



A color guard of Marshallese law enforcement personnel display the colors of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and Kwajalein Atoll during Ebeye's annual Kamolol Day parade, Feb. 9, 2024.

### ENRĀ BWE JEN LALE RĀRĀ ATOLL AT EBEYE KAMOLOL DAY CELEBRATION

#### HOURGLASS REPORT

Compiled by Mike Sakaio, Yolanie Korab and Jessica Dambruch

"Enrā bwe jen lale rārā," or "sharing is caring" was the theme for Ebeye's Kamolol Day celebration, held at the Bolkeim Community Center on Feb. 9.

**Per tradition,** the Kamolol Day festivities brought together distinguished visitors, students, performing artists and diplomatic personnel from allied nations in the Indo-Pacific region.

The event began with a procession

from the Ebeye pier to the celebration grounds at the Bolkeim Community Center. A detail of RMI national and local law enforcement personnel led the way, followed by the Kwajalein High School marching band and attending dignitaries, to include Republic of the Marshall Islands President Dr. Hilda Heine and the first gentleman; Col. Drew Morgan and Stacey Morgan; a delegation from United States Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll; RMI senators; and members of the international diplomatic corps.

Dignitaries received wuts and flower garlands in a traditional showing of Marshallese welcome. Together, they stood for the playing of the RMI Nation-

al Anthem by the KHS Marching Band and a choral rendition performed by the Kwajalein United Church of Christ choir.

The ceremony included a special musical performance by the Mon LaMike Band, a dance performance by and heartfelt remarks, as leaders addressed those gathered to share observations about family, history and peace.

#### Iroijlaplap Shares Family History

After an invocation delivered by Rev. Larson Matauto, Iroijlaplap Mike Kabua took the podium to share welcome remarks and Kabua family history. He remarked on the celebration of Kamolol

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### THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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Day, or Thankfulness Day. The cultural observance was also previously called Remembrance Day, Kwajalein Day and Liberation Day. Its name reflects the resilience of the atoll community and its rich history and culture.

Kabua was born following the war in 1945, he said. His uncles and other relatives who were present on the atoll during the war experienced hardships. Looking to the future, Kabua said he hoped people would be thankful for peace and that the U.S. and Japan, represented at the ceremony along with Taiwan and Australia, were no longer at war.

"We should be happy that we are helping each other today," Kabua said.

The senator thanked all for attending. He made special recognition of Iroijlaplap Christopher Loeak, in whose stead he delivered remarks as Loeak attended to a family emergency; the newly elected RMI President, Dr. Hilda Heine; the president's cabinet and speaker; RMI senators; attending members of the international diplomatic corps; and the USAG-KA representatives.

Due to a significant increase in Ebeye's population, Kabua said he had determined to close the community's grave-yards. He recommended three islets near the atoll which he had opened for burials. Space was limited, he said, but he trusted that if everyone worked together, solutions could be found.

He thanked God for the Marshallese culture, which emphasizes respect for mothers, parents and traditions. He added that these cultural values should continue to be taught to Marshallese children so that they know and embrace them.

Before he ended his remarks, Kabua specially thanked the KHS Marching



1) United States Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll Commander Col. Drew Morgan accepts a flower garland from an Ebeye resident during the Kamolol Day Parade, Feb. 9. 2) The Kwajalein High School Marching Band performs during the Kamolol Day Parade. 3) Mon Kubok jepta dancers perform a high-spirited routine during the Kamolol Day Ceremony at the Bolkeim Community Center on Ebeye.

Band for their participation.

Ebeye District Judge Davidson Jajo followed with the swearing in of the new Kwajalein Atoll Local Government councilmen and returning Mayor Hirata Kabua and his council. Five of this year's councilmembers are new to KALGOV.

#### **RMI President Speaks**

RMI President Dr. Hilda Heine commented that the RMI national government is ready to help in any way possible with respect to any assistance that Kwajalein may need. There could be assistance from other partner nations as well, she said.

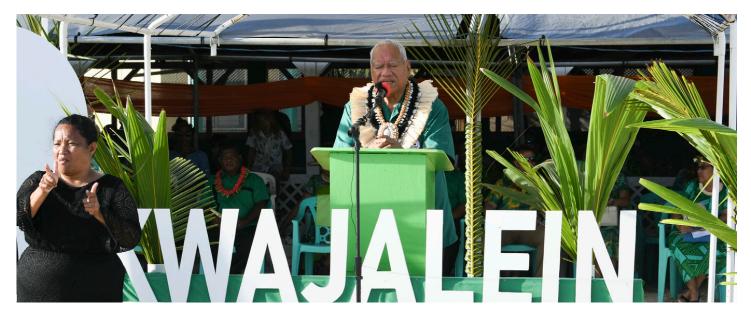
Heine said she was thankful for the

8oth commemoration of WWII.

She recognized all in attendance and asked them to observe a minute of silent prayer for those who faced the hardships of WWII and especially for the casualties of war.

Heine congratulated KALGOV Mayor Hirata Kabua and new KALGOV councilmembers on recent public works projects, such as the ongoing paving of roads, housing projects and electrical work for Santo, also called Third Island.

She thanked the local leaders for the invitation to join the commemoration and concluded by saying that the national government owes a response to a question posed by Iroijlaplap Mike Kabua regarding a plebiscite.



U.S. Embassy Majuro Charge d'affaires Lance Posey followed with his remarks. For Posey's full remarks, please see page 5.

