



Dr. Peter Black (c-back) and his class take a break from their afternoon lecture for a group photo. Dr. Black is currently teaching an anthropology class to (30) students from all over Micronesia.

## Project Beacon Update

A total of (96) students took the Math and English placement test for this Summer 2000. Most of these students are this year's high school graduates. Mr. Tchuzie Tadao, career counselor administered the English placement with the assistance of Huan Hosei, math instructor and Mekreos Silil, project counselor. In addition, the math placement test was administered by Huan with the assistance of Tchuzie and Mekreos. Ms. Marianne Temaungil, English instructor is on vacation to attend her daughter's graduation and visit her family in New York. Contact Huan Hosei at telephone number 488-5654 for any late registration for placement tests in English, math, and science. Special thanks to Leticia, Glendalyne, student assistants for their valuable assistance during the placement testing.

### English/Reading Lab Rules & Services

Hours: 8:00 am - 12:00 noon; 1:15 pm - 4:00 pm (Mon-Thurs)  
8:00 am - 12:00 noon; 1:15 pm - 3:00 pm (Fridays)

For any student who enrolled in EN 91, EN 92, EN 95, he/she is required to complete (5) hours of reading each week until the end of the Summer session. Any student who falls behind in his/her reading hours must make-up those hours. **DO NOT SKIP CLASS to READ!** Any student caught skipping class(es) to make-up reading lab hours will receive a **NO CREDIT** for the time spent in the lab. Any student who is enrolled in the aforementioned developmental English courses is welcome to visit the Project Beacon English/Math center for extra help in tutoring. Our tutoring service is **FREE** so come in and let us help you. Ask for Huan, Leti, Gwen, Glendalyne, or Murriel.

### Math Tutoring

Students who are enrolled in MA 90, MA 95 are encouraged to utilize the Project Beacon Math/English center. Huan, Gwen, and Larry are more than happy to offer their assistance.

### Academic Counseling

For academic counseling, contact Mekreos Silil, Project Counselor at 488-3073.

### Career Counseling

For career counseling, contact Tchuzie Tadao, our career counselor at 488-3073.

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# Palau Community College MESEKIU'S NEWS

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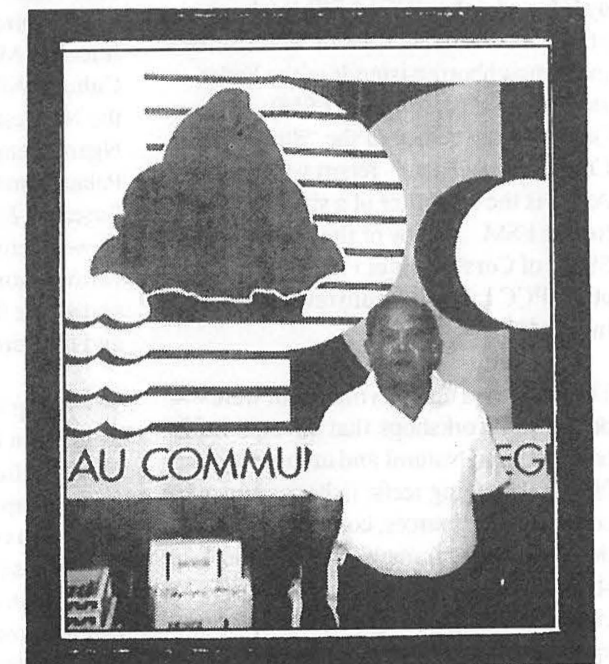
## Joshua Tanaka and his Family in Saipan Announce the Launching of the Salome Scholarship Foundation

Mr. Joshua T. Tanaka and the family in Saipan, CNMI, represented by Mr. Tanaka, publicly announce the establishment of the Salome Scholarship Foundation. This scholarship is established in loving memory of Mr. Tanaka's mother, Salome, who was loved and cherished by her family both in Palau and Saipan.

This scholarship is also established for the benefit of students who have familial ties to the State of Ngiwal, and are planning to attend Palau Community College for the first year of their post-secondary education. In establishing the Salome Scholarship Foundation, Mr. Tanaka hopes to instill the memory of his mother and her belief in education in the minds of young citizens of Ngiwal. In her own rights, Salome was a pioneer in education in that she worked with the founders of Bethania High School, an all-girls boarding school located on Ngaraard, Palau.

