



Global Council monthly meeting
Thursday, March 11, 2010
11:15a to 12:30p, Drescher Loft

I. Information Items

- a. GC websites (www.smcglobal.org and www.smc.edu/gcc/)
- b. Spring Flex Day: Thursday, March 18
- c. Calif. Study Abroad Collaboration meeting at Whittier College, March 19
- d. Study Abroad scholarships
- e. UN World Water Day: Monday, March 22
- f. Research Symposium: Friday, May 21
- g. Summer 2010: Salzburg Global Seminar, Pacifica Institute Turkey tour, and Fulbright-supported Turkey group project

II. Proposed Events looking for support

- a. capstone Water Week in May
- b. Service
 - i. day of service
 - ii. “Club Row”–style event focusing on volunteer opportunities
 - iii. online resources comparable <http://volunteer.ucla.edu>
- c. Late April: OneVoice Israel-Palestine student event (see Attachment)
- d. Summer film: “El Perro del Hortelano” (see Attachment)

III. Global Council subcommittees

- a. Curriculum (Estela Narrie)
- b. Professional Development (Toni Trives and Daniel Cano)
- c. Student Life/Affairs/Engagement (Jose Cue and Peggy Kravitz)
- d. others? (community service, communication, international business)
- e. Study Abroad (Garen Baghdasarian and Nancy Grass Hemmert)

Global Council meetings are held the second Thursday of each month, 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the Drescher Loft. All are invited to attend. The Council is co-chaired by Geography professor Pete Morris and Dean Georgia Lorenz, who would be happy to receive your comments and questions.

Future meetings during the Spring semester: April 8, May 13

Upcoming Events

- Continuing through April 30: “Of Water” photo exhibition, Drescher Hall, second-floor Photo Gallery
- March 11, evening, AET 235. “Tapped” documentary—behind the scenes look into the unregulated industry that privatizes and sells water. Presented by Sara Byles and one of the producers. (sponsored by The SMC Associates)
- March 16, activity hour, HSS 165. Rolando Ortiz & Danny Herrera, “Reading Saved My Life”, Two young Latino authors talk about the influences that inspired them as they grew up in the Los Angeles barrios. (Literary Series)
- March 19, 6:00 pm, Barrett Art Gallery, Performing Arts Center. Artists’ reception for “The Water Project” (exhibit runs through April 3)
- March 22, 2:15 pm, on the Quad. SMC Dance Instructor, Linda Yudin leads an Afro-Brazilian community dance celebration of World Water Day.
- March 23, activity hour, HSS 165. Dr. Laura Stachel, “Where There is No Light: Improving Maternity Care in Developing Regions Through Solar Power.” (Global Connections)
- March 25, activity hour, HSS 165. Randy Shaw, “Activism in the Age of Obama” (UC Press)
- March 25, activity hour, Science 140. Louise Hamlin of NASA JPL speaks about her field research studying the impacts of global climate change on Antarctica (Distinguished Scientists)
- April 8, activity hour, Science 140. Kristin Kowolik discusses natural arsenic contamination of water in Bangladesh (Distinguished Scientists)
- Apr 20, activity hour. Darryl-Keith Ogata (Water Lecture series)
- Apr 22, activity hour, HSS 165. Dr. Amy Zegart, “Intelligence & National Security: A Hard Look.” (Global Connections)
- May 6, activity hour, HSS 165. Barbara Goldberg of “Wells Bring Hope” describes their work in Niger. (Global Connections)
- May 15–16, 7:30 pm, Broad Stage. Global Motion Folklorico World Dance
- May 21, 1:00 pm. Student Research Symposium and Speech Tournament on the global-citizenship theme of water.
- May 25, activity hour, Science 140. Peter Edmunds, “The Acid Test for Coral Reefs in Hot Water” (Distinguished Scientists)
- May 27, 7:00 pm, HSS 165. Anthropologist Tricia Allen discusses Polynesian Tattoo Art in SMC’s 11th Annual Asian/Pacific Islander Celebration

Attachments

Agenda Item II.c.

The Israel-based OneVoice Movement, which describes itself as “an international mainstream grassroots movement that aims to amplify the voice of Israeli and Palestinian moderates, empowering them to seize back the agenda for conflict resolution and demand that their leaders achieve a two-state solution,” would like to hold a student-focused event at SMC during the last week of April. (Available dates are on April 26, 28, and 30.) Apparently, SMC students organized a OneVoice event last year, and OneVoice is looking to make a larger impact this year. They have suggested a lunch, afternoon, and/or evening event, as well as potentially speaking to classes. Their presentations typically last for an hour and a half, featuring a brief video of their work and then 10-15 personal narratives of the group’s trained Youth Leaders. All they require are time and multimedia-equipped space and some help in promoting their visit. More information on their work can be found at www.OneVoiceMovement.org

Agenda Item II.d.

Sandi Burnett’s daughter, Annika Beaulieu, will be in town July 9–18, and she has requested a free on-campus screening of her film, “El Perro del Hortelano”. The film, which opened last Fall in Peru, examines in a light-hearted but serious way the ongoing conflicts between indigenous peoples of the Amazon basin and oil producers. Per the film’s website, it is a:

feature comedy about Brus, an indigenous artist, and his efforts to organize his community against an American oil company, Kenny Oil. Searching for answers, Brus joins a local NGO, finding himself entangled in the subversive work of an American researcher, Angie. As Brus explores the surreal world of volunteers and development experts, he ultimately discovers his own way of bringing strength to his community.

Other than simply providing the space, Beaulieu is looking for modest support to help promote the film’s showing to SMC students and the broader community. More can be learned about the film and the larger project of which it is a part at www.perrodelhortelano.com and www.selvarica.com.