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# PEOPLE

Governor Leon Guerrero & Lt. Governor Tenorio Sign Proclamation 2023-02

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Authority, Guam (GIAA) kicked off their 47th Anniversary and "Airport "Month 2023 celebrations with a proclamation signing at Adelup on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

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**PLACES** 

**Energy Conservation** Measures on the Concourse



**Guam Customs &** Quarantine Agency **General Staff Meeting** 



GIAA continues to build upon energy conservation measures that have already been in place, now adding the temporary shut-down of electronic conveyance systems for airport patrons, (elevators, escalators, and moving walkways) during non-peak usage hours.

The Guam Customs & Quarantine Agency (CQA), held their annual General Staff meeting on January 19, 2023, to outline the agency's goals and objectives for the coming year and recognize the outstanding officers from the previous year. (see p.6)

The A. B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) is a self-sustaining autonomous government agency, charged with the mission to ensure the safey and security of the traveling public, maintain superior and reliable level of airport services, and support the development of air services and facilities which are integral to the island's economic growth.

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#### PASSENGER FLIGHT NETWORK (For February 2023)

UNITED	HNL NRT	UA200 UA196 UA828	Daily Daily Tue/Thu/Sat/Sun	лини 🎖	ICN PUS	LJ644 LJ648	Daily Daily
	SPN	UA873 UA174	Tue/Thu/Sun Daily	M Philippine Airlines	MNL	PR111	Daily
	MNL KIX	UA183 UA151	Daily Wed/Sun	t'way	ICN	TW302	Daily
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	ТКК	UA193 UA133 UA155	Tue/Fri Wed Mon/Fri	STAR Marianas Air	ROP	4301 4302	Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu/Fri Mon/Wed/Fri
	PNI YAP	UA176 UA185	Sat Feb. 14 & 28	<b>AIR SEOUL</b>	Suspend	ded thru	Feb. 2023
KSREAN AIR	ICN	KE422	Daily	AIR BUSAN	Suspended thru Feb. 2023		
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	PUS		Wed/Thu/Sat/Sun	JAPAN AIRLINES	Suspended thru Feb. 2023		

#### "Bundy" Drive-by Memorial

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The Airport Family suffered a devastating loss with the passing of beloved staff member Edward L.G. Rios, Jr., a Maintenance Worker from the Properties and Facilities Divison, who passed away on January 5<sup>th</sup>. Fondly known as "Bundy", Ed was one of those easy-going and kind-hearted individuals who supported and actively participated in all airport activities. His family was presented with some memorabilia as Bundy was honored with a water salute deployed by the Airport Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) unit when his funeral cortege passed by the airport en route to his funeral mass with his co-workers creating a honor cordon on both sides of the airport road, waving aiport penants and bidding him ADIOS.

#### LBJ Headstart Tours ARFF

The GIAA Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) station played host to LBJ Elementary School Head Start students on January 26<sup>th</sup>. The kids toured the facility and saw some of the firefighting resources used in airport emergencies.





#### **DEM Panelist on Chamber of Commerce Economic Outlook 2023**

The Deputy Executive Manager (DEM) of the Guam International Airport Authority was one of five (5) panelists on the Guam Economic Outlook for 2023 forum hosted by the Guam Chamber of Commerce on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Artemio "Ricky" Hernandez, PhD shared the ongoing capital imrovements and infrastructure funding at the airport. The panel included, Gary Hiles, Chief Economist with the Department of Labor, Guam economist Claret Ruane, PhD., Gerry Perez, Vice President of the Guam Visitors Bureau, Siska Hutapea, President of Cornerstone Valuation Guam, and was moderated by David John, CEO of ASC Trust. Dr. Hernandez shared the ongoing capital investments and infrastructure funding at the airport. Discussions covered a wide range of key economic issues expected to influence growth in Guam's private sector while looking at our air traffic and visitor arrvials, consumer spending, direct investment by the federal government and the military, and private inward investment - all these in light of the global geo-political tensions that are currently taking place and affecting our island and region.



#### **R.I.P. K9 Officer Sam**

GIAA suffered another loss with the forced early retirement and passing of a member of our Airport Police K9 Unit. Officer Sam, a chocolate Labrador, was afflicted with arthritis and had to retire on December 29, 2022, and passed on January 15<sup>th</sup> after having served in the Airport Police's Explosives Detection Unit since February 02, 2016. Sam and his handler, Airport Police Officer II Randy Chaco, graduated from the intensive Transportation Security Administration's National Explosives Detection Canine Program (NEDCP) at Lackland Air Force Base April 12, 2016. The team has passed recurrent evaluations every year since that training except in 2020, when an extension was granted due to the COVID pandemic.



#### **Bowling Tournament**

The Airport Bowling Tournament kicked off on the January 16<sup>th</sup> with 10 teams bowling in friendly competion at Central Lanes. The bowlers were comprised of tenant employees and airport staff, who showed up to compete on the MLK Jr. holiday.



