

## Poetry reading tonight to benefit public library

University of Guam literature and creative writing students and professors will hold a poetry reading this evening to benefit the Guam Public Library Children's Literature section. The event is to take place tonight at Tu Re Café from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

UOG Professor Tom Maxedon and Professor P.K. Harmon will headline the readings along with UOG students. Maxedon will also donate funds he has raised from sales of his book, Flat Rate Poems, which was published in 2014.

"For the better part of a year, I have shown up around island and on the mainland over summer break collecting \$5 or \$10 here and there at gigs in coffee houses, and the occasional tavern, for a cause I believe deeply in - children's literacy," said Maxedon. "It's like taking the garage band out on the road, if I toured between gigs in a bookmobile."

Maxedon has been a professor at UOG for about a year and taught composition and literature previously at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana before coming to Guam in 2006.

Apart from his classroom duties during that time, he was the co-founder of Bathtub Gin, a literary/arts print publication featuring international poetry, fiction, short drama and artwork.

Admission is free and a donation box will be provided for those wishing to make contributions. All proceeds will be donated to the Guam Public Library.

For more information, contact Maxedon at 788-7466. (Post News Staff)

# Sanchez: GPA opposed to incinerator contract

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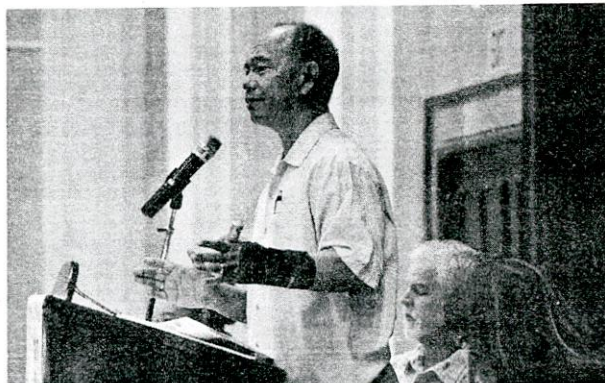
If the proposed contract for December 2014 is for the same waste-to-energy plant Guam Resource Recovery Partners is currently proposing, then the Guam Power Authority remains opposed to the project, according to Simon Sanchez, Consolidated Commission on Utilities commissioner.

Sanchez addressed the Guam Chamber of Commerce yesterday about the island's utilities and answered a question about GRRP and their proposed incinerator from Chamber member Phil Flores.

In July this year, the governor signed an agreement with four stipulations as a result of a court-ordered mediation between GRRP and the Guam Economic Development Authority. With Calvo's signature, the next step, according to the agreement, is for draft legislation to go to senators that would repeal a current ban on incinerators and waste-to-energy facilities.

Oyaol Ngirairiki, director of communications for the governor, has said the draft legislation is first supposed to be approved by the GEDA board before it is sent to Adelup and then transmitted to lawmakers.

GRRP has proposed selling the



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energy generated from burning waste to GPA.

However, when the issue came up in December last year, GPA did not support the contract GRRP proposed. "As it stood then and as much as we know today, it was a pretty uneconomical contract," Sanchez said.

He said according to the proposed contract, GRRP would charge about 30 cents per kilowatt hour, based on waste projections that were more than what Guam produces. "So they're not going to have the trash to burn to create the amount of energy

they claim to create, they're going to charge a lot of money for what they will create and GPA, by law, can only pay its avoidant cost which, right now is about 14 cents," Sanchez said.

This would create a major shortfall and GPA estimated then it would cost taxpayers an additional \$7 million to \$8 million a year, he said.

"We've never been party to this," Sanchez also said of the incinerator contract. "As we looked at the proposed GRRP contract, compared to contracts we've awarded to other folks, it's a serious shortfall that we're talking about."

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