



# GUAM COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL LITERACY ASSOCIATION

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## A Message from the President

Happy New Year! It is a joyous time indeed as we look back at all the wonderful events that have happened, particularly ILA's annual Community Book Fair. Thank you to those who attended to see wonderful story readers right here on Guam, as well as all the wonderful booths that sold books and knick-knacks that were perfect for the holiday season. A big thank you to our readers and everyone who made this event possible! I am overjoyed by the support!

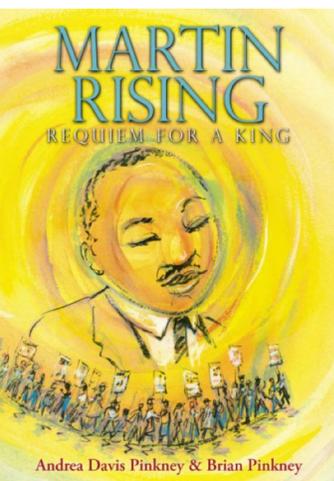
This month, we look forward to our Read-a-Thon Kick-Off held at the Aña Shopping Center! Please join us for performances, engaging read-alouds, and giveaways. Thank you, and I look forward to celebrating with you!

Your CY2022-23 ILA President,

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## Book of the Month



Description: (Good For Ages 9-12)

Andrea's stunning poetic requiem, illustrated with Brian's lyrical and colorful artwork, brings a fresh perspective to Martin Luther King, the Gandhi-like, peace-loving activist whose dream of equality -- and whose courage to make it happen -- changed the course of American history. And even in his death, he continues to transform and inspire all of us who share his dream. (Scholastic, 2022)

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Saturdays, 9:00am to 12:00pm

September 17, 2022

October 15, 2022

November 18-19, 2022, Language Arts Conference

DECEMBER 17, 2022  
COMMUNITY BOOK FAIR

JANUARY 14, 2023  
Read-A-Thon Kickoff

February 11, 2023

March 18, 2023

April 15, 2023

May 13, 2023

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# Read-a-Thon 2023

The Guam Council of the International Literacy Association (GC, ILA) **READ-A-THON 2023 Kick-Off** will take place at the Agaña Shopping Center,

**Saturday, January 14, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** at the center court. It promises to be a fun filled morning with read-alouds by local authors and Board members, performances, trivia contests, etc., in celebration of reading, with the butterfly theme of, **“Unfold Your Wings – READ!”**

Read-A-Thon 2023 will take place from January 14 to March 3, 2023. Island students attending both GDOE and private schools have been invited to participate in the fundraising event by reading and collecting pledges. Funds raised goes back to our students, teachers, and schools, all in the effort to promote reading and literacy on our island. The grand prize is a trip for two (parent and student) to Tokyo Disneyland in Japan, to include airfare, hotel accommodations, park tickets and per diem for three days.

ILA book tables, novelty items and Read-A-Thon dry fit shirts will be available for sale. Local vendors will be on hand also at the Kick-off selling their merchandise, from books written by local authors, Tupperware, 31 Gifts, Stampin Up, etc., just to name a few.

For more information, you may contact Martha Sudo at (671) 727-1455, or email her at [guamreadathon23@gmail.com](mailto:guamreadathon23@gmail.com).

## Read-a-Thon Participation Prizes

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| <b>Prize A (\$5 and up)</b>   | <b>A Paperback Book</b>                    |
| <b>Prize B (\$50 and up)</b>  | <b>Prize A + a Bag</b>                     |
| <b>Prize C (\$100 and up)</b> | <b>Prizes A + B + a Hard Cover Book</b>    |
| <b>Prize D (\$300 and up)</b> | <b>Prizes A + B + C + a Gift Card Pack</b> |

## EdTech Corner



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### “RAT 2023 Unfold Your Wings – READ”

