

## Alumni Notes

### Class of 2004 (PCC)

Tsungiko Renguul -

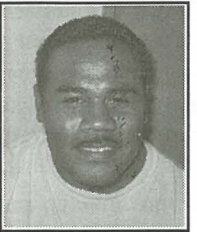


2004 PCC graduate with Associate of Science (AS) degrees in Education- Elementary Education (EDEE) and Special Education (EDSP). Renguul works at the Meyuns Elementary School as a

Special Education Resource Teacher. She has been working there for the past 14 years.

### Class of 1996 (PCC)

Brent Melairei -



1996 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Construction (CEJ). Melairei works at the Palau High School as a Physical Education instructor. He has been working there for the past 8 months.

### Class of 1983 (MOC)

Margaret Renguul -



1983 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Renguul works at Yokohama Restaurant as the Cashier. She has been working there for the

past 16 years.

**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's News*.

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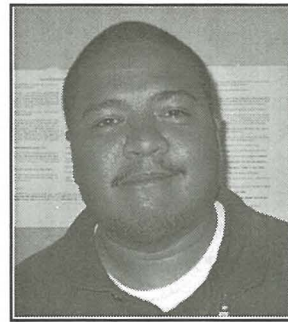
## Celebrating Birthdays

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Happy Birthday To You!

## More Show Support to Endowment Fund



Juslee B. Maui,  
Palau National Communications Corporation

This week, we are happy to welcome the newest member to the PCC Endowment Allotment Club. From the Palau National Communications Corporation, we welcome Juslee B. Maui. PCC welcomes the new supporter of the Endowment Fund and invites others to join in our endeavor in securing a viable future for Palau's only institution of higher learning, Palau Community College. To find out how you can help, please contact any of our friendly staff at the PCC Development Office at 488-2471. We promise to come out to your school, office, campaign headquarters, state office, liaison office, embassy, conservation office, construction site, favorite watering hole, home, yacht, canoe, island, rock island, conservation area, barracks, compound, hotel, motel, farm house, taro patch, auto shop, video shop, etc. to tell you about our Endowment Fund. Call us.

## ARDS Scholarship Deadline April 1<sup>st</sup>

The Australian Regional Development Scholarship (ARDS) is now accepting applications for any interested resident citizens from the Federates States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau to undertake studies at post-secondary education institutions in the Pacific region for study levels of Technical/Vocational, Undergraduate, and Post-graduate (up to Masters level, only).

ARDS awards cover successful applicants' tuition and institution fees, living expenses, basic overseas health coverage, tutorial assistance, and economy class air travel back to your home country at the end of each year of study.

Application forms are available at the

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pitcher Ty Saiske in the fourth who answered his team's calling by striking out two in the bottom of the fourth and kept the opponents scoreless in three innings. In the top of the fifth, PCC evened the score by scoring two as Sureor Ngirailemesang singled and stole second base. Cleofas Iyar singled to drive in Sureor and scored on an RBI single by Etitel Mad. PCC took a 3-2 lead in the top of the sixth when Dekei Ngiramengior singled to reach base, advanced to third base on a single by Kalei Luii and scored on a sacrifice fly by Cleofas Iyar. The Pirates mounted a rally in the bottom of the seventh when Saichang singled and stole second and Bahid connected on an RBI double to score Saichang and even the score at 3-3. An untimely rain ended the game stranding the potential Ngardmau winning run at second base. PCC was declared the winner in accordance with baseball rules which states: *If a regulation game (five innings complete) is called during an incomplete inning, the game ends at the end of the last complete inning.* In this case, the last complete inning is sixth inning with PCC leading 3-2. Ty Saiske earned the win and Calson Dulei was charged with a loss.

Palau National Scholarship Board (PNSB) next to Palau High School. Completed forms should be submitted NO LATER THAN April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. Information regarding courses/programs, eligibility requirements, required supporting documents, participating ARDS institutions may also be obtained by contacting the PNSB office at 488-3608.

Visit PCC website: [www.palau.edu](http://www.palau.edu) and learn all about Palau's only institution of higher education. While there, check out the PCC weekly newsletter, *Mesekiu's News*, including back issues!



