

Congratulatory Message to Graduates

Palau Community College's Board of Trustees, President Patrick U. Tellei along with the Faculty and Staff of the College are proud to convey their heartfelt congratulations to the PCC graduating class of 2002, including the first graduates of the Adult High School Program. This is a memorable occasion for you as it marks one of the successful achievements in your life brought on by hard work, dedication, and perseverance. The College is proud to have been a part of your successful journey and wishes you all the best in your future career endeavors.

The College also extends its congratulations to all the graduates from Belau Modekngei School, Bethania High School, Emmaus High School, Mindszenty High School, Palau High School, and Palau Mission Academy. Your four years of hard work and dedication has finally paid off, and the only challenge you face today is choosing which college to attend. As the only accredited institution of higher learning in Palau, Palau Community College stands ready to take on the challenge of serving you for the first two years of your post-secondary education. The College further extends its congratulations to all the Palauan students who are graduating from high schools and colleges outside Palau.

Academic Calendar Spring Semester 2002

May 24 (Today) MOC/PCC 39th Commencement Exercise



Celebrating Birthdays

Aurora Del Rosario May 29

Happy Birthday To You!



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Summer Internship Reminder

by: Vincent Ito, Extension Program Coordinator

In preparation for Internship placement for Summer Semester 2002, we need to know the number of students who will be eligible to participate in the training and their respective trade areas at this time. This will allow us time to identify and secure commitments from appropriate employers who will be providing training to our students.

To assist in this effort, Student Advisors are requested to review their advisees folders and to advise those who will be eligible to participate in the training to come to CE office and see me, Mr. Vincent Ito, and fill out the required application forms.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW READY FOR PICK UP ANYTIME DURING WORKING HOURS. Deadline for submission of completed application forms is Friday, May 17, 2002.

Internship is provided as a final requirement for students who have completed all their course requirements on campus or at least have one remaining to be taken concurrently with the internship. It allows the students to be placed on the job in their respective field of training, working on a full time basis as an intern for one semester. The practical experience gained from the training will be counted as credits required to graduate.

Your prompt assistance and support on this matter is much appreciated.

Attention Students!!!

Scholarship Opportunities & Exchange Programs with Universities in Japan

Palau Community College is now accepting applications for the following scholarships:

- ✓ Polycarp International Enterprise Scholarship
- ✓ Moylan's Insurance Scholarship
- ✓ Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship
- ✓ Prince Lebuu Scholarship
- ✓ Shell Scholarship

PCC is also accepting applications for the Student Exchange Program with the University of the Ryukyus and Waseda University.

Application forms for the scholarships and the student exchange program are available at the PCC Development office located behind the library. For more information, please call Jay Olegeriil at 488-2471, ext. 250.



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Friday, May 24, 2002

Weekly Newsletter

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MOC/PCC 39th Graduation Ceremony Today!

Tobias Rucker is Valedictorian

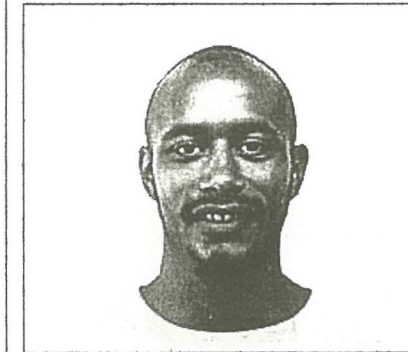
The countless hours spent in the classroom and the many sleepless nights students endured to study for final exams is finally paying off for the PCC Class of 2002. Sixty-two (62) students have been given the final green light by the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid to receive their degrees and certificates in their respective field of study during today's graduation ceremonies.

The School of Business continues to be the program with the most graduates, seeing a total of twenty-nine(29) students receive their degrees and certificates in fields such as Business Accounting, Office Administration, and Tourism and Hospitality. The School of Arts and Sciences follows closely, graduating two(2) in Nursing, fourteen(14) in Criminal Justice, five(5) in Liberal Arts, and six(6) in Education for a total of twenty-five (25). The School of Technical Education has six(6) graduates and will be conferring degrees and certificates to three(3) students in General Electronics Technology, two(2) for Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology and one(1) for Automotive Mechanics Technology.

Along with the degrees and certificates awarded today, special recognition and awards will be given to the following students for their outstanding academic achievements and exceptional accomplishments:

High Honors (3.80-3.99)		
Name	Degree	Country
Tobias Rucker	(AA) Lib.Arts	USA
Analiza Ililau	(AS) Off.Admin.	Palau
Sarah Rubario	(AS) Off.Admin.	Palau
Serelina Ridep	(AS) Education	Palau
Honor (3.50-3.99)		
Marlyne Olkeriil	(CA) Off.Admin.	Palau
Franston Kual	(CA) Off.Admin.	Palau
Clarinda Worswick	(AS) Education	Palau
Lady Ngiratkakl	(AS) Education	Palau
Epsie West	(AS) Education	Palau
Debbie Ngirai bai	(AS) Bus.Acctg.	Palau
Shirley James	(CA) Crim.Just.	Palau
Egbert Mabel	(AS) Bus.Acctg.	Palau
Culum Ulechong	(CA) Crim.Just.	Palau
Glendalynn Ngirmeriil	(AA) Lib.Arts	Palau

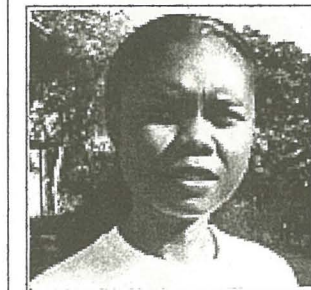
This years Class of 2002 Valedictorian is Tobias Rucker and Analiza Ililau is the recipient of the prestigious Outstanding Citizenship award.



