

Important Reminder

Are you graduating? Graduation invitations are now available at the student services office. All students who are graduating are encouraged to pick up their invitations.

If you are mailing invitations off island, now is the time to send them out. There are only two more weeks left.

Also a reminder to instructors and staff to nominate graduating students for Outstanding Citizen and Academic Success Awards.

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS



Gamberlyn Ngirmeriil	May 08
Alvina Timarong	May 11
Keorung Olkeriil	May 12
Kuye Belelai	May 13

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL!!!



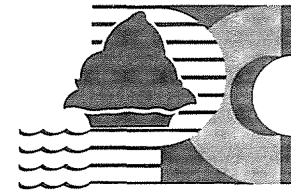
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I would like to thank everyone for visiting me during my time of sorrow. Thank you for the beautiful flowers and the Badek. Also to the PCC staff that came out to Ngaremlengui, thank you so much.



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PCC and Y2K, Where are We?

"Palau Community College has three major computer systems that must be Y2K compliant before we enter into the year 2000," this is according to Vice President of Administration and Finance, Stan Welch. V.P. Welch is also the College's official representative to the newly established Y2K taskforce.

The three major computer systems on campus are the business office's system, the library's system, and the student record's system. "To date, the business office's system is the only one that is Y2K compliant. Thanks to the U.S. Department of Interior," further stated V.P. Welch.

Two months ago, Guy Delumeau from the U.S. Dept. of Interior was here at PCC for the sole purpose of upgrading the business office's systems, thus, making it Y2K compliant. The business office's system was custom designed, therefore requiring the same technician/programmer (Guy Delumeau) to do the upgrade.

Vendors for both the library's system and the student record's system are currently being pursued and according to V.P. Welch, it will be just a matter of "software upgrade."

PCC is currently providing the office space for the Y2K task force and will continue to do so until December 1999.

The Y2K task force was formed by an executive order of the ROP President, Kuniwo Nakamura, to ensure that both public and private sectors experience smooth transition into the year 2000 by having a centralized office to coordinate and respond to problems or questions that involve Y2K.

PCC Criminal Justice Alumni Graduate from Police Academy



PCC-CJ alumni proudly pose with their commander and instructors. (standing, l-r) Rodson Ruben, Jovian Adelbai, Dolyn Tell, Harley Derbai, Willymays Towai, Denio Ngirungai, Kenny Mers, and Samuel Ramarui. (sitting, l-r) Officer Mike Raphael, Chief Rechebei Udui (PT instructor), Chief Columbus Sakuma (commander), Chief Theodore Subris (classroom/drill instructor).

Y2K Task Force

- * Chairman: Marino Bells
- * Vice-Chairman: Caleb Udui Jr.

Sub-committees & Chair:

- * Public Sector sub-committee (Stan Welch)
- * Tech. sub-committee (Chris Folk)
- * Legal sub-committee (Larry Goddard)

Project Manager: Lolita Gibbons

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Palau Community College Graduates & Prospective Graduates Fall 1998 & Spring 1999

<u>NAME</u>	<u>MAJOR</u>	<u>AWARD</u>	<u>GRAD DATE</u>
01. Adelbai, Nathalia	BEA	CA	FA98
02. Allis, Bino	GET	CA	SP99
03. Asito, Edson	GET	CA	SP99
04. Babauta, Eileen	BEA	AS	SP99
05. Edeluchel, Johana	SEC	CA	FA98
06. Ewatel, Gwendolyn	SEC	CA	SP99
07. Florentino, Marcia	GOC	CA	SP99
08. Garcia, Sunshine	LAP	AA	SP99
09. Ignacio, Keith	SEC	AS	SP99
10. Joseph, Olivine	SEC	AS	FA98
11. King, Ziola Y.	GOC	CA	SP99
12. Kual, Se-Belau	CJ	AS	SP99
13. Letasurow, Velleysiana	BEA	CA	FA98
14. Mariyen, Maria Gretty	GOC	CA	SP99
15. Mikel, Aileen	LAP	AA	FA98
16. Nestor, Melanie	LAP	AA	SP99
17. Ngeluk, Jonnie	GOC	CA	SP99
18. Ngotel, Linda	LAP	AA	SP99
19. Pedro, Alfred	LAP	AA	SP99
20. Remoket, Romson	LAP	AA	SP99
21. Saito, Donald	LAP	AA	SP99
22. Samsel, Lourigene	BEA	AS	SP99
23. Skebong, Oyaol	SEC	CA	SP99
24. Sungino, Louann	LAP	AA	FA98
25. Tashiyelimal, Xavier	GOC	CA	SP99
26. Teltull, Lena	SEC	CA	SP99
27. Tem, Jeremiah	GET	AS	FA98
28. Tilfas, Jeffrey	CJ	AS	FA98
29. Tmodrang, Sylvia	SEC	AS	SP99
30. Ueda, Lloyd	BEA	AS	SP99
31. Tarofalifeg, Lorenzo	BEA	CA	FA98

