

CELEBRATING THE 10TH PCC CHARTER DAY

Come Join the Fun!!!

Everyone is invited to join the 10th Annual PCC President's Run&Walk commemorating the establishment of Palau Community College

VENUE
Koror Side Waiting House

DATE/TIME
April 04, 2003
5:30 a.m.

REGISTRATION

4:00 a.m. to 5:15 a.m. at the Koror Side Waiting House. T-shirts will be given to the first 100 registered runners and the first 200 registered walkers who reach the finish line (Palau National Track). Healthy breakfast of fresh fruits and drinks will be provided.

TRANSPORTATION

First trip leaves the PCC Parking Lot at 4:00 a.m. and the last trip at 5:15 a.m.

For information about the Presidential Run & Walk, please contact Lesley Adachi at PCC telephone number 488-2471.

CHARTER DAY CELEBRATION

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at the PCC Campus Courtyard featuring student traditional and/or contemporary performances.



MOH employees Connie Olikong (back) and Berry Moon Watson



MOH staff Florencia T. Kitalong (back) and Jason Nolan

Endowment Drive Continues to Receive New Members

The PCC Endowment Drive that was launched early this year commemorating the 10th anniversary of the College has been a resounding success. We have been steadily receiving new bi-weekly donors to the Endowment Fund since January. This week we see additional Republic of Palau employees join us in supporting Palau's only college, PCC.

Over at the Ministry of Health, we welcome eight (8) new members, **Berry Moon Watson, Johana Ngiruchelbad, Valencia Olikong** (Class of '96-Cert. in Sec.Science), **Laurinda F. Mariur, Jason Nolan, Florencia T. Kitalong, Kolbas N. Kloulechad, and Connie Olikong** (Class of '95, AA Degree in Lib. Arts). From the Ministry of Justice, we welcome five (5) new members, **Godwin Philip, Engelbert Mabel, Sherry Sisor, Jonnie Ngeluk** (Class of '00-Cert. in Office Admin.), and **Dolyn Tell** (Class of '98-Cert. in Crim. Justice). At the Council of Chiefs Office, we also see two (2) additional members, **Frida Ramarui** and **Romson Remoket** (Class of '99-AA Degree in Lib. Arts). From the Ministry of Resources and Development, we see one (1) new member, **Arnold Moses** (Class of '97-Cert. in Gen. Office Clerk). PCC welcomes everyone to the PCC Endowment Fund Contributors' Club. You have just shown your commitment to the continued existence of Palau's only college. Together, let us ensure that future generations have the same opportunity and access to higher learning as presently provided by our college, Palau Community College!



Sitting front are Eden Ridep (l) and Pearl Marumoto, joined by Tmekei Ellis (back left) and Basiano Kitalong. They joined the club last week



MOJ employees from left are Dolyn Tell, Sherry Sisor and Jonnie Ngeluk



MRD employees Trebkul Tellei (l) and Kathleen Sisor



MOH employee Johana Ngiruchelbad



Council of Chiefs employees Frida Ramarui (l) and Romson Remoket



MOH employee Kolbas N. Kloulechad



MOE employee Alvino Kenty enrolled last week



MOJ employee Godwin Philip



MOJ employee Engelbert Mabel



MOH employee Laurinda F. Mariur



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PCC Student is GYLC Scholar



PCC student Dean Kloulechad

First year PCC student Dean Kloulechad has just been notified of his nomination to be a scholar at the Global Young Leaders Conference (GYLC). In a formal communication to Dean's parents, Mr. Andrew Pinger, Director of GYLC, informed them that they first became aware of Dean through his participation in the Student Search Services sponsored by the College Board.

The GYLC itself is sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council and has over 400 members of the United States Congress on its Honorary Congressional Board of Advisors. It has been holding leadership development conferences for extraordinary high school students since 1985. According to Mr. Pinger, this year's conference will begin in Washington, D.C. and end in New York City and will expose participants to an intensive academic curriculum that will help to sharpen their skills 'through engaging simulations, workshops, and face-to-face interaction with today's global leaders'.

