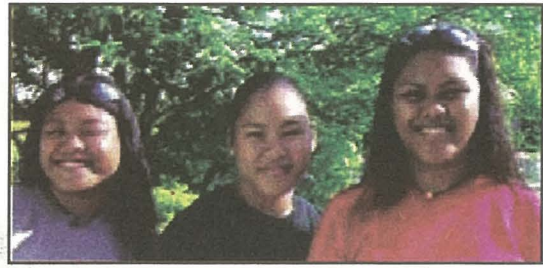


CRE Selects Summer Interns



Dilsim Satoshi, Angel Charfauros, and Daynaleen Sebaklim,

The Cooperative Research and Extension Department has four new faces this summer. For the next ten weeks, Daynaleen Sebaklim, Dilsim Satoshi, Angel Charfauros, and Goodwin Shiro will be participating in CRE's High School Agriculture Internship Program. These highly motivated individuals started last week and have already begun working on several projects, such as a small vegetable garden at the PCC farm and an insect collection to learn about the diversity of Palau's insect species. In the weeks to come, the interns will spend time at the Research and Development Station in Ngermeskang, Ngermleugi planting a variety of fruit trees and preparing orchid and taro plantlets in the Tissue Culture Lab. They will also get the chance to learn all about CRE's Biological Control projects and Best Land Management Practices. After successfully completing the program in August, the four interns will each earn \$500. Good Luck, Interns and welcome to PCC!

From Front Page

The PCC Maintenance Division has thirteen (13) WIA students under the Supervision of Mr. Rosendo Skang and Clement Kazuma and they are: Harkins Miner, Justin Kaeb Udui, Danjovai Salvador, Crystal Iyechad, Deseree Ellis, Masao Umedib, Young Omsuul Mikel, Charly Pedro, Victoria Nestoria, Farah Ngiraked, Otil Oiterong, Karel Ngirakesau and Rosingang Yalap.

For the Criminal Justice program we have Lynette Smau who will be under the supervision of Joan Philip. For the Bookstore we have Ronald Skilang under the supervision of Helen Moros, for the Academic Affairs we have Joliz Nagata and Ivette Sato under the supervision of Jade Kloulchad, from the Automotive Technology we have Isiah Roberto being supervised by Eugene Uehara, from Administration, we have Uriik Luii under the supervision of Derbei Meyar and finally, Calvin Sato who will be under the supervision of Temmy Temengil of the Development Office.

Welcome aboard to PCC and we hope you have a wonderful working experience!



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Endowment Fund Gains Support from MOE

PCC is proud to see additional staff at Republic of Palau's Ministry of Education who are committed to supporting education by joining the endowment club this week. They are accompanied by many ROP staff as well who challenge all others to join them in helping PCC. By enrolling in the endowment club, these members join over one thousand individuals who donate a certain sum directly out of their paychecks to the PCC Endowment Fund, and at the end of the year PCC will help them apply for a refund of their donations. In other words, these people donate to a worthy cause and in the end get their money back!

This week we are excited to welcome these friends from the Ministry of Education who have enrolled in this program to support Palau's only college, PCC. At Airai Elementary School, we welcome one (1) new member, **Hannah Tesei**. From Ngaraard Elementary School we welcome one (1) new member, **Doris Sakuma Wachi**. Not only are these teachers new members of the endowment Fund but are also registered summer students at the College. Thank you so much and good luck with your studies!

PCC welcomes everyone to the PCC Endowment Fund Contributors' Club. Thank you for showcasing your commitment to the continued existence of Palau's only institution of higher learning. Together, let us ensure that future generations have the same opportunity and access to higher learning as presently provided by our college, Palau Community College!



Hannah Tesei



Doris Sakuma Wachi

LIBRARY XEROXING AND E-MAIL SERVICES

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\$5.00 for 50 copies |

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Moylan's Insurance gives \$1000 Scholarship to PCC

For the fifth year in a row, the Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. Scholarship of \$500 each will be offered to two deserving Palauan students wishing to pursue their educational goals at PCC. Moylan has for the past years proven to be a dedicated benefactor for Palau's youth by annually offering scholarships to PCC students. The College would like to express its appreciation to Moylan's Insurance for helping Palau develop its human resources and ensuring Palauan students have an opportunity to learn. Thank you! Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc., Home of the Good Guys and Gals is one of the oldest and most trusted insurance companies in the West Pacific. With roots dating back to 1971, Moylan's Insurance continues its role as General Agent for

leading Life, Health and Property and Casualty insurance companies. Since 1971, Moylan's Insurance has served the islands of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas and the Republic of Palau.

For information on how you can apply for the Moylan's Scholarship or other great scholarship opportunities please drop by the PCC Development Office or call Hulda or Dilubch for more information.



PCC's Hulda Lukas receiving scholarship check from Moylan's Insurance Rep. Mindy Ubedei.

