

# CHACHALANI

CAMPUS HAPPENINGS • PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE • UPCOMING EVENTS

## MEET THE PRESIDENT

On Feb. 23 & 24, nearly 100 students gathered in the MPA each evening to meet with and listen to Dr. Mary Okada talk about more online courses, the possible introduction of a bachelor's degree program in 2018, when the campus will build a gym (it's in the master plan but Dr. Okada is still researching the funding!), whether GCC students can share UOG's new weight room, and other topics. The issue of parking came up as in past meetings - and yes, a parking garage is planned, but again, we need to find a funding source. Thank you to all who attended - and especially to the veteran student who thanked Dr. Okada and GCC for the new Veteran's Lounge in the Foundation Building!

# GCC

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## UPCOMINGEVENTS

- MARCH 30** CACGP College Planning & Career Night
- MARCH 31** Spring Festival
- APRIL 8** President's Parade of Shoes



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Guam Community College is a leader in career and technical workforce development, providing the highest quality student-centered education and job training for Micronesia.







Adrian is inspired by this quote from Helen Keller:

**“Alone we can do so little;  
together we can do so much.”**

### **Davis sworn in as Student BOT member**

Congratulations to Adrian Davis for his swearing in on Feb. 9 as the new GCC Board of Trustees Student Member, after having been elected to the position by the GCC student body. Davis is a GCC Adult High School graduate and a Human Services major. As the Board of Trustees Student Member, Adrian wants to “serve as a voice for the students here at the Guam Community College. To continue to do so will allow me to carry out GCC’s mission to be student centered.”

### **Smooth Sailing**

Accolades all around for GCC Board of Trustees Secretary Frank Arriola and member Gina Ramos from Speaker Judi Won Pat and members of her Committee on Higher Education, Culture, Public Libraries, and Women’s Affairs during their reconfirmation hearing on Feb. 2nd. The 33rd Legislature went on to confirm both members for another term. Si Yu’os Ma’ase, Frank and Gina, for all that you do to support GCC!

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



# POSTSECONDARY NEWS & EVENTS

Ms. Beverly Bautista from the Social Security Administration spoke to Pilar Pangelinan's AC110 Payroll Accounting class on Feb. 5 about Social Security history, benefits, costs, and using SSA online website.



## Archaeologist visits Adult Ed class

Judith Amesbury, an archaeologist with Micronesia Archaeological Research Services, visited Daniel Owen's Adult Education history class on Feb. 17. Amesbury has worked on Guam, Rota, Tinian and Saipan for more than 25 years. Her area of expertise is the analysis of shell middens and shell artifacts. Her presentation, "Who Wears the Beads?" revealed that within the largest Pre-Latte burial site uncovered on Guam, between 2006 and 2008, archaeologists also uncovered more than 1,700 beads, bracelets, and other ornaments with the remains. Amesbury talked to students about how the discovery begs the question, "Who wore the beads?" Was it men, women, older respected people or young people too? Latte Period people or the earlier Pre-Latte people? She also talked about how these discoveries help scientists to determine what life was like on Guam thousands of years ago.







## Lawyers discuss 4th amendment with student

Attorneys Terence Kindlon and Laurie Shanks from the Albany, New York firm of Kindlon & Shanks met with CJSS students and faculty during the CJSS Spring 2016 Student Forum on Feb. 22 in the MPA. The two legal eagles discussed the 4th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which provides, “[t]he right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures...” The attorneys updated students and attendees on current 4th amendment constitutional issues addressed by the U.S. Supreme Court. The gained a broader perspective of human rights and the promotion of human development in protecting the dignity and self-worth as human beings.



## Japanese Culinary students visit GCC

Students in a culinary course at TBC GAKUIN (a trades academy in Japan) visited GCC on Feb. 2 to share a cultural experience with GCC Culinary Arts students. The 32 Japanese students learned how to make Chamorro dishes such as red rice, kelaguen, and gollai appan, and then assisted GCC culinary students in the preparation of these foods. The students then enjoyed the delicious lunch together in the MPA.



# FINALLY! ORCHID CAFÉ IS OPEN

- from 7:30 AM - 8 PM Monday
- Thursday, and Fridays 7:30 AM - 5 PM.