#### A New Mayor Returns

Reelected KALGOV Mayor Hirata Kabua acknowledged the presence of the Council of Iroij; his uncle, Iroijlaplap Mike Kabua; and the numerous community members and distinguished visitors in attendance. He shared a personal anecdote about his father, who would always say, "God is first."

The day was bittersweet for Kabua. As he took part in the festivities, he also mourned the recent passing of his oldest brother, Paul, a soft spoken, kind musical composer and a councilman, and another family member, Jackie.

He said he was privileged to honor the memory of his beloved relatives as the community commemorated the 8oth anniversary of the atoll's liberation and remembered its casualties of war.

"They won't experience hardship or sorrow anymore because all of them are at peace, to the end," Kabua said.

Kabua said any families needing transportation to the new islet burial sites opened by the iroijlaplap would be permitted to use



1) Republic of the Marshall Islands Iroijlaplap and Sen. Michael Kabua, center, provides a keynote address to the Ebeye community and distinguished guests and delegation members during the Kwajalein Kamolol Day Ceremony on Feb. 9, 2024, at the Bolkeim Community Center. The annual observance commemorates the resilience of Marshallese

culture and the liberation of the Marshall Islands during WWII. 2) Kwajalein Atoll Local Government Ebeye Mayor Hirata Kabua, center, takes the oath of office during the 2024 Kwajalein Kamolol Ceremony on Feb. 9. Kabua was reelected to another mayoral term and sworn into office with the new KALGOV council during the ceremony.

the KALGOV landing craft. He offered his congratulations to all the participants in the week's commemorative events, including the fishing, sailing and basketball competitions.

Following Kabua's closing remarks, a benediction was

offered by an associate pastor from Ebeye's Assembly of

A reception followed at the island's Wellness Center for all attending dignitaries and officials, and at the Bolkeim Community Center for the attending island residents.



# ON KAMOLOL DAY, NATIONS HONOR PEACE, HONOR, HISTORY AND HOPE

HOURGLASS REPORT

2024 Kamolol Day Remarks By Chargé d'affaires Lance Posey U.S. Embassy Majuro

It is an honor to stand before you today on this momentous occasion—the 8oth anniversary of Kwajalein Atoll Kamolol Day. Kwajalein Day should hold a special place in our hearts, serving as a poignant reminder of the enduring bond between the people of this remarkable atoll and the United States.

In the aftermath of WWII, Kwajalein Atoll emerged as a beacon of hope amidst the devastation of the Pacific theater. The United States forged a partnership with the people of Kwajalein—a partnership built open respect, trust and a shared commitment to peace and prosperity.

Over the past eight decades, this relationship has blossomed into something truly extraordinary. It is a testament to the spirt of the Marshallese people with unwavering pride.

Kwajalein Atoll is a vibrant tapestry of traditions, customs, and values that have been passed down through generations. From the rhythmic beats of traditional dance to the intricately woven designs of Marshallese handicrafts, the cultural richness of Kwajalein is a source of inspiration and admiration for all who have had the privilege of experiencing it firsthand.

Moreover, Kwajalein has achieved remarkable milestones and accomplishments that have left an indelible mark on history. From its pivotal role in advancing space exploration and defense systems to its contributions to scientific research and innovation, Kwajalein has proven time and again to be a hub of ingenuity and excellence.

Kwajalein also has become a hub for environmental research and conservation efforts. Scientists from around the world study the atoll's unique ecosystem, including its coral reefs, marine life, and biodiversity, to better understand the impacts of climate change and human activities on fragile island systems.

But despite its modern military and

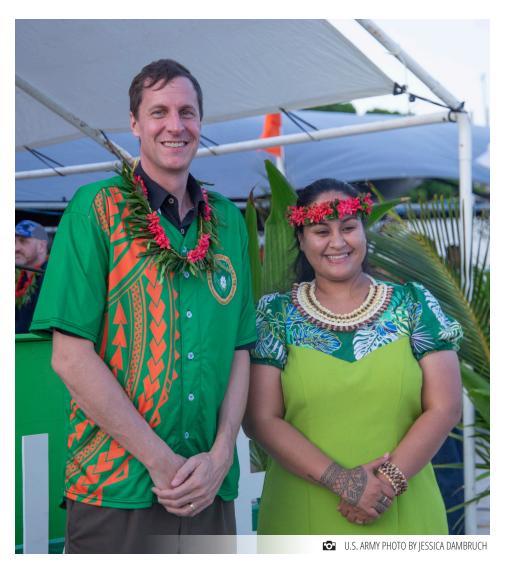
scientific infrastructure, Kwajalein Atoll remains deeply connected to its Marshallese heritage and culture. Kwajalein Kamolol Day is just one example of the celebration of Marshallese traditions, language, and customs, ensuring that future generations continue to cherish and honor this proud cultural heritage.

Yet, amidst all the achievements and accolades, it is the heartwarming stories of camaraderie and friendship between the people of Kwajalein, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the United States that truly capture the essence of our shared journey.

One such story is that of the Marshallese workers who have dedicated their lives to supporting the mission at the garrison in Kwajalein. Their unwavering dedication, tireless work ethic, and infections spirit have not only strengthened the bond between our two nations but have also forged lifelong friendships that transcend borders and boundaries.

