

# **ONE TEAM WITH SMDC COMMANDING GENERAL**

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Lt. Gen. Sean Gainey, commanding general, U.S. Army Missile and Space Command, visited U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll earlier this month with his spouse, Vera, and personnel from an SMDC delegation. This article begins a series based on a video interview produced during the visit.

Please visit the USAG-KA YouTube channel to watch the interview and enjoy these perspectives on teamwork and TEAM KWAJ shared by our Commanding General.

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Please share some of your thoughts and reactions from your visit to US-AG-KA.

What an amazing community. The warmth of the community, everybody coming together and everybody being extremely friendly and helpful just gives you a family atmosphere and the feeling that you are part of the family. We've been here, going on for days now, and it feels like we're already integrated into the community. So, [we are] excited to be here. I am glad Vera was able to come with me and to experience this because often I'm telling her about places.

She wouldn't have believed me if I had only told her how it was here on Kwaj with this amazing team working together. It's good that she was



One team in action: Active duty personnel from U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command are joined by U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll community members for a heritage ruck/walk during a visit by SMDC Commanding General Lt. Gen. Sean Gainey in early April.

able to come here and experience it herself, so she walks away with firsthand knowledge.

What an incredible team. The past three to four days illustrate how Kwajalein is an important strategic site for our nation.

Everybody here is providing a significant impact. I just want to say thank you for what you're doing and that I appreciate being here and appreciate being part of the team.

Please share with us how, growing up as a young football player in an Army family household, you decided to become an Army officer to tackle a greater mission.

Playing sports was a big part of my life growing up. My father was in the military. He embraced the team concept. He was adamant about my siblings and I being part of organized sports because he knew the importance of experiencing being part of a team—not really being worried about getting credit for yourself but watching the team be successful.

That really came to a pinnacle when I was in college. I played for an amazing coach who taught us the concept of one team and the empowerment of trust. Essentially, walking through the door, he said, "Hey, I trust you guys and I'm going to empower you guys." He had one simple rule, and it was do right. As a young college kid, as you can imagine, that was a little hard to put your arms around.

Everything had been so structured up to that point. Having someone trust in you and having one simple rule was something that resonated and stuck with me.

When I eventually transitioned into the ROTC program and became an officer, the one team concept was really my leadership philosophy. I was excited to hear from Col. Morgan and the team that they have really embraced the one team concept.

It resonates with me because that's essentially how my leadership style was built.

Everybody is part of one team. Everybody has expec-

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tations of doing the same thing. We do it together.

It's worked well, and it's good to see it in this location. It instilled a foundation in me as an officer—again, not worrying about taking the credit or being in the forefront but making sure the team is successful; that leaders take time and ensure that the team is successful, as opposed to individuals, allows that organization to flourish.

That's what excites me about this location and what excited me about being in the Army. When I joined, all I wanted to be was a platoon leader: to have a platoon—one team. I was fortunate as my career progressed, and here I am now.

#### Please tell us more about how TEAM KWAJ exemplifies and implements some of your own core values.

I'll start with when you highlighted Col. Drew Morgan: a phenomenal leader. He and his wife Stacy are an amazing command team, so it's been great.

The entire team and mission partners have been gracious hosts. With Lt. Col. Casey Rumsfeld, the leadership he's providing to the RTS team has been truly amazing. In my perspective, you really define a leader when things get tough.

When things are easy, everybody's a pretty good leader because people are pretty much happy.

When you get into some sort of crisis and the stress level picks up—that's when true leaders step up and show themselves. I was able to witness that with Col. Morgan.

When I took Command at SMDC, one of the first phone calls I got was about the rogue



wave on Roi.

That's when I really started to put my arms around TEAM KWAJ and what it was. I had a fundamental understanding.

As we walked through, phase by phase, I watched the team come together under Col. Morgan's leadership and do some amazing things.

