

THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

WELCOME TO ROI NAMUR



FROM LEFT: COL. DREW MORGAN, COMMANDER, U.S. ARMY GARRISON-KWAJALEIN ATOLL; GEN. STEPHEN N. WHITING, COMMANDER, U.S. SPACE COMMAND; CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JACOB C. SIMMONS, COMMAND SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER, U.S. SPACE COMMAND; AND LT. COL. CASEY RUMFELT, REAGAN TEST SITE DIRECTOR, COMMEMORATE WHITING'S VISIT TO THE ATOLL WITH A PHOTOGRAPH FOLLOWING A TOUR OF ROI-NAMUR RANGE ASSETS ON APRIL 26.

STUDENTS UNITE 2
FOR FUN DAY OF LEARNING

EBEYE SDA SCHOOL 4
VISITS FEDERATED STATES

US SPACE COMMAND 5
VISITS TEAM KWAJ



ISLANDS' STUDENTS SHARE KWAJALEIN SCHOOL DAY

EXTERNAL REPORT

Kwajalein High School hosted school guests from Ebeye and Guegegue last week in the second exchange day event for the 2023-2024 school year.

Teaming up with Kwaj students, Ebeye students attended classes, engaged in fun learning activities and enjoyed a prepared lunch with their

USAG-KA counterparts. "Our numbers doubled with nearly 100 students and 20 teachers," said Kwajalein High School Principal and acting superintendent Dr. Matthew Gerber. "The energy on campus was so positive, and it was a great experience for all."

Gerber also thanked the many participants and volunteers who worked to ensure the day was a success.



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1) Students from Ebeye and Guegegue recently joined USAG-KA's Kwajalein High School students for a day of classes. Pictured here, students practice musical rhythm exercises at the KHS Band Room.
2) Students and teachers from Kwajalein, Guegegue and Ebeye participated in learning activities and exercises in a variety of classes throughout the exchange day.



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RUSTY FAMILY MINI TRIATHLON IS MAY 6

Calling all mini RustManiacs! The Rusty Family Mini Triathlon will take place this weekend, May 6, beginning at 4:30 p.m. near Kwajalein's Dock Security Checkpoint. The community is invited to show their support for the island's condensed triathlete competitors along the race route. For more information, contact Bob and Jane Sholar at 480-0704.



THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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RMI CONSTITUTION DAY

EXTERNAL REPORT

Anthony Blinken
U.S. Secretary of State

On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I congratulate the citizens of the Republic of the Marshall Islands as you celebrate your 45th Constitution Day on May 1.

Our unique friendship and cooperation with the Republic of the Marshall Islands is the foundation of our shared vision for a free, open, resilient, and flourishing Pacific Islands region. We are excited to continue this unique friendship and look forward to next steps for our new

agreements related to the Compact of Free Association.

We appreciate the Republic of the Marshall Islands' leadership on environmental protection and are committed to working together to combat the climate crisis, while partnering with the Pacific Islands in adapting to and managing the impacts of climate change on lives, health, and livelihoods. We also will work together to support their leadership on gender equality issues within the Pacific.

Together, we will continue our cooperation on the security, economic development, public health, and climate resilience of the Marshall Is-

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EGLIN AFB TO HOST 55TH ANNUAL EOD MEMORIAL CEREMONY

U.S. NAVY REPORT

The Explosive Ordnance Disposal community honors EOD personnel who have given their lives in the line of duty at this annual ceremony. EOD technicians are highly trained, skilled experts in explosives, diving, and parachuting, who share the task of rendering safe and disposing of explosive material. They protect and save lives by analyzing and handling foreign, domestic, and home-made explosives.

Naval School Explosive Ordnance Disposal will host the 55th annual Explosive Ordnance Disposal Memorial Ceremony on Saturday, May 4, 2024, at 9 a.m. Central Daylight Time in honor and remembrance of the 344 EOD technicians who have made the ultimate sacrifice and given their lives in the line of duty.

The ceremony will also be



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livestreamed and available for viewing online by visiting <https://eodwarriorfoundation.org/events/>.

