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Guam Community College PDF Newsletter

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Mission Statement:

The mission of Guam Community College is to be a leader in career and technical workforce development by providing the highest quality education and job training in Micronesia.

GCC 15th in int'l contest

Students in Fred Tupaz' SM215 and EC110 courses participated in an international Business Strategy Game, ranking in 85th place in week three of the simulation and tying for 2nd place and 10th place overall in the worldwide standings in their final week of the simulation. The competition tracks 41,248 students that comprise 14,654 companies in 405 Schools throughout 35 countries around the world, in an online-PC based exercise where students run an athletic footwear company against other student companies. Check out Team Fortis' Marina Aguilar, Charisha Hualde, David Kim, Verlyne Macaraeg, and Cyaundra Shimizu, on the link: http://www.bsg-online.com/stats/ top20.html?id=1105

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ProStart nat'l champs!



They came, they cooked, they won! The SSHS ProStart team won the National ProStart Invitational in Baltimore on April 21, beating 41 other teams from around the country. Team captain MacDaniel Dimla and members Airen Magday, Angellica Sia and Leyann Lusung prepared a lumpia-encased seafood beggar's purse, stuffed pork tenderloin, and a playful take on coffee and cake for the dozen tough judges. All four will be awarded generous educational scholarships to help further their careers in the restaurant and foodservice industry. Great job, team, and to Vicky Schrage, SSHS ProStart instructor, and mentor Chef Peter Duenas of Meskla Restaurant.

Students help with Citizen Centric Report

On April 16, students in Pilar Pangelinan's AC212 class presented their drafts of the Citizen Centric Report that GCC and all government agencies are required to produce for each fiscal year. This is the second year that the students have presented draft reports as part of a class project. Check out the final report by clicking on www.guamcc.edu below, and going to About GCC - Public Reports - Citizen-Centric Reports.

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On April 1, the family of the late Jose and Dolores B. Bello unveiled the sign dedicating a classroom in their honor in the newly renovated GCC Foundation Building. From left: Carline Bello Bukikosa, GCC foundation Board member, Francine Martinez Clement, Julia Dukes, Bella Bello Martinez, Dr. Okada, and Lorraine Okada, GCC Foundation Board Chair. Thank you Bello family!

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April proved to be very busy and very successful for both our postsecondary and our secondary programs! Congratulations to the SSHS ProStart team for their huge win at the national championship! And to Okkodo's LMP team for their second place finish. On the postsecondary side, five EC 110 students placed 15th overall in an online business competition among 405 other student companies in 35 countries. Our students continue to shine, whether in the classroom, on campus during events like our Spring Festival or putting together an amazing science symposium that helps young students learn science concepts, or through their service learning projects. Our faculty members are the driving force behind all this great effort, so kudos to them, and to the staff and administrators who support them and all of our students. Congratulations to our newly elected Faculty Senate and Union representatives. Also, thanks to the Bello family for their classroom naming donation this month, and to the Guam EPA for working with us to clean up our firing range. Keep up the great work, everyone!

Faculty Elections

Congratulations to the following faculty members, who on April 26 were elected to the following positions for AY2013-14:

President-Elect, Faculty Senate: Anthony Roberto Senator, Faculty Senate: Troy Lizama Professional Development Review Committee: Donna Cruz, Dr. Marsha Postrozny, Sally Sablan Promotions Committee: Hernalin Analista,

John Jocson

Faculty Evaluation and Job Specs Committee: Secondary Representative *Phyllis Yurko*

GCC Faculty Union:
President: Fred Tupaz
Vice President: R. Gary Hartz
Treasurer: Pilar Pangelinan

GCC - GEPA MOU

GCC and GEPA formalized an MOU on April 4 that has GEPA providing \$25K for cleanup and migitation of the college's firing range. GCC secured a \$5K grant from the National Rifle Association to fund an environmental assessment of the cost of lead reclamation and mitigation of the range, which has been used by local and federal law enforcement agencies for 25 years.



John Lee scholarship

GCC sophomore Floregine delaCruz is the second recipient of the First Hawaiian Bank John Lee \$1,500 scholarship, awarded annually in honor of the late John K. Lee Jr., former FHB executive and GCC Foundation board member. DelaCruz graduated in May with an AA in IAS and will attend UOG this fall as a junior accounting major. L to r: Danilo Bilong, GCC program specialist; Dr. Mary Okada; Regina delaCruz; Mrs. John K. Lee, Jr.; Floregine delaCruz; Laura Lynn Dacanay, FHB Sr. VP; and Ed Untalan, FHB VP.



