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JESSICA DAMBRUCH



U.S. NAVY PHOTO

Crewmen from the USS Ronald Reagan, pictured here in this 2004 photo, have been receiving Kwajalein's soda shipments for approximately three months. Arrangements are developing to have the pallets of soft drinks rerouted to USAG-KA.

SOFT DRINK SITUATION: KWAJ SODAS SHIPPED TO SAILORS

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

U.S. Army officers prepare for the unexpected, but the call received by at Garrison Command headquarters last Thursday was more than a little unusual.

“This is the USS Ronald Reagan. Col. Pugsley, we believe we are in receipt of your soft drinks.”

In what could be the most unique shipment puzzle ever to impact the supply chain for U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll, USAG-KA Commander Col. Tom Pugsley learned that several pallets of soft drinks initially destined for Kwajalein had turned up at a different location: the USS Ronald Reagan.

Officers at each location discussed the situation following a conference call placed to a military grocery supplier to clarify their concerns.

“The USS Ronald Reagan and the Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Defense Test Site share a name in common, but that's all,” said a Reagan public affairs

supervisor. “After the first pallet appeared, we made inquiries.”

Developing plans will address the shipment and reroute future pallets of soft drinks back to USAG-KA.

“We knew there was something different going on when we discovered how much we were receiving,” they said. “This is one of those very obscure, very rare instances where a keystroke can change everything. It is most likely no more than the difference between APO and FPO, or AP and AE.”

Researching the shipping history has helped logistics personnel unravel the mystery of how the sodas got to their other destinations. It took approximately three months—during which time, Kwajalein’s supply of sodas has reduced through normal sales.

“It’s strange, right,” said Pugsley, this week. “On one hand, we’ve got mountains of soda piling up on a navy ship, and we are down to a select assortment of carbonated beverages on our shelves. Shortage aside, we are grateful the re-

sponsible party reached out and has made arrangements to get our goods back to us. We value that.”

On the Reagan, a significant portion of one large cargo bay typically reserved for all-hands meetings has become a holding area for Kwajalein’s missing soft drinks. Presently, there are 24 pallets of Coke and Pepsi products, respectively, in the cargo hold.

All of the drinks are present and accounted for, thanks to a 24-hour watch.

Community members on USAG-KA can purchase fountain soft drinks at the AAFES Food Court while supplies last.

“There is humor in this whole situation,” said one island resident late last week. “Kwajalein stores tend to run low on select beverages alcoholic beverages—especially around the holiday season. This is a little bit different, but it feels familiar. I’ve had mail sent to the Reagan before. Having your stuff wind up at a ‘different Reagan’ site is just one of those normal things about island life.”

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U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Kwajalein residents of all ages are riding bikes while wearing protective helmets. By June 1, all USAG-KA residents must abide by the new bike helmet safety rule—an update to the island's Army safety regulations.

BIKE HELMETS NOW REQUIRED FOR ALL ISLAND RESIDENTS

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

A recent change in Army regulations will require all island residents to wear bicycle helmets on their daily commutes—whether they are riding a bicycle or not. The change came down in a message on garrison social media last week.

Officers from the Department of the Army Civilian Police—known on the island as “The Kwajalein Police Department”—will be making regular patrols to ensure that the community abides by the new regulations.

Those who do not currently own bike helmets will have 90 days to self-purchase and ship their own personal safety equipment to USAG-KA. Helmets with built-in MP3 players or music devices are prohibited.

“We need everyone wearing bicycle helmets at all times—while walking, bicycling, and jogging,” said USAG-KA Safety Officer Aidan Noh, last week.



COURTESY PHOTO

A selection of bike helmets can be purchased now at Kwajalein's AAFES Exchange in the downtown area. Island residents are reminded that helmets should fit properly and also have a neck strap. Helmets which include built-in MP3 players or other music playing devices are prohibited.

INVOLUNTARY RECALL OF RETIRED U.S. ARMY OFFICERS FOR MWR SERVICE

EXTERNAL REPORT

Press Release by U.S. Army Office Of Personnel Management

The U.S. Army is contacting noncommissioned and retired Officers and Soldiers who would be willing to assist with Pre-K Morale, Welfare and Recreation Child and Youth Services should their skills and expertise be required. The unprecedented challenges posed by caring for young children require teamwork and perseverance.