## ECOWARRIORS ACTIVITIES

### FEB 6: CLEAN OUR HOUSE DAY AT GCC

Ecowarrior students and volunteers spent two hours of their Saturday sorting through GCC's recycling bins.

### FEB 7: CLEAN-UP AT FOUHA BAY FOR LUKAO FOUHA

The Ecowarriors donated manpower and some supplies to clean up this dumpsite.

### FEB 13: KEEP GUAM BEAUTIFUL CLEAN-UP

At Ga'an Point with the National Parks Service.



# EARTH MONTH

**THURSDAY**

**03/31/2016**

**SPRING FEST- PLANT SALE  
& ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION  
STUDENT CENTER COURTYARD  
(4PM TO 8PM)**

GCC EcoWarriors will be selling seedlings and encouraging the community to start an organic/natural gardens at home. In addition, members will be educating visitors about climate change and simple behavioral modifications to help better the environment.

**TUESDAY**

**4/19/2016**

**CARPPOOL DAY!**

One of the best way to reduce our carbon footprint is to carpool with colleagues and friends. The GCC community is encouraged to carpool during this day in order to reduce fossil fuel use and carbon emissions, and grow closer to friends.

For more information, contact

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**FRIDAY**

**4/08/2016**

**PRESIDENT'S PARADE OF SHOES  
SUSTAINABLE SHOE CATEGORY  
THE JOINT PUB & GRUB (6-10PM)**

The President's Parade of Shoes event will showcase a variety of footwear fashion including a sustainable shoe/sandal category.

Participants will design or develop shoes and sandals reflecting an environmental issue.

**SATURDAY**

**4/30/2016**

**CLEAN OUR HOUSE DAY!**

**GCC MAIN PLASTIC BOTTLE BIN  
BETWEEN BLDG. 500-900  
9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM**

EcoWarriors are encouraged to help campus community volunteers for the proper sorting and transport recycled plastic materials. This event will ensure proper sustainable diversion of recyclable plastic materials in an effort to minimize waste entering the landfill.

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



## Chrystel Baguinon

has moved from COPSA VP to president of the GCC student government organization with Adrian Davis' election as BOT student representative. The diminutive 21-year-old homeschool graduate is a Visual Communications major, because "I liked the idea of turning my creativity into an enjoyable job." After she receives her AS in VisCom, she plans to attend the University of Maryland to pursue a bachelor's degree in East Asian Studies. "Besides the digital graphic arts, I have always had an interest in Asian languages and the culture. One of my career goals is to become a translator or interpreter," she said.

### 1. How old are you?

I am 21 years old.

### 2. Where did you graduate from high school?

I graduated from Homeschool.

### 3. Your major is VisCom, correct? How did you get interested in your major?

I had always liked to doodle and draw as a hobby growing up. So when I heard of VisCom, I liked the idea of turning my creativity into an enjoyable job. But another reason is because of the advancements in technology we have had the last decade. I knew that a lot of jobs these days would require some form of knowledge in computer literacy. It had both that I wanted: something that I would enjoy and what is high in demand in the workforce.

### 4. When you graduate from GCC, what do you plan to do?

After I receive my AS in VisCom, I plan on going to the University of Maryland to pursue a Bachelor's in East Asian Studies. Besides the digital graphic arts, I have always had an interest in Asian languages and the culture. One of my career goals is to become a translator or interpreter.

### 5. What do you like best about attending classes at GCC?

I really like the community that it is. The faculty and staff are very friendly. I also like the new buildings that make it comfortable for students to study and hang out in. Every improvement so far has always been in the interests of the students and I'm glad that GCC is staying true to that mission.

### 6. What is something you do in your spare time that you really enjoy?

I have recently enjoyed going to open mic nights at local coffee shops with my brothers. My busy schedule had always kept me from practicing and playing my instruments. So I'm thankful that my brothers have been encouraging me to attend. It also gives me the chance to make new friends and meet really talented people on island.



