. It will be round.

I fell asleep with a pizza in the oven today. Burned 2000 calories.

Yeah, I'm into fitness. Fitness whole pizza in my mouth.

I want to tell you a pizza joke, but I can't: It's too cheesy.

How do you fix a broken pizza? With tomato paste.

Why does the mushroom always get invited to pizza parties? Because he's such a fungi!

Why was the pizza maker desperate for business? Because they kneaded the dough!

Did you hear about the Italian chef who was sick? It was pretty tragic. He pasta-away. Now he's just a pizza history.

What did the pizza chef say when he dropped a meat lover's pie? "I never sausage a tragedy!"

I burnt my Hawaiian pizza the other day...I should have cooked it on aloha temperature.

Why did the hipster burn his mouth while eating his pizza? He ate it way before it was cool.

What did the pizza say to the delivery guy? "You don't pepper-own me." And what did the delivery guy say, in reply? "Hey now, don't get saucy."

Did you hear about the pizza place on the moon? Great pizza, but no atmosphere!

What did the pastry chef say when the pizza chef asked him for help? "I cannoli do so much."

# FIRE DRILLS

## USAG-KA FIRE PREVENTION OFFICE MONTHLY TIP

- Fire drills are conducted annually by the building manager/evacuation coordinators for each facility.
- The BM/EC must ensure the facility has a fire evacuation plan in place.
- Fire reporting procedures: Call 911, activate the fire alarm or shout, "Fire! Fire! Fire!" Once outside, report to a predesignated area for accountability.
- Stay outside of your facility. No one is permitted to return until the "all clear" is given.
- Complete a fire drill report to document that the activity was conducted.
- Maintain a record of all the fire drills conducted at your facility.

Please contact our office for questions or assistance at 5-2137.

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



*The Orion 4 rocket is ready on the launch pad in this courtesy photo by U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command.*

BY SHARON WATKINS-LANG, USASMDC HISTORIAN

**Unlike the** Down Under Early Warning Experiment—Dundee Project—documentary, which chronicles a UFO festival in a small mid-Western town, the September 1997 Project Dundee was a 14-day early warning experiment conducted in Australia.

This research and development experiment involved the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, predecessor to the Missile Defense Agency, and the Australian Defense Science and Technology Organization. Project Dundee sought to assess the ability of the prototype Australian Jindalee Over the Horizon radar and other sensors to detect theater ballistic missiles, the threat identified during the Gulf War.

Of particular interest with these tests was the ability to detect the missiles in the boost phase soon after launch. Four unarmed Terrier missiles were fired out to sea to test the radars. Today, the Jindalee can claim detection ranges of 1,000 to 3,000 kilometers and has even reported detecting Chinese missile launches over 5,500 km away.

On Sept. 8, 2014, Gen. Raymond Odierno, Army chief of staff, designated Lt. Gen. David Mann, USASMDC/ARSTRAT commander, as the Army's Air and Missile Defense Enterprise Integrator in support of the Army's vision for Force 2025 and beyond.

Focused on modernization initiatives,

the role of the AMD enterprise integrator includes “development and synchronization of a strategy that incorporates force planning requirements, coordinated combat and materiel development, AMD acquisition and life cycle management and strategic communications,” or essentially, “all aspects of organizing, training, equipping, providing, and em-

ploying Army AMD forces.” The AMD concept incorporated everything from Ground-based Midcourse Defense, Ballistic Missile Defense, Cruise Missile Defense, as well as Counter-Unmanned Aerial Systems and Counter-Rockets Artillery and Mortars.

On Sept. 15, 1975, the Stanley R. Mickelsen SAFEGUARD Complex, located in North Dakota, began a nine-day Department of the Army Technical Proficiency Inspection. They successfully achieved a satisfactory rating and received their nuclear certification—a milestone toward full operational deployment of the nation's first deployed missile defense system.

On Sept. 22, 2000, the Tactical High Energy Laser Advanced Concept Technology Demonstrator, developed by the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, the Israeli Ministry of Defense and prime contractor TRW, successfully completed the second of two dual-salvo tests at White Sands Missile Range.

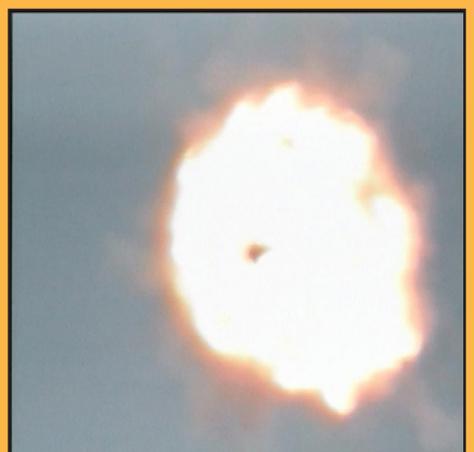
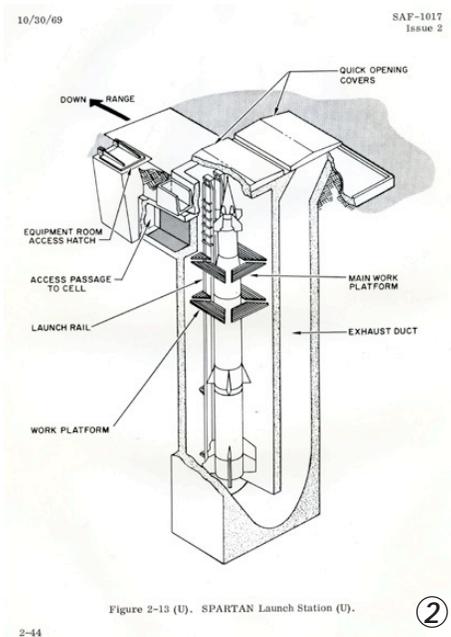
On Aug. 28 and again on Sept. 22, the THEL Demonstrator detected, engaged and destroyed a pair of Katyusha rockets fired in succession. This achievement occurred just three months after the THEL was first used to destroy a single short-range tactical threat.