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SPERO scholarships

On April 30, President Okada (far left) and outgoing Financial Aid Coordinator Micki Lonsdale (far right), presented GCC Students (from left) Jun Hao Ren, Li Hua Jin, James Pangelinan, Ann Mariel Flores, and Juleiana Raras with \$500 scholarships each from the SPERO scholarship fund. Students, apply for these scholarships!

April 4 - Spring Festival!



On April 4, over 600 students, faculty, adminstrators and family members gathered in front of the Student Center for GCC's annual Spring Festival. GCC's 14 student organizations put together booths celebrating the college's cultural diversity, sold delicious food and drinks to earn money, and supplied the evening's entertainment. 530 students voted in the election of COPSA officers and the BOT student representative.



On April 18, GCC's first science symposium taught 180 Tamuning Elementary School third graders learned how to use microscopes, make goop out of glue and other chemicals, explore the concepts behind magnetism, and see how an aquifer works, among other really cool things. Tamuning teacher Carol Calma asked GCC's Dr. Jay Sunga to help teach her students about microscopes. Sunga took the entire 3rd grade science curriculum, and he and his students developed 18 stations where science concepts come to life and students learn the key words and concepts that appear on the SAT-10 test and in GDOE's core standards for their level. Way to go students and instructors!!

New truck simulator

Industry and government officials attended a demonstration of the new Doron Truck Driving simulator and new 10-speed tractor-trailer with 20-foot container chassis at GCC on April 17. The acquisition of the two pieces of advanced training equipment has allowed GCC to upgrade TR210 (Truck Driving), and CT158 (Heavy Equipment Operator). The courses are in demand through GCC's Apprenticeship program and will eventually be part of a truck driving certification program being developed.





Culinary guest chef

Hawaii Chef, educator and activist Mark Noguchi demonstrated fillet techniques during a workshop for Culinary Arts students at GCC on April 4. Noguchi was on island as part of the Guam Humanities Council's "Eat Your Heritage II" Food Democracy tour. Noguchi also conducted workshops with ProStart students from Simon Sanchez and Southern high schools.

Popular culinary lunch and dinner buffets in April

This semester, Chef Kevin Dietrichs' Culinary
Arts Buffet and Catering class expanded its
delicious buffets to include lunches and dinners.
Every Wednesday in April, the buffets featured
a different Asian cuisine and were open to the
public on a first come, first served basis in the
MPA. Way to go culinary students! Best \$10
lunches and dinners on the island!



CACGP Seniors tour

The College Access Challenge Grant Program invited nearly 250 seniors enrolled in GCC CTE (Career & Technical Education) programs in the five public high schools to tour the campus and explore GCC programs on April 26th. Here, students talk with Construction Trades Dept. Chair Gil Yanger.





PY Students pull to 1st place!

With a winning time of 10.10 seconds, GCC's PY 125 Interpersonal Relations class pulled to victory during the Cement Truck Pull contest at the 6th Annual Construction Rodeo on April 28. Pictured are Kathleen Arnold, Natasha Nator, Rolando Tan, Derick Hernandez, Jeffrey Pamintuan, Ricardo Quintanilla, Rudel Retuyan, Joseph McCrocklin and Pedro Leon Guerrero, instructor.

SMILE car wash, cleanup & donation

The SM220 Management Skill Development class, along with the Society of Management Industry Leaders for Excellence (SMILE), held a car wash fundraiser on April 27 at Ralphy's, raising \$1,200 for Sanctuary Inc. and educational supplies for Our Lady of Purification CCD program in Maina.





The SM208 Personnel Supervision class, held a cleanup for GCC on April 27, collecting more than 1,100 lbs of garbage and recyclable items along the main corridors leading to GCC.

The class also raised funds through the sale of the recyclable items and Shrimp Shack food plates. Proceeds of \$600 went to the Guam National Youth Football Federation.

News from GCC Secondary Programs



Okkodo LMP 2nd in nation!

On April 13, for the second year in a row, the OHS CTE Lodging Management Team finished second in the annual American Hotel & Lodging Educational Institute National Lodging Management Program (LMP) Competition in Orlando, Florida. Captain Flori Dela Cruz, Ranalou Sison, Royelle Carter, and Christian Lubas, coached by Okkodo LMP instructor Evon Wong, placed first in the Knowledge Bowl section of the competition, and were edged out of the championship by the slimmest of margins by the team from California.