The original memorial structure was dedicated on June 12, 1970, in Indian Head, Maryland. It consisted of four white cenotaphs—one for each branch of service—and

was faced with bronze tablets containing the names of EOD technicians who died in the line of duty.

After NAVSCOLEOD was consolidated at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, the original memorial was disassembled and redesigned. The new structure consists of a single white

wall faced with four bronze tablets identifying the names of the fallen. A brick from one of the original cenotaphs was incorporated into the current memorial by entombing it within the concrete wall.

The wall currently honors 344 fallen EOD warriors from 1942 to the present.

EBEYE SDA STUDENTS MAKE EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO FSM

COMMUNITY CONNECTION

The Kwajalein Hourglass is pleased to introduce featured guest writer and educator Rhine Lagumbay, Ebeye Seventh-day Adventist School, who kindly shared the following article about how one school trip can make the difference of a lifetime.

Recently, the 8th graders of Ebeye Seventh-day Adventist School embarked on an unforgettable educational trip to Pohnpei in the Federated States of Micronesia.

Accompanied by a few teachers and parents, the students were warmly welcomed to the beautiful Micronesian island by Pohnpei SDA School, Kolonia SDA Church, and Pastor Walter John.

While on the island, they were able to visit various entities, including the FSM Supreme Court, the Embassy of the United States of America, and the office of Govern-

or Stevenson A. Joseph. The kindness and support extended by these offices added to their valuable learning experience.

This educational journey was not just about exploring new places, but also about creating friendships with other SDA school students and expanding horizons.

The Ebeye 8th graders were also given the chance to visit and explore historical sites like Nan Madol with the local Pohnpei SDA School students.

“Everyone is so kind here. We’ve made so many memories with our new friends and we want to return,” remarked one student.

At the end of the trip, Principal Franky Edward from Pohnpei SDA school, along with the Women’s Ministries Department and local members of SDA church generously gifted the Ebeye SDA 8th graders a supply of bananas, mangos, breadfruit, taro and yamS to take home to share with their families.



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Eighth-grade students from Ebeye’s Seventh-day Adventist School commemorate a recent spring trip to Pohnpei with a photograph at the United States Embassy to the Federated States of Micronesia, Kolonia, Pohnpei.

The overwhelming kindness and hospitality shown by the Pohnpei SDA School staff and Pohnpei community has left a lasting impact on Ebeye’s young minds.

Royal Hazzard, reflecting on the adventure, shared, “Going on this trip made me

realize that the world is bigger than I thought.” Once again, the Ebeye SDA School 8th graders, teachers, and parents would like to extend a big, “komol tata and kalahngan” to the community of Pohnpei for the amazing experience.

U.S. ARMY SPACE AND MISSILE DEFENSE HISTORY

BY SHARON WATKINS-LANG, USASMDC HISTORIAN

A **unique** ground breaking ceremony took place on May 2, 2005 in U.S. Space and Missile Defense Command history.

Instead of loading a shovel, Kirby Brown, battle lab director, Future Warfare Center, Peterson Air Force Base (now Space Force Base), Colorado, picked up a sledgehammer and made the first solid whack at the future site of a new 13,500 square-foot facility to house the Joint Functional Component Command-Integrated Missile Defense.

Co-located with the Joint National Integration Center on Schriever AFB, the facility

housed approximately 120 people in the combined Operations and Staff centers. The sledgehammer replaced scissors that day because phase one of the project was deconstruction.

The new facility, one of several being constructed to support the U.S. Strategic Command’s JFCCs, was expected to be completed on or about September 1 of that same year.

In addition to the JFCC-IMD, these missions include space and global strike; intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; network warfare; and the recently added mission of combating weapons of mass destruction.



📷 U.S. ARMY PHOTO

Accompanied by project personnel, Kirby Brown, battle lab director, at the Future Warfare Center, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado, in 2005 holds a sledgehammer for the groundbreaking ceremony of the Joint Functional Component Command-Integrated Missile Defense.



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

U.S. SPACE COMMAND VISITS KWAJALEIN ATOLL

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

In late April, USAG-KA Command received a special visit from Gen. Stephen N. Whiting, Commander, U.S. Space Command, and a visiting delegation of Department of Defense personnel.

