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SAILI LE ATAMAI



ASCC students (l-r) Sina Malaga, Maria Fiapa'i, and Agalava Ma'ileo with Congressman Fofu I.F. Sunia. (Van Kirk)

FOFO VISITS ASCC

Congressman Fofu I.F. Sunia paid a courtesy visit to ASCC on February 15, 1984 to reinforce his commitment to assist the college in any way that he can.

During the short time that he was on campus, the Congressman met with College President Saeu Scanlan and discussed various subjects including the concerns of veterans. He expressed his desire to

speak before the students here to keep them up to date concerning his duties and the ways his office can help ASCC.

Since the Congressman will be returning to the campus for a visit later this spring, students should think of questions they would like to ask him. He and some other government officials are up for reelection this November.



Dr. Saeu Scanlan congratulates newly inducted P.T.K. member Donald Kruse. (Kent)

PTK INITIATES

The local chapter of Phi Theta Kappa held its annual initiation on March 2nd at 7:30 p.m. in the ASCC cafeteria. The event honored students who have maintained a grade point average of 3.0 and above.

According to PTK President, Tei Brown, 40 candidates were invited to participate in the traditional candle ceremony,

joining an elite group of 20 students who were already involved.

The program for the evening included speeches by honored guests Dr. Saeu Scanlan, President of American Samoa Community College, and Dr. Glen Jones Director of the Social Science Department.

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MUSIC DEPT HOSTS 4th ANNUAL VARIETY SHOW

Approximately 145 choir and band members will be engaging in a Variety Show scheduled for March 13, 14, 15, 1984. Bob Lewis will direct the performances in the ASCC Auditorium. The program will commence at 12:00 noon on March 13 and at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Opening the program will be a musical selection, "Cabaret", by both members of the choir and band. The outstanding members of the Swing Choir will be singing songs from the fifties, while the band will playing some tunes from the late sixties. The Concert Choir, which is the school's largest performing group, will do a musical number called, "Candle on the Water." The improved Jazz Ensemble, consisting of 15 talented students, will entertain the audience with some jazzy music. The concluding portion of the program will once again feature the band and choir.

There will also be a diversity of entertainment such as a melodrama, skits, a humorous play, barber shop singing, faleaitu, and many more. Masters of Ceremonies for this year's show will be Mike Liu and Junior Fa'atui. In order for the Variety Show to be successful each individual has to cooperate and work very diligently with the directors. Students, along with their instructors, have been preparing for the event for over a month.

LIBRARY DOES ORAL HISTORY

Were you or a member of your family in the Fitafita Guards or Samoan Marines? If so, you should contact ASCC Librarian Judy Chapman who is coordinating an oral history project on life in Tutuila during the 1940's.

"We're not interested in factual data as much as we are in the individual's point of view," explains Judy. The project, which began last semester, involves volunteer students who interview islanders on their experiences during the war period.

According to Judy, the only information on the period is from palagi documentation. Her objective is to record a Samoan version of island life during that period of time. Bill Legalley, who helped initiate the project, assists the volunteers by lecturing them with background knowledge of the period.

Students and the public are encouraged to participate in the project and to help encover the heritage of the island.



Bob Lewis conducting a rehearsal for the variety show with his enthusiastic students. (Van Kirk)

SENIORS SEE ASCC

Over 500 senior students from every high school on Tutuila are expected to participate in the Senior Day program which will take place at ASCC on March 15, 1984.

Joe Stephenson, ASCC registrar, is the chairman for this event. He has been planning the program for over a month. The administration and every department of the college are all cooperating to make this day a success.

Senior Day will introduce the high school students to the college and help them to find out more about how college programs can help them prepare for the future.

Chairman Joe Stephenson said, "There are going to be exhibits, a mock registration and presentations from each department for the students at this event." A representative from each department of the college will deliver a 5-minute speech to the seniors to explain their functions in ASCC.

Lunch will be provided by ASCC since the program is going to be from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Seniors will finish their day viewing excerpts from the Variety Show provided by the Music department.

CLUBS POINT STANDINGS

The Segaula club was in the lead in the S.G.A.'s club point standings as of the end of last semester. With a point total of 62 they were closely followed by McJob and Vica clubs, with 58 and 53 points each, respectively.

The events for the S.G.A.'s point competition last semester were Flag Football, Costume Contest, Talent Show, Blood Donors, Community Projects, X-mas Decoration, X-mas tickets and Volleyball.