You must leverage what you have and leverage the teamwork concept together. It was amazing watching the whole thing transpire, from the initial challenges, to where TEAM KWAJ is moving—and that's just from the crisis set.

From the day in and day out mission set, it's truly amazing to watch the team come together and work together—the Garrison and RTS—in all our support pieces, to be able to do what we require them to do for this critical, critical mission here on Kwajalein.

\*This interview has been edited for brevity.



1) Lt. Gen. Sean Gainey, commanding general, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, joined USAG-KA Commander Col. Drew Morgan, right, and Kwajalein Atoll Local Government Ebeye Mayor Hirata Kabua, center front, and Sen. Kili Kabua, far center, for a tour of facilities and public works projects in progress on Ebeye during his visit. 2) Lt. Gen. Gainey addresses the island community during a town hall event at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room at Kwajalein High School.



Visitors commemorate their tour of the USAV Worthy with a photograph on Echo Pier on April 10.

# RESIDENTS SELL BELONGINGS AT MWR YARD SALE

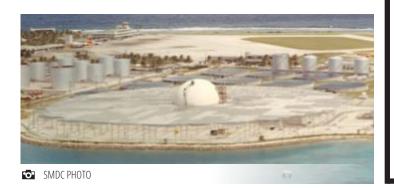
#### HOURGLASS REPORT

Island residents gathered at the Building 602 lawn last week for the MWR Yard Sale. The annual event is an opportunity for community members to sell gently used and "Kwaj condition" items to members of the local communities.

Again this year, MWR personnel coordinated collection and delivery of unsold items to the Bargain

Bazaar as well as communities on Carlos, Ebeye and Third Island. Island residents dropped off packaged goods, clothing, children's toys and books, kitchen items, sports equipment and other materials for delivery following the sale.

MWR thanks the community for supporting the event. For more information and photos, visit the Kwajalein Community Events Facebook page.



## **SMDC HISTORY**

#### HOURGLASS REPORT

**Sixty-two years ago** on April 18, 1962, the Zeus Acquisition Radar or ZAR located on Kwajalein Island participated in a satellite tracking exercise. During this particular exercise, the radar tracked

two objects designated as SPUTNIK 12 also known as the Kosmos 2, a Russian scientific satellite.

The test was repeated on 19 April with the date successfully transferred to the Target Track Radar.

The ZAR, the largest component of the NIKE-ZEUS battery, consisted of a trans-

mitter, a receiver and a power plant. As explained in the Kwajalein Field Station history "the ZAR transmitter, with three antenna arrays in a horizontal triangular arrangement, would rotate in a horizontal plane, scanning millions of cubic miles of space for threatening objects.

The search signal sent by the ZARS's transmitter would be bounced back to the ZAR receiver, located near the transmitter and designed to rotate synchronously with it. The acquired signals would then be analyzed by computers to determine the presence and location of a target."



U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club President Amber Bates, right, delivers thank-you tokens to club officers at Emon Beach during the club's volunteer appreciation dinner April 15. The YYWC raised \$51,000 in charitable donations this year in support of grants for Micronesian schools.

# YOKWE YUK WELCOME CLUB THANKS TALENTED VOLUNTEERS

#### HOURGLASS REPORT

The Yokwe Yuk Welcome Club hosted an appreciation dinner for the club volunteers Monday, April 15 at Emon Beach. Outgoing YYWC President Amber Bates thanked all in attendance and recognized community contributors who assisted in raising \$51,000 for the club's Micronesian education grants.

Through its array of initiatives and outreach programs, the club was also able to award larger grants, Bates said.

"This was possible through the work of our volunteers at the Bargain Bazaar, Micronesian Shop, and our stand-alone fundraising events throughout the year," Bates wrote to the Hourglass. "We received grant requests from 21 schools and NGOs this year and were

able to give all the grantees a minimum of \$2000 each."

