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USAG-KA Commander Col. Drew Morgan congratulates applicants and finalists for a summer at Space Camp, held each year at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. The award announcement came during a special assembly honoring May 5, Astronaut Day.

# USAG-KA CELEBRATES ASTRONAUT DAY

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

Among those who strive for excellence are those who reach for the stars. and those who reach for the stars.

Earlier this month, Kwajalein parents, teachers and students gathered at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room for a schoolwide assembly in observance of Astronaut Day. The afternoon featured special presentations and a chance for students to learn more about spaceflight and space exploration from the island's resident expert.

Appearing before the student body in his NASA flight

suit, Astronaut and Col. Drew Morgan, commander, TEAM KWAJ and U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll, greeted the assembly and shared his experiences training for his missions on the International Space Station. His presentation prefaced special recognition for Kwajalein students who successfully placed into the 2024 summer Space Camp at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

The Kwajalein School system and island community extend their appreciation and congratulation to all of the students who applied for the experience at Space Camp.



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RIGHT: USAG-KA Commander Col. Drew Morgan, NASA astronaut, discusses spaceflight and his work aboard the International Space Station during a special presentation for the Kwajalein School System on Astronaut Day. For more photos from Astronaut Day, check out the Kwajalein Hourglass Flickr gallery online for May 2024.



## THE KWAJALEIN HOURGLASS

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# BAND STUDENT TRAVELED TO HONG KONG FOR FESTIVAL

BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

**This spring**, Juliet Delisio, a brass student musician at Kwajalein High School, successfully auditioned for a place in an annual honor band event in Hong Kong through the Association for Music in International Schools, or AMIS. The regional activity brings together top performing middle and high school student musicians from around the Pacific region to rehearse and perform in a high caliber ensemble while also representing their school and country.

"They have a wide variety of music activities they support – choral band, orchestra, voice and some specialty ensembles," said Ashley Wright, KSS music teacher. Per program requirement, Wright attended the honor band event and also facilitated student practice sessions and other tasks. "They also support professional development for music educators around the world. ... We encourage our students to go through the audition process. You never know if you don't try. We were fortunate to have one of our students selected this year."

It's always nice to see how your students are interacting with new musicians in a new space– how they navigate all of that. It's exciting to see them make new friends, and as a professional, it's exciting to see other professionals working with them.

"The reason I wanted to try out was because I thought about how it's like a rare opportunity," Delisio said. "I could imagine myself performing there. I thought it would be a really fun thing to do."

Delisio learned in a special student assembly that her recorded audition had

earned her a coveted slot in the international band. Though the journey to Hong Kong was long, it was worth it.

"It was tiring but exciting because I knew where I was going and what I was going to be doing when I got there," she said.

Including sectional practice, her band rehearsed for hours each day, including student sectional practice. Her favorite: "Firecracker," a song with a strong brass melody. Delisio said she enjoyed learning from her new conductor, AMIS instructor Jay Londgren.

"It was nice to see how he conducts differently. We had to learn some different ways that he conducts the band and different methods he uses to teach us."

The Kwajalein community was able to watch the concert online through a concert livestream.

Delisio described many rewarding experiences on this first visit to Hong Kong.

She plans to try out again for the AMIS experience next year.

"It was nice to make friends from different places," she said, "and to learn more about where they are from, and their many different languages and cultures."

Wright hopes that more students will challenge themselves to take on an experience like AMIS. "The biggest barrier can sometimes be the unknown," she said. "The important thing is to go for these kinds of opportunities when you cross that bridge. I'd like to see more of our students take advantage of opportunities off island and abroad ... pushing themselves to try new things. I think that's how we all learn. I want to encourage students to take

advantage of opportunities and to create opportunities, whether it's supporting ensembles by going to AMIS, or doing something service oriented through the Tri-M

Music Honor Society. Is there a problem in the community, is there something we can make better, is there some way we can be of service? That's the important thing."



