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# WCCI Successful 14<sup>th</sup> World Conference: a Fitting Celebration to Its 40<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary.

The Year 2010 Draws to a Close: The President Message – V. Shieh

Dear WCCI friends and colleagues,



As the year 2010 draws to a close, I would like to fully extend my appreciation and gratitude to the beloved members of the WCCI family. May we all lead a Godblessed healthy and joyful life in the coming year of rabbit, year

2011, WCCI shall be as teeming with life as ever and lead our WCCI family to a better future.

In retrospect of my two-year term as WCCI president, I feel warm and grateful as this is the greatest reward for me, as well as the most meaningful accomplishment in my life. At this time of the year, various memories of my two-year term as WCCI president spring up and I would like to take this opportunity to write down and share with you my thoughts and feelings from that time.

In the spring of 2008, I accepted the invitation of the best chapter- the Filipino chapter, and participated in the conference at the ocean-surrounded Palawan State University. WCCI conference issues and WCCI Turkey World Conference were discussed with WCCI international board members. I also witnessed the inauguration of Pacific Rim Park in Palawan.

In April 2010, I headed to San Diego for the preliminary meeting for the 2010 WCCI world conference to be held later in Hungary, which in turn allowed me to come across the wonderful Pacific Rim Park, in Shelter Island, San Diego which is teeming with rich marine life.

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**Estela C. Matriano, EdD.**WCCI Executive Director
San Diego, California, USA

It was WCCI 40<sup>th</sup> year historic celebration held at the University of Pécs, Pécs, Hungary. Pécs the 2010 European Capital of Culture lent its unique significance to this historical celebration. The University of Pecs, Faculty of Adult Education and Human Resources and Alliant International University Shirley M. Hufstedler School of Education (HSOE) were the sponsors of this world event. The host institution under the leadership of the Dean, Professor Denes Koltai provided an excellent model of hosting a world conference. HSOE, Alliant International University as the host institution of the WCCI Secretariat was represented by Founding Dean and Associate Provost Karen Schuster-Webb.

WCCI successful 14<sup>th</sup> World Conference was attended by more than 300 participants from 25 countries. The conference theme: *Defining Democracy, Freedom and Entrepreneurship in the Context of Global Society* was a clarion call as world educators engaged in a dialogue relevant to the situation in Eastern Europe in particular and the world community in general.

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Participants from Egypt, Nigeria, Philippines, Taiwan, Turkey and USA

#### From the Editor

Be certain that the spirit of Democracy, Freedom and Entrepreneurship will continue....



Writing an editorial about an event that you were not able to attend is a challenge! Today I realized that you do not have to attend a conference to be a part of a clearly developed message. You can live the intention and continue the lessons by

becoming aware of the topics

through on-going communication with the participants. I am honored to work with colleagues who devote their lives to peace, education and life freedoms within a globalized society. It is a pleasure to hear the stories and read the literature about the conference and the travel to surrounding countries. Perhaps this is the next best thing to attending and an example of the spirit of the theme of collaboration that was intended by this successful event.

As the editor of the newsletter for the World Council for Curriculum and Instruction, it is pleasing to present the reflections and hard work from the 40<sup>th</sup> celebration. The 14<sup>th</sup> World Conference in Education that took place in Pecs, Hungary July 11-17 2010 clearly demonstrated the power of bringing people together from all over the World to share and communicate!

Defining Democracy Freedom and Entrepreneurship in the Context of a Globalized Society titled the event and created a foundation for transnational educational experiences through collaboration between colleagues across the globe. This gathering supported the effective sharing of professional concerns, discussion of best practices within education and presented opportunities to work with officials who were representing several worldwide agencies.

Interviews from several of the conference participants reflect a vivid worldwide discussion of the success when people come together with a common theme of peace with an effective design. The following comments are both appreciated and admired as an intention of sharing individual experiences and supporting further thought.

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Wishing you Happy New Year And May Peace on Earth reigns in our hearts

### WCCI International New Executive **Board Members**

Congratulations and welcome to the new set of Executive Board Members 2011-2013.