The grants will be used by schools to purchase of teaching curricula, school furniture, student supplies and other essential items to benefit students and teachers

During the evening, the YYWC also welcomed votes from membership for an incoming panel of executive board members and enjoyed a potluck dinner with a main dish prepared by volunteers from Ebeye's Wellness Center.

The YYWC is a longtime island initiative led and organized by volunteers from the Kwajalein community. Over the years, the club has added events and activities to its roster of initiatives with the purpose of raising funds to support school grants throughout the region.

# ARMY SIGNS PROCUREMENT **AGREEMENT TO CUT COSTS**

EXTERNAL REPORT

By Jonathan Austin, **Army News Service** 

The Army and a Minnesota Service Cooperative have formalized a 10-year renewable partnership to sustain garrisons across the nation.

In a Pentagon signing ceremony on Wednesday, April 10, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy and Environment Rachel Jacobson said she was excited to partner with Sourcewell, the Minnesota local unit of government that provides cooperative purchasing nationwide to help local, state, and federal agencies operate efficiently.

partnership with Sourcewell is the largest the Army has ever initiated, Jacobson said.

"We're using Intergovernmental Support Agreements more and more," she said in a ceremony held in the Pentagon Auditorium.

The Army estimates that the IGSA with Sourcewell will result in annual savings of between 15% and 50% on a wide range of services, supplies and equipment, while giving each garrison a flexible and efficient alternative to current contract options.

The organization and the Army worked for months nailing down the specifics of the wide-ranging contract, and Coauette said Sourcewell is scaling up its process to meet the needs of the Army to provide efficient and effective procurement.

The self-sustaining service organization plows profits back into Minnesota communities, offering training programs for teachers, firefighters and the like, Coauette said.

#### Effective, Efficient Contracting

Jacobson said Army installations are small cities, so part-

nering with a procurement agency that already works with hundreds of government entities made sense.

'We have a lot of municipal needs," she said.

Sourcewell already works with a variety of government agencies of all sizes, from the Federal Aviation Administration and Federal Reserve banks to the Kentucky State Fair Board and the city of Abbeville, Ala.

Attending the signing ceremony representing the Army commands engaged with the new partnership were Deputy Chief of Staff for Installations Lt. Gen. Kevin Vereen and Army Installation Management Command deputy commanding general Maj. Gen. Joseph Ricciardi.

The Sourcewell partnership allows commands to find effective ways to buy the most efficient products, not just for serving the Army but the nation at large.

David Leinberger, the manager of Army Community Partnerships, welcomed the official party and participants to the signing ceremony, saying that Army Installation Management Command had done an amazing job negotiating with Sourcewell to institute the new procurement agreement.

This is an efficient use of taxpayer dollars," he said.

Private partners in similar contracts focus on turning a profit, Leinberger said, and public partners do not.

"Public partners work at cost, and public partners do not have an incentivized reason to be dishonest or cut corners in order to turn a profit at the expense of the government," he said.

The exciting thing about the Sourcewell partnership is that all Army installations in the continental United States benefit because they now have Sourcewell as an option



Dr. Chad Coauette, CEO of the Sourcewell company (seated left), and Ms. Rachel Jacobson, Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Army Installations, Energy and Environment (seated right), hold up the Sourcewell Intergovernmental Support Agreement proclamation during a signing ceremony in the Pentagon auditorium, April 10.

to purchase or procure the supplies or services needed, he said.

"We look for ways to save money and find efficiencies," he said.

The signing ceremony represented more than a year of effort by Army officials and Sourcewell to bring the partnership to fruition.

"On behalf of the Army, I just want to say that we recognize the commitment Sourcewell is bringing, not just to the Army but after this we have a business meeting with our other service partners, and we're looking forward to working in a joint environment across all the services to make sure not just the Army gets the benefit of what we're doing here, but all services," Leinberger said.

He said the benefit for the Army in the new procurement agreement is wide rang-

"The Army has a greater requirement that we actually have the money for," he said.

