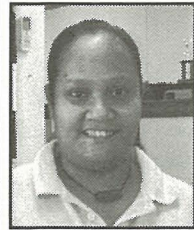


Alumni Notes

Class of 2003 (PCC)

Denika Sakuma



been working there for the past 4 years.

2003 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Office Administration (OA). Sakuma currently works at the Ministry of Commerce & Trade-Division of Labor as an Office Clerk. She has

Class of 1994 (PCC)

Esther Johanes

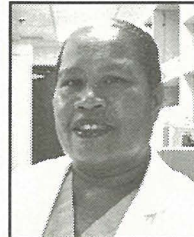


past year.

1994 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BA). Johanes has been working as an Accountant at Island's Horizon Corporation-Palau Horizon for the

Class of 1977 (MOC)

Ramona Eberdong



working at the Pharmacy as a Pharmacy Technician for the past 10 years.

1977 MOC graduate with a Vocational Certificate in General Office Clerk (GOC). She worked at the Ministry of Health as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) for 16 years and is now

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

Angelio Anthonio March 25

Happy Birthday To You!

Tips to Succeed in the Classroom

Taken from Study Tips.com at <http://www.how-to-study.com>

Taking good notes is a three-stage process in which there are certain things you should do before class, during class, and after class. Here are the three stages of note-taking and what you should do during each stage.

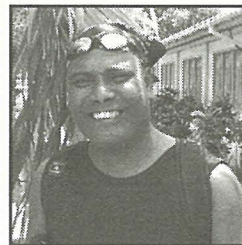
1. Get Ready to Take Notes (Before Class): Review your notes from the previous class session before you come to class. This will help you remember what was covered and get you ready to understand new information your teacher provides. Complete all assigned readings before you come to class. Your teacher will expect that you have done this and will use and build upon this information. Bring all note-taking materials with you to class. Have several pens and pencils as well as your notebook.

2. Take Notes (During Class): Keep your attention focused on what your teacher is saying. Listen for "signal statements" that tell you that what your teacher is about to say is important to write in your notes. Examples of signal statements are "The most important point..." and "Remember that..." Be sure to include in your notes information that your teacher repeats or writes on the

chalkboard. Write quickly so that you can include all the important information in your notes. Do this by writing abbreviated words such as med for medicine, using symbols such as % for percent, and writing short sentences. Place a ? next to information you write in your notes, but about whose meaning you are not sure.

Rewrite Your Notes (After Class): Rewrite your notes to make them more complete by changing abbreviated words into whole words, symbols into words, and shortened sentences into longer sentences. Make your notes more accurate by answering any questions you had when writing your notes in class. Use your textbook and reference sources to obtain the information you need to answer your questions. If necessary, ask your teacher or other students for help. Check with other students to be sure you did not leave out important information. Having good class notes will help you to be better prepared for tests.

More Show Support to PCC Endowment Fund



April Beches

Palau Public Utilities Corporation-Kayangal Power System employee, April Beches and Bureau of Public Safety Director, Hazime Tellei (not pictured) are the newest members of the Endowment Fund. PCC welcomes the new supporters of the Endowment Fund and invites others who have not signed up to show their support as well. For more information about the PCC Endowment Fund, please contact Hulda, Dilubch, Rilla, or Koyungil at the Development office at 488-2470 ext. 253.

Study Hall Available to All PCC Students...

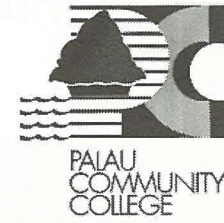
When: Monday- Thursday

Time: 6:30pm-9:30pm

Place: Study Hall Dorm B & C

Study Hall will continue until May 15, 2007.

