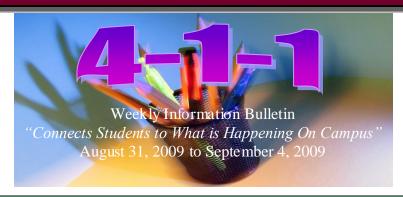
AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES



Quote of the week:

"Life is not a matter of holding good cards, but of playing a poor hand well"

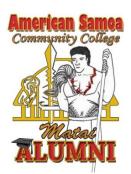
By: Robert Louis Stevenson

ADMISSIONS & RECORDS OFFICE:

August 26 – September 11:	Administrative Drop & Drop Only period
September 1-3, 2009:	ASTEP Registration
September 4, 2009:	ASTEP Late Registration
September 7, 2009:	HOLIDAY- Labor Day
September 8, 2009:	ASTEP Instructions Begin!
September 8-9, 2009:	ASTEP Add/D rop Period

Summer 2009 Graduates need to fill out a graduation application form! Deadline for Fall 2009 Graduates is October 2, 2009. Please pick up application at Admissions & Records Office. If you need further information please call 699-9155 ext. 411, 318, 380 or 379.

"The sooner the better"



Next Meeting! August 28, 2009: Time and place- TBA®

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 there!**

Note: 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.

The "Le Bookstore" Sale is still going on!!

BUSINESS OFFICE







*50% OFF! On ALL baby outfits, and 15% OFF on ASCC T-Shirts!! Woo hoo!! We even have a \$1 book sale rack!! So, get them while they last@

* If you have any questions pertaining to your tuition payment, please see Moala Mago or Benjamin Ah Siu at the Business Office.

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: Annie ext. 362 {a.panama@amsamoa.edu},
 Mary ext. 377 {m.taufetee@amsamoa.edu}, Mark ext. 326 {m.mageo@amsamoa.edu}
 or Deidra ext. 461 {d.saelua@amsamoa.edu}

• 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 or Deidra Saelua at the Student Learning Assistance Center (SLAC) ext. 461.
- Want to become a **TUTOR?**
 - Must be a Full/Part time ASCC student
 - Minimum of 3.0 GPA
 - Currently taking English 150/151 or above
 - Currently taking Math 90 or above

Calling all TUTORS!!
If you meet thes e
qualifications, come
on down! We want
YOU©



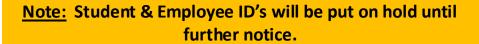
• Personal and Academic Counseling / Peer Counseling

- 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}



Student Government Association (SGA)

If you are planning on becoming an SGA representative or executive officer this coming school year (Fall 2009-Spring 2010), AND if you want to become our next MISS ASCC, please contact our SGA Advisor, Maxine Tuiolemotu at 699-9155 ext.376, or leave a message at extension 449 or email: m.tuiolemotu@amsamoa.edu







IN-HOUSE SCHOLARSHIP:

"Presidential Merit Scholarship"
"Sa'ili le Atamai" Non-pell Scholarship

*Applications are now available at the Student Services office.



rinancial 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. FWS request forms are available for all ASCC departments that would like to request FWS students for the Fall 2009 semester.
 - 5. 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)
 - 6. If you are not sure of your financial aid status be sure to stop by the financial aid office and see the appropriate counselor.
 - 7. FWS applications are available for those interested in working the Fall 2009 semester. Check with the FWS Coordinator, Alby Moananu, for application status if you have already applied.



SCHOLARSHIPS!!

Attention all Students!! Register in this website and you'll discover a number of great scholarships offered by "FastWeb". Tuition is rising each year, so get in there and check out their Scholarship Matches!

http://www.fastweb.com/college-scholarships/scholarships

Don't get left in the dust! FastWeb's Scholarship Triathlon is going on now! 2nd Leg Grand Prize!!

Scholarship Triathlon's 2nd Leg grand prize: Why I Deserve a Scholarship.
Starting August 1, 2009, you can upload a 1-3 minute video on why you deserve a scholarship of \$2,500. The video with the most votes as of September 7, 2009 will walk away with the grand prize!

And there's more! One lucky voter will win a \$1,000 scholarship— just for voting!

So, dust off your cameras and start rolling now!