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

*Juliet Delisio, left, and Kwajalein School System music teacher Ashley Wright at the Kwajalein High School Library in early May.*





## CLASS OF 2024 TURNS TASSELS AT GRADUATION



U.S. ARMY PHOTOS BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH



**Congratulations to the Kwajalein High School Graduating Class of 2024!** Parents and students gathered for the annual commencement ceremony May 17 at the Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room. For more photos, please check out the graduation album online at the Kwajalein Hourglass Flickr gallery. All photos are free to download. Please enjoy these highlights from the ceremony, and way to go, Class of 2024! 1) Bearing candles to the stage, members of the senior class participate in the processional march to begin their graduation ceremony. 2) No graduation on USAG-KA is complete without

a cool, original dance. This year's class paid homage to the Marshall Islands with a Marshallese dance routine. 3) Graduating senior Sean Hess, right, hugs his mother, Pam Hess, after presenting her with a flower lei during the ceremony. 4) USAG-KA Commander Col. Drew Morgan, left, hugs his daughter, graduating senior Amelia Morgan, onstage after presenting her with her diploma. 5) Following the ceremony, the graduates commemorate the evening with a photograph. Pictured here, they wear tokens of appreciation and good luck given to them by family and friends.





U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY JESSICA DAMBRUCH

*Congratulations to the Kwajalein High School Graduating Class of 2024! Pictured here, student graduates, families and friends enjoy a post-ceremony moment to celebrate at the Kwajalein High School Davye Davis Multi-Purpose Room. Kommol tata to everyone who helped to make this year's graduation a success, and best of luck to our graduates.*

## U.S., RMI DELEGATIONS MEET FOR 240TH CRC COUNCIL

U.S. ARMY REPORT

By the USAG-KA Host Nation Office

On Wednesday, May 16, the U.S. and Republic of the Marshall Islands Community Relations Council met on Ebeye for the council's 240th meeting.

During CRC meetings, discussions explore community-level issues of mutual interest while fostering communication and cooperation within the two organizations.

The recent CRC meeting was chaired by KALGOV Ebeye Mayor Hirata Kabua. Participants from the RMI included Kwajalein Sen. and Minister of Finance, Banking and Postal Services, David Paul; Kwajalein Sen.

Kitlang Kabua; and members of the KALGOV council. Representatives from the U.S. delegation included USAG-KA Commander Col. Drew Morgan; Command Sgt. Maj. Ernest Miller, senior enlisted advisor; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Resident Engineer Blair Jones; AAFES representative Thomas Heidenmann; and USAG-KA RMI Relations Specialist Mike Sakaio from the USAG-KA Directorate of Host Nation Activities.

Together the delegations discussed tentative developing plans to extend electricity from Roi-Namur to Third Island; the upcoming Micronesian Games; opportunities for RMI entrepreneurs on USAG-KA; and the refinement of the medical evacuation process.

USAG-KA personnel additionally shared good news: the Marshallese Ri-Katak students graduating from Kwajalein High School who go on to attend U.S. service academies, one of whom has also received an ROTC scholarship; and the five new Ri-Katak kindergarten students who will begin school on USAG-KA this fall.

The CRC is a quarterly meeting between personnel from U.S. Army Garrison-Kwajalein Atoll and the Kwajalein Atoll local government with the goal of strengthening U.S.-RMI relations at the local level.

The Kwajalein Atoll Local Government hosted the meeting. The next CRC meeting will be hosted by USAG-KA on a future date.



# WHAT CAUSES SEASICKNESS?

## EXTERNAL REPORT

By the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration

**Seasickness results from a conflict in the inner ear and the erratic motion of a vessel.**

One of the least pleasant aspects of going to sea is the possibility of getting seasick. An individual's susceptibility to seasickness is highly variable. If you've ever had motion sickness when traveling by car, plane, or amusement park ride, you may be more susceptible to seasickness while aboard a vessel.

Seasickness is a result of a conflict in the inner ear, where the human balance mechanism resides, and is caused by a vessel's erratic motion on the water. Inside the cabin of a rocking boat, for example, the inner ear detects changes in both up-and-down and side-to-side acceleration as one's body bobs along with the boat.

Since the cabin moves with the passenger, one's eyes register a relatively stable scene. Agitated by this perceptual incongruity, the brain responds with a cascade of stress-related hormones that can ultimately lead to nausea, vomiting, and vertigo.