Garrison planners can look forward to using Sourcewell in planning post maintenance and construction.

"We need toilets, we need sinks, we need light fixtures, we need doors, we need drywall, we need construction material; the unglamorous of running things, and we need in bulk," he said.

Sourcewell takes the new partnership very seriously, Leinberger said, as evidenced by a large turnout of Sourcewell staff at the signing ceremony, including Coauette and Sourcewell Board of Directors Chairperson Greg Zylka.

The mayor of Little Falls, Minn., Zylka said the primary motivation for Sourcewell across the board is service.

"This ceremony is a celebration of service," he said.

#### Saving Through State **Partherships**

Assistant Secretary Jacobson said she hopes the other military branches do join the Army in finding efficiencies through Sourcewell and noted that the Army is aggressively negotiating Intergovernmental Support Agreements with local and state agencies nationwide to reduce costs and secure efficient and timely services.

The Army has signed an agreement with the State of Texas for the state Department of Transportation to provide all road maintenance on all Army installations in the state.

"That's going to save us close to \$4 million," she said.

Likewise, a new agreement with the University of Georgia will help the Army identify regional climate hazards it can develop a climate management plan for southeastern garrisons.

Leinberger said the Army will need to do garrison procurements through Sourcewell for up to a year before it can put a dollar amount on the savings, but he and others believe it will be substantial.

# EARN YOUR TEAM KWAJ TAB

#### PLIRLIC NOTICE

- 1. Attend Col. Morgan's TEAM KWAJ brief (either Teammate or Community version), read and adhere to the TEAM KWAJ Teammate Pact, presented at initial town halls, and periodically thereafter.
- 2. Attend the Island Newcomer's Briefing.
- 3. Attend at least one group greeting at air terminal for personnel arriving on island. Make them feel welcome and show them we are happy they are on Kwaj with us.
- 4. Attend at least two garrison after-hours team-building or social events (TEAM KWAJ Happy Hour, Commander's Call, Hail/Farewell).
- 5. Attend at least two TEAM KWAJ PT/Wellness sessions. Become a regular attender!
- 6. Visit Marshallese Cultural Center in last 3 months prior to tab award.
- 7. Visit Ebeye, Third island or Majuro in last 3 months prior to tab, use a Marshallese phrase or two and visit a store/restaurant.
- 8. Tell three co-workers how to earn the TEAM KWAJ tab.

- 9. Swim, snorkel, boat or paddle on the lagoon at least once with a teammate.
- 10. Complete the TEAM KWAJ Circle-island 6-mile ruck march/walk/bike and read all historic battlefield markers. This is an organized USAG-KA hosted event several times per year.
- 11. Mission Partner wild card event—discuss with your supervisor any additional organizational requirement. Could be knowledge-based, achievement-based, or physical challenge.
- 12. Final event, "Board of Review" -- meet with Col. Morgan face-to-face individually or in a small group with all requirements fulfilled. Schedule with garrison front office. Discussion items may include but are not limited to; TEAM KWAJ pact "Healthy Community of Excellence," Kwaj history, Marshallese culture, military/strategic missions and their significance, and future operational potential.

Once you have the first 11 items completed, contact Terri Wilson at 480-4322 or at terri.l.wilson20.civ@army.mil to set up a date/time with the commander for the final event.



## **MOVIE SHOWTIMES**

Shows start at 7:30 p.m.

#### RICHARDSON THEATER

SATURDAY, APRIL 20 "Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris" 2022 (PG) 115 min.

SUNDAY APRIL 21 "Puss in Boots" 2011 (PG) 90 min.

SUNDAY, APRIL 27 "Ralph Breaks the Internet" 2018 (PG) 112 min.

SATURDAY, APRIL 28 "Remember the Titans" 2000 (PG) 113 min.

#### YUK THEATER

SATURDAY, APR. 20 "Gran Turismo" 2023 (PG-13) 134 min.