The past president, Vincent Shieh and the Secretariat wish to thank Corey Lock, Chair of Nominating and Elections Committee and members for volunteering their time to have a new set of officers.

#### **President- Elect**



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ismail Hakki Mirici, WCCI Life member, ELP National Contact Person the Ministry of Education, Turkey in the Council of Europe, is the head of ELT Department at

Akdeniz University Faculty of Education in Antalya, Turkey. He is also the Founding President of the WCCI Turkish Chapter. He has been teaching in Turkish universities for about 26 years. He has published 20 books and 50 articles. He has participated in the steering committees of several national international education projects. His main fields of studies are English Language Teaching, and Curriculum and Instruction. He was a member of the WCCI Executive Board, 2008-2010.

My goal is to pursue the mission of WCCI in terms of sustainable world peace, education for all regardless of their gender, race, religion, language and location. My other goal is to increase the number of WCCI chapters all over the world, especially in the continent Europe. I also aim to divert global attention and care to the areas where there still happen some undesired conflicts, which cause the lives of innocent civilians. For this purpose I am planning to organize forums, conferences and dialog group meetings. During my term, I will try to provide leadership that will encourage and motivate the members of the WCCI Executive Board to be always on the move, make site visits, participate actively in conferences, and build partnerships in order to create a more visible and active world organization.

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There were 173 Keynote speakers, guest speakers, presenters, and VIP contributors who participated in an anniversary program that made the conference a fitting tribute to a world organization that reached its Ruby Jubilee with much success and notable achievements as one of the NGO of the United Nations.



The keynote speech of Betty Reardon (USA), "Negotiating Definitions and Manifestations of Values for a Culturally Diverse Global Civil Society," and a Response from Magnus Haavelsrud (Norway), as an

opening speech provided a thought provoking springboard for the conference; the second Keynote Speech of John Raven (Scotland), "Moving From ABC to DEF in Education," and a Response from Piyush Swami (India/USA), challenged the participants on their own views on the educational process; And the Presidential Address/Alice Miel Lecture of Vincent Shieh (Taiwan), WCCI President, "Meeting the Challenges of Mother Earth: Creating Strategies for Community Development and Sustainability," and a Response from Karen Schuster-Webb (USA) was a fitting tribute to Alice Miel, WCCI Founder and also demonstrated the dedication of WCCI to the care of the earth and the human family.



From left: S. Klein, E. Matriano, K Webb, P. Swami, V. Shieh & A. Lo

The paper presentations of academicians, teachers, scholars and community activists provided a variety of scholarly research and practical projects on how to contribute to the purposes of the conference and the mission of WCCI.

The celebrations that accompanied the academic contributions added the festive atmosphere of the world event. There were opportunities to tour historical landmarks of the city, visit the Gypsy community, interact with the natives of Hungary and savor the arts as well as the cuisine of the city.

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C. Caparros, E. Matriano and participants from Thailand and India

The highlight of the festivities was the International Banquet and Gala held on the last evening of the conference. The anniversary program was studded with performances of delegates from the different member countries in their unique costumes and talent numbers of dance, songs and other artistic presentations. WCCI 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Awards were given to the members who have been active members for 25 or more years and to the current members of the Executive Board and Guests of Honor present.

The presentation of a huge 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary cake by The University of Pécs, the host institution, was a big surprise and a fitting gift to WCCI which touched the hearts of those present especially international guests. The

blowing of the candles and sharing a piece of cake with everyone was the climax of the  $40^{th}$  year celebration. WCCI members greeted everyone happy  $40^{th}$  anniversary in different cultural expressions and languages. It was a



S. Klein, E. Matriano and V. Shieh

glorious celebration and a testimony of a very successful conference.

