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OCTOBER

2015

PAR EXCELLENCE TOURNAMENT



For the second year in a row, a father-son team took top honors at the GCC Foundation Par Excellence Golf Tournament, held this year on Oct. 3 at LeoPalace Resort. A scorecard playoff propelled Dr. Ricardo Terlaje and his son Eduardo to first place in the annual tournament, which helps to provide scholarships for GCC students. Dr. Terlaje and 12-year-old Eduardo, a student at Bishop Baumgartner School, netted 68.8 on the links at LeoPalace Resort on Saturday, as did the second place team of Logan Reyes and Zeb Hauser. Having shot a 4 on the 18th hole, though, put the father-son duo ahead.

Rounding out the top three teams this year were Jose Perez and Eddie Castro, who shot a 69 overall. Taking the wild card slot was the team of Rafael Battung and Zaldy Torres. Last year, the father-son team of Dr. Robert and Stephen Gatewood won the GCC tournament.

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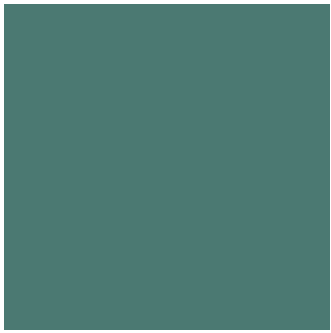


Class tour gets impromptu visit from Governor Calvo

During an HS257 class tour of historic Hagatna on Oct. 31, students met up with Governor Eddie Calvo, who graciously spoke with the class about the exciting revitalization project in Guam's capital village.



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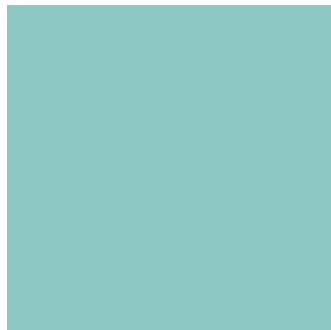


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FROM THE PRESIDENT

October was a very busy month for us. From our student workforce training conference to our GCC Foundation Par Excellence Golf tournament, to a workshop for our employer partners in our Work Experience Program, the GCC campus is “teaming” with activity. This month I was able to meet with several hundred students during our Meet the President sessions, and I really appreciate the honest feedback from our students. These meetings tell us what we are doing well, and probably more importantly, how we can improve our students’ educational experiences at GCC. Congratulations to the GWHS VisCom students, who took 3rd place in the Red Ribbon Drug Free contest with their video about resisting drug pushers – great message, students! And kudos to our Ecowarriors, who have been putting GCC out there in the forefront of environmental activism with regard to the proposed Tumon flood mitigation plan, and with all their cleanup activities. Kudos also to Gov. Calvo for speaking with our HS257 class on their tour of historic Hagatna – they ran into the governor, who spoke with them about the village revitalization project. And thank you to all who enthusiastically joined in our Halloween costume parade and party! Biba GCC!



Several hundred GCC students met with President Okada on Oct. 20 & 21 in the MPA to discuss issues and voice their concerns about parking, campus safety, and other issues. President Okada spoke with the students about services available to them, gave an update on campus improvements (Building 100 renovation is scheduled to start in 2016!) and urged more students to apply for available scholarships.

**MEET THE
PRESIDENT**

DR. RAY SOMERA, AVP
GCC VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS /
ACCREDITATION LIAISON OFFICER

From The ALO's Desk

As part of GCC's outreach efforts to other Pacific Postsecondary Education Council institutions, I traveled to the College of Micronesia -FSM to provide TracDat and assessment training to faculty and administrators on October 2-3. The college absorbed the travel costs while the COM colleges provided my per diem costs. This is another concrete example of leveraged funding that GCC, in partnership with the Pacific colleges involved, has promoted to exchange useful information in the spirit of sharing and cooperation.

