

## THE IMPERIAL PARTICIPATES IN COMMUNITY EVENTS

Adult Education is concerned with life-long learning and programs designed to accommodate the interests and changing needs of individuals as they seek to expand their knowledge and improve their skills as parents, workers, citizens, and participating members of communities. Adult Education programs at McKinley Community School for Adults (MCSA) include Naturalization, Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education, Home-Family Education, Cultural-Recreation Program and Senior Citizens Program.

November 2, 2011, marked MCSA's first Hospitality Job and Education Expo. This event was organized by MCSA in partnership with the International Executive Housekeepers Association (IEHA).

Our Executive Housekeeper, Karina Villarroel, who is also the Chair of the Education Committee of IEHA assisted Vice principal Randall Higa to prepare this exciting event.

The purpose of the expo was to provide transitioning students an opportunity to learn more about hospitality careers available to them, either while studying at MCSA or after they have completed their studies. Approximately 400 GED, CB (Competency Based Diploma) and ESL students attended the expo. Students could attend either a morning or an afternoon session, which featured talks by professionals in the hospitality field, panel member presentations and a job fair expo where exhibitors (17 of them) set up informational displays and answered individual student questions.

Keynote speakers for the morning session included former MCSA students Jin-Tae Lee, Executive Housekeeper at Hilton Waikiki Prince Kuhio and Hao Dang Tanacsos, President of HAOsekeeping, Inc and our General Manager, Marilyn Verner.



Keynote speakers for the afternoon session included Rose Galera, President of IEHA, Mufi Hanneman, current President of the Hawaii Hotel and Lodging Association and former Honolulu Mayor and our Executive Housekeeper, Karina Villarroel.



"Each one of us can be the change that makes a positive difference in someone's life"