

The Port Report

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Flag Raising Ceremony
October 17, 2011, 9 am
in front of the PAG
Administration Building
Grand Finale & Awards
Ceremony - October 21,
2011, 6 pm Tasi Ballroom,
Hotel Nikko Guam

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With Deepest Sympathy

Our condolences to family of the late Cristeta Concepcion, mother of Pedro Earl Concepcion (Terminal Division) who passed away on August 29, 2011. Our deepest condolences are extended to the family.



Hafa Adai Pledge

The Port Authority of Guam took the Hafa Adai Pledge and vowed to continue to share the Hafa Adai spirit with all of our shareholders.

"I'm very proud of the Port family for pledging their Hafa Adai spirit to improving the Port and improving the island," said Governor Eddie Baza Calvo.

The Hafa Adai Pledge was created by the Guam Visitors Bureau to develop and promote a culture in which all Guam residents support and value the Hafa Adai Spirit.

The Hafa Adai Pledge strategic goals include gaining and maintaining support from employers and infusing the Hafa Adai Spirit in daily business protocols while requiring no additional overhead for operations. It merely entails simple acts like answering your telephones with a "Hafa Adai" greeting, incorporating island inspired attire on Fridays, or starting all your correspondence email and the like with a "Hafa Adai" salutation.

To date more than 150 companies and organizations including the Office of Governor Eddie Baza Calvo, Congresswomen Madeleine Z. Bordallo, the 31st Guam Legislature, and the University of Guam have signed on to the program, representing more than 17,000 employees and students engaged in

promoting the Hafa Adai spirit in the workplace and in their communities.

"The Port Authority of Guam is proud to promote our culture through this pledge as it shows how truly committed we are to the Hafa Adai Spirit," said Port Deputy General Manager Anisia B. Terlaje who spearheaded the August 31st signing ceremony. "The Port Strong family has always been dedicated to our Chamorro culture and this Hafa Adai Pledge reaffirms how much we cherish our traditions and customs."

TriStar Fuel Leak

A fuel leak at the Port Authority of Guam's F1 Fuel Pier that occurred on September 2nd was contained and shortly after the situation was under control and the area cleared.

The F1 Pier is owned by the Port Authority of Guam but is managed and operated by Tristar Agility. No injuries were reported.

According to Port Harbor Master Felix Pangelinan, the incident occurred at 11:20 that morning when the MT Gas Shuriken was off loading LPG gas at the pier.

"According to the Tristar pier operator, the gas tanker was discharging LPG gas through a hose into the F1 fuel line when the 6 inch hose ruptured," Pangelinan said. "Immediately after the rupture, the

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operator on the dock hit the emergency stop button which stopped the discharge and as a result minimal product was released into the air.”

The hose that ruptured belonged to the company receiving the LPG product and not Tristar who is the pier operator and manager.

The Port Harbor Master Office, Port Police, Guam Fire Department and U.S. Coast Guard all responded to the scene.

“The Coast Guard immediately established a perimeter extending 800 meters on the waterside from Pier F1, and 300 meters on the shore side for safety reasons and Tristar began air quality monitoring of the pier and even as far as the GPA power plant due to the direction of the wind,” Pangelinan said. “All air quality test samples came back negative.” At 2:10 that afternoon the Coast Guard cleared the scene and the safety perimeter was lifted.

Port Police Steps Up Security

Ports throughout the nation beefed up security measures in anticipation of the 10-year anniversary of 9/11. Since the tragic events ten years ago, America’s seaports and federal partners have joined forces to make major developments in fortifying and strengthening port facilities against intruder attack. Since then, port authorities have made terrorism detection and prevention one of their top priorities.

With the combined efforts of port authorities, the FBI, Department of Homeland Security (DHS), US Coast Guard, Customs Border Protection (CBP), Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), ports are significantly safer now than prior to 9/11.

