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📷 JESSICA DAMBRUCH



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Students watch a performance by the Kwajalein High School Stage Band March 3 at Ebeye's Wilmer Bolkeim Community Center. The special presentation was a joint effort between KHS and Ebeye Public Schools in honor of Music In Our Schools Month.

STUDENTS TEAM UP FOR MARCH MUSIC

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

More than 100 students gathered on Ebeye for Music in Our Schools Month March 3, as part of a collaborative initiative between the Ebeye Public Schools and Kwajalein School System musicians.

The afternoon concert featured multiple performances for the EPS K-7 public school students, and featured the Kwajalein High School Singers, KSS Concert and Stage Bands, Ebeye Middle School Ukulele Club and KSS Advanced Vocal Ensemble.

Ebeye students also had the opportunity to engage with the performers, joining George Seitz Elementary School music teacher Ashley Wright in a drumming activity.

"Music In Our Schools Month is all about sharing in music," wrote Wright in a press release to The Marshall Islands Journal.

Student leaders from the KSS Tri-M Music Honor Society, the KSS band leadership team, prepared the event. They have high hopes for increased opportunities to keep playing music with their peers.



ABOVE: A drum solo—George Seitz Elementary School music teacher Ashley Wright and students from Ebeye Public School perform on drums during the Music in the Schools event March 3.

"I hope that more kids are inspired to play music in any way they want," said Tri-M President Jeanette Reimers. "Music is universal, and anyone can participate in making and listening to music."

Myles Sylvester, Tri-M Vice President,

shares, "I hope that with these concerts we can spark some creative hope inside of the other schools to maybe even start their own band, or for them to understand the music that they listen to everyday on a deeper level."



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MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

This month, we celebrate a prolific member Kwajalein's extended community: Cris Lindborg.

Together with her spouse, Dr. Eric Lindborg, Cris lived on Kwajalein for 27 years. She was active in island civic life and in forming connections between atoll communities.

The Lindborgs' deep and abiding respect for the Marshallese people led them to found the former Kwajalein Hospital Diabetes Clinic, the US-AG-KA Mani Day celebration, and the

Marshallese Cultural Society and Marshallese Cultural Center, a collaborative educational outreach project sourced with the help of friends, communities and families within the atoll.

The Lindborgs also assisted in the preservation of an important collection of precious historical photographs on display at the MCC.

In the years since their PCS, Cris and Eric have continued their outreach efforts to assist new Marshallese residents of the United States.

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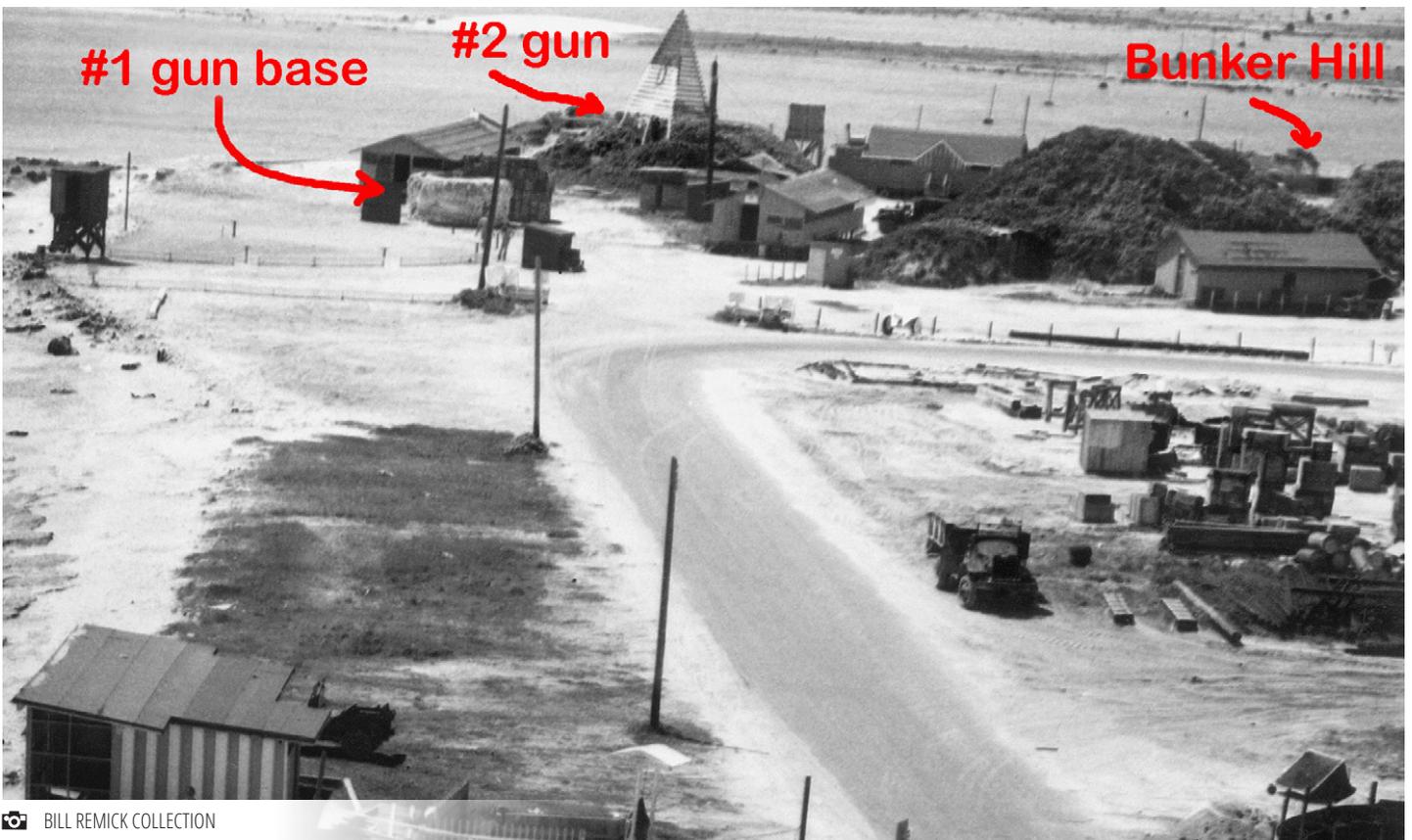


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BILL REMICK COLLECTION

The view from an observation tower of the north end of Kwajalein Island in 1946. Lagoon Road is in the foreground and the remnants of the 127mm gun battery are at the top of the photo.

