# NATIONAL PACIFIC ISLANDER EDUCATOR NETWORK Annual Conference 2013 Davis Middle School, Compton, CA \*\*Executive Summary\*\*



Marshall Islands

### **PARTICIPANTS**

204 participated in the conference on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, including 109 students, 28 educators, and 67 parents and community members

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**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**: Meghan Blanco Fitzpatrick, Assistant United States Attorney and Raymond Rolak, Sports Broadcaster and Film Producer



Raymond Rolak

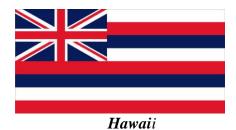


Meghan Blanco Fitzpatrick

### WORKSHOP PRESENTERS

- Uncle Henry Kamae, Ukulele Expert
- Samoan Dance Workshop by Renee Tiedemann Maravel, Lennox Middle School Teacher
- Maori Haka Dance Workshop by Layne and Rata Hannemann

- Innovative Teaching Strategies by Dr. Joseph De Torres, Contra Costa College and Nancy Martinsen, CSU East Bay
- Arts and Crafts by Jackie Robinson Academy and Cabrillo High School Pacific Islander Clubs, Long Beach Unified School District



**CAREER & COLLEGE FAIR** 

- Cerritos College
- CSU East Bay
- CSU Los Angeles
- Los Angeles Police Department
- Southwest Carpenters Training Fund
- Pepperdine University
- University of Southern California
- University of Hawaii

### AWARDS CEREMONY

- Fifteen students were Christina Diaz Student Scholar Awards recipients
- ❖ Four Sevia Ma'ae Educator Awardees were Leilani Coco, Manaia Petaia, Lilaki Thetford, and Maria Torres.
- ❖ Four Dr. Alofa Tanuvasa Community Awards were presented: Don Ku'uipo Hatori, Vaka Faletau, Long Beach State

Athletics, and The Ice House Comedy Club of Pasadena.

- ❖ Taylor Lepisi, Lyca Montero, Cory Kaaukai, Johanna Vergara, and Jose Gabriel David received the Christina Diaz Scholarships sponsored by the Anita Barrios Memorial Fund, NT &
- Associates, the Linda Vaca Memorial Fund, the Sarah Tanimoto Memorial Fund, Horace Mann, Melaleuca, and the Thompson Family.

### **PERFORMING GROUPS**

Lakewood High School, Long Beach USD, Dominguez High School, Compton USD, and students from the Channel Coast Ventura County Chapter of NPIEN



Samoa

### **EXHIBITORS & VENDORS**

Horace Mann, Office of Samoan Affairs, Los Angeles County Office of Education, Health Outreach Program, Cookie Lee, Tongan Community Service Center, Ray Diaz Gourd Art, Fetutasi's Island Souvenirs, The Writer's Gateway, Go for Broke National Education Center, Raymond Rolak



Tonga

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Willow Tree Inn and Hampton Inn Carson



Northern Mariana Islands - Saipan



Brandon Upper, Scholarship Winner, Will Rogers Middle School



Layne Hannemann and the Maori Haka Class

# Join us for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on November 1, 2014!!!



American Samoa



NPIEN's Channel Coast Chapter from Ventura County



**Christina Diaz Scholarship Winners** 



**NPIEN Board and Staff Members** 



Davis Middle School's Warm Welcome Sign



There were 17 vendors and exhibitors at the conference



# NPIEN's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on April 28, 2014 Lakewood Country Club

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