

**AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES
September 24-28, 2012**

"Committing Students to What's Happening on Campus"

411

Live as if you were going to die tomorrow, learn as if you were going to live forever.

-Ghandi

S.L.A. CENTER:

(located next to the Cafeteria)

NEED A TUTOR?

Stop by the SLA Center and sign up for one!
Tutorials for ALL subjects are available :)

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"So you think you can Sing 3"**

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SGA CALENDAR OF ACTIVITES

August 20	School Begins
August 22-24	SGA Recruitment-New Members
August 27	Election of New Members
August 30	Meeting with New Members "Meet & Greet" with Students: FREE Lunch
September 3	HOLIDAY-Labor Day
September 4	New/Continuing Clubs Sign in: Fale Samea
September 7	Meeting with ASCC President

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September 11	SGA Council Meeting
September 13	Club Campus Clean Up
September 14	SGA Meeting with President
September 18	Council Meeting on Congressional/Gubernatorial Forum
September 20	Club Rally Theme: "Tribute to Troops"
September 24-27	ASCC American Idol Competition
September 27	American Idol Finale
October 2	SGA Clubs: Field Games -Hot Dog Eating Contest -Apple Bobbing Contest
October 4	SGA/Marine Science: Save the Reef "Jingle" Contest: ASCC Gym
October 8	HOLIDAY: Columbus Day
October 9	SGA Council Meeting
October 9-12	Mid-Term Week
October 11	SGA Clubs Workshop "Starting a Business": Lecture Hall
October 16	Congressional Forum: ASCC Gymnasium 12:30-2:00pm
October 18	Gubernatorial Forum: ASCC Gymnasium 12:30-2:00pm
October 23	SGA Council Meeting with Miss ASCC Contestants
October 25	MTV Showdown: ASCC Gymnasium Performance by ASCC American Idol Winner
October 29-30	SPIRIT WEEK
October 31	HALLOWEEN SGA/Clubs Halloween Treats for ASCC Employees & Students
November 1	American Samoa Election Day
November 2	SGA Meeting with ASCC President
November 5	Miss ASCC Contestant's Photo Shoot
November 6	SGA Council Meeting
November 12	HOLIDAY: Veterans Day
November 13	Miss ASCC Contestant's Platform Presentation Lecture Hall
November 14	Miss ASCC Parade: ASCC Campus Luncheon with Media: ASCC Cafeteria
November 15	Miss ASCC Ava Competition: Fale Samoa
November 16	Miss ASCC Rehearsal: ASCC Gymnasium
November 17	Miss ASCC Pageant: ASCC Gymnasium
November 20	Field Games -Pie Eating Contest -FREE Thanksgiving Lunch
November 22	HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving
November 23-25	SGA Retreat
November 29	SGA Final Activity "Club Battle: Dance Competition"
November 30	Last Day of Instruction
December 3-5	Final Exams
December 3	Student Body Coffee Break
December 4	Club Awards
December 5	Student Body Coffee Break
December 7	SGA Farewell Gathering
December 12	Prospective Graduates Banquet/Awards
December 14	ASCC Fall 2012 Commencement

COUNSELING SERVICES OFFICE

(located in the Cafeteria)

➤ *Personal and Academic Counseling / Career Counseling / YANA*

- Students who have any personal issues such as: peer pressure, family issues, thoughts of suicide, relationship problems, dealing with emotional distress, and just need someone to talk to... please see the Personal Academic Counselor- Alison Hurst or call 252-YANA (9262) or email: yana@amsamoa.edu



- Students seeking assistance in resume writing or job coaching are encouraged to visit the Career Counselor- Alison Hurst or email her at a.hurst@amsamoa.edu

➤ *Transferability Counselor*

Prospective graduates must come in to see counselors at their offices located in the cafeteria for the following:

- **Fill out an Exit Counseling Survey**

- **Transferring to a 4-year college or university for assistance** with college search, filling out college applications, and retrieving college document checklists

➤ *Diversity & Tutorial Counseling*

*If you have any problems seeing any of the counselors in person, you can contact them via interoffice extension: 362 or email: Matesina m.willis@amsamoa.edu , Annie a.panama@amsamoa.edu , Alison a.hurst@amsamoa.edu

STUDENT LEARNING ASSISTANCE CENTER



Tutorials (FREE)

- Students interested in getting tutored in any subject, please come see us at the Student Learning Assistance (SLA) Center ☺

SLA Center Hours: 8:00-3:30

***During finals, we will be open from 8:00am-4:00pm**

- All tutorials are free and appointments are made with Lydian Tinitali l.tinitali@amsamoa.edu , or any of the available staff members in the SLA Center.