Additionally, an affect-

ed person's symptoms can be magnified by the strong odors of things like diesel fumes and fish.

Seasickness usually occurs in the first 12 to 24 hours after "setting sail," and dissipates once the body acclimates to the ship's motion. It's rare for anyone to get or stay ill beyond the first couple of days at sea—unless the vessel encounters really rough waves.

- If you do get seasick, take comfort in the fact that recovery is only a matter of time, and the survival rate is 100 percent! Sensible eating, good hydration, and some patience are all that are usually required to get past a bout of seasickness.

### Here are a few tips to help ease the symptoms of seasickness:

- Maintain your fluid intake. Seasickness and related medications cause dehydration and headaches. Drink water, low-acidity juices like apple and carrot, or clear soup and avoid milk and coffee.
- Keep moving. Most people find that being busy keeps their minds off their discomfort.



NOAA PHOTO

*A large wave towering astern of the NOAA Ship Delaware II in 2005 while crossing the Atlantic Ocean's New England Seamount Chain.*

- Stay on deck, even if it's raining, because the fresh air is often enough to speed recovery. The closed-in quarters below deck magnify the vessel's motion and worsen symptoms.
- Carry a plastic bag. This simple approach allows for peace of mind by eliminating some of the panic of getting seasick. If you have to vomit "over the side," though, check the direction of the wind and waves. Staying leeward (the side of the ship that's sheltered from the wind) will ensure that an unpleasant experience doesn't get even worse.
- Consider an over-the-counter medication to prevent or minimize motion sickness. A dose is usually recommended about an hour prior to setting sail, and as needed at sea. These medications tend to be dehydrating, though, so drink plenty of water.
- Don't be embarrassed for getting seasick. Many people do—including seasoned travelers, professional fishers, sailors, and marine scientists.



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**THINK BEFORE YOU SHARE INFORMATION. ONLINE AND OFFLINE.**

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# DEVCOM GRANT FUNDS 3D PRINTED RESEARCH

## EXTERNAL REPORT

By Brian Feeney

**Skin:** The largest organ in the human body and the first line of defense against chemical agents. With that in mind, Priscilla Lee, a U.S. Army Combat Capabilities Development Command Chemical Biological Center bioengineering researcher wanted to see if skin could be 3D printed for research purposes.

She knew she needed to find a research partner with the right equipment and prior experience in this highly specialized area. That is where serendipity, and keeping up with the news came in. “My division chief, Dr. Kyle Glover, read an article in The Wall Street Journal about how researchers at the University of Delaware were 3D-printing lung cells,” Lee said. As a University of Delaware alumnus, Glover arranged for Lee to meet Dr. April Kloxin and Dr. Cathy Fromen, both professors, and Ph.D. candidate Bree Huntington, all from the university’s chemical and biomolecular engineering department.

Inspired by the visit, Lee applied for a seedling grant under DEVCOM CBC’s QUEST Program which stands for “Quick Empowerment leads to Successful Tomorrows.” Projects of any size from \$5,000 to \$100,000 that are tied to the Center’s mission are considered. Applicants get ten minutes to pitch their idea before members of the Center’s Innovation Council followed by five minutes for questions.

Impressed by the potential value of her research idea, the council awarded Lee



U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY ELLIE WHITE

*DEVCOM Chemical Biological Center biologist Priscilla Lee evaluates 3D-printed human dermal fibroblasts on plate designed to hold bioprinted skin.*

a \$40,000 grant. With the money in hand, Kloxin and Huntington eagerly agreed to collaborate on research to 3D print skin. DEVCOM CBC’s Technology Transfer Office started a joint work statement for a cooperative research and development agreement, or CRADA for short, with the University of Delaware.

The University of Delaware used a highly advanced 3D printer known as a Rastrum made by Inventia Life Science. They taught Lee how to use the printer and how to blend the ingredients that go in the printer. They are dermal fibroblasts that form the cellular architecture, much like using two-by-fours to frame a house, plus a bio-anchor material called bioink that fixes the cellular material inside that framing, followed by cell simulants provided by

a commercial vendor.

