

## Alumni Notes

### Class of 2003

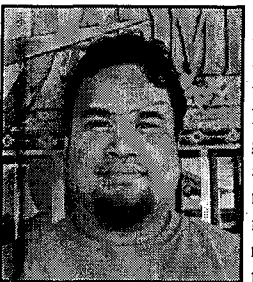
*Alben Adelbai*



Earned an Associate of Science (AS) degree in General Electronics. Began working as a Navigation Aids Technician. Continued Mechanical Engineering / Computer Science in Taiwan. Now working as BioMed Technician at MOH repairing & diagnosing CT scans & computers. Quote: "Always surround yourself with positive influencing people. If not, be one yourself."

### Class of 2004

*Christian Aquino*



Earned a Certificate of Achievement (CA) degree in General Electronics. Has been with PPUC for 6 years. Began working at PPUC after graduation as a meter reader. Now he is working as a Procurement Officer at PPUC for the past 2 yrs. Quote: "Study hard...."

### Class of 2005

*Rolley Chico Tsuneo*



Earned a Certificate of Achievement (CA) degree in Criminal Justice. Completed his internship at Bureau of Immigration, and upon graduation, he got hired as an Immigration Officer One. He has been working there now for 5 years.

**Alumni Notes** showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities. If you are that alumnus/alumna or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471. We would like to feature you in future issues of the *Mesekiu's News*.

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### Celebrating Birthdays

Keith Ignacio Mar 20  
Gabriel Sekool Mar 22  
Angelio Anthonic Mar 25

Happy Birthday To You!

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things that can destroy their bodies. She explained that "although we do have a right to do anything, not all things we do are good for us". With her sermon, she encouraged the students to work hard in school in order to see what God had planned for them. Despite the heavy rains and blackouts, students enjoyed the retreat. Aside from learning important information about becoming "Women in Charge", the ladies also ate barbecue chicken and beef, played games to win prizes, watched movies, and spent time socializing. As one student puts it, "It[the retreat] was very fun and we learned a lot. I learned that I'm the one who's in charge of my body and not anyone else."

The retreat would not have been a success without support and contributions from their chaperons: Professor Megan Beard, Counselor Maurine Alexander, Dorm Manager Hulda Lukas, Counselor Winfred Recheiungel, and Dorm Assistant Alice Faletam. The students also extend their appreciation to Pastor Helgah Ngirchoimei, Ms. Evelyn Belelai-Temengil, Ms. Rosemina Mechol, VP Thomas Taro and his staff, Director Alvina Marcil, Director Tchuzie Tadao and his staff, Director Hilda Ngiralmu, Norman Sato, Michael Siliang and his wife, Hamilton Maech, Rodson Ruben, Nena George, Ephraim Ngirachitei, Ismael Anastacio, Gemma Ngirchobong, Ezra Takeo and the PCC Cafeteria staff. Thank you for your support and generous contributions.

## MESEKIU Basketball Corner

Mesekiu Team update: Schedule for games will be coming out next week. Please keep a lookout for dates and times. Come and cheer for our Mesekiu Team!!

## New Endowment Member

Maureen Teblak, working for Head-start is the Endowment Funds newest member. She is also currently taking classes at PCC to complete her Education degree. Welcome aboard, Maureen. If you want to join the Endowment Fund, contact the Development Office at 488-2470 ext. 253.



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for students from Japan. Ngiraikeleau and Etpison also met Koie University Student Council, and visited the University of Tokyo and Waseda University Campuses. Appreciation is given to Waseda University and Mr. Kawa for the invitation to PCC students, for hosting Ngiraikeleau and Etpison, and for diligently working on promoting the exchange program.

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# MESEKIU'S NEWS

Friday, March 18, 2011 Weekly Newsletter Volume 13, Issue 11

## 698 Students Attend CTE Awareness

Eleven elementary and high schools students totaling 698 attended the Career/ Technical Education (CTE) Awareness

Week held on March 16 & 17. They were greeted by VP Jay Olegeriil and then taken CTE Awareness Cont'd p.2



Visiting students greeted by VP Olegeriil (inset).