As Lt. Gen. John Costello, USASMDC commanding general observed following the tests, “Killing one rocket was significant, but being able to show that we can consistently kill two or more targets per engagement puts THEL/ACTD in a class by itself. ...

These tests are making it increasingly clear that directed energy weapon systems have the potential to provide some unique and very effective defensive options on the tactical battlefield.”



*A team prepares the rocket for the Orion 1 mission in this vintage U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command photo.*



Above: The series of photos shows the stages as the THEL laser locks on, lases and then destroys the target.

1) The Orion 5 rocket launch. 2) A technical drawing of the Spartan launch station. 3) Lt. Gen. David Mann, USASMDC/ARSTRAT commander, as the Army's Air and Missile Defense Enterprise Integrator in support of the Army's vision for Force 2025 and beyond. 4) Two Soldiers stand beside the THEL beam director in this undated photo.

# KWAJALEIN YACHT CLUB MEETING

SEPT. 24 AT 5:30 P.M.  
SOCIAL HOUR 5:30 P.M.  
MEETING 6:30 P.M.,  
FOLLOWED BY A PULLED  
PORK POTLUCK DINNER

# FALL FEST

## Oct. 10 at Emon Beach

CHAPEL'S WELCOME BACK PICNIC  
& BIKE BLESSING  
11 A.M. – 1 P.M.

BEVERAGE BOOTH  
11 A.M. – 10 P.M.

BOUNCE HOUSES AND WATER SLIDES  
2 – 6 P.M.

PRIVATE ORG AND VENDORS TENTS  
2 – 6 P.M.

CARDBOARD REGATTA  
3:30 – 4:30 P.M.

BAGGO TOURNAMENT  
4:30 P.M.

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT  
5:30 P.M.

CAJUN CRAWFISH BOIL AND FOOD  
5 – 9 P.M.

LIVE MUSIC  
7 – 10 P.M.



## Namo Weto Youth Center's BACK TO SCHOOL BASH POOL PARTY

Sunday, Sept. 25

5 - 7 P.M. Family Pool



Students are required to have a current Youth Center registration to attend.



## Namo Weto Youth Center GET YOUR GLOW ON

# POTLUCK

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

7:15 P.M. Students are required to have a current Youth Center registration to attend.

Students, please sign up and write down your potluck item (no candy or soda) at the Youth Center.



# BBQ MEET & GREET

HOSTED BY THE YOKWE YUK WELCOME CLUB

COME LEARN ABOUT WAYS YOU  
CAN GET INVOLVED WITH  
YYWC'S MISSION TO FURTHER  
EDUCATION IN THE R.M. I.

SATURDAY, OCT. 8, 2022  
FROM 6:30 – 8:30 P.M.  
EMON BEACH MAIN PAVILION

ALL ISLAND  
RESIDENTS  
ARE WELCOME!

DON'T MISS THE GIFT  
DRAWING!  
(MUST BE 13 YEARS-OLD  
TO ENTER)



# Roi Adult Pool & Softball Field October 10

**Kickball Tournament-1 p.m.**

**Cannonball Contest-3 p.m.**

**Pool Bar & Music**

**Prizes will be awarded to the winning team and the best cannonball.**

# RUN / WALK

Oct. 11 at 6 a.m.  
6.5 or 13 miles

Meet at the Namo Weto Youth Center by 5:45 a.m. on Oct. 11 to register. Contact Bob and Jane Sholar at 5-1815 with any questions.

Enjoy a Kwajalein sunrise and get some exercise!



Oct. 16, 5 - 10 p.m.  
Camp Hamilton Beach

Welcome, everyone!  
We have games, music, food and drinks!

Learn more online at the Kwajalein Community Events Facebook Page. You can also visit the MWR Desk in the Grace Sherwood Library, Bldg. 805, or call MWR at 5-3331.

## OKTOBERFEST MENU

**CHICKEN SCHNITZEL FLAMMKUCHEN—\$8**

Chopped, pan seared chicken in white wine sauce topped with rotkohl (sweet & sour red cabbage), bacon, tomatoes, and german dressing

**PANFISCH BRATKARTOFFELN—\$8**

Pan seared tilapia in beer and white wine sauce with pan fried herbed potatoes and sauteed greens

**BRATWURST DOG—\$3.50**

Topped with totkohl and German dressing

**PRETZELS w/**

Spicy Mustard Cheese Sauce—\$2

**PIZZA BY THE SLICE—\$3**

**HOTDOGS—\$2**

**FRIED CORN DOGS—\$1**

**FRENCH FRIES—\$3**

# The Kwajalein Art Guild Presents *The Fall Arts & Craft Fair*

**Oct. 17**

**CRC Gym – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Come support your local artisans!**



## Arts and Crafts Fair Vendors Wanted!

Sign up to sell your artwork. Registration paperwork is available at the Kwajalein Hobby Shop.

