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Greetings from Hga as we move forward to the 2018-19 school year and its many challenges! Your road to educational success continue evolve and take many turns along the its winding & bumpy path! Here at Hga our focus has been to maintain stability and consistency, to be a realizable source, maintain a steady budget, encourage participation and keep looking forward. We were able to build up the Hga Scholarship Fund once more and although not sizeable we hope it will continue to grow with every year. Hga generated donations of support from a summer fundraiser at Buca di Beppo as well received additional donations from donors and sales

Hga Website

Hi Readers!
If you've been checking on Hga website lately you may have noticed irregular format of the opening pages...Malcolm (webmaster)has been working diligently with Bd Member, Patrick's input of resources to get this "adjusted"!!

percentage from a few businesses along the way. A craft fair held at the Lyon Arboretum also brought in some % of sales donation. We will continue to follow our Hga Scholars Recipients and hope to get a following year report as where and what they are doing. Spring Meeting with our National Office, NAGC provided additional opportunities to again network with affiliates , renew contacts and make new ones. We were happy to welcome Oregon to NAGC family of Affiliates. Some hot topics on the table included FY2019 Budget of course and how to sustain and validate gifted and talented programs. Javits Act, Title II (Prof Dev.) The Committees worked diligently

on putting together tools for new and seasoned advocates to use and bring back to their states as well as quick snapshots and wallet tool to have handy in any advocacy scenario !

After school programs were also on the agenda as a representative spoke on best practices and how they too recognized program funding issues as many "enrichment" programs take place after regular school hours. Hga also acknowledged quality curriculum & safe learning spaces for all in their letters of support to House and Senate. Next on the agenda: Higher Education Act, just what we've been waiting for!

Though a secure site if appears that Hga has/had some infiltration to the site... Please bear with us as we work on this. Any volunteer input or expertise is also appreciated. Just email higitf@aol.com and we will contact you as well. We appreciate any donated labor and appreciate your patience!



STEM and more...

A recent STEM Internship for HS Seniors is happening in Chillicothe City Schools in Ohio! The schools have developed the program for Seniors seeking college degrees in STEM related fields. A particular project in which the district was in the process of "constructing 2 grade bonded elementary buildings" with SUMMIT CONSTRUCTION Company. The company approached the district school at the onset of the school building plans. Thus a partnership was formed..The high school students were interviewed and

selected based on their interest and future goals. The particular student that was highlighted online was pursuing a civil engineer program and interested in attending University of Dayton or University of Cincinnati upon graduation.

Student feedback while involved in the Internships included , comments of experiencing firsthand observation of the planning and construction, being part of the planning committee, participated in the cost and building budget planning, and having the opportunity

to be involved in construction updates meetings as well as get an inside look of the discussion process, planning and construction timeframe.

Hats off to STEM Internships!



Growing Vision 2020 in higher education.

Hga & Buca Fundraiser!!!!!!

On July 4th Hga held a Fourth of July Scholarship drive for family, guest and members to attend. A \$20 donation was encouraged with lucky number prizes for most that attended! Thank you to those who donated to the lucky number prizes which included, Buca Gift Certificates, t-shirts, cards, caps, household appliances , travel tags etc. Thank you to the staff

and Management of Buca di Beppo for their hospitality and hosting Hga that evening! Thank you to those that attended we hope you enjoyed yourselves while supporting the Hawaii gifted assoc Scholarship Fund for 2018-19. We look forward to announcing the recipients by early November!

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Happy 4th of July!



WHATS GOING ON ELSEWHERE IN STEM/STEAM!

Inola High School in Oklahoma "learned by failure" in school's new "smart lab" Paired off with another student with a dedicated station and programming tools provides boundless opportunities. The collaboration with their partner "teaches them discovery" as noted by educator Todd Dixon, who believes the projects go far beyond college halls & industrial parks while

solving real life problems. The class offers important real life tools in technology blended with other schools of thought to help them in the real world!

19/11/2018 "Indigo Smart Lab Preparing Students for Success"
K. Thesenvitz Claremont Daily
PROGRESS
Claremont, OK





Hga and Albizia Project Nominated for NAGC Creativity Award

Congratulations Joseph Valenti and his team for their Albizia Project that you see standing on UH School of Architecture Campus!