*Please see attached tutorial schedule.

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411 Newsletter

Departments, Offices, Students, Clubs etc, who wish to make announcements via the bulletin, please stop by and see Mrs. Deidra Saelua, or simply send info to d.saelua@amsamoa.edu

School To Work

**JOB COACHES
WANTED!!!**

Please see Ms. Dacia Taleni for more information or contact her via interoffice extension 449 or email her at d.taleni@amsamoa.edu

Student Employment Center (Non-Pell)

Students who are currently enrolled at ASCC but not qualified for the Federal Work Study Program or Pell Grand due to being born outside of American Samoa or the United States are eligible to apply for the Non-Pell Work Study. Applications are available at the Student Employment Center on a "first come-first serve" basis. See Mrs. Fualaau Tago Lancaster at the VA Office (located behind the cafeteria) for more information, or call her at 699-9155 x426.

VETERANS AFFAIRS



VA Coordinator/ Student Employment (Non-Pell)

Public Law 112-56, VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2012

On November 21, 2011, the President signed Public Law 112-56, the VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011. Included in the Law is the Veterans Retraining Program for unemployed veterans. VA and the Department of Labor (DoL) are working together to roll out this new program on **July 1, 2012**.

A brief summary of the new law is outlined below:

- Be between the ages of 35-60
- Be unemployed (as determined by the DoL) with special consideration given to veteran who have been unemployed for more than 26 weeks.
- Have any other than a dishonorable discharge.
- Not eligible for any other VA educational benefit program (e.g. the Post 9/11 GI Bill, Montgomery GI Bill, and Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Assistance).
- Not be in receipt of VA compensation due to unemployability.
- Not be enrolled in a federal or state job training program.



This program is limited to 99,000 participants who may receive up to 12 months of payments 2t the full-time Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty rate (currently \$1,473 per month).

Participants must be enrolled in a VA approved program of education offered by a community college or technical school. The program must lead to an associate degree, non-college degree, or a certification and train the veteran for high demand occupation.

Applications will be submitted through DoL and benefits paid by VA. DoL will provide employment assistance to every veteran who participates, upon completion of their program.

Note: The key is...must be enrolled in a VA approved program of education offered by a Community College or Technical School as stated above. The program begins July 1, 2012. Please visit the GI Bill website www.gibill.va.gov or GI Bill Facebook page for more details on when, where and how to apply.

For more information contact Mrs. Fualaau Rosie Tago Lancaster @ 699-9155 x426.

Email: f.lancaster@amsamoa.edu, or visit the GI Bill website: www.gibill.va.gov .

The Veteran Affairs/Student Employment Office is located directly behind the cafeteria.

ASCC Press Release

Monday, September 10, 2012

ASCC-CAPP Streamlines Developmental English and Math Instruction

By James Kneubuhl, ASCC Press Officer

Based on data from the past several years regarding students who test into developmental (pre-100) courses in English and Math, the American Samoa Community College (ASCC) has begun a new program to properly prepare these students before they enroll in regular college-level courses (i.e., numbered 150 and above). The College Accelerated Preparatory Program (CAPP) makes developmental courses in Math and English reading and writing the sole focus for incoming students whose placement test results indicate a need in either or both of these areas. Rather than schedule a mixture of classes at both the pre-and-post-150 levels, some of which they may not truly be ready for, students in the CAPP program instead focus on accelerated versions of the developmental Math and English courses which will enable them to prepare more quickly for regular college-level courses.

ASCC determines the English and Math skill levels of incoming students based on results from either a standard college admissions tests like the SAT/ACT/TOEFL or College's own placement test. For several years now, a portion of the incoming students to ASCC have tested into developmental classes in English and Math. Previously, they have been able to take a combination of classes above and below the 100 level, but as the college-level classes place more of an emphasis on writing and in many cases math as well, those without adequate preparation have faced a significant disadvantage. This past spring, ASCC established a multi-disciplinary committee to develop, plan and implement a program to better address the needs of students at the developmental level. Based on existing data and modeled on similar programs at other colleges, the committee formulated CAPP and put it into practice as a pilot project this past summer.

"Our project was designed to improve developmental Math and English Language Institute (ELI) programs, with the goal of helping students achieve college readiness as quickly as possible," said ASCC Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs Dr. Kathleen Kolhoff-Belle. "Our first step was to change the delivery model and improve assessment. CAPP students work in six week intensive blocks, two each semester, with the ability to move up a level after the first block if they have achieved the required skills. Ideally, a student could complete English 90 and 91, as well as the Math requirements in one semester instead of one year and be ready for college-level classes."