From September 10 – 12, Port Police officers stepped up the usual MARSEC Level 1 to Level 2. MARSEC Level 2 indicates that the threat of an unlawful act against a vessel or facility is possible and that terrorists are likely to be active within a specific area, vessel, or facility. For three days, internal security measures for the Port Authority were increased, according to Port Police Chief Doris Aguero. This gave officers the opportunity to assess and exercise Level 2 security measures which included random inspection of persons, packages, vehicles & contents, and 100% enforcement of the use of Port issued badges. It also allowed the officers to identify their weakness and strengths in responding to an emergency here at the Port Authority.

Several employees from Transportation division also assisted officers in the three day heightened security to test their communication capabilities - Mike Taijeron, Ted Nededog, and George Charfauros. Operators performed the heavy moves and positioning of the concrete jersey barriers according to the Port’s facility security plan. Pursuant to 33 CFR, 105 Maritime Security regulations,



ports must set up certain barriers within twelve hours when it goes into MARSEC Level 2. Port police officers were able to accomplish this within eight hours with the help of Transportation employees.

“I have a high level of confidence in the Port’s ability to respond to terrorist attacks or any disaster,” said Chief Aguero. “I want to thank Transportation Division for their assistance in converting the yard when we moved up to MARSEC Level 2,” she added. Chief Aguero affirmed that information flowed smoothly and commends her staff for being extra vigilant against retaliatory attacks in light of the recent death of Osama Bin Laden.

The events of 9/11 have resulted in the developments of security plans and the implementation of security measures and procedure to ensure the protection of the United States and its interest.

Remembering 9-11

Ten years ago, our world changed forever. The coordinated suicide attacks upon the United States took the lives of 2,983 men, women and children who were taken from loved ones too soon. Although airplanes that were transformed into weapons destroyed iconic buildings, America’s resolve was not shaken. Citizens across the nation came together to mourn and care for one another, determined to overcome the tragedy.

Ten years later, we remember those who perished and we will never forget them. Their memory will live forever as promised by this country through the opening of the National September 11 Memorial with the names of victims inscribed around the sacred tower footprints. From this day on, the Memorial will be a constant reminder not only of what our country has endured, but also of its ability to come together, in the wake of tragedy, with steadfastness. God Bless America!

Port Employee Named Outstanding Volunteer Youth Coach



Earlier this month, the Port nominated two employees to the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness & Sports for their Fitness & Sports Awards Program. Nominations were received from all Gov Guam agencies for different categories. The Port Authority nominated Joseph F. San Miguel as Outstanding Volunteer Youth Coach and Jennifer Ann N. Leon Guerrero as Inspirational Athlete of the year.

A few days after the submission, the Port was notified that Joseph F. San Miguel was selected as this year's Outstanding Volunteer Youth Coach. Volunteering to be a coach for a youth baseball or softball team is an immense commitment, requiring countless time and effort that coaches give to the kids and the community. The Port Authority is most appreciative of the contributions made by Mr. San Miguel to Guam's youth.

Joseph F. San Miguel started out as a major league coach in 2004 for boys ages 9 – 12 for Chalan Pago, his home village. Taking the team to a victory that year, Mr. San Miguel realized this was something he wanted to do on a regular basis. Giving up payment, he works for the love of the game and the joy of teaching. He has contributed to the early development of children interested in softball teaching them the fundamentals of the sport. He has instilled discipline amongst the team but more importantly has fostered sportsmanship in each player. His coaching has resulted in numerous championships. Mr. San Miguel's mission as a coach is to promote, develop, supervise, and foster the interests of his players. He has provided a sports environment free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and refrains from their use at all youth sports events. Mr. San Miguel's guidance has helped to develop youths possessing the qualities of citizenship, disciplines, teamwork and physical well-being. Mr. San Miguel believes that sports programs are designed to develop superior citizens rather than superior athletes.

