

PHS Agriculture Students Cook an Egg with Leaves and Chicken Manure

by: Dr. Joel Miles

It may sound like magic, but a mixture of dead leaves, grass, and chicken manure can actually cook an egg! Agriculture students from Palau High School observed this at PCC last Thursday. The PHS students have been coming to PCC every Thursday for enrichment activities provided by the Agricultural Science Program. On May 3, they cleaned out the chicken house and mixed the manure with dried leaves and grass to make compost. One week later, on May 10, biological activity in the compost pile had raised the temperature to over 150 degrees Fahrenheit, so the students put a fresh egg into the compost. One week later, the egg was cooked! The lesson that the students learned is that the temperature in a compost pile is high enough to kill diseases, insects, and weeds. They also learned that burning grass and leaves is a waste of valuable organic materials and nutrients which can help plants grow. It is much better to use these valuable resources to make compost.

Following their lesson on composting, the students learned the importance of storing eggs in the refrigerator. Instructor Reiko Kawamura demonstrated the difference between eggs kept at room temperature for a week and eggs that have been refrigerated. The students were amazed to see the poor quality of eggs which have been kept at room temperature for only a week. They promised to always store eggs in the refrigerator to keep them fresh and good to eat.

For more information about the PHS agriculture enrichment activities, please contact Joel Miles at PCC, 488-2470.

Celebrating Birthdays



Damiana Kunihiro	May 18
Akiko Beketaut	May 20
Joe Adachi	May 23

Happy Birthday to you !!!



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PCC President Tellei Congratulates Class of 2001

On behalf of Palau Community College (PCC), I would like to congratulate the graduating class of 2001. As you are finished with your studies at PCC, it does not mean our services to you has come to an end. We will always be happy to assist you whether you are applying for a job or planning to continue your education. As you leave, I want you to keep in mind that a *challenge* is an opportunity for success. Make use of what you have learned.

We wish you much success and once again, congratulations!

Patrick U. Tellei
President, Palau Community College

PCC-CE Public Announcement

English

The PCC Continuing Education will be offering Summer classes for elementary school students starting on June 4, 2001. The classes include Mathematics, English Reading & Writing, and Palauan Reading & Writing. Duration of classes will be 2 hours daily for four weeks for a total of 40 hours per class. The classes are designed for students in grade levels 3-8. The cost per student per class is \$50. Registration is now open and on-going until May 31, 2001. Due to space limitations, we will be accepting students on a first-come first-serve basis. Please call the PCC Continuing Education Office at 488-2470, ext.237 for more information or to register your child.

Palauan

A PCC Continuing Education a mo mengetmoki a Summer classes el mora elementary school students el mo omuchel ra June 4, 2001. A ikal summer classes a ngarnii a Mathematics, English Reading & Writing, ma Palauan Reading & Writing. A ikal classes a mornii era bek el sils el 2 hours a temel er a tal sils e ngarnii a eua el Sunday ma uldekial a temel a tal class a chokeuang el sikang (40 hrs.)

A ikal class a tokubets el mor tirkel ngalek el chelechang el time e te ngara ongedei el mora ongeai el skuul (grade 3-8). A cheral a ikal class a \$50 a tal ngalek el malei ra tal class. A registration a mla omuchel e melemolm el mo lmuut ra May 31, 2001.

A lsekum kau a soam a ngelekem a bo lolai a ikal Summer classes eng sebechem el lomekedong ra PCC Continuing Education Office ra dengua el 488-2470, ext, 237 e register ra ngelekem. Sel rechedem el register e harau ra fee ra ngelekem e kemam a mo sebecham el confirm ra ngklel e ngelekem el mora ikel soal class.

PCC-CE Adult Summer Classes

Basic Outboard Marine Engine Repair
Conversational Palauan
Basic Conversational Chinese
Basic Conversational English
Bottom Fishing
Shore/Offshore Casting
Throw Net Casting



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PCC GRADUATION TODAY! Congratulations to This Year's Graduates

(The following article was written by
Presley Etibek, PCC Dean of Students)

Today, Friday May 18, 2001 is a proud day for Palau Community College. PCC holds its 38th Commencement Exercises at the PCC Cafetorium starting at 10:00 a.m. and will end with a special luncheon honoring all 106 graduates. Of the 106 graduates for this school year, over 60 will participate in today's ceremony. The College expects the Cafetorium to be filled to capacity as in previous years as special guests of the College, family members, relatives and friends of the graduates come to witness their loved ones receive their degrees/certificates. Among the audience will be PCC faculty members, staff, students, as well as spectators and well wishers.

