

Alumni Notes

Class of 1998 (PCC)

Froline Bultedaob-



1998 PCC graduate with an Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Arts. Froline works as an Administrative Officer with the Bureau of Land & Survey. She has been with the bureau for about 3 years.

Class of 1996 (PCC)

Froly Bultedaob -



1996 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement in General Office Clerk. Froly Bultedaob works as a Junior Auditor with the Palau Public Auditors Office.

Class of 2000(PCC)

Alton Samsel-



2000 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement in Automotive Mechanics Technology. Samsel is Fire Rescue Officer at the Division of Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting.

Alumni Notes showcases MOC&PCC alumni who contribute to the quality of life in their local community and are positive role models for other PCC students to emulate. If you are that alumni 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 News*.

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Celebrating Birthdays

Bruce Rimirch March 19
Keith Ignacio March 20
Angelio Anthonio March 25

Happy Birthday To You!

Last Month for Refund Applications

If you have not filed your Endowment refund applications, this month is the last month to file. Last day for filing is Wednesday, March 31, 2010. Stop by at PCC Development Office and allow Dilubch to take care of all your Endowment needs.

Don't forget to bring the following:

- ✓ Check stub #26 or Wages & Tax Form for year 2009.
- ✓ Original receipts for your donations to other nonprofit organizations.

This week, we welcome new member Johnny Sambal from the Marine Law Enforcement Office. To find out how you can join Sambal and hundreds of others who are already giving to the Endowment Fund, contact the PCC Development Office at 488-2471, ext. 253. If you can't come to the office, no worries, Dilubch and Alvina will come to look for you at your place of choosing.

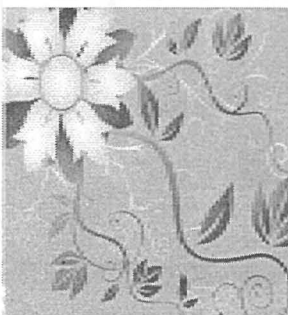


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Our Appreciation

Faculty member Eugene Uehara, on behalf of his entire family humbly extends sincere gratitude and appreciation for the outpouring support he received from the PCC family during last week's funeral services of his late sister Jessica Uehara. Thank you all very much!



Our Condolences

The PCC Family of students, staff, faculty and administrators express deepest sympathies to the family of Lynette Emiliano on her sudden and untimely passing. Emiliano who was laid to rest on Wednesday was a PCC alum who graduated in 2004 with an AS degree in Office Administration. We deeply feel her loss and extend thoughts and prayers to her family during this most difficult time of sorrow and grief.

IPEDS Workshop Stresses Importance of Data

The College's Institutional Researcher, Ms. Ligaya Sara attended the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System or IPEDS Data and Decisions Workshop at Chaminade University in Hawaii last March 11-12, 2010 co-hosted by the Association for Institutional Research (AIR) and the Pacific Association for Institutional Research (PacAIR). The workshop was represented from different higher education institutions from Hawai'i and across the Pacific Basin.

The two-day workshop covered three modules: IPEDS data as the Public face of an Institution, IPEDS Data for Benchmarking-Module 1 (Supporting Decision Making and Institutional Effectiveness) and IPEDS Benchmarking-Module 2. Actual IPEDS Data in the public domain was used throughout the training.

"The workshop has further my insight and understanding at how data submitted to IPEDS can be a powerful tool in conveying information. Data is one of the valuable assets of an institution, and the training has illustrated the vital role of IPEDS data in benchmarking and institutional effectiveness. With the appropriate use of different tools, comparison groups can be constructed using IPEDS data, thus far, IPEDS is one of the best sources of data around," said Sara of the training.



IPEDS workshop participants.

FSA Gentlemen's Gourmet COMING SOON!

submitted by: Faculty Senate Association

The PCC Faculty Senate Association is hosting its 2nd annual Gentlemen's Gourmet on Saturday, April 10, 2010 from 6-10 pm at the Ngarachamayong Cultural Center. Come and enjoy the culinary creations of local gentlemen and chefs.

A \$20 ticket will get you a complementary drink and a chance to win a great prize. Money raised will help secure scholarships for future PCC students. To buy a ticket, please call 488-2471 and ask for Tutii Joe Chilton, Tim Mitchell, Danka Ledgerwood, or Megan Beard.