Having the full endorsement of the 8th Kelulul A Kiuluul (KAK), Ngiwal's State Govt., as evidenced in KAK Resolution Number 8-11S-020, the family as represented by Mr. Joshua T. Tanaka, establish the Salome Scholarship Foundation for students from Ngiwal and challenges all aspiring recipients of this scholarship to further their educational goals beyond high school. The family as represented by Mr. Tanaka wishes all student citizens of Ngiwal much success in your educational and career endeavors.

Palau Community College wishes to express its gratitude to Mr. Tanaka and his family for not only encouraging young citizens to pursue higher education, but also for supporting Palau's only institution of higher learning in the process. We at PCC stand ready to provide the first two years of every Palauan's higher education needs!



**For Information about or Application Form for the Salome Scholarship Foundation, Contact:**

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### Celebrating Birthdays



Geraldine Rengiil June 22  
Ezra Takeo June 22

**Happy Birthday to you two!!!**

### TOEFL Information for School Year 2000-01

Test Dates	Registration deadline	Scores mailed
Oct. 21, 2000	Sept. 4, 2000	Nov. 29, 2000
Jan. 20, 2001	Dec. 4, 2000	Feb. 28, 2001
May 12, 2001	Mar. 26, 2001	June 20, 2001

\* Registration fee is \$110 and you may contact the PCC Counseling Office at 488-3036 for more information.

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# PCC-Cooperative Research & Extension

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## Coral Reef Symposium

On May 22-24, Yimnang Golbuu was in Noumea, New Caledonia attending the regional symposium on "Coral Reefs in the Pacific: Status and Monitoring; Resources and Management" with representatives from other Pacific Islands. All islands in the Pacific were invited to attend the symposium and report on the status of the reefs in their respective islands.

The first day of the symposium was the presentation of national reports where Mr. Golbuu gave an extensive report on the status of the coral reefs of Palau, followed by Edward Asher (COM-FSM) whose presentation included status of coral reefs in our neighboring islands of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). Mr. Golbuu is the author of the "Status of Coral Reefs of Palau" report while Mr. Asher is the co-author of a similar report for the FSM. A copy of the report, "Status of Coral Reefs of Palau", is available at the PCC Library for anyone who is interested.

The final days of the symposium were devoted to workshops that covered three basic themes: Natural and anthropogenic factors damaging reefs; fisheries and other commercial resources; economic evaluations and policy frameworks. The workshops focused on seeking solutions to current problems using inter-disciplinary approach, involving economics, tourism, legal frameworks, policy formulation, traditional and cultural practices, marine protected area designation and management, mariculture and others.

During the trip, Mr. Golbuu was able to meet with many people from throughout the Pacific to share ideas on how to improve coral reef conservation in the region. There was also an unofficial meeting with SPREP representatives to discuss the progress of coral reef conservation efforts and how to better improve collaboration and partnership between SPREP and the islands.

Mr. Golbuu's travel expenses were paid for by the French Government.

## Ngchesar Women Visit PCC R&D Station

The Ngchesar Women's group took time off from their tapioca gardens and their taro patches and visited the Palau Community College- Research and Development (R&D) Station in Ngermeskang, Ngaremlengui last June 7. They had heard about the R&D station and wanted to see for themselves the station and learn about the new developments in agriculture.

This visit was coordinated by Roberta Louch, Director of Bureau of Women's Interest - Ministry of Community and Cultural Affairs. She is a vital link between the Ngchesar Women's Group, the Ngaremlengui State Government, and the Palau Community College- Cooperative Research & Extension Office, and has shown tremendous interest in introducing various women's group to new technology and all the latest information on agriculture and food crops in Palau.

The group was briefed by Dr. Aurora Del Rosario on the germplasm collections of (90) varieties of taro, (48) varieties of cassava/tapioca, and (22) varieties of sweet taro currently being maintained in the R&D's experimental field. The germplasm collection will be analyzed and characterized for their similarities and differences as some of these "same" root crops may have different names in various places in Palau. The group was also oriented on the replicated yield trials being conducted on upland and wetland taro, cassava, and sweet potato. Dr. Nelson Esquerra talked about the on-going cassava spider mite experiment and the project that uses insects for biological control of "Nenneng" (*Mimosa*) and Siam weed (*Chromolaena*).

