

Alumni Notes

Class of 1997

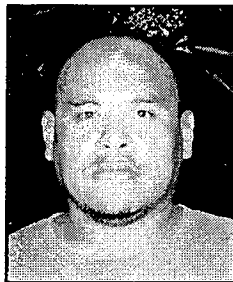
Virginia Ikeya



Earned two Certificates of Achievement in Secretarial Science in 1991 and Business Education in Accounting in 1999. Currently working as an Accounting Technician at PCC Business Office for the past 39 years.
 Message: Take care of your health. Your health is your wealth.

Class of 1997

Burton Wong



Earned a Certificate of Achievement in Business Education - General Office Clerk. Working at the Bureau of Land & Surveys since 1998 as a Cartographer for the past six years. Has training experiences in GPS (Global Position System I-II-II) and AUTOCAD.

Message- Education leads to success.

Class of 2007

Brent Ueki



Earned an Associate of Science (AS) degrees in Business Administration. Attended the University of Hawaii-Hilo from 2008-2009. Took a sabbatical and traveled around the U.S. Currently enrolled at PCC and working for an OA degree to expand his business acumen

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*.

Mesekiu's News
 Palau Community College
 P.O. Box 9, Koror, Palau 96940

Celebrating Birthdays

Kazue Melphy Apr 25
 Franson Oiterong Apr 26
 Virginia Ikeya Apr 27

Happy Birthday To You!

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Liberation Monument. With each stop, the students were enlightened with detailed historical facts regarding each site. One of the highlight of this field trip was the fact that Mr. Hesus Belibei, one of the tour guides, was among 120 people who lived in the cave for several months during WWII and survived to tell his story. But not to be outdone, to the delight of the students the monkeys made several appearances throughout this wonderful visit.

UBMS Staff and students would like to take this opportunity to thank several people who made this Field Trip possible. Honorable Mrs. Maria Meltel, Governor of Angaur State, and her staff who made all the arrangements, all the tour guides - especially Mr. Hesus Belibei, the boat operators Ashley Omelau and Jay Okada, and NEMO for keeping us informed of the traveling conditions. Kom Kmal Mesulang!!! Telly, Omtab, and Evan, thank you for helping us in accompanying the students on this trip.

**PCC-FSA
 3rd Gentlemen's
 Gourmet Event**
**Ngarachamayong
 Cultural Center**
April 30th , 6:30 - 10:30 p.m.
\$20/ticket 488-2470 ext. 240
Faculty Office.

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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 adora@palau.edu.

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

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test results prior to enrolling at the college for the summer or academic year, if they decide to enroll at PCC. The trainees included Director Dahlia Katosang, Federal Work-Study Coordinator Benny Brel, Director Hilda Ngiralmu, Registrar Lesley Adachi, Secretary Verna Kyota, Admissions Counselor Mekreos Silil, and Registration & Record Specialist Teongel Ngirkelau.

We are looking for mature, reliable, and punctual PCC students to work as lab assistants for the Online and the Open computer labs starting summer 2011. You must be able to work responsibly without constant supervision. If you have these characteristics and are interested, please contact Johvanna Yaoch at 488-2471 (PCC) ext. 256.

Apply Now!

Vacancy Announcement

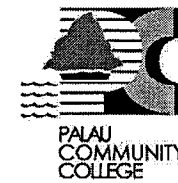
- (1) Computer Technician, Computer Services Office
 Salary range: \$12,049 - 20,607 per annum
- (2) Director, Human Resources Office
 Salary range: \$18,730 - 28,833 per annum
- (3) Director, Finance
 Salary range: \$18,730 - 28,833 per annum

For application forms and information, please contact Karen Mober at PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, ext. 227.

PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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Palau Community College



MESEKIU'S NEWS



Friday, April 22, 2011

Weekly Newsletter

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Advancing Female Faculty in STEM

Contributed by Johvanna Yaoch



Joseph & Ngirmeriil at UOG workshop session.