The active duty team joined technical advisors and engineering experts from the Reagan Test Site, Range Generation Next and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lincoln Laboratory for a

tour of field and sensor sites around the atoll. They learned about the unique supporting role Kwajalein plays in the DoD space community as a test range and garrison in the Pacific and how TEAM KWAJ leverages its talents to support the Army mission. The team also visited World War II battle sites on Roi-Namur and checked out ongoing progress for Operation Roi Recovery, which continues with refurbishments to housing and communal facilities.

1) Gen. Stephen N. Whiting, Commander, U.S. Space Command, far left, and personnel on U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll, receives a briefing on a Reagan Test Site asset delivered by Adam Gjersvik, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lincoln Laboratory associate staff, during a visit to USAG-KA in April 2024. 2-3) Visitors and Kwajalein personnel toured range assets around the garrison during their site tour. 4) The visitors join USAG-KA personnel for a photo to commemorate their visit to Roi-Namur.

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

1) Visit the USAG-KA Emergency Management webpage at <https://home.army.mil/kwajalein/index.php/my-fort/EM>.

2) Click on “Mass Notification”

3) Follow the registration instructions.

PENTAGON DEDICATES EXHIBIT TO JOINT EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL

EXTERNAL REPORT

By Shannon Collins

Part of a corridor in the Pentagon was dedicated to the joint explosive ordnance disposal mission April 23, 2024.

“It’s truly an honor to officially open the Pentagon’s first and only explosive ordnance disposal exhibit,” said Melissa Dalton, deputy undersecretary of defense for policy.

Over the course of 17 months, conceptual ideas became reality, items were donated from the services, photos and commentary were recorded for use, and hundreds of hours of planning and efforts have gone into the exhibit and grand opening, said retired Maj. Tom Vail, Army EOD policy and inter-agency subject matter expert, Pentagon.

Dalton and Vail spoke about the exhibit to guests and officially opened the exhibit with a ribbon cutting. EOD technicians who work at the Pentagon toured the exhibit that honors fallen EOD technicians, shares the history of the career field, the meaning of its patches and specialty badge and information about its weaponry.

“I was humbled to take part in today’s historic event,” said Lt. Col. BK Kibitlewski, EOD branch chief, Pentagon, who has served as an EOD technician for 16 years. “Just as the Multiservice EOD Memorial at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida keeps the memories of our fallen comrades alive, this exhibit will increase the awareness of the dedication, skill, selfless service and sacrifice military EOD technicians volunteer every day to execute.”

“Seeing the display gave me a strong sense of pride that people will get to learn a little something about EOD as they walk by,” said Col. Stephen Kavanaugh, G-38 divi-



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sion chief, Pentagon.

He graduated from EOD school in 1999.

Every Day of the Year

The overarching motto for the exhibit is “Every Day of the Year.”

Vail said every day of the year, EOD technicians of the DoD are performing their work somewhere in the world on several continents and dozens of countries simultaneously.

“The brave men and women who volunteer for this dangerous special duty are out there in our communities, on our military installations, traveling with the president and deployed across the world every day of the year,” said Dalton. “EOD forces from the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps stand ready and capable to defeat those threats every day of the year.”

Vail said EOD could be performing Defense Department missions in the Middle East; security cooperation missions in Asia, Europe or Africa; a protection mission for the president and other officials; and responding to explosive threats found by state and local law enforcement many times a day across

Department of Defense personnel explore an exhibit hall recently dedicated to Explosive Ordnance Disposal history at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. The installation opened in time for the 55th National Explosive Ordnance Disposal Day, observed every year on May 4 in military-connected communities around the world.

the U.S.

“EOD technicians perform an extremely dangerous set of tasks as a profession,” he said. “There is little they do that doesn’t involve some level of life-threatening danger to the average servicemember or civilian. From the protective sweeps they do in advance of a visit by the president to the calls for discovered unexploded ordnance or improvised explosive devices or recovered chemical weapons, everything they do involves a calculated risk.

“This risk is informed by training, judgement, maturity and experience,” he added. “There is no other career field in the military where the smallest unit makes unilateral decisions based on these factors alone.”