Attention PCC Students, Staff, and Faculty

Please submit your articles for our weekly newsletter, **Mesekiu's News**, to Armstrong Debelbot at the Development Office no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Thank you for your support!!!

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Y2K Task Force

To date, a \$100,000 dollars "planning" grant has been received from the World Bank and all of it is earmarked for planning and assessment.

A grant proposal for an additional \$500,000 was also submitted to the World Bank but only \$200,000 out of the \$500,000 has been approved. Work is on-going to try and get the balance of the \$500,000. This is earmarked for "remedial" only.

Locally, a proposal for \$80,000 is pending approval by OEK.

Services provided by the Y2K task force is free of charge to both the government and non-government agencies.

PCC-CRE Staff to Western Samoa

Geraldine Rengiil will be leaving for Western Samoa on Monday (5/10) to attend a training on Tissue Culture of Taro. The training will take a week and Ms. Rengiil is due back on May 16. All travel expenses will be paid by the College of Micronesia-Smith Lever Funds.

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Last Minute Cramming

Although we have included this section on cramming, we advise against it for one important reason.

Cramming is not learning. Most of what you cram will be forgotten in 1 or 2 days. In other words, if you cram for a term test, the information won't be there for the final exam. That's why we believe so strongly in regular review. Assuming that you have no other choice, here are the four steps of cramming:

1. **Be Selective.** Don't try to learn everything--it's virtually impossible. Get your syllabus (course outline), text and notes, and choose a few of the course highlights. Learn these topics as best as you can. You're taking a chance on the content of the exam, but you try to learn a little about a lot. chances are pretty good you won't remember much of anything.
2. **Question and Answer.** Turn the information you are about to learn into a series of exam questions and answers, and start drilling yourself. Take a five minute break every half hour.
3. **Rehearse.** Rehearsing the answers aloud is the most effective way of remembering course material. Study as long as you are able to, and stop when it seems nothing is sinking in anymore.
4. **Do Your Best.** Try to relax, and go out and do the best you can.

How to Write an Exam- Give Yourself a Good Start

The morning of an exam can be fairly stressful. Try to ease the tension by giving yourself a good start to the day.

Get a good night's sleep if you can, and make sure you have a trusty alarm clock. Nothing is worse than writing your exam in a hurried panic because you were late.

Be certain of your exam time and place. Arrive early enough to get settled and arrange your work space, but not too early; it's not a good idea to get into a last minute discussion with frantic classmates. Your friends' worries will only add to your own. And lastly, we don't recommend you sit near your friends. It's too distracting. You'll be tempted to see if you're ahead of or behind their pace, and to make periodic checks as to how they're doing. You'll also be more likely to leave early if you see them walking out ahead of time.

Take Care Of Yourself During Final Exam Week- you're Going Through A Lot Of Stress



Special thanks to all the Criminal Justice students who are providing security to the lower campus/shop area, and in particular, the agricultural science farm. Because of their effort, theft of fruits and vegetables in the farm has greatly diminished. As a result, the agricultural science program was able to harvest over 100 pounds of bananas last week which was provided to the cafeteria.

Dr. Miles & Agricultural Science Students



PCC-Criminal Justice students with their Instructor/Advisor, Joan Philip (standing-far left).

Academic Calendar, Spring 1999

May 07	(F)	Last Day of Instruction
May 10-12	(M-W)	Final Examination Period
May 14	(F)	Grades Due
May 21	(F)	6th Commencement Exercises
		End of Spring Semester
May 17-28	(M-F)	Students' Spring Recess