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CAMPUS NEWS AND EVENTS FROM STUDENTS, EMPLOYEES AND OUR COMMUNITY

EDGE CONFERENCE SUCCESS

For the first time since the Covid-19 pandemic, the Edge Student Conference was held at the Westin Resort Guam as an in-person event. A total of 147 students participated. The Edge Student Conference was designed and created for registered postsecondary and Adult High School students interested in gaining skills that will help them in the workplace.



The main sessions included Ethics in the Workplace, Meet the Deans, and "Dress for Success" by GCC Cosmetology. WestCare offered Uplift Counseling Services. Participants also attended breakout sessions such as Financing your Future, Job Search & Resume Writing, and How to Ace Your Job Interviews presented by GCC faculty, administrators, and community professionals. Students also had the opportunity to participate in team-building activities facilitated by our student leaders.

COSMETOLOGY ASSISTS IN ST. BALDRICK'S

The Cosmetology Program teamed up with local news station, KUAM, in support of the St. Baldrick's Foundation on Saturday, March 18th at the Guam Premiere Outlets in Tamuning. St. Baldrick's Foundation is the organization that allows community members to shave their heads in order to raise much-needed funding for children fighting cancer, as well as their families and caretakers, according to the news organization.

There were 20 shaves that took a seat to show their support by shaving their head, and 9 people donated their hair to be used as wigs for cancer patients.

This was the first St. Baldrick's event since 2017. The event coincidentally raised \$2,023. The Insurance Association of Guam matched the collection. Over \$4,000 was raised to conquer childhood cancer! There were 23 Cosmetology students and faculty members that volunteered their time and talent to the event. A portion of the monies raised went to a local beneficiary, the Edward M. Calvo Cancer Foundation.



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SUMMER SEMESTER
STARTS JUNE 2, 2023.**

SHOW & SELL 2023

The Business & Visual Communications department hosted its "Show & Sell" event at the Multipurpose Auditorium on March 8 & 9, 2023. The two-day event was a huge success! The event was a perfect opportunity for students to gain experience and expand their network.

Show & Sell is an annual event for GCC students to showcase their entrepreneurial skills and marketing talents displaying a wide array of services and locally owned business ventures.

The event featured over 17 student-owned small businesses and three student organizations.


CHONG RECEIVES ACTE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Congratulations to Mr. Eric Chong on receiving the 2022-2023 Guam Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) Lifetime Achievement Award. Mr. Chong is a Simon Sanchez High School CTE Professor in Hospitality. He has been employed with GCC since 1994, with nearly 30 years of educational service to the island public school students and our GCC postsecondary students.

"The ACTE Lifetime Achievement award recognizes CTE professionals for their leadership on behalf of ACTE, their innovations in CTE and their contributions to the field over an extended period of time. Now, his award will be forwarded to ACTE Region V for their judging process, and winners will be announced at the Region V Conference. Winners, there will be forwarded to the next National ACTE Conference," the Guam ACTE website read.

Let us all extend our congratulations to Professor Chong.

To view the full story visit ACTE Guam: <https://bit.ly/GCCProfChong>


CHILDCARE LEADERSHIP BC

Eighteen Childcare Leadership Bootcamp completers were recognized in a completion ceremony on Tuesday, February 28, 2023. The 18 are now equipped to take on managerial roles in a daycare setting.

Participants in this bootcamp completed the seven-week curriculum including Childcare Management, Introduction to Exceptional Children, and How to Start a Childcare Business. Other courses included Heartsaver First Aid, CPR, AED, and WorkKeys®.

The Childcare Bootcamp series was funded by the Guam Economic Development Authority (GEDA), and developed by the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DHPSS) and GCC to educate, train, and provide our island families with qualified daycare providers to meet the critical shortage in available and affordable daycare and after-school programs. This program is free to qualified applicants who are accepted into the cohort.



GCC VET CLUB + CULINARY COLLABORATIVE BAKE SALE

GCC Veteran's Club and Culinary Arts student chefs collaborated for a bake sale on March 2nd. An anonymous donation of ingredients was made to the club and the culinary student chefs prepared sweet and savory goods for the Veterans to sell. Thank you all for your support of our GCC student Veterans!

Victor Fernandez II, GCC Veterans Club Co-Advisor, approached Chef Kennynl Miranda, Department Chair for Culinary/Foodservice Management, and Vincent "VJ" Santos, Culinary Student Chef and a Foodservice Management Major to partner up with the Vet Club for a bake sale fundraiser.



SPRING FEST 2023



GET TO KNOW

Get to Know ...

Liberty Pinanla.

Hafa Adai! I am an Administrative Aide with the School of Trades & Professional Services (TPS). I started as a limited-term appointment employee in August 2022. I was brought on as a permanent hire in January 2023. I graduated from the GCC Culinary Arts Program in 2017 and in 2022 I received my degree from the Criminal Justice Program. I am a 2013 Okkodo High School graduate.