In conclusion, as we gather to celebrate the 8oth anniversary of Kwajalein Kamolol Day, let us reaffirm our commitment to nurturing and preserving the enduring partnership between the United States and the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and in particular, the people of Kwajalein. May this day serve as a reminder of the power of collaboration and the boundless potential of what we can achieve when we stand together as friends and allies.

Thank you, and may Kwajalein Kamolol Day be filled with joy, reflection and a renewed sense of hope for the future. Komol Tata



United States Embassy Majuro Charge d'affaires Lance Posey, left, and Republic of the Marshall Islands Sen. Kitlang Kabua commemorate Kwajalein Kamolol Day with a photo following a ceremony on Ebeye, Feb. 9, 2024.









1) Ebeye residents line the parade route to the Kamolol Day ceremony on Feb. 9. 2) Dancers from the Mon Kubok jepta start their dance with a fearsome shout. 3) The Kwajalein High School Kwaj POPS! concert on Feb. 21 featured classic tunes and popular favorites—everything from the music of video games and movies to concert band arrangements of radio hits by Bruno Mars. Pictured here, Kwajalein High School Band Director Kyle Miller directs students during their performance at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room while a student announcer presents the next song. 4) Kwaj Band Pure Aloha plays at the Starlight concert series on Feb. 11.

### KWAJ SUPPORTS HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WITH DONATION TO EBEYE SCHOOL

BY MIKE BRANTLEY / USAG-KA PUBLIC AFFAIRS

TEAM KWAJ recently donated a new autoclave sterilizing machine to the Ebeye Elementary School on Ebeye with several students on hand to witness the donation.

Speaking to the students the Ebeye Elementary School, U.S. Army Master Sgt. John Phillips, team lead, 9th Mission Support Command, Oceanic Engagement Team to the RMI, U.S. Embassy-Majuro said, "This machine sterilizes surgical equipment for veterinarians when they come to Ebeye to look after your dogs and cats. This will help to keep you and your families healthy too because we are trying to prevent diseases spreading from animals to humans."

"The arrival on Ebeye of this autoclave is a significant milestone," said guest speaker Maj. Dae Choi, host nation director, U.S. Army GarrisonKwajalein Atoll. This has been an "ongoing collaboration of Iroijlaplap Mike Kabua, the NGO RMI Loves Animals, the RMI Ministry of Natural Resources and Commerce, KALGOV, USAGKA, the U.S. Embassy-Majuro and many of our partners who work to maintain a healthy pet population on Kwajalein Atoll to ensure we have healthy families and communities.'

Choi also thanked colleagues at USINDOPACOM, U.S. Army Pacific, the U.S. Navy's Pacific Fleet and the crew of the Navy's hospital ship Mercy, the Air Force and the Defense Logistics Agency who all played a role in getting this autoclave here from North Carolina to Ebeye.

'We look forward to having our voluntary veterinarian team back to Kwajalein



so we can have this autoclave turned on and continue supporting the zoonotic disease prevention mission."

RMI Deputy Chief Secretary Abacca Anjain-Maddison thanked everyone for the autoclave machine as well.

"This machine will help improve the health of the

community here on Ebeye. It is a very important machine that will help us here. I'd like to, on behalf of the community here, the local and national government, to express our appreciation. We are very grateful for this gift and we accept. Kommol tata, Jeramon!"

ABOVE: Deputy RMI Chief Secretary Abacca Anjain-Maddison, left, and Maj. Dae Choi, U. S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll's host nation director, center, cut the ribbon for a donated autoclave machine Dec. 14 at the Ebeye Elementary School on Ebeye during a handover ceremony. "This machine sterilizes surgical equipment for veterinarians when they come to Ebeye to look after your dogs and cats," said Army Master Sqt. John Phillips, team lead, 9th Mission Support Command, Oceanic Engagement Team to the RMI as he spoke to the elementary school students. "This will help to keep you and your families healthy too because we are trying to prevent diseases spreading from animals to humans."

# **KWAJALEIN RECLAIMED WATER STANDARD VIOLATION**

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Reclaimed Water System Document of Environmental Protection requires public notification when reclaimed water standards are violated.

On Feb. 14 – 15, the Kwajalein Wastewater Treatment Plant observed elevated levels of petroleum oil entering the system. As a result, the reclaimed water generated had higher than normal turbidity levels.

Turbidity is the cloudiness or haziness of a liquid caused by individual particles that are generally invisible to the naked eye.

On Feb. 19, the 7-day rolling turbidity average at the point of entry into the reclaimed water system and the distribution system measured above the 2.0 Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTUs) standard. The turbidity of the reclaimed water is expected to slowly decrease to normal levels over the next two to three weeks while the reclaimed water system recovers. No health-based restrictions on the normal use, such as irrigation, vehicle washing, etc., of reclaimed or non-potable water are necessary. A petroleum-based odor has been observed in the distribution system that is expected to dissipate with newly generated reclaimed water. There is no threat to public health or the environment because of this turbidity exceedance and the

petroleum-based odor observed. If you have any questions, please contact the V2X Environmental Department at 480-0722.

#### **Iorraan Eo Ilo Reclaimed Water** System Eo Ion Kwajalein

Ekkar non Reclaimed Water Document eo an Environmental Protection/ak naetan (DEP) ej kemlet bwe jikin liklik dren eo ej aikuj karon iukiuk in ped elane ewor iorraan ko rejolet dren eo ion Kwajalein.

llo kar 14-15 raan in Bepode ilo iio in, Jikin Liklik Dren Eo ion Kwajalein ear elolo kare in woil iloan dren ko Ken menin ekomman bwe en laplok an tap dren eo.