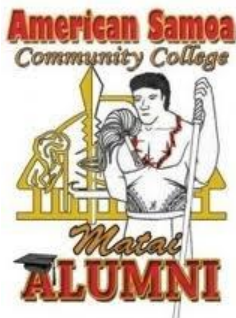
Under CAPP, students who place into ENG 70, ENG 71, ENG 80, ENG 81, ENG 90, ENG 91, MAT 80 or MAT 90 now take accelerated versions of those courses which last for six weeks and meet daily. The classes last for a minimum of two hours, and the students also have access to tutorials, support services and academic advisors. "We have also ordered 60 computers for two

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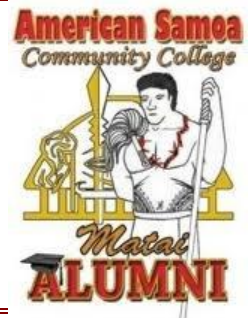
labs in developmental English and Math,” said Dr. Kolhoff-Belle. “These labs are classroom-based to enable the students to integrate technology into their skill development.” CAPP students may enroll in regular (i.e. numbered 150 and above) ASCC courses after completing their required developmental classes.

The summer pilot of CAPP provided encouraging results. The program served a total of 189 students in developmental English, out of which 107 completed their requirements in that by exiting ENG 90 and ENG 91. 31 passed ENG 80 and 22 passed ENG 81 to continue with the next level developmental courses. A total of 97 students took developmental math courses, with 58 exiting MAT 90 and 11 passing MAT 80. With the fall semester now underway, instructors in CAPP English and the Math Department now find themselves adjusting to the “new model” of daily class meetings even while in some cases still phasing out the “old model” of previously-scheduled sections which meet two or three days a week. “Having the students with me every day makes it easier to keep them motivated and build a rapport with them,” said CAPP English instructor Ben Goodwin. “Sometimes when you have a day between classes, like I do with some of my ‘old model’ sections, it’s more of a challenge to establish and maintain continuity.”

Dr. Kolhoff-Bell explained that ASCC developed CAPP through funding from the Department of Education Strengthening Institutions Grant, also known as Title 3. “We are funded under the Asian American and Pacific Islander program. This grant supports institutional improvements and new initiatives to help colleges fund projects that are otherwise beyond their resources,” she said.



ASCC Matai Alumni Scholarship



Applications are now available!!!

Please stop by the Student Services Office and pick up an application from Matesina Aseta-Willis.

Due Date: October 19, 2012



Announcements from the Teacher Education Program!!

***ALL B.Ed students and Education majors are strongly encouraged to meet with their advisors. PLEASE make it a point to check in with your advisor for advising.**

B.Ed. applications are still available at our office (located on upper campus). Students who are interested are encouraged to stop by and pick up applications from there. Students must have either an AA or AS degree to apply. Funding is available for B.Ed. students.

See Dr. Lina Galeai-Scanlan, Director of Teacher Education for more information.



**DEADLINE for Fall 2012 Graduation Applications is
September 28, 2012. Be sure to mark your Calendars ☺!!!**



Penni-Girl Productions

presents

So You Think You Can Sing 3?

Saturday October 27, 2012

Maliu Mai Beach Resort

Submit your audition clip TODAY to

www.facebook.com/pennigirlproductions

\$500 first prize!

Must be 18 or older to enter

Call 258.6137 for more information

CHRISTIAN CLUB SIGN-UP!!!

If you are interested in joining the “Christian Club” please contact the Club Officers at 731-7329 or 731-5404. You can also stop by Mrs. Fa’alafi-Jones’ office for more information! Looking forward to meeting you ☺☺☺

ASCC Library Catalog Online Search

Are you looking for a specific book at the library, but have no idea where to find it? Well, not to worry, our online library catalog search is now available. You can search for the call number on the college website www.amsamoa.edu and click on the “Search Library Catalog” link located on the left hand side of the website. For more information concerning this online service contact us at 699-9155 Ext: 418 or 330.

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How to make a Library Card

Stop by at the ASCC Library and make a library card!
Documents needed for a library card are:

1. Valid Local Photo ID or Passport
2. Class schedule
3. Social Security Card

Notice: First time library cards are free of charge, but \$7.00 for a Lost Card.

Are you looking for information about Samoa and the Pacific Islands for your research paper?

The Library Special Collection Room has information that you need!

Hours: 7:30am - 4:00pm (Mon-Fri)

Check it out and find out more about the Samoan Islands, as well as other Pacific Islands!!!

Haven't decided where to continue your education???