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COMMUNITY CONNECTION BY / BILL REMICK

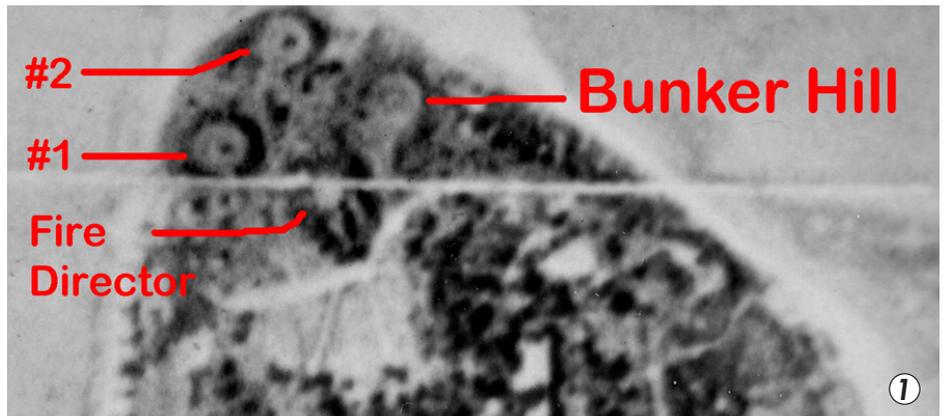
If you head north through the residential area on Kwajalein, you will eventually pass by an unassuming, but oddly placed mound of dirt capped by a layer of partially shattered concrete. No sign notes the meaning or former use of it, but every resident can tell you it is Bunker Hill.

I have never been able to find the source of the name, but having been a kid once, it is easy to imagine that youngsters playing on the “hill” (it only stands about eight feet tall but used to be about six feet higher) resulted in its colorful name.

There are any number of stories out there about what Bunker Hill was during the war. The most common one is it was a Japanese bunker—hence the name. Bunker Hill is the remnant of a base and revetment for a Japanese anti-aircraft gun during WWII.

If you ascend to the dizzying height of the top, you can still see the circular track upon which the gun mount would have rotated. It was designed to mount a Type 89 12.7cm twin dual-purpose gun. The entire assembly weighed over 28 tons and could lob 52-pound shells at surface targets out to 16,000 yards or rise to shoot at aircraft up to 31,000 feet in elevation.

Bunker Hill was one of three gun emplacements in the battery that stood at what was one time the northern tip of Kwajalein. All were elevated above grade. After a landfill was created in 1964, the site is now about a third of a mile south of the current northern tip of the island. The Bunker Hill site never had a gun mounted on it before the



LT. COL. RUFUS B. THOMPSON, USMC, RET.

1) An aerial photograph circa November - December 1943 showing a dual-purpose 127mm battery at the north end of Kwajalein (USAKA photo). 2) This 1952 photo of northern Kwajalein was shot from the same vantage point as the photo at the top of the page.

island was captured by the 7th Division in February, 1944. This may be due to delays in shipping war material due to US attacks. Or, the decision to add a third gun to the battery may have just been made too late to complete it before the invasion.

The layout of the battery can be easily seen in this pre-invasion photo, probably taken in November or December 1943. If you look carefully, you can see the shadows cast by the guns in positions #1 and #2. Note there is no shadow in the Bunker Hill position. This is confirmed by post-invasion army engineers who mapped and studied the Japanese defenses. All three gun positions can be seen in a ground-level photo following the assault in February 1944.

This is looking approximately north along Lagoon Road. From this photo it appears that the #1 gun is still mounted in its cradle. While not apparent in the photo, the #2 gun was blown off its mount in the attack and can be seen in a photo taken in mid-1945. This site has been frequently credited in the past as being Bunker Hill. It is not, for as we have seen, Bunker Hill never had a gun mounted on it.

Reconstruction of Kwajalein into a forward fighting and staging base began even before the assault was complete. Photos from 1945 show that the #1 gun position was demolished rather quickly for reasons yet unknown. Nothing was ever built on the site and the Navy kept quite several Japanese structures intact as war memorials. These were more like sight-seeing opportunities for visiting dignitaries, I would imagine. Interestingly, there was no attempt to demolish the circular concrete base that the gun had rested on. It can still be seen in photos from mid-1946 and as late as 1952.

In 1953, MCB 10 arrived on Kwajalein to construct new concrete-block residences to replace the rapidly decaying post-WWII homes that had sprung up. Plans required the removal of the remains of gun positions #1 and #2. Fate seemed to have spared the Bunker Hill position for the time. Nothing seems to have changed at the site until sometime around 1962-63. Somewhere in that time frame a decision was made to pull the revetment wall down and to reduce the footprint of the site.

The fill dirt around it was removed to the height of the floor of the revetment. I have not been able to find what the reason for this reconfiguration was. It is a pity, as Bunker Hill represents the only example of this type of Japanese gun installation that was elevated above grade.



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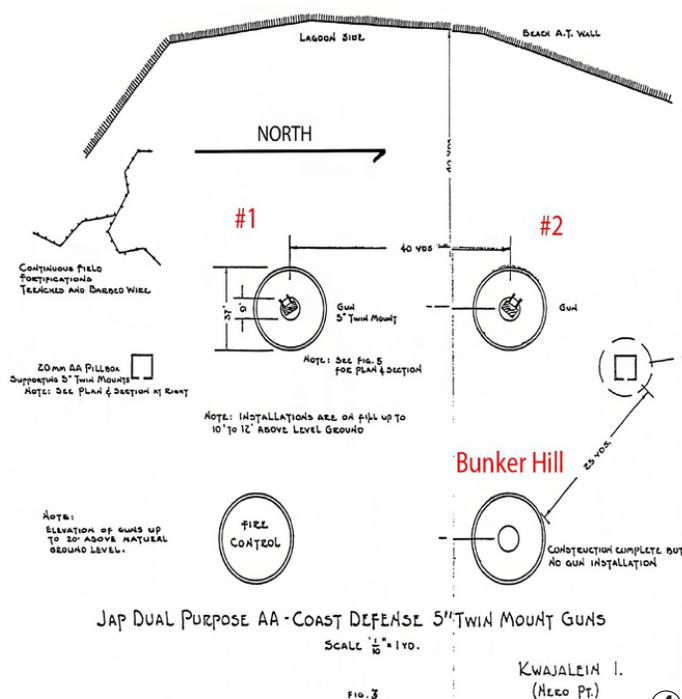
CMDR. WILLIAM HALL, USN, MC

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1) This 1945 photo shows the #2 127mm gun blown from its cradle. This photo is often mistakenly cited as featuring Bunker Hill. 2) The top or "inside" of Bunker Hill in 1953. 3) A 2013 photo of Bunker Hill with Kwajalein High School visible in the background. Today, the island landmark much resembles this photo. 4) A diagram of the 127mm battery on the north point of Kwajalein Island was drawn by Army engineers following the assault of the island.

