



Alumni Notes
Class of 2004 (PCC)
Jefferson Thomas -




2004 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Office Administration (OA). Thomas works at Melekeok Elementary School as a Teacher. He has been working there for the past three months now.

Class of 2000 (PCC)
Donna Gibbons -



2000 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Nursing. Gibbons works as a Registered Nurse at the Belau National Hospital. She has been working there for the past 10 years.

Class of 1985 (MOC)
Safustia Mira -



1985 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). She works at Public Health as a Nurse and has been working there for the past 15 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

Clyde Yaliwelimar	January 13
Pamela Bidwell	January 15
Harline Haruo	January 15
Teory Idechong	January 16

Happy Birthday To You!

More Show Support to PCC Endowment Fund

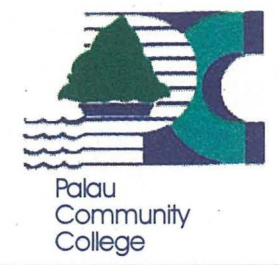


Melekeok Elementary School Computer Lab Manager, Erena Sebalt, Melekeok Elementary School Teacher, Jefferson Thomas, Melekeok Elementary School Teacher, Shirley Nakamura, Melekeok Elementary School Cook, Rebecca Hasinto, Public Works Water Plant Operator, Cleofas Siangeldeb, and Marine Law Lieutenant, Serafin Akiwo 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, Charlene, or Koyungil at the Development office at 488-2470 ext. 253.

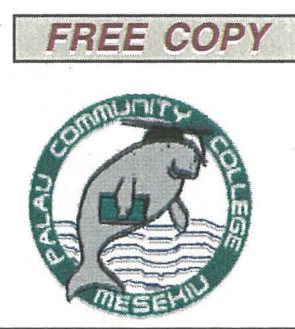
PCC to Conduct Financial Aid Nights

The PCC Office of Admissions and Financial Aid will be conducting Financial Aid Nights for interested high school students and their parents. During Financial Aid Nights, Dahlia Katosang, Director of Admissions & Financial Aid, and her staff will meet with high school seniors and their parents during the evenings to discuss Federal Student Financial Aid programs, eligibility requirements, and assist interested students in completing their financial aid forms. Financial Aid Night is open to all high school seniors who wish to enroll at the Palau Community College. If you are interested, please contact the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid at 488-2470/2471 ext. 265. (Note: Parents and students' 2006 income wages, social security benefits, pension plans, etc., are needed to complete the application forms). The dates and location of the Financial Aid Nights for all high schools is listed below.

"Financial Aid Nights" Schedule for 2007- 2008 School Year				
Date	High Schools	# of Seniors	Time	Place
18- Thursday	Mindszenty	46	7:00pm	MHS Cafeteria
25- Thursday	Palau Mission Acad.	9	7:00pm	CE Training Rm
26- Friday	Bethania	14	7:00pm	EHS Cafeteria
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27- Saturday	Belau Modekngai	7	9:00am	CE Training Rm
29- Monday	PHS	150	7:00pm	PHS Resource Center
30- Tuesday				
31- Wednesday				
Feb. 01- Thursday				
Feb. 02- Friday				
Total		228		



Palau Community College MESEKIU'S NEWS



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BOT Holds Organizational Meeting



PCC Board of Trustees Chairperson, Bilung Gloria G. Sali.



PCC Board of Trustees Vice Chairman, Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl.

The Palau Community College Board of Trustees held its annual organizational meeting on Monday, January 8, 2007. The meeting which is mandated by law allows for board members to nominate and vote new officers to direct and oversee all activities of the board for the New Year and also approved membership for all standing committees. Also established during the meeting was the board's monthly meeting schedule for the rest of the calendar year.

Citing satisfaction with its performance and the need to maintain continuity and consistency, all members voted unanimously to retain the same officers. Bilung Gloria G. Sali remained as Chairperson, Masa-Aki Emesiochl as Vice Chairman, and Valeria Toribiong as Secretary/Treasurer. Other board members also include local surgeon Dr. Emais Roberts, retired Ministry of Education official Buk Emil Ramarui, and PCC student Shane Salvador.

