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A Message from the President

Hafa Adai! Thank you to those who attended last month's meeting! It was truly a sight to behold. We continued our theme for Read-A-Thon, "Unfold your Wings: Read", by listening to a local butterfly expert, Matthew Putnam, and his research on the Marianas eight-spot butterfly. We, also, were delighted to hear from Dr. Clare Camacho and her work to publish locally produced books that can be enjoyed by our local schoolchildren. Lastly, we are currently wrapping up our annual Read-A-Thon as we began collecting pledges from around the island. Congratulations to all the winners!

We can also look forward to our monthly meeting on March 18. The meeting will be held at Juan M. Guerrero Elementary School in Harmon from 9:00-10:00 a.m., and it already promises to be worthwhile! See you there!

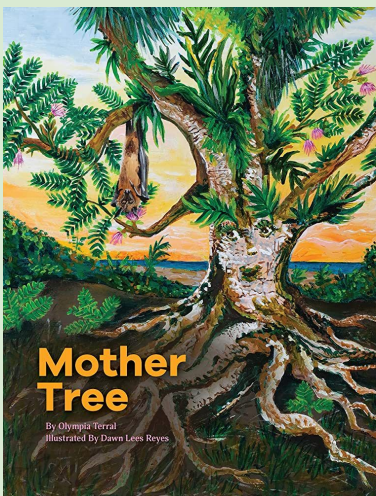
Your CY2022-23 ILA President,

Lina Wayway Anicas

Book of the Month

Description: (Good For Ages 5-10)

Mother Tree tells the story of Atisa, the last surviving adult hāyon lāgu, or "tree of the north" on Guam. She has become the Mother Tree and the final hope for this beautiful native species to survive. Faced with many dangers, she finds joy in her friendships with the jungle creatures around her. Mother Tree teaches the value of protecting the natural world around us. It will inspire young readers to learn more about native species and how to help them thrive. (UOG Press, 2023)



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Saturdays, 9:00am to 12:00pm

September 17, 2022

October 15, 2022

November 18-19, 2022, Language Arts Conference

**DECEMBER 17, 2022
COMMUNITY BOOK FAIR**

**JANUARY 14, 2023
Read-A-Thon Kickoff**

February 11, 2023

March 18, 2023

~~April 15, 2023~~ April 3, 2023

May 13, 2023

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IMPORTANT DATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS!

1. March 18, 2023 - Meeting will take place from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. at JM Guerrero Elementary in Harmon. As an option, a Zoom link will be emailed to members before the meeting.
2. March 18, 2023 - Reps may submit late Read-A-Thon pledges from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at the JM Guerrero cafeteria. This is the last day to be able to include funds with teachers' and representatives' percentages.
3. April 3, 2023 - "Spend It All! Spend it Now!" event for participating Read-A-Thon teachers, representatives, and principals.
4. April 3, 2023 - Election of Council Year 2023-2024 Officers. Make your vote count! See pg. 3 for the candidate listing. Before April 1, contact Martha Sudo (mjsudo@gmail.com) if interested in running for office.

EdTech Corner eSchool News

Need daily updates of technology innovation? Look no further! In addition to brilliant featured articles, eSchool News also features tons of teacher resources, classroom improvement ideas, and professional development tools for avid educators. (<http://www.eschoolnews.com/>)

Get Literacy Resources with a \$500 Grant

Spring 2023 Grants Available in April

You don't need the "Luck of the Irish" to get the \$500 Pot of Gold for your students, just a good solid plan!

Did you ever wish you had some extra cash to use to make your classroom ideas a reality? Now's the time to make that dream come true. This April, the International Literacy Association and the UOG School of Education Alumni Association are giving away two \$500.00 Grants to promote literacy on our island.

Go to <http://www.ilaguam.blogspot.com> and click on the links for the Grant Information and Application.

Formulate your plan, research your expenses, and explain why you need this money to set up your dream project in your classroom with your students. You have one month to work on it. **All Grant applications are due at 12 noon of the April 3 ILA meeting..**

Contact Vivian Wolff (vwolff7502@yahoo.com) or Martha Sudo (mjsudo@gmail.com) if you need more information.



Officer Candidates for CY 2023-2024:

- ★ President-Elect/RAT 2024
Chairperson - Martha Sudo
- ★ Recording Secretary - Rosanna Santos
- ★ Corresponding Secretary -
Liwanag Dominguez
- ★ Treasurer - Rose Marie C. Castro

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Martha Sudo (mjsudo@gmail.com) before
April 1.*

This Month's Guest Speaker: Dr. Michael L. Bevacqua



Michael Lujan Bevacqua, Ph.D. (Familian Bittot and Kabesa) taught Guam History and Chamoru language at the University of Guam for 10 years, runs a weekly podcast called "Fanachu!", and currently works as the curator for the Guam Museum. With his brother Jack, they run a creative collection called The Guam Bus that publishes Chamoru language books, comics and learning materials.



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Chamoru!



Guam Council -
International Literacy
Association

Read-A-Thon 2023 "Unfold Your Wings: Read"

The Guam Council of the International Literacy Association (GC, ILA) Read-A-Thon 2023 ended on March 3, 2023. We had 23 schools participating in this year's Read-A-Thon! In total, we raised an estimated \$41,000! Kudos goes out to all our board members, Read-A-Thon representatives, their schools, the students and their families. Funds raised goes back to our students, teachers, and schools, all in the effort to promote reading and literacy on our island. For islandwide winners, see below.

For more information, you may contact Martha Sudo at (671) 727-1455, or email her at guamreadathon23@gmail.com.



SAVE THE DATE!

WHAT:

- Spend It All! Spend It Now!

WHEN:

- April 3, 2023 (8:00-11:00 a.m.)

WHERE:

- JM Guerrero Elementary, Harmon

WHY:

- Opportunity to claim Read-A-Thon vouchers and prizes for participating teachers, representatives, and principals



READ-A-THON RESULTS

Top Rep/ School

- 1st - Natividad (Dottie) Rosario, St Francis Catholic School
- 2nd - Delores Quinata, MU Lujan Elementary
- 3rd - Annette Leon Guerrero, CL Taitano

Top Students

- 6th Place - Joechel Perez, JM Guerrero Elementary
- 7th Place - Theodore Nelson, III, CL Taitano Elementary
- 8th Place - Juan Sayama, MU Lujan Elementary
- 9th Place - Serenity Quintal, Juan M Guerrero Elementary
- 10th place - Dallas Santos, Talofofo Elementary



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APRIL 1, 2023 | 10:00 AM VIA ZOOM



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- Comfort of learning from home
- Engaging and meaningful instruction

For more information, please visit the UOG School of Education website www.uog.edu/soe or scan the QR code.



FOR MORE INFORMATION



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