MYSTERY TEETH, AND THIS WEEK'S UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Kwajalein Archaeology thanks the community for its good guesses.

While we do not have a definitive answer, it is good to know that the extended Kwajalein community is interested in this fish.

Kwajalein resident Brian Greene has concluded that the teeth most likely belong to the *Monotaxis grandoculis*, also known as a big-eye emperor. A second guess named *Archosargus probatocephalus*, the sheephead, as the likely owner of the sizeable fish teeth. So far, the identity of the specific specimen remains a mystery, but it's easy to see why these are likely guesses.

The big-eye emperor makes its home in the Central Pacific, near the Hawaiian Islands and areas near coral reefs anywhere from 20 to more than 90 feet in depth. Prized as a food source, it can grow up to 24 inches in length.

The sheephead is found in abundance throughout the world and especially near southwestern Florida. Its teeth, which resemble flat molars, help the fish to crunch through the shells of its next meal.

Check out the next item, recovered in the excavation of an oceanside fill on Kwajalein. About four inches in diameter and rusted or corroded, the khaki and black colored disc bears the impression of a compass rose on one side. Archaeologist Susan Underbrink believes the disk could be an endcap for any number of items and would like to hear about your next guess.

"It could be any number of things," Underbrink said, of the discarded item. "I thought this was metal but I think it's plastic. It is interesting how the sides appear to be different."



PHOTOS COURTESY OF KWAJALEIN ARCHAEOLOGY

The front and back of a strange object recovered by Kwajalein Archaeologist Susan Underbrink. Just for fun, the office is opening up this object for suggestions from the Kwajalein community. Think you know what it is? Send your guess to susan.underbrink@vectrus.com.



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Participants in the 2023 Sweetheart Relay assemble at the corner of 5th Street and Lagoon Road for a safety briefing before the event.

SWEETHEART RELAY

HOURLASS REPORT

More than 30 runners competed in the February Sweetheart Relay, a themed 4x1-mile fun run relay for friends and families.

The event is a family friendly activity produced by the Kwajalein Running Club. Newcomer Aidan About claimed the time for fastest gross mile, with 5:51. Top honors for the fastest overall mile go to island triathlete Mandy Melody for her time of 3:57.

This year's relay had an impressive showing by its youngest member. Three-year-old Clayton Holland finished the relay on his own power.



COURTESY PHOTO BY SUSAN WYNN



U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

1) Michael Melody runs during the Sweetheart Relay. 2) Friends line up before the race.



Performers come together for a curtain call at the Keystone Club Variety Show, March 5 at Kwajalein High School.

VARIETY SHOW RAISES FUNDS TO SUPPORT WAAN AELŌÑ IN MAJEL

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Attendees at the March 5 Variety Show raised \$1,001 in donations for Waan Aelōñ in Majel, a nongovernmental Majuro-based school dedicated to preserving traditional Marshallese skills and knowledge.

The talent showcase gives the island's singers, comedians, and musicians an opportunity to entertain their neighbors while supporting a cause.

Highlights from the evening's 19 acts included Andres Alvarez's stirring rendition of "Tequila," classical piano performance by Arianna Dela Cruz, and multiple skits by the Keystone Club. The Saggy G's performed a grunge rock music set—their second performance fea-

turing drummer Danny Barthle.

The evening also included a coffee and popcorn social hour and a short film introducing WAM's current mission.

For more than 30 years, WAM has trained Marshallese youths in the indigenous arts of canoe building and sailing. A March 2022 fire damaged the WAM campus workshop and office building. It also consumed traditional artifacts and the school's vehicle. Since then, WAM and donors around the world have worked to raise funds to repair facilities and replace tools and equipment.

An affiliate organization of The Boys and Girls Club of America, the island's Keystone Club is a youth leadership organization which challenges its youth to strive for excellence.



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1) Andres Alvarez performs "Tequila." 2) The "heartbeat" of The Saggy G's was laid down by longtime drummer Danny Barthle. 3) John Thygerson rocks out on ukulele during The Saggy G's performance. 4) Arianna Dela Cruz performs classical favorites on the KHS baby grand piano. 5) Taylor and Aidan Aboud are joined

by percussionists Felix Prim and David Smith, and guitarist Jonathan Jahnke (off camera) for their performance of Simon and Garfunkel's "The Boxer." 6) Cherish Corder, center, portrays a substitute teacher in a comedic skit featuring a classroom full of fellow Keystone Club members.

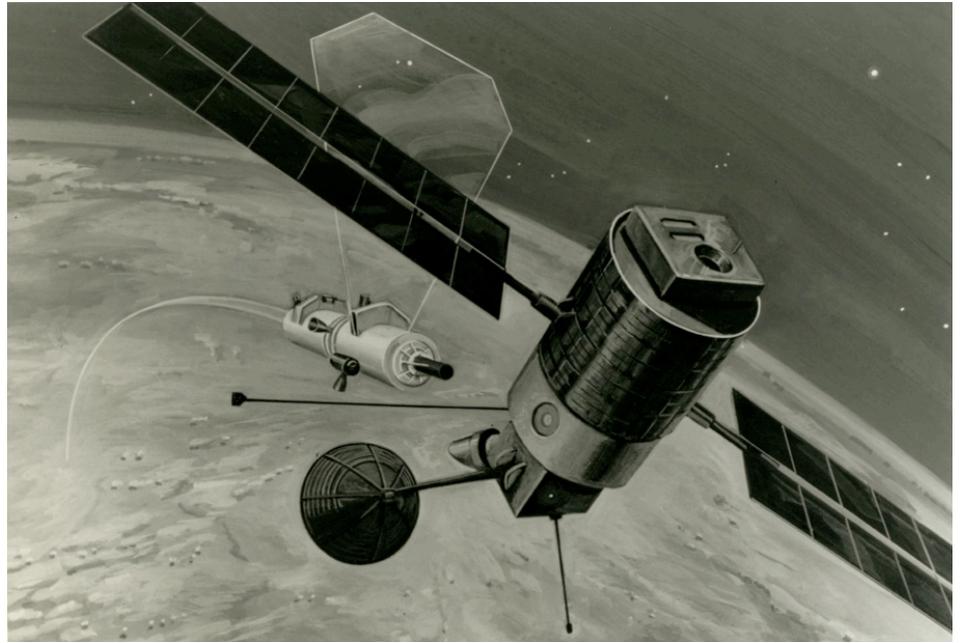
THIS WEEK IN U.S. SPACE AND MISSILE DEFENSE COMMAND HISTORY

BY SHARON WATKINS-LANG, USASMDC HISTORIAN

The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense released a press release on March 9, 1989, announcing that Acting Secretary of Defense William H. Taft IV, great-grandson of President Taft, had approved program initiation, Milestone Zero, for both kinetic energy and directed energy anti-satellite ASAT systems, as recommended by the Defense Acquisition Board.

