

# The ASSOCIATE

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## Gambel appointed to HEACO



RCC alum **Burrel Gambel**, Chickasha, has been appointed to represent RCC on the Board of Directors for the Higher Education Alumni Council of Oklahoma (HEACO).

HEACO is a statewide organization of supporters of the state system of higher education. Part of HEACO's mission is to enhance the social welfare of the general public in Oklahoma by promoting and encouraging the development and improvement of colleges and universities supported by the State of Oklahoma.

Gambel graduated with an associate's degree from El Reno Junior College in 1941. Since his graduation, he has continued to be involved with RCC, including serving as an active member of RCC's Alumni Association, volunteering at RCC's Bookstore during the first few days of each semester, being active within the RCC Foundation, and endowing a scholarship to assist adult female students who are continuing their education.

According to RCC President Larry Devane, Gambel's enthusiasm and dedication to his alma mater are invaluable.

"Burrel supports numerous activities across campus. You couldn't ask for a better representative of Redlands. He is very active with our alumni association and foundation and volunteers at all kinds of activities," Devane said. "Burrel has been a part of RCC for many years and his time and dedication are wonderful. He truly is the type of individual who represents the qualities that all Oklahomans would like to see actively involved with HEACO."

## RCC to host "A Taste of Route 66" in October

For the third year in a row, Redlands Community College is offering an opportunity to learn more about Route 66 during "A Taste of Route 66." The 2005 Route 66 presentation is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 12**, in the RCC Conference Center. "A Taste of Route 66" is free and open to the public and will feature a presentation by **Marian Clark**, renowned Route 66 cookbook author, and an art exhibition by **Jerry McClanahan**, Route 66 artist.

The events kick off at Noon with a luncheon featuring foods found in various restaurants along Route 66. During lunch, Clark will speak about her experiences in researching, preparing, and writing her books, *The Route 66 Cookbook* and *Hogs on 66*, which was co-authored by Michael Wallis. Prior to Clark's presentation, El Reno High School's show choir will provide entertainment for guests.

RCC's Art Gallery will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring McClanahan's work, including 15 paintings – both oils and watercolors – and photography. His artwork depicts interpretations of sites along Route 66, including reflections on the Dustbowl days, the triumphs of tourism, and the culture of the car. The exhibit will run October 10 through November 30.

According to Denise Wynia-Wedel, RCC Art Instructor and Art Gallery Curator, "A Taste of Route 66" will offer entertainment and enjoyment for all ages. "This is the third year in our Route 66 series and I'm pleased we are able to bring Marian and Jerry to our campus. Our previous Route 66 presentations have been wonderful and we expect this year to follow that tradition," Wynia-Wedel said. "Their (Marian and Jerry) work is outstanding and will provide a great

experience for everyone in the community. I encourage anyone with an interest in Route 66, food, or artwork to attend the presentation."

Following the luncheon and presentation, Clark and McClanahan will present a book signing. During the book signing, copies of Clark's cookbooks, *The Route 66 Cookbook* and *Hogs on 66*, and copies of McClanahan's book, *EZ66 Guide for Travelers* will be available for purchase and signing. Also available will be a CD

created by Buenger Dixon, a Texas artist, for the Tulsa International Route 66 Festival.

Clark, a noted author, lecturer, and historian of Route 66, has a degree in Vocational Home Economics from Texas Tech University. She has written several cookbooks, including *The Main Street of America Cookbook* and *Southwestern Heritage*

*Cookbook*. Clark has appeared on the Food Channel, in a Smithsonian study course, on "The Michael Feldman Show," and on British TV in the series, "Cookabout with Greg and Max: Route 66." In addition, she has coordinated several Route 66 study courses and tours and served as a director of the Tulsa International Route 66 Festival in June 2004.

McClanahan, who has a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of North Texas, paints scenes and icons of his own choosing from Route 66, as well as specially commissioned artwork. His artwork has appeared in numerous publications, including *Historic Traveler* and *Popular Mechanics*.