With me in the photo are Terry Hazzard, FSM Public School System Board Chair and head of the counseling department at the College of the Marshall Islands; Dr Joseph Daisy, president of the College of Micronesia-FSM; Karen Simion, Vice President of Instruction for COM-FSM; and Dr. Hilda Heine, Minister of Education for the Marshall Islands, along with other COM-FSM faculty, staff and administrators.



The Council of Department Chairs

By Norman Aguilar and Sarah Leon Guerrero

The Council of Department Chairs, more commonly known as CDC, is a group consisting of faculty selected by their peers to serve for a minimum term of two consecutive academic years as a representative of their respective department, and as a spokesperson and advocate for a specific section under the School of Trades and Professional Services (TPS) or the School of Technology & Student Services (TSS) .

The key function of the DC is to liaison between a division and the Dean. The chair is the person the dean will turn to with regard to any issues facing the department, and they are the person who will go to the Dean with concerns initiated by their section.

Department Chairs are responsible for the day-to-day operation of their unit. Currently, 11 DCs represent the various department and programs here at GCC:

Assessment and Counseling	Anthony Roberto
Automotive Service Technology	Christopher Dennis
Business and Visual Communication	Robin Roberson
Construction Trades	Gil Yanger
Education/Cosmetology	Sarah Leon Guerrero
English	Dr. Lisa Baza-Cruz
Math and Science	Carl Torres II
Nursing and Allied Health Administrator	Dorothy (Dee) Manglona
Technology Department	Ricky Tyquiengco
Tourism and Hospitality	Norman Aguilar
Social Science and Criminal Justice	J. Peter Roberto

Midway through the academic year, DC elections are held to select a faculty member eager and willing to lead their department for the upcoming two years. TPS departments are slated to hold elections in January. Any interested TPS faculty?

Here are examples of some of the issues that routinely call for the chair to consult with the Dean:

- Development and implementation of the Departmental Budget and Strategic Plan
- Building semester schedules
- Identification and definition of positions in the department (when change is being considered)
- Searches (various aspects, from approval of the search through to candidate choice)
- Significant curriculum change (new programs and courses, revisions and updates)
- Course logistics (e.g., over- or under-enrollment, caps)
- Departmental contribution to interdisciplinary programs, including the college writing program and assessment requirements
- Most fundamental: establishing a collegial environment, one in which much of the above will take care of itself because all members feel valued, that they have a stake in the endeavor, that they are part of a team, that they have ownership in the program
- Establishing department goals, and checking if those goals are being met (an ongoing concern, with some formal stocktaking perhaps every five or 10 years)
- Helping people get along with each other (personality issues can be a major challenge)
- Sharing the load of service tasks within the department
- Finding ways to balance the wide variety of factors that go into what courses are taught when and by whom

From The Faculty Senate

Leadership is defined by results. The Faculty Senate leadership team strives to strengthen our governance process and to support its Faculty members with the resources to accomplish the GCC mission. As per the Agreement, Faculty Senate "...represents the Faculty of the College in academic and professional matters." Faculty Senate leadership recognizes that Faculty members work directly with our students in accomplishing the GCC mission and are cognizant of student challenges and strengths. Locally and nationally, Faculty members are recognized for their hard work and the caliber of students and skills they nurture and develop through their teaching. Faculty devote countless hours toward student services inside and outside of the classroom. Guam's community has only accolades for GCC's students, programs, and activities.