Weweein ej walok wot ne ewor menoknok ak kare in ettoon ko jeban loi. Ilo kar 19 raan in allon in, ear wor tarrin juon wiik aetokin an ped ettoon kein iloan dren kein ekomman bwe jonan bonbon in (NTUs) Nephelometric Turbidity Units / ettoon ak tap in dren ear tobar 2.0. Jonak in iei kotomone ke enaj driklok iloan wiik kein jilu rej pedo tok. Ejjelok kojjela non karon im rejan ikkijeen kojerbal in dren (non wutdrikdrik, kwali waa ko, im ierbal ko eirlokwot) non aikuii ko iet.

Mottan woil ko iloan reclaimed water/dren in kenono kake rej etal non aer jako elikin an erreo dren kein. Ne ewon kajitok rellap lok, kir tok V2X Environmental department ilo 480-0722.



Army Lt. Gen. Larry J. Dodgen and United States Marine Gen. James E. Cartwright perform a ribbon cutting at the opening of the Operations Center for the Joint Functional Component Command for Integrated Missile Defense on Feb. 22, 2006, at Schriver Air Force Base, Colorado. Dodgen, commander, JFCC-IMD, hosted the ceremony, attended by Cartwright, commander, U.S. Strategic Command.

# **ARMY SPACE AND MISSILE DEFENSE HISTORY**

BY SHARON WATKINS-LANG, USASMDC HISTORIAN

**Today is** an important date in the history of the Joint Functional Component Command-Integrated Missile Defense.

On this date in 2006, Lt. Gen. Larry J. Dodgen, the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command and commander, Joint Functional Component Command-Integrated Missile Defense; and U.S. Marine Corps Gen. James E. Cartwright, commander, oversaw the ribbon cutting for the new JFCC-IMD Operations Center located at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado.

At that time, the JFCC-IMD [was] responsible for meeting the USSTRATCOM's Unified Command Plan responsibilities for planning, integrating, and coordinating global missile defense operations and support. JFCC-IMD conducts the day-to-day operations of assigned forces and coordinates activities with associated combatant commands. other USSSTRATCOM Joint Functional Components and the efforts of the Missile Defense Agency." With the implementation of the 2022 Unified Command Plan, the JFCC-IMD was recently realigned under the U.S. Space Command.





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Whether on the high seas or at port, misunderstood communication can lead to serious and even dangerous situations. "Seaspeak", the official language of the seas, helps to prevent miscommunication.

# **WHAT IS SEASPEAK?**

// EXTERNAL REPORT

By the National Oceanic and **Atmospheric Administration** 

Seaspeak is the official language of navigators around the world.

Have you ever wondered how crews on ships at sea communicate? Nowadays, crews consist of men and women from all over the world, and often, a single ship's crew comes from a number of different countries. But that was not always the case.

Back in the 1960s, the United States and the United Kingdom dominated ocean traffic, and 80 percent of ships' crews were native English speakers.

By the end of 1970s, however, the situation had reversed, and today, 80 percent of ship's crews do not speak English as a first language.

So what happens when a ship captain needs to communicate with his or her crew, to another ship, or to shore? Whether on the high seas or at port, misunderstood communication can lead to serious and even dangerous situations.

To avoid such confusion, in

1983 a group of linguists and shipping experts created a new system of communication called Seaspeak. English was chosen as the principle lexicon for Seaspeak because it was the most common language spoken on ships at that time, and, importantly, it was also the language of civil aviation. In 1988, the International Maritime Organization made Seaspeak the official language of the seas.

Seaspeak defines the rules of how to talk on a ship's radio. The number of words is limited to ensure that messages and conversations are short and clear. Eight words, called message markers, precede each sentence. These words are Advice, Answer, Information, Instruction, Intention, Question, Request, and Warning.

An important rule of Seaspeak is that numbers made up of two or more digits are spoken in single digits. For example, the number 33 is spoken as "three three" and the time 9:33 a.m. is spoken as "zero nine three three." Coordinated Universal Timethe primary time standard or international time scale by which the world regulates clocks and time—is always used at sea.



U.S. Space Force Gen. Stephen Whiting, U.S. Space Command commander, reviewed elements of the strategic vision during a recent town hall at Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado, Feb. 9, 2024. USSPACECOM, working with Allies and Partners, plans, executes, and integrates military spacepower into multi-domain global operations in order to deter aggression, defend national interests, and when necessary, defeat threats.

# THERE WILL NEVER BE A DAY WITHOUT SPACE: USSPACECOM releases updated Strategic Vision

// EXTERNAL REPORT

By U.S. Space Command Public Affairs

**The Defense Department** participated in a meeting of the Combined Space Operations Initiative Principals Board, known as CSpO, in Berlin.

The annual event, held this week, brought together DOD political and military space leadership from the U.S., Australia, Canada, France, Germany, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and also welcomed three new members of CSpO: Italy, Japan and Norway.

The 10 members of CSpO discussed opportunities to further advance both operational cooperation and information sharing for the space domain.

Established in 2014, the initiative is a multinational partnership. Its stated mission is to generate and improve cooperation, coordination and interoperability to sustain

freedom of action in space, optimize resources, enhance mission assurance and resilience, and deter conflict. Defense leaders discussed the emerging security challenges and explored ways to cooperate to prevent conflict in space.

