

## KWAJALEIN RECLAIMED WATER STANDARD VIOLATION

The Reclaimed Water Document of Environmental Protection (DEP) requires public notification when reclaimed water standards are violated. The reclaimed water system exceeded the Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) limitation of 10 milligrams per liter (mg/L). Per sampling requirements, the weekly sample was collected at the reclaimed water system's point of entry on 11 September, 2015 and had a measured concentration of 10.3 mg/L. The following weekly sample, collected on 18 September, had a measured concentration of 5.1 mg/L, indicating compliance. BOD levels are used as an indicator of bacteria levels. However, regular bacteriological sampling within the reclaimed water system showed no increase during this time. No health-based restrictions on the normal use (irrigation, vehicle washing, etc) of reclaimed (non-potable) water are necessary. Additionally, there was no threat to public health or the environment as a result of this BOD exceedance. If you have any questions, please call the environmental department 51134.

Violation ikijen kakien eo kon Reclaimed Water eo ion Kwajalein

DEP ak Reclaimed Water Document of Environmental Protection ej kamelet bwe en wor kakol ko nan jukjuk in bed eo elanne jonok ko ilo reclaimed water ak dren eo ejjab eman nan idraak, ewor jorren ko ie. Ekkar le jonok in reclaimed water system eo ilo Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) kakien (10 mg/L) eo im ej kwalok jonan kij ko ilo dren. Ekkar nan kakien ko im rej kwalok jokjuk im jimwe in ebok sample, jermal in sample ekar koman ilo reclaimed water system ilo ijo dren eo ej dreton ie ilo kotan in 11 Septemebor 2015 kon jonan concentration level eo 10.3 mg/L. Wiik eo tok juon, September 18, jermal in sample eo ear koman im jonan concentration level eo ej 5.1 mg/L, kalikar an loor kakien. Jonok ko ilo BOD rej jermal nan kwalok jonan kij ko ilo dren. Ijo ke, jonan bacteriological sampling ak kein kakolkol kij ko iloan reclaimed water system eo ej kwalok ke ejjelok lablok ie ilo tore in. Ej jab jelot ejmour an armij elanne ronaj kojerbal reclaimed water (non-potable) in (nan kareo ak utdrikdrik, kwakwol wa, im ko eier lok wot) elanne ej menin aikuj. Kakobaba, ejjelok uwata nan ejmour im melan im jukjuk in bed enaj walok itok wot jen an le jonok eo ilo BOD. Elanne enaj wor kajitok ko, joi im kur tok environmental department eo ilo 51134

# KWAJALEIN TRAVELS

FRANCE AND SPAIN: *By Barbara Bicanich*

A group of French students from Kwajalein Jr./Sr. High School and two chaperones spent 10 days traveling France and Spain.

Students Diamond Calep, Jensyn Cole, DeVante Floor, Ian Galbraith, Dayna Hepler, Claire Stepchew David Sholar and adult chaperone Dr. Paulette Galbraith joined teacher Barbara Bicanich on this trip. Their 10-day trip began July 12, and they arrived in Paris on the eve of Bastille Day.

We group spent two days in Paris exploring the city. We visited Notre Dame Cathedral, the artists' area of Montmartre with the hilltop church Sacre Coeur, they paid homage to the "Mona Lisa" in the Louvre museum. We got an opportunity to walk through the Invalides complex, including the Museum of the Army and the Tomb of Napoleon. Although fireworks for July 14 were on the agenda, the highlights of the time in Paris were the ascent of the Eiffel Tower and a boat ride on the Seine River at night to see the Eiffel Tower sparkle!

A quick flight to Nice on the Riviera brought us south to enjoy sunshine and beaches. We walked through the daily market of the old town of Nice and walked along the Promenade des Anglais. We were able to splash around in the Mediterranean Sea! We enjoyed a drive to the country of Monaco to see the Changing of the Guard and the Cathedral of Monaco, and we visited the village of

Eze with its castle ruins and a perfume factory to buy gifts for friends and family back home.

Our next stop was the town of Arles where we visited the huge arena, which dates from the Roman Empire and is now used for bullfights and local theater productions. We continued on to the Roman bridge aqueduct of Pont du Gard—a marvel of Roman engineering.

The next day took us to the walled city of Carcassonne, a fortified medieval town founded centuries ago by the Visigoths. We then drove across the scenic Pyrenees Mountains into colorful Barcelona, the second largest city in Spain.

Our one-day whirlwind tour of Barcelona began with a visit to the houses designed by Antoni Gaudi in the Parc Guell and

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a visit inside La Sagrada Familia, an enormous cathedral which is still incomplete and is the most visited monument in Spain. The students enjoyed an afternoon bike ride through the streets of Barcelona and ended the day with a catamaran cruise in the bay. We were able to sample the local cuisine—escargots in Paris and tapas in Barcelona. The group then headed home from their great adventures with many photos and memories.



Kwaj teens at the Eiffel Tower. FROM LEFT: David Sholar, Ian Galbraith, Dayna Hepler, Claire Stepchew, DeVante Floor, Diamond Cole and Jensyn Cole.

Barbara Bicanich