Masa-Aki Emesiochl was also reappointed as the representative of the PCC Board of Trustees to the College of Micronesia- FSM Board of Regents, a board in which he currently serves as

Chairman. The COM-FSM Board of Regents is comprised of representatives from Palau Community College, the College of the Marshall Islands and College of Micronesia- FSM, all of which are Land Grant institutions under College of Micronesia (COM) treaty.

The following are the standing committees and their membership for calendar year 2007:

Academic Programs Committee
Trustee Masa-Aki Emesiochl, Chair
Trustee Buk Emil Ramarui
Trustee Dr. Emais Roberts
PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

Ad-Hoc Members
Dean Academic Affairs
Chair, Committee on Program and Curricula
President, Faculty Senate

Finance/Personnel Committee
Trustee Valeria Toribiong, Chair
Trustee Bilung Gloria G. Sali
Trustee Masa-Aki Emesiochl
Trustee Buk Emil Ramarui
PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

Ad-Hoc Members
Director, Human Resource Department
Personnel Manager
President, Faculty Senate

Facilities Committee
Trustee Bilung Gloria G. Sali
Trustee Dr. Emais Roberts
Student Trustee Shane Salvador
President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

Ad-Hoc Members
Dean of Academic Affairs
Dean of Students
Director of Physical Plant

Student Affairs Committee
Student Trustee Shane Salvador, Chair
Trustee Valeria Toribiong
Trustee Buk Emil Ramarui
PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

Ad-Hoc Members
Dean of Students
Dean of Academic Affairs
Student Body Association President

Board Meetings for Calendar Year 2007

Monday, January 8
Thursday, January 25
Tuesday, February 27
Thursday, March 29
Thursday, April 19
Wednesday, May 23
Thursday, June 28
Thursday, July 26
Thursday, August 23
Thursday, September 20
Thursday, October 25
Monday, November 19
Thursday, December 13

Registration This Week, School Starts Monday!



New and returning students line up to complete their registration papers for 2007 Spring Semester. As of Thursday, January 11, 2007, over 400 students have registered for Spring Semester.

College Welcomes All Students!

(Please feel free to clip this page and post it on your wall or desk for easy reference)

The Palau Community College administration, faculty, and staff welcome all continuing students back from the fall recess and extends a warm welcome to all the returning, readmitted, and new students who enrolled this 2007 spring semester. Best wishes for a successful semester!

Stay tuned to These Networks.

School can be a frightening place for new students. People of diverse cultures, older students, commuters, and people with special needs can feel excluded. Some people attend classes for years and still feel they are standing alone on the outside, looking in.

You don't have to be a stranger to school life. Networking is one way to break through the barriers that keep students isolated.

Students who overcome feelings of isolation increase their chances of staying in school and succeeding. Networks can also prepare students for the world of work, where most projects involve teamwork. You can begin networking immediately. Here are some techniques you can use:

Introduce yourself to classmates. Get to class early and break the ice by discussing the holidays.

Plan to meet people. Write an Intention Statement promising to meet three new people each week. Plan who these people will be and how and when you intend to meet them.

See your instructor. If you feel lost in a class, make an appointment to see your instructor outside class. You might discover a human being who wants you to succeed.

Join a Club. A PSO club, YSO club, Agriculture Club and Student Body Association can put you in touch with potential friends.

Form a study group. Peer pressure can be positive. Study with students who excel and also look for partners from different racial, ethnic, or religious

backgrounds. Diversity will add depth to your group and stimulate everyone's thinking.

Play ball!! You don't have to be a world-class athlete to play sports. As a matter of fact, keeping fit is one of the marks of a master student. Most schools have intramural leagues, and PCC definitely has intramural sports for you to take advantage of!

Use school media. School newspapers can alert you to interesting activities and people. Bulletin boards can be sources of information about clubs and social activities. Also, check the school catalog.

Study at the library. It's quiet, it's comfortable, and it's a place to meet other serious students.

Use Student Services. These include career planning, testing services, counseling services, student health services, financial aid, student body association, student organizations and student activities. These services are free to students. Going to school puts you in contact with an extraordinary network of services. All that remains is for you to use them.