The project was submitted for consideration and was selected and nominated as one of the projects for the 2018 Creativity Award, one of NAGC's categories of recognition. We're happy to acknowledge Joseph Valenti and his team of hardworking vol-

unteers and students that made it come to life! The project focus was to provide optional housing for the Homeless (and perhaps Refugees further down the line). The "sustainable project" worked with albiiza trees which are plentiful throughout the islands and make it a more useful wood while taking advantage of its unique character. The idea evolved into a learning space for GT students and was presented last fall at NAGC Crea-

tivity Night in NC. Valenti continues to advocate for the Albiza Trees and stand behind his research of its viability.



2017-18 Hga Scholars

A quick snapshot of some of our past Recipients of the Hawaii gifted assoc Scholarship Fund:

*Monica Nishimura, Moanalua H.S Junior is looking to pursue a career in Kinesiology; the "scientific study of human or non human body movement,. Her interest in Kinesiology is that it addresses physiological, biome-

"Vision for 2020 and beyond..."

chanical and psychological dynamic principles and mechanisms of movement. Monica's knowledge and years of gymnastics will surely compliment her overall "credentials" n the application process. Her College options include searches on the east coast at this time.

**Sara Kay is currently a Freshmen at Dartmouth and pursuing her college degree.

**Kiana Hasegawa is working on a Bachelors of Arts Degree at the School of the Arts Institute of Chicago

**Lio Mioses is currently continuing to pursue his Bachelors at the University of Manoa School of Architecture in Environmental Design.

FOR 2018 SCHOLASHIPS EMAIL LETTERS OF APPLICATION TO higifted@aol.com by 10/1/18!



ESRI: Telling your story of "Mapping Up on Higher Education"

Looking at Higher Education can best be viewed by ESRI Story Mapping!! Go to esri.org and see the wonderful tools, training, Apps, online course etc that can enhance your message that you want to say. See "Studying Up on Higher Education" for a snapshot of data, demographics, cost and general overview of a University/College.

The Map provides details as student in HS and Universities seek to pursue their degrees. An excellent tool and search engine that provides anyone looking at college and Universities where to start and what to expect on a first impression as they begin their selection process of attaining a degree. go to www.esri.org

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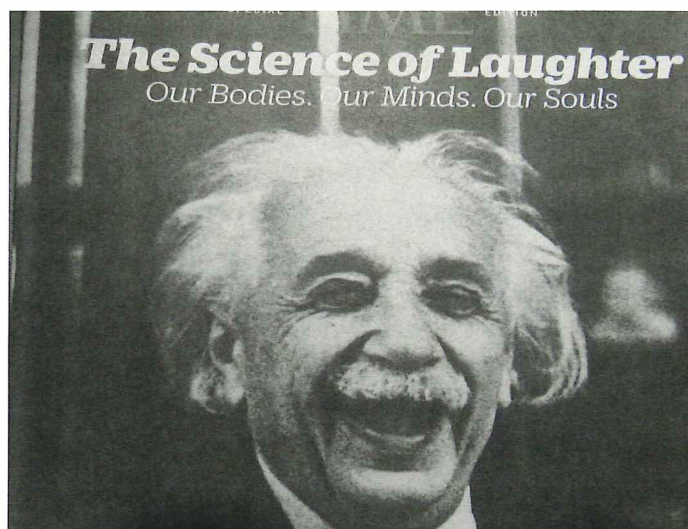
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Laugh to lighten the heart and soul.
Laugh to make problems seem small!
Laugh for the good you do.
Laugh with family, friends & colleagues!

Vision 2020 in Higher Education...

The Hawaii gifted association is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit whose mission is to enrich the lives of the gifted and talented learners, educators, parents and communities. Hga was first established in 1976 and found its roots with the MENSA organization. During this period the MENSA group offered direct services and outreach through their membership. Some years later, Hga has evolved into a resource and referral source for the gifted and talented offering consultation, assessment. Workshops and advocacy support. Hga Scholarships are awarded annually every fall to select individuals who demonstrate and support excellence in their academic interest.

We are governed by voluntary members of the Hga Board of Directors which contributes to the mission and purpose of the association. Hga is an Affiliate of the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC). More information is available at <http://higifted.info> email at higifted@aol.com



STEM can't

The Hga Board was please to have hosted a guest this past Board Meeting in June as Cheryl Ishii from the Innovation Center provided Hga Board members more insight as to what they were doing in the field of STEM and its programs. Currently they have been hosting workshops to educators, monitoring their loan library (for schools to check out STEM kits for their students/ classrooms

Classrooms) being active in science fairs, professional development and connecting themselves with Washington Intermediate School. Their small staff has continued to service schools upon demand and continuously look for funding opportunities to expand the existing programs as well as future demands as STEM programs continue to grow! Added arts?STEAM?

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Minneapolis, MN

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