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“FRIENDS FOR LIFE” BOND OVER ISLAND BEAUTIFICATION

Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI) – “Friends for Life,” a group of high school friends, bonded again to join the Marianas Visitors Authority’s (MVA) Beautify My Marianas campaign on March 7, 2015.

“We started our cleanup this time at 7:30 a.m. since we would be cleaning for two miles,” said the group in their after-action report. “Now we are nine people who are participating; one of our friends can’t show up anymore. He has a stable job, and we can understand his situation.”

The group collected 260 lbs. of trash from Oleai Beach to Sugar Dock, their second cleanup in recent months.

“We made ourselves tired picking up rubbish off the ground for two long miles, but it wasn’t bad because we talked to (keep) ourselves out of boredom. There were no complaints. We collected 12 bags full of trash.”

The “Beautify My Marianas” program offers \$100 for each 1-mile cleanup in assigned areas. For more information or an application, visit the MVA homepage at

www.mymarianas.com.



Friends for Life took time for some humor as they picked up trash from Oleai Beach to Sugar Dock on March 7, 2015, as part of the Marianas Visitors Authority's Beautify My Marianas program.

The Northern Mariana Islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota are a chain of idyllic islands in the West Pacific, offering a friendly, fun and exciting vacation in paradise. They are an excellent destination for families, adventure and sports-minded travelers, as well as business people looking for a tropical haven. Adventurous travelers from Asia, Australia, Europe and elsewhere looking for new travel discoveries will find them in the Mariana Islands, just three hours travel from most cities in Japan, and four from Asia and Australia. The Northern Marianas are served from Tokyo and Osaka in Japan by Delta and Asiana Airlines. From Korea, Asiana provides direct daily flights from Seoul and Busan and Jeju Air provides daily service from Seoul. From China, direct flight service from Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou, to Saipan is available. United Airlines has daily flight connections from nine cities in Japan to Saipan with one stop. United States mainland connections can be made by Delta Air Lines to Saipan via Tokyo Narita, and United Airlines via Guam. Russian and Taiwanese visitors usually arrive via Seoul. For more information, visit www.mymarianas.com.

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