According to a period history, the DAB was "favorably impressed by [U.S. Army Strategic Defense Command's] management of the Ground-Based Free Electron Laser technology program."

As a result, the Army and USASDC were named to head the joint kinetic energy ASAT program. Taft's predecessor Defense Secretary Frank Carlucci had said that ASAT is the single most serious deficiency in the U.S. military posture.



COURTESY PHOTO



COURTESY PHOTOS BY ALAN WILLIAMS



1) The scene on the court during the MWR Basketball championships men's playoff games. 2) Darlington teammates pose for a photo with their coconut trophy. 3) Erik Hanson, of the Aquanauts, moves the ball down the court.

SHAWN BRADY: KWAJ KID TURNED TEACHER

USAG-KA Public Affairs Officer Mike Brantley invites you to meet Kwaj kid Shawn Brady. This article is the final in a series of three interviews with island residents who came back home. Keep an eye on next week's Hourglass for another Kwaj kid interview.

BY MIKE BRANTLEY / USAG-KA PUBLIC AFFAIRS

People say that Kwajalein is shaped like a boomerang and people eventually come back to it over time. This is evident with several Kwaj kids, the term bestowed upon individuals who grew up part of their life on Kwajalein and have returned to live and work here.

When were you here as a kid?

I arrived on Kwaj at age 3. I attended preschool all the way through high school out here on Kwaj. I graduated from Kwajalein High School in 2012.

Where did you go after graduation? When I left Kwaj I went to Tucson, Arizona, where I attended the University of Arizona.

What brings you back?

There were several things that drew me back to Kwaj. My mother and father still live here, and my brother and sister-in-law had just moved back when I made the trip back. In addition, my girlfriend, Annalise, had also accepted a job on Kwajalein and was awaiting her travel dates.

How was it growing up here?

Growing up on Kwaj was an absolute dream. There is so much to do in such a small proximity that you can fill your days with endless activities. In the United States, seemingly every event brings with it a commute. On Kwaj you can bounce around from one activity to another with a 2-minute bike ride or walk. My favorite memory of living on Kwaj was spending weekend days beach hopping and/or being out on the boat. I loved finding spots that people don't usually visit and feeling like an explorer.

Do you think the island has changed?

This is a question I have fielded quite regularly since being back. I truly do not think many things have changed at all. Sure, there are a few less people and the buildings look a bit older, but in my mind, it's all the same. When I close my eyes, the sound of the waves and the smell of the air bring me right back.

What is your role on Kwaj now?

I am the Child and Youth Services sports coach. I have the unique role of working with youth between the ages of 3 and 18.



📷 COURTESY PHOTO

An early photo of Shawn Brady, a 2012 graduate of Kwajalein High School, returned to Kwajalein to share his love of sports as a CYS sports coach.

I have always loved sports and admired the people in my life who spent time coaching me on the court, on the field and in the pool. So, I am happy to be back to try and transfer that same energy and attention that I received when I was young to the new crop of Kwaj Kids.

What is the best part of Kwaj life?

The best part about living on Kwaj is being close and connected to community. Some of my greatest memories growing up here involved large community gatherings like the Spring Break Music Festival at Emon Beach. There is a great energy that exists when our whole community is gathered and enjoying each other's company.

What inspired you to become a teacher?

I have been working here for one year now and I have had the opportunity to meet most of the children between ages 3-18. I have to say I am very impressed with how smart, kind and respectful they are. Getting to know the kids makes me proud to be a Kwaj Kid.

How long have you been back on Kwaj, and is this the first time you've returned since you lived here?

I have been back for one year. I was here every year from 2012- 2019.

Is there anything else you'd like to add?

I would like to encourage all members of our Kwajalein community to learn about the Marshallese culture and visit Ebeye and Majuro. We are so lucky to be out here in the Marshall Islands enjoying the beautiful weather and the gorgeous ocean.

If you feel connected to the islands, take time to learn about the history of the greatest ocean seafarers who used starlight, stick charts and outrigger canoes to navigate these vast waters.

SHOPPING

MARSHALLESE LANGUAGE LESSON 26

Stores on Ebeye are typically higher priced than USAG-KA retail outlets, but sometimes you can find deals or items that are not available at the USAG-KA stores. In the event USAG-KA stores run out of something before the next container ship arrives, it can sometimes be found on Ebeye.

Helpful Words

Nuknuk	fabric/clothes
Lole	candies
Bulawut	plywood
Allijaljal	hanger
Kilaj	mirror
Kein Ikkure	toys
Juuj	shoes
Kein jikuul	school supplies
Ri-wia	cashier

Common Phrases

Ewor ke nuknuk ilo mon-wia in?
Are there any clothes in this store?

Aet, nuknuk ko rebed turin lok kein ikkure kan.
Yes, the clothes are near the toy section.

Ij bok juon ao akko ewi juuj kein?
I'm taking one, but where are the shoes?

Kwoj ke kilaj im lale emman ke nuknuk im juuj ne?
Do you want a mirror to see if your clothes and shoes are good?

Ijjab, akko komaron ke letok juon kein allijaljal nan nuknuk e?
No but can you give me a hanger for this garment?

Kio, kwalok tok mok ia ne ewor bulawut ie.
Now, tell me where I can find some plywood.

Ekwe emaat ijin akko ewor mon-wia e iturin.
Well, there's no more here, but there is some at the next store.

Kajitok ibben ri-wia en jete wonen aolep men kein mok.
Ask the cashier for the total cost for these things.

Ij etal nan mon-wia mona en.
I'm going to the grocery store.

Ewor ke lole ilo mon-wia en?
Are there any candies in that store?

Aet, im ebar wor kein jikuul an ajri.
Yes, and there are also school supplies for kids.

Ekwe, kotar bwe ej kab jinoo ien kakije summer in.
Well, wait, because summer break just started.



Have a question for the command team?
Call the Commander's Hotline at 480-1098.

THE CLASSIFIEDS

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

ACTIVITIES

BARGAIN BAZAAR DONATION PICK-UP. Monday, March 13. For pick-up, email or call Nellie Walter at nelliew25@hotmail.com, FB message, or by calling 480-0894. Donations benefit the YYWC Education Assistance Fund.