SSHS' Nacpil scores gold

SSHS student Min Nacpil received a GOLD on her WorkKeys assessment in April. Celebrating with Min are, from left, Eric Chong, SSHS LMP instructor; Victor Rodgers, GCC Asst. Director, CEWD; Min; Chelsa Muna-Brecht, WorkKeys program specialist; Melvin Finona and Jolene Cabrera, SSHS assistant principals.





Southern takes Allied Health academic bowl!

The GCC CTE Southern High School Allied Health team won the GCC CTE 2nd Annual Allied Health Academic Challenge Bowl on April 9 in the GCC Multipurpose Auditorium. Pictured, from left, are: Brenda Jesus, Celina Juaneza, Nichole Teologo, Mariah Baza, Marcel Jardeleza, Jody Lizama, Natasha Crisostomo, Haydee Brigino, Nathan Concepcion, and Sterlyn Sotomil, GCC SHS Allied Health instructor, and Gary Hartz, GCC SHS counselor.

Notable

GCC's Ecowarriors were busy in April!

LEED tours of the LRC April 17-19, and cleanup and recycling at Spring Festival on campus, and at the Guam Marathon April 7, the Center for Island Sustainability Conference April 17-19, and the Recycling Round-up at Agana Shopping Center April 20.

OAS presentation

On April 5th the GCC Office of Accommodative Services invited faculty, staff and administrators to the MPA for a presentation given by the Guam Legal Services Corporation, covering the latest laws regarding persons with disabilities, the legal obligations of learning institutions in providing services, programs, reasonable accommodations, and instructions for individuals with disabilities.

UOG Trio students tour GCC

UOG's Upward Bound (TRiO) Program brought over a dozen students to the GCC campus for a tour on April 16.

From HR...

Welcome New Employees



Diana Inclano Administrative Aide



Brigida Artero Administrative Aide



Lester Gonzales Administrative Assistant

Farewell & Best Wishes to the following Employees:

Pascual Artero, II
Peter Blas
Karllin Orioste
Calvin Toves

New Employee Orientation



GCC's awesome HR Office welcomed new employees with a very thorough orientation on April 10th.

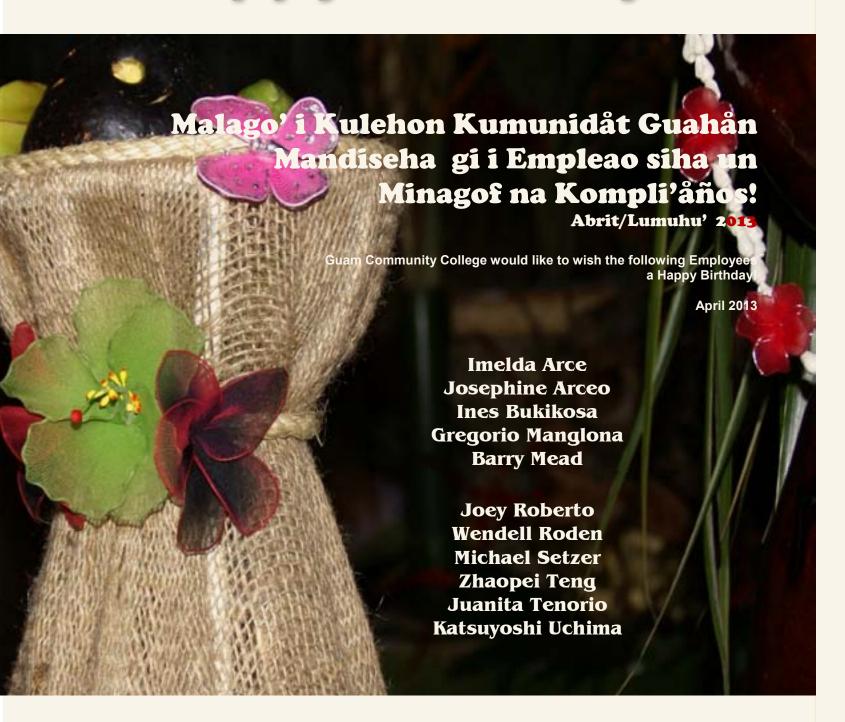
Important Dates:

June 28 - Reilly Ridgell & Barry Mead
Retirement Luncheon 11:00 AM
Student Center Lounge & Training Room

July 4th - Independence Day 21st - Liberation!

August 12 - Convocation Monday, 6:00 PM, LeoPalace Resort

Happy Birthday!



Sinangan Siha para Abrit/Lumuhu

April 2013 Chamorro Phrases



Mungnga mana'saonao siha.

Maolek yu'.

Kao maolek ha' hao?

Siña yu' humånao på'gogo?

Ngai'an nai humuyong hao gi i che'cho'-mu?