### 3.4 Adding and Subtracting Mixed Numbers

$$2\frac{3}{8} - 1\frac{4}{9} =$$

We need a common denominator.

$$2\frac{3 \cdot 9}{8 \cdot 9} - 1\frac{4 \cdot 8}{9 \cdot 8} =$$

$$2\frac{27}{72} - 1\frac{32}{72} =$$

$$\frac{27}{72} - 1\frac{32}{72} =$$

We need to borrow from the first whole number.

$$2\frac{27}{72}$$

$$1 + 1 + \frac{27}{72}$$

$$1 + \frac{72}{72} + \frac{27}{72}$$

$$1 + \frac{99}{72}$$

## FACULTY FOCUS

### Kathryn Maloney Math Instructor

Kathryn Maloney's road to becoming a popular math instructor at GCC began in her home state of Minnesota, where she started college as an archeology major. She took mathematics and history courses, but one class short of a degree in math, she changed to history. Kathryn then took a job as a college lab assistant in mathematics at Central Lakes College in Brainerd, Minnesota. She worked there for 10 years, "and watched a lot of fantastic instructors. I decided to make the big money and become an instructor."

Kathryn earned her master's degree in Learning and Technology from Western Governor's University and earned 18 graduate math credits so she could teach. She also helped her mentor develop and test an online independent study developmental math program and taught online. Kathryn moved to Micronesia when her husband got a job at the U.S. Embassy in the FSM. They lived there for nearly three years, where she taught at the College of Micronesia's Pohnpei campus. From there, she came to GCC.

What Kathryn likes best about teaching math:

"I like a good mystery. Solving math equations is like solving a good mystery. As Agatha Christie's Piroit says, I like to 'agitate the grey matter.'"

Kathryn has been creating online math videos since 2006 and several have over 200,000 views. Her YouTube channel is "Picrustable": <https://www.youtube.com/user/picrustable>



# STAFF SPOTLIGHT

**Bertha Guerrero**  
Secretary to the Board of Trustees  
President's Office

Bertha Guerrero epitomizes GCC's friendly, helpful attitude. This mother of seven and grandmother of 14 from Yona is especially talented at decorating Chamorro style - a talent that the decorating committee at GCC has tapped into during her four years of employment here (her first day was on the first day of the Accreditation team's visit in 2012!). (P.S. Bertha was a judge in the Chamorro Month Office Decoration Contest.) She possesses a nurturing green thumb, and is often seen bringing in flowers from her garden in her yard - especially lovely and delicate spider orchids and other plants. *Si Yu'os Ma'ase Bertha!*





# From the President

Dr. Mary A.Y. Okada



**H**afa Adai everyone. Spring semester 2016 has been a busy one for all. Our administrators are beginning to gather information for our transformation to an institution focused 100% on student success. Part of our transformation will consist of a new look and feel at GCC. Our Office of Communications and Promotions is busy developing a new logo (with input from faculty, staff, administrators and students), to coincide with our new web site (also being developed with input from faculty, staff, administrators

and students). The process of creating the new logo started back in November of 2014, and continued in spring semester 2015 with input from students as to how they viewed GCC. Look for both the new logo and website in August at the start of Academic Year 2016-2017. In 2017, GCC will celebrate its 40th anniversary, which is one of the reasons we are transforming our “look!” Si Yu’os Ma’ase to all the students and faculty who attended the Meet the President sessions on the 23rd and 24th – you had some great suggestions, and it is wonderful

to see the interest in distance education and a four-year degree. I am also happy to report that in the next several months, we will break ground for the construction of a renovated and expanded Building 100, so look for that facelift, too. Finally, congratulations to Adrian Davis on his election as our Board of Trustees student member – we look forward to working with Adrian and to his representation of the student body as we transform into an institution that is focused on your success. Biba GCC!

Taiguini Books Presents:

# Ma Guaiya Yu', si Nāna yan si Tāta

Written by Simone Bollinger and Dana Bollinger  
Illustrated by Cielo de los Reyes



*Ma Guaiya Yu', si Nāna yan si Tāta (Grandma and Grandpa Love Me)* is a vibrant picture book featuring lovely watercolor illustrations that depict the many ways grandparents show their love to their grandchildren. From holding hands in church to going on hikes in the jungle, this story describes the important role grandparents play in the lives of i famagu'on-ta, our children. *Ma Guaiya Yu', si Nāna yan si Tāta* is written entirely in the CHamoru language with repetitive phrases, making it easy and fun for adults and children to learn CHamoru together.