This year's commencement exercise will pull a big surprise when two members of the graduating class will receive the much coveted Outstanding Citizenship Award. This is the first time in the history of the College to have two recipients of this prestigious award. The two recipients of the Outstanding Citizenship Award will also receive Outstanding Student Award along with seven other graduates. The awards and names of the recipients are as follows:

Outstanding Citizenship Award

Teruko Aderiano
Gwendalyn Sisior

Outstanding Student Award

Teruko Aderiano
Romeo Filrang
Cindy Fritz
Losii Samsel
Muriell Sinsak
Gwendalyn Sisior
Leticia Sisior
Daisy Ulitch
Mary Rosary Yangilmau

The valedictorian for the PCC graduating class of 2001

is Ms. Gwendalyn Sisior. Ms. Sisior is graduating today with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts, and as aforementioned, receives the prestigious Outstanding Citizenship Award. Ms. Sisior was selected for the Outstanding Citizenship Award for her contributions to the



Ms. Gwendalyn Sisior

PCC community and the community at large. She was also elected by her fellow PCC students to serve as Student Trustee in the PCC Board of Trustees for the 2000-2001 school year. For two years as a PCC student, Ms. Sisior worked as a peer tutor, tutoring PCC students in basic math as well as tutoring public elementary school students. Ms. Sisior is truly an excellent role model.

The other recipient of the Outstanding Citizenship Award is Ms. Teruko Aderiano. Ms. Aderiano graduates today with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Criminal Justice. She was selected to receive this award for her involvement and contribution to the PCC community and the local community as well. Ms. Aderiano worked as a peer counselor for two years where she helped counsel and assist fellow students overcome personal, social and cultural concerns. As a volunteer, Ms. Aderiano also assisted the Bureau of Public Safety employees in educating public elementary school students about police community relations and participated in the Palau National Emergency exercises.

The Palau Community College family of students and staff congratulate this year's graduates for your success. We are very proud of you for accomplishing your educational goals here at Palau's only college, Palau Community College!

The Mesekiu's News Challenge will resume in later issues.

Please stay tuned for the next challenge!

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR PCC APPLICANTS for the 2001-2002 SCHOOL YEAR

As we approach the summer, many high school graduating seniors tend to look forward to a summer of fun and leisure activities. While these graduates deserve a break from their education, PCC would like to inform them, especially those who plan to attend PCC this coming fall 2001 semester, that there are several scholarship programs available which should be pursued vigorously. Recipients of any of these scholarship programs will be able to supplement their financial resources toward their education; thus, helping to defray part of their educational expenses.

This will be the second year that these scholarships are offered to PCC students, with the exception of the Polycarp International Enterprise Scholarship. This coming school year will be the launch year for this latest addition and PCC is very grateful that Olikong Polycarp Basilius has shown his commitment to education by establishing this unique scholarship program. Please read below for details on these scholarship opportunities offered to incoming PCC students.

Prince Leeboo Scholarship:

Criteria: To be eligible, an applicant must:

- a. be a citizen of Palau;
- b. be a high school graduating senior;
- c. have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.50 on all four years of high school; and,
- d. have been accepted to Palau Community College for the upcoming Fall 2001 Semester.

Moylan's Insurance Scholarship:

Criteria: To be eligible, an applicant must:

- a. be a citizen of Palau;
- b. be a high school graduating senior;
- c. have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 to 3.50 on all four years of high school; and,
- d. have been accepted to Palau Community College for the upcoming Fall 2001 Semester.

Polycarp International Enterprise Scholarship:

Criteria: To be eligible, an applicant must:

- a. be a citizen of Palau;
- b. be a high school graduating senior;
- c. have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 on all four years of high school;
- d. have been accepted to Palau Community College for the upcoming Fall 2001 Semester; and,
- e. be interested in pursuing a field of study relating to Veterinary Medicine and/or Shipping Industry.

Salome Scholarship Foundation:

Criteria: To be eligible, an applicant must:

- a. be a citizen of Palau, having familial ties to the State of Ngiwal;
- b. be a high school graduating senior;
- c. have the highest cumulative Grade Point Average among all eligible applicants on all four years of high school;
- d. have been accepted to and will attend Palau Community College for the upcoming Fall 2001 Semester (First time PCC applicant for this one-time award).

Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship:

Criteria: To be eligible, an applicant must:

- a. be a citizen of Palau;
- b. be a high school graduating senior;
- c. have a cumulative GPA at least 3.00-3.50 all four years of high school;
- d. have been accepted to Palau Community College for the upcoming Fall 2001 Semester.

For each of the five (5) scholarship programs, the following documents are required:

- a. **Application Form.** Complete the application form.
- b. **Certification of Citizenship and Residency.** A copy of Passport or Birth Certificate.
- c. **Acceptance Letter.** Provide a copy of an Acceptance Letter to attend Palau Community College.
- d. **Certification of Graduation.** Submit a copy of your high school diploma or certificate equivalent thereto.
- e. **Transcript.** Submit a complete official high school transcript. If you attended more than one high school(s), request for a consolidated transcript showing your academic records at all high schools attended.