“EOD does a job many fear and very few are trained to do,” Dalton said. “They represent the very best that the nation has to offer. They first volunteer to join the armed forces, and then they volunteer again for a mentally and physically rigorous pipeline,

followed by a career of continuous learning, not for accolades, but so they can better protect people and property from explosive threats.”

West Virginia National Guard Soldier Capt. Evan Simpson said the exhibit shows the rich history, professionalism and close-knit community that is the EOD career field.

“It’s very rewarding to have the career field recognized in this way,” said Simpson, an operations officer for the Army’s G-38 Adaptive Counter-IED/EOD Solutions Division based at the Pentagon. “The EOD career field is full of professionals that selflessly serve and are willing to sacrifice everything in a moment’s notice. It’s important to those individuals who aren’t with us here today to know that we continue to honor their sacrifices and the astronomical impact they’ve had in this world.”

The exhibition is divided into four distinct sections highlighting the EOD mission, its history, a diorama of

IEDs and a remembrance of fallen EOD technicians.

Mission

The mission section of the exhibit highlights how EOD locates, identifies, renders safe, recovers, exploits and disposes of foreign and domestic explosive ordnance both on land and underwater using specialized disruption, detonation and burning techniques.

EOD deploys and integrates with geographic combatant commanders, special operations forces and other units within the joint force. They are also called upon daily to support military and civilian, local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, as well as the Secret Service and the U.S. Department of State.

Simpson said working with active duty at the Pentagon has been extremely rewarding, and EOD technicians regularly share knowledge and skills to increase proficiency.

"It's been extremely rewarding and informative because we all have skill sets from different areas of our lives we can tie together," he said. "Guardsmen often have civilian jobs that expand their skill sets and makes the unit they serve with much more adaptable."

The active component trains with allies and partners, expanding their understanding of joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational missions and how the U.S. EOD force helps on the world stage.

"We strengthen alliances and partnerships around the globe building their capability," said Kibitlewski. "We neutralize explosive ordnance and IEDs during crisis in the homeland and abroad and fight side by side with our units as an integrated part of

the joint force to ensure freedom of maneuver, preserve critical infrastructure and enable collection of technical intelligence to ensure the security of our nation."

"At the end of the day, we're all EOD technicians trained to do our job if the country needs us," Simpson said. "Having close communications between the different components allows us to share knowledge and skills to help make the EOD community an adaptable force ready to meet future challenges."

The mission of EOD goes beyond disarming IEDs.

EOD technicians gather and process evidence for forensics investigations; perform intelligence reporting on new weapon systems and ordnance items; respond to chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear incidents; and provide initial site characterization.

"The capability an EOD team provides a supported unit or commander far surpasses the common expectations of what EOD can do," Simpson said.

"Every day, every year since 1941, U.S. military EOD technicians play a critical role, in the homeland and across the globe to keep our citizens safe to enable the strategic objectives of our government, to defend our nation, without fail, living up to our motto of, 'Initial Success of Total Failure,'" said Kibitlewski.

History

There was unexploded ordnance left in the United Kingdom and Europe from World Wars I and II. Casualty rates climbed as untrained volunteers encountered the precursors to IEDs. In order to address the advanced weapon designs including long-delay and anti-tamper fuses, British Army and Navy

forces began training specialized units.

During World War II, U.S. Soldiers, Sailors and Marines began training at the British bomb disposal school until each service branch created their own bomb disposal schools. The Army ordnance department set up their first school at Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland in 1942.

The history of the EOD service schools, some of their pioneers, the EOD badge and patches are part of the EOD display along with historical highlights for each service branch.

The Army EOD formations grew from eight-Soldier squads in WWII to 12-Soldier detachments by the early 1990s. Operation Desert Storm further emphasized the need for EOD for critical missions of mass demolition operations and exploiting captured enemy weapons.

The Army EOD mission continued to expand throughout the Korean and Vietnam wars. In 1954, they took on the chemical, biological, nuclear and radiological, or CBRN, and IED render-safe and disposal missions. Nearly all Army EOD units fall under the 20th CBRNE Command at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

"Weapon That Waits"

In the IED diorama section, the exhibit highlights how IEDs posed a lethal threat to the military in Afghanistan and Iraq, said Vail.