EV-210 PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TANK INSPECTION TRAINING. Thursday, March 16, from 9 – 11 a.m. at the REB Conference Room. Do you work with aboveground fuel storage tanks? Supervisors of departments that have ASTs associated with their facilities are required to have a minimum of two ENV-210 trained “tank custodians” to conduct weekly/annual tank inspections. Contact V2X Environmental Services with questions at 480-0505.

KAG SPRING CRAFT FAIR. March 27, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Kwajalein High School Multi-Purpose Room. Submit applications by March 20.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ART SHOW. Tuesday, March 28, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. at the George Seitz Elementary School Art Studio, classroom 14 (near Millican Family Pool). The art theme for the year is myths and legends. Thematic costumes are welcome, fun to-go snacks are provided.

EASTER BAKE SALE. Saturday, April 8, from 4 – 6 p.m. across from AAFES at the Mic Shop. Proceeds benefit the Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club Education Assistance Fund to assist schools in Micronesia. Bakers are needed to produce breads, pastries, cookies, pies and cakes. Contact Liz Haggerty for more information at L_a_haggerty@yahoo.com.

HARBOR CLEAN-UP. Monday, April 17, from 1-4 p.m. at the Small Boat Marina. We will dive and clean up the harbor in honor of Earth Day. There will be no boat traffic. Divers must attend the 1 p.m. safety briefing to dive. The first 50 people to register on dive day receive a Kwajalein Scuba Club towel. Contact Cliff Pryor at islecliff1@aol.com.

CAC OFFICE

Make an appointment using a NIPR account at <https://safe.menlosecurity.com>. Follow the website access instructions provided. Next, enter the CAC appointment website which is as follows: <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>.

To schedule a CAC Office appointment, visit <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/> or search ‘CAC Appointment’ online. Enter ‘Kwajalein’ as the site location, click ‘select’ to the right of the map, and schedule your appointment using calendar.

CAC Office Hours, Bldg. 835
Tuesday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.; (Lunch: noon - 1 p.m.); Sat. 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Ensure all paperwork is completed by

your human resources representative before making an appointment. Bring two forms of government-issued IDs with you to your appointment. Walk-in appointments are welcome, but there may be a wait. Questions? Call 480-8496.

EAP SERVICES

The Kwajalein Hospital team welcomes Kenneth Thomas, the island’s Employee Assistance Program counselor. 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 or 480-5362.

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 480-3331 with questions.

FLIGHTS

Please note that all flights are subject to change.

March
Monday—UA155 (HNL)
Check-in: 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

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

April – June w
Monday and Friday
UA 155 (HNL)
Check-in 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.
(Flight at 5:15 p.m.)

Tuesday and Saturday—UA 154 (GUM)
Check-in 10:45 – 11:30 a.m.
(Flight at 1 p.m.)

JOBS

To research and apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit usajobs.gov. Write to kwajaleinhourglass@vectrus.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. Apply online or send resume to Jeannette McIlwain at 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, call 480-3505. Send to kwajchapel@gmail.com and Ch. Brian Conner at brian_conner@sbcglobal.net.

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

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGER. KFS LLC is accepting resumes for a Health and Safety Manager to support an upcoming Environmental Project on Kwajalein. Visit <https://honuservices.jobs.net/en-US/job/health-and-safety-manager/J3N1RL6K-DG9RWPTYQDF> for additional information, including the full job description, qualifications, and resume submission instructions.

NAN, INC. seeks a project engineer, welder, welding inspector, quality control manager, and site safety and health officer. To apply, visit www.nanhawaii.com and contact Clint Ueatari or Kevin Short at 480-2632, 480-4995 or 480-4996.

TRIBALCO is hiring for an infrastructure drawing specialist (AutoCAD drafter), a finance project control specialist, a telecommunication specialist (CAIRS/database entry) and an Enterprise project specialist (scheduler). Applicants must meet job requirements. Apply online at tribalco.com/jobs.

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; and Apply at <https://qdyncorp.com/>



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877-995-5247

home/careers/. You may also visit the HR Office in Bldg. 700. Contact the Human Resources manager at 480-0782 or administrative assistant at 480-4916 for more information.

RGNEXT, LLC seeks qualified candidates to fill open positions on Kwaj and Roi in engineering, technical, COMSEC and other areas. For information and to apply, visit rgnext.com.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS. Kwajalein School System is hiring part-time substitute teachers for on-island hire with no guaranteed hours. Minimum requirements: confidentiality, 4-year degree and love of working with kids. Teaching certificate preferred. CNACI background check must be completed after receipt of job offer. Apply at careers.vectrus.com, or send resume and letter of application to uhrenp@kwajalein-school.com.

TRUESTONE is hiring for multiple positions. Contact Tribalco Human Resources at 480-4344 and visit <https://www.akima.com/careers/>. Visit www.tribalco.com/careers.html.

NOTICES

Not feeling well? Call 480-2223 to make an appointment for a COVID test, Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. If you are not feeling well, please wear a mask when you are around others in the community.

COVID TESTS. Get free at-home COVID-19 tests this winter. Every US household is eligible to order four free at-home COVID-19 tests. Need help placing an order for your at-home tests? Call 1-800-232-0233 (TTY 1-888-720-7489).

GLASS BEACH ACCESS LIMITED. Until April 15, access to the lower half of the beach is limited with the following restrictions. Contact Patrick Chauvey at 480-0129 with questions.

- The top crest of the beach area, to include all vegetation near the orange fence are off limits.
- Access to the beach only at the southwest end of the orange fence line; do not overstep the fence line.
- No large group/party gatherings are permitted. Visitors should pick up any trash before leaving the area.
- Report any violators of these safety orders to USAG-KA
- Avoid flight-operation hours and observe all applicable airfield-runway restrictions and safety rules.

RMI ENTRY REQUIREMENTS. Updated entry requirements for the RMI by air or seaport include the following requirements: Adults aged 18-years-old and up must have completed one primary COVID-19 vaccine series. Primary series: Johnson & Johnson single dose; Pfizer completed series (two doses); or Moderna completed series (two doses) Boosters are not currently mandated. There is no vaccination requirement for children under age 18.

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 480-2131 with any questions.

You can make a difference.

The Micronesian Handicraft Shop seeks volunteers to fill the following positions:



- Board Secretary
- Handicraft Buyer for Pohnpei, Kosrae and RMI products

For more information, contact Crockett at crockettdavies@hotmail.com.