- Sign up to receive your vendor license by Sept. 28.
- Submit your fair application by Oct. 12.

## Shaving Cream Social

**October 22 at Brandon Field**

4:30 – 4:40 p.m. – Preschool  
(must be accompanied by adult in the pit)

4:40 – 5 p.m. – K – 2nd grade

5:10 – 5:30 p.m. – 3rd – 6th grade

5:40 – 6 p.m. – junior and senior high school students

Join in the fun at this annual fall tradition on Kwajalein. Each participant will receive one free can of shaving cream. Reinforcements are welcome! No menthol, gel or mint shaving creams are allowed. Participants are encouraged to wear goggles. For more information, visit the Kwajalein Community Events Facebook Page or contact the MWR Desk at the Grace Sherwood Library at 5-3331.

# ZOMBIE RUN

October 23

Emon Beach Main

Pavilion 6 p.m.

Run at your own risk



For More information visit us on the Kwajalein Community Events Facebook page, or contact Grace Sherwood Library at 5-3331



OCT 29  
8 p.m.

## COSTUME PARTY

Oceanview  
Bar

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COST  
COSTUME PARTY  
TY  
TY  
ARTY  
PARTY



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# OUTRIGGER BAR & GRILL

# HALLOWEEN PARTY

OCTOBER 30  
FROM 9 P.M. - 1:30 A.M.  
MUSIC, GAMES & PRIZES  
FOR BEST COSTUME

# MOVIES

Movies begin at 7:30 p.m.

## YUK THEATER - KWAJALEIN

Saturday, Sept. 24  
"Madagascar 3:  
Europe's Most Wanted"  
(PG) 93 min.

Sunday, Sept. 25  
"Hidden Figures" (PG) 127 min.

Monday, September 26  
"Mad Max II: The Road Warrior"  
(1981) (R) 94 min.



Saturday, Oct. 1  
"Clifford The Big Red Dog"  
(PG) 96 min.

Sunday, Oct. 2  
"Footloose" (1984) (PG) 94 min.

Monday, Oct. 3  
"Firestarter" (R) 107 min.

Saturday, Oct. 8  
"Toy Story 2" (G) 92 min.

Sunday, Oct. 9  
"Mission Impossible"  
(PG-13) 110 min.

Monday, Oct. 10  
"Platoon" (R) 120 min.

Saturday, Oct. 15  
"Toy Story 3" (G) 103 min.

Sunday, Oct. 16  
"Mission Impossible 2"  
(PG-13) 102 min.

Monday, Oct. 17  
"Ambulance" (R) 136 min.

## C-BUILDING, ROI-NAMUR

Saturday, Sept. 24  
"Mama Mia! Here We Go Again"  
(PG-13) 114 min.

Sunday, Sept. 25  
"Rampage" (PG-13) 107 min.

Saturday, Oct. 1  
"Flatliners" (PG-13) 109 min.

Sunday, Oct. 2  
"Once Upon a Time in Hollywood"  
(R) 161 min.

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"Once Upon A Time in Hollywood"  
(R) 161 min.

Saturday, Oct. 8  
"The Old Man and the Gun"  
(PG-13) 93 min.

Sunday, Oct. 9  
"Phantom Thread" (R) 130 min.

Saturday, Oct. 15  
"The Hustle" (PG-13) 93 min.

Sunday, Oct. 16  
"Greta" (R) 98 min.

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR! THE KWAJALEIN YACHT CLUB PRESENTS

# THE SWASHBUCKLERS BALL

## PIRATE PARTY FOR THE BRAVE

OCT. 30, FROM 6 P.M. UNTIL WALK-THE-PLANK-O'CLOCK

PRESENTED BY KEYSTONE CLUB

# HAUNTED HOUSE & CARNIVAL

LOCATION: NAMO WETO YOUTH CENTER  
TIME/DATE: HALLOWEEN! OCTOBER 31ST 2-4 P.M.  
WHO: ALL AGES/EVERYONE!

**Enter if you dare!**

# UNIDOS

INCLUSIVITY FOR A STRONGER NATION

National Hispanic Heritage Month



NATIONAL  
HISPANIC  
HERITAGE MONTH

# OBSERVANCE

CULTURAL  
AWARENESS

## National Hispanic Heritage Month



**Test your knowledge of these notable figures from American history.** Among the many areas that Hispanic-Americans have contributed are the Department of Defense, musical theater, arts, entertainment and science; and public service.

### Out-Of-This-World Honors

The oldest of 12 children, Dr. France Anne Cordova was the youngest person to hold the position of NASA chief scientist. Cordova is the recipient of NASA's Distinguished Service Medal, its highest honor. Dr. Cordova now serves as the 11th president of Purdue University, and the first Hispanic woman to lead the Indiana campus.

—From <http://www.purdue.edu/president/about/index.html>

### First Medal of Honor

On May 23, 1943, in Alaska's Aleutian Islands, Private Joseph P. Martinez of Colorado became the first Hispanic-American to receive the Medal of Honor for his actions during World War II. His posthumous award was for the first act of combat heroism on American soil (other than the 15 at Pearl Harbor) since the Indian Campaigns.