Dean, who graduated from Xavier High School in Chuuk, Federated States of Micronesia, scored so well on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) which was one of the factors that made him eligible for nomination to be one of the GYLC scholars. In fact, he was not only selected to represent Palau, but the entire Micronesia.

At the conference, Dean will be

able to meet with a senior member of President Bush's administration at the U.S. Department of State as well as participate in a United Nations interactive briefing. Dean will also visit such landmark institutions as the New York Financial District, the Smithsonian Institution, and an international embassy. PCC is very proud of our student Dean Kloulechad whose hard work has earned him this recognition. All PCC students and staff congratulate him and wish him much success at the GYLC conference.

Charter Day is Next Week

The entire College community is abuzz with anticipation and excitement as our 10th Charter Day celebration nears. To be celebrated next Friday April 4, 2003, the celebration begins at 5:30 a.m. with the annual PCC President's Run&Walk starting from the Koror Side Waiting House and ending at the Palau National Track. As in the tradition of this event, this is free to the entire local community, and the first 100 registered runners and the first 200 registered walkers who finish the course will receive a free Charter Day tee-shirt commemorating this special day. All participants will then be treated to a free breakfast of fresh fruits and nutritious drinks before heading to their respective destinations. At 8:30 am, the College will then hold its formal Charter Day celebration with the Student Services spearheading the activities for the day. The Dean of Students, Presley Etibek, has promised that students and staff will have the time of their lives and better be prepared to enjoy themselves. The celebration will culminate in a luncheon prepared by the College's Cafeteria staff who have begun planning for a feast that will leave everyone's stomachs full and contented.

At 5:00 pm the same day, the College will begin conducting the 5th Charter Day Softball Tournament at the Meyuns Ballfield. As in the tournament's tradition, proceeds will go directly to the PCC Endowment Fund. As reported in earlier issues, the tournament will feature only 16 co-ed teams in a double elimination format. So far, the fourteen (14) teams that will participate in this year's tournament are:

TEAM	SPONSOR	CONTACT PERSON
Idid	Idid Youth	Dr. Louisa Santos
PCC CJ	PCC Criminal Justice Club	Joan Philip
PCC SBA I	PCC Student Body Association	Lance Wally
PCC SBA II	PCC Student Body Association	Lance Wally
Ministry of Finance	Minister Elbuchel Sadang	Milan Isaac
Angaur All-Right	Governor Horace Rafael	Natus Misech
OEK	6th Olbiil Era Kelulau	Ricky Mechol
System	Koror State Government	Wridon Ngiralmaw
Emadech	Papago Hotel	Lolita Gibbons
MOH	MOH Players	Grace Rafael
WORR	WORR Players	Lee Pedro
Hooters	Florencia Ngiraiwet	Gibson Towai
Ngak Mak Tang	Special Education	Roland Tangelbad
Peleliu	Bendix Lakobong	Engelbert
Mabel		

Only two slots are open so register your team as soon as possible. Call Todd, LeoBen, or Jay at PCC telephone number 488-2471 and register your team today!

Celebrating Birthdays

Angelio Anthonio (Belated) March 25
Jose Manabat (Retired) March 29

Happy Birthday To You!!!



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PHS Student Wins Taiwan/ROC Scholarship to Study at PCC

Palau High School senior Ms. Deborah Shay has just made history by becoming the first Palauan to win a scholarship under the Taiwan/ROC-Pacific Islands Forum Scholarship Scheme, funded by the Taiwan/ROC and managed by the Forum Secretariat in Suva, Fiji. Ms. Shay, while still a senior in high school, has begun taking courses at PCC under the dual enrollment program; thus, she has begun incurring college expenses so this comes as great news to her and her parents.

According to Toakase Ratu who is Programme Implementation Officer for the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, "The Scheme offers a number of scholarships to Forum island member states to study in selected institutions in the Pacific and in Taiwan/ROC".