That’s why we’re calling upon trusted professionals capable of adapting to overcome rapidly changing circumstances. You stepped up to answer the nation’s call to service. Now, that call may come again—as a challenge to assist our military dependents and Family Members. Separated personnel who remain qualified to serve in any of the following specialties are requested to muster at Fort Polk, Louisiana at 2500 HRS 12 April 2023. Specialties requested include the following: Project Manag-

er, 001A: Operations Manager, 567Y; Clerk,002B; Lego Wrangler, 022; Airplane Spoon Pilot, 247D; Baking Soda Volcano Handler, 422C; and Spills Clean-up Officer, 98R. This request is targeted at all specialties. If you are interested in rejoining the U.S. Army and were in a different specialty, please declare your interest. Please contact Human Resources Command, Reserve Personnel Management Directorate, at usarmy.polk.1234.hrc.mbx.gx-involuntary-recall@mail.mil or call 808-580-5555.



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

A housing refurbishment for Kwajalein's North Point Army Family Housing Area is planned for fiscal year 2025, according to an announcement released this week by the U.S. Army Department of Housing and Billeting.

REFURBISHMENT PLANNED FOR NORTH POINT HOUSING

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

The U.S. Army Department of Housing and Billeting, together with finance officials, announced the dissolution of a construction contract previously awarded for the planned 35 new Army Family Housing units, officials said. As a result, Kwajalein's North Point housing will receive a refurbishment beginning in fiscal year 2025.

"This represents a change of plans, with no penalty to the previous contract award recipient," reported a press release issued this week. "After reassessing our funding goals, it is believed this adjustment will more properly suit the operating environment on USAG Kwajalein."

Tentative plans to renovate the quarters were shared this week in a meeting with island tenant organization leadership.

"All housing units will receive new windows, bathtubs and fixtures, and receive fire safety and electrical certifications before new occupants are permitted to enter their quarters," said a USAG-KA housing representative. "We are excited for the opportunity to provide additional housing to the island's residents."

There are some rules about who will be permitted to reside in the refurbished quarters.



Some units will require occupants to use government issued dehumidifiers and to maintain a personal power generator.

North Point housing, also called "new housing" was completed in the late 1980s. Since the early 2000s, many of the units have been shuttered due to structural concerns. A limited number of the homes remain occupied by island residents and TDY employees.

For questions regarding the refurbishment, please contact the USAG-KA Housing Office. Private messages regarding the refurbishment may be placed through the official USAG-KA Facebook page.



Homes in Kwajalein's Army Family Housing, located at the island's North Point, in late February 2023.

NEW BACHELOR QUARTERS RESIDENTS TO PAY FOR MWR BIKE RACK PARKING

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

As part of a new island "this-is-not-a-fundraiser" initiative, incoming bachelor quarters residents will be required to pay \$10 per month to rent parking spaces in any of the island's new bike racks.

The decision follows an initial survey of community interest in new bike racks, conducted last week by US-AG-KA Morale, Welfare and Recreation personnel.

The pay-per-park will be an important source of income for MWR to fund future activities around US-AG-KA and Roi-Namur, said an FMWR spokesperson this week.

Sharing of parking spaces will be prohibited. It is additionally prohibited for BQ residents to park at Army Family Housing to avoid the new parking fees.

This rule shall only be ap-

plicable to residents of unaccompanied personnel housing, called bachelor quarters, or BQs, who arrive to work on Kwajalein after June 1. Residents of AFH will also not be impacted by this rule.

Upon receipt of their security badges and other essential identification, new island BQ residents will visit MWR to pay for their annual parking pass. After the first year, residents can opt to be billed electronically through the Kwajalein Finance Department.

Some island residents feel the plan to charge for bicycle parking is excessive.

"I have lived here for 25 years," said Ian Holmes, a Range Generation X technician, last week. "I have never, in all my life, had to pay to park my bicycle anywhere."

Assembly continues on the racks, which are being custom-built by MWR recreation specialists.



New BQ residents arriving after June 1 will pay to park at MWR's custom-built bike racks. The rule goes into affect June 1.

Island residents should be advised that beginning June 1—the projected date for all new bike racks to be installed—bicycle parking will not be permitted on grassy

areas surrounding bachelor quarters. As alternatives, residents are welcome to bring their bicycles indoors, or to simply enjoy their walk to work.

IMPORTATION LAW CHANGES TO IMPACT SURFWAY, SALAD BAR

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

The salad bar at the Zamperini Cafeteria will look a little different soon, due to a recent change in importation laws, said a Department of Agriculture spokesperson.

