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**AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES**



Weekly Information Bulletin

*“Connects Students to What is Happening On Campus”*

November 2, 2009 to November 6, 2009

**Quote of the week:**

*“Work is either fun or drudgery. It depends on your attitude. I like fun.”*

*~ Colleen C. Barrett*

**THANK YOU!! STUDENTS! & Community**

**Our MTV Showdown made \$1,123.00...woo hoo!!** This money has been given to our Dean of Student Services. This money will help our ASCC students that were affected by the tsunami tragedy. Again! We express our sincere “Fa’afetai & fa’amalo” to all our SGA clubs & their advisors, Judges (Mz. Tasha, Mz. Dakota, & Mr. James Kneubuhl), ASCC Alumni Association for their concession stand, MC “Real Diel”, and special thanks to Dean of Academic Affairs, Dr. Irene Helsham for her support☺

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

To our club winner: club 685!

And to the rest of the clubs: Great performances on the tribute to our late “King of Pop” Michael Jackson!

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# Student Government Association (SGA)

**Here are your 8 official prospective contestants for the Miss ASCC this year!**

## CLUBS

1. Club 911 –
2. Happy Hour –
3. Ia Salapu, Education first! –
4. Y.O.C. –
5. Blue Fa'atasi –
6. 685 –
7. Segaula –
8. Anti-Legend –

## CONTESTANTS

Miss Jessica Va'a  
Miss Rita Siliga  
Miss Faith Vaifanua  
Miss Joyce Auau  
Miss Miracle Katina  
Miss Carinya Boone  
Miss Anoalo Moea'i  
Miss Lalomoana Vaeao



## PROGRAM:

The girls will be judged on the following criteria's on pageant night!

- a. Traditional Wear: consists of an outfit made from leaves (absolutely no toga or tapa material). Contestant will model the outfit and conclude with a samoan dance.
- b. Talent: 5 minutes
- c. Evening Gown: Formal
- d. Question

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Contestants interview with Malama Channel @ tafuna 7:00am

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Photo shoot @ falesamoa- 12pm for Samoa Newspaper Ad

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> – “Palu ‘ava competition @falesamoa- 12:30pm (contestants are to bring their own kava bowl, fau, ipu, and three “taule’ale’a’s to assist her in presentation)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Rehearsals- Gymnasium @ 6:00pm

## **KATINA BROTHER’S CONCERT!!**

**When: November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**Where: ASCC Gymnasium**

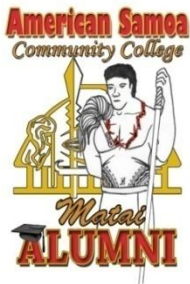
**Time: 12:00noon – 2:00pm**

**Purpose: “A tribute to all the tsunami victims and their families”**

## ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS!!

For all the students that came in to claim lost books from the tsunami tragedy....**your textbooks are now ready for pick up!** Please go and see Peteru to sign your promissory notes. For more information, please contact Dean Helsham, Mark Mageo, Elisapeta Fa'alafi, or Peteru LamYuen.

**CONGRATUALTIONS to the ASCC GIRLS Volleyball Team who WON the Moso'oi League this year!! Hip hip, Hooray!! ☺**



### Next Meeting! 01/06/2009 - SLAC room@12noon!

Come on! Let's give back to our one and ONLY College on island and join our ASCC Alumni Association. We would love to have you. So when you're ready to join, please contact Panisia Neueli: 699-9155 ext.463 {p.neueli@amsamoa.edu}, Peteru LamYuen: 699-9155 ext.379 {p.lamyuen@amsamoa.edu}, Amio Luvu: 699-1575 {amio1@yahoo.com}, or Matesina Willis: 699-9155 ext.461 {m.willis@amsamoa.edu}, for more information. **Hope to see you soon!☺**

**REMINDER: Car Wash this Saturday, 11/07/09! Please show your support and be there☺**

**Notice:** For all 2009 Summer & Fall Graduates, please fill out an "Alumni Exit Survey form" with the ASCC Alumni Counselor, Ms. Matesina Willis.

**Where?** Student Learning Assistant Center (SLAC) located at the old Book Store before entering the cafeteria.

## BUSINESS OFFICE

- \* If you have any questions pertaining to your tuition payment, please see Moala Mago or Benjamin Ah Siu at the Business Office.
- \*After 1 week of holding on to checks, Business Office will mail out the student's checks to their existing addresses. **So please pick up your F/A checks ASAP.**

## "LE BOOKSTORE"

**\*50% OFF!** On ALL baby outfits, and **15% OFF** on ASCC T-Shirts!! Woo hoo!! **We even have a \$1 book sale rack!! 40% OFF** on other college logos. **PLUS!** For our Halloween sale, all our **ORANGE clothing is 60% OFF!** So, get them while they **last☺**

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## COUNSELING SERVICES OFFICE:

*Located in the cafeteria*

Need to  
see a  
Counselor?