SUNDAY, APRL. 21 "Freelance" 2023 (R) 108 min.

SATURDAY, APR. 27 "Five Nights at Freddy's"

2023 (PG-13) 109 min. SUNDAY, APR. 28 "Fast X" 2023 (PG-13) 141 min.

### FOR KWAJ COMMAND TEAM INFO & UPDATES



## TEAM KWAJ COMMANDER



@TeamKwajCommander

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NASA ASTRONAUT ANDREW "DREW" MORGAN

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#### **ROAD STRIPING ON APRIL 25**

The community is advised that on Thursday, April 25, from 7 a.m. – 4 p.m., the Department of Public works will restripe the crosswalk located at Lagoon Road between the IT Building and the Grace Sherwood Library. These operations are contingent on clear weather conditions.

Traffic patterns will be interrupted during this time. Please follow the modified routes on that day, which will be identified with barricades, traffic cones and personnel on site. Your patience is appreciated as community improvements continue.

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# UXO DISOPSAL OPERATIONS PENDING FOR ROI-NAMUR AND KWAJALEIN

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

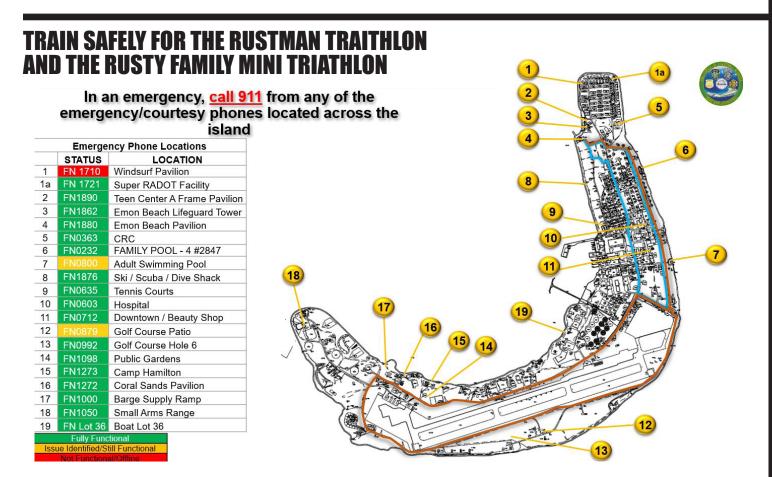
UXO Demo Team will be conducting operations at UXO Disposal Site Roi-Namur approx. 10-11:30 a.m. The area indicated in the map will be off-limits until operation is complete.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

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







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

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

# **COMMUNITY CLASSIFIEDS**

# Submit Announcements to the Roller Channel and The Kwajalein Hourglass

#### **OPEN CALL FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The island community is invited to submit listings for jobs, events and for sale items; announcements; department trainings; safety updates; public service messages; and thank-you messages.

#### **Preparing Your Message**

The island community is invited to submit listings for jobs, events and for sale items; department trainings; safety updates; special hours of holiday operation and cancellations; public service announcements and community thankyou messages.

Private parties, fundraisers and events requesting and/or accepting donations are typically not allowed for publication per AR 360-1. Fundraisers and support activities for private and schools-based organizations, scouting groups, civic clubs and other listings may be subject to a legal counsel review to determine their eligibility for publication.

Those with queries related to their messaging should reach out to the USAG-KA Public Affairs Officer for guidance at 480-4848 or james.m.brantley4.civ@army.mil.

#### **Formatting Your Listings**

It is recommended that graphical advertisements and announcements intended for the Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel be formatted as PowerPoint slides.

Ads should always include a name, phone number and/or email address. Graphic designers are asked to maintain a generous margin (.75-1-inch) around all sides and to size fonts no smaller than pt. 20.

If your Roller Channel advertisement requires a special expiration date, please note this for the Roller team in the body of your message.

#### **Deadlines for Submissions**

Send advertisements for the Kwajalein Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel to kwajaleinhourglass@gov2x.com on Wednesdays by close of business/Thursday morning.

