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the
411 Newsletter

“Connecting Students to What’s Happening on Campus.”



**2014 Fall Issue:
December 1 –
December 12**

Important Dates

11/10 – 12/4	2015 Spring/Summer Priority Registration
11/28	Last Day to Complete Withdrawal
11/28	Last Day of Instruction
12/1 – 12/4	Finals Week
12/10	Graduates Banquet
12/12	2014 Fall Commencement

‘Tis the Season



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Making Announcements on 411

If you would like to make announcements via the 411 Campus Newsletter, please see Katrina Garcia at the S.L.A. Center, or you can email: k.garcia@amsamo.edu or ascc411newsletter@gmail.com. Or you can call 699-9155 ext. 479.

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Division of Student Services

“We here at Student Services are dedicated to providing each student with high quality services and assistance in all of our respective areas.”

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Pictured above are our ASCC counselors with the invited guest presenters for last weeks Career Day, Fall 2014.



From the Division of Student Services

Veterans Student Services Corner

Please see or contact the Division of Student Services office, 699-9155 ext. 376 or email ascvstudentservices@amsamoa.edu for information concerning students with VA benefits.



Financial Aid Outreach Counselor

Want to set up an outreach session for a local high school, village, community, or church organization to discuss transitioning to college and Financial Aid? Stop by the Counselors Office by the cafeteria, and see Mana’oSatele-Vaovasa.

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SLA Center

If you need tutorial sessions, to get help stop by the S.L.A. Center for English or the Annex for Math and all other subjects.

Call us at 699-9155 ext. 368 (Math and other subjects) or 479 (English), to set an appointment or just walk in.

Email us at slastaff@amsamoa.edu.

We have one-on-one and group tutoring.

If a teacher refers you to the Center, you must have a referral form.

For staff and peer tutor schedules, ask anyone at either sites.





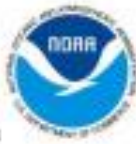
Pictures left are various photos taken of visitors Dr. Esther Kia'aina, Assistant Secretary of Insular Affairs, US Department of Interior. Dr. Kia'aina visited the territory earlier this month and toured ASCC's campus while she was here. Photos courtesy of Jim Kneubuhl.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



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From: ASCC Library Staff & Management



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MSC 280 - Marine Science Special Projects. Spots still available - register today!



Quantitative Underwater Ecological Surveying Techniques MSC280 - March 9-14, 2015

QUEST is a class that began at the University of Hawaii-Hilo in the early 1990s to train the future professionals in underwater surveying, fisheries, and other marine science careers.

To reach students in American Samoa, the American Samoa Community College and University of Hawaii Sea Grant College Program has offered an annual, snorkeling-based surveying course, also called QUEST since 2011. The next QUEST is planned to be held in Faga'alu Village during ASCC's Spring Break, March 9-14, 2015.

It is modeled after the successful University of Hawaii class and you will receive training to survey fish, seaweed, corals, and other invertebrates using snorkeling and scientific equipment.

Specialists from the National Park of American Samoa, the Department of Marine and Wildlife Resources, the American Samoa Community College, the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration, the AS Department of Commerce and the University of Hawaii will lead students in lectures and on several snorkeling trips each day of QUEST.

Contact Jameson Newtonson in office A-6 (254-6673 or 699-9155 ext. 356; jameson.newtonson@gmail.com) or Kelley Anderson Tagarino at the CNR (258-2967 or 699-3353; kelleyat@hawaii.edu) at the American Samoa Community College for more information.

- Learn underwater photography
- Learn to identify plants and animals on the reef by sight
- Improve your snorkeling skills while you practice using equipment such as transect tapes, quadrats, cameras, underwater paper and clipboards
- Obtain training in rescue swimming and handling in-water emergencies
- Learn how real scientists collect information about reef plants and animals
- Prepare yourself for a future career in marine science
- Connect with researchers and expand your professional network
- Connect with other students that may become your professional peers
- Increase your understanding of the scientific method, including statistics and reporting
- Fine tune your marine science interests
- Become better prepared to continue your education in marine science at schools such as the University of Hawaii System
- Have fun in this unique learning opportunity

Spring 2015 . . .

Need Courses?

Sign up for Fine Arts
 courses in MUSIC, ART,
DRAMA, & SPEECH



The music, art, and drama courses will fulfill the Arts Requirement for the Core Foundation. The Speech course will fulfill the communication domain on listening and speaking in the General Education Requirements.