The nations' representatives emphasized the need to continue to promote a rulesbased international order and responsible behavior in space, while collaboratively addressing challenges to

the safety and security of space-related operations.

Participants from the U.S. included John Plumb, assistant secretary of defense for space policy; Space Force Gen. Chance Saltzman, chief of space operations; and Army Gen. James Dickinson, commander of U.S. Space Command.

"Cooperation with our allies and partners is essential to promoting responsible space operations and protecting our interests in the domain. Expanding this cooperation in the space domain is one of my top priorities, and I was extremely proud to have Italy, Japan and Norway participate at the principals' board for the first time. Through CSpO, we will collectively work to reinforce the safety, security, stability and long-term sustainability of space," Plumb said.

"The CSpO Initiative is an important forum for improving coordination and integration while striving toward combined space operations. We appreciate the opportunity to meet with our allies and find avenues to optimize resources and build resilience," Dickinson said.

"The U.S. Space Force is committed to deterring conflict and reinforcing the security of the space domain," said Saltzman. "Our partnerships are strengthened through CSpO, and this coalition of like-minded nations enhances our ability to address the complex challenges we collectively face."

We have a moral responsibility to ensure delivery of space capabilities to the Joint Force, the Nation, and our Allies and to achieve space superiority in order to protect and defend our assets. Inherent in this is our responsibility to protect the Joint Force from space-enabled attack.

— Gen. Stephen Whiting Commander, USSPACECOM

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

The community wants to hear from you. Email announcements and advertisements to kwajaleinhourglass@gov2x.com Wednesdays by close of business. Ads received after deadline will be published in the next issue of The Kwajalein Hourglass.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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. 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.). Call 480-8496.

#### **DRIVER'S LICENSING CLASSES**

Kwajalein Driver's Licensing classes meet Wednesdays, 9 a.m. – Classes for RMI Workforce; 1 p.m. – Classes for expat Workforce. Classes are in Bldg. 856 Rm. 101 Vehicle Maintenance Compound. Space is limited. Registration is encouraged. For more information, call 480-3376. To register, email brian.arnett@vectrus.com and kaisha.wilson@vectrus.com.

#### **EVENTS**

Call 480-4198, visit the MWR Desk in the Grace Sherwood Library, Bldg. 805, and visit the Kwajalein Community Events Facebook page.

Monthly Oceanview Club Nights From 8 p.m. – midnight 1st Saturday: Karaoke Night 2nd Saturday: Salsa Night 3rd Saturday: Country Night 4rth Saturday: R&B Night

COLLEGE, CAREER & MILITARY FAIR. Kwajalein School System seeks presenters for the College, Career and Military Fair on March 14 from 2:15 – 3 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. Please contact KHS at 480-2011 to host a table to share information with students in grades 7 – 12 about your post-secondary education, career path and military service. For information, contact Dr. Matt Gerber, gerberma@kwajaleinschools.org, 480-2011.

#### **E-WARENESS**

SHORELINE PROTECTION.

USAG-KA-leased islands at Kwajalein Atoll have several miles of shoreline that are protected naturally or with man made structures. Shoreline areas provide habitats (birds, crabs, turtle nesting), recreation for residents, and protection from waves. Threats to the shoreline areas include run off from on island activities, offshore spills, and erosion from wave action. Vegetation along the shoreline provides soil stability, habitat areas, and prevents runoff.

What can you do?

- Scoop the poop! Pet waste can contribute bacteria and excess nutrients to surface waters.
- Any activities with the potential to impact areas within 50 ft. of the shoreline (demolition, construction, vegetation removal, etc.) require review and approval.

If you have any questions, please call Vectrus Environmental at 480-0722.

E-WARENESS: KEJBAROK IBARIJET. Aeto ko emoj an USAG-KA lease i ion Kwajalein Atoll ewor jet mile ko me emoj komman ak illik jet men ko ak kokkalle ko non kejbarok i. Konan emman ibarijet in jokkein, ekomman bwe en emman non jikin kabbed (bao, baru, jikin lik an won), jabdrewot men ko armej remaron kommane ie, im kejbarok jen no ko. Men ko remaron kakkure ijokein rej einwot jabdewot men ko ilo rej bed ilo dren ko rej lutoklok jen enne non lojet, lutok in oil, kab jorren ko jen no ko. Menin errek ko itorerein ibarijet rej komman bwe en tot bwirej ko, komman jikin kabbed, im kejbarok lutoklok in dren jen ene non lojet. Ta komaron kommane?

- Bok jen bwirej! Bwirej ko an menin mour ko remaron komman kij ko non ion lojet.
- Jabdewot makutkut iloan 50 ne (rubrub, ekkal, ka-iine...etc.) rej aikuj bar lale im komalim.

Elane elon am kajjitok, jouj im kurlok vectrus Environmental ilo 480-0722.

FACILITIES & HOURS
POST OFFICE CLOSURES FOR 2024: May
27 - Memorial Day.

SALON WALK-INS. Surfside Salon Walk-In Appointments are available on Fridays from 1:30 - 6 p.m.

MILLICAN FAMILY POOL. Closed for cleaning on Thursdays. Open noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays





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

and Saturdays. Open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays and Mondays.

KWAJALEIN SMALL BOAT MARINA hours of operation. 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m. Friday through Monday, and on holidays, excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas. Morning boat reservation times are from 7:30 a.m. – noon. Afternoon boat reservations are from 1 – 5 p.m.