Roller Channel ads are accepted on a rolling basis by 4 p.m. for a mid-week and late-week update. Ads received after 4 p.m. will be loaded in the next update. Please ensure you submit ads in good time to ensure timely upload.

For more information, reach out to the USAG-KA PAO through the USAG-KA Facebook page.

#### HELP WANTED

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 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 a related trade school professional certificate. Experience in child or youth programs is highly desirable. All required background checks must be completed and maintained. A

health assessment is also required. Please visit: careers.vectrus.com, REQ: 37777.

Atmospheric Science Technology, LLC, has an immediate opening for a meteorologist. This full-time, salaried position is located on Kwajalein. Eligible applicants will have a master's or bachelor's degree in meteorology/a related field, with two years of forecasting experience. Experience in Doppler or dual-polarized weather radar or satellite interpretation is preferred. To apply or learn more, contact Dottie Thomas, director of human resources, at dottiethomas@n8tivesynergy.com; call (256) 836-5316 direct and visit https://recruiting.paylocity.com/

recruiting/jobs/Details/2337159/Atmospheric-Science-Technology-LLC/Meteorologist---Kwajalein-Island.

Baru Lead Teacher. USAG-KA Child and Youth Services has a full-time job opening for a Lead





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

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 & 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.

Parsons is accepting applications for the following positions: HVAC and Mechanical Equipment Installer, Fire Sprinkler Foreman, plumber journeyman, office clerk, heavy equipment operator,

quality control technicians, concrete finishers, general labor, pipefitter- plumber, and carpenter. Please visit the Parsons Website at https://www.parsons.com/careers/, or send your resume to Kwaj.Resumes@Parsons.com, or you can visit your local Parsons office on Kwajalein Atoll, MH. For more information contact Parsons Human Resources at 480-4042.

RGNext, LLC seeks qualified candidates to fill open positions on Kwaj and Roi in engineering, technical, 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.

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.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

AFH Construction Is Ongoing. 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. Residents and commuters should be aware of possible changes in traffic patterns and to plan their routes accordingly. Nan, Inc. Construction is committed to minimizing any inconveniences, and we will strive to ensure a smooth and efficient construction process.

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.

Bowling Center Closed. The Kwajalein Bowling Center is closed for renovations. Visit the Grace Sherwood Library for more information or check out the Kwajalein Community Sports Facebook page at 480-3331.

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. Walkin 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.

Community Yard Sale. Saturday, April 13 from 4 – 7 p.m. in front of Facility 602, near Lagoon Road and 6th Street. Donation Drop-Offs are available for residents of Ebeye, Carlos and Santo. Sellers can leave gently used books, clothing and toys to be donated to the RMI or the Bargain Bazaar. To reserve tables and chairs at the tent, email kara.larson@gov2x.com or register in the Grace Sherwood Library by Wednesday, April 10.

Demolition at the Capt. Louis S. Zamperini Dining Facility. Phase one of the Zamperini DFAC demo has begun. Demolition of the kitchen will take place through June 1. Phase 2 begins June 2024 through March 2024 for the rebuild. Phase



3 begins March 2024 and is projected to be finished March 2026 for the dining and serving area. Be careful around the dining facility during the phases.

Do Not 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. Contact the Kwajalein Archaeology Office at 480-8867.

Driver's Licensing Classes. Kwaj: Every Wednesday, Bldg. 865, Rm. 101, 9 a.m. for RMI, 11 a.m. for expats. Preregistration is encouraged. Space is limited. Roi Classes: Every second Friday in C-building. 9 a.m. - RMI, 11 a.m. for expats. No preregistration required. To register, email wilson.kaisha@gov2x.com and/or george.parker3@gov2x.com, or call 480-3766.

Emergency Management. 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.