—From <http://www.cmohs.org/medal-history.php>

### Musical Theater

In 1961, the popular Broadway musical West Side Story was made into a feature-length film. The leading role of Anita was given to Rita Moreno, a Puerto Rican-American actress and singer. She later took home an Academy Award for her performance.

—From <http://www.nndb.com/people/463/000023394/>

### To The Stars

Ellen Ochoa, a veteran astronaut, became the 11th Director of the Johnson Space Center in 2012. Ochoa is the first Hispanic director and second female director.

Ochoa became the first Hispanic

woman to go to space when she served on a nine-day mission on the space shuttle Discovery in 1993. She has flown in space four times, spending almost 1,000 hours in orbit.

—From [defenseculture.mil](http://defenseculture.mil)

### Preserving Peace

After the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, Senior Master Sgt. Ramon Colon-Lopez took the fight to the enemy during four deployments in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from July 2002 to September 2004.

Over the course of 60 combat missions, his actions resulted in the apprehension of 30 high-value targets. He received his first Bronze Star with Valor for courage under fire while supporting the Presidential Security Detail for Hamid Karzai.

During a direct action mission, his helicopter was crippled by anti-aircraft fire originating from the target area. After the crash landing, Colon-Lopez and two SEALs assaulted a fortified position, killed five combatants, and removed the threat to the remainder of the helicopter assault force. His second Bronze Star with Valor was for heroism displayed during that mission.

—From <https://www.goefoundation.org/eagles/biographies/c/381/Col%C3%B3nL%C3%B3pez-Ram%C3%B3n>

### Student Soldier

Colonel Maritza Sáenz Ryan graduated from the United States Military Academy (USMA) in 1982 as a member of the third class to include women cadets.

Due to her outstanding military record and academic achievements, she

was selected for the U.S. Army's Funded Legal Education Program, and graduated from Vanderbilt University Law School.

In her career, she has served as a Trial Counsel at Fort Sill, a Brigade Legal Counsel for a field artillery brigade of 1,000 Soldiers, and in 2006, Ryan became Professor and Head of the Department of Law at USMA, a position requiring presidential nomination and congressional confirmation.

—From [https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/marketing/women/ryan\\_bio\\_authcheckdam.pdf](https://www.americanbar.org/content/dam/aba/marketing/women/ryan_bio_authcheckdam.pdf)

### Customs and Culture

Dr. Julian Samora was the first Mexican American in the U.S. to receive a PhD in Sociology and Anthropology. He became a tenured professor at the University of Notre Dame and published reports on the plight of Mexican Americans.

In addition, Samora was the main force behind the creation of the Mexican American Graduate Studies Program at Notre Dame, which trained more than 50 academics and professionals in various subjects before its close when Samora retired in 1985.

—From *Mora, Cristina G. (2014). Making Hispanics. The University of Chicago Press; Chicago, Illinois*

### About The Poster

Created by the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute, the 2022 design honoring Hispanic Heritage Month features American civil rights activist Sylvia Mendez, the daughter of plaintiffs in the landmark case *Mendez v. Westminster*.

The Mendez family successfully won the argument, which created precedent for desegregating American schools in the 1940s.

In February 2011, Mendez received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from former U.S. President Barack Obama.

# COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS

The community wants to hear from you. Email announcements and advertisements to [kwajaleinhourglass@vecrus.com](mailto:kwajaleinhourglass@vecrus.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.

**METAL DETECTORS** are not allowed on Kwajalein according to Army Regulation. Unexploded Ordnance exists and could be dangerous if disturbed.

Not allowed on USAG-KA: bow and arrow, air guns, paint ball and other projectile weapons.

**VEGETATION.** Per USAG-KA Regulation 420-1, vegetation (e.g. trees, bushes, plants) may not be planted in the ground without an approved permit. Residents may be asked to remove items if planted without approval. In addition, do not place sprouted coconuts in your yard. Please discard with your yard waste. Contact 5-3550 with questions.

## CLASSES

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS.** Open meetings for this group are Saturdays at 6 p.m. in the REB, Room 213. Contact the Island Memorial Chapel for more information at 5-3505 and at [kwajchapel@gmail.com](mailto:kwajchapel@gmail.com).

**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.

## E-WARENESS

**PRINTER AND COPIER CARTRIDGE RECYCLING**  
When replacing printer and copier cartridges, please mail cartridge back to the manufacturer for recycling. Recycling cartridges help reduce solid waste and saves landfill space!

Ilo ien am ko-kaal ak jenij printer/cartridge copier ko, jout im jab jakobiji cartridge kein ak kwon bar mail e lok non manufacturer eo (eo im ej walok ilo label eo ilo ikilin mweiuk in) non an maron bar recycle e. Recycling ejiban kadriklak kobej ko im koman elaplok jikin ilo jikin jakobej eo ilo jujuk in bed in.

## 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.

## JOBS

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 [kwajaleinhourglass@vecrus.com](mailto:kwajaleinhourglass@vecrus.com) to remove your listing.