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MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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Hundreds Converge on Campus for STEM-CTE Fair

Mindszenty Takes STEM Overall Trophy for Second Year in Row



Mindszenty High School Science teacher Irene Soalabla (2nd-left) and one of her students receive the STEM Fair high school winning trophy from Fair Co-Chairs Thomas Taro (2nd-right) and Emery Wenty (l). On the right is Nancy Wong also of Mindszenty High School.

Hundreds of students from local elementary and high schools converged on campus during the past two days to take part in the PCC Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics - Career & Technical Education

(STEM-CTE) Fair. The dual-purpose fair now combines the functions of the Career & Technical Education week and Palau National Science Fair, under the new banner- STEM-CTE.

Tourism Club Helps with MG Fundraiser

Members of the PCC Tourism Club along with their advisors Vicky Maui and Soledad Garcia assisted the Palau National Olympic Committee in organizing the recent fund-raiser for the upcoming Micronesian Games.

The students were responsible for the room decorations and the serving of the guests, activities which fall within the spectrum of their field of studies, especially for those specializing in Food & Beverage of the Tourism & Hospitality program.



Tourism & Hospitality students with their advisor Soledad Garcia working the food table.

STEM Fair

The STEM component of the Fair which carries on the activities of the Palau National Science Fair saw over one hundred seventy entries (170) science project entries from elementary and high schools throughout Palau. For high schools, last year winners Mindszenty High, once again took the top spot with their projects topping in nearly all the judging categories. They took the much-coveted traveling trophy back to their school, much to the delight of their science instructor Irene Soalabla. "My students worked hard and I just had a feeling we would win it again. I'm real proud of my students," Soalabla said. The biggest high school in Palau, Palau High School came in second place, and newcomer Bethania High School placed third.

For elementary schools, Koror Elementary racked up the most points to take first place, followed by Maris-Stella School and Ngarard Elementary respectively. Koror took the overall traveling trophy for elementary schools along with a brand-new laptop computer.

CTE Fair

For Career & Technical Education activities, over three hundred sixty students toured the campus on Wednesday and Thursday. The visiting 6-12 graders were able to see first hand demonstrations and presentations by PCC students in their field areas. The CTE activities are aimed introducing PCC programs to prospective students early on, and to get them thinking about the opportunities available at their local community college.

STEM-CTE Fair pictures inside

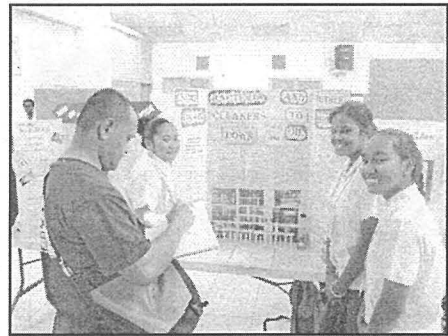
2010 STEM-CTE Fair in Pictures



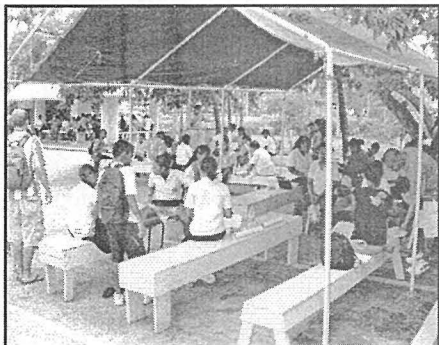
Students gather for awards during final day of STEM Fair yesterday.



Koror Elm. School topped all elementary schools



Mindszenty High students defend their project during judging.



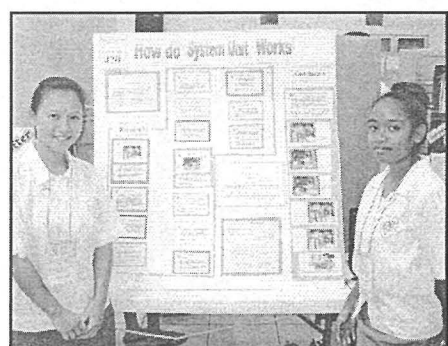
Students gather before start of campus tour.