Myths and Legends

George Seitz Elementary School Student Art Show

Tuesday, March 28

4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Studio 14, GSES

Join George Seitz Elementary School's K-6 art students for their spring art exhibition Tuesday, March 28, from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Room 14 Art Studio (located across the street from the Millican Family Pool). The art theme this year is "Myths and Legends." Thematic costumes are welcome. Fun to-go snacks provided. We hope to see you there!

ISLAND ORIENTATION and Newcomer's Briefings occur in the Religious Education Building, behind the Island Memorial Chapel. Email KWAJ_OSO_Ops@Vectrus.com or call 480-3511 to register.

ARMA. Log in to ArMa, the Army Maintenance Application, to report issues for all buildings maintained by the Department of Public Works. Contact Public Works at 480-3550.

ABSENCES, PCS'ING AND MAIL. Customers must notify the post office before leaving for 30 days or PCS'ing. Per DOD 4525.6-M, mail is only allowed to be held for 30 days with or without prior notice. Mail is considered unclaimed on day 321 and will be returned to the sender. Email the post office to authorize pick up for your mail and packages. When PCS'ing, provide a forwarding address. Contact James Smith with questions at 480-3461 and james.e.smith2295@army.mil.

COL'S INNOVATION CHALLENGE. Send 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 480-1098 or email USAG-KA Public Affairs Officer Mike Brantley, at james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil.

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

DON'T TAKE CULTURAL ARTIFACTS. 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. Do not remove these pieces of atoll history from Kwajalein. For questions contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 480-8867.

NOTIFY THE VET. Pet owners must notify Kwaj Vet Services before going on vacation. A pet sitter authorization form for treatment is required prior to departing the island. Reach Veterinary Services at 480-2017 Tuesday through Saturday from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

SMOKING SAFETY TIP FROM THE OFFICE OF FIRE PREVENTION.

- Fires have occurred while e-cigarettes were being used, the battery was being charged, or the device was being transported. Battery failures have led to small explosions. Never leave charging e-cigarettes unattended. E-cigarettes should be used with caution.
- Keep cigarettes, lighters, matches, and other smoking materials up high out of the reach of children, in a locked cabinet.
- Before you throw away butts and ashes, make sure they are completely out.
- Do not discard cigarettes in vegetation such as grass, bushes, potted plants, leaves, or other things that could ignite easily.
- E-cigarettes are considered by the Army to be in the same category as tobacco products and may not be utilized in any government building.
- Army Regulations provide guidance and enforcement as to where smoking is or is not permitted – No Smoking within 50-feet of any buildings Entrance, Exit or Air Intake.
- All unaccompanied personnel housing (UPH or BQ's) is designated as no smoking.

FIRE PREVENTION OFFICE BUILDING MANAGER EVACUATION COORDINATOR TRAINING. BM/EC Training is conducted every first and third Wednesday every month on Kwajalein and the second Wednesday of each month on Roi. Classes occur at the Kwajalein REB Bldg. and Roi Bldg. 8212. To attend BM/EC training, you must first contact Celal Kosak of the Kwajalein Fire Prevention Office first at 480-2137 or Hubert Tish at the Roi Fire Department at 480-6334.

PASSPORTS

Complete the passport application at 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.

Free passport photos are available. Contact Host Nation Activities at 480-2103 for more information.

PASSPORT FEES

Adult passport renewal: \$130
 Adult passport (first 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 the post office.

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.



Spring Break Activities at the Namo Weto Youth Center

Saturday, March 11

Johnny Appleseed Day
 Homemade Applesauce-Making
 3:15 p.m.

Sunday, March 12

Pi Day
 Contest at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 15

Bath Bomb-Making
 3 p.m.

Ping Pong Tournament – 4:45 p.m.

Thursday, March 16

Fluffy Slime-Making
 3 p.m.

Tie-Dye
 3:15 p.m.

Friday, March 17

Pool Tournament
 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 18 Spiderman Movie Marathon

4 p.m.

Sunday, March 19

Keystone Club LED Dodgeball
 3:15 p.m.

Trivia Marathon
 5 p.m.

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



MOVIES

Yuk Theater Kwajalein

Sat., Mar. 11
 "Toy Story 2" (PG) 90 min.

Sun., Mar. 12
 "Ticket To Paradise"
 (PG-13) 104 min.

Family Movie Night Under the Stars

Sat., March 12
 7:30 p.m. at Emon Beach
 "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish"
 (PG) 137 min.

Monday, March 13
 "The Outfit"
 (R) 145 min.

Saturday, March 18
 "Toy Story 3"
 (PG) 90 min.

Sunday, March 19
 "The Woman King"
 (PG-13) 135 min.

Monday, March 20
 "The Protege"
 (R) 129 min.

Saturday, March 25
 "Madagascar 3: Europe's Most
 Wanted"
 (PG) 90 min

Sunday, March 26
 "Till"
 (PG-13) 130 min.

Monday, March 27
 "The Batman"
 (PG-13) 106 min.

Adult Movie Night Under the Stars

Sat., March 19
 7:15 p.m. at the Adult Pool
 "Plane"
 (R) 107 min.

Movie Night With Dad

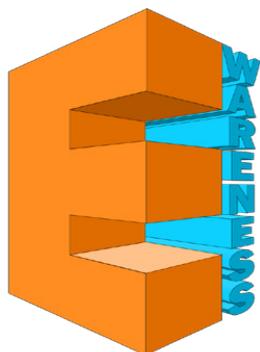
Saturday, April 1
 7:30 p.m.
 "Strange World"
 (PG) 102 min.

Tradewinds Theater Roi-Namur

Sat., Mar. 11
 "Holmes and Watson"
 (PG-13) 90 min.

Sun., Mar. 12
 "Ford VS Ferrari"
 (PG-13) 152 min.

Unless otherwise indicated, all movies begin at 7:30 p.m. Contact MWR at 480-3331 for more information. Show times may vary for special "Movies Under the Stars" events.