AKIMA is hiring for the following on-island positions: Communications Clerk (ID: TRU01101); Communications Specialist (ID: TRU01100); and Fiber / Cable Technician (ID: TRU01099). Applicants must currently reside on USAG-KA and possess a valid passport. For more information and a list of required qualifications, visit [https://akima.taleo.net/careersection/akimallc\\_cs/jobsearch.ftl](https://akima.taleo.net/careersection/akimallc_cs/jobsearch.ftl). Apply online or send resume to Jeannette McIlwain at [jeannette.mcilwain@akima.com](mailto:jeannette.mcilwain@akima.com).

**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 [brian\\_conner@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brian_conner@sbcglobal.net).

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

COMMUNITY BANK seeks a banking center service specialist/teller. This is a part-time on-island hire position for 20 hours per week. Submit applications to [www.dodcommunitybank.com](http://www.dodcommunitybank.com). Call Camellia Bobo at 5-2292 for more information.

INTERNATIONAL SOS seeks a dental assistant and applicants for administrative positions. Send your resume to [marykathleen.bryan@internationalosos.com](mailto:marykathleen.bryan@internationalosos.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 project engineer, welder, welding inspector, quality control manager, and site safety and health officer. 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. Apply at <https://qdyncorp.com/home/careers/>. Contact Dolly Bakhsh, HR manager, at 5-0782 and [dbakhsh@rmi.qdyncorp.com](mailto:dbakhsh@rmi.qdyncorp.com), or Sammy Juda,

administrative assistant at 5-4916 and [sjuda@rmi.qdyncorp.com](mailto:sjuda@rmi.qdyncorp.com). You may also visit the HR Office in Bldg. 700.

RGNEXT, LLC seeks qualified candidates to fill several open positions on Kwaj and Roi in engineering, technical, COMSEC and other areas. For information and to apply, go to [www.rgnext.com](http://www.rgnext.com).

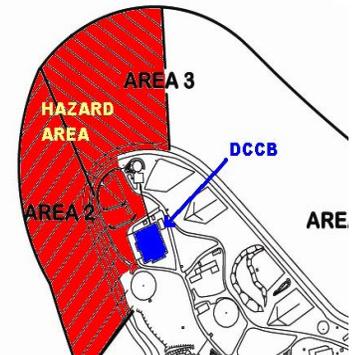
**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS.** Kwajalein School System is hiring part-time substitute teachers. These are on-island hire positions with no guaranteed hours. Minimum requirements: confidentiality, four-year degree and love of working with children in grades K – 12. Teaching certificate preferred. CNACI background check must be completed after receipt of job offer. Apply at [Careers.Vectrus.com](http://Careers.Vectrus.com), search for "substitute teacher," or, send resume and letter of application to [uhrenp@kwajalein-school.com](mailto:uhrenp@kwajalein-school.com).

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).



Please observe the **RED FLAG** hazard area. If you have any questions, contact Chief Chris Ramsey or CPT Bryan

Security and Access Control will be conducting a small arms range on Sep 27 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.



**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



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

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



## PASSPORT PROCESSING

Need to renew your passport?

- Complete the passport application online at [travel.state.gov](https://travel.state.gov).
- Print the completed form and ensure you have a copy of your existing passport and other documents, including parents' identification cards, birth certificates, etc.
- Photos must be from within the last six months. The applicant should not wear eyeglasses in the photo.

### Schedule of Fees

Adult passport renewal: \$130  
 Adult passport (first time application): \$165  
 Minor passport (15 and younger): \$135  
 Adult Passport Card: \$30  
 Minor Passport Card: \$15

Only money orders and cashier's checks payable to "U.S. Department of State" are accepted. These can be purchased from Community Bank or at the post office.

### Questions?

Contact Host Nation Activities at 5-2103 for more information.



ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY seeks technician with a strong background in electronics for a position on Kwajalein. Experience in radar maintenance and repair is highly desirable. This is a full-time contracted position with benefits. Call Chester Snoddy at 5-3482 or Nick Mirsky at 5-2136 for more information. To apply, visit <https://www.aq-ast.com/careers>.

## MEAL CARD HOLDERS

If you are isolating due to a positive COVID test result, do the following to receive meals from Zamperini Dining Facility using your meal card with the help of a designated caretaker:

1) Provide proof of your positive COVID test result to International SOS and their corresponding human resources representative with:

- Name
- Meal card number
- BQ or Facility Name/Number
- Room number
- Local phone (not cellphone, WhatsApp, Teams, etc.)

2) HR's must supply the above information to [clint.weaver@vectrus.com](mailto:clint.weaver@vectrus.com) to ensure the isolated individual's information is added to the list. Listings are updated daily.

3) Caretaker(s) who will be picking up the meal(s) for the isolated individual must have the meal card number for the isolated individual and their own K-badge in order to sign in at the Zamperini Dining Facility.

4) It is the responsibility of the caretaker to deliver the meal to the isolated individual.

## LEGAL SERVICES

USAG-KA LEGAL COUNSEL SERVICES for Powers of Attorney are available by emailing [benjamin.b.clancy.civ@army.mil](mailto:benjamin.b.clancy.civ@army.mil) for an appointment. Attorney Dr. David Creed is on travel. For contract matters, contact Laura Sampayan, USAG-KA CMSO, at [laura.d.sampayan.civ@army.mil](mailto:laura.d.sampayan.civ@army.mil).