PCC Mourns Former President Reagan

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, administration, faculty members and students would like to express his deep condolences to the family of the late Former U.S. President Ronald W. Reagan. Our prayers and thoughts are with his family and the American people during their time of bereavement.

WIA Students Take Over PCC

This year PCC is proud to welcome 20 student trainees from the 2004 Summer Youth Training Program, sponsored by the Workforce Investment Act Program I, a U.S. federally funded program that enables Palau's youth to earn some income while gaining valuable work experience.

Various departments in the college will employ the students where they will gain experience in a career they may wish to pursue in the future. WIA is a year-round youth program that emphasizes the attainment of basic skills competencies, enhances opportunities for academic and occupational training, and provides exposure to the job market and employment.

Activities may include instruction leading to completion of secondary school, tutoring, internships, job shadowing, work experience, adult mentoring, and comprehensive guidance and counseling. The program emphasizes services for out-of-school youth. The College welcomes the following WIA students and wishes them the best of luck.

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PCC Summer Kids Program Begins

Beginning earlier this month the much anticipated one-month long PCC Summer Kids Program officially began. The PCC's CE Office offered courses for interested students from the 3rd grade thru the 6th grades. This summer 2004, courses are offered in the following subject areas: English Writing and Mathematics.



CE Students Pose for a Photo

The first class is taught at 8:00 am. and the last one ends at 5:00 pm. The students come from various elementary schools including Maris Stella, Seventh Day Adventists, Koror, Meyuns and Airai Elementary Schools. Kastue Ngruos teaches Mathematics for the third and fourth graders, while Stephanie Ngrichoimei teaches for the fifth and sixth graders. Evangeline Andrews teaches english writing to students from third to the sixth grades. All classes are being held on the PCC campus and will end on June 25, 2004. In other news, the Summer Camp at Melekeok has been scheduled for July 4 to July 10, 2004. For more information about the PCC Summer Kids Program, contact Ms. Eileen Babauta or Ms. Taruu Nakamura at PCC telephone number (680) 488-2471/6223.

PCC Students Paint Dorm Facilities



PCC Dorm Students In Action

Six PCC students from the Federated States of Micronesia donated their time by painting the Dorm facilities and offices. These students despite the humid heat decided to make a difference and beautify their homes by getting together and giving the student lounge a much needed facelift. These students gave up their relaxing Sunday day off to pick up buckets full of paint and paint brushes and put their artistic talent to good use. These dedicated students are Gabriel Maurang, Chester Piyerigyal, Marson Sue, John Paul Patis, Harry Elvin Salik, and Roland Halichimal. Good job guys and great way to show your school spirit!

Environmental Club Donates \$50



Club Pres. Sunny Williams and Sec. Anisa Hanser

Ms. Sunny Williams, Environmental Club President and Anisa Hanser, Club Secretary presented a cash donation of \$50 dollars to the PCC Endowment Fund. The donation was the result of the Club's fundraising efforts during the 2004 Earth Day festivities. The College would like to thank Ms. Williams and Ms. Hanser for their generous and kind donation. Such generosity is a wonderful example of how PCC students are giving back to their community and making a difference. Thanks a lot Girls! If you too would like to make a difference by giving a cash donation or joining the Endowment Fund and make difference, please contact Hulda or Dilubch at PCC's Development Office at 488-2471.

The SBDC Network Receives Accreditation

The Pacific Island Small Business Development Center (PISBDC) Network located at the University of Guam recently underwent a successful accreditation review from the Association of Small Business Development Centers. This review is required every four years in order to continue to receive federal funding from the United States of America. The Accreditation process is essential to insuring the SBDC program continues to provide quality service to the small business communities in which it serves. SBDC Network has offices in Guam, the Republic of Marshall Islands, the Republic of Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia's Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei and Kosrae. Casey Jezenka, Network Director said, "This accreditation is a reflection of the team effort and commitment shared by the Pacific Island Small Business Development Center staff in serving our communities and providing support and guidance for budding entrepreneurs." The U.S Small Business Administration (SBA) administers the Small Business Development Center Program to provide management assistance to current and prospective small business owners. SBDC offers one-stop assistance to individuals and small businesses by providing a wide variety of information and guidance in central and easily accessible branch locations. The program is a cooperative effort of the private sector, the educational community and federal, state and local governments. It enhances economic development by providing small businesses with management and technical assistance. Palau Small Business Development Center's Director Lisa Abraham would also like to thank former Director, Mr. Clint Ngemaes for his hard work in ensuring the success of the accreditation process and the development of the SBDC program here in Palau. Director Abraham added, "I encourage everyone who has business plans or wishes to start a business to take advantage of our expertise, advice and services. We are here to help you succeed in planning, implementing and achieving your business goals and aspirations."

The PCS Celebrates 10 Years of Environmental Conservation

The Palau Conservation Society celebrates its Tenth Anniversary, since its inception as Palau's first non-profit environmental organization. PCS instituted island-wide programs to protect the critically endangered dugong (sea cow), fruit dove, fruit bat, and giant clam and hawksbill sea turtle. Furthermore, PCS in its efforts to protect Palau's unique marine reefs and terrestrial rain forests, the environmental organization has established conservation areas where rock islands and their channels, watersheds and surrounding native forest and the breeding grounds for sea turtles and groupers are strictly regulated.