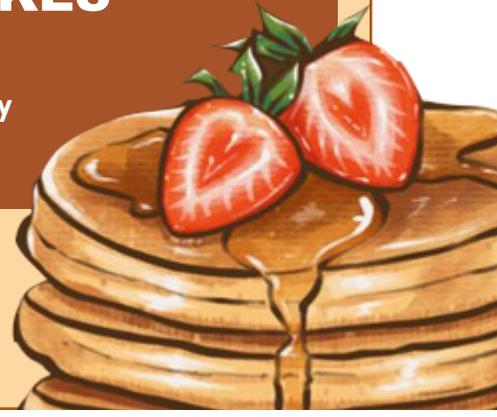
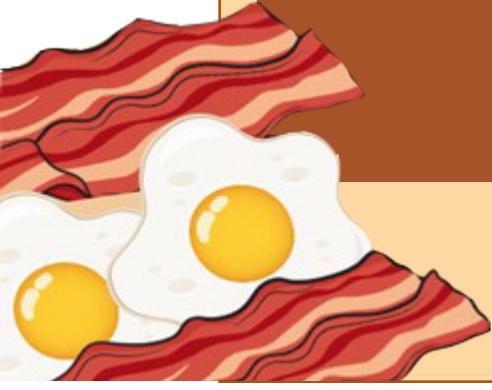
E-wareness: Compressed Gas Cylinders

Compressed gas cylinders may contain flammable, toxic or reactive gases. Each gas cylinder used, stored or discarded should be managed in a way that prevents a threat to human health or the environment. Compressed gas cylinders are sometimes washed ashore. Call 911 and report the location if you discover a gas cylinder on the shore or in the water.

Compressed Gas Cylinder ko remaron koman kijeek, baijin ak wor mejatoto ko rejjab eman. Jabdewot Gas Cylinder ko emoj aer jinoe jermal, me emoj kakwon i ak julaki aikuj in komman

ENJOY UNLIMITED PANCAKES

during Spring Brunch
hosted by the
Kwajalein High School National Honor Society
Monday, April 3 from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room



Adult plate: \$10
Child plate: \$6
*Includes two pieces of meat,
scrambled eggs and two beverages

IAKWE AOLEP!

The Marshallese Cultural Center

will be open
Monday, March 20
Noon - 3 p.m.

Across from the
Kwajalein Air Terminal
Visitors are welcome!

KWAJALEIN CYS T-BALL

Ages: 3-5 years old

Dates: March 23 - April 13

Times: Thursdays from 5-5:30 p.m.

Location: Teen Center Field

Enrollment dates: Mar. 7 - Mar. 18

Sign up at Central Registration!

Call 480-2158 for more information.



Namo Weto Youth Center



SPIDERMAN MOVIE MARATHON!

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



**SATURDAY
MARCH 18 4 P.M.**



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Department of the Army Police, Kwajalein Atoll

842 likes · 894 followers



We encourage all of you to follow us on Facebook. Our page provides information and strives to maintain an open dialogue. Please share ideas and concerns with us. Please keep in mind that our page should not be used to report any criminal activity. If you wish to file a report, you can always visit us at Bldg. #807 and request to speak with a Department of the Army Civilian Police Officer. Thank you!

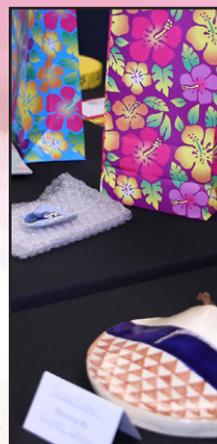
The Kwajalein Art Guild presents

THE 2023 SPRING CRAFT FAIR

March 27, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Kwajalein High School Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room

Registration is still open! Sign up now to sell your art. Registration packets are available at the Kwajalein Hobby Shop. Applications are due by March 20.



SPM

CONNECT TO PROTECT:
SUPPORT IS WITHIN REACH

WE'RE IN THIS TOGETHER

DO YOU WANT A
WEEKLY CHALLENGE?

VISIT WWW.ARMYRESILIENCE.ARMY.MIL

1 Call a battle buddy to go rock climbing. Scaling to the top is a great bonding experience.	2 Find a healthy recipe and cook with a Family member. It makes eating together even more enjoyable!	3 Gardening can be relaxing but requires some labor, ask a friend if they'd like to join the fun.	4 Take a break and get out for a hike or hit the gym. Physical activity can help clear your mind.	5 Text a fellow Soldier and go for a run to start the morning right! It's physically and mentally refreshing.	6 Bring a sibling to a yoga class. Together you can relax your body and your mind!	7 Call on your unit for a two-man buddy tennis match. Doing fun activities can help you feel energetic.
8 Focus on your self-care by meditating, practicing mindfulness, or praying for 15 minutes.	9 Go kayaking with a buddy. Teamwork will make your relationship stronger!	10 Sit down with your spouse and discuss budgeting. Financial readiness significantly reduces stress.	11 Gather your colleagues for a game of mini golf. A relaxing and fun way to connect with your team.	12 Is a Family member behaving differently? Pull them aside and have a chat.	13 Contact a Soldier and ask about their day. Let them know if you've had a rough day, it's a great conversation starter!	14 Take your spouse out for date night. Stay connected and keep the bond going strong.
15 If you see a new recruit struggling to blend in, take them out for coffee and get to know them. A strong team works together!	16 Get online and play a video game with a stranger. You never know how a new friendship forms but it's one more person to get together with.	17 Feeling blue? Go out to a music festival and meet new people with the same taste in songs!	18 Volunteer with a partner at a soup kitchen. Helping others is a very rewarding experience!	19 Reach out to a leader for safety tips on how to store firearms. Storing lethal means properly saves lives!	20 In need of spiritual guidance? Connect with your unit chaplain. They're there to listen to and guide you through any concerns or problems you may be experiencing.	21 Going on an adventure takes you out of the mundane daily grind.
22 If you're thinking about suicide, call: 988 for the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.	23 Sign up for coaching/counseling at https://www.militaryonesource.mil/	24 Find resources through the Army Suicide Prevention Program at https://www.armyresilience.army.mil/suicide-prevention/index.html .	25 If you're in crisis, visit www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help/chat to talk to caring professionals. Support is free, anonymous, and confidential.	26 Develop active listening skills. Schedule ACE-SI training through your local installation ASAP office or the SP2 Manager. https://go.usa.gov/xFv6n	27 Attend an ARD webinar with a friend to learn more about suicide prevention. https://connect.apan.org/rtby76iofpi/	28 Text 838255 for the Military Crisis Line if you or someone you know needs help immediately.
29 There are people out there with the same thoughts as you. Find a support group to connect. https://afsp.org/find-a-support-group/	30 Find out how to properly dispose of medication to reduce chances of accidental overdose. Search by zip code at https://go.usa.gov/xSN6R	 <p>30-DAY SPM CHALLENGE</p>				



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**It's everyone's problem.
Please lend a hand.**

Pollution and litter in and around the world's oceans poses a growing problem. Plastic waste and other discarded trash endangers wildlife, negatively affects natural habitats and ruins the natural world for all of us. Please remember to discard trash in the proper receptacles around Kwajalein.