Mindszenty High students.



GB Harris Elm. students



Bethania High School students.



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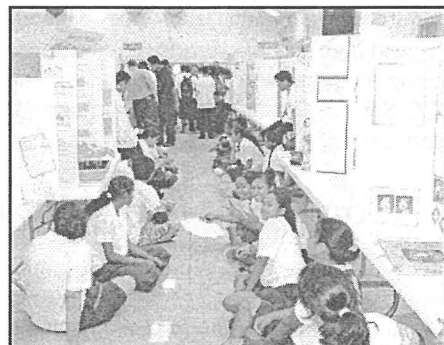
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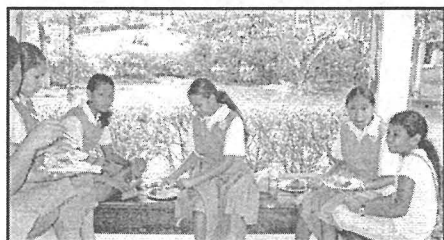
Mindszenty High students.



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Mindszenty High students rest between judging.



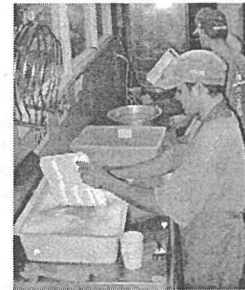
Maris-Stella students break for lunch.

BITS AND PIECES...

WORKSTUDY

Cafe Gets Steadfast Help from Workstudy...

The cafeteria staff has been getting much-needed help from a number of workstudy students. One noteworthy student they say is Daley Ueki who is said to be the most reliable, showing up to work even during spring break.



Ueki

GRADUATION

Regular Meet with Prospective Grads...

Prospective graduates for the upcoming graduation met with advisor Hilda Ngiralmu this week to go over all details of the ceremony. For those that missed the meeting, stop by Student Life Office and see Hilda as soon as possible.

NAVIGATION CLASS

Maisu to Leave for SW Islands...

The Non-instrument navigation class' next practical training on Voyaging Canoe Alingano Maisu will be next month. The students will depart Monday, April and sail for the southwest islands of Tobi, Sonsorol, Merir, Pulo-Ana and Helen's Reef. The entire voyage will take about 3 weeks and students will apply the skills and knowledge they have learned in the classroom, according to Captain/Instructor Sesario Sewralr. The class has already logged two voyages- one to Ngulu atoll of Yap and Kayangel State.

ERROR

Our Apologies...

In our last issue in the Alumni Notes section, we inadvertently wrote that alumnus Lantz Ngiramengior graduated in 2009. His actual graduation year is 2007. We apologize.

2010 STEM-CTE Fair in Pictures



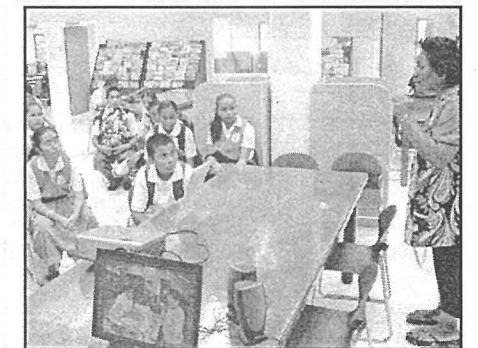
Vice President Jay Olegeriil welcomes students.



Melekeok Elm. students tour shop area.



PCC Tourism students and instructors.



Maris-Stella students at the Library.



Meyuns Elm. students tour Automotive Mech. lab.



Library presenters.



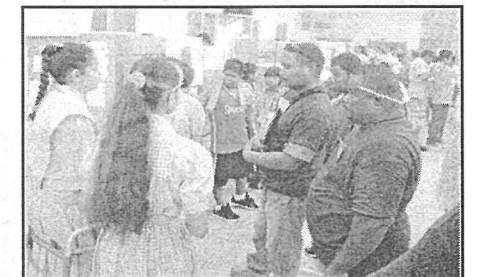
Maris-Stella School students.



PCC student tour guides.



Elementary students hear from a Nursing student.



STEM Fair judges talk to students.



Ilobang Elm. students visit the Criminal Justice program station.