Beginning next week, international shipping regulations will require the U.S. Agricultural Endowment and other supply organizations to halt the importation of fruits and vegetables to Kwajalein Atoll which contain seeds.

"We will still be having grapes, watermelon and other fresh fruits and veggies available on the island at Surfway and the dining facilities," said Evan Krill, class one logistics coordinator.

"The reasoning for the change is simple: We need to be good stewards of our local environment. We feel that opting for seedless items is the safest, most appropriate strategy to avoid the unintentional propagation of invasive species."

The change means myriad things for island life. Already, residents have reported placing more orders for "powdered greens" to blend



A Thanksgiving fruit basket featured at the Capt. Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility in November 2022 may not be on the menu this year due to a change in RMI shipping and importation laws.

in protein shakes. Dining facility patrons can count on having their-literally-last serving of standard veggies on June 1.

Once the change is placed into effect, the following items will no longer be available for consumption or sale: apples; bean sprouts and bananas; cantaloupe, dragonfruit, eggplant, figs; grapes,

guava, and grapefruit; habanero peppers, Italian sweet peppers, jackfruit, kiwis, lemons, most melons, nectarines, oranges, pears, kumquats, red potatoes, starfruit, tomatoes, ugli, velvet tamarind, watermelon, xigua, yellow squash and zucchini.

One good feature is that Brussels sprouts will also not be featured on the menu.

"It's not because they have seeds," said a spokesperson. "We honestly just don't like them. This is our chance to finally remove them from the rotation of veggies."

For questions about the change in menu, call the Commander's Hotline at 480-1098.



ROI "SUPER GECKO" NOT DANGEROUS, SAYS ENVIRONMENTAL COMMAND

 COURTESY PHOTO

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

For years, while others have taken lunch inside Cafe Roi, longtime Roi-Namur resident Bruce Prelude has eaten his lunch outside to enjoy a meal in the fresh air.

"After hours working inside secure facilities, I need sunshine," Prelude said.

Of course, like any good outdoor meal on Kwajalein, it wasn't long before he'd have visitors. It became his habit to toss errant pastry and sandwich crumbs into the grass, making his lunch spot a popular hangout.

Roi sustains a small but hardy population of feral pullets, plovers, white terns and common brown finches. Some migrate to the nearby range mitigation island, to hunt and nest. Others, like the feral chickens, stick around to see what Prelude has for lunch.

Prelude enjoys their company.

"We're Roi Rats," he said, using the longtime nickname for Roi community members. "We're tough. There's not a lot to go around, so we take care of each other. I've seen a lot of people come and go, but these birds hang on."

Three weeks ago, the chickens stopped their lunchtime visits. Coworkers also began to notice the absence of the popular poultry. Soon, no one on island could seem to locate any of the wild fowl, and fewer white terns appeared to be nesting around the island.

Prelude discussed his surprise on a golf cart ride around the island in mid-March.

"At first, I thought maybe it was cats, or like in that movie, 'Chicken Run,' where the birds find a new home island," Prelude said. "I never saw a single cat. Then again, it wouldn't make sense to leave a good spot that had food, to boot. I figured something was messing with them. I got mad about it for a while."

He stopped the cart near the remains of a Japanese blockhouse. Buildings and grounds crews had recently mowed. At the untrimmed edges of the field, the remains of at least two wild birds lay in a shaft of sunlight.

"When the birds go missing, something is out of whack," he said.

The concrete blockhouse is marked off-limits to human entry, and capricious ne'er do wells are further deterred by a safety fence. It is an imposing structure, dangerous and untended: a perfect hideout for a chicken thief.

Something orange and brown clambered past the doorway, skittering across dead leaves and detritus, retreating into the shade. A hooting growl, half-bark, half chirp, sounded from the shade.

Prelude has seen plenty of large mice and rats in the undergrowth on Roi.

"Those don't move that slow," Prelude said. "This thing has been in there lurching around for at least two weeks. It's got a lot of nerve."

The answer from USAG-KA Environmental the following week came as a surprise for the Roi community. USAG-KA Command hosted a special town hall for all residents and Roi employees to share their initial findings.

Roi-specifically the blockhouse—is currently the domicile for what could be the largest gecko in recorded history.

Visiting herpetologists from U.S. Army Installation Environmental Command - Pacific performed an initial observation during a routine environmental assessment March 12-18.