## EMS Program Involved in the Launching of the Dugong Awareness Project

Submitted by Vernice Yuzi

The Environmental/Marine Science (EMS) Program is currently involved with the 2010-2011 Dugong Awareness Project. The goal is to raise local awareness about the animal and the need for conservation of its habitats. Other local partners include the French

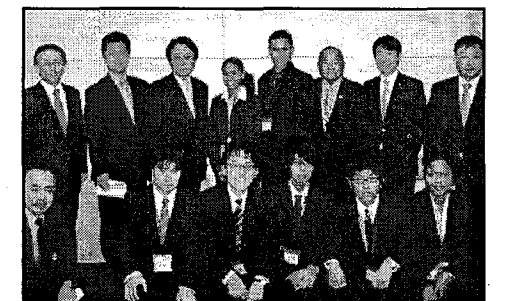
Embassy at Manila, Etpison Museum, Palau Pacific Resort, Palau Conservation Society, Koror State Rangers, NECO Marine, Palau Helicopters, Diaz Broadcasting, Belau National Museum, and Coral Reef Research Foundation. EMS Cont'd p.2



EMS students and instructor with partners in the project.

## Ngiraikeleau and Etpison Visit Japan

Jan.31, 2011, two ASPCC representatives, Jewish Ngiraikeleau and Leilani Etpison, participated in a trip to Japan through the University Student Chamber of Japan (UNISC Japan). The trip was made possible and brought about when Kazuki Kawa, a student from Waseda University and the manager of UNISC came to visit Palau. The idea of UNISC is to help promote international cultural exchanges between stu-



Ngiraikeleau & Etpison with Japan Parliament DIET.

dents around the world. Ngiraikeleau and Etpison met with the eight members of the Japan Parliament (DIET) to discuss education, friendship between both countries and ways in which opportunities are available for students from both countries. They also had the opportunity to meet with the Vice Chairman of the House of Representatives in Japan, Mr. Seichiro Eto, to which they also discussed what kind of support the Vice Chairman will give towards the development of Palau's education through scholarships and what Palau can provide

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# Dorm Women's Retreat a Success

Submitted by Student Housing

After completing an exhausting week of midterm exams, the female dorm residents left on Saturday afternoon for the 2-day Women's Retreat to the CRE Building in Ngemeskang, Ngaremlengui. The Women's Retreat is one of the calendar activities

for Student Housing to give dorm students a chance to relax away from the dorm and to reflect on goals for the year. It is also an opportunity for the students to hear speakers talk about various topics of interest. This year, based on the theme, "A Woman



Female dorm residents getting ready to enjoy a night of movies and activities.

an in Charge", staff from the Ministry of Health were invited to speak to the students in hopes that the ladies will learn new ways to use better judgment in making decisions to help them persist and succeed in school. Ms. Evelyn Belelai and Ms. Rosemina Mechol from the Ministry of Health educated students about healthy relationships and responsible family planning. Through their presentations, students learned more about what to expect out of a relationship

between a male and female. They also learned different types of preventive measures to avoid unwanted and unplanned pregnancies. The guest speakers also took time to brief students about the kinds of services available at the Ministry of Health.

On Sunday, the students had a brief Sunday mass that was led by Pastor Helgah Ngirchoime. She read the verses from 1 Corinthians 6 and challenged students to avoid  
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# SBDC Donates Car to PCC

On Friday, the 11th of March, Palau Small Business Development Center (SBDC) donated a sedan to PCC. PCC was responsible for incubating Palau SBDC during its first years of operations. Palau SBDC was located at the PCC Campus for many years before it relocated to Airai, to be near National Development Bank of Palau (NDBP). The SBDC Board members wanted to formally thank PCC by donating the car.

Thank you Palau SBDC for your generous gift to PCC.



Effe Remeliik, Dean Timarong, Lisa Abraham, Mary Ann Delemel, Harley Fletcher

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Activities included the launching of the "Year of the Pacific Dugong" program at Koror State Capitol on Mar.14 by the Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP), EMS students participating in the Dugong Campaign talk show at Eco Paradise radio station with Aderdei Gillian Johannes and Yalap Yalap from PCS

on Mar. 15 and public displays done by the EMS students shown at the CTE fair Mar. 16 & 17.

