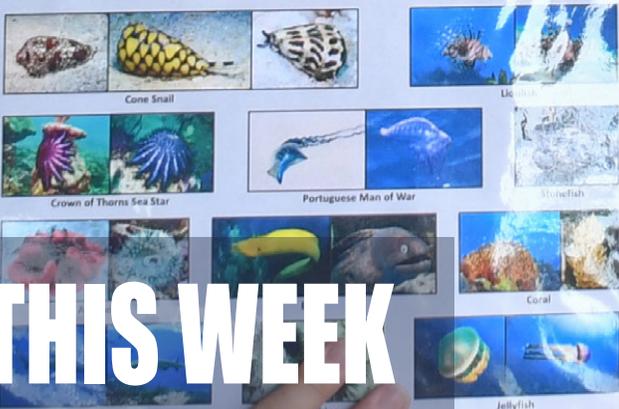


# THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

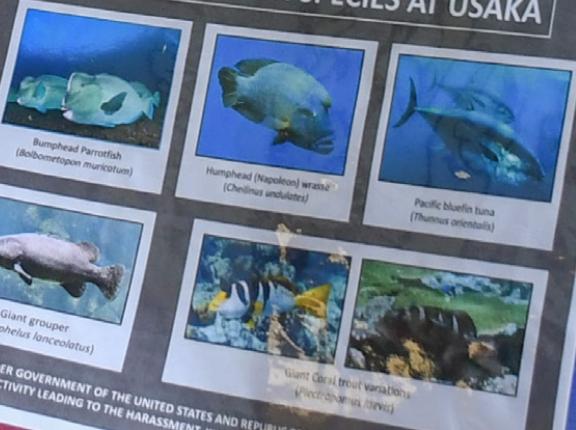


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ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY & HEALTH ENGINEER CHARLIE GILLES, LEFT, AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER AARON BROWNWELL HOLD UP EDUCATIONAL PAMPHLETS ABOUT MARINE WILDLIFE SAFETY AT THE USAG-KA HEALTH AND WELLNESS FAIR AUG. 12.

JESSICA DAMBRUCH



*Can you guess which island is featured here? Join in the Team Kwaj "Name That Island" challenge. We'll reveal the name of the island in an upcoming Kwajalein Hourglass.*

# NAME THAT ISLAND

## HOURLASS REPORT

A few eagle-eyed readers noticed something odd with the July 22 Kwajalein Hourglass cover photo.

The shot featured a beautiful Pacific island chain, as viewed from the International Space Station's cupola window.

It is a great photo—it just wasn't the Marshall Islands.

"Whoops," said Col. Drew Morgan, USAG-KA commander. "Looks like there was a little space photo mix-up! I'm glad some of our geography buffs caught the mistake so we can share the correct picture of our beloved Pacific island home as soon as possible."

The mix-up also gave Morgan an idea. During his time in space, Morgan and his crewmates snapped thousands of pictures of small islands and atolls in the Pacific, often not knowing the name or exact location of the places they passed 250 miles overhead.

"Several Hourglass readers point-

ed out the error and showed impressive island identification skills," Morgan said. "Well, let's put those skills to the test."

The next several editions of The Kwajalein Hourglass will include a challenging "Name That Island" segment, consisting of an unlabeled photo of a Pacific island, atoll, or island chain taken from the International Space Station by Morgan and his other astronaut friends.

Readers will have one week to identify the location before the answer is revealed in the next edition of the Hourglass.

The U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Facebook page will also post the mystery photo for easier reader comparison with Google Earth imagery.

"I love geography trivia, and I look forward to participating in this challenge with you," said Morgan. "TEAM KWAJ—ONE TEAM!"



## Last Week's Image: Roi-Namur

*The aerial photograph on the cover of last week's Kwajalein Hourglass is of Roi-Namur. Watch for new Name That Island challenge images from U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. Drew Morgan.*

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FROM LEFT: Republic of the Marshall Islands Culture and Internal Affairs Minister Kitlang Kabua, Irojlaplap and Kwajalein Atoll Sen. Michael Kabua, U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. Drew Morgan, RMI President David Kabua, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Richard Anjain, Nitijela Speaker Kenneth Kedi, and Sgt. Maj. Lymman "Beta" Langijota, 25th Infantry Division.

## RMI PRESIDENT ADDRESSES THE WAY FORWARD AT AUGUST NITIJELA

### COMMUNITY CONNECTION

By Mike Sakaio, USAG-KA RMI Relations Specialist

USAG-KA Commander Col. Andrew Morgan joined U.S. Embassy officials at the opening of the fall session of the Nitijela, the legislative body for the Republic of the Marshall Islands, in Majuro on Aug. 7. The open session was highlighted by remarks delivered by RMI President David Kabua.

In his remarks, Kabua addressed the gathering of senators, special guests and traditional leaders, and provided updates on the state of large national projects and plans in development.

Kabua informed the public that this sitting of the Nitijela would be the last session before the national elections take place in November 2023. He also added that this would be the end of his administration (before the national elections).

He spoke of the challenges and accomplishments that his administration underwent, to include the COVID-19 pandemic, thanking the United States, Taiwan, other partner nations and RMI ministries, such as the Ministry of Health and Human Services and the Ministry of Justice, for their work and assistance throughout COVID-19. He spoke of the economic challenges facing the nation, specifically with the increase in cost of goods and fuel, alluding to the conflict in Ukraine as a likely cause.

Kabua noted that Majuro is presently the busiest and biggest offloading port in the world with regard to tuna transshipment. Associated with this is Walmart's visit to the RMI to negotiate possible future shipments of tuna to this major retailer. Kabua spoke favorably of the copra industry, which continues to



U.S. EMBASSY MAJURO PHOTO

FROM LEFT: Maj. Daekwang Choi, USAG-KA Director of Host Nation Activities and RMI President David Kabua commemorate the fall Nitijela with a photo.

flourish, adding that a new copra storage warehouse will be built on Gugeegu Islet on Kwajalein Atoll.

He shared that much work is still needed in the RMI to improve education, maritime infrastructure, airports, climate change and standard of living.

Kabua highlighted on-going negotiations for the Compact of Free Association, adding that his administration is ready to move forward with adopting the new Compact based on the memorandum of understanding that was signed by U.S and RMI in January 2023. He noted that there are still some outstanding

issues that the RMI would work with the U.S on in the future.

Overall, Kabua complimented the content of the MOU, which will provide \$2.3 billion over a period of 20 years. He also highlighted the continuation of U.S. support in the areas of postal service, weather forecasting, disaster response and education, he highlighted the return of the Head Start program, among others.

In the future, Marshallese Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces will be able to have access to Veterans Affairs programs, Kabua said.

# EBEYE BASKETBALL CLINIC BRIDGES U.S. - RMI RELATIONS

BY MIKE BRANTLEY / USAG-KA PUBLIC AFFAIRS

It was a Wynn-Wynn situation as sisters Jordan and Hannah created a basketball clinic for the children of Ebeye while visiting their parents, Chuck and Susan Wynn on Kwajalein during summer break.

The clinic taught boys and girls the importance of basketball not only as a sport but how it can help them in their day-to-day lives and their future.