To the Faculty of Adult Education and Human Resources Development and its Dean Professor Denes Koltai, and Conference Director, Sandor Klein. WCCI extended its profound gratitude for being the excellent hosts for the WCCI 14<sup>th</sup> World Conference and its historic 40<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration. It was a superb experience for all. ▲







Students at the University of Pecs

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#### Vice President



**Teresita P. Pedrajas**, PhD., WCCI Life member, President of WCCI Philippine Chapter, 2004-2006 and WCCI Executive Board 2008-2010. She is currently the Dean of the College of Education, Global City Innovative College (GCIC) she assists in the concretization of the vision-

mission of the institution as excellence, leadership and service to the community via administration and supervision in the planning, implementation and evaluation of the curricular programs, administrators- faculty- student development programs, instruction, research, assessment, community outreach with leaders, linkages with the business and educational institutions for affiliation as partners and promotion of education as a teaching profession.

Moreover, as the former President and now as a regular member of the Board of Directors of the Philippines Metrobank's Network of Outstanding Teachers and Educators, she has led the group to conduct national and regional conferences on varied themes for administrators and faculty members' professional growth.

Position Statements on WCCI Program/Mission: I firmly believe in the Mission of the WCCI to promote a harmonious and peaceful global community, unity in diversity via curricular programs and all essential concerns of all educators and leaders world wide as in the Early Childhood, Human Rights, Peace Education, Ethics and Values, Information Technology, Global Sustainability, Gender Education, Community Development, Global Education, Democracy, Freedom, Governance. ▲

#### **Executive Board Members**



Carolina P. Danao, PhD., WCCI life member. Currently, she is the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Global City Innovative College, Taguig City Philippines. She is the president of the Teachers Organization of the

Philippines; actively coordinating writing projects for Phoenix Publishing House, and presently revising a workbook series in Social Studies and in Filipino Language. She is also teaching graduate courses at the Polytechnic University of the Philippines. She has been the President of WCCI Philippine Chapter for two consecutive years (2004-2006). She directed a successful WCCI 12<sup>th</sup> World Conference in Education held at Manila Hotel, Manila, Philippines in August 2006.

Her goal for the present WCCI leadership: she suggests getting in touch with all chapter members to do some comparative analyses of their country's program for promotion of the Culture of Peace. She is hoping to yield a concrete output through the joint efforts among chapters with the WCCI International.



Peter Heffernan, PhD., is from Canada and is currently the President (2008-2012) of the WCCI-North American Chapter. Now completing his second, two-year term in that capacity, he welcomes the opportunity to

continue his work at the level of the international board. For his upcoming term (2011-2013) as a WCCI-International Executive Board member, he has set the following goals for himself —

- 1) to promote continuing increase of the WCCI membership from North America, particularly from Canada and Mexico, while building on the already strong and valued American base at both the North American and international levels,
- 2) to promote continuing and growing value of diversity (whether represented by gender, religion, political system, skin color, language, culture, or other) within WCCI and in the WCCI's educational outreach to the diverse human community found in all the corners of the world; and
- 3) to continue to try to be a peace maker by fully listening to and respecting others and recognizing in the end that we are all servants for and to one another. ▲



Sandor Klein, PhD., is an active member and one of the first members of WCCI since the birth of WCCI in Asilomar, California in 1970. He is from Budapest, Hungary. His long time dream to bring the WCCI to his own country was fulfilled in the summer of 2010. It was a dream come true for him to host the

WCCI conference together with Dean Koltai of University of Pecs. The 14<sup>th</sup> WCCI World Conference together with 40<sup>th</sup> Year of Celebration was a big success. Sandor will continue to promote the mission of WCCI to Eastern European countries, his first assignment from the founder is to organize more chapters in the European countries. **A** 

#### Continuing Executive Board Members

Benedicta Agusiobo – Nigeria Judith Johnson – Japan/USA Janet Geetha Vitus – India Editor's . . . continued from page 2

Dilek Pekince, a researcher from Turkey especially liked her Special Interest Group. In the group others encouraged her and felt people supported her goals. She came to the conference because she wanted to see different perspectives from around the world. By working with a diverse group, she felt it would help her with her own goals. Dilek is looking forward to Taiwan. **\( \Lambda \)** 



Jacquilin U. Magat, a Middle School Teacher at Bell Junior High School, San Diego, California, from the Philippines



expressed her feelings about first feeling intimidated everyone because they were university professors but at the same time she felt blessed to be around some gentle men and women. Now, "I feel

empowered; I learned so much

from the conference everyone was thinking about how to or protect humanity and the planet and promote save world peace. They were not only teachers but problem solvers." She went on to say she felt comfortable and very happy to be a part of this and can't wait for the next conference!