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.

For more information, please call 480-3364 or email Chief Gregory Collins at gregory.collins@gov2x.com.

#### **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.

FLYROI RESERVATIONS. To schedule reservations and for correspondence related to flights, email LCVKwajalein-FlyRoi@wsp.com.

#### HEALTH

KWAJALEIN HOSPITAL WALK-IN CLINICS. Available to the community now, 7:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Flu shots are also available on a walk-in or appointment basis, Tuesday through Saturday, from 1 - 4 p.m. The updated 2023-2024 formulation for the COVID-19 vaccine (monovalent vaccine based on the Omicron XBB.1.5 sublineage of SARS-CoV-2) is available for all ages (6mo+). On hand stock is limited and pre-registration is required to ensure availability of age specific dosage. To register call 480-2223 for additional questions.

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.

EAP SERVICES. The EAP provides mental health services on Kwajalein, Roi Namur and Meck which include but are not limited to the following:

- Psychological assessments
- Counseling
- Anxiety and depressive disorders
- Family distress
- Post-traumatic stress disorder assessment and counseling
- Job-and-work-related counseling
- Cross-cultural adjustment issues in counseling
- Crisis management consultation
- Conflict mediation/resolution
- Addiction counseling
- Consultation on violence in the workplace
- Crisis management for employees assigned to USAG-KA

EAP services are also available to the management structure to improve employee retention, performance improvement plans, workplace resilience, and the development of people management skills to build and maintain effective teams. Employee Assistance Program

counselor (EAP) Kenneth Thomas MHS, LPC, LCADC, can be reached at kenneth. thomas@internationalsosgs.us or 480 – 5362.

VET SERVICES. 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.

PET HEALTH. According to the Association for Pet Obesity Prevention, 59.9 percent of cats and 55.8 percent of dogs in the United States were classified as overweight or obese. Animals that are obese are at an increased risk of experiencing diseases of the heart, lung, liver and/or gastrointestinal system. They may also suffer arthritis, diabetes, decreased immune function and overall decreased quality of life. If an animal is too obese, they may not be fit for travel off island. A proper diet and exercise during cool times of the day are recommended. For more information, please contact Kwajalein Veterinary Services at 480-2017 and email KwajaleinVeterinaryClinic@internationalsosgs.us.

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. Mike Klein at the Island Memorial Chapel by calling 480-3505.

#### **JOBS**

To apply for government employment opportunities on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and worldwide, visit usajobs.gov. ARKEL International is hiring. Send CVs and

ARKEL International is hiring. Send CVs and resume to christopher.fuents@arkel.com and jasper.gomez@arkel.com. Visit Arkel online at http://arkel.com. Call 480-1006 for more information.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT. USAG-KA CYS seeks a fulltime administrative assistant for on-island hire. Applicants should have a high school diploma/GED and two years' demonstrated experience in administration or secretarial work, an undergraduate degree in business or a related field, or professional certificates from trade schools in a related field. Experience in child or youth programs is highly desirable. All required background checks must be successfully completed and maintained. A health assessment is also required. Please visit: careers.vectrus.com, REQ: 37777.

BARU LEAD TEACHER. USAG-KA Child and Youth Services has a full-time job opening for a Lead Teacher. This position supervises children aged 6 months to 3 years old during indoor/outdoor activities, special events and instructional time; develops and provides individual and group lessons using CYS curriculum; and requires a health assessment and successful completion of a background check. Apply online at wwww.careers. vectrus.com. (Req. 38064)

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.

KIKAHA SOLUTIONS 30th Signal Battalion Network Enterprise Center, U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll is now partnered with Kikaha Solutions. Please visit www. kikahasolutions.com for more information and to submit applications. To navigate the site, click on "Careers," scroll down, and click on "search opportunities and apply." Enter job code 11326 and select search

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.

OPSEC REMINDER. During this time of transition on Roi, be cognizant of what you post on social media. Good OPSEC practices include not posting any pictures/videos of Roi unless cleared by the Public Affairs Officer and not posting any comments about the status of Roi facilities. If contacted, point all inquiries to the USAG-KA Public Affairs Office: Mike Brantley, 480-4848/1565, james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil.

PARSONS is now accepting applications for an office clerk, heavy equipment operator, quality control technicians, concrete finisher, general labor and masonry. Please visit the Parsons office to apply or apply online http://parsons.com/careers.

QUANTUM DYNAMICS, INC., is accepting resumes for positions on Kwajalein and

Roi-Namur in the following areas: vehicle maintenance, transportation motor pool, movement control and custodial. Apply at https://qdyncorp.com/home/careers/. 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. To apply, visit 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. 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.

TORCH TECHNOLOGIES seeks an MDA Support Analyst (Req#5588). The candidate will support the Missile Defense Agency on Kwajalein. This position is an on-island accompanied position with housing. Applicants must possess an active clearance. Please apply directly at https://torchtechnologies.hua.hrsmart.com/hr/ats/Posting/view/5588

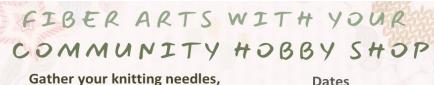
For questions, email dalia.kardaman@torchtechnologies.com.

V2X JOBS. V2X has several opportunities for on-island hires: Harbor Controller I (35649), Logistics Analyst (32717), Inventory Associate (35067), and Bartender (32355). Apply online at www.careers. vectrus.com or stop by the HR office in building 700.