At the town hall, they estimated that the gecko is eight feet in length, orange-brown in color, and appears to enjoy chicken. A sample of large scat deposits recovered around the bunker have been sent to a Honolulu lab for analysis. It is hoped the results will shed a bit more life on the shadowy new

Roi resident.

"Let us assure you that we are confident that this gecko is not an invasive species, a komodo dragon or anything other than a natural aberration," said Amanda Yewll, lead herpetologist, USAIEC-P, at the town hall. "We believe this is the only one of its kind and would advise all of you to exercise caution."

Feelings about the discovery are mixed within the Roi community.

"Get it out of here, and put it in a zoo" Prelude said, at the town hall. "The birds here really have no natural predators. It won't stop at chickens."

Others questioned Yewll about what factors could have brought about a lizard of such size.

"Kwajalein is unique in that the climate is perpetually temperate," Yewll said. "So near the equator, one might not expect an indigenous species to mutate or change so unexpectedly. However, with global warming exacerbating survival conditions for many natural habitats, it's a safe assumption that we may see another of these large geckoes."

It is not believed the gecko will pose a danger to humans. However, space-available travel to Roi is suspended until further notice out of an abundance of caution. Island residents are advised to travel with a buddy when out of doors, and to report any sightings of the large lizard to safety and law enforcement authorities.

USAG-KA Command issued the following detailed statement about the issue on garrison social media last week to inform the community about the seriousness of the issue: "Attention Roi Residents: Be careful."

As for Prelude, he's eating lunch near the blockhouse in a rented MWR golf cart. He wants to deter birds from the area.

"I'll do what I can for my buddies with wings," he said. "It's not easy. Some days, chickens; some days, feathers."

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USAG-KA Commander
Col. Tom Pugsley

Flight Demonstration

The Blue Angels

Guest Performers

Mon La Mike Band
The Saggy G's
Ebadon Tot
Pure Aloha
Rebel Souljahz
U.S. Pacific Fleet Concert
Band
David Hasselhoff
Cathryn Lovett
Darius Rucker
Yastaman
Allena's Angels
USO Band of the Pacific

Vessel Visits

USAV Great Bridge
USS Lafayette
USS Mercy

Presentations

"The Army of 2030"

U.S. Army Space &
Missile Defense Command

"Space 'Rangers': Engineering and The Future"

U.S. Army Technical Center
and Range Generation Next

"Naval Supremacy & Our Boys In Battle: Operation Flintlock Logistics"

Dr. Douglas Hepler

"Embattlements & Airplanes"

Bill Remick, Kwajalein Historian

"Discussion For Parents"

U.S. Army Agana
Guam Recruiting Station
**Guest lectures at Kwajalein
High School, Ebeye Public
School*

"The Undiscovered Country"

Military Sealift Command

RTS & The Apollo Missions

Presentation by Massachu-
setts Institute of Technology,
Lincoln Laboratory

**Select performances for Ebeye, Enniburr, Kwajalein and Roi-Namur. Event Schedule additions and event changes will be announced on the AFN Roller Channel*

MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS DOUBLE FEATURE



Enjoy back-to-back movies during the USAG-KA Air Show! "Top Gun" (PG, 110 min.) and "Top Gun: Maverick" (PG-13, 131 min.) at Emon Beach will air June 3 beginning at 7 p.m. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy MWR food and beverage sales.

Happy April Fools' Day

**We now return you
to Kwaj.**



RUSTMAN

MONDAY, APRIL 24
Emon Beach
Event Starts at 4 p.m.
Preregistration is required.

Grab a registration packet from the downtown minimal bulletin boards to sign up for Kwajalein's historic triathlon, comprised of a 1-km swim, 42-km bike and 10-km running segment.

For more information and to submit registration packets, contact Bob & Jane Sholar at Qtrs. 473-A, and call 480-1815.

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THE CLASSIFIEDS

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



EOD OPERATIONS

Friday, April. 21, 2023 UXO Disposal Site Kwajalein

Kwajalein EOD will be conducting operations at UXO Disposal Site Kwajalein 9:15 – 10:30 a.m. The area indicated in the map will be off-limits until the operation is complete.

ACTIVITIES: WHAT'S GOING ON

KWAJALEIN CYS T-BALL. Registration is open now for the upcoming spring season, through April 13. Registration is open for kids aged 3 to years. Sessions meet Thursdays from 5 - 5:30 p.m. at the Namo Weto Youth Center Field. For more information, call 480-2158.

