



# ISLAND CONNECTIONS

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## TRIPLE J FUNDRAISES OVER \$78,000 TO FIGHT BACK CANCER



Triple J is a group of companies committed to helping finish the fight by supporting the Guam Chapter of the American Cancer Society's efforts to fight cancer. On Friday, May 26, employees, friends and families of Triple J Enterprises came out to support the 2017 Relay for Life. Triple J's Cure Driven Team raised a total of \$61,236 being the 2nd highest fundraising team behind Circle K. We were also presented the awards for "Best Canopy Décor" and "Best Team Spirit" for the fourth year in a row. Along with that we took home the award for the Scavenger Hunt on-site activity. Thanks to the help from our Triple J family, Relay for Life was a great success! Thank you team for the awesome turnout and support. We hope to continue this beneficial tradition again next year!



*Triple J went full force this year bringing our team spirit and Triple J pride. We were presented the "Best Canopy Décor" and "Most Spirited" awards for the 4th year in a row.*



In accordance with Triple J's commitment to the fight for a cure for cancer, Triple J Saipan partnered with Chacha Oceanview Middle school for this year's Marianas March against cancer. We are proud to have donated over \$17,000 to the Commonwealth Cancer Association, Saipan's only non-profit cancer fighting association.

# PADDLES AGAINST CANCER



This was Triple J Guam's first year participating in 76's Paddles Against Cancer event at Matapang Beach Park on March 5, 2017. This year's event was "80s" themed. Our team won 1st place in all their heats and won 5th place overall in the "Eye of the Tiger" division. Triple J also competed in the BBQ Contest and won 2nd place with our 80's themed BBQ presentation. We are definitely excited to join in on the fun again next year!



# FUNDRAISING FOR THE CURE



On Saturday, April 30th team Triple J Saipan sold Nathan's famous footlong Hot Dogs during the little league baseball games in saipan. This fundraiser was organized to raise money for the Marianas March Against Cancer. This fundraiser was extremely successful thanks to all of the hard work of everyone involved. Go team Saipan!

Triple J Guam kicked off and ended their fundraising efforts for the fight against cancer with our Relay for Life Drive-Thru barbeque fundraiser. Both nights, the people of Guam were able to drive through our lot and pick up an Outback Steakhouse BBQ plate for only \$10 with the peace of mind that their money would get them good food and would go towards and even better cause. Because of the great result of our first fundraising efforts, we decided to end our efforts with the same fundraiser. Our drive through barbeques were excellent nights because of all of those amazing people who were involved every single step of the way!





# Guam



# MOTORS

## TRIPLE J FORD RECEIVES GREAT RESULTS FOR FORD CSI (CUSTOMER SATISFACTION) SCORE



Triple J embraces our "CUSTOMERS FIRST" commitment in our everyday practices and our Team has worked hard over the past year. Ford customers were given follow-up surveys to rate various customer service factors such as "Salesperson Overall", "Follow Through on Commitments", "Overall Sales Experience" and even "Love Dealership". Our Teams ranked Top 5 within their divisions and came out strong among 25 Ford dealers in the Asia-Pacific region, going up against countries such as American Samoa, Papua New Guinea, Hong Kong and Sri Lanka.

### TOP SALES AWARD WINNER



4th Quarter 2016 and 1st Quarter 2017  
**Rajee Jackson**  
Ford, Mazda, Kia, Lincoln & Volvo Showroom

### TOP GUN WINNERS



1st Quarter 2017  
Top Service Advisor – Cedrick Castillon  
Top Parts Consultant – Raymond Concepcion  
Top Service Technician – Rodney Alcoran

# Guam



# MOTORS

## 2017 SMOKIN' WHEELS



*Smokin' Wheels 2017, a premiere motorsports racing weekend took place throughout April 7-9 at the Guam International Raceway. Participants from all over the world came out to participate in this unique event. Triple J participated by bringing in a custom Ford powered race truck for the 3-hour endurance race during Day three of the Smokin' Wheels weekend. Jeff Jones, President; Jay Jones, Senior Vice President, and Rick Johnson, American auto racer, tag teamed in this event. In addition, Triple J Five Star Wholesale Foods got in on the fun by participating in the 2017 Smokin' Grills BBQ Competition, where they competed against individuals and companies for the title of best barbeque. In the end, Triple J Five Star was awarded third place for Smokin' Grills.*