ART 151 -01	Art History Survey II	TR	11:00 – 12:20	3	B8	RMEREDITH
ART 170-01	Drawing I	MWF	11:00 – 12:20	3	B8	RMEREDITH
ART 172-01	Painting I	MWF	02:00 – 3:50	3	B8	RMEREDITH
ART 180-01	Ceramic Sculpture	MWF	09:00 – 10:50	3	B8	RMEREDITH
DRA 150-01	Introduction to Drama	MWF	08:00 – 8:50	3	29	PMAGEO
DRA 151-01	Drama Workshop	TR	09:30 – 10:50	3	29	PMAGEO
MUS 150-01	Music Fundamentals	MWF	02:00 – 02:50	3	30	KTUIASOSOPO
MUS 160-01	Music Literature	TR	09:30 – 10:50	3	30	KTUIASOSOPO
MUS 165-01	Music of the World	MWF	10:00 – 10:50	3	30	KTUIASOSOPO
MUS 170-01	Concert Choir	MWF	01:00 – 01:50	1	30	PMAGEO
MUS 180-01	Band	TR	02:00 – 03:20	1	30	PMAGEO
MUS 187-01	Beginning Orchestra	TR	11:00 – 12:20	1	30	PMAGEO
SPH 153-01	Introduction to Speech	TR	09:30 – 10:50	3	19	MTAAMU
SPH 153-02	Introduction to Speech	TR	04:00 – 04:50	3	29	APANAMA
SPH 153-03	Introduction to Speech	TR	11:00 – 12:20	3	29	SMATAI
SPH 153-251	Introduction to Speech	DAILY	11:00 – 12:20	3	30	KTUIASOSOPO

**ASCC FINE ARTS
DEPARTMENT**

Presents

*Let
Christmas
Begin*



A Holiday Concert

Poe Mageo, Director

Featuring
The Concert Choir (MUS 170), The Band (MUS 180), and Drama (DRA 150)

Thursday, December 4, 2014

6PM

ASCC Lecture Hall



FRESH PRINT

stories

Think About It

Wasted Food

By Uperesa Fakava

Around the world, some people are trying their best to lend a helping hand by collecting food to feed the hungry people in developing countries.

That is not so much the case in American Samoa.

I walk around here, see plates of leftover food laying on a table or laying on the ground. Recently, I saw a kid throw a huge plastic bag filled with ice-cream cones in the trash bin! I would have eaten it, but I am not a freegan, i.e. someone who would eat from people's leftovers, if that is the appropriate term.

The feeling of being hungry is disturbing, but still, a lot of people waste so much food. Take my word for it, being hungry is not a good feeling.

Here is something for you food-wasters to mull over: There are hungry people around the world!

Oh, save it, we have heard that a thousand times before and don't know how that relates here.

Oh, I really hope that is not your mentality. Well, that food you just wasted might've filled up the belly of one kid, or perhaps it would be the dinner of a small family. You also could've donated that money you wasted from purchasing more that you can eat to organizations with goals to stop world hunger.

Fact: People can die of hunger.

So why waste that beautiful meal? Eat it all up, or share it with a friend. And don't feed your pets with it; it is the same as throwing food on the ground. Besides, there are a lot of pet foods in stock.

Before you think of wasting another meal, just look at it this way: Food wasted is just as bad as money spent on a bad investment.

Think about it!

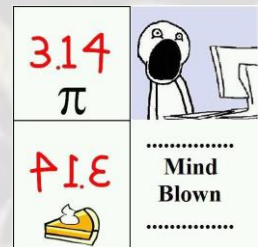


STUDY TIPS

By Ronald Roque

It is that time of the semester once again. The dreaded “finals week” approaches and you might need to start cramming to bring that B to an A. Do not fret, for here are some studying tips you will need to overcome any major test.

- **Choose your environment** – Places with constant distractions can make for a poor study area. Break away from the normal routine and try to study away from drama, television sets, or games. Having those in proximity might break your focus and make you lose anything you might have read.
- **Acronyms** – One of the more common studying techniques, using acronyms means simply breaking down lists of information and simplifying them into shorter, easier to remember terms. Take the common word usually seen in websites, FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions).
- **Association** – Another cool memorization tool - associating information with comfort can be valuable at the time of test taking. You must ask yourself how you can link information with everyday materials, actions, people or thoughts. Have a friend help you study a specific section, and associate that person with that section.
- **Chew gum** – This might sound unusual but chewing gum while studying is like a life hack. While it may not work for some, chewing the same flavored gum on the day of your exam might help you recover forgotten material. The flavor stimulates your brain to remember the last time that flavor was experienced.



There you have it. Four simple study tips, all laid out for you that just may just save your butt this semester. Good luck ASCC students.

Thank you to all who donated to the International Student Organization Clothing Drive earlier in the month of November. All proceeds were graciously accepted by the “Love your Neighbor Ministries.” Malo lava, and please look out for more of ISO’s charity work every semester.