AIRFIELD DRIVERS TRAINING CLASS. April 5, 9:30 a.m. in the REB. Have your supervisor contact Airfield Management with justification for registration. Contact jonathan.assaid@wsp.com or kenneth.crawford@wsp.com. Class size is limited. Registration closes April 4.

CYS INNER TUBE WATER POLO is open to CYS-enrolled students in grades K-6 at the Millican Family Pool. Registration is \$45 and runs now through March 25. The season runs from March 29 - April 22.

EASTER EGG HUNT. Saturday, April 8. Brandon Softball Field. Bring your own baskets and cameras for pictures with the Easter Bunny. Candy, toys, and special prizes will be available for the hunters. Egg hunts begin at 5:30 p.m. Peter Cottontail photos are from 5 - 6 p.m. Bounce house, slip-n-slide and games will take place from 6 - 8 p.m.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS. April 8 at 7:30 p.m. at Brandon Field. "Big Trip 2: Special Delivery." (PG)

ADULT MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS. April 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Ocean View Club. "You People."

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.

MOVIES

Yuk Theater Kwajalein	Tradewinds Theater Roi-Namur
Movie Night With Dad Saturday, April 1 7:30 p.m. "Strange World" (PG) 102 min.	Saturday, 1 April "The Unholy" (PG-13) 117 min.
Sunday, April 2 "Black Panther: Wakanda Forever" (PG-13) 161 min.	Sunday, 2 April "Pet Semetary" (R) 133 min.
Monday, April 3 "Violent Night" (R) 112 min.	Saturday, 8 April "The Hustle" (PG-13) 90 min.
Saturday, April 8 "Puss In Boots: The Last Wish" (PG) 100 min.	Sunday, 9 April "Rampage" (PG-13) 112 min.
Sunday, April 9 "Whitney Houston: Wanna Dance With Somebody" (PG) 110 min.	Saturday, 15 April "Blinded By the Light" (PG-13) 127 min
Monday, April 10 "Babylon" (R) 189 min.	Sunday, 16 April "The Rhythm Section" (R) 96 min.
Saturday, April 15 "UP" (PG) 96 min.	Saturday, 22 April "Ad Astra" (PG-13) 90 min.
Sunday, April 16 "Venom: Let There Be Carnage" (PG-13) 97 min.	Sunday, 23 April "The Turning" (PG-13) 112 min.
Monday, April 16 "A Man Called Otto" (PG - 13) 126 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.
Saturday, April 22 "Hidden Figures" (PG) 127 min.	
Sunday, April 23 "Devotion" (PG-13) 149 min.	
Monday, April 24 "Bad Teacher" (R) 92 min.	

WATER WARS. Wednesday, April 26, 5 – 7:30 p.m. at the Millican Family Pool. Toddlers through 6th grade boys are invited to bring a chaperone to this event. Hot dogs and juice will be provided. Bring a side dish to share. Free squirt guns while supplies last.

MEMORIAL DAY EMON BEACH BASH. Monday, May 29. Enjoy bounce houses, water slides, games and food and beverage sales from 5 - 6 p.m. If you would like to perform in this year's edition of Kwajalein Idol, please contact MWR at 480-3331. Karaoke, acapella and special arrangements can be accommodated.

CAC OFFICE

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. CAC Office Hours, Bldg. 835, are Tuesday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.; (Lunch: noon - 1 p.m.); Sat. 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. 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.**** For the latest update on your flights on United, ATI or Air Marshall Islands:

ATI: 480-2169

AMI: 480-3469

United: 480-4852 or 1-800-UNITED1

Air Terminal Services: 480-2660

Flight Information Recording: 480-3589

UA April – June
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 reside on USAG-KA and possess a valid passport. For information and a list of required qualifications, visit https://akima.taleo.net/careersection/akimallc_cs/jobsearch.ftl. Apply online or send resume to Jeannette Mcllwain at jeannette.mcllwain@akima.com.

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.



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

**Sgt. 1st Class Effie Banks
SHARP Victim Advocate**

Work: 480-0660 or 480-1419

**USAG-KA SHARP Pager:
808-580-3241**

DOD SAFE Helpline: 877-995-5247

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 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/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.

YOGA FOR EDUCATION!

6:30 a.m.
Monday, April 24
at the REB

Join us for one hour of sunrise Ashtanga yoga, followed by a continental breakfast.

Please bring your own yoga mat.
Space is limited- register today!
Contact Amber at ambermbates@gmail.com for information and event details.