## BOOK LAUNCH

March 12, 2016, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
University of Guam RFK Library

Congratulations to  
**Simone Bollinger**,  
GCC English instructor,  
on the launch of her  
first children's book.

Books will be available for sale at \$12/book.

The authors and illustrator will be present, and there will be arts and craft activities for families to enjoy.

For more information and to schedule author visits, please call (671) 735-2154 or email [uogpress@gmail.com](mailto:uogpress@gmail.com).



Taiguini Books, a division of University of Guam Press, publishes cultural literature for children and adults.

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## GCC offers first TAM training

GCC started fulfilling a training need in the community on Feb. 22 by offering the first Techniques of Alcohol Management (TAM®) workshops at the college. Guam law requires all persons that sell or serve alcoholic beverages to undergo standardized server/seller classroom training. According to PL 32-51, that training is a requirement for obtaining an ABC Alcohol Employee License. Because our Tourism & Hospitality programs fill the huge need for skilled workers in our tourism industry, GCC has stepped up to the plate with regard to this training. The College is the exclusive trainer for TAM®, offering a 3-hour workshop on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3-6 PM, and Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:30-5:30 PM for the very reasonable fee of \$40 per person, including the student manual. The training takes place on campus in our Allied Health Center. For information or to register, call 735-5574 or email [learning4life@guamcc.edu](mailto:learning4life@guamcc.edu).

*First TAM training completers (from left):*

*Franklin Pastones, Carol Cruz (GCC instructor), Stephanie Angoco, Fennie Suva, Deborah Eding, and Cortes Walterio, Jr.*



## GCC reaches out at College Access & Community Resources Fair

Dozens of GCC faculty, staff and administrators talked to hundreds of Guam residents that want their child(ren) to attend college but were unsure of how to go about the process or how to afford college at the GCC CACGP College Access and Community Resources Fair on Feb. 27 in the Micronesia Mall Center Court. The fair, sponsored by CACGP and its community partners, informed students and parents about the GCC CACGP FREE services, including tutoring, admissions and financial aid assistance, and community resources that can help students prepare for and afford to attend college. Faculty from many of GCC's postsecondary programs were on hand to provide information to interested potential students.





## GCC AHEC hosts community interpreter training

Certified Licensed Community Trainers Sarah Leon Guerrero, Education Dept. chair, and Dorothy-Lou Manglona, RN, MSN, Allied Health Dept. chair, trained 16 people Feb. 2 & 4 in the first Community International Interpreter Training sessions ever offered on Guam.

**“The problem is there’s a big need,” Leon Guerrero said. “Before, we would just pull in family members who spoke English.”**

Agencies that receive federal funding must provide non-English speaking clientele with language access. GDOE, Superior Court, GLS, GMH, Public Health, GCC, the University of Guam, the Guam Coalition Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence, and the privately owned Galaide Professional Services, Inc., all sent employees who speak Pohnpeian, Chuukese, Yapese, Kosraean, Tagalog, American Sign Language (ASL), and Chamorro to these first training sessions. The sessions covered standards of practice, professional code of ethics, accuracy, confidentiality, and impartiality. The training was sponsored by GCC and its Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) grant.

## GCC sponsors NAWIC Block Kids event

GCC again teamed up with the National Association of Women in Construction to sponsor the **2016 Block Kids Lego Competition** on Feb. 13 in the MPA. The fun and colorful competition encourages elementary school-age children to use their creativity to build structures with Lego building blocks.





### SSHS students first to earn CHTMP certificates!

Two students from the SSHS Lodging Management Program earned national recognition when the American Hotel & Lodging Educational Institute featured Jhanine Batac and Juliana Taitano in its February eNewsletter for being the first students from Guam to earn their Certified Hospitality & Tourism Management Professional (CHTMP) certificate - national recognition for Guam!

<https://www.ahlei.org/About/News-Room/Newsletters/>

*L-R, Norman Aguilar, GCC Tourism Department Chair; Sen. Tina Muna-Barnes; CHTMP recipients Jhanine Batac and Juliana Taitano; GDOE superintendent Jon Fernandez; Gary Hartz, GCC Associate Dean; and GCC Chef Paul Kerner.*



### A clear pathway

Simon Sanchez High School CTE Electronics student Maximo Manabat II, in February completed 92.5 hours of work experience at G4S as part of his CTE program.