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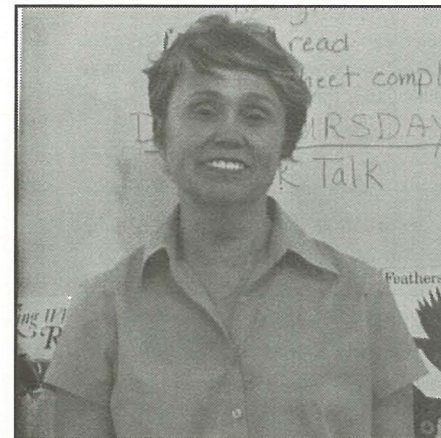


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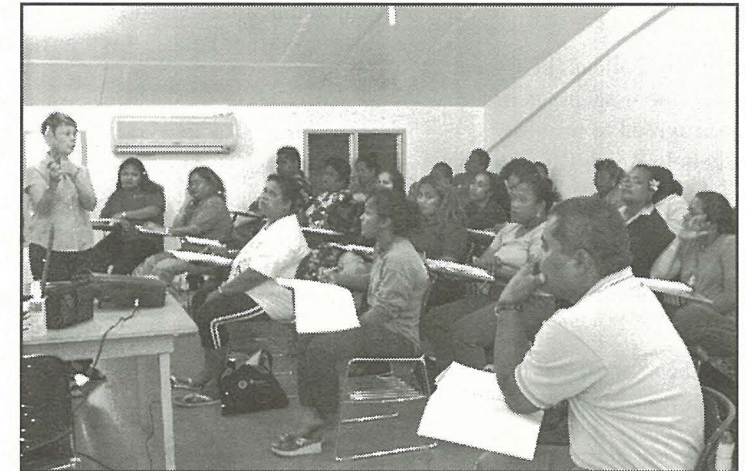
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SDSU Professor Dr. Moss Conducts BA Course



San Diego State University (SDSU) Professor Dr. Barbara Moss.



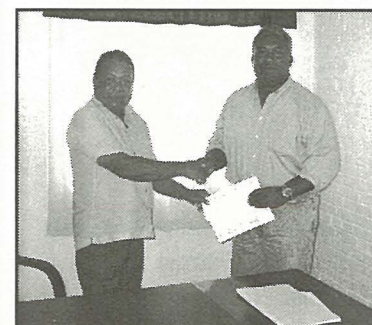
SDSU Professor Dr. Barbara Moss (far left) with the BA cohort students during their second evening of class.

Dr. Barbara Moss, a professor from San Diego State University (SDSU), arrived in Palau on March 17th and will be on-island until March 30th to conduct another course requirement for the current PCC/SDSU Bachelor's (BA) cohort program.

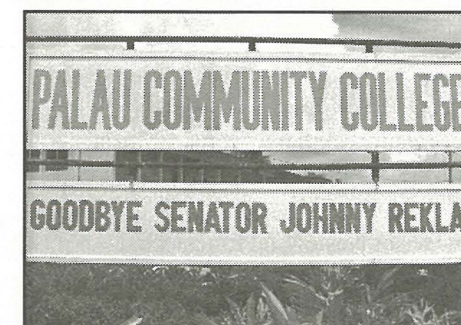
This is the first time for Dr. Moss to travel to Palau and she is here to teach TE 530 Children/Adolescent Literature. This is the 10th of the 16 course requirements for the BA cohort program. There are 27 students in the program who are

attending the class from 6:00pm to 8:00pm every evening starting March 19th-30th. The PCC/SDSU BA cohort program is scheduled for completion by early spring 2008.

PCC Bids Farewell to Late Senate President Johnny Reklai



Pictured above is the late President of the Senate Johnny Reklai (l) donating his office desk to PCC President Dr. Tellei before the Capitol relocation to Ngerulmud, Melekeok late last year.



PCC Board of Trustees, President Dr. Tellei, and the entire College family would like to bid farewell to Late Senator Johnny Reklai and extend heartfelt sympathies and deepest condolences to the Late Senator's family in their most difficult time of sorrow and grief.

FILE FOR REFUND BEFORE MARCH 30TH DEADLINE!

All bi-weekly donors of the PCC Endowment Fund are reminded to come to PCC Development Office and complete their application packets, enabling them to get refunds for their donations. This reminder is for those who have not completed their packets. Be sure to fill your forms before March 30, 2007 deadline. It is just around the corner so hurry up before it's too late. If you are not sure whether or not your application packet is complete or do not have a form, please feel free to contact Hulda, Dilubch, Rilla, or Koyu at PCC's Development Office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 253.

