

Worthy programs spread the message

The Mejal Apan Project has kicked off in Jaluit Atoll
— a novel vision of Jaluit Mayor Billa Jacklick.

Single State Agency Director Julia Alfred spent time in Jaluit last month meeting with the mayor and many community groups to discuss lifeskills and substance abuse prevention efforts on the atoll. "My trip to Jaluit Atoll was inspiring," she said. "I had the honor of working alongside Mayor Jacklick who has impressed me with so many of her community-based missions — one being the Mejal Apan Project."

The women and mothers are saving money using one of these fishing floaters as a piggy bank, which Alfred described as "an innovative idea." "Taking something so simple, recycling it into something useful by drilling a tiny hole where you can only deposit and never withdraw and you don't put anything in there that is less than \$5 — just imagine how much you will be able to use when you finally say it's time to break the ball?"

The ladies are adding designs to their fishing floats with artwork or writing a biblical scripture to give encouragement.

"I was given a floater by Mayor Billa to get started and already I don't know how much I've put in there, but it's nothing less than \$5 at a time," Alfred said. "Mayor Billa has been able to use what she's saved to help with her own medical checkups and I think that's an inspiring goal for all women, to start saving up to take care of our own health."

For more information on the Mejal Apan Project, contact Mayor Billa at 1-545-



"Mejal Apan"

Which means using something substantial or thick to assure difficulty in disbursing so that whatever is being saved will be protected.

Abuse action on Ebeye island



Kwajalein Kumit Coalition and 14K Club are in action on Ebeye focusing on substance abuse issues. "Community groups are out there and they want to do something and thank goodness for RMI funding and support they are able to do something to reduce substance abuse," said Single State Agency Director Julia Alfred, whose program is providing financial help.

"Give us the technical support, recognition and funds and we will show you how it can be done," said Coalition Chairman Cannon Ned.

Jaluit MayorBilla Jacklick (second from left) and Single State Agency Director Julia Alfred (second from right) with participants in the Mejal Apan Project on Jaluit Atoll.

Working on a better life for all

A fun filled day on Enemanit Island brought together substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery providers along with clients and families to celebrate National Recovery Month.

The newly established Marshall Islands Recovery Oriented System Of Care (MyROSC) program funded by the US-supported Single State Agency is a union of many substance abuse providers including YTYIH, WAM, WUTMI, JIEIKNE Cancer Group, KIJLE, Juren Ae, Jeirok Sports Club, Old Age Retiree program, Simon Says Boys & Girls Club, Kumit Bobrae Coalition, RMI Counselors' Association, CMI, the Ministries of Internal Affairs and Health, and SSA.

Program Director Harry Herming and wife Vickie sliced the "Recovery Cake" to kick off this milestone in helping the RMI government help individuals and families recover from the hardships and devastating consequences due to substance abuse.

"Recovery Month celebrates life and hope, and communities and NGOs uniting to encourage their clients and families to never give up hope and to strive to live a sober and better life," said SSA Director Julia Alfred.

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NOVEMBER 10 -11, 2012 STAKE CENTER

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SESSIONS

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 10, 2012 · 3:00pm - 5:00pm - Priesthood

LEADERSHIP MEETING (STAKE, WARDS & BRANCH)

 6:00PM - 8:00PM - ADULT MEETING (STAKE, WARDS & BRANCH)

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 11, 2012

•10:00 AM -12:00PM - GENERAL SESSION

 8:30am - 9:30pm - New Member and Investigator Meeting



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