IEDs contained conventional explosives but could also include biological and radiological agents. Sometimes made from ordinary materials, they proved difficult to detect for Soldiers on foot patrols and in transport convoys.

EOD teams located and secured hundreds of thousands of IEDs during Operations

Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, but some of these homemade booby traps still accounted for more than 70 percent of U.S. military casualties during OIF and OEF, said Vail.

IEDs consist of a power source, firing system, initiator and main charge. Throughout the exhibit, visitors can see IED illustrations and tools EOD specialists use to locate, disarm and remove them.

Remembrance

Vail said the importance of the exhibit will not only be to educate those not familiar with what EOD specialists bring to the joint and interagency mission, but it will also provide a place for EOD technicians across the service branches to remember their fallen.

"It's a very small career field continually spread around the globe. Coming back together for a remembrance of our lost members also serves as a cathartic exercise for this field," he said. "The exhibit is a place that will be available for all EOD technicians to come and see, have ceremonies like retirements or re-enlistments in the Defense Department headquarters. This is an important landmark for all EOD technicians since very few exist for the field."

THERE IS MUCH MORE TO LEARN ABOUT EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL HISTORY.

Check out the U.S. Army Ordnance Corps: Explosive Ordnance Disposal website online, at <https://goordnance.army.mil/EOD/about.html>. For information on EOD community remembrance, and outreach, visit the EOD Warrior Foundation Online, at www.eodwarriorfoundation.org.

FOLLOW THE USAG-KA FACEBOOK PAGE TO RECEIVE INFORMATION AND UPDATES REGARDING SAFETY INFORMATION, EVENTS, AND OFFICIAL COMMAND ACTIVITIES.

EARN YOUR TEAM KWAJ TAB

PUBLIC 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 attendee!
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.

YUK THEATER

SATURDAY, MAY 4
"Star Wars Episode IV: A New Hope"
 1997 (PG) 121 min.

SUNDAY, MAY 5
"Star Wars Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back"
 1980 (PG) 124 min.

SATURDAY MAY 11
"Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Mutant Mayhem"
 2023 (PG) 99 min.

SUNDAY, MAY 12
"The Guardian"
 2006 (PG-13) 139 min.

SATURDAY, MAY 18
"Kung Fu Panda"
 2008 (PG) 92 min.

SUNDAY, MAY 19
"Fantastic Four"
 2005 (PG-13) 100 min.

SATURDAY MAY 25
"National Treasure: Book of Secrets"
 2007 (PG) 124 min.

SUNDAY MAY 26
"Reminiscence"
 2021 (PG-13) 116 min.

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 @AstroDrewMorgan

Kwajalein MIA Project



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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 thank-you 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.

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

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.

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@n8tivesyn-ergy.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 www.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. 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.

Cart Rentals has a new phone number: 480-3439. The old number has been disconnected and is no longer in service.

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

The poster is split into two main sections. The top section is for a 'STAR WARS THEMED QUIZZO NIGHT' on 'MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU' at 7 p.m., hosted by Bryan Lee and John Barnhart. It features illustrations of Chewbacca, Yoda, and C-3PO against a starburst background. The bottom section is for 'KARAOKE NIGHT' starting '30 minutes after Quizzo ends'. It features a large, glowing microphone and the MWR logo. A vertical banner on the right side of the poster reads 'OCEANVIEW EVENTS Saturday, May 4'.

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 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; 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@internationalsogs.us or 480 – 5362.

E-wareness. Drum Labels. Labels provide vital information about chemical hazards and help prevent accidents. All hazardous materials and waste drums must be properly labeled. Hazardous Waste is now translated to Marshallese. Contact V2X Environmental at 480-0722 for information.