The competition between clubs is designed to encourage service activities and to help students show some teamwork abilities. Spring sports and Samoan Day will be good chances for clubs to earn points through group effort.

The SGA club committee oversees the competitive activities between the clubs. The committee's chairman is Fagatogo Sotoa and club committee members include Pou Tuaoilo, Tina Leiato, Daru Maluafale, John Utu, Melvina Betham and Pasa Petelo.

Points accumulated by other clubs as of the start of second semester were as follows: PBL, 46; P.T.K., 44; Explorers, 42; A.J., 32; Ecology, 28; Computer, 20; Self-Defense, 14; Tennis, 8.

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COMPUTERS IN PARADISE

There is a quiet revolution going on in the civilized world, and ASCC is feeling its effects. Fortunately, the revolution is bloodless, and its subjects will benefit, not suffer, its coming. We are speaking of the advent of the personal computer, and all of its effects on how we write, think and communicate with each other.

In 1979, when ASCC began its first computer studies course, there were approximately 3000 microcomputers in public schools in the U.S., and far fewer in colleges.

By 1980 there were around 40,000 micros (in U.S. public schools) and as of the end of the school year 1982-83, the number had climbed to 291,000.

While there are no studies to indicate future trends in American Samoa, the history of computers here roughly parallels that of the U.S. When ASCC got its first four Apple II computers in 1979, Computer Instructor John Flannigan noted that there were only three other micro computers on the island. Four years later, in April 1983, the ASCC held a Computer Fair that featured the school's seven Apple computers among a total of 25 individual machines from eight different manufacturers. Today, Government offices are using mini computers and several businesses and high school now own and use micros.

ASCC has recently added six new Apple II computers to its roster of hardware, and the school is feeling the effect of this influx of computing power. Enrollment in the two courses in Computing has risen from 24 in September 1982 to 60 in January 1984. The college regularly sends and receives messages by computer over the PEACESAT network to stations all over the Pacific.

The micro computer's impact is being felt in many other ways. These pages that you read, for example. All of the articles and text for this issue of Leo o Samoa were typed and set into columns using the word processing software on the school's computers. This is the first time the paper has been produced this way at the college, and it is a significant development for two reasons. First, it means that the school saves money by producing more of the newspaper itself. And secondly, it gives students who work on the paper valuable experience using this increasingly essential tool of the modern world—the computer.

We think that this marriage of computing and journalism is a wonderful thing. It reflects standard journalistic practice in the U.S., where the average reporter now taps out a story on his CRT instead banging it out on the Remington.

And it links academic learning to the real world of business practice. Our school's ability to keep pace with modern technology should prove invaluable to future generations of students who will need to be able to compete in the outside world.

FIRST ANNUAL ASCC WRITING COMPETITION

CATEGORY I- For students in English 80 and 90, are paragraph not to exceed 250 words.

CATEGORY II- For students in English 151 and above, an essay not to exceed 500 words.

TOPIC- Any aspect of students activity and life on campuses at ASCC.

Composition to be turned into any member of the English Dept. by April 23. Compositions will be judged on the basis of originality, clarity, interest. The best compositions from both categories to be published in the next issue of Leo o Samoa. The members of English Dept. will be judges.

For further information and assistance stop by the English Dept. office, or consult Caroline Sinavaiana in the Writing Lab.

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of the national honor society of the same name. Brown's associate officers include: Vice President Tavita Solomon, Secretary Lise Reid, and Treasurer Alapati Milivanu. Under the guidance of advisor Jim Sutherland, the organization plans to expand its activities (such as tutoring programs, administrative assistance and community services) by aiding the rejuvenated college newspaper Leo o Samoa. The newly inducted members include: Julian Ah

Ching, John Alailima-Utu, Christian Allen, Mafua Atuatasi, Taieni Amoealogo, Tava'e Belford, Puleai Fa'isamoa, Va'aleama Fosi, Della Foster, Pelita Groves, Hubert Hall, Teroa Hong, Nicholas King, Donald Kruse, John Kruse, Hope Kunkle, Laneta Lauffli, Falavia Lefotu, Fa'afetai Lesa, Mike Liu, Luaiou Ma'ae, Suifili Mao, Loretta Rea, Mata'itusi Siamanu, Fagatogo Sotoa, Mafutaga Tagaloa, Rocket Tiumalu, Maria Tuato'o, Vaiulatasi Tuato'o, and Tuamasaga Unutoa.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...