Flosy D'Souza from India wrote: The conference was a very

rich experience for me. Had a lot of opportunity to talk to many professionals. John Raven was thrilling because many schools in India use Raven's Progressive Metrics (RPM), a standardized test. The concurrent sessions were also very good. She thought the confe-



rence should be shorter; more relaxed the first two days. Technology was her special interest group. She said, "It was good and very active." ▲

Jimmi Fisher, a librarian from Texas, USA said, "It was fascinating to hear the accents and the international efforts of coming together, all working for a single cause. It is an opportunity to be a citizen of the world." A



Monika Reti and Edit Lippai both researchers from Hungary both shared the following comments. "You rarely have an opportunity to attend an international conference that truly offers an international approachthis was a good experience. There were many different approaches to addressing everyday problems. especially liked the presentation on the bees.

Although Hungarian and Nigerian research approaches were different, there were also similarities. EU environmental approaches that is sometimes narrow.

We wondered if they will work in another culture. They went on to say that from the conference, they could rethink approaches and the use of best practices. John Raven's session was the favorite session as he offered new and creative information. It was inspirational and made



them want to dig into his material. **\( \Lambda \)** 

Dr. Vickie Williams did interviews while attending the conference. Thank you to Vickie for her support of such meaningful responses to share with the entire WCCI community.

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Thus, as Carole and I will be collaborating on the WCCI Taiwan World Conference as well as with Kyle on the Pacific Rim Park in 2012. The PRP inauguration will take place during the WCCI conference in Taiwan. WCCI members will be invited to take part in the inauguration ceremony.

In 2007, Dr. Matriano, Dr. Brawner (WCCI President 2006-2007), and my two graduate students went to Antalya, Turkey, to assist with the planning and organizing of the WCCI World Conference in Turkey and to also call on Taiwanese scholars to take part in the 2008 world conference, which featured themes as "medical ethics" and "enhancing the competitiveness of higher eduction" so as to share the education experience in Taiwan. My colleagues and I learned a lot from participating in the WCCI World Conference in Turkey and seeing the cooperation and efforts of both the WCCI International Executive Board and the Turkish Executive Board under the leadership of my good friend, Ismail Mirici, firsthand. This valuable experience can really benefit us in terms of managing our Taiwanese chapter, as well as planning the 2012 WCCI 15th World Conference in Taiwan.

A disaster-wrought country, Taiwan, is situated in the Monsoon belt and earthquake zone of the pacific rim. In 2009, typhoon Morakot brought a recordbreaking amount of rainfall to heavily wrecked Taiwan and the Philippines and the tragedy of an entire village being buried almost



A house submerged in Chiatung, Pingtung County, Southern Taiwan Photo courtesy of

instantaneously by a landslide. Angela and I took up reconstruction work in indigenous tribes and through employment training, school/community co-learning, and the resurgence of local and traditional cultures. This is also the topic of my speech for the Alice Meil Lecture at the 2010 Hungary World Conference: "Meeting the Challenges of Mother Earth: Creating Strategies for Community Evelopment and Sustainabinability."

My colleague and I also formed a panel discussion on "The Development and Implementation of Disaster Education in Taiwan" to discuss the significance of and reflection on post-disaster reconstruction and humanitarian aid that can be derived from global disasters triggered by environmental changes and global warming. Speaking of humanitarian aid, my daughter, Ierna, who is a WCCI baby, attended the WCCI world conference in Japan with me when she was only two years old.

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She and I also engaged in humanitarian efforts by being part of the Guatemala Mobile Medical Mission. In mere two weeks, having served thousands of people in disaster zones that were formerly menaced and destructed by volcanoes, landslides and typhoons really worn us out and even got us extremely sick after we returned home. Nevertheless, I must say that this valuable experience in humanitarian aid has really enriched the life experience for Ierna and me. I consider this mission in line with the WCCI mission.