Label ko rej letok melele ko raurok ikijeen ta eo

ej bed ilowan drum eo im remaron in bobrae kij jen jorran. Aolep container ak drum ko ewor men ko rekauwotata ie rej aikuj in wor aer label. Kojerbal label in Marshallese, "KWOBEJ KO REKAUWOTATA" Kir V2X Environmental Department kin kajitok.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS. Some pets are chewers. Watch pets to make sure they don't chew through electrical cords. Pets are curious. They may bump into, turn on, or knock over cooking equipment. Keep pets away from stoves and countertops. Make sure pets are included in your family's fire evacuation plan. Build an evacuation kit for each pet in your household.

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.

Rescheduled Annual Hazardous Materials, Wastes, and Petroleum Product Training and Spill Response Awareness Training. Training is required annually for all shops which manage HMWPP storage areas (i.e. facilities holding an aggregate amount of materials and waste over 55-gallons). Kwajalein Training (at the Religious Education Building, REB Conference Room): Friday, May 31; 9– 11 a.m. and 1– 3 p.m. Saturday, June 1 2024: 9– 11 a.m. and 1– 3 p.m.

Personnel will only need to attend one of the two-hour sessions being offered. Pre-registration is not required to attend the training. Questions? Please call the environmental department with any questions at 480-2633. Roi-Namur training dates will be added soon.

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.

**Kwajalein Community Fitness
10-Day Wellness Challenge May 7 - 16**

Collect "coconuts" by posting an accountability photo in the Kwajalein Community Fitness Facebook group.

**1 coconut: 1 entry to a prize drawing!
2 coconuts: Use your MWR class pass to attend a class; or complete a daily challenge or bonus activity from the calendar; 15 coconuts: Attend three MWR fitness classes; 25 coconuts: Complete all daily fitness activities on the 10-Day calendar.**

***Join the Kwajalein Community Fitness group on Facebook for more details* Call MWR at 480-3331 for details.**

**Day One
20 Minute Walk. Bonus: write down 3 things you're grateful for**

**Day Two
15 Min. Bodyweight Training. Bonus: eat 2 vegetables**

**Day Three
15 Minute Yoga. Bonus: watch sunrise or sunset**

**Day Four
20 Minute Aerobic/Cardio. Bonus: 5-minute guided meditation**

**Day Five
20 Minute Strength Training. Bonus: 2-hour digital detox**

**Day Six
30 Minute Walk. Bonus: video chat with a friend or family member**

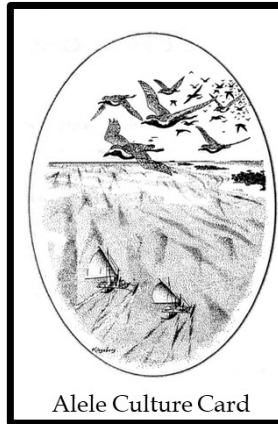
**Day Seven
20 Minute Yoga. Bonus: meal plan for the week**

**Day Eight
20 Minute Aerobic/Cardio. Bonus: go to sleep early**

**Day Nine
30 Minute Walk. Bonus: drink half your body-weight (oz) in water**

**Day 10
30 Minute Aerobic/Cardio. Bonus: 2-minute breathwork**

Kwaj Small Boat Marina hours are 7:30 a.m. – 6



Alele Culture Card

Marshallese Folklore

With Lobo Arelong

Marshallese Cultural Center

Wednesday, May 15th

6:30-7:30 pm

- Admission is FREE -

- No Pre-Sign-up Necessary -

- Reading of folklore, followed by discussion -

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.

Monthly Top from USAG-KA Fire Prevention Office: Pet Fire Safety. Pets give us comfort, friendship, and unconditional love. Our connection to them can be among the strongest relationships in our lives. Pets can also cause fires. We need to be careful with pets in the home.

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.

MWR Fitness Schedule
Tuesday
5:30 a.m.: Free Spin
9:15 a.m.: Step + Strength
5:30 p.m.: Water Aerobics*
6:00 p.m.: TRX + Pilates Core

Wednesday
9:15 a.m.: Barre Fusion
4:45 p.m.: Power Express
5:30 p.m.: Yoga
5:30 p.m.: Yoga
Thursday
5:30 a.m.: Free Spin
6:00 a.m.: Yoga Flow*
11:30 a.m.: TRX + Pilates Core
5:30 pm: Step + Strength
Friday

9:15 a.m.: Barre Fusion
5:30 p.m.: Power Hour
Saturday Sunday
5:30 a.m.: Free Spin
9:15 a.m.: Water Aerobics*

Location
*Yoga Flow and Water Aerobics are held at the Adult Pool
All other classes held in CRC 7
Purchase your MWR fitness pass at the library front desk.
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.