PCC Helps PSB Receiver Disburse Checks



PCC staff, Harline Haruo and Merelyn Omelau (left), with other government staff disbursing checks to the depositors of the closed Pacific Savings Bank (PSB).

Palau Community College (PCC), one of the non-government agencies in the Republic, has agreed to provide volunteers to help Kaleb Udui, Jr., the Receiver of the recently-closed Pacific Savings Bank (PSB) disburse approximately 4,800 checks to depositors from March 20th- April 2nd, 2007.

PCC staff Dilubch Samil, Hulda Lukas, and Helene Moros of Development office; Harline Haruo of Human

Resources office; and Merelyn Omelau of Business office were assigned to represent the College. PCC Cafeteria is also donating their services by providing lunches to all volunteers for the duration of the check disbursement.

Other government and non-government offices that are assisting Receiver Mr. Kaleb Udui, Jr. include the Ministry of State, Ministry of Finance, Financial Institutions Commission, Palau National Communications Corporation, including former staff of Pacific Savings Bank.

Receiver Kaleb Udui, Jr. would like to thank PCC as well as the other offices for their invaluable support. Also, special thanks to the Bureau of Public Safety for providing security; Ministry of Resources & Development for donating tables; Sacred Heart Church for donating chairs; Mr. Willy Mays Towai for donating benches; and ROP President's Office for donating tents.

Palauan Studies Committee Holds First Meeting



(l-r): Rteruich Katsusi Skang, Dean Alvina Timarong, Yosko Malsol, Governor Victoria Kanai, President Dr. Tellei, Ilabais Vincent Ito, and Sherman Daniel during their first committee meeting earlier this month at PCC CE training room.

After soliciting help from the community to create a Palauan Studies program on campus, Rteruich Katsusi Skang, Dirraiblong Itei Marino, Rbelkuul Felix Osilek, Yosko Malsol, Gov. Victoria Kanai, and Justa Polloi agreed to join Dean Alvina Timarong, Ilabais Vincent Ito, and Sherman Daniel in trying to meet the accreditation requirements of creating a program on campus that focuses only on Palau.

Their first meeting was a success and allowed them to brainstorm about this new program they are excited to launch. Their next scheduled meeting is set for April 11th.

Work-Study Students' Success Stories- Part 3



(l-r): Supervisor Quintina Nestor and PCC student, Shino Yumi Emesiochel smile for the camera at the MOH's Billing and Collection Office.

Living in Ngatpang, being a full-time PCC student, and working at the Ministry of Health (MOH) are a lot for some people, but not to Ms. Shino Yumi Emesiochel. This hard working young lady has been working as an office aid at MOH Billing and Collection office. She works registering patient numbers, collecting bills, and does other regular administrative work.

"She's a fast learner. She's computer literate so, since she was introduced to the hospital system, she's been able to work alone", says her Supervisor, Quintina Nestor.

Asked what she's learned from working at the hospital, Emesiochel replied, "I know more about insurance now that I'm working here. I've also learned why the hospital is expensive. I also feel that I'm more responsible and organized".

Emesiochel encourages other students to try work-study outside of the College because they'll have hands-on experience and also have the opportunity to meet new people. Working outside also gives the local offices a head start to see students' qualifications and may consider hiring them after graduation.

Supervisor Nestor and Emesiochel thank the College for the work-study program and both agree that it is very helpful. However, Supervisor Nestor suggested that working hours be extended to include night shifts and weekends so that the students can fully experience everything that the offices' do in their daily operation.

Deepest Condolences



On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students, President Dr. Tellei extends deepest condolences to Veronica Kloulechad in the loss of her brother, Benjamin Kloulechad and to Takemura Erungel in the loss of his brother, Tilei Erungel. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time.

BITS AND PIECES...

ANNOUNCEMENT

PCC Charter Day Celebration...