#### **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.

OPSEC. See something, say something. All employees on USAG-KA are required to receive annual Threat Awareness and Reporting Program training provided by KRO; Reporting: Report suspicious activities to the Kwajalein Resident Office at 480-9859/1293/8006 at Bldg. 1163.



Gather your knitting needles, crochet hooks, embroidery supplies and meet up with other fiber art enthusiasts.

> Not an instructional class. Kids 14 & under must be accompanied by adult.

Feb. 28, March 6, and April 3

Meet at the library any time from 4 - 7 p.m.

Contact the Hobby Shop for more information. Hobby Shop: Bldg. 815, Phone: 480-1700

Hours: Weds. & Thurs., 1 - 8 p.m.; Fri., Noon - 8 p.m.; Sat. - Mon., Noon - 6 p.m.; Tues. - Closed



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.

#### **REGULATIONS**

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

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.

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.

#### **RADIO**

HAM SHACK Amateur Radio Operators. All amateur operators will now be required to file for a Marshall Islands callsign. Please contact Lisa at V73ML1@gmail.com for an application and information.

FM99 THE WAVE & 97.9 ROI RAT RADIO. Tune in 7 - 9 a.m., 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 4 - 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday for live broadcasting, music, and community updates.

RF EQUIPMENT. Bringing new Radio Frequency equipment or wireless devices on island? Please contact the NETCOM Spectrum Management Office. This may require three months' approval process. Report any interference problemw. Home use of commercial electronics does not require approval. Call 480-4135.

#### **SMALL ARMS RANGE IS MARCH 1**

Security and Access Control will conduct a small arms range on March 1 from 8 - noon. Please observe the red flag hazard area. Please call 480-9046 with any questions.

#### **TAXI SERVICE**

Call 480-TAXI (8294) or 3341 to book your ride at least 24 hours in advance of your check-in time.



# **UXO SAFETY REMINDER**

PUBLIC SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

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

- Remember the three R's of UXO:
- Recognize an item as possible unexploded ordnance;
- **Retreat** from the area of the UXO;
- **Report** suspected UXO immediately.

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

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

compared to common items like a football or scuba air cylinder

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

#### Kemejmej R ko 3:

- Recognize (kile) juon kwopej bajjok emaron Bokutan ak kein kabokkolok (UXO).
- Retreat (Jenliklik) bed ettolok im jab kepaak UXO eo.
- **Report** (Ripoot e) boktun ak kein kabokklok eo ien eo emokajtata non EOD ilo nomba kein (480-1433) ak CPS (480-4445).

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

Tiljek kon UXO kein einwot am kojparok menin mour in lojet ko rekauwotata. Kalimjek wot jab jibwe. Non bar kakemejmej eok, eokwe jouj im koba lok ilo Island Orientation allon otemjej.

### **MOVIE SHOWTIMES**

Shows start at 7:30 p.m.

#### RICHARDSON THEATER

Saturday Feb. 24 "Paw Patrol: The Mighty Movie" (G) 86 Min.

Sunday Feb. 25 "Ralph Breaks The Internet" (PG) 112 Min.

Saturday, March 2 "American Underdog" (PG) 112 min.

Sunday, March 3 "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2005) (PG) 115 min.

Saturday, March 9 "Despicable Me 2" (PG) 98 min.

Sunday, March 10 "Despicable Me 3" (PG) 89 min.

Saturday, March 16 "Elemental" (PG) 101 min.

Sunday, March 17 "Footloose" (1984) (PG) 107 min.

Saturday, March 23 "Madagascar 2: Escape to Africa" (PG) 89 min.

> Sunday, March 24 "Glory Road" (PG) 118 min.

Saturday, March 30 "Paw Patrol: The Mighty Movie" (G) 88 min.

> Sunday, March 31 "Paws of Fury: The Legend of Hank" (PG) 98 min.

#### **YUK THEATER**

Saturday, Feb. 24 "Malignant" (R) 111 Min.

Sunday, Feb. 25 "Barbie" (PG-13) 114 Min.

Saturday, March 2 "What Happens Later" (2023) (R) 113 min.

Sunday, March 3 "Unforgiven" (1992) (R) 130 min.

Saturday, March 9 "The Woman King" (2022) (PG-13) 136 min.

> Sunday, March 10 "The Rock" (1996) (R) 136 min.

Saturday, March 30 "Maybe I Do" (2023) (PG-13) 96 min.

Sunday, March 31 "Mississippi Burning" (1998) (R) 128 min.

Saturday, March 16 "The Batman" 2022 (PG-13) 176 min.

Sunday, March 17 "She Said" 2022 (R) 129 min.

Saturday, March 23 "No Country for Old Men" (2007) (R) 122 min.

> Sunday, March 24 "Oppenheimer" (2023) (R) 180 min.





### Kwajalein Schools College, Career, & Military Fair

Kwajalein Schools is seeking <u>presenters</u> for the College, Career, and Military Fair on March 14 from 2:15 - 3 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Please contact KHS at 480-2011 to host a table and share information with 7-12 grade students about your post secondary education, career path, or military service.