Please go to http://www.fastweb.com/content/scholarshiptriathlon. GOOD LUCK!!



FREE Money for School

President Obama has urged congress to pass a bill that would give students \$5,000 toward tuition or loans in exchange for one year of volunteer service. Get all the information you need to successfully finance your career-targeted education. http://www.fastweb.com/college-scholarships/scholarships

Obama Promises \$5,000 to Students
 Loan Forgiveness Programs
 College Grants

Scholarships for Minorities

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)

Can Your Kid Go to School Tuition FREE?

Yes, parents, there is such thing as free college tuition. And no, it's not a scam. Find out about tuition free schools @ http://www.fastweb.com/student-news/articles/1381-go-to-college-free-yes-its-possible?utm_source=nlet&utm_content=fw_R1_20090724&q=1

FASTER, FRIENDLIER FAFSA COMING IN 2010

Secretary of Education Arne Duncan has announced the U.S. Department of Education is taking steps to make the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) shorter, simpler, and more student friendly. The changes-some of which are already in place while others will be phased in over the next few months-are designed to increase postsecondary enrollment, particularly among low- and middle-income students. Students and counselors can track the rollout of the new form at the FAFSA website.

College Prowler "No Essay" Scholarship! Deadline: September 30, 2009

We know you're busy and we know times are tough. That's why we decided to create the easiest possible scholarship to give something back to students. Students can use the money to help cover tuition, housing, meal plans, books, computers, or any education-related expenses. The scholarship is open to all high school and college students and those planning to enroll in the next 12 months.

Don't Pay a Dime for School

FastWeb has located over **\$230 million** in scholarships so you don't break the bank by going back to school. Get all the information you need to successfully finance your education. Go to www.fastweb.com/scholarships, and find out for yourself!!

Colleges often count military credits!

For a list of schools that accept military credit, visit http://www.soc.auscu.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

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

The List is Out: America's Best Colleges

Log on to: http://www.fastweb.com/studentnews/articles/1485-the-list-is-out-americas-bestcolleges?from_session=true

VA Accepting Applications for Post 9/11 GI Bill Benefits

Washington (May 1, 2009)- The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) announced today that Veterans can begin submitting applications online for the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

"There is no better investment than education", said Tammy Duckworth, VA's assistant secretary for public and intergovernmental affairs. "The Post-9/11 GI Bill will provide new opportunities that are essential to our Veterans, our workforce and our economy".

Veterans, service members, reservists and National Guard members with active duty since Sept. 10, 2001, may be eligible for this benefit. Veterans will remain eligible for benefits for 15 years from the date of last discharge or release from a period of active duty of at least 90 continuous days.

Eligible applicants must have served for an aggregate period of at least 90 days since Sept. 10, 2001, or served at least 30 continuous days on active duty since Sept. 10, 2001, and received a discharge for disability.

Benefit payment rates range from 40 percent of the maximum benefit for a person with at least 90 days, but less than 6 months of aggregate service and up to 100 percent of the benefit for people with at least 36 months of aggregate service or 30 continuous days and a discharge due to a service connected disability. Prospective beneficiaries may apply online through the GI Bill Web site at www.GIBILL.VA.gov.

Qualified Veterans will receive a "Certification of Eligibility" as well as additional information regarding benefits they may qualify for under the Post-9/11 GI Bill, which will become effective on Aug. 1, 2009.

The Post-9/11 GI Bill, passed by Congress last year, is the most extensive educational assistance program authorized since the original GI Bill was signed into law in 1944. It provides eligible applicants with tuition payments to assist them in getting a college education. For many participants, it also provides a housing allowance and a stipend for books and supplies.

Information about the educational benefits can www.GIBILL.VA.gov or 442-4551). For ASCC Lancaster at 699-9155



new program and VA's other be obtained through by calling 1-888-GIBILL1 (1-888-Students, please call Mrs. Fualaau (ext.426), for more information.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

<u>To ALL students:</u> 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[©]









Also, this is a reminder to all our staff and faculty members regarding our "Biggest Loser Competition"! Hope you all weighed in last Friday! So, GOOD LUCK, to all of you that will be participating in this exciting event!!

HAVE A GREAT WEEK AND REMEMBER TO... ALWAYS SAY "THANK YOU" ©