## 10TH ANNUAL HONDA TECH MEET



*Triple J Honda hosted the 10th Annual Honda Tech Meet on May 7, 2017 at the Guam International Raceway in Yigo. Honda and Acura owners and enthusiasts were gathered for on-site activities, contests, racing, etc. We had an awesome turnout this year with awesome food from STAX sliders and music from local band, Pop Rocks & Soda and we can't wait to see how big we'll make things next year!*

# Guam



# COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



## MANAGING PARTNER FOR OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE GUAM RECEIVES AWARD, OUTBACK GUAM RECEIVES PLATINUM CLUB AWARD

Selena Elicio, Proprietor and Managing Partner for Outback Steakhouse franchise on Guam, received the Outback Steakhouse Managing Partner of the Year Award on Monday, April 10, 2017. She was recognized for her outstanding performance across a range of categories, with emphasis on her special talent in keeping up staff momentum and motivation.

Elicio was appointed proprietor and managing partner for the Outback Steakhouse franchise on Guam, operated by Triple J Restaurant Group Inc. back in November 2015.

Dan Murrel, Senior Vice President of Triple J Enterprises, Inc., licensed franchisee of Outback Steakhouse Guam since 1995, also received the Platinum Club Award honoring Triple J Restaurant Group, Inc. on the 20th Anniversary of Outback Steakhouse on Guam.



## TRIPLE J PRESENTS \$15K CHECK TO GMHVA

On Wednesday, April 5th, Triple J Enterprises, Inc. presented a check for \$15,000 to the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteer's Association for Platinum level sponsorship of their 52nd Annual Charity Ball held on Saturday, April 22, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency Guam. Funds raised from the Annual Charity Ball will provide a significant source of funding towards much needed GMH equipment needs. Present for the check presentation; Jeff Jones, President of Triple J, Jay Jones, Senior VP of Triple J, and representatives and volunteers from GMHVA.



## TRIPLE J WINS BEST IN PACIFIC AWARD

Triple J Auto Group won "Best Place to Buy a Car" for Stars and Stripes Best in the Pacific Magazine for 2017. Troops were able to vote for their top choice for various categories and the top vote gets in the Stars and Stripes Best in Pacific Magazine. Present for the award; Mike Temerowski, General Sales Manager; Jay Jones, Senior Vice President, and Lt. Col. Richard E. McClintic, Commander of Best in the Pacific Magazine.



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# GUAM FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION



### HELPING OTHERS

On June 16, brothers, Zander (8) & Kingsley Aguan (5), came into the Triple J Ford Showroom to setup a handmade lemonade stand. The two boys sold fresh lemonade for an hour to Triple J employees and customers. The money they made through their lemonade pop-up shops went to help pay for medical expenses for a family friend and to benefit the local homeless. They had a successful day selling out all their supply!



Winning is good but what makes champions great are good sportsmanship and fairplay—on the field and off the field! Triple J presented a special prize to the winners from the Fair Play with Triple J program. All winners received a special Triple J “Jimmy” ball for displaying these attributes during the Triple J Auto Group Robbie Webber Youth Soccer League matches.



This year, Triple J Auto Group set up a free game during the event. Kids got a chance to kick a soccer ball and depending on their goal, they won Triple J swag. The game was a huge hit among the kids that day.



### BERRYMAN, INTERNET SALES MANAGER, COMPETES AT WORLD MASTERS INDOOR ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Mike Berryman, Internet Sales Manager, Triple J Enterprises, competed at the World Masters Indoor Athletics Championships in Daegu, South Korea with Team USA. The event was held on March 19 – 25. The team won 108 medals, including 42 Gold, 34 Silver, and 32 Bronze at the event. 74 nations and over 4,600 athletes, ages ranging from 35-99, competed in Daegu. Top teams in the overall medal count were, Australia - 124, Great Britain - 118, USA - 108, Germany – 83, Spain – 80, Japan – 70, France – 66, and South Korea – 65. Berryman competed for Team USA in the 800 meter run, finishing 9th overall out of 40 competitors with a time of 2:22.61, and the 1500 meter run, finishing 6th overall out of 65 competitors, with a time of 4:48.92. Berryman was also selected to run on Team USA’s 4x200 meter relay team for Men 55-59. The relay team was fortunate to win the Bronze Medal, finishing behind Great Britain and Ireland, and edging out Finland and China for third place. According to Berryman, “It was thrilling to win an international medal and be a part of a relay team that could contribute to Team USA’s overall medal count”. His next major competition will be the US Outdoor Championships in mid-July at the Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Congratulations Mike!