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## MESEKIU'S

## NEWS

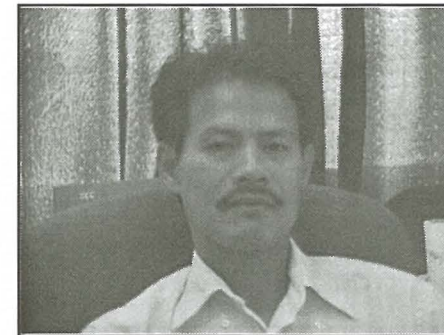


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## 15<sup>th</sup> Charter Day Celebration Set for April 4<sup>th</sup>



Tchuzie Tadao, Charter Day Committee Chair

The Charter Day Committee, headed by Director Tchuzie Tadao, has confirmed that the 15<sup>th</sup> Charter Day celebration will be held on Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. "We have

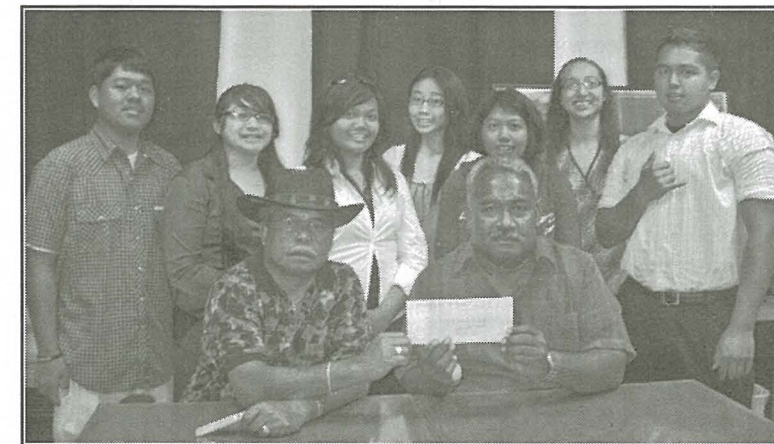
already prepared activities to make this year's 15<sup>th</sup> Charter Day celebration as enjoyable as last year's. All sub-committees have been given tasks to ensure that the activities will be carried out successfully", said Tadao. Even though April 4<sup>th</sup> is not an official holiday for the College and that there will be no classes, all PCC staff and students are encouraged to participate in the celebration. The general public is also invited to help us commemorate PCC's 15<sup>th</sup> birthday by participating in the Annual President's Run & Walk.

The celebration will kick off by having the Annual President's Run & Walk on Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>. The Run & Walk will

start from the Koror side of the Japan-Palau Friendship Bridge and finish at the Palau National Track & Field. Transportation to the starting line will be available at the PCC parking lot from 4:00 a.m. to 5:15 a.m. The Run & Walk will then start promptly at 5:30 a.m. The first 100 runners & 100 walkers to complete the course will receive a commemorative t-shirt. Light continental breakfast will also be served to all the participants.

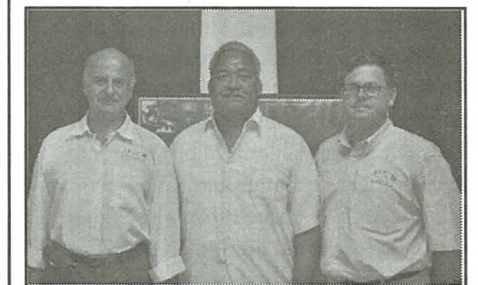
For more information about the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual PCC Charter Day celebration; please contact Chairman Tadao at 488-3965 or Co-Chair Ephraim Ngirachitei at 488-3074.

## Guam TRIO Students Donate \$200 to Endowment Fund



President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (sitting right) receives the donation to the PCC Endowment Fund from Yoichi K. Renguil (sitting left) and the Guam TRIO students (standing left to right): Von Apuya of Simon Sanchez High School; Elizabeth Quenga of Southern High School; Erica Garcia of Simon Sanchez High School; Ruby Chan of John F. Kennedy High School; Auria Asaria of Simon Sanchez High School; Natasha Serious of George Washington High School; and Donovan Losongco of George Washington High School. This is actually the second time that Renguil and the Guam TRIO students have donated \$200 to the PCC Endowment Fund. The College thanks you all for your continued support in helping to secure PCC's financial security for the future generations to come.