Employee Assistance Program. The EAP provides mental health services on Kwaialein. 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; and consultation on violence in the workplace. Crisis management for employees assigned to USAG-KA EAP services are available to the management structure to improve employee retention, performance improvement plans, workplace resilience, and the development of people management skills to build effective teams. Contact EAP counselor Kenneth Thomas MHS, LPC, LCADC, at kenneth.thomas@internationalsosgs.us or 480 - 5362.

E-wareness. Weekly Inspections of HMWPP. All HMWPP storage areas, including the exteriors of aboveground storage tanks, shall be inspect-

ed weekly to detect leaking or deteriorating containers. An HMWPP storage facility is an area or stationary fixture that contains 55 gallons of an HMWPP for more than 72 hours. Questions? Call Vectrus Environmental at 480-0722. Aolep jikin kakkwon HMWPP, bar einwot tank ko rej bed ilon, rej aikuj in inspect aolep week non lale im jela ke emor im joraan tank ko ak ewor ettal ilo tank ko. Ijoko jikin kakwon HMWPP tank ej ijoko me 55 gallon tank ko etto lok aer bed jen 72 awa. Kajjitok? Kurlok Vectrus Environmental ilo 480-0722.

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 LCVKwajaleinFlyRoi@versar.com.

"Grease" Singalong. Saturday, May 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Richardson Theater. Kick off the holiday weekend with a "Grease" movie singalong. Dress in movie-inspired attire and get ready to sing and dance. Contact MWR Event Coordinator Kara Larson at kara.larson@gov2x.com for information.

Hospital Walk-Ins. 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.

How to dress in the RMI. Out of respect for the Marshallese culture, residents are asked to address appropriately when visiting Ebeye, Third Island, or anywhere within Kwajalein Atoll. Women should wear clothing to cover shoulders and knees. None are permitted to wear shorts when visiting churches on Ebeye. Men should wear long slacks to church.

Kikaha is the new NEC contractor. Submit a ticket by calling 480-3000, Option 1.

Kwaj Small Boat Marina hours are 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.

Kwajalein Yacht Club Monthly Meeting. April 27. Social begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by a 6:30 p.m. meeting and dinner to follow at the KYC. Hamburgers for the main dish will be provided. Attendees are asked to bring sides and desserts.

Millican Family Pool Hours. Closed for cleaning on Thursdays. Open noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays and Mondays.

Monthly Oceanview Club Nights

From 8 p.m. – midnight
1st Saturday: Karaoke Night
Enjoy live music with DJ Dmack on
second, third and fourth Saturdays.
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.

Check out the new MWR Fitness Schedule online. Purchase your MWR Fitness Pass at the Grace Sherwood Library front desk. All classes are subject to change without notice. For more information, please call MWR at 480-3331.

Operational Security. 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.

PCS & Vacation Tips. 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.

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

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



The race is Monday, April 22, at 4 p.m., but you must pre-register. Forms are on mini-mall bulletin board downtown. Volunteers are needed and appreciated! Turn registration forms into, and address questions to Bob and Jane Sholar at Quarters 210-A (phone: 480-0704).

# **KWAJALEIN RECLAIMED WATER STANDARD VIOLATION**

#### EXTERNAL REPORT

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

On March 24 the Kwajalein Wastewater Treatment Plant observed elevated levels of sedimentation buildup from the filtration process during routine filter media maintenance.

As a result, the reclaimed water 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 March 24 the 7-day rolling turbidity average at the point of entry into the reclaimed water system measured above the 2.0 Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTUs) standard until 28 March 2024.

No health-based restrictions on the normal use (irrigation, vehicle washing, etc.) of reclaimed or non-potable water are necessary. There is no threat to public health or the environment as a result of this turbidity exceedance.