The result was not actual human skin, but a small sheet of tissue with many skin-like characteristics. When exposed to chemical agent, this sheet can provide valuable research results. Lee brought these skin models to the DEVCOM CBC research campus at Aberdeen Proving Ground where they could be exposed to mustard agent to closely observe and measure its actual blistering effect at the cellular level. Lee plans on comparing her findings from this project with the large repository of historical exposure data at the Center using actual skin data from the 1940s and 1950s.

With these results she has performed what the QUEST Program was created to do, allow Center scientists with a good idea to use seed money

to achieve a proof of concept. Her results also led to her receiving more internal funding for researching 3D printing of skin and eyes in collaboration with other Center scientists and engineers.

In addition, she has received funding from the Defense Threat Reduction Agency to incorporate immune cells into bioprinted skin and lung models, which continues the collaboration with the University of Delaware.

She also plans to explore opportunities for collaboration with Wake Forest University, a long-time Center partner in organ-on-a-chip research.

“I am so happy to see how starting with a research budget of \$40,000 could lead to all this further research with all these great research partners,” Lee said.



# 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](mailto:terri.l.wilson20.civ@army.mil) to set up a date/time with the commander for the final event.



## 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.**



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

## FOR KWAJ COMMAND TEAM INFO & UPDATES



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### KEEP FOLLOWING



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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

For questions about your messaging, please reach out to the USAG-KA Public Affairs Office at 480-4848.

Ads should always include a point of contact, phone number and/or email address.

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.

### Formatting Your Listings

It is recommended that graphical adver-

tisements and announcements intended for the Hourglass and the AFN Roller Channel be formatted as PowerPoint slides.

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](mailto: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 Command team 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](http://usajobs.gov).

Arkel International is hiring. Send CVs and resume to [christopher.fuentes@arkel.com](mailto:christopher.fuentes@arkel.com) and [jasper.gomez@arkel.com](mailto: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](http://careers.vectrus.com), REQ: 37777.

Administrative Assistant. U.S. Space and Missile Defense Command, Reagan Test Site (RTS) seeks an Automated Office Assistant (Administrative Assistant), DK-318-02. Applicants must be able to obtain and maintain a security clearance. Please contact Ms. Mary Lou McNeely or [MaryLou.t.McNeely.civ@mail.mil](mailto:MaryLou.t.McNeely.civ@mail.mil) for additional information. Applications must be received by Friday, May 31, 2024

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](mailto:dottiethomas@n8tivesyn-ergy.com); call (256) 836-5316 direct and visit <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/jobs/Details/2337159/Atmospheric-Science-Technology-LLC/Meteorologist---Kwajalein-Island>.



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

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 [www.careers.vectrus.com](http://www.careers.vectrus.com). (Req. 38064)

Chenega Global Protection is accepting applications from qualified candidates for its full-time Dispatcher (Kwaj) and Security Officer (Kwaj & Roi) positions. Visit <https://www.chenega.com> to submit applications. To navigate the site: Select "Careers," scroll down and in type Kwajalein in the "Location" fillable field; and select the "Search" icon to be directed to the job postings and to apply. For more information, contact Chenega Human Resources at 480-4451.

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

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

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](http://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.

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

# ISLAND SUMMER SPLASH

Monday, May 27 5 – 8 p.m.

Emon Beach

5 – 8 p.m.

5 p.m.

5 – 7:30 p.m.

6 p.m.

6:30 – 7 p.m.

5 – 8 p.m.

5 – 8 p.m.

Live Music: Yola Band (Six9too Productions)

Water Volleyball

Sprinkler Park, Slip-n-Slides, Water Balloons and Bubbles

Paddleboard Races

Open Mic featuring our Island Talent

Vendors & Private Organizations

MWR Food & Beverages





## Roi-Namur Memorial Day Observance

12 – 5 p.m. Monday, May 27

At & behind the pool

12 – 5 p.m.

12 – 2 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

2 p.m.

Pool Party / Music

Kickball @ FN 8080 (Softball Field)

Grill / BYOB

Lawn Games including Kan Jam






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](mailto:wilson.kaisha@gov2x.com) and/or [george.parker3@gov2x.com](mailto: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.