*From left: Sharon Oliveros, GCC CTE Counselor; Maximo Manabat II; Joe Calbang, Electronics teacher; and Tony San Nicolas, GCC Work Experience Coordinator.*



### DECA state competition & banquet

The GCC CTE Marketing program hosted its annual Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) competition on Feb. 12 in the MPA. Then on Saturday, Feb. 20, the students gathered at the Holiday Resort for the awards banquet. Congratulations to winners Cyndai Abad from Okkodo (Apparel & Accessories), Victoria Mapa from Okkodo (Business Services), Allyssa Oftana from Okkodo (Food Marketing), Dave Cameron Santos from Okkodo (Marketing Management), and also from Okkodo, Neo Pangilinan (Retail Merchandising). The top exam award went to Merilou Lumanlan from Simon Sanchez (86%). Thirteen students from Guam will be raising money to attend the national DECA competition in Nashville, Tennessee April 23-26.



### SSHS ProStart & LMP students prepare for FestPac

Students in the GCC Tourism Academy at Simon Sanchez High School celebrated the 12th Festival of Pacific Island Arts, known as "FestPac," early as part of Career & Technical Education (CTE) month in February. Guam is hosting this year's FestPac May 22 - June 4. The festival takes place every four years, bringing together artists and cultural practitioners from around the Pacific region for two weeks of cultural celebration.

The students "adopted" a Pacific island nation and researched its history, language, culture, tradition, food, and the indigenous people. On Feb. 3, the LMP students invited school and government officials to poster board presentations of their respective countries, and the ProStart students prepared a meal highlighting the cuisine of that particular country.



# Employee Highlights

# PROFESSIONAL SUPER DEVELOPMENT BOWL DAY!

Dr. Laura Souder and Dr. Sammy Betances held GCC employees' attention with their dynamic presentation about GCC's transformation process in the MPA on Monday, February 8th. The mandatory professional development day for employees explained more about what transformation is, and how it is happening at GCC. Mindful that it was Super Bowl Monday, President Okada scheduled the lunch break so that those who wanted to could watch the last half of the game! Go Broncos - 24-10 over the Carolina Panthers!





## Sinangan Siha

### Chamorro Phrases

#### January – Ineru/Tumaiguini (Tumaiguini “Thus, In this way, Like This”)

Ma tutuhon i nuebu na sàkkan gi Ineru.

We begin a new year in January.

Måttu siha tåtti gi i tano’-ñiha Guahan.

They returned back to their homeland Guam.

Ma silelebra i Mes Chamorro gi Måtso.

We celebrate Chamorro month in March.

Kao kompli’ años-mu gi Ineru?

Is your birthday in January?

#### February – Fibreru/Maimo’

Åhe’ ti bai bokka na’ talo’ åni på’ go.

No, I’m not eating lunch today.

Mata’chong siha gi i liko’ tåsi ya ma attan i minachom atdao.

They sat down by the bay and watched the sunset.

Ha’ ånen Manguinaiya gi dia katotse (14) gi Fibreru.

Valentine’s Day is February 14.

I ichan ha na’ fanka’lak i tinanom siha.

The rain made the plants so healthy and colorful.

*Guinaiya*  
i flores lina'la...

*Love*  
is the flower of life



*Biba yan Minagof Hai'anen Umaquaiya!*

## **Kompli'años Empliao Kulehon Kumunidat Guahan Siha**

Fibreru/Maimo' 2016

Guam Community College Employees

February 20106 Birthdays

ROSEMARIE AQUINDE  
ANTONIA CABATIC  
SHEENA CAMACHO  
THERESA DATUIN  
MARGARITA DAVID  
JAMES FATHAL  
JANNA FERNANDEZ  
STEPHANIE FERNANDEZ  
JOSE LOPEZ  
PATRICK MALONEY

DEE MANGLONA  
JOHN QUINTANILLA  
DARLYNN SABLAN  
APOL SAN NICOLAS  
LINDA SANTOS TORRES  
JUANITA SGAMBELLURI  
YVONNE TAM  
FRED TUPAZ  
JON TYQUIENGCO



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