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MEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Stepping into 2022

A message from Bernard, Gabe, Crystal & Melissa

2021 has been a year of transition navigating the pandemic space, from embracing virtual technologies to modifying how we approach our in-person events. 2022 looks to be a year of change for the better, as GSA's calendar is brimming with events and activities that we saw pre-pandemic. Safety is still our top concern as we push forward with our in-person events.

2022 also marks our 70th anniversary. We have big plans for our banner year, especially for our Liberation Picnic and Robert L.G. Lizama Memorial Golf Classic Golf Tournament. We are looking for volunteers for these event committees and others. If you are interested, please reach out to GSAInfo.Guam@gmail.com. Also in celebration of our 70th, we have been making some updates to our website- be sure to check it out: <https://guamsocietyinc.org/>.

Have you renewed your membership?

2022 memberships are valid from January 1 - December 31, 2022. Membership payments can be made **online** via SQUARE:

<https://guam-society-of-america-inc.square.site/>

or **check payable** to:

The Guam Society of America, Inc.
1100 New Jersey Avenue SE Suite 2187
Washington, DC 20003

Not sure if your membership is up to date, check out our membership listing:

<https://guamsocietyinc.org/2022-members/>

or contact:

GSAMembershipCommittee@gmail.com.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**GSA QUARTERLY
MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**
MAY 14, AUG 20, NOV 19 - 1 PM

**CHERRY BLOSSOM
PRINCESS APPLICATION
DEADLINE**
MARCH 31 - 11:59 PM

**CHERRY BLOSSOM
PRINCESS LUNCHEON**
APRIL 24 - TBD

**SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION DEADLINE**
MAY 30 - 11:59 PM

**LIBERATION WREATH
LAYING CEREMONY**
JULY - TBD

LIBERATION PICNIC
JULY 16 - TBD

RLGL GOLF TOURNAMENT
SEPTEMBER 2- TBD

CHAMORRO NIGHT
OCTOBER 9 - 5 PM

OFFICER ELECTIONS
NOVEMBER - TBD

**SANTA MARIAN
KAMALEN**
NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 8

CHRISTMAS PARTY
DECEMBER 10 - 12PM

Cherry Blossom Princess & Jr. Princess

GSA is accepting applicants for Cherry Blossom Princess and Junior Princess. For more information about the Cherry Blossom Princess program and how to apply, visit our website: <https://guamsocietyinc.org/cherry-blossom-coronation-ball/>. Deadline to apply is March 31, 2022.

***Please Note:** It has not yet been determined whether final candidates will be part of the National Conference of State Societies Cherry Blossom Princess program or its activities this year. However, GSA is still planning on hosting a celebration for its Princesses.



Caption: Cherry Blossom Princess Sarah Leon Guerrero (left) and Junior Cherry Blossom Princess Angela Bradley (right).

GSA Scholarships

GSA is offering five scholarship opportunities for High School and Undergraduate students:

- Brigida Guzman Lizama HS Scholarship- \$1,000
- High School (HS) Scholarship- \$500
- Brigida Guzman Lizama CS Scholarship- \$1,000
- College Student (CS) Scholarship- \$500
- Angela Morgan Cherry Blossom Princess Scholarship- \$1,000

Deadline to apply for the Brigida Guzman Lizama, High School, and College Student scholarships is May 30, 2022. To find out more about the program and how to apply visit: <https://guamsocietyinc.org/scholarship/>.

UOG Meet & Greet

On February 26, University of Guam hosted a Meet and Greet event in SW DC, welcoming UOG alumnae, GSA members and friends. During this event, UOG's President, Dr. Thomas Krise, shared the plans the University has in store for its platinum jubilee. To learn more visit: <https://www.uog.edu/70th-anniversary>.



Caption: GSA members, including Congresswoman Madeleine Bordallo and Dr. Krise, at UOG's Meet and Greet event.

Mes CHamoru

March marks Mes CHamoru- a month of celebrating CHamoru culture! We've been sharing some extra posts on our Facebook page covering topics such as: language, history, and music. Check out our Facebook page for more posts in celebration of Mes CHamoru: <https://www.facebook.com/GuamSocietyofAmerica/>. We've also put together a Mes Chamoru Special Edition Newsletter thanks to the efforts of our manhoben members Anthony & Mia Cruz.