All PCS programs are guided by two major strategies; a Marine Conservation strategy and a Terrestrial strategy with an emphasis on the island of Babeldaob. The marine protection tactics concentrates on the establishment of marine conservation areas as part of the Palau's Protected Area Network. The purpose is to conserve Palau's existing biodiversity while revitalizing its unique marine life. Furthermore, the terrestrial strategy seeks to also create a network of protected forests areas, but also seeks to implement community based resource planning. The strategies are carried out through community targeted education and awareness programs, national level policy recommendations, research, and community and stake holder consultations.

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei on behalf of Board of Trustees, administration, faculty and students would like to congratulate the Palau Conservation Society on the their 10th Anniversary. President Tellei expresses his gratitude to PCS for their dedication, hard work and commitment to the protection of Palau's rich and beautiful environment so that future generations will appreciate the splendor we enjoy today.

BITS AND PIECES... PCC Intramurals Begins

Nothing to watch on T.V. and looking for something exciting to watch? Well, why don't you check out PCC's Co-Ed Intramural Summer Tournaments featuring some of PCC's most athletic students. These matches will be exciting to watch as several teams go head to head vying for the right to be called tournament champions. If you like basketball, the games begin at 7:00 pm. and are held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Each basketball team consists of at least one female and four males. For all you volleyball fans, the games also begin at 7:00 pm. but are played on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Cash prizes will be given to the top three teams of each sport. So, come on down support your favorite team and watch some fun games. For more information, please contact Ismael Anastacio at 488-3036

Boy Scouts Have Summer Camp

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) in collaboration with the Koror State Government will be conducting a Boy Scout Summer Camp at Neco Island beginning this June 28th to Friday July 2, 2004. In a formal letter to PCC President Patrick Tellei, the Field Director for Pacific Basin Scouting, Robert Nakagawa thanked President Tellei for offering the support of the College's staff and facilities. Mr. Nakagawa hopes that with support of the community this summer program will be a pilot project that will eventually include the other 15 States of Palau. Staff from the KSG Youth Affairs Division have been working with various school and youth organizations throughout Koror to include them in the Boy Scout Program. Mr. Mike Braham, one of the District Directors for the Scouting Program will arrive in Palau to assist with the summer camp. The Boy Scouts of America was incorporated to provide a program for community organizations that offers effective character, citizenship, and personal fitness training for youth.

Canadian Diplomat Visits PCC



The Honorable Robert J. McCubbing, Trade Commissioner for the Canadian Embassy paid a courtesy visit to PCC President Patrick U. Tellei. Mr. McCubbing was here to meet with Palauan government officials. The College would like to thank Mr. McCubbing for taking time from his busy schedule to visit PCC and wishes him success on his future endeavors as an emissary of the government and people of Canada.

PCC's Bai Ra Lebuu Gets New Thatched Roof



Ngara Mecherocher (Young Men's Group) Working Hard

This past Saturday and Sunday, the *Young Men's Club* from Melekeok, Ngara Mecherocher replaced the thatched roofing of the Bai Ra Lebuu. This arduous task takes many long hours as the process begins with the leaves of the Palm tree (Toechel) being striped and sewn onto segments of bamboo strips that vary in length. These segments are then further sewn onto the rooftops in sections and reinforced with thin bamboo reeds, (Lild).

Once the thatched roof is replaced, it is important for a small fire to be lit under the Bai for several days. This is to allow the smoke from the fire to slowly dry and preserve the Toechel leaves so that roof will resist moisture and protect its users from the rainy weather for many years to come. This age-old technique has been passed on for many generations and for PCC to practice this ancient art today ensures that such knowledge will be passed on to future generations.

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei said, "I would like to thank the young men of Melekeok for not only doing an excellent job, but also for safeguarding our Palauan traditions and ensuring the continuation of our cultural heritage. Let us all take time to not only learn the modern subjects of Math, English and Science but to also balance our education with the age old wisdom of our ancestors. Learn to use, understand and appreciate what makes us unique and different from millions of people across the world, our unique culture."

CRE Expresses Thanks to PCC Personnel

The entire CRE Department would like to thank the Palau Community College Staff and Board of Trustees members who joined us on Friday, May 28 at the Research and Development Station for the tree planting in honor of PCC's 2004 graduating class. In a short amount of time, we were able to plant over a thousand mahogany trees around the Station's property. With the staff and trustees' help, this project was accomplished in record time and created a living tribute to this year's graduates. It is also an outstanding symbol for the dedication and hard work of every staff member during the school year and at the same time, the tree planting beautifies the R&D landscape. Please feel free to come back to the R&D Station anytime to check on their progress.



PCC Library Technician, Mirriam Kual