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

#### Jorraan 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 juk-

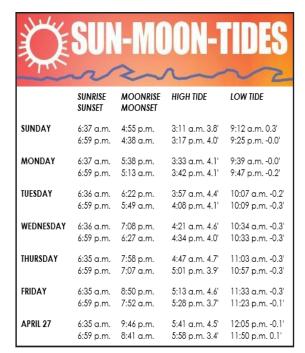
If you have any questions, contact the V2X Environmental Department at 480-0722. Ne ewor kajitok, joij kir tok V2X Environmental department ilo 480-0722.

juk in ped elane ewor jorraan ko rejolet dren eo ion Kwajalein. Ilo March 24 March Jikin Liklik Dren Eo ion Kwajalein ear koman jerbal in etal ko an ilo an kar wallon level in jonak ko ilo sedimentation ak jikin liklik dren eo ilo an filtration/liklik non jokjok ko non kojbarok.

Ej bar kalik kar ke jikin liklik dren ekar loplak jen jonak ko ekar bed ie. 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 March 24, the 7-day rolling turbidity average ej bed ilo jokjok eo ej delon tok ilo jikin koman dren eo kin ilon in jonak in 2.0 Nephelometric Turbidity Units (NTU) standard tok nan March 28. Ejjab jelet ejmour non bobrae kojerbal dren in non (wudrikdrik, kwali wa ko, im jerbal ko eirlokwot) ak aikuij ko jet. Ejelok jorren ejelet jikin ejmour ak ijoko belakir ilo an result in turbidity kalik kare an emmanlok.

Ne ewor kajitok, joij kir tok V2X Environmental department ilo 480-0722.

# CONTACT THE COMMANDER'S HOTLINE WITH QUESTIONS AT 808-480-1098.



# WEATHER

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

#### WEATHER DISCUSSION

The Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone which brought increased precipitation across the RMI for the last few days has begun to shift south.

For Saturday and Sunday, this feature looks to reside across the far southern RMI with no more than isolated shower activity across the Atoll.

The subtropical high-pressure system to the north will strengthen. leading a tighter pressure gradient across the RMI

and allowing winds to increase to the mid-upper teens during this period.

Some gusts in the upper 20s will be possible near any showers that do occur, as mid-level winds will be quite strong.

For Monday, an extra-tropical cyclone passing to the north will weaken the subtropical high somewhat, which will lead to winds decreasing to the mid-teens. This will allow the ITCZ to shift back to the north and modestly increase shower activity, especially for the southern Atoll.

A heavier shower or two may be possible for Monday due to abundant mid-level moisture. Combined seas on the open ocean will be in the 6-8 feet range for Saturday and Sunday, decreasing to 5-7 feet on Monday as the winds decrease.

#### **SATURDAY**

Partly sunny with isolated showers. Winds NE-E at 14-19 knots with higher gusts near showers.

#### **SUNDAY**

Partly sunny with isolated showers, especially south. Winds NE-E at 14-19 knots with higher gusts near showers.

#### MONDAY

Partly to mostly cloudy with isolated to widely scattered showers, especially south. Winds NE-E at 12-17 knots with higher gusts near showers.

#### **NEXT WEEK**

The subtropical high pressure to the north is likely to re-strengthen as the week continues, leading to winds increasing from the mid-teens early in the week to the mid-upper teens in the middle to later part of the week.

It will push the ITCZ to the south again, allowing a drier pattern to return. Shower coverage should be higher than what is expected during peak dry season, but is unlikely to impact our rainfall deficit.

This is somewhat concerning since Kwajalein Island missed out on most of the bigger rainfall this past week. Waves will also be on the increase throughout the week as the winds increase

TEAM KWAJ supports SHARP: Community members got after a 3.68-mile SHARP Road march/walk April 20 on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll to show support for the Army's Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention programs. For more information about the Army SHARP, visit the U.S.

Army Directorate of Prevention, Resilience and Readiness online at armyresilience.army. mil/sharp. 1) Community members commemorate their road march with a photograph. 2) Melissa Elkins, left, and her spouse, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Nathan Elkins, take on the 6-mile road march together on April 20.



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