Deadline for all applications and documents supporting your application(s) is August 1, 2001.

If you would like to obtain an application for any of the above scholarship programs, or would like additional information, please contact Jay Olegeriil at PCC telephone number 488-2471, extension 252.

RETENTION WEB PAGE

PCC Retention Office, Tel.#: 488-2471, ext. 247

All ROP Employees Invited to Join Endowment Club

Palau Community College continues to invite all employees of the public and private sector to join us in the PCC Endowment Fund Contributors' Club. Donate up to 10% of your taxable income every year and receive a full refund as PCC is a public non-profit organization. For your information, more than 100 PCC employees have been on this program for the past three to four years. **Last year, we were joined by five employees of the Palau National Government and 15 employees of Aimeliik Elementary School as well as Aimeliik State Government.**

Upon joining, they challenged all their counterparts in the government and school system to follow, however, their challenges has remained unanswered thus far, with one exception. **Maris Stella School teachers as well as their principal Mr. Felix Okabe (a former PCC Trustee) joined the Endowment Club this year!** Indeed the club gets bigger and we want to increase it even more. Therefore, we continue to invite all employees to join this worthy cause. Because the purpose of the PCC Endowment Fund is to ensure the financial viability of Palau's only community college, your membership means you play an important role in the future of higher education for Palau.

By enrolling in the Endowment Club, you contribute whatever amount you like and are eligible to receive up to 10% of your taxable income at the end of the year. In other words, you donate to a most noteworthy cause and get your money back! This is truly a win-win opportunity so we encourage all employees to join the club today. Join us and secure the future of Palau Community College, OUR COLLEGE, for our children and their children. **Together, we can make a difference!**

To enroll in the PCC Endowment Contributors' Club or to get more information about the PCC Endowment Fund or other programs at PCC, call

Jay Olegeriil or Armstrong Debelbot at PCC telephone number 488-2470/2471. They will be very happy to assist you.

What Will You Do After Graduation?

Name	Major	Post-Graduation Plans/Thoughts
Gwen Sisior	LAP	Further my educational career... this is just the beginning of my educational career.
Leticia Sisior	LAP	More School!
Muriel Sinsak	LAP	More School!
Emiliana Ngirkiklang	ED	Continue working to educate the younger generation!
LeeRoy Dick	BA	Make the best of what lies ahead in my educational career.
Cindy Fritz-	BA	Strive to further my educational career.
Glendalynne Fritz	BA	Continue my educational career outside of Palau.
Shirley Odaol	BA	Put what I've learned into use. Work! Work! Work!
Darla Rengulbai	BA	Work and maybe someday continue my education.
Janice Watanabe	BA	Further my education.
Engelore Ebert	BA	Further my education.
Joren Inglong	BA	Continue my education.
Kekerelchad Kloulchad	BA	Continue my education.
Carmelita M. Sangalang	BA	Work and further my education later.
Wilton Telensru	BA	Transfer to another school.
Klai Eriich	CJ	Party!!!!..... then further my education!
McQueen Elidechedong	CJ	Continue my education.
Edson Chiokai	CJ	Continue my educational career.
Derek Augustine	CJ	Continue my educational career.
Bonnie Rengil	CJ	Find a job and make some \$\$.
Portiana Franz	CJ	Find a job.
Teruko Aderiano	CJ	Continue my education at 4-year institution.
Jay Semdiu	CJ	NOT SURE.....
Pauline Jerry	OA	Further my education at a 4-year college.
Lorraine Sapemang	OA	Further my education at a 4-year college.
Charlyn Basilio	OA	Continue my education.
Jessica Fas	OA	Further my education at a 4-year university.
Angelita Hareai	OA	Continue my education.
Pauline Katmag	OA	Work for one year and then continue my education.
Mindy Magmar	OA	Continue my education.
Dickson Thompson	OA	Further my education.
Jason Maluchluw	TH	Further my education.
Lyne Tammed	TH/HM	Further my education.
Kessler West	TH/HM	Pursue my education at a 4-year college.
Joycelyne Sicat	TH/HM	Further my education.
Clifford M. -	TH/HM	Work...at last!
Conlee Mongami	AMT	Further my education at a 4-year college.
Ryan Mikel	SEOMT	Further my education.
Hartman Ybelmar	SEOMT	More education.
Benson Orrukem	LAP	Live my life to the fullest.
Chester Piyerigyal	AG	Work or further my education.
Ester Ngirchomlei	EDEC	Continue working, further education.
Jorena Besebes	EDEC	Further my education.
Kubarii Joe	EDEC	Further my education.
Johana Edeluchel	TH/HM	Further my educational career in tourism hospitality and hotel management.

It is unanimous; most of the PCC Class of 2001 intend to continue furthering and enriching their educational careers. PCC is proud to have been a part of your educational endeavor and wish you all the best in your future careers and goals.