If you would like more information about this program, please see an EMS club officer or one of the Science Instructors at 488-2470 ext. 270.

# 1st Yr AC Students Gives Service to T8AA

On Friday Mar. 11, 2011, Air-conditioning & Refrigeration instructor Ramon Garcia and his students went to T8AA (Eco Paradise) radio station to look at an air-conditioning unit that was in the studio and to repair it as requested by the studio's manager. Derek Gibbons, Kahn Matsuoka, Loelle Abraham, Jilong Anitok with the Instructor Assistant Galindez Kiep took apart the air-conditioning while Instructor Garcia observed them. The original unit inside was not in working condition as the plastic had melted. The students, with the help of the instructors modified another unit (different brand) and replaced the original unit, and there was COOL air.

Thanks to the AC students and their instructors for going to T8AA Eco Paradise radio station and providing services to repair the air conditioner. If you wish to learn more about PCC programs that are offered, contact the Admissions Office at 488-2470 ext. 234.

# CTE Awareness Cont'd from p.1

to the different vocational/technical programs where they saw first hand what the programs offered. The visiting students were able to see the results of the projects and tried some of the projects themselves. The tour guides for the morning and afternoon tours consisted of PCC students from the Tourism Club. PCC provided lunch and snacks for all those who came to participate on the tour. The CTE Awareness is to showcase PCC's vocational/technical careers to high school & elementary students, to encourage them to come attend PCC when they are ready to start college. It also provides the community with knowledge of what the students are learning and what they will bring with them to the community upon completion of their degree. The CTE Awareness worked in collaboration with MOE and GEAR UP to bring students from G.B.Harris, Ibobang, Melekeok, Ngchesar, Belau Modekgei, Mindszenty,  
CTE Awareness Cont'd p.3

**PCC Charter Day CELEBRATION!!!**  
**APRIL 01, 2011**

# BITS AND PIECES...

## ANNOUNCEMENT

### ASPCC International Night

**Date:** March 26, 2011 (Saturday)  
**Time:** 6pm - 11pm  
**Place:** PCC Cafeteria

ASPCC will be showcasing traditional cultures and customs of all Micronesian entities represented at PCC.

Featured will be:

- traditional and modern wear fashion show
- slide shows
- stories of island lifestyles
- corner displays of arts & crafts, traditional items for sale
- dish tasting
- live performance from each Micronesian entity
- performance by Takamatsu Emesiochel
- refreshments

You are invited to join the festivities and learn about the different Micronesian traditional cultures and customs.

## APOLOGY

Development Office wishes to correct the information about STEM Fair as printed in the last issue. Those with winning science projects will showcase their projects at PCC, but the date and time will be announced by STEM Fair Committee Chairperson Thomas Taro over Eco Paradise radio station. It isn't March 18 at the Cafeteria as noted in Vol.13, Issue 10 Mesekiu. Thank you for your understanding.

## News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIU'S NEWS welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Monday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and electronic copies to aduraa@palau.edu.

Please call ext. 252/253 if you intend to submit your article after Monday.

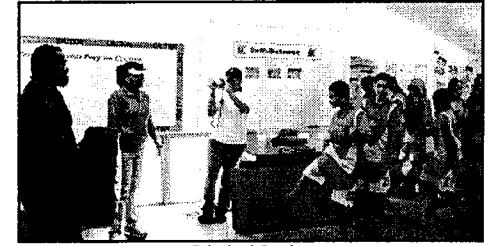
# CTE Awareness Cont'd from p.2

PHS, Aimeliik, Airai, Ngarchelong, Ngardmau, & Adult High schools to PCC. CTE Organizing Committee Chairman Sherman Daniel thanks Gear Up Marlyn Ngiram-

etuker, the tour guides, and the college staff and faculty who contributed to the success of this year's event. Appreciation is also extended to all school principal, teachers, and students and parents of the participating schools.



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