**Why did you decide to run a hoop clinic on Ebeye?**

**Jordan:** I love basketball. Our Mom was a coach. If I was stressed out in college, I would go play basketball.

It was my stress relief; it was something that brought me joy. I have so much fun playing and so much fun teaching people to play basketball, what better way to bring people together than through sports?

**Hannah:** We heard how much the Marshallese also love to play basketball and my school had a lot of resources to help.

Our team gets new shoes every year so that means by your senior year you have at least four pairs of basketball shoes. I'm never probably going to play competitively again so I figured instead of trashing them at the end of the year, there was a much better solution to bring them along with extra balls out here.

The donations from the school (Denison University in Granville, Ohio) were very helpful and included 30 pairs of adult shoes and 30 basketballs.

Shawn Brady from the Child Development Center helped donate smaller shoes and socks for little kids.

**What do you get out of helping the children of Ebeye?**

**Hannah:** When we first showed up, it was only boys on the court. There were girls sitting in the stands watching the clinic.

Our main goal was to get the girls to play. We were both going up to the girls asking if they wanted to play and they would shy away from us.

A mother came up to us and she said the girls weren't comfortable playing with the boys; it wasn't something as common in their culture. She shared that girls were only able to play basketball three years ago so it's a very new thing.

She asked if the girls could have their own group to play. One by one we got them to come over and by the end, we had 20 playing which was just inspirational.

Basketball is a sport that I love and I've been supported by my community and my family. I thought it was cool to see how happy they were to be out there playing basketball, a sport that they love too. All those barriers were broken down and they had a good time.

**Jordan:** We're not solving the world's



COURTESY OF THE WYNN FAMILY



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1) Volunteers and young commemorate the day with a photo at the Jabro Sports Complex on Ebeye. 2) Basketball players take to the court to start a friendly game during the workshop.

problems. But whenever you can inspire that love and be able to have something we are so passionate about, it was an amazing day.

**What did it mean to you to see their smiles?**

**Jordan:** The culture on Ebeye is so amazing. There is a family-shared culture. Everyone is sharing basketballs. We actually didn't know there would be 200 people there. As much as we were helping them share our love for basketball and what we have, we showed them that we may have things that are tough in our lives but we can come play basketball

with a smile on our face.

**What do you think the children of Ebeye got out of your interaction with them at the hoop clinic?**

**Hannah:** I think that we definitely taught them new things that they didn't know. We threw in some drills where you are tossing them a tennis ball while they are practicing dribbling, which is really fun, as well as new shooting drills.

We hope we can inspire both the boys and girls out there. Having Sammy Juda there to help translate for the kids welcomed. We couldn't have done it without him.

## Is there a record of community service that you'd like to share?

**Jordan:** I was lucky to grow up in a community where I could play basketball as a girl and I could be a scientist. I was not only allowed to do it but surrounded by people who were role models for me. I think that is something I want to be able to spread.

We both have coached youth and worked with Big Brothers/Big Sisters while in college.

## What is so great about basketball?

**Jordan:** It's 10 people in a gym, in close quarters, and you have to work together. One person can really mess you up and one can save you—the group aspect where everyone is held accountable. If you work together, it's just so smooth.

You get to the point where you don't even have to look because you know someone is cutting to the hoop. You can trust someone will have your back.

**Hannah:** The leadership that you build in a sport like basketball, every single person needs to have at least some aspect.

Obviously there are some people who are born leaders, but you need to get out there and get your job done. If you don't do what you're supposed to do, you are letting the rest of your team down.

It helps hold you accountable and holds others accountable. It helps build you as a person, those life skills that you are going to need in a job or when you interact with people throughout your life. I think in basketball you unconsciously do all of that.

## What was your favorite part of the clinic?

**Jordan:** The happiness from the kids. It brought so much joy. They smiled the whole time and was incredible to watch. You can hold a clinic anywhere and people will show up because their parents forced them to. These kids showed up because they love basketball. It's inspirational to watch.

**Hannah:** For me, watching the girls come out one by one, seeing them slowly feel like they were accepted and part of it was really cool to watch.

## Would you come back and do it again?

**Jordan:** Absolutely. We are angling to come back out next year if our jobs allow.

**Jordan Wynn is a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Worcester, Massachusetts with bachelor's and master's degrees in bio chemistry. She works for Lincoln Labs.**

**Hannah Wynn recently graduated from Denison University in Granville, Ohio where she studied economics and data analytics. She will work in Washington, D.C. with an economic consulting firm after the summer.**



COURTESY OF THE WYNN FAMILY



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1) Young Ebeye residents and volunteers interact during the basketball clinic. 2) Volunteers commemorate the day with a photo aboard one of Kwajalein's ferries.

# CYS BASKETBALL

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And so it begins: The Kwajalein High School Class of 2024 breaks the ice on the school year with a grand entrance and lots of candy. at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room.

# THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL ON USAG-KA

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

The first day of school on Kwajalein is a day to build community. The Kwajalein School System observed first-day ceremonies with parents and teachers, and students partook in special annual traditions before heading to school.

Kwajalein’s teachers greeted their Marshallese Ri-Katak students in grades K – 12 at Kwajalein’s Dock Security Checkpoint with welcome signs before the students boarded shuttle to the elementary school and Kwajalein

High School.

Before the ferry arrived, the Class of 2024 enjoyed breakfast with the Morgan family at Quarters 241. The tradition allows the Garrison Commander a special moment to welcome the students before they carry on the senior class tradition of making a grand entrance during the first assembly of the year. The raucous entrance boosts student spirits and breaks the ice on their first day, while giving them a taste of the fun that is to follow.

At George Seitz Elementary School,

as friends and parents looked on, students raised the flags of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the United States and recited the Marshallese school day pledge. They followed with “We’re George Seitz,” the school anthem, written and led by music teacher Ashley Wright, with ukulele accompaniment before joining teachers and heading off to classes.

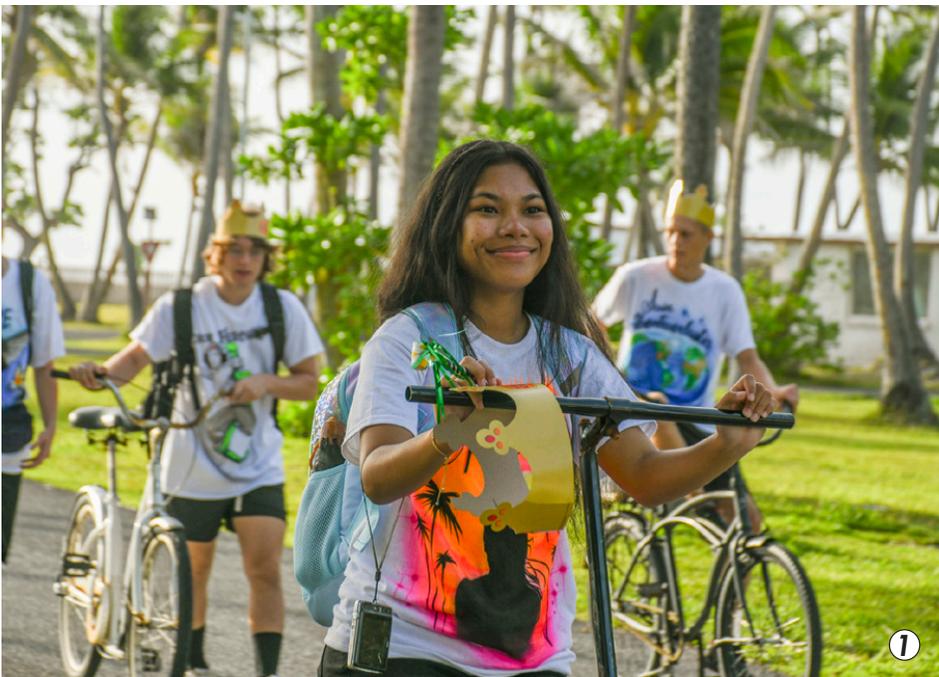
Welcome back to school, Kwaj kids. As always, for more shots from the first day of school, check out The Kwajalein Hourglass gallery on Flickr.