University of Pittsburgh, Bradford

The University of Pittsburgh, Bradford is ideal for both domestic and International students. For those students who are "risk takers" and who would like to explore new and better opportunities...or would just like to experience the East Coast, please see Mana'o at the SLA Center or check out their website: www.upb.pitt.edu for more information.

REMINDER: ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Students! Please know and understand that this policy is very crucial.

Zero Tolerance Policy

"As with any community educational environment certain policies are established to ensure health and safety of all the students and employees of the institution.

ASCC defines zero tolerance as: *the strict application of consequences regarding violation of ASCC's rules on weapons, explosives, fighting, drugs, and alcohol. If a student is found to have violated any of aforementioned rules, then the consequences shall be applied without exception.*"

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please refer to the ASCC Catalog (hard copy or ASCC Website), or see the Dean of Student Services.

CAMPUS SECURITY INFORMATION



Business Hours
After Hours

699-9155 x305
699-6299

TUTORIAL SCHEDULES FALL 2012

Office Hours & Daily Schedule
Victor Tavita Ualesi
 Science Lab Technician/Assistant

	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS	
8:00 – 9:00	OFFICE HOURS					
9:00 – 10:00	OFFICE HOURS	BIO 150 LAB Dr. Chang A-17 (9:30 – 12:20)	OFFICE HOURS	OFFICE HOURS	AVAILABLE FOR TUTORIAL	
10:00 – 11:00	OFFICE HOURS		CHM 150 LAB Dr. Dewees A-30 (10:00 – 12:50)	OFFICE HOURS		
11:00 – 12:00	AVAILABLE FOR TUTORIAL		PHSCI 150LAB Dr. Dewees A-45 (2:00 – 4:50)	OFFICE HOURS		OFFICE HOURS
12:00 – 1:00				OFFICE HOURS		OFFICE HOURS
1:00 – 2:00		BIO 150 LAB Dr. Belle A-17 (1:00 – 3:50)		BIO 180 LAB & PHSCI 150LAB Dr. Belle & Dr. Dewees (2:00 – 4:50)		
2:00 – 3:00	AVAILABLE FOR TUTORIAL	PHSCI 150LAB Dr. Dewees A-45 (2:00 – 4:50)	BIO 150 LAB Dr. Belle A-17 (1:00 – 3:50)	BIO 180 LAB & PHSCI 150LAB Dr. Belle & Dr. Dewees (2:00 – 4:50)		
3:00 – 4:00						

MATH TUTORIAL SCHEDULE FALL 2012

Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-9:00 am	Meto Meredith	Meto Meredith	Meto Meredith	Meto Meredith	Meto Meredith
	Wittenberg Mariner		Wittenberg Mariner		Wittenberg Mariner
9:00-10:00 am	Meto Meredith	Staff	Meto Meredith	Staff	Meto Meredith
	Wittenberg Mariner		Wittenberg Mariner		Wittenberg Mariner
10:00-11:00 am	Meto Meredith	Ulysses Hopkinson	Meto Meredith	Ulysses Hopkinson	Meto Meredith
	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith
	Wittenberg Mariner	Meto Meredith	Wittenberg Mariner	Meto Meredith	Wittenberg Mariner
		Myranda Parungo		Myranda Parungo	
11:00-12:00 pm		Ulysses Hopkinson		Ulysses Hopkinson	
12:00-1:00 pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00-2:00 pm	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith
	Myranda Parungo	Meto Meredith	Myranda Parungo	Meto Meredith	Myranda Parungo
	Ulysses Hopkinson	Myranda Parungo	Ulysses Hopkinson	Myranda Parungo	Ulysses Hopkinson
		Wittenberg Mariner		Wittenberg Mariner	
2:00-3:00 pm	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith
	Myranda Parungo	Myranda Parungo	Myranda Parungo	Myranda Parungo	Myranda Parungo
	Ulysses Hopkinson		Ulysses Hopkinson		Ulysses Hopkinson
3:00-3:30 pm	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith	Iris Hirata	Meto Meredith
		Myranda Parungo	Ulysses Hopkinson	Myranda Parungo	Ulysses Hopkinson

ALL OTHER SUBJECTS TUTORIAL SCHEDULE FALL 2012

Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00am – 9:00am	Staff	Staff	Staff	Staff	Staff
9:00am – 10:00am	Staff	Sinaretta Schwenke	Staff	Sinaretta Schwenke	Staff
10:00am – 11:00am	Aneta Afeleti* Barbara Sikoloni** Sinaretta Schwenke***	Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke	Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke
11:00am – 12:00pm	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke	Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke	Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni Sinaretta Schwenke
12:00pm – 1:00pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Staff Barbara Sikoloni	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni	Staff Barbara Sikoloni	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni	Staff Barbara Sikoloni
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni	Staff Barbara Sikoloni	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni	Staff Barbara Sikoloni	Aneta Afeleti Barbara Sikoloni
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Staff	Staff	Staff	Staff	Staff
*Samoan Tutor **Volunteer (Samoan/ELI) ***Business Tutor					