SPRING SEMESTER 2007

January 1 (M)	Holiday: New Year's Day
January 3-5 (W-F)	Placement Testing
January 4 (TH)	Freshman Orientation
January 8-11 (M-TH)	Advising & Registration
January 15 (M)	First Day of Instruction
January 15-19 (M-F)	Late Registration/ Drop & Add Period
February 23 (F)	Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades
March 5-9 (M-F)	Mid-term Period
March 12-16 (M-F)	Student's Spring Break
March 15 (TH)	Holiday- Youth Day
March 23 (F)	Last Day for Withdrawals
March 30 (F)	PCC Charter Day Celebration
April 2 (M)	PCC Charter Day
May 4 (F)	Holiday: Senior's Citizens' Day
May 11 (F)	Last Day of Instruction
May 14-16 (M-W)	Final Examination Period
May 16 (W)	Graduates' Grades Due
May 21 (M)	Grades Due
May 25 (F)	Commencement Exercises End of Spring Semester Students' Spring Recess

Phone Numbers to Keep Handy

Registrar and Records - 488-2470/2471, extension 247 or 257
 Admissions & Financial Aid - 488-2470/2471, extension 233-235, 265, and 273-274
 Business Office - 488-2470/2471, extension 231, 263-264, and 268
 Student Accounts - 488-2470/2471, extension 262
 Bookstore - 488-2470/2471, extension 236 or 275
 Library - 488-2470/2471, extension 230, 243 and 261 or 488-3540
 Cafeteria - 488-2357
 Student Life and Housing - 488-3036
 Student Services - 488-2470/2471, extension 229 & 249
 Recreation Office - 488-3885
 Dorm Office - 488-3074
 Project Beacon - 488-3073 or 488-5654
 Student Body Association - 488-2461
 *PCC Directory Assistance - 488-2470/2471



BITS AND PIECES...

CONGRATULATIONS

**Congratulations
President Dr. Aoun!**



Joseph E. Aoun, Northeastern University's 7th President

PCC Board of Trustees, President Dr. Tellei, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students would like to congratulate Mr. Joseph E. Aoun as he is to be inaugurated as the Seventh President of Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts. Congratulations Mr. Aoun and we are looking forward to working with you in the near future!

ANNOUNCEMENT

**Attention 5th to
8th Graders...**

Koror State Government Youth & Cultural Affairs and PCC Continuing Education (CE) office will be offering an Art Class on Water Color for 5th to 8th graders starting on Saturday, February 3, 2007 at 8am-12 noon at CE Training Room. For more information, please contact Taruu Nakamura or Leona Blaluk at 488-6223.

CORRECTION

**Our Sincerest
Apology...**

In last week's issue of Mesekiu, there was an error on the second page under the headline "PCC Donates Food and Drinks to BPS & Inmates". Shown in the picture accepting the donations from PCC, was Director of Bureau of Public Safety, Mr. Hazime Tellei, and Mr. Julio O. Ringang (not Greg Gordon). Our sincerest apologies to Mr. Ringang. Also, there is an update to last issue's President's List. Ms. Ltelatk Fritz also received a GPA of 4.0 and is included in the President's List.

ADAP Holds Board of Directors Meeting in Palau



Agricultural Development in the American Pacific project (ADAP) Board of Directors pose in front of Palasia Hotel, the site of the 2007 annual meeting. PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (kneeling right) and Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Vice President Thomas Taro (next to Tellei) also attended the meeting. PCC-CRE is a land grant institution with a representative to ADAP project.

*Congratulations
Governor Anefal &
Governor Sighrah!*

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and especially the students, Palau Community College President Dr. Tellei would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Governor Sebastian L. Anefal of Yap State and Governor Rensley Sighrah of Kosrae State in their election victory.

*Congratulations
Governor Ngiraingas
& Governor Rafael!*

On behalf of Palau Community College Administration, Faculty, Staff, and students, PCC Board of Trustees and President Tellei would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Peleliu State Governor Jackson Ngiraingas and Angaur State Governor Horace Rafael on their victory as well.

FREE Eye Examinations at PCC



Berkeley University students putting eye drops on the locals for the eye examinations



Locals anxiously waiting for their turn in front of one of the PCC classrooms.

Sixteen University of California- Berkeley optometry students accompanied by Dr. Joy Aroonlap arrived on the island late last year to conduct free eye examinations to the public. They began the free eye

examinations from January 8th- 11th and are set to depart from the island on the 14th. Over five hundred locals took the opportunity to come and check their eye sights.