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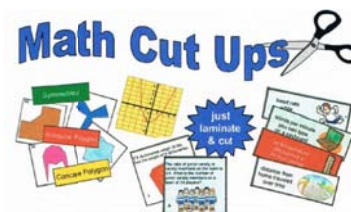


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Conference Highlights

Dinah Zikes



Upcoming Conferences

47th Annual RGVCTM Conference

Navigating Through the STAARs

Saturday, November 17, 2012

UTPA

Edinburg, Texas

<http://rgvctm.org>

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) Annual Conference

April 25 – 28, 2012

Philadelphia, PA

<http://nctm.org>

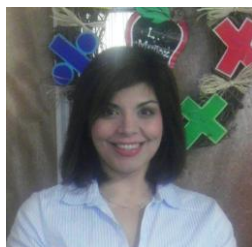
Conference for the Advancement of Mathematics Teaching (CAMT)

July 18 – 20, 2012

Houston, TX

<http://camtonline.org>

President's Message



The Rio Grande Valley Council of Teachers of Mathematics (RGVCTM) organizes an annual conference to support mathematics education across South Texas. The 46th Annual Mathematics Conference this past November was a great success thanks to the efforts of UTPA personnel, presenters, exhibitors, conference attendees, and RGVCTM Board Members. It is through the cooperation of all those involved that we are able to enrich mathematics education for the students of the Rio Grande Valley.

We extend a special thanks to the University of Texas – Pan American for their continued support in hosting the conference.

The 47th Annual RGVCTM Conference, *Mathematics: Navigating Through the STAARs*, will be held Saturday, November 17, 2012. We invite you to join us for this outstanding event. The registration form is on page five of this newsletter, and it is available at www.rgvctm.org.

We welcome your suggestions for improvement of the conference, presenters, or exhibitors. Please send your suggestions to:
hlucymh@aol.com

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RGVCTM Board in Action

Board Member Selected to State Committee



Frank Rivera

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Appointed to the TEA Public School Accountability Technical Advisory Committee (ATAC)

The TEA committee on 2013 accountability is likely to recommend that the Summer 2012 and Fall 2012 STAAR end-of-course results for 1st-time test takers be included in the 2013 accountability calculations for percent passing. This means that students who enroll in classes for credit this summer and take the STAAR EOC will count toward passing rates for 2013. Only first-time test takers will count in this way. High school summer programs that are allowing students to take a core area course (Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, English 1, etc.) for the first time, the EOC test that these students will take in July 2012 will count toward the 2013 accountability.

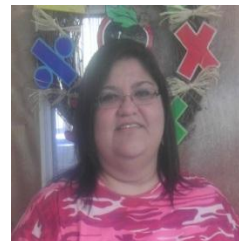
Board Members Selected as Teacher of the Year



Marcia Ziegler

RGVCTM High School Director

PSJA North High School Math Teacher



Velma Sanchez

RGVCTM Vice President, Elementary Director

PSJA M. Garza Elementary

Newly Appointed

CAMT Exhibitor Chair

Betty Rountree Education Grant

The RGVCTM offers several \$800 grants to potential and current mathematics teachers each academic school year. Our goal is to assist individuals who plan continued study leading toward a mathematics teaching certification or who desire to continue studies in undergraduate and/or graduate work in mathematics or mathematics education. Teachers or paraprofessionals who are current members of RGVCTM and have successfully completed a college level mathematics or mathematics education course may apply for a grant. A member may receive, at most, one grant during each year. The grant money is to be used to help defray tuition and textbook costs for any mathematics or mathematics education course.

RGVCTM's Betty Rountree Grant Application

Date of Application _____

Name of Applicant _____

Position _____ Grade Level _____

Years of Experience _____ Work Phone _____

District _____

Campus _____

Home Address _____

Home Phone _____

College or University in which you are enrolled _____

Name of Mathematics Course in which you are enrolled _____

Date or Expected Date of Completion of Course _____

Winners must submit proof (e.g. transcript, report card) of completion to receive award.

Please state the need for this grant (financial/academic) and the benefits to be expected from your successful completion of the course in which you are enrolled. If needed, use additional sheets.

Send application to Frank Rivera, 1007 Adams, Mission, TX 78572.



**Individual
Registration Form**

**ADVANCED REGISTRATION
DEADLINE - OCTOBER 12,
2012**

47th Annual RGVCTM Mathematics Conference

The University of Texas – Pan American, Edinburg, TX

November 17, 2012

On-Site Registration - 7:30 a.m. located 1st floor MAGC Bldg.

Conference 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Advanced Registration Fee - \$50.00

On – Site/Post Deadline Registration Fee - \$60.00

Registration forms must be submitted to Lucy Muñoz via email at hlucymh@aol.com on or before the registration deadline, Friday, October 12, 2012. Pre-registered participants will receive a program approximately 2 weeks prior to the conference date.

Send check or purchase order to the address listed below. Make checks payable to RGVCTM.

Lucy Muñoz
906 Jay Drive S.
Mission, TX 78573

Phone: Home (956) 867-0456

Fax: (888) 435-8303

Method of Payment:

Personal Check # _____ District Check # _____ Money Order # _____

If method of payment is a school Purchase Order (PO), please complete the following:

Name of Contact Person Responsible for PO: _____ PO# _____

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Please type or print (This form must be filled out completely.):

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I. _____

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School District: _____ Campus: _____

Position: _____ Grade Level(s): _____

School Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

School Phone Number: _____ School Fax Number: _____

email: _____ School Contact: _____

Cancellations/Refunds: Cancellations received on or before 10/12/2012 will be refunded, less a \$10 cancellation fee. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after 10/12/2012.