By encouraging collaborative efforts and transparency, Faculty Senate has been meeting with management regarding various issues affecting Faculty. We strive to obtain the information necessary for Faculty to become informed decision makers. We encourage Faculty to participate with the governance process. One quote comes to mind... "Tell me and I forget; show me and I remember; involve me and I understand." Faculty Senate encourages all stakeholders to actively participate with the governance committees and attend and/or read the various committee meetings' agenda/minutes on MyGCC sites. Faculty Senate leadership team invites Faculty to its meetings which are held bi-weekly on Tuesdays, 8:30 am, C2. If you are unable to attend, you may forward any comments/concerns to the following:

President: Sarah Leon Guerrero, sarah.leonguerrero@guamcc.edu

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President-Elect: Patricia Terlaje, patricia.terlaje@guamcc.edu

Senator: Donna Cruz, donna.cruz@guamcc.edu

Senator: Carl Torres, carl.torresii@guamcc.edu

S.A.F.E. | Stop Abuse For Everybody

The GCC Title IX Coordinator's Office and the Environmental Health and Safety Office, in partnership with Guma' Mami, sponsored an awareness training regarding the abuse of persons with disabilities: S.A.F.E. (Stop Abuse For Everybody), on Oct. 23 in the MPA. The training covered the sexual, physical, emotional, and financial abuse, and neglect of persons with disabilities. The guest presenter was Jirrah Paz C. Bautista, the STOP VAW Program Coordinator for GUMA' MAMI, Inc.



BUILDING STRONGER EMPLOYEES

The annual Building a Stronger Workforce conference drew nearly 150 GCC postsecondary and adult high school students to the Westin Resort Guam on Oct. 2. The free conference is hosted by COPSA, the Center for Student Involvement, Project Aim, and the Assessment & Counseling Dept., and provides students with training on how to be a more productive employee



OCT. 29

COPSA held a Costume Contest, and the Talent Club held an Open Mic session in honor of Halloween on Oct. 29th in the Student Center courtyard. The Japan Club joined in on the fun with some awesome face painting!

NOTABLE:



Si Yu'os ma'ase to the faculty and staff who helped with **Project Aim's GCC tour** for over 40 TRIO students from Pohnpei, Yap, and Palau on Oct. 12. The students are with the Educational Talent Search (ETS) and Upward Bound TRIO programs, visiting Guam to attend a TRIO Pacific Islands Chapter's Student Leadership Conference.

Thank you **GCC Counselors**, for manning a table at the Agana Shopping Center Fair on Halloween!

GLOBAL CARDBOARD CHALLENGE

GCC's Education Department urged parents to off the electronics for a day and encourage their children to actively create and imagine rocket ships, castles, race cars, or whatever they dream up at the 2nd annual FREE Global Cardboard Challenge Oct. 6-8 in the MPA.

"Children are naturally creative, and we wanted to inspire the creativity and imagination that makes them curious and makes them want to learn, and grow up to be scientists, or astronauts, or whatever they want to be," said Melissa Palomo, Early Childhood Education instructor. Palomo organized the first Global Cardboard Challenge on Guam last year at GCC.

Early Childhood Education majors designed playhouses and other imaginative items out of cardboard for the 3-day event, with a section for children to design and decorate their own items. The first 200 children to attend the Cardboard Challenge received free t-shirts!





OCT. 29

On Oct. 29, GCC Ecowarriors attended the GEDCA meeting to testify against the proposed Tumon flood mitigation plan, along with former Senator Carlotta Leon Guerrero, and students and professors from the UOG Marine Lab. The Ecowarriors voiced their concerns and exhibit signs protesting the proposal - which has now been tabled by the board!

PRACTICING SUSTAINABILITY

Thanks to all who gave up three hours of their Saturday to participate in the Clean Our House Day on October 24. Lots of recycling was sorted, and about 200 lbs. of plastics were diverted from the landfill from GCC.



CLEAN OUR HOUSE DAY VOLUNTEERS:

12 Volunteers: William Jasper, Vince Palacios, Kiko Palacios, Alison Hadley, Junior Palacios, Ron Abshire, Julie Ulloa-Heath, Tony Roberto, Gerald Cruz, Mina Sablan, Sarah Leon Guerrero, & Bruce Thorson

CLEANING OUR HOUSE!