A circular logo for the Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club. It features a palm tree in the center, with a rising sun behind it. The text "YOKWE YUK WELCOME CLUB" is at the top, "EST. 1961" is below it, and "IAKWE AOLEP" is at the bottom.

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.

STOP FOR AIRCRAFT
Stop and look both ways for aircraft traffic on Zeus Blvd. or Ocean Rd.



Stop at designated areas

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

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.

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 taking 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.

POST OFFICE. 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 31 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.

SAFETY TIP FROM THE OFFICE OF FIRE PREVENTION: PARKING NEAR FIRE PROTECTION DEVICES.

- Never park or chain a bike to red painted fire protection piping.
- Do not park in front of a fire hydrant.

If an emergency or disaster occurred, would you and your family be notified?

- 1) Visit the USAG-KA Emergency Management webpage at <https://home.army.mil/kwajalein/index.php/my-fort/EM>
- 2) Click on "Mass Notification"
- 3) Follow the registration instructions.

Don't wait. Connect to the information flow.

- Do not block facility EXITS with bikes or vehicles.
- Do not store items within 3 feet of fire sprinkler systems.
- Combustible storage is prohibited in electrical mechanical rooms.
- Do not store bikes or other items underneath inside stairwells.

FIRE PREVENTION OFFICE BUILDING MANAGER EVACUATION COORDINATOR TRAINING. BM/EC Training is conducted first and third Wednesdays on Kwajalein (REB Bldg.) and the second Wednesdays on Roi (Bldg. 8212). To register, 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 not be older than 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.

NOT ALLOWED ON USAG-KA: bow and arrow, air guns, paint ball and other projectile weapons.

ENJOY UNLIMITED PANCAKES

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

hosted by the Kwajalein High School National Honor Society

* Includes two pieces of meat, scrambled eggs and two beverages

For event details, contact KHS at 470-2011

Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club

Easter Bake Sale

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

across from AAFES

at the Micronesian Shop

VEGETATION. Per USAG-KA Regulation 420-1, vegetation may not be planted in the ground without approved permits. Residents may be asked to remove items if planted without approval. Do not place sprouted coconuts in your yard.

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.

PULL OVER. All vehicle operators must yield to right of way to emergency vehicles that sound their sirens.

BOJRAK. Aolep driver ko an wa ko rej aikuj bojrak im kotlok iial eo nan waan Emergency ko rej kojan jilel in wa ko waer.

Notes on the Community Exchange Program from the Provost Marshal Office

- One sponsor can have five guests.
- If you want to sponsor 10 guests, you need a second sponsor (same form can be used).
- Although Community Exchange requests need to be submitted 48 hours in advance, we are asking the community to submit the forms earlier, if possible, for processing.
- Sponsors are responsible for their guests at all times while on USAG-KA.

USAG-KA
OFFICE OF THE PROVOST MARSHAL
Community Exchange Program
Request Form

SPONSOR NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)	ID NUMBER (C.I.D. or TID)	COUNTRY ORIGIN/DATE OF BIRTH	ADDRESS/PO/PHONE

In accordance with USAG-KA Regulation 10-10, Section 5.1/We request the following individual(s) be authorized to visit USAG-KA for the purpose of _____ during the time period _____ on the _____ day of _____ during the time period _____ AM / PM till _____ AM / PM.

THIS PROGRAM IS FOR WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS, AND COUNTRY SPONSORING EVENTS ONLY.

VISITOR PERSONAL DATA - MAXIMUM 10 GUESTS PER SPONSOR/A TOTAL OF USAG-KA				
GUEST NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)	AGE	Citizenship Nationality	AGE	Citizenship Nationality
	30-40		30-40	
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	30-40		30-40	
	30-40		30-40	

Sponsors are responsible for personally signing in and out their guests at CDC, the conduct of their guests, and ensuring that they depart USAG-KA at the appointed time. I understand and accept responsibility for the conduct of the above named guest(s).