Dear Editor,

As a member of the ASCC's Student Government Association, I have an obligation to the students of ASCC, especially my Sophomore colleagues whom I represent, to inform them of some needed changes in the S.G.A. Constitution. The S.G.A. constitution, which unfortunately many of the students are unaware of, has been scrutinized by the Student Fono and the Constitutional Committee since last September. Proposed amendments to the Constitution resulting from this study will be put into a vote by the ASCC Student Body before the end of this semester. In addition to the current recommended changes, there are proposed amendments by the past Student Fonos (College Handbook, pg. 24), which will become effective upon ratification by the Student Body.

Under the current constitution, the President of the S.G.A. has the power or "duty" as the document describes, to "determine excused and unexcused absences of the Student Fono members from

meetings." I can still recall the excitement that befell the new Student Fono last fall when we discussed the subject of non-attendance and the possibility that three absences would require an automatic vote of removal (impeachment) of the violator. Fortunately, we decided in the meeting, with the consent of the President, to let the Student Fono determine excused and unexcused absences of members. Nevertheless, the stated "duty" of the S.G.A. President remained printed in the Constitution, and common sense tells me that it should be nullified. Common sense also confides to me that if such a power is given to the presiding officer of the S.G.A., he may use it to force the removal of a member who doesn't conform to his wishes. A cruel, but possible happenstance. Some may argue that he should exercise such power for the benefit of convenience or time, but I could honestly admit that hands in such a decision, whether to excuse or not

excuse an absentee, takes only a fraction of a minute.

A modification proposed by the past Student Fonos, and one which I strongly support, is changing the cumulative grade point average of all students running for the S.G.A. Executive Office from 2.5 to 3.5 at the time of his/her nomination. The Student Body of ASCC deserve leaders who can show by their GPA's that they could create activities which are not only supplementary to the 5 college academic program but would also meet the diverse interests of the students.

The proposed modifications of the S.G.A. Constitution I have mentioned above, plus other changes which will be given to the Student Body to decide on must be carefully considered. And, a warning to those who have neglected to participate in school functions during the past, "those who don't vote do not count."

John Alailima-Utu.

SAMOAN DAY COMING APRIL 6.

by Tai L.

Do you want to refresh your memories of the Samoan culture? If so, then join a club and start practicing for the Samoan Day which will occur on April 16, 1984 on the ASCC campus.

The day will start off at 8:00 a.m. with a speech delivered by ASCC President Sa'eu Scanlan. S.G.A. President Lipaea Uta will speak next and the rest of the day will give the clubs a chance to show the real meaning of the Samoan Culture.

Rules and regulations for this event have been set by the S.G.A. It is important to note that every club should participate in all events. A club cannot be placed if they only participate in one event. According to

Chairman Fagatogo Sotoa, several government officials are expected to judge the ASCC students by first demonstrating the Samoan speeches, games,

ASCC ENROLLMENT

The ASCC total enrollment for Spring semester '84 is comparatively higher than last semester. The total enrollment in the Fall was 845 and currently it is 868. Full-time students attending ASCC now total 408 and there are 460 attending part-time. There are 483 women studying full-time and part-time. Total full-time and part-time men at school is 385.

THEY SAY

(Concert Choir, Swing Choir, Band, Individuals.)
David Danielson: Criticism! for school system.

Ali'i Alo: Dedications, opinions about the college, scratch off messages.

Ed Stevens: I would like to see some information on college life and some of the achievements accomplished by the students.

Tagaloa Timoteo: Myself.

Mark Foster: Major events involving Samoa, plus a fun page would be quite entertaining.

Genevieve Steffanny: Articles on the different departments of the college emphasizing their purpose, and programs they are facilitating.

Christie Grohse: Information to better my college lifestyle, the latest hap's on campus extracurricular activities with photos.

Pasa Fuata: What's happening in the college, sports, horoscopes.

Cathy Sunia: Gossip about the wacky people around the college.

Debbie Liu: News about future events and ideas on what courses will be offered.

Tanya White: Obituaries.

Enesi Muliotaupole: I would like the S.G.A. to publish the club points and show how they were awarded.

Hope Kunkel: What clubs are doing and what their aims are, new teacher

SNACK BAR IMPROVES

by Edward S.
American Samoa Community College has made significant progress for the school year 1983-1984. It is not in the form of a new building or a revised curriculum, it is in the form of a single human being named Edward Fola Pouono.

"Fast Eddie", as he is more affectionately known, has quickly won over the hearts-and stomachs-of students and faculty with his endless wit and trusty spatula. As manager of the ASCC cafeteria, he has completely overhauled the facility into one of the hottest eating spots on island.