ARBOR MONTH

October was Arbor Month and the GCC Ecowarriors celebrated by helping out at the Arbor Day Ceremony on Oct. 13, at a Tree Planting in Manell Watershed, Merizo on Oct. 24, (which was also a service learning project for GCC students!). On Halloween, the Ecowarriors, the Guam Nature Alliance, and the Forestry and Soil Resources Division of the Dept of Agriculture hosted a 'Tricks or Trees' tree planting at Masso Reservoir in Piti. Students dressed as their favorite tree, forest spirit, or sea creature.

TRASH TIP

Take your trash with you! After a day at the beach, it's always important to remember to bring your trash and recyclables back with you. Not only can waste that is left at the beach make such a beautiful place look less attractive, it can easily make its way into the ocean and harm marine life. Simple actions like this can go a long way!

OCT. 3

MCA awards scholarships to Culinary Arts students

The Micronesian Chefs Association awarded two scholarships to GCC Culinary Arts students Chelsea Atoigue and Chandler Aguon on Oct. 6 at Delmonico Restaurant in Tumon.



OCT. 12



International Buffet

Culinary Arts students in the International Cuisine and Fundamentals of Patisserie course taught by instructors Chef Bertrand Haurillon and Chef Suharto presented a lunch buffet on Oct. 12 in the MPA. The \$10-per-person buffet menu featured Chinese, Japanese, Indian, and Thai cuisine that the students learned to prepare during this unique course offering. GCC employees of course supported the delicious event!



OCT. 15

The Micronesian Chef's Association hosted Salon Culinaire 2015 **"The Battle at Manng Town,"** on Oct. 15 in the GCC Culinary Arts kitchen. The annual event creates opportunity for the development of chefs on Guam, and features secondary (ProStart), junior chef, professional chef, and master chef competitions in "mystery," or "black box" style, where the competitors do not know the ingredients until shortly before the competition. The exception is the ProStart competition, where high school students are informed of the ingredients 10 days before the competition to allow for menu planning.



SECONDARY NEWS



Seniors in the GCC Career & Technical Education ProStart and Lodging Management programs at Simon Sanchez High School enrolled presented three-minute TED-style talks October 13, as a culminating activity of their unit on "Communication and Public Speaking." Each student used the TED-style model to tell a 3-minute story about a personal struggle, passion, or life-changing event to the audience.

The CTE GWHS VISCOM class won 3rd place in the **Red Ribbon Drug Free contest** at the Agana Shopping Center on Oct. 30. The school received a certificate and the students were each awarded prize bags.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9r0w49HIJY>

EMPLOYEE NEWS

Congratulations to Frances Untalan and Carl Torres II for their election as secretary and treasurer, respectively, during the special election for GCC Employee Association officers in October.

Again this year, the GCC blue was prevalent at the annual MagPro 5K, which was actually ON Halloween. No costumed runners from GCC though - we did that yesterday!



HALLOWEEN!

It's the most spirited holiday at GCC, where almost everyone in the administration building dresses up for the annual Halloween parade around the parking lot and merienda. This year's event was full of scary, funny, Disney, and witchy creatures!



MINAGOF HA'ĀNEN MAMAFA'ÑA'GUE!



Senmagof Kompl' años para i Empliao
Kulehon Kumunidat Guahan Siha
Ni mafañagu gi Oktubri/Fanggualo' na mes 2015!

Happy Birthday to the following Guam Community College Employees for the month of October 2015

Sandy Balbin
Emma Bataclan
Eric Chong
Donna Cruz
Vangie Cruz
Liz Diego
Christie Ginson
Tamara Hiura

Jo Kerr
Steve Lam
Rich Manglona
Amada Manzana
Edgar Masnayon
Christine Sison
Genny Mesa
Rose Marie Nanpei
Lyndon Pajarillo

Patty Palacios
Ronaldo Paulino
Vincent Paulus
Robin Roberson
Dan Romulo
Frank Salas
Ben Sison
Albert Toves

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