## NOTICES

SENIOR CLASS STREET PAINTING. The Kwajalein High School Class of 2023 will begin the annual tradition of painting the section of Lagoon Road near KHS at 9 a.m. on Oct. 3. The road will be barricaded and closed to all vehicles until 7 a.m. on Oct. 4. Please refrain from riding bikes through the area until the paint has dried.

CYS GOLF. Open to all registered patrons of USAG-KA Child and Youth Services enrolled in grades 6-12. Meets Oct. 5 - 14 from 4 - 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Program will conclude with a Glow Ball night golf match. Cost is \$45. Register at Central Registration.

SPORTS REGISTRATION. Registration for volleyball and single-league baseball is ongoing now through Oct. 4. Managers meetings are Oct. 7. Seasons begin Oct. 11.

TEMPORARY CLOSURE. The oceanside perimeter road will close to pedestrian, bicycle and vehicle traffic 20 minutes prior to heavy aircraft arrivals and departures. Contact Airfield Operations at 5-2131 with any questions.

THE COUNTRY CLUB AND GOLF COURSE ARE CLOSED. Until further notice, the Kwajalein Country Club & Golf Course are closed from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. during the road closure. Your continued patience is appreciated.

ISLAND ORIENTATION and Newcomer's Briefings take place in the Religious Education Building behind the Island Memorial Chapel. Email [KWAJ\\_OSO\\_Ops@Vectrus.com](mailto:KWAJ_OSO_Ops@Vectrus.com) or call 5-3511 to register.

ARMA. Log in to ArMa, the Army Maintenance Application, to report issues for all buildings maintained by the Department of Public Works. For more information, please contact DPW at 5-3550.

QUARTERLY INNOVATION CHALLENGE. Send great ideas for improvements and innovations to Col. Tom Pugsley. Winners will receive an official innovator's award and a special AAFES gift card. To submit your idea, call the Commander's Hotline at 5-1098 or email US-AG-KA Public Affairs Officer Mike Brantley, at [james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil](mailto:james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil).

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.

DON'T 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 pieces of atoll history from Kwajalein. For questions contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 5-8867.

CALL THE VET CLINIC. Call 5-2017 or email the Veterinary Clinic at [kwajaleinveterinaryclinic@internationalsosgs.us](mailto:kwajaleinveterinaryclinic@internationalsosgs.us) to make an appointment.

EQUIPMENT 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.

## POSTAL CARETAKER

You can designate a postal caretaker to retrieve your packages and mail from the post office when you are not able to do so. Island residents may opt to assign a caretaker when planning vacation, while self-isolating after exposure to COVID-19 or a positive COVID-19 test, and while recovering from an injury. Email your caretaker request to [von.jenkins@vectrus.com](mailto:von.jenkins@vectrus.com) and [isaac.larios@vectrus.com](mailto:isaac.larios@vectrus.com).

## EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SERVICES

The Kwajalein Hospital team welcomes Kenneth Thomas, the island's Employee Assistance Program counselor. Ken's is a Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor. He also holds a Master of Health Science. Ken will work remotely to help the island community by providing residents

Telemental Health sessions until he arrives on the atoll. Clients can expect education about mental health disorders from a multicultural perspective with the goal of moving toward acceptance and ultimately to mitigate symptoms. Contact Ken at [kenneth.thomas@internationalsosgs.us](mailto:kenneth.thomas@internationalsosgs.us) or 805-355-5362.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
UNITED STATES ARMY GARRISON KWAJALEIN ATOLL  
UNIT 17001, Box 1 APO AP 96555

AMIM-KWG-ZA

17 September 2022

MEMORANDUM FOR Subordinate Commands, Tenant Units, and All Individuals Located on U.S. Army Garrison Kwajalein Atoll

SUBJECT: U.S. Army Garrison - Kwajalein Atoll (USAG-KA), COVID Work Safe, Live Safe Order #6

PURPOSE. This order seeks to educate the residents and visitors located on USAG-KA and identifies conduct that is prejudicial to good order and discipline, health, and safety of all personnel residing or working on the USAG-KA.

AUTHORITY. 10 U.S.C. Chapter 47 (Uniform Code of Military Justice); Title 18 United States Code 1382; Army Regulation 600-20 Army Command Policy; USAG-KA Policy 8-1, Command Sponsorship, USAG-KA Regulations 190-10, Entry & Exit Control; 190-50, Administrative Bar Actions, and W52P1J-19-F-0398 Contract Technical Exhibit I.

APPLICABILITY.

This Order applies to all individuals located on USAG-KA including those who are subject to military orders, DoD personnel, dependents, contractors, and individuals stationed, and/or attached to units on USAG-KA, whether on or off the installation.

This includes units, teams, and organizations rotating through and/or visiting USAG-KA for any reason including but not limited to missions, inspections, and training. For purposes of this memorandum, USAG-KA includes the eleven defense sites of the Kwajalein Atoll, all work and training areas, housing of all kinds, and all infrastructure and locations not specified.

1. USAG-KA is currently at HPCON-A, the following expectations and actions apply:

- Community members and workers are expected to maintain safe practices at all times. This includes maintaining adequate proper personal hygiene and reporting and seeking care for any potential influenza-like illness.
- Masks ARE MANDATORY on the ferries to and from Ebeye and Third Island.
- Masks ARE REQUIRED to enter the Hospital and Dental Clinic.
- Individuals may choose to mask at their own discretion at other locations.
- Masks should remain at the ready.
- Masks may still be required on government-owned or contract-operated vehicles, planes, and marine assets. Check before you travel.
- No restrictions on workplace occupancy.