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH



1) Members of the Kwajalein High School Class of 2024 cruise down Ocean Road on their way to the high school to begin the school year.  
2) USAG-KA Commander Col. Drew Morgan and Stacey Morgan hosted the senior class for an annual breakfast on Aug. 9.



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

1) Lusitana Loeak, center, bikes to school. 2) Did we mention the candy? Here, a lower classman retrieves candy tossed into the school assembly on Aug. 9, following the senior class' grand entrance. 3) Students, parents and teachers at George Seitz Elementary School say the Pledge of Allegiance during their opening ceremony. 4) A special tradition at GSES is singing the school's anthem, "We're George

Seitz." Pictured here, GSES music teacher Ashley Wright leads everyone in song with help from the first grade and kindergarten students of the Ri-Katak student program. 5) Students raise the flags of the U.S. and RMI during their opening day ceremony at George Seitz Elementary School, while Kwajalein School System Superintendent Paul Uhren, far right, looks on.

# USAG-KA HEALTH AND WELLNESS FAIR BRINGS COMMUNITY TOGETHER

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**Games, takeaways** and a chance to meet island experts helped island residents connect with their community on a rainy afternoon during the Aug. 12 USAG-KA Health and Wellness Fair.

The downtown porch event near Kwajalein's Mic Shop presented more than 100 island residents with opportunities to engage with club officers and department representatives. They learned about island health and safety, as well as ongoing programs that benefit the whole community.

Among the groups represented were the Kwajalein MIA Project, MWR Fitness, V2x Environmental personnel, the Kwajalein Hospital, Kwajalein Archaeology, Chenega Global Services, the Island Memorial Chapel, and the Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club. The USAG-KA Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program challenged visitors to a beanbag toss, some earning free SHARP T-shirts and other swag, to help get the word out about the important role SHARP plays in community life.

YYWC President Amber Bates encouraged table visitors to register and join the club, an historic organization which welcomes members who reside anywhere on the atoll to support its programs.

"I love Kwaj, and I love this community," said Amber Bates, YYWC president. "Joining the YYWC is a way to give back to the Marshall Islands."

Table representatives shared tips and information about services they provide, and how island residents can lend a hand in keeping others safe, too.

"We are putting sharing with the community so that people can be informed and know what to look for," said EOD specialist Troy Asbury. His table included an array of inert ordnance and a monitor displaying blast footage from an August 11 demolition operation on Roi-Namur.

McGruff the Crime Dog made a special appearance, greeting visitors and handing out safety stickers in the crowd. Near displays of police gear and tools at the Kwajalein Police Department table, Jeremy Rondone also welcomed visitors and invited them to participate in a specialized safety demonstration of some tools law enforcement officers use to stay safe while training. They had the opportunity to use a foam baton to strike the protective armor suit worn by his spouse, Chantal.

"We thought it would be a great idea to share with everyone here a little about what we do and what we work with," they said. "These are training aids used by security professionals."

An important part of staying healthy outdoors is to become familiar with Kwajalein's unique marine life, various molds and plants and the rules governing protections for certain corals, fish and shells. Personnel representing Vectrus Environmental, Health and Safety

departments shared information about special species, water quality and various types of molds an island resident may encounter in their quarters.

Nearby, members of the International SOS team from the Kwajalein Hospital chatted with guests and distributed practical takeaways like lip balm, sunscreen, and stress relief toys. Anyone who has questions about staying healthy on Kwa-

jalein is welcome to approach them for guidance, they said. Taking small steps toward personal health counts in a big way. This is especially true for newcomers to the atoll.

"I'd like everyone to keep hydrated," said Dr. James Shen, of ISOS. "We have a lot of new people who are not used to this kind of weather. We are here to help."



1) Community members try their luck at a game station for the chance to win a USAG-KA SHARP T-shirt with Chief Warrant Officer 2 Nate Elkins. 2) Island Memorial Chapel Religious Education Coordinator Gina McAfee, left, and Fr. Jim Ludwikowski, came to the Wellness fair prepared with booklets and resources on spiritual health. 3) RMI Liaison Specialist Kalani Riklon, left, takes a whack at a suit of protective armor worn by Chantal Rondone, while her spouse, Jeremy, looks on. The suit is a training aid used by law enforcement professionals.

# USAG-KA YARD OF THE MONTH CONTEST WINNERS ENJOY THE CHALLENGE

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**Congratulations to USAG-KA Public Affairs Officer Mike Brantley and his spouse, Vickie, for winning the USAG-KA Yard of the Month contest. They received an AAFES gift card during a brief yard ceremony earlier this month.**

This is the first time the Brantley family has earned the coveted award and its distinctive lawn sign, but their Kwajalein win is not their first beautiful yard award.

“When we were stationed at the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania from 1998 to 2001, we won twice for our small brick home on post,” said Mike. “We had the yard full of flowers and a vegetable garden on the end. This was where we learned to never plant mint directly in the ground, as it will quickly take over the world.”

The yard contains large potted desert roses, waxy tropical greens and artfully placed greens and whirligigs.

“We love gardening and the challenge that Kwaj brings to yards,” Mike said.

Be on the look out for Halloween decorations, as the island moves into the Brantleys’ favorite season.



U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

FROM LEFT: USAG-KA Housing Director Calvin Alexander, Vickie Brantley, USAG-KA Public Affairs Officer Mike Brantley, and AAFES Exchange Assistant Store Manager Isabella Jimenez commemorate the Brantley’s USAG-KA Yard of the Month win with a photo and an AAFES gift card.



U.S. EMBASSY MAJURO

COURTESY OF U.S. EMBASSY MAJURO

A recent U.S. Embassy Majuro social media post thanked supporters from around the Indo-Pacific for helping support a 10-day educational Girls Hope Summer Camp focused on fostering math and science skills. “Many thanks to all the STEM supporters who supported: RMI Ministry of Education, College of the Marshall Islands, Australian Defense, and Majuro’s NGO community.” Special thanks was also offered to the U.S. Army Pacific’s Oceania Engagement Team for representing U.S. Embassy Majuro in recent activities, as well.

## USAG-KA SOCCER SEASON COMMUNITY REMINDERS

### A few reminders regarding playing and spectating:

- Substitutions are only allowed to occur through the cones. The player entering the field cannot do so until the player leaving is off the field of play.
- A purposeful slide is an automatic yellow card.
- Watch your language on and around the field. This is a community league and people of all ages are out there. Please be respectful.
- Motorized vehicles are not allowed anywhere on the grass.
- Smoking on or near the bleacher or spectator sections is not permitted.
- Please be careful with beverages in bottles. The spectator areas for soccer are on Brandon Field and in theory should not be allowed out there. Please drink responsibly so this does not need to be enforced.



