

October 2008

Upcoming Events:

On October 22 and 23, TRiO will host a workshop called **It's The Economy Brain, Stupid**. This workshop will focus on techniques that will help you to "learn how to learn." And not to call people stupid. Also, on December 11, TRiO will take several students to see UT's annual production of Charles Dickens' classic **A Christmas Carol** at the Clarence Brown Theater. Finally, several transfer visits to local universities have yet to be scheduled, but anyone interested is encouraged to sign up as soon as possible, as space is limited.

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We're already halfway through the Fall 2008 semester, and it seems like time is really flying. It's still not too late, however, to take advantage of some of the great programs and workshops that TRiO offers. Take a look at the list of upcoming events to the left, and be sure to check your e-mail because there is always something happening in TRiO.

One final announcement: Any students interested in submitting art, photography, or literature (essays, short fiction, or poetry) for next semester's edition of the student literary magazine **Imaginary Gardens** can e-mail Albert Martorano at acmartorano@pstcc.edu. We'd love to have TRiO students repressed!

Featured Student: Aisa Suaniu



Aisa Suaniu was born on the beautiful and exotic Safotu on the island of Samoa. She grew up in a mixture of Samoan and American cultures, and when she came to Knoxville in May, 2004, she adjusted quickly to her new environment. She started school at Pellissippi in Fall 2005, but took a few years off due to some complications with her transcripts from Samoa. She is an Accounting/Business Management major who works nights behind the front desk at the Comfort Hotel on Kingston Pike. Her hobbies include swimming, doing homework, bowling, and spending time with her boyfriend, her friends and her family. She has been in the TRiO program since she enrolled in Pellissippi, and she says tutoring and textbook assistance have been life-savers. She also enjoys the activities and workshops TRiO offers, and she says the staff is another reason she keeps coming back. "Especially Miss Tracy," she says, "because I'm always treated with a smile."