As a result of this visit, the Ngchesar Women's Group invited the PCC-CRE Agriculture staff to visit their own farms on June 21st to assess their problems and

possible solutions to improve their crop production.

Other groups who are interested in visiting the PCC-R&D Station are welcome to contact telephone number 488-2746 of 488-4983.

## Cassava Spider Mite Experiment

Cassava, also known as tapioca or "diokang" is one of the main staple food in Palau. One of the major problems of cassava production is the red spider mite which was observed to be infesting the crop in the 80's, thereby threatening its production. Presence of the spider mite is characterized by initial yellowing of the leaves which later turn brown and fall off prematurely. Severe infestation at 2-3 months after planting causes production of small tubers at harvest. PCC has focused its attention towards controlling these dangerous mite which is now also popularly known as "AIDS" of cassava.

The current project's aim is to determine effective pest management techniques that will reduce and eradicate the red spider mite infestation. Last year, (9) varieties of cassava were planted to evaluate their resistance to spider mite. It was found out that only "Ochobirang" variety showed tolerance/ resistance to cassava red spider mite.

The second field trial on the control of the cassava red spider mite is now on-going at the PCC-R&D Station and aims to validate the results obtained during the first field trial. Cassava varieties on the second field trial are now four months old. The varieties "Klerang" and "Terue" were found to be susceptible to red spider mites as shown by very prominent and severe spider mite infestation. Most of the plants of these varieties show very few leaves while plants of "Ochobirang" variety seem to be immune.

For more information about the experiment, please contact Nelson Esquerra at telephone number 488-2746, or 488-2983.

# RETENTION WEB PAGE

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

## ATTENTION 2000 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!!!

PCC would like to encourage all 2000 high school graduates to seriously consider enrolling at PCC for the first two years of your higher education endeavor. PCC has successfully been an accredited institution since 1977, by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). Our accreditation status has been reaffirmed time and again with no exception. Moreover, we have articulation agreements with many universities and colleges in the Pacific region such as the University of Guam, University of Hawaii-West Oahu, Hawaii Pacific University, Chaminade University of Honolulu, University of Hawaii-Hilo, Brigham Young University-Hawaii, and others. PCC offers programs and certificates/degrees in the following areas:

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Education  
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Come to PCC and let us provide you with the foundation for a successful experience in higher education. Come to PCC and secure your future! Please call Bennie, Lourdes, Losii, or Elsie at 488-2471, ext. 265 for an application form and assistance.

## Last Day To Remove Incomplete Grade(s) Only (5) School Days Away!

Any continuing students who received an incomplete grade for Spring 2000, you only have five days left to complete a small but important part of the work in that course. Your chance of passing the course is nearing the end and your success or failure may well be dependent on how you spend your time between now and next Friday, June 23. Again, these last five days will either help you PASS or FAIL. Good luck to all.

## Advice for "Underclassmen" from continuing students

- Study hard, as difficult as it may be, try not to procrastinate and don't skip classes. Ask yourself what your priorities and goals are and set your schedule to accomplish these goals.

*Kessler West, Hotel Management*

- Listen to your instructors and follow all the rules and most importantly, be friendly. Use all the resources that PCC offers.

*Ngewakl Soaladaob, General Electricity*

- Be strong and do your best.  
*Carmelita Sangalang, Business Accounting*
- Do it as fast as you can. Don't spend too much time fooling around. Avoid unnecessary distractions.  
*Dhruv Dewan, Unclassified*

## For Sale! PEC Concession Stand Spots

The Palau Educational Conference Organizing Committee is currently selling concession stand spots for July 25, 26, and 27. The fee is \$50 a day and the venue is the Palau Community College courtyard by the PCC Bai. To purchase a spot, please contact Helen Moros at 488-2471, ext. 236.

## Academic Calendar Summer 2000

June 23	Last day to remove Spring incompletes
June 26-30	Mid-term period
July 5	Last day for all withdrawals
July 9	Holiday: Constitutional Day
July 14	Last day of instruction
July 17-19	Final examination period
July 21	End of Summer session/grades due



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