U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY EDMOND THOMAS



It's softball season on Kwajalein. Check the Kwajalein Community Sports Facebook page for more information and updates about this season's game schedule and enjoy these action shots.

WEATHER

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

WEATHER DISCUSSION

Although the previous two weeks have mostly shown a transition to wet season weather, the month of April ultimately concluded about two inches drier than the monthly average, and with the current year-to-date total rainfall about 5 1/2 inches below the annual average, 2024 continues to be an exceptionally dry year for Kwajalein Atoll.

This weekend, generally dry weather may once again be expected as the subtropical high pressure retakes control of the synoptic pattern. Due to the influence of this system, decreasing moisture and sinking air in the upper levels of the atmosphere will lead to lower shower chances.

An increasing pressure gradient will also cause surface winds to pick up speed, which will likely peak in the upper

teens on Saturday but will also most likely remain below advisory level.

However, winds will gradually decrease over the weekend ahead of the arrival of the next trade wind trough which could bring the next chance for rain at the start of next week. Combined seas on the open ocean will be 4-6 feet.

SATURDAY

Partly sunny with stray showers. Winds NE-E at 14-19 knots with occasional clear-air gusts in the low twenties and higher gusts possible near any showers.

SUNDAY

Partly sunny with stray showers. Winds NE-E at 13-18 knots with higher gusts possible near any showers.

MONDAY

Partly sunny with stray showers. Winds NE-E at 11-16 knots with higher gusts possible near any showers.

NEXT WEEK

The next active weather trough could arrive overnight Monday into early Tuesday morning, and an increase to widely scattered or scattered showers may be expected when it reaches the atoll.

At the same time, a finger of the subtropical jet could pass over the northern RMI, providing support for deep convection while the trough passes.

This combination could support a few downpours or a couple of stray thunderstorms around the area. The trough may exit by Thursday, possibly allowing a day or two of drying weather, but the overall pattern for next week looks like it will be relatively wet.

Spring Tides will arrive with the New Moon on Wednesday. As a result, peak tides will be around 5 feet from the 8th through the 10th. However, because wind speeds should stay in the middle-teens throughout this period, wind-generated surf is expected to remain below advisory-level.

SUN-MOON-TIDES				
	SUNRISE	MOONRISE	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
	SUNSET	MOONSET		
SUNDAY	6:32 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	3:51 a.m. 4:13 p.m.	2:16 a.m. 3.9' 2:24 p.m. 4.2'	8:18 a.m. 0.3' 8:40 p.m. -0.2'
MONDAY	6:32 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	4:36 a.m. 5:08 p.m.	2:54 a.m. 4.4' 3:07 p.m. 4.3'	9:03 a.m. -0.2' 9:15 p.m. -0.4'
TUESDAY	6:31 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	5:22 a.m. 6:04 p.m.	3:31 a.m. 4.8' 3:46 p.m. 4.3'	9:45 a.m. -0.5' 9:48 p.m. -0.5'
WEDNESDAY	6:31 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	6:11 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	4:06 a.m. 5.1' 4:24 p.m. 4.2'	10:25 a.m. -0.6' 10:21 p.m. -0.5'
THURSDAY	6:31 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	7:04 a.m. 8:04 p.m.	4:42 a.m. 5.1' 5:01 p.m. 3.9'	11:05 a.m. -0.6' 10:54 p.m. -0.3'
FRIDAY	6:31 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m. 9:06 p.m.	5:16 a.m. 4.9' 5:37 p.m. 3.5'	11:44 a.m. -0.4' 11:26 p.m. -0.1'
MAY 11	6:31 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	8:58 a.m. 10:06 p.m.	5:51 a.m. 4.6' 6:13 p.m. 3.2'	12:23 p.m. -0.1' 11:58 p.m. 0.3'

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