**COURTESY PHOTO BY MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, LINCOLN LABORATORY**

Members of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lincoln Laboratory Beaver Works Summer Institute commemorate the summer program on Kwajalein in July. The 2023 BWSI program on Kwaj included 30 students, five teaching assistants and four instructors. This year's course offerings included Mini-RACECAR and Medlytics, an introduction to computer science and problem-solving tasks related to medical imaging.

## MIT LL INSTITUTE IS SUMMER SUCCESS

### COMMUNITY CONNECTION

**By Dr. Sarah Willis  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology,  
Lincoln Laboratory**

This was the fourth year for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lincoln Laboratory Beaver Works Summer Institute program on Kwaj. It was the biggest program and biggest success to date.

This year we had 30 students complete the program on Kwaj. The group was comprised of 22 students from Ebeye, seven students who reside on Kwaj, and one student visiting family on the atoll for the summer.

The students ranged from rising sophomores to recent high school graduates. They attend schools like Father Leonard Hacker High School, Ebeye Seventh-day Adventist School, Ebeye Calvary Christian School, Kwajalein Atoll High School, and U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll's Kwajalein High School.

We split the students into two courses. Sixteen students participated in our Medlytics course, learning about an introduction to computer science and ap-

plying their skills to problems related to medical imaging.

This was the first time the Medlytics course was offered here on Kwaj. We had 14 students complete the Mini-RACECAR course, where we teach an introduction to coding in Python and have the students program a small robotic car to drive itself around using information from sensors such as a color camera.

This was the third year offering Mini-RACECAR on Kwaj.

In addition to our programming, USAG-KA Commander Col. Drew Morgan visited our class on Wednesday, July 26, to talk about his time in space and the training and education path he's taken to get to this point in his career.

We were able to expand our instructor team by leveraging five returning college-age dependents of island residents as teaching assistants, and we had one additional staff member from MIT LL (Jordan Wynn, not assigned to the field site) out here for the month of July to visit family and teach the Medlytics course.

These instructors joined myself, Jordan Montgomery, and Stephanie Fried from the MIT LL Kwaj field site team to run the BWSI program this summer.



**COURTESY PHOTO**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lincoln Laboratory Beaver Works Summer Institute students Talei Nakabea and Maji Langidrik share their poster about medical imaging with an enthusiastic young audience during the summer program's finale event.

# DRIVER'S LICENSE

## LEARNING KAJIN MAJÖL

The Marshallese Driver's License is a great novelty item but has also been used to contract rental cars in the United States by many people. They can be obtained at the National Police Headquarters on most working days, and periodically, they are offered at the RMI Representative's office at USAG-KA. Watch the Kwajalein Hourglass and AFN roller channel for announcements about visits from the RMI Department of Motor Vehicles to USAG-KA for licensing.

### Helpful Words

Ettor	movement, drive
Malim	license/permit
Wa	vehicle
Etam	name
Aitokum	height
Baun	weight
Peba	document/paper
Nomba	number
Raan in lotok	date of borth
Mon-policeman	police station
Kole	pay

### Common Phrases

Jej koman ia malim in ettor?  
*Where do we get a driver's license?*

Ilo mon-policeman.  
*At the police station.*

Ewor ke peba jej aikuij in boklok?  
*Do we have to take any documents?*

Juon ID wot.  
*Just an ID.*

Ewor ke wa nan test kake?  
*Is there a vehicle for a test?*

Ejjelok, kwoj etal wot im kole.  
*No, you just got and pay for it.*

Oh, renaj aikuij etam, aitokum, baun, im raan in lotak.  
*Oh, they'll need your name, height, weight and date of birth.*

Ak ID nomba?  
*What about an ID number?*

Renaj kojerbal SS nomba eo am.  
*They'll use your SS number.*

Naat?  
*When?*

Ne e jota.  
*In the evening.*

Ien kiki.  
*Time to sleep.*

Kwoj itok ne eraan ke ne ebon?  
*Are you coming during the day, or night?*

Ne ebon.  
*At night.*



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY MASTER SGT. ANDREW JACKSON

A military aircraft participates in an aerial water bucket drop to fight a wildfire on the island of Maui, Hawaii, August 9, 2023.

## U.S. ARMY PACIFIC CONTINUES DEFENSE SUPPORT EFFORTS IN HAWAII

### U.S. ARMY REPORT

By U.S. Army Public Affairs

**WASHINGTON—U.S. Army** Pacific, and the Hawaii National Guard continue their fully integrated response to the recent wildfires. With the stand-up of Joint Task Force 50 under the command of dual-status commander Brig. Gen Stephen Logan, the distinction between the Active Duty and National Guard forces begins to become less apparent as the military headquarters assumes command and control responsibilities for military support to civilian authorities.

There are currently 691 DoD personnel in Maui who are actively engaged in planning, synchronizing, and coordinating support to FEMA and the State of Hawaii.

Two CH-47 Chinook helicopters with Bambi buckets from the Hawaii National Guard are being used to conduct fire suppression support. The fire in the Pulehu/Kihei area is 100% contained, the fire in Lahaina is 85% contained, and the fire in the area of Kula is 75% contained. According to Maui County, 2,170 acres burned in the vicinity of Lahaina and 678 acres burned in vicinity of Kula.

As of Aug. 16, according to state officials, 106 fatalities were reported, and nearly 2,250 customers do not have power. Six shelters are open in Maui County, and the state of Hawaii has secured

more than 400 hotel rooms and 1,400 units from Airbnb.

The JTF-50 joint operations center at the Haggai complex in Maui is fully Operational.

Search and rescue teams are conducting wide-search-area activities with CBRNE enhanced response force packages and teams from the FBI. JTF-50 continues to maintain traffic-control points and conduct 24-hour security operations in Lahaina in coordination with local law enforcement, the HIARNG and neighboring sheriff departments.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has moved 32 FEMA generators to Maui, and 61 generators are staged at Oahu.

Possible courses of action for initial debris removal have been briefed to FEMA, and the Office of the Secretary of Defense has approved the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency to assign six forensic anthropologists to assist in gathering and identifying human remains.

Future anticipated actions include debris removal, engineer assessments, damage assessments (including port facilities) and rebuilding efforts.

**For more information, please contact Ms. Katie Nelson, USARPAC Media Operations, at 808-786-0300.**



"The Bloop" is the given name of a mysterious underwater sound recorded in the 90s. Years later, NOAA scientists discovered that this sound emanated from an iceberg cracking and breaking away from an Antarctic glacier. Shown here: a NASA Landsat mosaic image of Antarctica.

## What is the "bloop?"

### EXTERNAL REPORT

**In 1997**, researchers listening for underwater volcanic activity in the southern Pacific recorded a strange, powerful, and extremely loud sound.

Using hydrophones, or underwater microphones, that were placed more than 3,219 kilometers apart across the Pacific, they recorded numerous instances of the noise, which was unlike anything they had heard before. Not only was it loud, the sound had a unique characteristic that came to be known as "the Bloop."

Scientists from NOAA's Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory were eager to discover the sound's origin, but with about 95 percent of the ocean unexplored, theories abounded. Was the Bloop from secret underwater military exercises, ship engines, fishing boat winches, giant squids, whales, or a some sea creature unknown to science?