This scholarship to Ms. Shay, who will be attending PCC full-time next school year, will be used to pay all her tuition fees and any other mandatory institution fees, as well as cover for her accommodation and living expenses, including book allowance. The College congratulates Ms. Shay and looks forward to seeing her next school year as a full time PCC student and Taiwan/ROC-Pacific Islands Forum Scholar!



Palau High School Senior and PCC student Ms. Deborah Shay

Got Articles?

We want to know the scoop over at your office, what's new, what's being implemented, etc. Share your news with us by bringing your articles to the Development Office no later than Wednesdays at 12 noon each week.

AG Science Program Donates Native Plants

This week the Agricultural Science Program continued its efforts promoting the use of native Palauan plants in landscaping. The Program donated approximately fifty (50) seedlings of two (2) trees for use in the College's landscape. The two trees are Ngel (Noni, *Morinda citrifolia*), a plant widely used for medicine in the Pacific Islands, and Chercheroi (*Mussaenda Frondosa*). These trees were propagated by PCC students in the course Tropical Landscape Horticulture during the 2002 fall semester. The Program has also donated approximately one hundred (100) chercheroi seedlings to Koror State, and several seedlings to the Palau International Coral Reef Center as well. The College thanks AG Program Professor Dr. Joel Miles and his students for this generous donation.



PCC Landscaper Nery Alcantara (l) accepts seedlings from PCC Agriculture student Linus Marewibuel.

Teshima-Sensei Bids Sayonara



After two years of volunteer instructorship at PCC, Ms. Kimiko Teshima will finally complete her mission in Palau (here at PCC) and return to Japan. Today will be her last day on campus and the College will hold a special luncheon in her honor at the Tourism & Hospitality Snack Bar. Teshima-Sensei first came to PCC in April 2001 and has been teaching the College's Japanese language courses since. Her previous experience in teaching Japanese language helped her make the PCC Japanese courses dynamic and fun for students. She was also one of the first PCC language instructors to utilize the new College Language Lab that was established last year through donations by the Japan Foundation, a special legal entity associated with the Government of Japan. The College students will surely miss Teshima-Sensei; however, we wish her much success as she goes to take on the next challenge in her life. Arigato & Sayonara, Teshima-Sensei!

Palau Community College Placement Testing

High school visits and placement testing for school year 2003 and 2004 for all high schools in Palau have been scheduled for March & April, 2003. With the initial high school visits completed, the schedule below shows when placement tests will take place:

HIGH SCHOOLS - Total # of Seniors	PLACEMENT TESTING		
	DATE	TIME/DAY	PLACE
Belau Modekngel School - 8	April 11, 2003	8:30-12:30pm (Friday)	BMS Campus
Bethania High School - 14	April 14, 2003	12:30-4:30pm (Monday)	BHS Campus
Emmaus High School - 12	April 15, 2003	8:00-12noon (Tuesday)	EHS Campus
Palau Mission Academy - 15	April 18, 2003	12:30-4:30pm (Friday)	PCC
Mindszenty High School - 39	April 16, 2003	8:00-12noon (Wednesday)	MHS Campus
Palau High School - 134	April 21, 2003	12:30-4:30pm (Monday)	PCC Cafeteria

RECRUITERS:

- Mr. Sherman Daniel, Associate Dean
- Ms. Dahlia Katosang, Dir. Admissions & Fin. Aid
- Ms. Elenita Brel, Financial Aid Counselor

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Palau Community College-Office of Admissions and Financial, phone: (680) 488-2470 or 488-2471, fax: (680) 488-4468, or e-mail to the following addresses: admsfaid@palau.edu or dahliapcc@palaunet.com.



Tyson John (l) and Byron Ringlen came to the 2003 PBILC (held in Palau last week) all the way from Pohnpei-FSM and became two of the most popular conference participants. Tyson was a major hit with the ladies due to his dynamic personality, which helped him win an audience (and a dance) with ROP First Lady Debbie Remengesau. Byron, on the other hand, became famous for his musical talent and prowess - which were evident when he belted out Elvis tunes as well as Louis Armstrong's "Wonderful World" - not to mention his mean dance routines!