Guam

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## CELEBRATING 73 YEARS!



As proud supporters of PBS Guam, Triple J Ford provided a 2017 Ford F-150 Raptor to support the camera crew for the LIVE broadcast of the 73rd Liberation Day Parade held on Friday, July 21st. As part of our celebration of "Strength In Unity", limited edition Triple J Guam seal umbrellas and chairs were distributed to parade goers along the race route.



**TRIPLE J IS A  
PROUD SPONSOR  
OF THE 73RD  
LIBERATION DAY  
FIREWORKS**





# Saipan



# COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



Triple J Saipan Inc. donated a total of \$30,000 to 13 different schools throughout Saipan. These donations will be used for various educational programs, maintenance, upkeep, upgrades as well as educational supplies and other necessary items. These funds were donated under the Education Tax Credit Program (ETC) which has been active and helping students in the CNMI since 1997.



The Northern Marianas College hosted their eleventh annual Career & Employment Fair on March 2, 2017 at the Hagerty Conference Center. Jobseekers or those looking to make career changes, were invited to attend their annual Career Fair where Triple J Saipan joined 50 companies and organizations looking to hire. The event which is open to the community, draws hundreds of people for the chance to meet with employers, making it a prime occasion for creating opportunities and growth. helping CNMI youth attend and graduate from 4 year universities by providing supplies, clothes, plane tickets, scholarship fees. Because of the emotional and monetary support provided by Triple J and

Throughout the month of May, Tony Roma's Saipan participated the Make-A-Wish appetizer card promotion, with half of the proceeds going directly to the foundation. Through this program Triple J was able to donate \$500 to this deserving cause. Saipan is one of three Tony Romas locations which participated, the others being in Guam and Florida.



Triple J Saipan donates to the Million Dollar Scholar program, various other organizations these young adults are given the opportunity that they deserve.

# Saipan



# COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



*Triple J Five Star Wholesale Foods sponsored the Certified Angus Beef Top Chef Competition in Saipan this May. This competition saw record turnout and featured amazing dishes from the all the top chefs in Saipan. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event a success!*



*Great Harvest Bread Company, an American restaurant as well as the very first whole grain bread franchise is coming soon to Saipan! This opening will mark the sixth Triple J owned and operated restaurant in Saipan.*



*Triple J Saipan participated in the annual Red Cross Walk A Thon, a walk where Saipan's community members band together to make a difference in their island community. This year, The walkathon had over 2,700 registered walkers and when counting family members and volunteers there were over 3,200 participants. Walkers raised \$77,241.46 for this remarkable cause. Congratulations to Triple J Saipan for being involved in such an unforgettable event!*



*The brand new Surf Rider hotel in Chalan Kanoa has now had a partial soft opening, the hotel has opened 21 newly renovated rooms with state of the art interiors to the public. The surf rider hotel is an excellent addition to Triple J and we are excitedly awaiting the grand opening of the hotel.*

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Triple J Five Star Wholesale Foods held a tasting event for Certified Angus Beef at the newly opened Surf Club. The tasting allowed chefs to showcase their skills while making use of one of Five Star's best selling foods. The event was a success and drew in some of the top chefs from around the world.



Triple J Saipan opened Saipan Comfort Homes in early March, just ten months after the groundbreaking ceremony. Saipan Comfort homes is Triple J's second affordable care unit in Saipan. All apartments are now full and have a lengthy waiting list.



Triple J Saipan has announced that they will be participating this year in the annual liberation day festival as a title sponsor. Saipan's liberation day festivities are some of the largest celebrations of arts and culture on island. We can't wait to participate in this momentous occasion.



Thomas Remengesau Jr., President of Palau, along with his wife, Debbie Remengesau, First Lady of Palau, pay a visit to the Surf Club, which opened recently on October 9, 2016. Here he is shown with Robert H. Jones, President and CEO, Triple J Enterprises; and Frank Ada.



