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**MHS BAND CLUB CLEANUP HITS THE RIGHT NOTE**

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** – Marianas High Band Club hit the right note recently by joining the Marianas Visitors Authority's (MVA) Beautify My Marianas program.

Twelve members of the band and their chaperone met at The Shack in Oleai and picked up trash and debris along the beach to Quartermaster Rd. intersection.

“We collected various debris, which included empty cans, broken glass, articles of clothing, plastic, etc.,” said the group in their post-action report.

Participants were advisor Gina Aguilar, Diana Lopera, Marcy Ermitanio, Nickles Salmon, Janelle Agulto, Joyce Alfonso, Yuleen Huang, Kathy He, Justina Lee, Daniel Han, Kadi Camacho, Raymon Agno, and Angelica Racelis.

“Through the Beautify My Marianas program, groups like the Marianas High Band Club are able to support tourism by joining the MVA's destination enhancement efforts,” said MVA Community Projects Manager Martin Duenas. “Interested groups are encouraged to download an application off our website and contact Marketing Assistant Aggie Ketebengang, who coordinates the program.”

The “Beautify My Marianas” program offers \$100 for each 1-mile cleanup in assigned areas. For more information or an application for “Beautify My Marianas” visit the MVA homepage at [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com).



The Marianas High Band Club joined the Marianas Visitors Authority's Beautify My Marianas program and collected trash from Oleai Beach to Quartermaster Rd. on Jan. 26, 2015.



The Marianas High Band Club collects recyclables as they join the Marianas Visitors Authority's Beautify My Marianas program on Jan. 26, 2015.

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 flights from Seoul and Busan. China is served from Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou. Russia is served via Vladivostok and Khabarovsk. United Airlines has daily flight connections from nine cities in Japan to Saipan via Guam. United States mainland connections can be made by United Airlines to Saipan via Guam, and Delta Airlines from the west coast to Saipan via Narita. For more information visit [www.mymarianas.com](http://www.mymarianas.com).

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