As the years passed, PMEL researchers continued to deploy hydrophones ever closer to Antarctica in an ongoing effort to study the sounds of sea floor volcanoes and earthquakes. It was there, on Earth's lonely southernmost land mass, that they finally discovered the source of those thunderous rumbles from the deep in 2005. The Bloop was the sound of an icequake—an iceberg cracking and breaking away from an Antarctic glacier! With global warming, more and more icequakes occur annually, breaking off glaciers, cracking and eventually melting into the ocean.

PMEL's Acoustics Program develops unique acoustics tools and technologies to acquire long-term data sets of the global ocean acoustics environment, and to identify and assess acoustic impacts from human activities and natural processes on the marine environment.



## SMALL ARMS RANGE ON AUGUST

Security and Access Control will conduct a small arms range on August 24 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Please observe the red flag hazard area. Contact Lt. Travis Matern (480-6445) with questions.

# THE CLASSIFIEDS

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

## ACTIVITIES

**QUIZZO.** Every second Wednesday at the Ocean View Club is Quizzo night. Bring a friend and get ready for mind-bending, face-melting trivia!

## CAC OFFICE

Before your visit to the Common Access Card 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 – Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.; (Lunch: noon - 1 p.m.). Questions? Call 480-8496.

## CHAPEL

**PRAYER AND PRAISE NIGHT.** Every first Sunday at 7 p.m. in the large chapel on Kwajalein. This open worship night is free and open to everyone.

**ROI SERVICES.** Catholic Mass will take place on Roi at 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. Protestant services will take place every first and third Friday of each month.

**CHAPEL COUNSELING AVAILABLE.** For those who seek religious guidance, general counseling, and who may have questions related to family counseling, all are welcome to schedule an appointment with Ch. Brian Conner at the Island Memorial Chapel by calling 480-3505.

## E-WARENESS:

### Construction and Demolition Debris

Contact Environmental at 480-0722 for information. Segregating construction and demolition debris at the source increases the percentage of materials diverted from unnecessary incineration and landfill applications. Segregate C&D Debris scrap metal, glass, plastics, yard waste, compostable construction debris, and materials destined for incineration.

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Non kajjitok? Kir lok Vectrus Environmental ilo 480-0722.

\*\*Kir lok Vectrus Environmental ilo 480-0722 kin kajjitok.

## 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.

## AUGUST FIRE SAFETY TIP

### The early signs of a fire:

- An obvious sign of fire is the presence of smoke and the following signs:
- Fire Alarms and detectors activate
- The smell of burning electrical equipment
- Loud noises
- Hot doors or door handles.

**If you notice any of these signs, evacuate the building and call 911**

## 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 Schedule Effective Now  
Monday and Friday—UA 155 (HNL)  
Check-in 2 – 4:50 p.m.  
Wednesday—UA 133 (HNL)  
Check-in 2 – 4:15 p.m.  
Tuesday and Saturday—UA 154 (GUM)  
Check-in 10:45 – 11:15 a.m.

## HEALTH

**UPCOMING COVID CLINIC.** 12+ and Adults, Wed., Aug. 30, from 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. Contact Judy Wiser at 480-2223 or email [judy.wiser@internationalsosgs.us](mailto:judy.wiser@internationalsosgs.us).

Employee Assistance Program counselor, Kenneth Thomas, can be reached at [kenneth.thomas@internationalsosgs.us](mailto:kenneth.thomas@internationalsosgs.us) or 480-5362. Clients can expect education about mental health disorders from a multicultural perspective with the goal of moving toward acceptance and ultimately to mitigate symptoms.

**COVID-19 BOOSTERS.** A bivalent COVID-19 vaccine booster is available for those aged 12+ if it has been more than 120 days since their initial bivalent COVID-19 vaccine dose. To register, please email [judy.wiser@internationalsosgs.us](mailto:judy.wiser@internationalsosgs.us)

# MOVIES

## Kwajalein Yuk Theater

Saturday, August 19  
"DC – League of Super Pets"  
(PG) 105 min.

Sunday, Aug. 20  
"Ironman II"  
(PG-13) 124 min.

Monday, Aug. 21  
"Renfield"  
(R) 93 min.

Saturday, Aug. 26  
"Encanto"  
(PG) 102 min.

Sunday, Aug. 27  
"Ironman III"  
(PG-13) 130 min.

Monday, Aug. 28  
"Operation Fortune: Ruse de Guerre"  
(R) 114 min.

Saturday, Sept. 2  
"Trolls: World Tour"  
(PG) 91 min.

Sunday, Sept. 3  
"50 First Dates"  
(PG-13) 99 min.

Monday, Sept. 3  
"The Protege" (R) 109 min.

## Roi-Namur C-building

Saturday, Aug. 19  
"Downton Abbey"  
(PG) 125 min.

Sunday Aug. 20  
"Searching"  
(PG- 13) 102 min.

Saturday, August 26  
"All My Life"  
(PG-13) 93 min.

Sunday, Aug. 27  
"Annabelle: Creation"  
(R) 109 min.

Saturday, Sept. 2  
"Blinded By The Light"  
( PG-13 ) 118 min.

Sunday, Sept. 3  
"Sicario: Day Of The Soldado"  
( R ) 122 min.

## MONTHLY KWAJALEIN SCUBA CLUB MEETING

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

7 p.m.

CRC #6

Drinks will be provided  
and merch will be for sale

JOIN US FOR AN AWESOME PRESENTATION  
BY FORMER ARMY EOD & UXO  
SUPERVISOR, DARREN WHELDON, ABOUT  
SAFETY WHILE DIVING.

PLEASE BEACH NEIGHBORLY! RESERVE PAVILIONS BEFORE USE.

Emon Beach pavilions much be reserved prior to use. Schedule your reservation by calling MWR at 5-3331 or by making a walk-in reservation in Bldg. 805 at the Grace Sherwood Library MWR Desk. Reservation signs are posted on pavilions prior to event times.

tionalsosgs.us, or call 480-2223.

**NOT FEELING WELL?** Call 480-2223 to make an appointment for a COVID-19 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.

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

**THE KWAJ SALON** can style all kinds of hair, but they cannot treat lice. The salon staff thanks you for your understanding.

### HOURS OF OPERATION

**BARGAIN BAZAAR** Summer Hours. Through Aug. 30, Wednesday only, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Jino Jen 1 ran in June nan 30 ran in August. Wenje Wot, 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

**MILLICAN FAMILY POOL.** Closed for cleaning on Thursdays. Open noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays and Mondays. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas.

### JOBS

To apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit [usajobs.gov](http://usajobs.gov). Email [kwajaleinhourglass@vectrus.com](mailto:kwajaleinhourglass@vectrus.com) to remove a 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 US-AG-KA and possess a valid passport. For information and a list of required qualifications, visit [https://akima.taleo.net/careersection/akimallc\\_cs/jobsearch.ftl](https://akima.taleo.net/careersection/akimallc_cs/jobsearch.ftl). Apply online or send resume to Jeannette McIlwain at [jeannette.mcilwain@akima.com](mailto:jeannette.mcilwain@akima.com).

CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES is hiring a facility director (req. 31990) and lead teacher (req. 31991). All required background checks must be successfully completed and maintained. A health assessment is also required. Apply online at [www.vectrus.com](http://www.vectrus.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/J3N1RL6KDG9RWPTYQDF> 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](http://www.nanhawaii.com) and contact Clint Ueatari at 480-2632, 480-4995 or 480-4996.

TRIBALCO is hiring for desktop support specialist, intermediate systems administrator, unified capabilities technician, and infrastructure technician. Applicants must meet job requirements. Apply online at [tribalco.com/jobs](http://tribalco.com/jobs), [www.kaihonua.com](http://www.kaihonua.com), and [www.akima.com](http://www.akima.com). Contact Tribalco Human Resources at 480-4344. Visit [www.tribalco.com/careers.html](http://www.tribalco.com/careers.html). An active security clearance is required.

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://qdynco.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](http://rgnext.com).

**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS WANTED.** Kwajalein School System is now hiring substitute teachers. Qualifications: 4-year degree; confidentiality; love of working with children; favorable status for CNACI (will receive background check after accepting offer). Send resumes to [uhrenp@kwajaleinschools.org](mailto:uhrenp@kwajaleinschools.org). For more information call 480-3601.

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](http://www.tribalco.com/careers.html).

### MAINTENANCE

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.

Service Now is the new Remedy. Please be patient as the NEC transitions to Service Now. To submit new tickets, call 480-3000. For urgent requests, email [usarmy.bucholz.516-sig-bde.mbx.kwajalein-neck-change-management@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.bucholz.516-sig-bde.mbx.kwajalein-neck-change-management@army.mil).



Contact the USAG-KA Sexual Harassment/ Assault Response and Prevention Victim Advocate

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Nate Elkins  
SHARP Victim Advocate

Work: 480-0660 or 480-3421

USAG-KA SHARP Pager:  
808-580-3241

DOD SAFE Helpline: 877-995-5247

**Employee Appreciation Day**  
**August 19, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**  
**at the Pxtra**

**SALE ITEMS WILL BE LIMITED TO ITEMS AT THE PXTRA:**

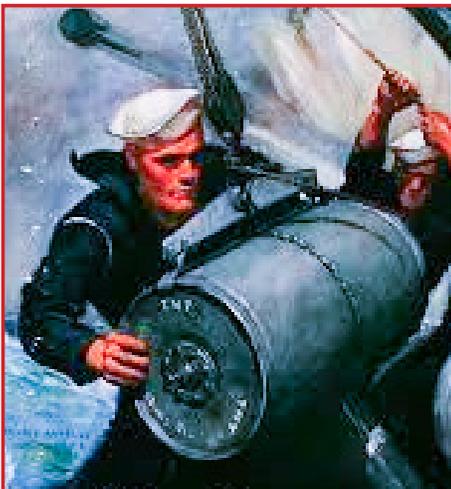
**SALE IS LIMITED TO STOCK AVAILABILITY. LIMIT OF \$500.**

**CONTACT ISABELLA JIMENEZ AT 480-1010/3542 FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

*Theology*  
**ON TAP**

**Led by Fr. Jim Ludwikoski**  
**Monday, August 21**  
**6:30 p.m. at the ARC**

**This month's topic - "Church: Avoiding, Engaging, Rejecting."**  
**For more information, email [kwajchapel@gmail.com](mailto:kwajchapel@gmail.com).**



**Send in the ads!**  
**LET 'EM HAVE IT!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ISLAND MEDIA, CONTACT THE USAG-KA PAO MIKE BRANTLEY AT 480-4848**

## MWR FITNESS CLASSES

All classes meet in Corlett Recreation Room 7 unless otherwise noted. All classes require a Fitness Pass. Purchase annual, 6-month and 8-month passes at the MWR desk in the Grace Sherwood Library (Bldg. 805). All classes are subject to change without notice. Call MWR at 480-3331 for information.

### TUESDAY

5:30 - 6:30 a.m. FREE SPIN CRC7  
10:30 a.m. BEGINNERS YOGA CRC7  
5 p.m. YOGA CRC7  
6 p.m. ZUMBA CRC1  
6:30 p.m. SPIN CRC7

### WEDNESDAY

9:15 a.m. ZUMBA TONING CRC1  
5 p.m. BEGINNERS YOGA CRC7  
6 p.m. WATER AEROBICS ADULT POOL

### THURSDAY

6 a.m. SPIN  
9:15 a.m. ZUMBA CRC1  
11:30 a.m. TRX BOOTCAMP CRC7  
5 p.m. YOGA CRC7  
6 p.m. WATER AEROBICS ADULT POOL

### FRIDAY

5:30 - 6:30 a.m. FREE SPIN CRC7  
6 a.m. YOGA FLOW (EMON BEACH)  
9 a.m. ZUMBA CRC1  
5:30 p.m. POWER HOUR (Strength & cardio circuit) CRC7  
6 p.m. ZUMBA TONING CRC1

### SATURDAY

5:30 - 6:30 a.m. FREE SPIN CRC7  
8 a.m. TRX + CORE CRC7  
10:30 a.m. WATER AEROBICS  
ADULT POOL

## SCHOOL

**SCHOOL SYSTEM EMAILS.** KSS emails have changed. School email addresses now end with @kwajaleinschools.org. Ex: uhrenp@kwajaleinschools.org. The former email addresses will work through the summer. However, please begin using the new email addresses.

**NEW KWAJ KID?** New parents & students are invited to a school information meeting. New to GSES (K-6): Aug. 4, 6 – 7 p.m. at the elementary school Coconut Room. New To KHS (7 – 12): Aug. 5, 5 – 7 p.m. MP Room. Visit kwajaleinschools.org for more.

## NEWCOMERS

**ISLAND ORIENTATION** and Newcomer's Briefings occur in the REB, behind the Island Memorial Chapel. To register, email KWAJ\_OSO\_Ops@Vectrus.com or call 480-3511.

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

## PASSPORTS

\*\*\*Passport services are temporarily on hold until the U.S. State Department approves a new head of facility for Kwajalein. The community will be notified when services resume. Questions? Contact Mike Sakaio at 480-2103.\*\*\*

Complete the passport application at travel.state.gov. Print completed forms and ensure you have a copy of your existing passport and other documents, including parents' identification cards, and birth certificates. Photos must not be older than six months, taken without glasses. Free passport photos are available. Contact Host Nation Activities at 480-2103 for details.

**PASSPORT FEES.** Adult passport renewal: \$130; Adult passport (first application): \$165; Minor passport (15 and younger): \$135; Adult Passport Card: \$30; and Minor Passport Card: \$15. Only money orders and cashier's checks payable to "U.S. Department of State" are accepted and can be purchased from Community Bank or the post office.

## POST OFFICE

**PCS & VACATION TIPS.** 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.

**TO USE ICE.** Step 1: Visit ICE Home at disa.mil. Step 2: Click "search." Step 3: Choose USAG-KA Post Office and select "general site comment." Step 4: Let your voice be heard. Then, click submit.

## REGULATIONS

**TOBACCO USE.** USAG-KA Policy Memorandum 600-8 protects others from the negative impact of tobacco use. On USAG-KA,

## New Housing Demo

**LOGCAP demolition will work from east to west starting from Ocean Road through January 5, 2024. USACE demolition is through January 25, 2025.**

The community is reminded to avoid the area of construction during this time.