The 40th World Conference of WCCI held at University of Pécs in Hungary was not only an honor for me, but also an honor for all WCCI members. With a team led by Sandor Klein who organized the event in collaboration with the Secretariat in San Diego, and providing hospitable reception, we were able to have an extremely successful conference and a memorable summer in the capital of European culture. In 2008, Dr. Matriano and Carole visited Taiwan and encouraged me and my colleagues to participate in the WCCI World Conference in Hungary. To me, being the President of WCCI is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Therefore, there were about twenty Taiwanese participants at the WCCI Hungary conference who not only presented their papers, but also assisted in the Cultural Bazaar as fundraising campaign for WCCI scholarship.



Taiwanese delegations

They were dressed in traditional Taiwanese indigenous clothing to be a part of the International Cultural Night and shared with friends of WCCI Taiwanese indigenous culture and a song, "Moon Represents My Heart." At the celebration of WCCI's 40th anniversary, all the members of the WCCI family were grateful to Sandor and his team for the wonderful arrangements to remind us and reminisce on our growing experience in WCCI. The Taiwanese team submitted a proposal to host the 2012 WCCI World Conference at the Board meeting in Hungary. The proposal was unanimously accepted by the Board. Thereby, Taiwan will be the host for the WCCI 15th World Conference in 2012. The conference dates will be on December 28-January 4, 2013. In other words, we will be welcoming the first dawn of 2013 and we sincerely welcome all WCCI members to come to Kaohsiung as winter is the most beautiful season in the city. **\( \Lambda \)** 

### Water with Gas or "No" Gas A Reflective Essay on the WCCI 14th World Conference, University of Pécs, Hungary, July 2010

#### **Daniel Joseph Kazim Bardy**

Associate Professor ESL Graduate Program Leader, International Ambassador College of Graduate and Innovative Programs Department of Curriculum, Language, and Literacy Concordia University Chicago

Beginning with the pre-conference tour of the city of Budapest, Hungary until the final taxi ride from Pécs to Budapest, "Water with Gas or 'No' Gas" captures many cherished moments of remembrance for the Mad Dog Adventurer. I hope for those who attended the conference the essay reopens your tabernacle of honored memories; and if you were not able to attend, the essay creates an intrapersonal shared experience.



Budapest, Hungary Danube River

The pre-conference tour of the city Budapest, which is divided by the Danube River, the group of travelers I was charged with, found out Buda is much older than Pest and Buda being very hilly and Pest being flat. The rich history of Hungary was revealed through tour guides who served as history teachers.

After a few days, the pre-conference group traveled on to Pécs, Hungary and joined the larger gathering of conference participants. Pécs was one of three cities named as a European Capital of Culture for 2010 and justifiably so. Attendees were offered ample opportunities to view historical landmarks and buildings, attend and be interactive participants in cultural events, and taste numerous gastronomical delights.

From the opening ceremony, on through the conference sessions and activities, to the final WCCI General Meeting with reports from the special interest groups, culminating at the official close with the International Banquet 777

and 40<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Program Celebration, this reflection of the 14<sup>th</sup> World Conference: Defining Democracy, Freedom and Entrepreneurship in the Context of a Globalized Society, is submitted with great respect and hopefully does justice to the organization committee, participants, attendees, sponsors of the conference, and now the readers. The following are just a few snapshots of memories added to my book of life travels during the 14<sup>th</sup> World Council for Curriculum and Instruction held at the University of Pécs, Hungary July 11-17, 2010.

#### **Sessions of Distinction**

I remember clearly Sister Lydia Fernandes, St. Ann's College of Education, Mangalore, India speaking during her session, "Integration of Human Rights in Teacher Education Curriculum", making reference connections to Margaret Mead's, "a small group as a change agent." I also connected with, "The Learning Environment and the Hidden Curriculum: Human rights can be effective only in an educational environment where the rights of the child are promoted and protected by the leadership."