| Prize Number                   | Prize                   | Description   |
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| 1 <sup>st</sup><br>Grand Prize | Tokyo Disneyland Trip   | Tokyo Disneyland is a theme park based on the films produced by Walt Disney. It was opened in 1983 as the first Disney theme park outside of the United States. Prize includes airfare, hotel, and per diem for three days. (\$4,000.00 minimum to qualify) * Prize for one parent and one student. |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>                | MacBook Pro (Apple)     | MacBook Pro features the latest quad core processor for a boost in processor and memory speeds. Next generation graphics deliver performance levels that are faster than before. The MacBook Pro is a great computer. (\$2,000.00 minimum to qualify) *   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>                | iPad Pro (Apple)        | The iPad Pro delivers a combination of portability and performance. Less than a pound, the iPad Pro features advanced retina display with true tone advanced sensors. (\$1,800.00 minimum to qualify) *   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>                | MacBook Air (Apple)     | MacBook Air is now more powerful than ever. It features a retina display, new magic keyboard, Touch ID, faster graphics, and double the storage capacity. (\$1,500.00 minimum to qualify) *   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>                | Sony PlayStation 4 Pro  | Battle friends and foes with the Sony PlayStation 4 Pro console. Its 1TB capacity lets you store plenty of games without an external hard drive, and the dual-shock controller improves your hands-on gaming experience. (1,000.00 minimum to qualify) *  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup>                | Laptop with Accessories | Acer Chromebook features a durable 360° hinge and a sleek metal cover. It is touchscreen and equipped with a lithium ion battery that lasts all day. Accessories include: laptop bag and Bluetooth mouse (\$900.00 minimum to qualify) *  |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>                | Acer Laptop Touchscreen | Acer Chromebook features a durable 360° hinge and a sleek metal cover. It is touchscreen and equipped with a lithium ion battery that lasts all day. (\$800.00 minimum to qualify) *  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>                | Nintendo Switch         | At home the main unit rests in the Nintendo Switch dock, which connects the system to the TV and lets you play with family and friends in the comfort of your living room or transition to handheld mode for on-the-go gaming. (\$600.00 minimum to qualify) *                                      |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>                | Kindle Kids With Cover  | A device to help establish healthy reading habits – When a child sits down with their Kindle, they read on average more than an hour a day. A protective cover is included. (\$400.00 minimum to qualify) *   |
| 10 <sup>th</sup>               | Kindle Kids 2022        | Reading done right – Kindle Paperwhite Kids is purpose-built for reading (not a toy), with a larger black & white 6.8" 300 ppi glare-free display, and up to 10 weeks of battery life. (\$301.00 minimum to qualify) *  |

\*NOTE: Winners must meet all eligibility requirements for any of the prize categories. One winner per category. Meeting the minimum to qualify does not guarantee winning the prize. **Reading time counts when there is a tie. No substitutions. \* Some Restrictions May Apply.**

# Meet Your ILA Board Members



**Elvina Johnson** has been a member of IRA/ILA for 18 years running and has been serving as a board member for 5 years now. She is proud to be a part of an organization that promotes literacy to the whole community.

She graduated with a B.S. in Industrial Engineering from the University of San Carlos-Technological Center, Phils. She continued her studies in elementary education and later received her Master's degree in TESOL from the University of Guam. She has been with the Guam Department of Education for 15 years now as an ESL teacher. Elvina is a teacher because when she was in school, she had great teachers. Teachers have a true passion for learning and she's no exception.



**Mae Mendiola** is a Special Education teacher at Price Elementary School. She lives in the village of Barrigada. Mrs. Mendiola has a Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood/Elementary Education and a Master of Education in Special Education from the University of Guam. Mrs. Mendiola is a Guam ILA CY2022-2023 Board Member.



**Verna Chargualaf Mendiola** began her teaching career in 1997 and was a member of IRA/ILA since then. She graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice in 1992. She worked at the Attorney General Child Support Division and Public Defender Service Corporation before finding her true calling to be a teacher. She taught at Mount Carmel School, Merizo Martyrs Elementary School, Mount Santa Rosa Elementary School, and now Harry S. Truman Elementary School. She became a board member under Novelties in 2010. She was able to attend the ILA conferences in 2010, 2014, and 2018. Her love for reading began as a student at J.P. Torres Elementary School. Her favorite books to read were The Boxcar Children series and The Little House on the Prairie series. Her dream is to have a home library that looks like the one the Beast gave to Belle in Beauty and the Beast.



**Nilfa Moncada Milan** graduated with Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education in the then-University of Iloilo in 1969. She migrated to Guam in October 1991. Mrs. Milan is a teacher at GDOE since August 1997. She taught 3rd Grade at Harmon Loop Elem. School, now Juan M. Guerrero Elem. School from August 1997 to May 2008. In 2008, Mrs. Milan moved to Liguán Elem. School and teaches 3rd Grade up to the present. She has been an elementary teacher in the Philippine for almost 20 years. She has also been an active officers and members of non-profit organization here in Guam until now, joining the International Reading Association in 2004. Mrs. Milan has been elected three times as Treasurer of IRA, and she was the past IRA Read A Thon President Elect in 2018-2019, Past IRA Council President in 2019-2020, and at present, still a Board Member of the ILA.



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# SATURDAY STORY HOUR

FEBRUARY 4, 2023 | 10:00 AM VIA ZOOM



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