RCC's Route 66 presentation series was developed as part of Oklahoma's Centennial Celebration.



## Fine Art Club offers portrait workshop

Redlands Community College Fine Art Club will be offering a "Beginning Portraits" workshop from 1-4 pm on October 28, in OE 120, which is located in the Occupational Education Building on RCC's campus. The workshop is free and supplies will be provided.

This event is the second of two fall 2005 workshops offered by the student art organization. The event is open to all RCC students and members of the surrounding communities.

Pre-registration is required to attend the workshop and seating is limited. To register, contact Denise Wynia-Wedel, RCC Art Club Advisor, at 405.262.2552, ext. 2628, or [wyniad@redlandsc.edu](mailto:wyniad@redlandsc.edu).

## Golf team wins first tourney of season

Members of RCC's Women's Golf Team began their 2005-06 season in a big way when they won the North Texas State University Division I Golf Tournament at Robson Ranch Golf Club in Denton, Texas. In addition to winning the team title, three members of RCC's team placed in the top 15 individual places.

The tournament included teams from North Texas State University, Texas A&M – Corpus Christi, the University of Northern Iowa, Texas State University, Oral Roberts University, McNeese State University, Texas-Pan American, University of Louisiana – Monroe, and McClennan Community College.

**Randy Keck**, RCC Head Women's Golf Coach, is happy with his team's performance

during their first tournament of the year. "This is the first time that I know of where a community college has won a Division I tournament. I'm very proud of our players," said Keck.

**Camila Sola**, sophomore from Buenos Aires, Argentina, finished with a score of 220 for the 54-hole tournament and a second-place finish. **Grace Jeong**, freshman from Lawrence, Kan., finished at 232 to tie for 11th place. **Natalie Dotson**, sophomore from Cushing, tied for 12th place with a score of 233. **Yuri Shin**, freshman from Nagoya, Japan, shot 239; **Jaryn Rainey**, sophomore from Turner, shot 243; and **Ashley Brassfield**, from Midland, Tex., shot 254.

## PTK to host satellite seminars

You can learn more about how popular culture influences and impacts your life during a series of satellite seminars offered through RCC's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa.

The first satellite seminar for this year, "The Sexualization of Culture and the Nevada Brothel Industry: McDonalidization, Pornographication, and Social Change in Late Capitalism," was held September 27 in RCC's MM-125.

Four additional satellite seminars, featuring various pop culture topics, will be featured on **October 11, October 25, November 8, and November 15**. There is no charge for the seminars, and the public is invited to attend

Phi Theta Kappa is the international honorary society for two year colleges. Its mission is to recognize and encourage the academic achievement of students and to provide opportunities for individual growth and development through participation in honors, leadership, service, and fellowship activities.

## Women's basketball team attends retreat

Members of RCC's Women's Basketball team recently attended a retreat in Carnegie, Okla., for a weekend of team building, planning, and goal setting.

According to **Laci Tompkins**, RCC's Head Women's Basketball Coach, Lyn and Terri Johnson, Carnegie, Okla., hosted the team for the weekend.

"The Johnsons make us feel like their house is our house," Tompkins said.

During the retreat, team members spent time setting goals and working to gain a vision and plan for what the team wants to accomplish during the upcoming season.

## Fall enrollment increases



Enrollment is up from the same time a year ago. RCC's fall 2005 head count is 2,469, an increase of more than 1 percent over fall 2004. Total semester hours have increased to 20,790, a 1.5 percent increase. RCC is offering outreach courses in 39 locations, up from 28 locations in 2004; and the number of high school concurrent courses has been expanded to accommodate more students.

"We have seen a pretty significant growth in the academic areas where students can participate in hands-on activities," said RCC President Larry Devane. "We also continue to see an increased demand for enrollment in several of our selective admission programs. There are more students interested in these programs than we are capable of admitting each year."



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