#### F.O.D. Walk



Employees from the Airport and airline partners were bustin' FOD on the AOA as part of Airport Week activities on January 25<sup>th</sup>. The airlines and GIAA take turns on hosting monthly FOD walks to keep the AOA clean and safe.

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#### BIBA – GIAA Celebrates 47th Anniversary!



The Antonio B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) was created by Public Law 13-57 and celebrated their 47th Anniversary on January 20, 2023. Governor Lou Leon Guerrero and Lt. Governor Joshua Tenorio invited GIAA's board, managment and staff to Adelup for a Proclamation Signing ceremony recognizing the agency's achievements over the past years and most especially the past several years, climbing out of a global pandemic that wreaked havoc on the aviation and travel industry. Over the years, GIAA has celebrated their anniversary with Airport Week, featuring a week of sporting events between the different GIAA divisions along with teams from the various airlines, regulatory agencies, tenants and vendors. The week-long activities have exceeded the 1-week time frame with some sports extending several weeks from January into February. This year the & Employee Recognition Program to honor our valuable

Airport coordinated bowling, softball, paddling, basketball and golf tournaments. These team-building events provide a healthy competitive spirit and gamesmanship between the airport staff and those of our aviation partners. After not having any opportunity to get together for Airport Week events since January 2020, everyone was eager to participate. This year, instead of kicking off the sporting events with a 5k, we decided to host a paddling competition that was a great success, as were all our sporting events. Along with sporting events, the Airport Family celebrated mass together and hosted the January FOD walk where employees and tenants walk the air operations area and pick up foreign object debris that are a hazard to aircraft. The weeks-long activities culminate with a Tenant Appreciation Banquet



airline partners, tenants and aviation stakeholders and to also praise Airport employees for their years of service highlighting those who performed exceedingly well in the previous year!

#### **Family Mass**

The Airport Family returned to Santa Teresita Church in Mangilao to celebrate their 47th Anniversary Mass with Pale Joe English on January 20<sup>th</sup>.



"Bundy" Memorial Softball Tournament

Our Airport Family lost another beloved member when Edward L.G. Rios, a 20-year employee from the Properties & Facilites Division passed away on January 5<sup>th</sup>. An avid softball player/fan, the Airport renamed their annual softball tournament in his honor – the annual Edward "Bundy" L.G. Rios, Jr. Memorial Softball Tournament. Ed's brother Mike threw the first pitch for the tournament on January 17<sup>th</sup>.



#### Basketball Tournament



Our Airport Week Basketball Tournament kicked off January 24<sup>th</sup> at the FDMS Jungle Gym with 16 teams playing. The highspirited tournament ends on February 4<sup>th</sup>.



#### **Paddling Tournament**

The Airport Week Paddling Tournament was held on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> fielding six (6) teams from GIAA Administration, ARFF, & Airport Police along with two (2) from DHL and one from Secure Safe!



# 2nd Annual Edward A.P. Muña II Memorial Golf Tournament



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# Airport Police Chief Awarded Prestigious Medal of Valor



Airport Police Chief Vince Naputi was bestowed with the Medal of Valor from the Judiciary of Guam on January 13, 2023. The Medal of Valor is the highest declaration of bravery given to individuals. On the morning of October 3, 2000, Chief Naputi, who was then a Deputy Marshal faced an unsafe situation at significant risk to his own personal safety while saving the life of a toddler.

## **Military Forces Visit GIAA**

to greet both on-island and visiting military partners at the were recognized: L-R: Officer Adrian Mora (Officer of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam. A group 4th QTR), Officer Nicole Manibusan-Calvo (Officer of the



Japanese Airport facilities.

# **CQA General Staff Meeting**

GIAA Executive Manager John "JQ" Quinata was on hand At the Guam CQA General Staff Meeting, the following from the US Air 2nd QTR), Captain Barbara Tayama (2022 Supervisor of the Force Cope North, YEAR), Director Ike Peredo, Officer Valerie Pereda (2022 along with exercise Officer of the YEAR), Ms. Briana Roberto (Civilian of the 4th partners from the QTR), Mr. Hage-Ja Paul (2022 Civilian of the YEAR), Captain Self Raymond Blas, Captain Franklin Taitague, Ms. Amelita Defense Forces paid Benevente (Civilian of the 1st QTR), Customs Chief Vincent a visit to Airport to Perez, and Officer Paul Bernardo (Officer of the 3rd QTR). GIAA and toured Not pictured, Office Eugene Igros (Officer of the 1st QTR); Mr. Frankie Paulino (Civilian of the 3rd QTR).



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Guam International The Airport celebrates 47 years as an autonomous agency of the Government of Guam and continues its committment to providing quality services and facilities to support and develop air transportation services for the people of Guam and visitors to our island! Biba, GIAA!