Mr. San Miguel's coaching highlights include the following:

2005 girls softball team for Santa Rita village, Girl's Little League Baseball for each division – Majors, Juniors, Seniors, Big League, and Girl's Fast-pitch Softball for each division; in 2009 traveled to Portland, Oregon for the Majors Division tournament; in 2010 traveled to Kirkland, Washington for the Juniors Division Girl's Fast-Pitch Softball World Series Tournaments. This year, Mr. San Miguel coached two divisional teams in the Little League Girl's Fast-Pitch Softball League and was selected as a team manager to lead the Guam Team to regionals in the Philippines.

Jennifer Ann N. Leon Guerrero possessed a love for sports even as a child. To this day, she participates in as many sports events as possible, particularly her favorite, softball. As an employee for the Port Authority, she has demonstrated athleticism, dedication, leadership and the ability to inspire others. She has consistently played in numerous sports events sponsored by the Port.

Jenni has often volunteered to organize the men's sports events such as the GHURA Men's Basketball Team (2011) and Office of Homeland Security's Softball Tournament (2011). Since 2006, she has taken the lead in coordinating the Port Authority's annual Port Week events encouraging not only employees to participate but also Port tenants, agents, and trucking companies to get involved. These events have helped to boost employee morale and have fostered a greater relationship with Port customers and the community. Ms. Leon Guerrero's love for the game and her knack for putting a solid team together have resulted in numerous victories for the Port Strong team.

Outside the Port, Jenni is a seasonal softball player and has taken part in many outside village softball leagues. From 2005 to 2007, she coached the Little League's girl's fast-pitch softball team and has taken them to regional tournaments. She also helps coach her son's baseball team. With her many accomplishments, Ms. Leon Guerrero always shares the recognition victories with her teammates. She demonstrates sportsmanship and a 'can do' attitude which has gained her the respect of fellow employees, encouraging them to compete toward their greatest abilities.

A banquet ceremony was held Sept 29 at Marriott Resort recognizing all the winners.



Message from PAGGMA President

To: All Port Employees
From: PAGGMA President
Subject: Port Week Finale



Hafa Adai! This year, the Port will be celebrating 36 years of its independence as autonomous agency of the Government of Guam from October 17-21, 2011. As part of the celebration, a flag ceremony will be held 9:00 am, October 17, 2011 in front of the Administration Building to kick off the week. On October 21, 2011, a grand finale will be held recognizing Port employees for their outstanding work this past year.

This year's Port Week Finale will be held at the Nikko Hotel on October 21 2011, 6:00 pm – 11:00 pm. To ensure that an accurate count be provided to the Hotel, employees and their one (1) guest are asked to RSVP no later than Oct. 10, 2011. Employees who wish to bring more than one guest can purchase additional tickets from the Association.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please contact Ms. Jenny Leon Guerrero at ext. 240

We look forward to seeing you at this special event.

Si Yu'os Ma'ase,
JOHN B. SANTOS

PAGGMA fundraiser



2011 Port Week Sports Activity

Billards

Place: Buddie's Bar & Brew
Date: October 20, Thursday
Time: 6:p.m. sign-in, Go-time 7:00 p.m.

Darts

Place: Buddie's Bar & Brew
Date: October 20, Thursday
Time: 6:p.m. sign-in, Go-time 7:00 p.m.
Entry: \$15.00

Bowling

Place: Central Lanes
Date: October 28, Friday
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Basketball

Place: Jose L.G. Rios Middle School Gym
Date: Monday - October 10, and 17, Thursday - October 6 and 13
Time: 6:30 - 10:00

Karaoke

To be announced

Softball

To be announced

* Schedules are subject to change.
Keep an eye out for new announcements.

The Port Authority of Guam has launched its new logo in line with our plans to modernize our commercial sea port. The PAG Board of Directors chose the design that was created in house by the Port's Marketing Division and was based on input and conceptual design by Port staff. The previous logo will now be adopted by the employee association. Kudos to all and be looking for all the new changes with our logo including this newsletter!!



2011 Labor Day Picnic

"Thank you to all employees, family, and friends who attend this year's picnic. Kudos to Helen Aguon and Peter Aflague for winning the dance competition

and special thanks to the committee who did a great job in organizing the event."