2. STATEMENT OF MILITARY PURPOSE AND NECESSITY. The arrival of COVID-19 to the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) requires balance between mitigation measures and maintaining readiness. These measures preserve force readiness, limit the spread of COVID, and the health and welfare of service members, DA civilian employees, contractors, families, and the Marshall Islands.

3. COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL HEALTH ORDERS. All service members, family members, DA civilians, and contractors, both on and off post, will comply with all applicable provisions of Command authority and respect the laws of the RMI regarding public health orders. In the event this order imposes a more restrictive requirement than the RMI, the terms of this order shall take precedence over any order issued by the Marshall Islands.

4. VISITATION RESTRICTIONS. The Non-Resident Domestic Workers and Unofficial Guest Programs are now authorized. Overnight guests (48os) are limited to guests from within the RMI. Approval process remains unchanged.

5. DINING-IN. DFAC (Zamperini Cafeteria & Café Roi) are open with full service. AAFES Food Court, Bakery, Outrigger, and American Eatery are open for dine-in and take-out service.

6. RETAIL SHOPPING GUIDANCE. In-person shopping is authorized. Individuals may wear masks as they see fit.

7. ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES & TRAVEL. For purposes of this order "essential activities or services" includes, but is not limited to: official government duties, care of others (including adult and child caregivers). Space-A access and non-essential travel to Roi and Ebeye/3rd Island is authorized. Masks are mandatory on the ferries to and from Ebeye and Third Island. Masks are required to enter the Hospital and Dental Clinic.

8. PRIVATE & PUBLIC GATHERINGS, MILITARY CEREMONIES. All Community Activities, MWR, social events, and public or private gatherings are authorized. Individuals may choose to mask at their own discretion. Mask should remain at the ready.

9. UNIT FORMATIONS & PHYSICAL TRAINING. Conduct physical training IAW the current HPCON guidance.

10. PLACE OF DUTY & TELEWORK. All personnel subject to this order will report to their regular place of duty during normal work hours. Workplace guidelines allow for 100 percent occupancy.

11. DUTY UNIFORM. While in a federal facility, or performing official duties, personnel including all military, civilian, contractors, and family members may wear a face covering.

12. MASKS IN FEDERALLY FUNDED TRANSPORTATION. If directed, all individuals will wear a mask on DoD aircraft, boats and other maritime conveyances, and buses traveling into, within, or out of the United States, and indoor DoD transportation hubs, regardless of vaccination status and CDC COVID-19 Community Levels.

13. ACTIVITIES. The Garrison Commander will determine rules governing the operation (including hours and maximum occupancy) of on-post activities, business, or facilities. Special categories of services include schools, CDC, and CYS. Masks are required to enter the Hospital and Dental Clinic. Individuals may choose to mask at their own discretion at other locations. Masks should remain at the ready.

14. INSTALLATION ACCESS. The Non-Resident Domestic Workers and Unofficial Guest Programs are authorized. Overnight guests (48os) are limited to guests from within the RMI. Approval process remains unchanged.

15. PUNITIVE ORDER. Paragraphs 3, 8, 9, 11, and 12, of this order are punitive. Persons subject to the UCMJ who violate this order may be punished according to its provisions or face adverse administrative action. Persons not subject to the UCMJ may face administrative sanctions to include suspension or revocation of privileges and removal from the installation, suspension or termination of access to Government facilities and possible criminal prosecution.

16. INDIVIDUAL AND UNIT COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITY. Individuals subject to this order have the duty to know and understand these prohibitions as well as all applicable provisions of local authority public health orders. Supervisors will ensure their personnel are briefed on the prohibitions and requirements of this order.

17. EFFECTIVE DATE. This order is effective immediately. This order supersedes all previous COVID Work Safe, Live Safe Orders. This order will remain in effect until rescinded by me or superseded by a new order.

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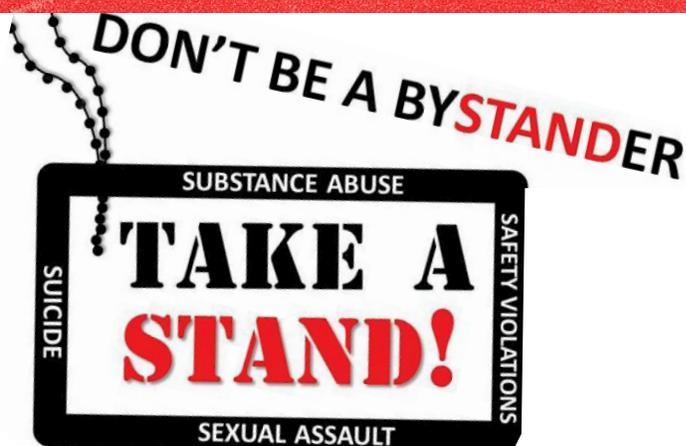


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# NAMU COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Your help is needed to provide charitable support for the children and families of Namu Atoll. Donations accepted now through Oct. 7.

Draw a name for one of the 121 children chosen to participate in this program at the RMI Liaison Office in downtown Kwajalein.