Sponsor's Signed Name _____ Date _____

Sponsor's Signed Name _____ Date _____

Sponsor's Signature _____ Date _____

Sponsor's Signature _____ Date _____

Approved _____ Disapproved _____

Signature of Approving/Disapproving Authority _____ Date _____

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SPRING BREAK MUSIC FEST

Sunday, April 2
3 p.m. at the
Kwajalein Yacht Club
and Camp Hamilton



**Check out fun activities and
enjoy live music!**

Fish Tacos
by the Kwajalein Atoll
Sportfishing Club

Microbrew Garden

Chili Cookoff & Pie-In-The-Face
by Kwajalein's Senior and
Ambassador Girl Scouts

Live Music

2:30 p.m.
Aguster Kabua, Pam Sakaio,
Layleen Sakai, Kajum Lome &
Layleen,
Veremine, Miyolina & Alice

3 p.m.
The Mitchell Sisters

3:05 p.m.
Michael & Love Diaz

3:45 p.m.
Jack Pyne

4:20 p.m.
"Saggy Gs"

5 p.m.
"More Than A Phelon"

5:30 p.m.
Teela Biehn

5:45 p.m.
Arianna Dela Cruz

6 p.m.
Kakinono

6:30 p.m.
Pure Aloha

7:30 p.m.
Matthew Davis

8 p.m.
Kendal

8:15 p.m.
"Un-Named" (Phelon Crew)

8:45 p.m.
"Saggy Gs"

Tie-Dye Fun With the KHS Sophomore Class
during the Spring Break Music Festival
April 2, 2-5 p.m. at the Kwajalein Yacht Club



TWO GREAT TASTES

BREAKFAST SPECIAL

AT THE CAPT. LOUIS S. ZAMPERINI DFAC

Enjoy Fried Chicken and Waffles with Assorted Toppings (while supplies last)
Sundays during breakfast, 7 - 9:30 a.m. Families welcome! *Regular meal rates apply.



Calling All Hands!! Help gather food/water for the families of Ebado!





- **(Why)** The community of Ebado has and continues to experience droughts, low water supply, and food shortages. They need our help immediately!
- **(What)** Requesting water, canned, dry, and transportable food stuffs, other donations such as hygiene kits, soaps, medical supplies will be accepted and delivered.
- **(When)** Deadline of **April 6**, donations can be dropped off at the local RMI office, downtown Kwaj, or picked up by calling **480-1824/0133**.

Ebado Easter Food Drive!

Water donations will be delivered ASAP

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KWAJALEIN ATOLL
SCALE 1:1,000,000



****This activity is not sponsored by USAG-KA.**

Let's have some FUN at Namo Weto Youth Center!



Saturday, April 29 6 P.M.

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



POTLUCK!



SLIDESHOW!



SUPERLATIVES!



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



Christian Women's Fellowship - CWF
Sunday, April 2. Meets after the 11 a.m. service!

Bring a friend & join us in the REB for a light lunch and fellowship. This will be the last meeting of the year.

2023 Easter Services

Catholic Services

Sun., Apr. 2; 9:15 a.m. - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Thu., Apr. 6; 6 p.m. - Holy Thursday
Fri., Apr. 7; 6 p.m. - Friday of the Passion of the Lord
Sat., Apr. 8; 8 p.m. - Easter Vigil
Sun., Apr. 9; 9:15 a.m. - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Protestant Services

Sun., Apr. 2; 8:15 & 11 a.m. - Palm Sunday Services
Fri., Apr. 7; 7 p.m. REB - Good Friday Service
Sun., Apr. 9; 6:30 a.m. - **Easter Sunrise Service** at the Emon Main Pavilion with bunch to follow. Everyone is Welcome!
Sun., Apr. 9; 11 a.m. - Contemporary Easter Service



NIGHT OF PRAYER & PRAISE

7 p.m.
in the Large Chapel

*Saturday,
April 1*



TIPS FROM THE KWAJALEIN FURNITURE WAREHOUSE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Furniture Warehouse is located in Building 1789. The warehouse is open Tuesday through Saturday from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. It is closed Sundays, Mondays, and US-AG-KA holidays.

The Furniture Warehouse is a hardhat area due to structural issues. To enter the warehouse, everyone must wear PPE—a vest and hardhat.

For safety reasons, only two visitors authorized in-

side at a time.

Please do not place government furniture in hallways or outside your quarters.

Property with labels ending in SAQKWAJ is only allowed in BQs

Property with labels ending in SAFKWAJ, is only allowed in Army Family Housing

Thank you for your patience and cooperation. Please contact Robert H. Kent at 480-3652 or email robert.kent@vectrus.com for assistance.



DART BATTLE

Saturday, April 8

Multipurpose Room



Ages: 5 - 8
5 - 6 P.M.