## APTC Representatives Meet with President Tellei



While on island for their Australian Pacific Technical College (APTC) Student Expo '08, APTC representatives Dr. Peter Shepherd (l) and Anthony Bailey (r) met with President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei on Monday. Dr. Shepherd and Bailey were here to promote the APTC training courses in tourism and hospitality, automotive, manufacturing, construction, and electrical trade.

## Library Recipient of JLPP Donation



Dean Marensia Edward (2nd from left) and Library Technician Miriam Kual (2nd from right) accept the donations from GGP Coordinator, Ai Ueda (l) and Cultural/Public Relations Assistant Bernie Ngiralmu (r) of the Embassy of Japan.

The Palau Community College (PCC) Library is once again the recipient of six works of Japanese fiction, in English translation, under the donation program of the Japanese Literature Publishing Project (JLPP). The JLPP was launched in 2002 by the Agency for Cultural Affairs of Japan in an effort to introduce and promote translations of modern Japanese literature worldwide.

PCC Library first received a donation of six works of Japanese fiction from JLPP in August 2007. Due to positive responses from the library and its patrons, JLPP once again donated books this year. Such donations are made possible through the Japanese Litera-

ture Publishing and Promotion Center (J-Lit Center), which is responsible for the management and realization of the Project on behalf of the Agency for Cultural Affairs of Japan. Since its inception, the Project has donated numerous publications to over 2000 public libraries, university libraries, and cultural institutions around the world.

The following are the books donated: **Hell** by Tsutsui, Yasutaka; **School of Freedom** by Shishi, Bunroku; **Woman of the Other Shore** by Mitsuyo Kakuta; **Mistress Oriku: Stories from a Tokyo Teahouse** by Matsutaro Kawaguchi; **The Curious Casebook of Inspector Hanshichi; Detective Stories of Old Edo** by Kido Okamoto; and **The Hundred-Yen Singer** by Naomi Suenaga.

These books will benefit the students of PCC as well as the community as a whole to further elevate the understanding of Japanese culture and people. Donations of this kind serve as another symbol of the maturing mutual friendship between Japan and the Republic of Palau.



## FSA Holds Retreat in Ngemelis

By: Wilma Sukrad, FSA President

The Faculty Senate Association (FSA) of Palau Community College held its first retreat at Ngemelis on Thursday, March 13, 2008. Over 80% of the association's members participated in this special event which provided the faculty with a much welcomed blend of professional development activities and R&R. Faculty Senate Association's president, Ms. Wilma Sukrad, facilitated two professional development sessions, one of which was a teambuilding activity that was intended to develop better relations between the faculty members. Following the teambuilding activity was a self-reflection exercise that was designed to enhance self-awareness so that each instructor can relate better to students and others with whom he/she interacts. The professional development segment

of the retreat was concluded with a presentation on stress management by Ms. Susan Bells, and an introductory exercise on meditation techniques. After lunch, everyone indulged in various fun activities.

The Faculty Senate Association wishes to express its gratitude to Palau Community College President, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Ms. Susan Bells, Shimbros International Incorporated and its general manager, Ms. Jennifer Koskelin, and Koror State Government whose support helped make this retreat a worthwhile experience for the faculty who are enlightened, rejuvenated, and very much ready to wrap up the academic year with lots of enthusiasm and motivation.

## Reminder to All PCC Bi-Weekly Endowment Donors!

Applications for tax refund are still available at the PCC Development Office so, if you have not filed your application, please do not forget to stop by the Development office to complete your form. Do not forget to bring a copy of your check stub for pay period 26 or a copy of your 2007 wage and tax statement. Deadline for submission is at the end of March.

If you have any questions, please call Development office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 253 or stop by our office located behind the PCC library.

## SPRING SEMESTER 2008

Mar. 21 (F)	Last Day for All Withdrawals
Apr. 2 (W)	PCC Charter Day
Apr. 4 (F)	PCC Charter Day Celebration
May 5 (M)	Holiday: Senior Citizens' Day
May 9 (F)	Last Day of Instruction
May 12-14 (M-W)	Final Examination Period
May 14 (W)	Graduates' Grades Due
May 19 (M) (by 11:00 a.m.)	Grades Due
May 23 (F)	Commencement Exercises End of Spring Semester Students' Spring Recess

## BITS AND PIECES...

REMINDER

### Today is the Last Day for All Withdrawals...

Today, Friday, March 21st is the last day for all withdrawals. If you have questions or want more information, please call the Registrar & Records office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 274/247.