According to the College calendar, April 2nd is PCC's Charter Day, however, the College will have its celebration on April 13th. To ensure a successful celebration, the President has appointed the following to serve on the 2007 Charter Day Organizing Committee:

1. Ephraim Ngirachitei- Chair
2. Thomas Taro- Co-Chair
3. Lesley Adachi
4. Armstrong Debelbot
5. Clement Kazuma
6. Deikola Olikong
7. Tchuzie Tadao
8. Leilani Senior
9. Helene Moros
10. Ezra Takeo

The committee will hold its first meeting this week to prepare for this special celebration.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Second Air-Condition Training Offered...

Palau Community College (PCC) will offer another short-term air-condition training course for interested state government employees who were not able to attend the first training. This is a 48 hours training that covers installation, service & maintenance, and troubleshooting techniques. The training is scheduled to start on April 9th-May 3rd, 2007, Mondays through Thursdays from 1:00pm- 4:00pm in the afternoon. It is intended to provide opportunities for participants to learn the skills needed to install, service and repair air-conditions in their respective states. The training is supported by the Operations & Maintenance Improvement Program (OMIP).

For more information, please contact Sherman Daniel or Don Hanser at OMIP office at 488- 2470/2471 ext. 254.

SSS - Project Beacon Job-site Visit Division of Environmental Health

Submitted by students: Shane Salvador, Mark Tolenoa, Hope Ngirmekur, and Ngeaol Kelmal



SSS-Project Beacon Students and Instructor Caryn Koshiba (far right) pose with the Division of Environmental Health (DEH) staff during the students' visit.

On Tuesday, March 20, the SSS - Project Beacon had its first job-site visit this semester to the Division of Environmental Health, Ministry of Health. A total of 10 sophomore PCC students had the chance to participate in this job-site visit. The main purpose of this job-site visit was to expose and familiarize graduating clients to potential careers related to their majors, and to provide them with an opportunity to meet and learn from professionals in the field.

The Division of Environmental Health is located beside the old Seaplane dock at Meyuns. The Division of Environmental Health has five sections and we were fortunate to personally meet with Chief Maireng Sengebau-Kingzio, and the supervisors and specialists from each section. The five sections consist of Food Safety, Consumer Protection, Community Health, Vector Control, and the Environmental Information System/ Epidemiology. We were amazed to learn about the numerous duties and responsibilities of this office, and the effort it takes to ensure a healthy community. Most importantly, we learned that the Division of Environmental Health cannot work alone to ensure community health, it needs the overall support of the community.

The supervisors and specialists gave informative presentations about each of their areas of expertise. The presentations expanded our knowledge about the

importance of food safety in relation to community health. We were surprised to learn that any prepared food is safe to eat just within four hours of its production, after that it would enter a temperature of the potentially hazardous food. This is valuable information as we regularly buy bento, especially spam sushi on a typical school week due to hectic class schedules. We also learned about the process of ensuring that drinking water is not contaminated, being smart consumers, and the importance of reading product labels. Furthermore, we learned about monthly inspections necessary for the health of the community. We were also able to see some gadgets and traps that they use to control or eradicate pests such as rats, mosquitoes, and others that might spread disease within the community. Examples we saw were the light traps similar to what they use at the airport to catch foreign mosquitoes, as well as metal cages that are set up at the harbor to catch rats from ships.

As graduating sophomores, these types of job-site visits are much appreciated as they expose us to various careers, and allow us to meet professionals in the workforce. We would like to extend our gratitude to the entire Division of Environmental Health - Chief Maireng Sengebau-Kingzio, Supervisors, Specialists and staff: Bernard Sikyang, Tmekei Ellis, Dorcas Ngiruchelbad, Godwin Siliang, Alexander Sumor, Losii Samsel, Rosalita Tadao, Burt Mabel, James Ngiraremiang, Oshiro Lorin, Basiano Kitalong and Sylvia Tmodrang and the rest of the office personnel for taking time out of their busy schedule to accommodate our job-site visit. The visit was quite an eye-opener, that some of us majoring in Environmental Marine/ Science are considering a future career in the Division of Environmental Health.