Ages: 9 - 12
6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Ages: 13 - 18+
8 - 9 P.M.

unlimited rounds during session

All proceeds will go towards Keystone Club's future endeavors

Signed parent/guardian permission form required

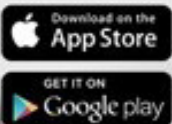
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UXO SAFETY REMINDER

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 kabokkolok eo ien eo emokajata 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 jouj im koba lok ilo Island Orientation allon otemjej.



Call the Command.

If you have questions or comments for USAG-KA Command, call the Commander's Hotline at 480-1098.



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.

EASTER EGG HUNT

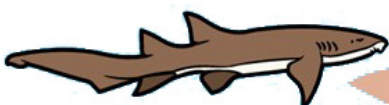
Saturday, April 8



Brandon Softball Field
Bring your own baskets, and cameras for pictures with the Easter Bunny!

Candy, toys and special prizes for the hunters!
Egg Hunts begin at 5:30 p.m.

Peter Cottontail photos from 5 - 6 p.m.
Bounce House, Slip-N-Slide, and games 6 - 8 p.m.



KWAJALEIN SCUBA CLUB



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

Kwajalein



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<https://kwajaleinmiaproject.us/>



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SAFE

BETTER SAFE
THAN SORRY.

HOBBIES SHOULDN'T
COMPROMISE OPSEC.

Visitors and residents on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll must abide by applicable physical security regulations for island photography. Please contact an island security representative for more information about how you can do your part to take great pictures while supporting the mission of the U.S. Army.



	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:47 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	3:59 p.m. 4:01 a.m.	2:59 a.m. 2.9' 2:56 p.m. 3.7'	8:44 a.m. 0.8' 9:16 p.m. 0.2'
MONDAY	6:46 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	4:46 p.m. 4:41 a.m.	3:18 a.m. 3.4' 3:21 p.m. 4.0'	9:11 a.m. 0.4' 9:36 p.m. -0.1'
TUESDAY	6:46 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	5:31 p.m. 5:20 a.m.	3:39 a.m. 3.8' 3:46 p.m. 4.3'	9:37 a.m. 0.0' 9:58 p.m. -0.3'
WEDNESDAY	6:45 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	6:16 p.m. 5:57 a.m.	4:02 a.m. 4.2' 4:11 p.m. 4.5'	10:04 a.m. -0.3' 10:20 p.m. -0.5'
THURSDAY	6:45 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	7:02 p.m. 6:35 a.m.	4:26 a.m. 4.5' 4:37 p.m. 4.5'	10:31 a.m. -0.5' 10:43 p.m. -0.6'
FRIDAY	6:44 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	7:50 p.m. 7:14 a.m.	4:52 a.m. 4.7' 5:03 p.m. 4.4'	11:00 a.m. -0.5' 11:07 p.m. -0.6'
APRIL 8	6:44 a.m. 6:59 p.m.	8:41 p.m. 7:56 a.m.	5:18 a.m. 4.7' 5:31 p.m. 4.2'	11:30 a.m. -0.5' 11:32 p.m. -0.4'

WEATHER WATCH

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION:

Active weather conditions are expected for tomorrow thanks to an active Inter-tropical Convergence Zone, however, increasingly laminar surface flow and a slowly strengthening subtropical ridge is expected to cause shower activity to taper for Saturday night and into the weekend.

Generally, thunderstorms are expected to be limited in coverage, as the environment is too warm and instability too marginal for them to develop consistently.

Thunderstorms will have to rely on opportunistic flow interactions to develop but may be able to sustain themselves for a few hours if a favorable flow regime develops. Expect thunderstorm chances to diminish quickly once the ITCZ weakens on Saturday night.

Winds are expected to re-

main generally light through the weekend, with shower generated strong winds not expected to be a substantial threat.

SATURDAY:

Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms. Winds NE-E at 6-11 knots with occasional higher gusts, especially near showers.

SUNDAY:

Partly sunny with isolated showers. Winds NE-E at 8-13 knots with occasional higher gusts, especially near showers.

MONDAY:

Partly sunny with isolated showers. Winds NE-E at 9-14 knots with occasional higher gusts, especially near showers.

NEXT WEEK:

Generally dry conditions with gradually increasing winds are expected, peaking around 16-21 knots around midweek, as the subtropical ridge slowly redevelops.



Join the Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club Executive Board

The following positions
are open for the
2023 – 2024
membership year

Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary
Event Chair
Mic Shop Chair
Membership Chair
Education Assistance
Chair

For more information or to register for a position, please email Amber Bates at ambermbates@gmail.com or reach out through Facebook messenger.