English Tutorial Schedule Fall 2012

Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-9:00 am	Bambridge Lin	Bambridge Lin	Bambridge Lin	Bambridge Lin	Bambridge Lin
	Tala Ropeti	Angel Tipi	Tala Ropeti	Angel Tipi	Tala Ropeti
	Maria Magalasin		Maria Magalasin		Maria Magalasin
					Angel Tipi
9:00-10:00 am	Bambridge Lin	Angel Tipi	Tala Ropeti	Angel Tipi	Bambridge Lin
	Togilau Galea'i	Togilau Galea'i	Togilau Galea'i	Togilau Galea'i	Tala Ropeti
	Maria Magalasin		Maria Magalasin		Maria Magalasin
					Fuimey Lin
10:00-11:00 am	Angel Tipi	Ella-Monique	Togilau Galea'i	Ella-Monique	Tala Ropeti
	Fuimey Lin	Mary Cheung-Fuk	Fuimey Lin	Mary Cheung-Fuk	Angel Tipi
					Fuimey Lin
11:00-12:00 pm	Senetenari Malele	Bambridge Lin	Ella-Monique	Bambridge Lin	Senetenari Malele
	Mary Cheung-Fuk	Tala Ropeti	Mary Cheung-Fuk	Tala Ropeti	Mary Cheung-Fuk
					Angel Tipi
12:00-1:00 pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00-2:00 pm	Lythie Samifua	Lythie Samifua	Lythie Samifua	Lythie Samifua	Senetenari Malele
	Tonya Tuigamala	Senetenari Malele	Tonya Tuigamala	Senetenari Malele	Tonya Tuigamala
					Ella-Monique Misa
2:00-3:00 pm	Tonya Tuigamala	Senetenari Malele	Lythie Samifua	Bambridge Lin	Senetenari Malele
	Lythie Samifua	Tonya Tuigamala	Tonya Tuigamala	Tonya Tuigamala	Tonya Tuigamala
					Tala Ropeti
3:00-3:30 pm	Tonya Tuigamala	Tala Ropeti	Tonya Tuigamala	Tonya Tuigamala	Tala Ropeti

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Word of the Day

nomophobia:

The fear of being out of mobile phone contact.

The term, an abbreviation for "**no-mobile-phone phobia**", was coined during a study by the UK Post Office who commissioned YouGov, a UK-based research organization, to look at anxieties suffered by mobile phone users! The study found that nearly 53% of mobile phone users in Britain tend to be anxious when they "lose their mobile phone, run out of battery or credit, or have no network coverage". The study found that about 58% of men and 48% of women suffer from the phobia, and an additional 9% feel stressed when their mobile phones are off!

FUN FACTS:

- 1) The poison-arrow frog has enough poison to kill about 2,200 people!
- 2) *A toothpick is the object most often choked on by Americans!*
- 3) Dogs and Cats consume over \$11 billion worth of pet food every year.
- 4) *Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying!*
- 5) The penguin is the only bird that can swim, but not fly 😊

The More You Know...

Benefits of Struggling

A man found a cocoon of a butterfly. One day a small opening appeared, he sat and watched the butterfly for several hours as it struggled to force its body through that little hole.

Then it seemed to stop making any progress. It appeared as if it had gotten as far as it could and it could go no farther. Then the man decided to help the butterfly, so he took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remaining bit of the cocoon. The butterfly then emerged easily.

But it had a swollen body and small, shriveled wings. The man continued to watch the butterfly because he expected that, at any moment, the wings would enlarge and expand to be able to support the body, which would contract in time.

Neither happened!

In fact, the butterfly spent the rest of its life crawling around with a swollen body and shriveled wings.

It never was able to fly.

What the man in his kindness and haste did not understand was that the restricting cocoon and the struggle required for the butterfly to get through the tiny opening were God's way of forcing fluid from the body of the butterfly into its wings so that it would be ready for flight once it achieved its freedom from the cocoon.

Sometimes struggles are exactly what we need in our life. If God allowed us to go through our life without any obstacles, it would cripple us. We would not be as strong as what we could have been.

And we could never fly.

Author Unknown

Thought for the day:

You never know how strong you are, until being strong is the only option you have 😊

Have a great week ☺

(SGA Club Rally-ASCC Gymnasium)

Photos courtesy of Jim Kneubuhl



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