"You are speaking so loudly that I cannot hear what you are saying." Gandhi.

In the session of Éva Farkas, University of Szeged, Hungary, "Adult Education as a Basic Human Right" investigated, "The right to education has been established as a basic human right since 1948, but the right of adults to education was to be explicitly recognized much later."

#### Recalling from the Global Education Special Interest Group Sessions

We embrace a global education for all.

We embrace and cultivate lifelong learning.

We continue our pledge to value each person.

We continue our commitment to offer educational opportunities for each child of our world.

We continue to promote the true definition of globalization of our planet.

We continue to support the globalization of our world which includes our Physical Plant Mother Earth and Mother Earth's Human Family.

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Members of the Global Education Special Interest Group

#### In Conclusion

As a college speech communication professor, forensics coach, speech tournament judge, and public speaking consultant, for over 30 years, I say, "A good speech can be remembered the next day or week. A great speech is remembered for months and a few years. A phenomenal speech is remembered for a lifetime." I feel the same can be said about conferences. The mind is the tabernacle of the consciousness soul and the 14<sup>th</sup> WCCI conference held in Pécs, Hungary will be kept well lit for years to come in my mind's eye and third ear.



Media & Technology Special Interest Group

Until next time, remember, the people of Turkey are the fourth largest users of Facebook worldwide; so check out the WCCI Media & Technology SIG's Facebook page to catch more of Fatih Gursul's videos, "In one sentence how would you describe the WCCI Conference?" If you need assistance, please contact Minnie Ladores, co-chair of the Media and Technology SIG, at <a href="mailto:mladores@frostburg.edu">mladores@frostburg.edu</a>. And don't forget your answer when asked, "Do you want water with gas or 'no' gas?" Take care and best wishes for an adventurous and prosperous 2011.



Participants from Canada, Philippines/USA, Taiwan, Turkey

# WCCI Treasurer with Notable Service Retires

Ron Jarchow retired from WCCI Treasurer after six years. He would like to enjoy his retirement with his family and only daughter. His work was appreciated and valued by the Executive Board especially Carole Caparros who worked with him closely in terms of WCCI finances.

# WCCI Executive Boards welcome the 6<sup>th</sup> Treasurer of WCCI

The Financial aspect of an organization is the most important position in a non-profit organization. When Ron expressed his retirement, we started to search for the best person to replace him. The qualifications we are looking for in this position is a person who is trustworthy and has knowledge of investment and accounting. A. Zaidy MohdZain, PhD., Dean of College of Education and Professor, Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia, Arkansas fits these qualifications. He has been an active member since 1998. He will start his position retroactive January 2011. Welcome aboard Zaidy.

# Greetings From the WCCI Founders and Presidents

May the PEACE of the Holiday Season be yours today and throughout the New Year, 2011. Thank you for all you do for WCCI and my Best Wishes to Everyone.

Louise Berman, WCCI President, 1979 - 1981

You are a marvel to keep WCCI moving. I trust that the Hungary Conference was a high success.

To All of you: Love and Best wishes for a Very Healthy, Prosperous and Productive 2011.

Norman Overly, WCCI President, 1988 - 1990

### WCCI Representation at the CSW 55 Sessions of the United Nation in New York City

For the first time WCCI will be actively participating at the CSW 55 Session of the United Nations in New York City on February 21-March 4, 2011. This is a significant activity of WCCI as an NGO of the United Nations under the roster of Consultative Status of the UN Economic and Social Council. WCCI will be represented from Taiwan by Vincent Shieh, WCCI President, Karen Webb, Founding Dean of HSOE, host institution of the WCCI Secretariat, Betty Reardon, WCCI Coordinator of UN Representations and Nicky de Leon, WCCI intern and Youth Representative, Angela Lo and two graduate students of Vincent Shieh from Taiwan. Betty Reardon is also representing the International Institute of Peace Education (IIPE).