"An extreme change... it's like home!", describes ASCC student Maria Tuato'o. "It's the first time the snack bar is run by a professional. It shows in the variety of foods,"



New cafeteria manager Eddie Pouono proudly standing in the cafe he ran in Pago Pago in 1977.

Hawaii and California, he was a shoo-in to implement the cafeteria improvement plans. His past experience in the food industry ranges from busboy to head manager including every position in between.

After working in some of the more noted establishments in Honolulu and San Francisco, Mr. Fola entered private business as a caterer in Hayward California. 1974 marked the homecoming for the Pago-born opportunist and he set up shop again with Pago catering.

In 1979 Edward sold his equity and served stints with the Rainmaker Hotel and then the Kava Bowl as a manager. To the benefit of the college, Eddie applied and was chosen as cafeteria manager in August 1983.

Upon arrival, Ed noticed the poor condition of the kitchen. Much of the

STUDENT WINS SCHOLARSHIP

by Edward S.
"Mark from Ork" step aside, here comes Samoa's acting hopeful, Tagaloa Timoteo, who was awarded an Island Community Theatre Arts Scholarship for his humorous monologue on February 3.

Tagaloa was chosen for his "Bubble Gum Skit" rendition during an I.C.T. audition organized by ex-President Dan Parsons. Also competing for the education award was guitarist-singer Miriam Samuolu.

"I feel more Samoans should become involved with the I.T.C." states Tagaloa whose experience with the organization dates back to 1980 when he performed in the theater's production "Samoan Follies." His history in drama began in 1978 when he was a high school

relates sociology Instructor Lepei Fa'aola. These are only a few of the positive reactions which were summed up by Dean of Instruction, Gene Brophy, "I hear only compliments when I used to hear only complaints."

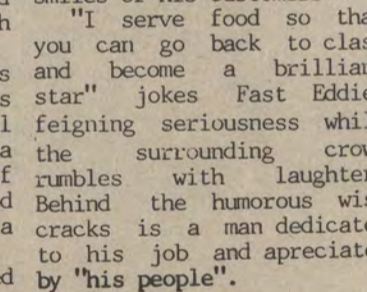
Dr. Brophy again echoed the sentiments of patrons by noting the greater choice, better service and lower prices of the food. According to Dean Brophy, the cafeteria was formerly run by independent caterers who were awarded a contract for submitting the most acceptable bid. In order to improve the quality and affordability of the food, the independent contract was eliminated and the cafeteria came under the direct control of the college administration.

Enter Fast Eddie. With 26 years of food services experience throughout

equipment was in need of maintenance and some had never been used due to lack of "know how" in the previous management. Now the facility boasts an extensive menu and an enthusiastic staff. They have all found employment in the cafeteria through the Job Training Partnership Act. Eddie, who supervises the training, has provided an excellent example as chef, which is evident in the satisfied smiles of his customers.

"I serve food so that you can go back to class and become a brilliant star" jokes Fast Eddie, feigning seriousness while the surrounding crowd rumbles with laughter. Behind the humorous wise cracks is a man dedicated to his job and appreciated by "his people".

Archie Elliot studying an assignment in the Art classroom. (Van Kirk)

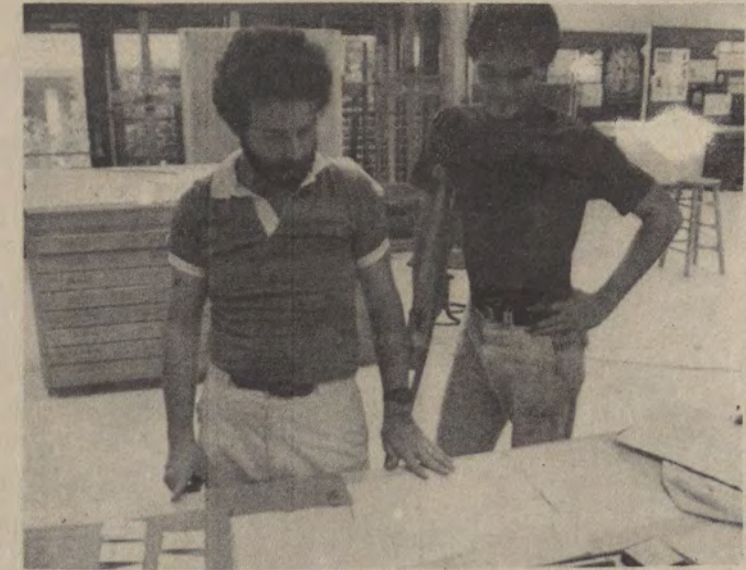


Archie Elliot studying an assignment in the Art classroom. (Van Kirk)