I share two beautiful children, ages six and one, with my loving and supportive partner. I am from the village of Santa Rita.

When I am not at work, I create unique party decorations as the owner and founder of LIB Creations. The name stands for "Loved. Inspired. Blessed." My creations are special and unique just like my clients who support my small business. I create balloon-style displays for any occasion! I also whip up some homemade sweet treats like cupcakes, Rice Krispy treats, and furikake Chex mix to order. I invite you to take a look at my work on Instagram.



GWHS CLEAN-UP



Guam Community College happy laborers teamed up to clean up George Washington High School on Saturday, March 25, 2023.

GCC GWHS and Simon Sanchez High School Career and Technical Education (CTE) instructors and students, along with GCC staff, faculty, and administrators showed up to get the campus cleared out and cleaned up.

GW ROTC Alumni class of 1978 and 1979 also joined in on the work. In four hours, the group cleared out white goods, mixed debris, vegetation and more.

There is still more clearing and cleaning to do at GWHS. A callout for happy laborers will be made soon.

SOUTHERN HIGH SCHOOL CAREER FAIR

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) team participated in Southern High School's Career Fair Day on March 29, 2023.

Programs represented were Allied Health, Marketing, Culinary, Cosmetology, Computer Science and Criminal Justice & Social Sciences. Continuing Education & Workforce Development, Adult Education and Reach For College also participated in giving students educational alternatives.



PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY



The Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society inducted 11 new members into their Beta Beta Xi Chapter on March 25, 2023 at Holiday Resort Guam.

The Beta Beta Xi Chapter officers for AY 2022-2023 are President Kevin Jung, Vice President Amorlynn Mesa, Secretary Katrina Lin Lupera and Treasurer Irish Joy Elca with advisors Pilar Pangelinan, Carl Torres II, Eric Chong and Dr. Juanita Tenorio.

Congratulations to the new members and officers.

April

- 02 - Joegines Calbang, Technology - Electronics
- 05 - Wendell Roden, Math & Science
- 07 - Jermaine Guerrero, Construction Trades
- 09 - Angelenne Serafico, Planning & Development
- 11 - Launie Danielle Sarmiento, Continuing Education
- 14 - Adrian Davis, Center for Student Involvement
- 16 - Josephine Arceo, Planning & Development
- 17 - Zhaopei Teng, Technology - Computer Science
- 18 - Jessca Garcia, Business Office
- 22 - Adrian Banu, Management Information Systems
- 23 - Katsuyoshi "Kat" Uchima, Nursing & Allied Health
- 24 - Juanita Tenorio, English
- 25 - Jeffery Umayam, Dean's Office - TSS
- 26 - Trina San Agustin, Communications & Promotions
- 28 - Karen Rose Quitugua, Culinary & Foodservices
- 28 - Joey Roberto, Facilities
- 29 - David Kim, Continuing Education

Happy
Birthday
to You



- Jan. 01 - Edwin Balmonte
- Jan. 01 - Kerwin Dela Cruz
- Jan. 01 - Krizel Dela Cruz
- Jan. 01 - Daisy Rose Pascua
- Jan. 03 - Liberty Anne Pinaula
- Jan. 03 - Therese Santos
- Jan. 09 - Corey Quichocho
- Jan. 09 - Sean-Michael Sayama-Davis
- Jan. 09 - Leonard-John Ventura
- Jan. 17 - Natalia Chargualaf



- Jan. 17 - Francine Topasna
- Jan. 18 - Kimberly May Borja
- Jan. 30 - Darlene Sholing
- Feb. 27 - Rebecca Ramirez
- Feb. 28 - Joan Baluyut
- Mar. 07 - Joven Reyes
- Mar. 13 - James Fathal
- Mar. 13 - Jessca Garcia
- Mar. 13 - Gemma Santos
- Mar. 27 - Krystal Dee San Nicolas



Catherine Solidum
Assistant Director, AIER

Congratulations on your

Promotion!



Ethan Naputi
Inventory Management Officer



Franklin Valino
Buyer I

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CAMPUS EVENTS/MEETINGS

APRIL 2023

- 03 - 09 - SPRING BREAK
- 08 - "Spring Into Reading" E Building, Rooms 117-120, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- 09 - Easter Sunday
- 10 - College Assembly Multipurpose Auditorium, Bldg. 400, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- 19 - Culinary To-Go Lunch "China" Culinary Kitchen, Bldg. 400, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- 26 - Culinary To-Go Lunch "Thailand" Culinary Kitchen, Bldg. 400, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- 27 & 28 - Link Up: Reverse Job Fair Multipurpose Auditorium, Bldg. 400, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- 28 - 5th Annual Fundraiser "Wine & Whiskey" Learning Resource Center, 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.



GCC TALK, WHATSAPP GROUP



If you would like to receive campus-wide announcements and updates scan this QR code to join the "GCC Talk" WhatsApp group. You may also join by using clicking this link:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KNHT0hzZ0JIIRetlOSJhqA>