## Labor Day

## Calling all vendors

MWR invites you to participate in Kwajalein's Labor Day celebration. Ask for Kara at 480-3133 or email @Kara.Larson@vectrus.com for more information.



# Horseshoe Tournament

**Saturday, August 19**  
7 p.m.

**Outrigger Bar**




For more information, please visit us at our MWR Office ROI, or call 480 - 6580



# QUIZZO OUTRIGGER BAR

**Saturday, August 26 at 7 p.m.**  
Outrigger Bar

# Trivia Night




FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT US AT THE MWR OFFICE BLDG. 8224, OR CALL 480-6580



# ZOMBIE RUN

**Oct. 15**




# HAUNTED LUAAU

**COSTUME PARTY**  
Oct. 28, 8 P.M.  
The Oceanview Club

Most original, Scariest, Funniest, Best DIY Best couple & Best Haunted Luau Outfit



## ARMY FAMILY HOUSING DEMOLITION BEGINS AUGUST 21

Vectrus & PII will begin the demolition of Army Family Housing at 7 a.m. on August 21. Be on the lookout for the following:

- Fencing around the demo perimeter (August 17 - 19)
- Groundbreaking (concrete)
- Houses will be knocked down
- Felled trees
- Heavy Equipment in operation

Safety First: Please stay away from the demo area, follow posted safety warning signs, and keep your distance from trucks transporting debris.

Please inform Vectrus of any concerns and questions by emailing [KWAJ\\_OSO\\_OPS@vectrus.com](mailto:KWAJ_OSO_OPS@vectrus.com).

## Vocational Training:

Opportunities with College of the Marshall Islands & Vectrus

Why? The Professional development, training, certification of our talented Marshallese workforce.

Earn a Certificate of Completion in Automotive Service Technology through the College of the Marshall Islands.

Certificate of Completion in Construction Trades are also available, including specialization in Carpentry & Masonry; Welding; Plumbing; Electricity; Heating, Ventilation, and Air-Conditioning.

Future CMI Workforce Development Training Offerings include on-demand classes in the following: Balanced Scorecard Basics; Business Process Management; Process Improvement with Gap Analysis; Career Development; and Computer Fundamentals.

Fall 2023 classes are planned to begin within the following week. Hybrid courses will meet on Kwajalein and Ebeye.

For more information, please contact Asia Williams- [Asia.Williams@vectrus.com](mailto:Asia.Williams@vectrus.com) at Bldg. 735, and email CMI Representative Ricky Raymond: [r.rraymond@cmi.edu](mailto:r.rraymond@cmi.edu). For more information, email [KWAJ\\_OSO\\_Ops@vectrus.com](mailto:KWAJ_OSO_Ops@vectrus.com).

Check out more news and entertainment about Kwaj life on the USAG-KA YouTube Channel, at <https://www.youtube.com/c/USArmyGarrisonKwajaleinAtoll>.

# Labor Day CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA



The regatta challenges participants to design and build boats made entirely from corrugated cardboard, duct tape and glue. The regatta is open to participation for teams up to two people of all ages. We are excited to see your boats, so start crafting away and may the best boat win!

To register, stop by the Library before close of business Saturday August 26, or call (480-3331).

## REGATTA RULES

Boat, paddles, sails, and engines must be made entirely of cardboard, tape and glue structurally. Decorations of any type are allowed but cannot improve buoyancy. Boat cannot have excessive amounts of tape or paint used to waterproof hull of the boat.

At least 2 – 3 individuals must crew the vessel during the voyage. There is no limit to participation per vessel. Have fun!

Prizes:

- Ship Shape Award (appearance)
- Shipwreck Award (most dramatic sinking)
- Cardboard Cup (boat traveling the furthest/fastest)




## Monday, Sept. 4, Emon Beach

### 4 – 9 p.m.

Music 4 – 7:30 p.m.  
 Display your Cardboard Boat 4 – 5 p.m.  
 Cardboard Boat Regatta Race 5 p.m.  
 Water Slides & Obstacle Courses 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
 Dunk Tank 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
 Food and Beverages 5:30 – 9 p.m.  
 Lawn Games 5:30 – 9 p.m.  
 Hot Dog (no buns) Eating Contest 7 p.m.  
 Outdoor Movie on the Beach 7:30 p.m.




## Hot Dog Eating Contest

7 p.m. on Labor Day  
 Emon Beach, by the Lifeguard Shack



To secure your plate, stop by the library before close of business Saturday, Aug. 26 or call 480-3331.

smoking is permitted in designated smoking areas only. Smoking and cigarette butt receptacles must be at least 50 feet from the entrance of facilities.

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 yards.

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. Contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 480-8867.

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.

### SAFETY

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

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

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

RADIO FREQUENCY EQUIPMENT. Bringing new Radio Frequency equipment or wireless devices on island? It may require three months approval process Report any interference problems ASAP. Home use of commercial electronics do not require approval. Please contact the NETCOM Spectrum Management Office for more information at 480-8007.



## Dart Tournament

### Saturday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m.

## Outrigger Bar

For more information, please visit the Kwajalein Community Sports Facebook Page, Community Activities Office (Roi), or call 480 – 6580.




### TAXI

CALL 480-TAXI (8294) or 3341 to book your ride at least 24 hours in advance of your check-in time for United Airlines and ATI.

### TRAINING

DRIVER'S TRAINING & LICENSING. Kwajalein Classes: Every Wednesday, 9 – 11 a.m. (RMI) and 1 – 3 p.m. (U.S.) at Automotive Area, Bldg. 856, Rm. 103. Roi Classes: second Friday of the month, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. and 1 – 3 p.m. (U.S.) in C-building. Please email [wkaisha@rmi.qdyncorp.com](mailto:wkaisha@rmi.qdyncorp.com) or [barnett@rmi.qdyncorp.com](mailto:barnett@rmi.qdyncorp.com) to register. Class size is limited. \*\*\*Note: Bring a valid US, International, or Marshall Islands License with you to class\*\*\*

### U.S. Embassy Visit, August 31 – September 1

U.S. Embassy Majuro will conduct American Citizen Services Thursday, August 31 : 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. & Friday, September 1: 8 – 10 a.m.

No appointments are necessary. Visits will be conducted on a walk-in basis Building 730 (Garrison HQ), Conference Room. Services: Consular record of birth abroad, urgent passport renewals, new Passports and other services.

Questions? Contact Host Nation Activities, 480-2103 or 480-5325, or visit <https://mh.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/>.

# NO MATTER WHAT FIELD YOU ARE IN, OPSEC APPLIES TO YOU.



## Antiterrorism Awareness Month

“Today’s persistent threat from near-peer competitors employing a wide range of asymmetric, terrorist tactics, combined with relatively new threat actors, forms a complex operating environment. These threats present force protection challenges.”

– HON Christine E. Wormuth, Secretary of the Army



Antiterrorism Awareness Month is an annual observance to recognize the risk associated with the terrorist threat and provide education for Soldiers, DA Civilians, family members and veterans to increase their antiterrorism awareness and vigilance. 📅

### TOP LINES

- Effective antiterrorism programs and sustained community vigilance can counter terrorist and extremist threats.
- The Army Antiterrorism Program protects personnel, information, critical assets and facilities in all locations and situations against terrorist and violent extremist threats.
- The Army antiterrorism and protection programs (including insider threat) are an integrated effort to deter, detect and mitigate risk to Army readiness and support mission assurance.