### • **Student Transferability**

Prospective graduates of Fall 2009 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
- Students seeking assistance in resume writing or job coaching

\*If you have any problems seeing any of the counselors in person, you can contact them via interoffice extensions or email: Matesina Willis {m.willis@amsamoa.edu} ext. 461



### **Tutorial (FREE)**

- Students interested in getting tutored in Math or English, see the Tutorial Counselor, Annie Panama.

\*All tutorials are free and appointments are made with Annie Panama, Deidra Saelua, or Mana'o Vaovasa at the Student Learning Assistance Center (SLAC) ext. 461.



### • **Personal and Academic Counseling / Peer Counseling**

- 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 Counselor- Mark Mageo or call 252-YANA (9262) or email: {yana@amsamoa.edu}

## Financial Aid

1. Students that need to do corrections on their financial aid application may do so at the MIS computer lab.
2. Pick up an attendance form if you are not adding or dropping any classes if all you classes are posted with no other changes, please see the financial aid office for an attendance form.
3. If you graduated high school after January 1, 2005, please be sure to turn in a high school transcript to the financial aid office.
4. The financial aid office will ONLY process financial aid for students that have the following:
  - a. Complete Financial Aid application
  - b. High School transcript (required only for students that have graduated after 1/1/05)
  - c. Copies of the following documents:
    - i. High School diploma
    - ii. Local ID
    - iii. Birth Certificate and/or US Passport
    - iv. Social Security Card
  - d. Attendance form (complete with signatures from instructors)
5. If you are not sure of your financial aid status be sure to stop by the financial aid office and see the appropriate counselor.

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## WHY STUDENTS SHOULD BRING THEIR TRANSCRIPTS:

The reason for this is the Academic Competitiveness Grant , or ACG. Last year this grant was only offered to students who are U.S. citizens. **This year it is open to U.S. nationals.** Eligibility for ACG is dependent on student's coursework while in high school and only if you graduated in 2005 or later. It is not open to students who graduated from high school before 2005. In order for the financial aid office to determine if you are eligible, we must review your high school transcript. Successful completion of a rigorous high school program as identified by the U.S. Secretary of Education includes the following:

- 4 years of English
- 3 years of mathematics (Algebra I and above)
- 3 years of science, including 2 of the following: biology, chemistry and physics
- 3 years of social studies
- 1 year of language other than English. Your transcript must specify the name of the language course you completed. If you took Samoan Culture instead of Samoan Language, you are not qualified.

If you know you did not successfully complete a rigorous high school program of study, you may simply let your financial aid counselor know that fact and you will not have to provide your transcript.

## ASG SCHOLARSHIP / Loan Application

**Applications are available TODAY! (11/02/2009)**

**Deadline: 11/20/2009**

**Hurry! While there's still time!!**

*For more information please contact Mrs. Sina Hudson at the office of the Dean of Student Services, or call her at 699-9155 ext. 376*

## Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship *and Excellence in Education Program*

**Purpose:** The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program was authorized by the United States Congress in 1986 to honor Senator Barry M. Goldwater, who served his country for 56 years as a soldier and statesman, including 30 years of service in the U.S. Senate. The creation of this program pays tribute to the leadership, courage, and vision of Senator Goldwater and establishes in his name an endowed recognition program to foster and encourage excellence in science and mathematics.

**Award:** up to a maximum of \$7,500 annually

**Deadline: December 29, 2009**

**\*For further information, please see the Dean of Student Services.**

## Scholarships for Minorities (<http://www.gmsp.org>)

There are more minority scholarships than most people realize. In academia, the term "minority" applies to a racial, gender, cultural or social minority group within a particular field of study or population of students. Here are just a few of the groups that qualify for minority scholarships. [The Gates Millennium Scholars Program](#), a \$1 billion grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, is exclusively targeted to racial minorities in education, engineering, library science, mathematics, public health and the sciences, where these groups are severely underrepresented.

- Gender minority in a field of study (female engineers, male nurses)
- African Americans
- **Asian & Pacific Islanders**
- Latino & Hispanic Americans
- Native Americans
- Gay Lesbian Bisexual, & Transgender (GLBT)

### **Colleges often count military credits!**

For a list of schools that accept military credit, visit <http://www.soc.aascu.org/> on the Web. Begin by looking at that institution's Web site. First, complete an application form. Then send in the transcripts from each school you've attended, including military transcripts. All the military training you completed may count toward your education goals.

#### **FOR MILITARY TRANSCRIPTS**

Air Force: <http://www.maxwell.af.mil/au/ccaf/transcripts.asp>

Navy, Marines: <http://www.navycollege.navy.mil/transcript.html>

Army: <http://aarts.army.mil/>

Coast Guard: [http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cgi/ve/official\\_transcript.asp](http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cgi/ve/official_transcript.asp)

*For more information please contact Jim Sutherland at 699-9155 ext. 411*

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

To ALL students: The gym is for physical education classes ONLY. Please use the library or cafeteria for study. The gym is not a hang out. If you have any queries regarding this matter, please see PE Instructors Ed Imo or Richard Park. Thank You☺

### **REMINDER: ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY**

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

**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.**

#### **Last week's Halloween SPIRIT WEEK!**



*Have a great week and remember...always say "Thank you" ☺*