E-Wareness: It is each driver's responsibility to ensure vehicles are not leaking fluids other than air conditioning condensate. Call 911 to report spills and arrange with automotive for routine maintenance. Please call Environmental at 480-0722 with questions. Ej an ri-kator eo eddo non lolorjake bwe wa eo ejjab leak jabdewot oil ijelak in drennin air condition eo jen wa eo. Ne elon jabdewot leak/lutok in oil jen wa eo, Kiir 911 non report- e lutok eo. Ak kiir Environmental ilo 480-0722 non 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



# MEMORIAL DAY

## ★★★★★ Remember & Honor Observance ceremony

**May 27 at 9 a.m.**

**USAG-KA oceanside flagpoles  
at the Kwaj Lodge  
(in the case of inclement weather, the ceremony  
will convene at the Island Memorial Chapel)**

**Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices.**

**President Harry S. Truman**

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.

Hazardous Materials, Wastes, and Petroleum Product Custodian Training for Roi employees will occur Thursday, June 13 at the Tradex Conference Room from 9 - 11 a.m. and 1 - 3 p.m. PCB Management training will occur Friday, June 14, at the same time and location. No pre-registration required. Those unable to attend training on Kwajalein may use these dates to meet their training requirement. Contact 480-2633 with questions.

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.

Monthly Tip 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.

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.

Upcoming Changes to Entry/Exit Procedures. Beginning June 1, please send all access requests to USAG-KA Entry and Exit at U.S. Army Bucholz AAF ID-Pacific Mailbox USAG-KA E-E: usarmy.bucholz.id-pacific.mbx.usag0ka-e-e@army.mil. The current inbox of U.S. Army Bucholz AAF 311 Sig Cmd Mailbox USAG PMO will be monitored for 30 days after the initial changeover to ensure a smooth transition. Your patience is appreciated during this transition period.

"Grease" Lip Sync and Singalong. Saturday, May 25 at Emon Beach at 7:30 p.m. Register by May 24 with kara.larson@gov2x.com.

**MWR Glow Party: "Let's Glow Crazy." June 22 at the Ocean View Club. Order your blacklight, neon and white accessories and garments now. Yoga and rave attire are welcome.**

Island Summer Splash. Monday, May 27 at Emon Beach from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Enjoy fun, games, contests, a sprinkler park, slip-and-slides, water balloons, bubbles and more.

Featured entertainer: Yola Band, live from 5 – 8 p.m. Food and beverages will be available from 5 – 8 p.m. for cash sales only at the Emon Beach main pavilion during the event.

Island Summer Splash Paddleboard Race. 6 p.m. on Monday, May 27. Register during the Island Summer Splash at the Kwajalein Scuba Shack. Bring your own board or use MWR's gear.

Island Summer Splash Open Call for Open Mic Call for talent (poets, comedians, acapella singers, jugglers, and acoustic musicians of all ages are welcome to participate) and vendors and private organizations. All vendors and orgs must receive pre-approval to participate in the Island Summer Splash. Email kara.larson@gov2x.com to register by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22 to register.

Island Summer Splash Water Volleyball Game. Team name and member registration is due by Saturday, May 25 at 4 p.m. Call 480-3331 or visit the Grace Sherwood Library.

### **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.

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.



## CALLING ALL VETERANS

Join us for a U.S. Army birthday barbecue and connect with other Veterans

June 14 at American Legion Post #44

The Veterans Hall, Bldg. 976  
near Kwajalein Fire Station

*A main dish will be provided.*

*Please bring a side dish to share, if able.*

**5 p.m. - Barbecue begins**

**5:30 p.m. - Monthly meeting**

**Meet board members and general legion membership.**

**Membership registration and renewal will be available.**

**Questions? Contact MarksIm12@gmail.com.**

## WEATHER

RTS WEATHER STATION STAFF

### WEATHER DISCUSSION

With 6.8 inches of rain received so far this month, Kwajalein is on track to exceed its average monthly rainfall of 7.6 inches as we move into the Memorial Day weekend - not only the unofficial start of summer, but also the start of the RMI wet season.