Donations of school supplies, book bags, clothing, undergarments, sports equipment (soccer/basketballs) and toys are welcome. Please donate any gently used household goods for families.

Donations must be received no later than Oct. 7 at the RMI office for delivery on Oct. 10 to Namu.

Volunteers are needed. Contact Chief Warrant Officer 3 Michael Schafer at 5-3421 or Kalani Riklon at 5-3600 for more information.



## UXO REMINDER

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

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

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

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

ONCE A KWAJ RESIDENT,  
ALWAYS A KWAJ RESIDENT.  
HELP US PROTECT THE MISSION.  
OPSEC DOESN'T END WHEN YOU PCS.  
PLEASE THINK BEFORE POSTING PHOTOS  
AND VIDEOS TO SOCIAL MEDIA.



## Playing Pokémon Go?

You "gotta catch 'em all" while practicing good OPSEC.

- Do not chase Pokemon into controlled or restricted areas, buildings or homes on USAG-KA.
- Do not use the camera function on your phone in areas where taking videos or photos is prohibited.
- Always be vigilant of your surroundings, especially in parking lots or while crossing roads.
- Do not play while driving; watch out for pedestrians or cyclists who may be engrossed in the game themselves and not mindful of their surroundings.
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity to your appropriate chain of command.





# RTS WEATHER STATION



	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
<b>SUNDAY</b>	6:38 a.m. 6:44 p.m.	5:52 a.m. 6:22 p.m.	3:53 a.m. 4.3' 4:10 p.m. 4.0'	10:07 a.m. -0.7' 10:11 p.m. -0.6'
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:38 a.m. 6:44 p.m.	6:39 a.m. 7:01 p.m.	4:20 a.m. 4.4' 4:37 p.m. 4.3'	10:31 a.m. -0.8' 10:41 p.m. -0.8'
<b>TUESDAY</b>	6:38 a.m. 6:43 p.m.	7:27 a.m. 7:42 p.m.	4:47 a.m. 4.4' 5:04 p.m. 4.4'	10:56 a.m. -0.9' 11:11 p.m. -0.8'
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:38 a.m. 6:42 p.m.	8:16 a.m. 8:25 p.m.	5:16 a.m. 4.3' 5:32 p.m. 4.5'	11:22 a.m. -0.8' 11:43 p.m. -0.7'
<b>THURSDAY</b>	6:38 a.m. 6:42 p.m.	9:09 a.m. 9:11 p.m.	5:45 a.m. 4.0' 6:03 p.m. 4.3'	11:49 a.m. -0.6' -----
<b>FRIDAY</b>	6:38 a.m. 6:41 p.m.	10:04 a.m. 10:02 p.m.	6:17 a.m. 3.6' 6:36 p.m. 4.1'	12:18 a.m. -0.5' 12:18 p.m. -0.3'
<b>OCTOBER 1</b>	6:37 a.m. 6:41 p.m.	11:03 a.m. 10:57 p.m.	6:51 a.m. 3.0' 7:15 p.m. 3.7'	12:58 a.m. -0.1' 12:48 p.m. 0.1'

### RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

### WEATHER DISCUSSION

The end of the work week is expected to be showery.

A surface wave will move through the RMI Saturday, bringing with it periods of scattered showers.

Modest middle atmosphere shear and a lack of upper atmosphere support means that thunderstorms will be unlikely to occur with this event. Nevertheless, low level convergence will be robust and showers heavy at times.

After the passage of the wave, the complete breakdown of subtropical ridging to the north ensures the development of dry doldrum conditions with mostly clear skies, light and variable winds, and isolated slow-moving showers, for Sunday and Monday.

Winds begin to redevelop on Tuesday, with possible Intertropical Convergence Zone redevelopment leading to increasing shower chances towards the end of the next work week.

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### SATURDAY

Mostly cloudy with scattered showers. Winds E-SE at 5-10 knots, becoming light and variable at times, with gusts up to 20 knots near showers.

### SUNDAY AND MONDAY

Mostly sunny with isolated, slow moving, showers. Winds will be light and variable, with higher gusts near showers.

### NEXT WEEK'S OUTLOOK

Light to gentle winds will persist throughout the week.

Shower chances will gradually increase through the week as the ITCZ redevelops.



## Work and play safely.

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



USAG-KA is starting back up the Yard of the Month program for all residents of Kwajalein Army Family Housing.

The Kwajalein Housing Office will choose three island quarters for consideration. One lucky winner will take the prize.

Prizes could include a free MWR cart rental, pizza from the Sunrise Bakery, or a game of bowling.

## YYWC PLANT SALE

Monday, Oct. 24  
9 a.m. - noon

Lagoon Road, close to Surfway

Email [yywcinfo@gmail.com](mailto:yywcinfo@gmail.com)  
or find Julie Makovec on Facebook

All proceeds benefit the YYWC Education Assistance Fund

## UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHTS THROUGH OCTOBER

**Monday**  
**UA155 (HNL)**  
Check-in: 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
**UA154 (GUM)**  
Check-in: 10:45 – 11:15 a.m.

## UNITED AIRLINES FLIGHTS - NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

**Monday**  
**UA155 (HNL)**  
Check-in: 3:30 – 4:45 p.m.

**Tuesday**  
**UA154 (GUM)**  
Check-in: 10:45 – 11:15 a.m.