On April 12-14, 2011, PCC faculty members Sherry Ngirmeriil, Maria Joseph, and Johvanna Yaoch attended the first Advancing Female Faculty in STEM in the Northern Pacific workshop hosted at the

University of Guam (UOG). The workshop was designed primarily for female faculty members in the northern Pacific region who are in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

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Staff Training for College Placement Test



(l-r) Mersai, Joseph, Ngirkelau, Silil, Kyota, Adachi, Ngiralmu, Brel, & Katosang.

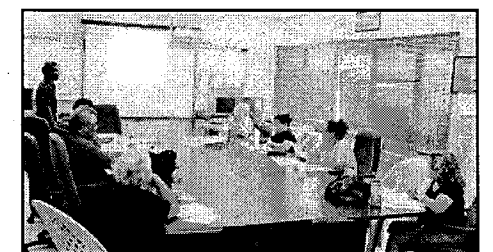
Every year the college administers the Placement Test to graduating seniors in all high schools in Palau. PCC instructors Midori Mersai and Maria Joseph gave a brief training to a team of Student Services staff on the process of administering the Placement Test. The Placement Test provides students the opportunity to know their

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PCC & MOH Continue Effort for New Health Program

PCC is working closely with the Ministry of Health in a collaborative effort to expand programs and services to meet community needs. The focus is to develop a new Associate of Science degree program with emphasis in Public Health.

On Thursday, April 14, 2011, Associate Dean Daniel accompanied by Vincent Ito, Chairman of PCC Committee on Programs and Curriculum, gave a course-writing orientation to Public Health officials who are potential adjunct instructors for the program. Dr. Cuboni and Director Sengebau were present in this session.



Daniel, Ito, & Dr. Cuboni, Sengebau & Public Health representatives.

SUMMER KIDS PROGRAM

Call Anna/Leona @ CE Office
 488-6223/2471

Palau Community College is an accessible public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

UBMS Visits Angaur State

Contributed by Lakolani Olgellel



PCC archaeology students with BAC Staff at Metuker er a Bisech.

On Saturday April, 09, 2011, UBMS participants visited the Beautiful State of Angaur. With the assurance from the office of the National Emergency Management Office and the Boat Operators that it was safe to travel to the outlying states, UBMS staff and students embarked on the journey to Angaur State. The purpose for the trip was to explore and learn the many wonder-

ful and unique historical and cultural sites of Angaur State. Upon arrival, the students and staff were met by several state employees, who guided them through a tour of this beautiful state. The sites visited during this cultural/historical field trip included; the Phosphate Stock Storehouse, Light-house, Coast Guard Cemetery, Santa Maria, the Blow Hole, and the Angaur People

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TS Participants from MES Experience Jungle River Cruise and Ngardmau Waterfall

Contributed by Talent Search Office



PCC archaeology students with BAC Staff at Metuker er a Bisech.

The 8th grade Talent Search participants from Meyuns Elementary School went on a field trip to Jungle River Cruise in Ngchesar and the Waterfall in Ngardmau. Based on their classroom objectives for Social Studies and Science, students

got to see at hand and know the different species of plants that are in these areas and experience how and why tourists come to our country to see some of our natural environ-

ment. In Ngchesar, the students visited the Jungle River Cruise where they had a chance to study and see the different plants on the pathway to the river and alongside the river. They also saw different species of birds flying above the river

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Anthropology Students Visit Elab Village

Contributed by Kiblas Soaladaob

On April 7, 2011, PCC's anthropology students had the opportunity to visit Elab village which is a traditional stonework village site in Ngaraard State. The students gathered at the Ngaraard State office and were greeted by the governor, Laurentino Ulechong, and one of the state's knowledgeable cultural heritage guides, Mr. Andrew Shiro.



Visiting Elab guided by Mr. Andrew Shiro (back row, 2nd to the right).

During the visit, the students walked around the stone path and learned various accounts of Elab. According to historical accounts, Elab was created when Merubelau threw ashes into the water that separated Ngesang and Ngebuked.