WCCI will sponsor two panel presentations: first panel presentation which is co-sponsored with IIPE is entitled "Peace Education for the Girl Child Scientific Competency for Gender Equality and Political Participation" on February 24 at the Church Center, United Nations Bldg. Vincent Shieh and Karen Webb will be the presenters and Betty Reardon will moderate the panel. The second panel is co-sponsored by the Taiwan Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) and Foundation for Women's Promotion and Development (FWPD) entitled Women and Education: Peace Education, Empowerment After Disaster and Beyond." Karen Webb and Betty Reardon are the presenters and Vincent Shieh will be the moderator. This session will be held at the TECO Office. Nicky de Leon, Youth Representative will participate in the discussions.

Estela Matriano, WCCI Executive Director and Carole Caparros, WCCI Executive Assistant who by virtue of their positions represent WCCI to the UN/NGO will remain at the Secretariat Office, a preferred service to the "call of duty."

# WCCI First Intern: Dominique De Leon (Nicky)



The WCCI Secretariat is pleased to announce its first intern, Dominique "Nicky" de Leon who started her volunteer service on November 15, 2010. In seeking this

internship with a UN/NGO she wrote in a letter to Dr. Matriano, WCCI Executive Director that she is committed to render voluntary service to WCCI because she believes that this internship is a beginning experience which can give her the opportunity to learn fundamental knowledge and skills for an international studies program at the University of California in San Diego where she will transfer from Palomar College in the Fall Semester of 2011. She learned that WCCI is a recognized world organization as an NGO of the United Nations, a perfect fit for her to learn about its actual operation as it relates to her program of studies and future career in international relations. Nicky believes that the mentorship she receives from Dr. Matriano and Ms. Caparros is worth the many hours of voluntary service that she renders to WCCI as a world organization. Nicky became a student member of WCCI at the start of her internship.

Nicky will be the student delegate to the WCCI participation in the CSW 55 Sessions of the United Nations NGO's. She will join Vincent Shieh, Karen Webb and Betty Reardon in attending the CSW 55 Commission sessions on the Status of Women on February 21-March 4, 2011 at the United Nations in New York City. ▲

#### SAVE THE DATE

## WCCI 15<sup>th</sup> World Conference in Education

Theme:

The Care for Mother Earth and the Humane Condition: Strategies for Education on Sustainability.

Date: December 28, 2012 - January 4, 2013

Place: Kaohsiung, Taiwan



S. Klein and D. Koltai turnover the WCCI banner to V. Shieh, the host, of the next WCCI World Conference in Kaohsiung,



## WCCI PHILIPPINE CHAPTER

Invites you to participate in the

25<sup>th</sup> National Conference and 40<sup>th</sup> International Anniversary

May 4-6, 2011 Colegio de Letran Intramuros, Manila, Philippines

Theme: "Defining Democracy and Entrepreneurship in the Asia-Pacific Context

### Call for Papers

Proposals for papers/workshops/panel presentations from the participants should be sent directly to **Dr.**Dalisay G. Brawner, WCCI 2011 Philippine Chapter 25<sup>th</sup>

National Convention, Call for Papers Committee at dbrawner@yahoo.com

Call for Papers deadline: March 15, 2011

For more information on the conference, please contact Lala Castillo, WCCI Philippine Chapter President at Florinaf.castillo@yahoo.com

#### Announcement

North American Chapter of the World Council for Curriculum and Instruction (WCCI)

2011 Interdisciplinary Education
Conference
Austin, Texas USA
October 26—28, 2011
Wyndham Hotel
1600 West Woodward, Austin, Texas.

# Theme: Collaboration as a Function of Sustainability for Global Educators K-16

## CALL FOR PAPERS, WORKSHOPS, PANELS, or ROUNDTABLE PRESENTATIONS

You are invited to submit a proposal for a paper/panel/workshop/roundtable presentation at the 2011 Interdisciplinary Education Conference hosted by the North American Chapter -World Council for Curriculum and Instruction, (NAC-WCCI).

The deadline for abstracts is June 1, 2011. An electronic copy must be sent via email to the Program Chair, Dr. Doug Warring, University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis, MN (dfwarring@stthomas.edu)

For more information, please email Judy Leavell at judyl@Stedwards.edu