ARCHIE NEW ART PROF

by Poe M.
The Fine Arts department is so fortunate to have a new Visual Arts instructor. Mr. Archie Elliot, who taught for 15 years at the elementary, secondary and college level is now teaching his first semester at ASCC. In addition to his numerous years as a classroom teacher, he spent a decade and a half as art director for the Public Schools in Billings, Montana. He held this post during the city's centennial celebrations. Managing this 100th year anniversary took Elliot three years of planning, designing, and preparation.

The former Navy veteran has experience in theater work. He worked on "The Sleuth", a theater production, in Wisconsin in 1979, for which he created props and built background



Journalism class Advisor Jeff Van Kirk and Editor Ed Scanlan check articles for the school newspaper. (Danielson)

JOURNALISM? ASK JEFF

by Daniel D.
The resurrection of ASCC's newspaper, Leo o Samoa, this spring is possible courtesy of Geoffrey Van Kirk. The New England native arrived in Journalism class on January 23rd. Only eight hours had passed since he had disembarked from his flight.

Though Geoffrey suffered from jetlag and was unsure of his employment, he seemed curious and excited from the challenge that faced him, a challenge that would include handling public relations for the college, and teaching Photography and Journalism.

The 33 year old Harvard graduate in on the first leg of an odyssey that will take him and his wife Barbara eventually to Asia. After which, he plans to return home to Boston



Archie Elliot studying an assignment in the Art classroom. (Van Kirk)

Ecology

The Ecology Club is an environmental awareness organization of students who believe in preserving plants as well as the natural environment, so they volunteer their assistance in campus beautification projects. The club is planning a field trip to Manu'a to study and compare the changes in the environment between Manu'a and Tutuila. They are also hoping to participate in the Samoan Day activities.

The club consists of 30 members. Agamalu Aviata is President, Vice President is Tino Pisia, Secretary is Maria Tuato'o and Treasurer is Anita Salave'a. Their advisor is Sam Latham. They have their meeting on every Wednesday in room A-14 at 12:00 noon.

CLUB NEWS

Fa'a-Samoa Pea

The Fa'a-Samoa Club is going on a fieldtrip to Savai'i on April 13-18, 1984 to gather information about Samoan cultural traditions.

The trip to the largest island of Samoa is made possible by fundraising activities held by the club. The group earned money by sponsoring bake-sales and car-washes.

The club itself was newly formed in the beginning of this Spring semester and has already been approved by the S.G.A. It is mostly made up of students from the Fa'a-Samoa Pea Class that Carol Sinavaiana teaches. It is open to everyone who wants to re-learn and maintain the Samoan way of life.

Carol Sinavaiana and John Enright are the advisors of the club. It's officers are President Tanu Mamea, Vice President Antionnette Danielson and Secretary Faese Taase. The club currently has 25 members. The main purpose of the club is to re-learn and maintain the Samoan cultural traditions.

Phi Beta Lambda

Additional members have been initiated into the Phi Beta Lambda Club on February 24, 1984 at ASCC student center.

The Phi Beta Lambda is a nationwide organization for future business leaders of America. The local branch, the Nu Alpha Rho Chapter, is here at ASCC to help students prepare themselves for the business community.

The club consists of 27 registered members. They usually have meetings once a month. Sometimes, a special meeting is scheduled. The Phi Beta Lambda supports the SGA and other club activities.

Tagiilina Tunoa is the advisor and the officers are as follows: Faimeaso'o Tuafono, President; Sita Ah Ma, Vice President; Hokiana Halafihi, Secretary; November Gaoa, Treasurer; Aneteromita Taase, Reporter; Elisapeta Sappa, Historian.

Della Foster, Nilla Esau, Pepelele Haleck, Pou'anea Tualo, Rosa Kupu, Sivale Talaeai, Tanu Taala, Tava'e Belford, Tu'uaina Fiumano, and Trevor Hussein are all current members.

COLLEGE WINS ALL-STAR GAME

ASCC waited 3 years to avenge a loss at the hands of the Samoana Sharks basketball team. The dream became reality on March 7 when the ASCC Intramural All-stars met the island's high school All-stars in an ASCC-DOE sponsored match up.