POC: Dr. Matt Gerber gerberma@kwajaleinschools.org 480-2011



### **KSS K-12 Science Fair**

Who: K – 12 Students What: Science Fair

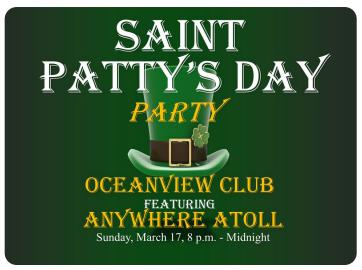
When: April 26 from 5 – 6:30 p.m.

Where: KHS MP Room:

Why: Expand on research at home in the area of science.

KHS POC: Matt Gerber - 2011 GSES POC: Paul Uhren - 3601

Stop by the elementary school office or high school office to pick up your <u>free</u> display board after your child registers for the science fair!





### **WEATHER AND TIDES**

// RTS WEATHER STATION

#### **WEATHER DISCUSSION**

Dry and mostly sunny skies will bring the central RMI into the end of the workweek with some thin high cirrus clouds from areas of showers and deep convection to the south of the Marshall Islands.

The weekend looks to be mostly quite pleasant with lingering effects from a shear line, that originated as a cold front associated with a mid-latitude storm, keeping off-and-on stray showers over Kwajalein for both Sunday and Monday.

These elevated shower chances will also be assisted by slightly higher moisture at about the 10,000-foot level along with small perturbations in the trade wind flow.

Expect Monday to have the greatest chance of showers when they could increase from stray to isolated showers at times.

We are also anticipating a decrease in the trade winds into the middle to low teens, as the pressure gradient that has kept our wind mostly in the upper teens relaxes due to a weakening of the subtropical ridge to the northeast of the Marshall Islands.

Looking beyond the weekend, expect the relaxed pressure gradient to continue into the first part of the workweek, keeping our wind mostly in low teens out of the northeast.

Shower chances are anticipated to remain low due to the absents of any real forcing mechanism to induce the surface convergence necessary of any significant shower activity.

The sea state is currently decreasing and is expected to be between about 4-6 feet for the weekend on the open ocean and 1-3 feet in the southern part of the lagoon.

#### **SATURDAY**

Partly sunny with possible stray showers. Winds NE-ENE at 14-19 knots with higher clear-air gusts and near any showers.

#### **SUNDAY**

Partly sunny with stray showers. Winds NE-ENE at 12-17 knots with higher gusts near showers.

#### **MONDAY**

Partly sunny to mostly cloudy at times with stray, increasing to isolated showers at times.

Winds NE-ENE at 12-17 knots with higher gusts near any showers.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

The workweek will start with our normal February trade wind inversion pleasant weather conditions and partly sunny skies along with winds mostly in the low teens out of the northeast. Shower chance will only be stray in nature.



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	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SATURDAY	7:05 a.m.	6:50 p.m.	4:36 a.m. 3.7'	10:28 a.m0.2'
	7:00 p.m.	6:47 a.m.	4:43 p.m. 4.5'	11:00 p.m0.5'
SUNDAY	7:05 a.m.	7:34 p.m.	4:59 a.m. 3.9'	10:54 a.m0.4'
	7:00 p.m.	7:25 a.m.	5:07 p.m. 4.6'	11:22 p.m0.6'
MONDAY	7:04 a.m.	8:16 p.m.	5:22 a.m. 4.1'	11:19 a.m0.4'
	7:00 p.m.	8:02 a.m.	5:30 p.m. 4.6'	11:43 p.m0.5'
TUESDAY	7:04 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	8:59 p.m. 8:37 a.m.	5:45 a.m. 4.1' 5:52 p.m. 4.4'	11:45 a.m0.4'
WEDNESDAY	7:04 a.m.	9:42 p.m.	6:08 a.m. 4.1'	12:04 a.m0.4'
	7:00 p.m.	9:12 a.m.	6:15 p.m. 4.2'	12:10 p.m0.2'
THURSDAY	7:03 a.m.	10:27 p.m.	6:32 a.m. 4.0'	12:24 a.m0.3'
	7:00 p.m.	9:49 a.m.	6:37 p.m. 3.8'	12:37 p.m. 0.0'
FRIDAY	7:03 a.m.	11:14 p.m.	6:57 a.m. 3.9'	12:45 a.m0.1'
	7:00 p.m.	10:28 a.m.	7:00 p.m. 3.4'	1:05 p.m. 0.3'
MARCH 2	7:02 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	11:10 a.m.	7:25 a.m. 3.6' 7:26 p.m. 2.9'	1:07 a.m. 0.2' 1:39 p.m. 0.7'

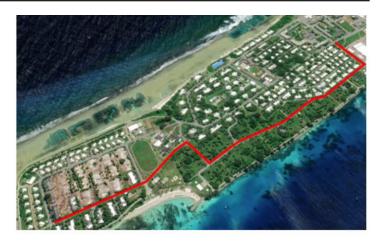


Check out more news and entertainment about Kwaj life on the USAG-KA YouTube Channel, at https://www.youtube.com/USArmyGarrisonKwajaleinAtoll.

### NAN, INC. CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

Nan, Inc. Construction is scheduled to commence the telecommunication scope of work for the FY21 Kwajalein Army Family Housing project in our community from February – September 2024. There may be potential traffic disruptions, particularly from Lagoon Road to Bldg. 806. We kindly ask residents and commuters to be aware of possible changes in traffic patterns and to plan their routes accordingly.

We appreciate your patience and understanding. Nan, Inc. Construction is committed to minimizing any inconveniences, and we will strive to ensure a smooth and efficient construction process.



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