BITS AND PIECES...

Old CRE Building - What will it be used for?

This old CRE building is being renovated to temporarily house the PCC Adult High School office as well as the Talent Search Program office. The current office space for these programs will then be turned into classrooms for the Adult High School.



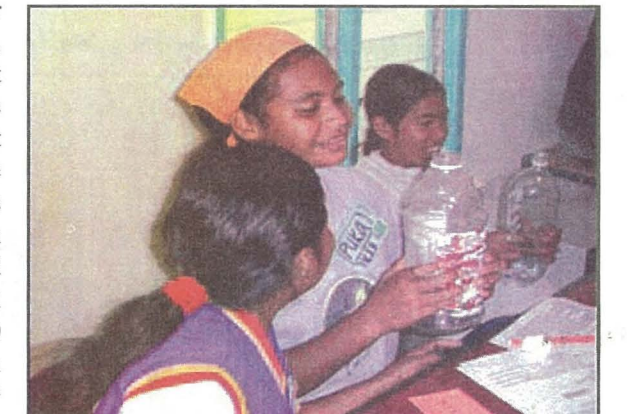
Students Workers Ought To Be Properly Oriented

Something occurred this week that opened the eyes of some College staff. A PCC student who has been attending the College for a year was asked to drop some papers in one of the College offices. She apparently did not know where the office is and managed to drop the papers in a different one. Whether this is a result of miscommunication or otherwise, it behooves the College staff to ensure their work-study students are properly oriented each time they begin working in an office- regardless of whether they are former work-study students or new students. While the incident may have initially caused unnecessary delay in work that needed to be done, it has provided an important reminder to all that we need to pay more attention to the student workers we have. After all, they are very much willing to help; thus, we ought to help them so that in return, they help us. In the meantime, thank you work-study students for the critical work you do on behalf of the College!

CRE After School Program

CRE's After School Science Class is continuing very well with its second group of students. This second group is comprised of students in grades 6-8 and started March 11th. So far the students have learned why water molecules stick together, why clouds are so important to the Earth, and the different stages of butterfly metamorphosis. The most exciting and fun class has been when the students made their own volcanoes and watched them erupt. In making their own volcanoes, the students learned the different parts and the characteristics of the three kinds of volcanoes.

On April 15th, CRE will start its third After School Science Class for grades 3-5. Room is still available for this class. If you are interested in having your child attend, please contact Kris Lloyd at the CRE Office at 488-4983. The class meets twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm and will run from April 15th to May 15th.



Students Desy, Puka and Gaby study the importance of clouds

LIBRARY NEWS FOR YOU!

Written by Imengel Mad, Library Technician

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK -- <http://www.micsem.org>

This website contains hundreds of publications on such topics as education, history, economics, human rights, and social issues - the latter include migration, suicide, family change and youth drinking, among others. Of historical interest, the website contains a comprehensive list of beachcombers and another of foreign ships visiting Micronesia.

In addition the site contains information on the 36 videos they have produced in their studio, annual lists of publications on Micronesia from the Library and archived forum discussions. They are now producing series of online photo albums on various historical topics including, *War Comes to the Marianas*, *When Copra was King*, *The German Era*, *Where were the Women?*, *A Brief History of Education in Micronesia* and *Leaders at the Brink of Nationhood* - all available on disk.

MICSEM DONATES CD - The PCC Library is happy to announce that Micronesian Seminar recently donated a micsem.org on CD. This will be a great information resource for those schools, libraries, and/or institutions that have no internet access. You simply put the disk into your computer and begin rummaging through the site. Funding assistance for this work came by way of the Sasakawa Pacific Island Nations Fund. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the CD, please contact micsem@micsem.org or Ms. Imengel Mad, PCC Library Technician, Micronesian-Pacific Collection at 488-3540 or imengelm@palau.edu for assistance in getting you a copy of the CD.