#### Threat Awareness & Reporting

- Being aware and reporting concerning behavior can help identify and prevent threats to national security and our local communities. Be observant and attentive.
- Report concerns to Military Police or local law enforcement, or online via Army CID Crime Tips: <https://www.cid.army.mil/report-a-crime.html>

#### What to report

A suspicious activity reporting card (on Army ATEP) provides a list of reportable indicators.



#### Effective Antiterrorism Programs

- The antiterrorism program is dedicated to protecting against terrorist and extremist threats.
- The Army Threat Integration Center (ARTIC) and the Joint Analytic Real-Time Virtual Information Sharing System (JARVISS) provide fused threat information and a common operating picture to enable force protection.

#### Insider Threat Mitigation

- Insider threats include espionage, terrorism, unauthorized disclosure, extremist activities and the loss or degradation of Army resources or capabilities.
- Commands are required to report suspicious behavioral indicators including extremist activities IAW [DoDD 5205.16](#) and [DoDI 1325.06](#).

#### Talking Points

- The Army protects critical assets and ensures installations, standalone facilities and operational forces are secure and mission-ready in the face of all threats.
- Terrorism is an enduring, persistent, worldwide threat to our nation and Army readiness.
- Understanding the threat and taking prudent protection measures is fundamental to preventing our adversaries from impacting Army readiness.

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## Digital Resources

### Army ATEP / IWATCH

<https://armveitaas.sharepoint-mil.us/sites/HQDA-PMG-ATEP>  
(CAC login required)

### ISALUTE

<https://www.inscom.army.mil/isalute/>

### DVIDS OPMG

(iWATCH Videos)

<https://www.dvidshub.net/unit/OPMG>

### CDSE Insider Threat

<https://www.cdse.edu/catalog/insider-threat.html>

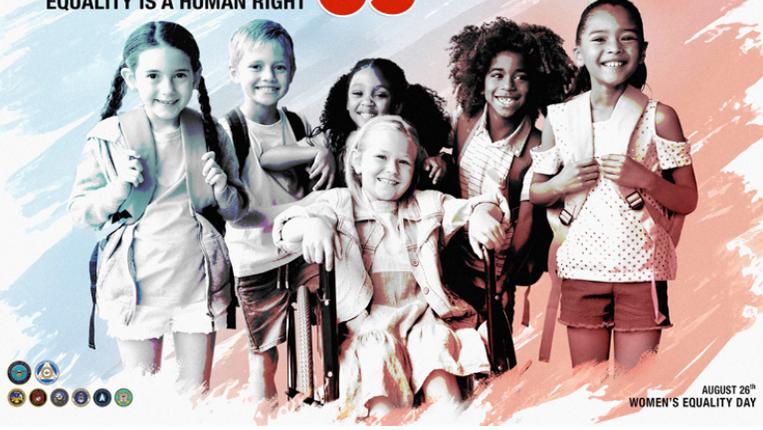
Show how people on your installation or in your unit can make a difference by being vigilant. If you see something suspicious, report it.

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EQUALITY IS A HUMAN RIGHT



AUGUST 26<sup>th</sup>  
WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

**WOMEN'S EQUALITY  
DAY LUNCHEON  
AUGUST 26**

**ZAMPERINI WARRIOR RESTUARANT**

- Corned Beef w/Cabbage**
- Honey Glazed Cornish Hens**
- Mashed Red Potatoes**
- Baked Sweet Yams**
- Corn on the Cob**
- Green Beans**

- Short Order**
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**ACTIVE COVID-19 SPREAD, USE CAUTION**

**COVID-19 is present on Kwajalein. The hospital is fully open.  
Nobody is seriously ill.**

**To maintain your health:**

- Wash your hands
- Keep physical distancing
- Get plenty of exercise and sunshine

**If you feel sick:**

- Stay home from work
- Wear a mask when around others
- Don't visit common spaces like the PX or Surfway

**If you take a home test and are positive, isolate at home for five days, beginning the day after you got sick. Please call 480-2223 to inform the hospital of your status. After isolation, wear a high-quality mask when around others for five more days.**





In this courtesy photo, Wastewater Services supervisor Andre Andrews shares the mechanics of water treatment with Kwajalein homeschool students during a recent tour of the treatment plant.

# WEATHER WATCH

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

## WEATHER DISCUSSION

The doldrums will continue into tomorrow ahead of more activity over the weekend. Winds will see a mild increase that will coincide with isolated showers tomorrow.

A trough will develop as part of the Inter-tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) this weekend producing showers for periods on Sunday and most of Monday. Showers from this development will persist into the start of the workweek.

Winds will stay mild throughout this period, reaching the low teens, at most, for peak sustained winds.

Wind direction is expected to be quite variable throughout as well, shifting from a predominantly east-northeasterly flow on Saturday and the first half of Sunday to a more east-southeasterly flow after.

Skies will see clouds develop early Saturday and maintain their presence as shower activity becomes a mainstay.

## SATURDAY

Partly to mostly sunny with isolated showers. Winds ENE-E at 8-13 knots.

## SUNDAY

Partly to mostly cloudy with widely scattered to scattered showers. Winds ENE-ESE at 7-12 knots.

## MONDAY

Mostly cloudy with scattered showers. Winds veering from E-SE at 7-12 knots.

## NEXT WEEK

Showers from the back end of this trough event will continue for a good portion of the workweek, finally settling down during the latter half of the week. Dry, doldrum weather will then re-emerge as winds sit in the upper single digits with isolated showers.

SUN-MOON-TIDES				
	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SUNDAY	6:41 a.m. 7:04 p.m.	9:18 a.m. 9:35 p.m.	6:06 a.m. 4.2' 6:23 p.m. 3.8'	12:20 p.m. -0.3' -----
MONDAY	6:41 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	10:02 a.m. 10:12 p.m.	6:31 a.m. 3.9' 6:51 p.m. 3.7'	12:24 a.m. -0.1' 12:44 p.m. -0.2'
TUESDAY	6:41 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	10:47 a.m. 10:51 p.m.	6:57 a.m. 3.6' 7:21 p.m. 3.5'	12:54 a.m. 0.1' 1:09 p.m. 0.1'
WEDNESDAY	6:41 a.m. 7:02 p.m.	11:35 a.m. 11:34 p.m.	7:27 a.m. 3.2' 7:58 p.m. 3.3'	1:29 a.m. 0.4' 1:37 p.m. 0.3'
THURSDAY	6:41 a.m. 7:02 p.m.	12:27 p.m. -----	8:04 a.m. 2.7' 8:53 p.m. 3.0'	2:14 a.m. 0.8' 2:13 p.m. 0.7'
FRIDAY	6:41 a.m. 7:01 p.m.	1:23 p.m. 12:21 a.m.	9:10 a.m. 2.1' 10:32 p.m. 2.8'	3:29 a.m. 1.1' 3:15 p.m. 1.0'
AUGUST 26	6:41 a.m. 7:01 p.m.	2:24 p.m. 1:15 a.m.	12:01 p.m. 1.9' -----	6:04 a.m. 1.1' 5:33 p.m. 1.2'



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6:30 P.M.

EMON BEACH AT THE  
MAIN PAVILLION

# TEAM KWAJ



# ONE TEAM

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