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AHS Teachers Discuss Student Progress



(l-r) Ngirarou, Andreas, Mangham, Bingkelang, Antonio, Debelbot, Ngiraingas, & Kual.

Adult High School teachers and counselors recently held a meeting on Wednesday, April 13, to discuss several issues pertaining to student progress, midterm analysis of teachers, graduation update, and reports on Adult High School divisions in Peleliu and Airai, and a prospective division at Kayangel.

BITS AND PIECES...

ANNOUNCEMENT

Internship Application
Summer Session 2011

2nd Year Students &
Counselors/Advisors
Applications Forms
Working Hours, Monday-Friday
DEADLINE: May 20, 2011

Call Vincent Ito @ CPC Office 488-6504 for further details

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL LAPTOP COMPUTERS FOR STUDENTS

PCC solicits...

-Sealed proposals for the Palau Community College Laptop for Students Project

-From April 15 to May 06, 2011

-Submit two (2) copies of Project and Cost Proposal to the college Vice President for Administration & Finance.

*Project proposals to be opened on
May 09, 2011.*

For detailed information regarding description and specifications, contact PCC Computer Services Dept. at 488-2471 ext. 232. This proposal solicitation can be viewed on the college website at <http://www.palau.edu>.

PCC reserves the right to reject any or all proposals without penalty.

PCC-CE & JICA Training

Website Development
May 17-June 23

PC Troubleshooting
MAY 16 - JUNE 08

Call Anna/Leona
488-6223/488-2471

College Reps Perform in ECCS Outreach Activities



Rechedool (father) & Beltau (mother) at Ngarchelong.

As college reps in ECCS initiative (Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems), Rechedool Jemmy Belelai and Heidi Beltau are actively involved in role-playing skits that portray emerging societal issues and challenges that impact children and their primary/secondary care providers.

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This land became what is called Elab, which comes from the word chab or ash. They also learned the story of Tmedolech and how his fishing hook caught a portion of a village that can be seen today on the east side (Despedall).

After the trip to Elab, the students went to Ngerdebus and visited Ngerchokl. They also learned the story of the enchantment that was cast upon Ngerchokl for the purpose of giving immortality to two loyal sons, only to be reversed by a passing lady and her young daughter.

There are rich oral histories and remnants of tangible heritage found throughout Palau. The aim of the experience to these cultural heritage sites is to become aware of various careers in the field of anthropology as well as addressing the importance of understanding the concept of culture as part of decision-making and policy development in societies.

For more information on the oral histories of Ngaraard, students and those interested can contact Ngaraard State office as well as the Bureau of Arts and Culture under the Ministry of Community and Cultural Affairs.

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Participants of the workshop included faculty members from the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Republic of Palau, and Guam. The workshop covered various topics ranging from tips on how to write effective teaching philosophies, culturally sensitive teaching strategies, using technology to enhance and promote learning as well as helpful tips on how to effectively manage work, family, and other commitments. Workshop participants were also taken on a tour around the UOG campus where they were able to visit various STEM related facilities.

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and a crocodile bathing under the sun in an open area near the river. The students were able to identify different invasive plants that are dangerous to the livelihood of the Palauan forests. They got a chance to understand how these plants will slowly affect our vegetation in the Babeldaob area.

After the Jungle River Cruise, students, teachers, and TS staff went to Ngardmau State. In Ngardmau, students went on a strenuous hike to the waterfall. The students also saw different species of plants and birds as they hiked the trail to the waterfall. They observed different vegetations on the dry slopes and wet grounds. Also, they identified a variety of plants that can reside in the mixture of fresh water and salty water.

Included is this trip was to understand how different economic systems operate in production and services. Students experienced and saw how these land marks are set up to attract tourists and local customers. They also found out who they are trying to attract in terms of economic Students had a chance to interact with some of the tourists that went on the Jungle River Cruise and those that hiked the waterfall.

Meyuns Elementary School students, teachers, and the Talent Search Program would like to take this opportunity to thank Governor Akiko Sugiyama and Delegate Rebluud Kesolei of Ngardmau State for hosting the tour and lunch for the students.