UXO SAFETY REMINDER

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

Unexploded ordnance should be treated like dangerous sea creatures: Look, but do not touch.

You can play an important role in keeping Kwajalein safe by knowing what to do when you spot unexploded ordnance.

Remember the three R's of UXO:

- Recognize an item as possible unexploded ordnance;
- Retreat from the area of the UXO;
- Report suspected UXO immediately.

If you discover an object that could be UXO, notify Kwajalein Explosive Ordnance Disposal immediately by calling 480-1433. You can also call CPS at 480-4445. Provide the following information about what you found:

- Location. Note helpful details like the building number, GPS coordinates and any prominent landmarks

- Size of the UXO as compared to common items like a football or scuba air cylinder

For a detailed refresher on UXO safety, attend the new island orientation or call Kwajalein EOD at 480-1433.

Kemejmej R ko 3.

Recognize (kile) juon kwopej bajjok emaron Bokutan ak kein kabokkolok (UXO).

- Retreat (Jenliklik) bed ettolok im jab kepaak UXO eo.
- Report (Ripoot e) boktun ak kein kabokklok eo ien eo emokajtata non EOD ilo nomba kein (480-1433) ak CPS (480-4445).

Ken melele kein: Ia eo (nomba in ijo, GPS, kakolle in ijo, etc.); Jonan (jonan e ibben jet kain mweik - football, taan in turan, etc.).

Tiljek kon UXO kein einwot am koprok menin mour in lojet ko rekawotata. Kalimjek wot jab jibwe. Non bar kakemejmej eok, eokwe jout im koba lok ilo Island Orientation allon otemej.



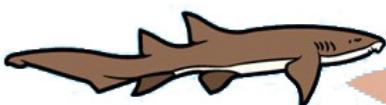
Enter your yard for the chance to win! The USAG-KA Yard of the Month program is for all residents of Kwajalein Army Family Housing. Each month, the Kwajalein Housing Office will choose three island quarters for consideration.

One lucky winner will take the prize and bragging rights for a month! Prizes could include a free MWR cart rental, pizza from the Sunrise Bakery, or a game of bowling.

For more information, contact Calvin Alexander at 480-9188, or write to calvin.r.alexander2.civ@army.mil.



Tune in to local live radio, 7 - 9 a.m., 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 4 - 6 p.m., on AFN 99.9 and 97.9.



HARBOR CLEAN UP DIVE

Monday, April 17 from 1 - 4 p.m. at the Kwajalein Small Boat Marina

We will be scuba diving and picking up trash in the marina in honor of Earth Day. There will be no boat traffic during the afternoon. To participate, divers must be present for the 1 p.m. safety briefing. On dive day, the first 50 divers to register will receive a free Kwajalein Scuba Club towel. For more information, contact Cliff Pryor at islecliff1@aol.com



NEVER FORGET
<https://kwajaleinmiaproject.us/>



CYS SPORTS INNER TUBE WATER POLO

(For youths in grades K-6)



At the Millican Family Pool

Enrollment: **March 14 - 25**

Season: **March 29 - April 22**

Sign up at Central Registration!
Call 480-2158 for more information.

\$45 Registration fee per child

*All children of a head coach play for **free**. The first child of the assistant coach plays for **free** with a discount for any additional children.*

USAG-KA WEATHER WATCH

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION:

A trough will develop north-west of Kwajalein Atoll this weekend and will help to initiate widely scattered showers late Saturday through Sunday.

This trough will aid in bringing deeper moisture throughout the atmospheric column, along with stronger surface convergence.

Some showers may be heavy at times on Sunday. The subtropical high will remain weak through the forecast period with east-northeasterly to east-southeasterly trade winds between 8-13 knots, with occasional higher gusts in and near showers.

The Intertropical Convergence Zone will slowly become more organized through the week with periods of enhanced shower activity, although the deepest convection appears to remain south and west of Kwajalein Atoll.

SATURDAY: Partly sunny with isolated showers increasing to widely scattered showers late. Winds will be ENE-ESE at 9-14. Occasional higher gusts, especially near showers.

SUNDAY: Partly to mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers. Winds will be ENE-ESE at 8-13 knots. Occasional higher gusts, especially near showers.

MONDAY: Partly sunny with isolated showers. Winds will be ESE at 8-13 knots. Occasional higher gusts, especially near showers.

NEXT WEEK: Partly to periods of mostly cloudy skies. Winds will be ENE-ESE between 8-13 knots. Tuesday into Wednesday are expected to also have isolated to widely scattered showers. Knots are forecast to slacken late in the week. Wednesday and Thursday are expected to be the windiest days.

SUN-MOON-TIDES

	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:58 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	10:46 p.m. 9:58 a.m.	6:38 a.m. 4.2' 6:46 p.m. 3.7'	12:27 a.m. -0.3' 12:48 p.m. 0.0'
MONDAY	6:57 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	11:40 p.m. 10:44 a.m.	7:09 a.m. 4.0' 7:17 p.m. 3.2'	12:52 a.m. -0.0' 1:25 p.m. 0.4'
TUESDAY	6:57 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	----- 11:34 a.m.	7:48 a.m. 3.6' 7:55 p.m. 2.6'	1:20 a.m. 0.4' 2:13 p.m. 0.8'
WEDNESDAY	6:56 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	12:39 a.m. 12:31 p.m.	8:47 a.m. 3.2' 9:19 p.m. 2.0'	1:55 a.m. 0.8' 3:47 p.m. 1.3'
THURSDAY	6:56 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	1:41 a.m. 1:32 p.m.	11:03 a.m. 2.9' -----	3:06 a.m. 1.3' 7:18 p.m. 1.1'
FRIDAY	6:55 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	2:43 a.m. 2:36 p.m.	1:28 a.m. 2.1' 1:22 p.m. 3.3'	6:31 a.m. 1.4' 8:24 p.m. 0.5'
MARCH 18	6:55 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	3:43 a.m. 3:39 p.m.	2:29 a.m. 2.7' 2:25 p.m. 4.0'	8:01 a.m. 0.8' 9:03 p.m. -0.0'



Work and play safely.

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

THIS WEEKEND!

BARGAIN BAZAAR DONATION PICK UP DATE

MONDAY, MARCH 13



For donation pick up, please email or call
Nellie Walter
nelliew25@hotmail.com, FB Message or call 480-0894

All donations benefit the YYWC Education Assistance Fund

Easter Bake Sale

Saturday, April 8, 4 - 6 p.m.

**across from AAFES
at the Micronesian Shop**



All proceeds benefit the YYWC's Education Assistance Fund to assist schools in the Marshall Islands and beyond