ANNOUNCEMENT

### PCC Co-Ed Intramural Softball Playoffs & Championship Game Next Week...

Monday, March 24th  
Srifac Xae (Kosrae I) vs. Sports Center @ 7:00 p.m.

SSS-PB vs. ESPN III @ 8:20 p.m.

Wednesday, March 26th  
Consolation Game @ 7:00 p.m.

Championship Game @ 8:20 p.m.

All games will be played at Meyuns Ballfield. Come out and cheer for the PCC teams! For more information, please call Ismael Anastacio at 488-3885.

CORRECTION

### Our apologies...

In last week's issue of *Mesekiu's News* in the Alumni Notes section, it was mistakenly printed that Pauline Jerry, an alumni working as a Secretary at the PCC Student Support Services-Project Beacon office, has been working at the College for the past 10 months. She has actually been working at the College for the past 3 years. Our apologies to Pauline and our readers for our error.

## Good Listening In Class

Taken from *Study Tips.com* at [www.how-to-study.com](http://www.how-to-study.com)

It is important for you to be a good listener in class. Much of what you will have to learn will be presented verbally by your teachers. Just hearing what your teachers say is not the same as listening to what they say. Listening is a cognitive act that requires you to pay attention and think about and mentally process what you hear.

### Here are some things you should do to be a good listener in class:

- *Be Cognitively Ready to Listen When You Come to Class.* Make sure you complete all assigned work and readings. Review your notes from previous class sessions. Think about what you know about the topic that will be covered in class that day.
- *Be Emotionally Ready to Listen When You Come to Class.* Your attitude is important. Make a conscious choice to find the topic useful and interesting. Be committed to learning all that you can.
- *Listen with a Purpose.* Identify what you expect and hope to learn from the class session. Listen for these things as your teacher talks.
- *Listen with an Open Mind.* Be receptive to what your teacher says. It is good to question what is said as long as

you remain open to points of view other than your own.

• *Be Attentive.* Focus on what your teacher is saying. Try not to daydream and let your mind wander to other things. It helps to sit in the front and center of the class, and to maintain eye contact with your teacher.

• *Be an Active Listener.* You can think faster than your teacher can speak. Use this to your advantage by evaluating what is being said and trying to anticipate what will be said next. Take good written notes about what your teacher says. While you can think faster than your teacher can speak, you cannot write faster than your teacher can speak. Taking notes requires you to make decisions about what to write, and you have to be an active listener to do this.

• *Meet the Challenge.* Don't give up and stop listening when you find the information being presented difficult to understand. Listen even more carefully at these times and work hard to understand what is being said. Don't be reluctant to ask questions.

• *Triumph Over the Environment.* The classroom may too noisy, too hot, too cold, too bright, or too dark. Don't give in to these inconveniences. Stay focused on the big picture - LEARNING.

## Mesekiu Defeats Koror and Ngardmau, Back on Top of PML

Rebounding from a heartbreaking loss to Airai, PCC Mesekiu mercilessly defeated Koror Ngarametal via mercy rule in 5 innings on Saturday, March 15th to regain the PML top spot. Ace pitcher Sureor Ngirailemesang struckout 9 of the fifteen batters he faced and kept Koror scoreless in five innings. Meanwhile, PCC's offense collected 10 hits enroute to a 15 - 0 win. Dell E. Mad led the offensive attack with 3 singles and a double and drove in 4 runs. Also contributing offensively was Dekei Ngiramengior with a 2-RBI single, Kaleb Meltel with an RBI single, Sureor Ngirailemesang with a triple, Ty Saiske with 2 singles, and Yoshi Okabe with a 3-RBI double.

With four games remaining in its regular season schedule, PCC Mesekiu is back in first place with a record of 12 wins and 2 losses. Although tied with Airai with 12-2 records, PCC has a 2-1 head-to-head advantage.

Then, on Tuesday, March 18th, PCC held off a late rally from Ngardmau Pirates and won by a score of 3 to 2 in the rain-shortened game.

Ngardmau ace pitcher Calson Dulei kept PCC scoreless through five innings while his team scored two runs off PCC starter Merei Ise. Finding themselves down two runs, PCC brought out their own ace

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