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## Saipan

### GREAT HARVEST BREAD CO. COMING SOON TO SAIPAN



*Saipan's first Great Harvest Co. is scheduled to open in early August 2017. The bakery will be located in Chalan Kanoa village on Beach Road, in front of Surf Club. Great Harvest will be the 3rd new restaurant opened by Triple J in 2016.*



## Palau



*Peter Gaymann, General Manager, Triple J Palau, assisted Lolmie A. Uong, 7th grade student from Maris Stella Elementary School in Koror, Palau for a class presentation on Germany. Here he is shown with Lolmei Uong and classmates. As part of showcasing German culture, German food was shared with the class, including: German Style Liverwurst with bread and German-Style Chocolate Cake!*

"HOOT HOOT!"



HRCORNER

**NEW HR HOURS (EFFECTIVE JULY 24, 2017):  
MONDAY - FRIDAY: 8:30AM – 5:00PM • SATURDAY: 9:00AM – 12:00PM  
OPEN FOR LUNCH FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE!**



Yolanda Muna Padrones

Triple J Enterprises, Inc. is pleased to announce Yolanda Muna Padrones as the new Director of Human Resources for its Guam operations. She joins Triple J from Bank of Guam where she was employed for 25 years, most recently as the VP of Human Resources.

Padrones has a strong background in HR, she excels in developmental, strategic, operational and risk management for overall human resource functions and was most recently certified by the Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR), Human Resources Certified Institute. Padrones is a SHRM-Certified Professional (SHRM-CP), Society for Human Resources Management and holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix and a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, with concentration in Human Resources from the University of Guam. She is a Board member of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) - Guam Chapter as their VP of Membership. She is also a member of the Soroptimist International of the Marianas.

"Our over 400 team members are our most important asset and Yolanda was brought on to strengthen our people focused strategies", said Jeff Jones, President of Triple J Enterprises, Inc. "She brings a wealth of experience and a clear understanding of our groups goals and objectives. I look forward to Yolanda's support in continuing to strategically grow our team and develop strong team members."



Tracy Guerrero

Tracy Guerrero joined Triple J Saipan's management team on February 1 as Corporate Controller. In her role, Guerrero will assist with overseeing financial management and reporting functions of Triple J's operations in Saipan, Palau, and the Marshall Islands. Tracy holds a Bachelor's Degree from the University of California at Berkeley and an MBA from California State University - Hayward and has been the CFO for the Northern Marianas College in Saipan for almost the past 4 years.



Gladdys Molejon

Our Palau Team welcomed Ms. Gladdys Molejon in April 2017, as the Chief Accountant for Neco Plaza.



Donovan Castro

Donovan Castro joins Triple J Saipan Team to be the Head Baker for the Great Harvest Bread Co. Opening in Saipan in August 2017.



Luningning Pudencio

Luningning Pudencio was promoted to Assistant C-Store/SFC Manager.



Alma Dela Cruz

Pacific Basin in Majuro, promoted their new Payless Store Manager, Alma Dela Cruz, in April 2017. We look forward to the new and exciting things that will take place in our Majuro division!

We would also like to give a warm welcome to all our new employees to our Triple J family! We each have an important role to play and we wish you success in yours! Welcome to the team!



"HOOT HOOT!"



# NEW TRIPLE J HATS HAVE ARRIVED!



New Triple J hats have arrived are they are currently being sold for \$7.00 each. Wear them with your matching Triple J hoodie or jacket. Don't forget! Jackets with hoods are still being sold for \$35.75! Please see the HR department for purchase or inquires.

**ATTENTION ALL TRIPLE J EMPLOYEES!**



## SUMMER TIME LUNCH PROMO

**15% OFF LUNCH**



**OUTBACK**

*FOR TRIPLE J EMPLOYEES ONLY  
DISCOUNT AVAILABLE  
FROM 11:00AM - 4:00PM ONLY  
EXPIRES 8/31/2017*

### Outback Steakhouse offering Summer Lunch Promo to All Triple J Employees

Outback Steakhouse is currently offering a Summer Lunch Time promo to all Triple J employees. Employees can receive a 15% discount for lunch! Lunch at Outback Steakhouse is offered from 11AM-4PM only and this promo ends on August 31, 2017. So hurry on over to Outback before the Summer ends!