American Samoa College Research Foundation 2014 Carnival!

Pictures taken by Fresh Print Staff



From games, to prizes, to dancing, to performances, to delicious food, ASCRF's Carnival was a whole bunch of fun for all ages. Good job ASCRF Director, Matesina Willis, staff, student ambassadors and all volunteers that made the day possible.

Peer Mentor Thanksgiving Turkey Hunt

Pictures taken by Fresh Print Staff



Counselor Abraham Le'i and Peer Mentors organized a turkey hunt to get students into the Thanksgiving spirit. Congratulations to the three who won turkeys (shown in the 1st Picture). Fortunately, other participants did not walk away empty handed, but pulled from the secret box canned goods. Oh, what fun it was!



The Last Hut
By Zachary Aaron Faulkner

We started as freshmen walking the halls
Entering the adult world in the beginning of fall
We were nervous, scared and curious
The atmosphere was different and all round mysterious
Lost and confused we began to blindly roam

Classes were stressful, yet we strived for success
We were all struggling so we had to confess
“Teachers are stricter and assignments are rough
We have to admit that college is going to be tough”
We were all separated and felt so alone

That semester finished and soon spring came
We slowly found each other and things would never be the same
We began to feel accepted in this crazy college life
Taking care of one another and suffering no strife
At that moment we became family, but we needed a home

We began to search for our own promise land
We needed our own place like the beach needs the sand
A beautiful landmark that would be remembered by all
It needed to be big or at least not too small
we were destined to find one and call it our own

And alas we succeeded what a wondrous find
Beautiful sight that would even impress a man that is blind
it was perfectly designed like a diamond freshly cut
There it stayed down the hall at the very last hut
It was perfect for us and we now had a home

We grew attached to the hut we became one with it
We were offended when strangers thought it was a place to sit
The Hut is special to us; it is more than you think
Where happiness is unleashed and our troubles can shrink
Please respect the fact that this is our home

Every semester new students would try to adhere
We will warn you now and we will be clear
This is our safe haven, our Nirvana on Earth
If you want to join then first things first
I'll give you the details on the facts unknown

We love the Hut because it's all we possess
It brought us together when our lives were a mess
If you can't understand that then it is best for you to leave
We do not have space for you in our family
Because this is our Hut this is our home

Student Reviews

Hunger Games: Mocking Jay Pt. 1

Review by: John Pu'e

The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 1 is probably the most political installment of the Hunger Games. Having survived two Hunger Games, Katniss wakes up to an underground rebellion. She finds herself in District 13, the Nuclear District, under the leadership of President Coin. Although there is not much hand-to-hand combat there will be a lot of bloodshed and destruction. Katniss becomes the fueling symbol of this rebellion as a means to save Peeta from President Snow.

Mockingjay Part 1 has some pretty compulsive ideas about war, media, and the status of women. I believe one of the central ideas of the movie is that people need a symbol to rally around so they can have hope. The movie has a pretty compelling story line, but lacks the action compared to the past *Hunger Games*.



Black-ish

Review by: Uperesa Fakava



What are you doing on Wednesday nights at 7:30? Well, I recommend thee to tune in on the network ABC and watch what is one of the best sitcoms since *The Big Bang Theory* and *Modern Family* premiered: *Black-ish*.

Black-ish tells the story of an African American family, the Johnsons, living the American dream in California.

The protagonist, Andre Johnson, has it all: a beautiful doctor wife, four children, a funny dad and a high-up-there job.

However, Andre noticed in his family what he saw in the world: they lost their cultural assimilation. The children has adapted to the white's way of living life: children with their gadgets, spoiled like rotten food and a whole lot of stuff he never experienced when he was living in the Urban.

Andre, with his father Pops, tries to put a sense of ethnic identity in their family members, while they also clinch to the present day of living life.

The show is packed with a lot of humor that will make you laugh milk out of your nose. The children act like kids, the adults act like kids, everyone acts as kids!

Watch *Black-ish*, and it will be as addicting as eating chocolate at night.

Student Corner

Class **2014**
 Congratulations!

From the Division of
 Student Services



Word Search – Christmas

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- togetherness
- fruitcake
- greetings
- stockings
- presents
- reindeer
- parades
- tidings
- ribbon
- turkey
- dancer
- lights

- sleigh
- gifts
- jolly
- sauce
- cedar
- comet
- cupid
- stand
- sled
- yule
- ham

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Word of the day:

Histrionic *adj.* Overly theatrical or dramatic. *n.* Exaggerated dramatic behavior designed to attract attention. “His histrionic reaction disrupted the meeting.”

“Faith is taking the first step even when you don’t see the whole staircase.”

- Martin Luther King, Jr.