We are looking at a relatively wet pattern this weekend, as the Intertropical Convergence Zone makes a close approach to the central RMI. Broad troughing will travel along the ITCZ, which will result in good low-level convergence and perturb the general tradewind flow, resulting in elevated shower coverage for the whole of the weekend.

These factors will couple with a very moist atmospheric column, meaning that showers have the potential to be quite heavy when they occur. We are also looking at an elevated risk of thunderstorms as wind shear will be more

minimal and middle temperatures will be more conducive for the ice crystal development essential for lightning production.

Except for the second half of Sunday, winds will remain in the upper single digits to low teens through the weekend, becoming calm at times. The only exception will be in and around heavy showers where gusty winds are possible.

This is the result of the proximity of the ITCZ along with a relaxing disruption of the pressure gradient between the subtropical high-pressure ridges to the north and northeast of the RMI, and the lower pressure areas to the south of our area.

The sea state on the open ocean is expected to be three to five feet and one to three feet in the lagoon, with higher conditions during or near heavy showers.

### SATURDAY

Mostly cloudy during the morning with widely scattered showers and a stray thunderstorm possible, decreasing to isolated showers as the afternoon progresses, with partly sunny skies. Winds will be E-ESE

at 8 - 13 knots, becoming calm at times with gusty winds possible near heavy showers.

### SUNDAY

Partly sunny with wind speed convergence induced by isolated showers.

Winds will be ENE-ESE at 9 - 14 knots with higher gusts near showers.

### MONDAY

Partly sunny with isolated showers in the morning, increasing to widely scattered showers in the afternoon and into the evening with a chance of a stray thunderstorm. Winds will be ENE-ESE at 8 - 13 knots with gusty winds possible near heavier showers.

### NEXT WEEK

Tuesday will start rather wet, especially during the early morning, and then see shower coverage decrease as the day progresses.

For the start of the workweek, a moderately wet pattern will remain with winds in the upper single digits to low teens becoming calm at times as the effects of the ITCZ remain just off to the south of the central Marshall Islands.

SUN-MOON-TIDES				
	SUNRISE SUNSET	MOONRISE MOONSET	HIGH TIDE	LOW TIDE
SATURDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	8:37 p.m. 7:29 a.m.	4:58 a.m. 4.6' 5:21 p.m. 3.4'	11:27 a.m. -0.2' 11:10 p.m. 0.0'
SUNDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:03 p.m.	9:36 p.m. 8:26 a.m.	5:33 a.m. 4.6' 5:59 p.m. 3.2'	12:05 p.m. -0.1' 11:46 p.m. 0.2'
MONDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:04 p.m.	10:33 p.m. 9:26 a.m.	6:12 a.m. 4.4' 6:42 p.m. 3.0'	12:48 p.m. 0.1' -----
TUESDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:04 p.m.	11:27 p.m. 10:26 a.m.	6:57 a.m. 4.2' 7:34 p.m. 2.8'	12:27 a.m. 0.4' 1:38 p.m. 0.4'
WEDNESDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:04 p.m.	----- 11:24 a.m.	7:50 a.m. 3.9' 8:42 p.m. 2.7'	1:16 a.m. 0.7' 2:38 p.m. 0.6'
THURSDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:04 p.m.	12:17 a.m. 12:20 p.m.	8:57 a.m. 3.6' 10:10 p.m. 2.7'	2:20 a.m. 1.0' 3:52 p.m. 0.7'
FRIDAY	6:29 a.m. 7:05 p.m.	1:04 a.m. 1:14 p.m.	10:19 a.m. 3.5' 11:39 p.m. 3.0'	3:48 a.m. 1.2' 5:11 p.m. 0.7'
JUNE 1	6:29 a.m. 7:05 p.m.	1:48 a.m. 2:06 p.m.	11:43 a.m. 3.4' -----	5:29 a.m. 1.2' 6:20 p.m. 0.6'

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT ISLAND LIFE AND ARMY REGULATIONS, PLEASE CALL THE COMMANDER'S HOTLINE AT 480-1098. FOLLOW THE USAG-KA FACEBOOK PAGE TO RECEIVE INFORMATION AND UPDATES REGARDING SAFETY INFORMATION, EVENTS, AND OFFICIAL COMMAND ACTIVITIES.