The ASCC squad included: Ameko Pato (Thriller), Jacob Helsham (Thriller), Daru Maluolefale (Thriller), Tai Togia (The Boys), Banner Fanene (The Boys), To'ese Tiapula (The Boys), Etene Taimalelagi Jr. (MCJOB A), Bert Thompsen (Vailima), King Talamoni (38 Special), Tonga Taumanupepe (Thriller).

The High School squad was talented and held their own, but their speed and aggressiveness was overshadowed by the ball-handling, board-crashing ASCC squad. Though revenge was sweet in a 85-56 victory, the high school All-stars walked away respected by their counterparts. Ameko Pato dominated the baseline and lead the game in scoring with 35 points.

THRILLER TOPS B-BALL LEAGUE



The Thriller team. Standing (l-r) - Ioane Liufau, Ameko Pato; sitting - Toga Taumanupepe, Tavita Solomon, Jake Halsham, Daru Maluolefale; sitting front - Donald Kruse. Pix taken in Gymnasium. (Fanene)



Jump Ball! One of the few times the ball wasn't in the basket during the historic Bays-Vica match.

The college intramural men's Basketball league came to a close on March 6th, with the Thriller dismembering the 38-Special by a score of 69 - 44.

This years competition consisted of 8 teams: McJob A, McJob B, The Boys, Vailima, Segaula, Vica, Thriller, and 38-Special. The teams were set up into two leagues, each consisting of four teams.

One of the first league games started with The Boys clobbering Vailima 43 - 23. The second game had the 38-Special stomping McJob A, with a 20 point spread. The Thriller squad began their trek to the top by trouncing Vica 82 - 37.

This year's intramural basketball league has brought forth a new scoring record to be etched into the ASCC Book of achievements. On March 1, 1984, two teams played the highest scoring intramural game ever. The Boys with their witty tactics in conjunction with their rebound advantage, were able to score at a furious pace. The game ended in a 110 - 35 obliteration of Vica.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

ASCC Women's Volleyball are required to pay a \$5.00 Intramurals this Spring registration fee. See semester started Tuesday Vernon Grabe P.E. March 13, 1984 at 12:30 coordinator, for rules, p.m. Registrar ended on rosters and further information. Teams are limited to 10 players and



ASCC students look in disbelief at the scoreboard as a record setting game ends. (Van Kirk).

NURSING WALKATHON

The second-year students of the Nursing Department had a walkathon on February 20, 1984. Early that elegant, fine, Monday morning, more than 30 participants assembled at ASCC for the walkathon. Gathered at 4:00 a.m., the students walked from ASCC to Utulei Beach which is a total of 10 miles. Raising money for off-island training at Queen's Hospital in Hawaii this summer was the solitary intention of this fundraising project.

"Everyone made it!" was the cry after the walkathon. "It was fun, however, the outcome was exhaustion," uttered a member of the class. Most students, with their instructors, agreed that the walkathon was "a good exercise" for the body. Also participating in the event were some first-year nursing students, Dr. Vaiula Tuato'o of LBJ Tropical Medical Center, Attorney Asaua Fuimaono, Vena Sele, Salei'a Fa'anuli, Asosi Ah Ping, and Margaret Sesepasara represented ASCC's administration and faculty.

After an early morning rain a lovely day shone upon the walkers. The idea of putting up another walkathon in the future was favored by numerous members of the class. Following the walkathon, the group commemorated the event by holding a barbeque.

HOW PROUD TO BE ASCC

How proud I am to be
A student from ASCC
Walking on campus, feeling free.

Every morning we come in
Ready for class to begin
Stand up slowly
Walk straight to class
Feeling lonely
Smile and say good-morning.

Walk inside, head on to my desk
Be polite and show respect
Try not to get mad
Neither answer the teacher back.
For the teacher might think
You are the best student she ever had.

Everybody rushed out from classrooms
Walking at home into groups
Talk with them about the day
The same answer came
Everything's okay
Sharing ideas with friends.
And feel proud to be
A student from ASCC.

VALENTINE DAY

Valentines day is always a day to remember
Its a day with love, and a day with tender
A day when your enemy will then surrender
And the day when you two will be together.

I like the dawn that brings the morning dew
And sunset over the sea so blue
Are the scenes that hold my divine
As this I see my Valentine.

Like all the things I hold so dear
Respect with honor and greet with cheer
I'll give you everything that's mine
To my Samoan Valentine.

Two poems by Isapela Ta'ai