Tobias Rucker, Valedictorian
PCC Class of 2002

Tobias Rucker is a German-American who is graduating with an AA degree in Liberal Arts. He is one of the four graduates today to receive a High Honor award due to his exemplary academic achievements. Tobias' accomplishments extend outside of the classroom as he was a member of the Ministry of Education's Tutoring Program and tutored high school students in math.

He also taught algebra classes to the PCC Upward Bound students during the Summer. When asked for advice to continue and prospective students, he said that it is important to go to school but just as equally important to do it when you are ready. Don't rush things and get burned out in the process. Well said for somebody who is not just an outstanding student but also an avid wrestler and a paddler who enjoys reading and weightlifting. Tobias apparently has it all figured out as he has already accepted a teaching position at Maris-Stella Elementary School this Fall and plans to one day become a veterinarian.



Analiza Ililau

The recipient of this year's Outstanding Citizenship award, Analiza Ililau, graduates with an AS degree in Office Administration and is also a recipient of a High Honor award. Analiza Ililau has been an honor student throughout her elementary years at George B. Harris and continued her high honor status at Mindszenty High School throughout her four years there. While at PCC she successfully

served as SBA President for one term and also represented the College at a youth conference that was held in Bangkok, Thailand. In an interview with Analiza, she had this to say, "I want to say to the underclassmen to stay in school and accomplish your educational goals, an education will help you accomplish your goals in life. To the young people of Palau, stay out of drugs and come to PCC and experience the first step of college life." Analiza plans to spend the whole Summer relaxing and is thinking about going for her bachelor's degree at the University of Guam in the Fall.

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Thoughts from Graduates and Graduation Committee Members



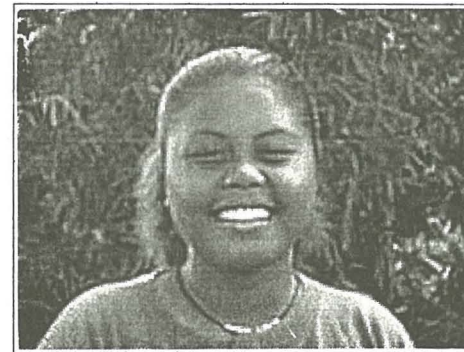
Perlovsky Mengirarou, A.S. in Automotive Mechanics
Palau

"Finish your education, make your dreams come true."



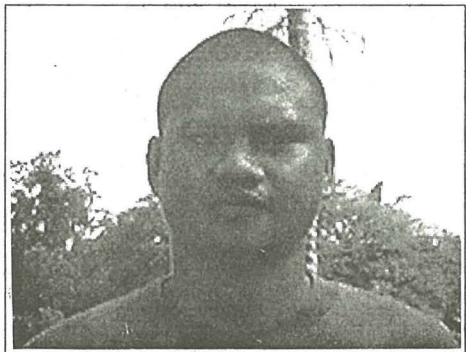
Franston Kual, C.A. in Office Administration
Palau

"Education is the key to success, use it."

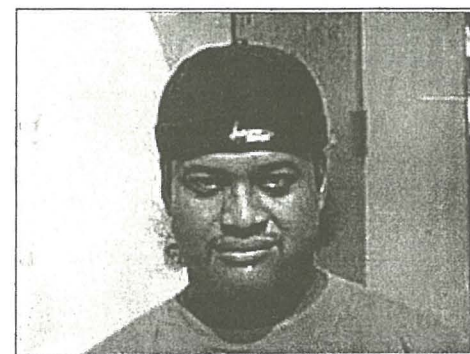


Evita Ngirmeriil, A.S. in Hotel Management
Palau

"Life is a dream, the only thing real is you. Don't give up!"

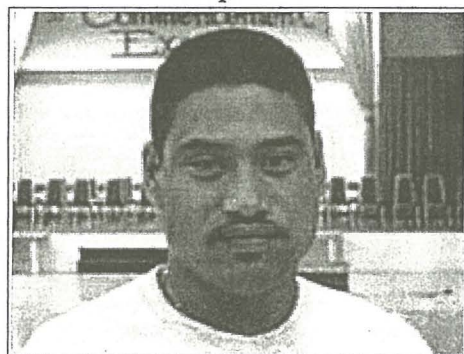


Richard Tellames, C.A. in Criminal Justice
Palau



Ivan Taueg, C.A. Nursing
Yap

"It is going to be hard but do not stop trying."

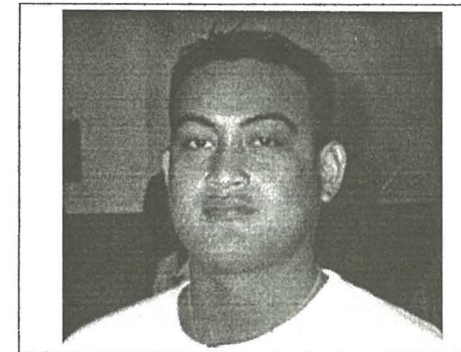


Victorino Yaifish, C.A. in Small Engine Technology
Yap

"Achieve your dreams and help others with theirs."

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Damian Mailgiye, A.S. in Criminal Justice
Yap



Charlene Deltang, Graduation Usher.

"Pursue your goals and further your education."



Education Graduates: (l-r) Melinda Remarui, Clarinda Worswick, Lady Ngiratkakl, and Epsy West.
Palau



Graduation Planning Committee Members Lesley Adachi and Presley Etibek.

"Thanks to all the all the members of the graduation planning committee and the sub-committee members for their hard work and dedication that made this year's graduation program successful."



Congratulations to the first graduates of the PCC Adult High School Program.