

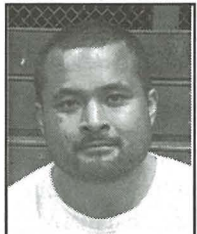
Alumni Notes
Class of 2003 (PCC) & 1985 (MOC)

Sayuri Sasao - 2003 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Office Administration (CA) and a 1985 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Clothing Construction Design (CCD). Sasao works at the Ministry of Education-Curriculum & Instruction office as a Staff Supporter and has been working there for the past 3 years.



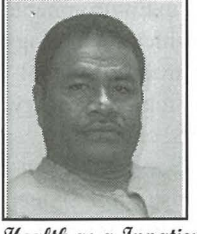
Class of 1998 (PCC)
Osamu Ngirchechol

1998 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BEA). Ngirchechol taught at George B. Harris Elementary School for 7 years until March of this year when he transferred to Koror Elementary School to teach and has been there since.



Class of 1982 (MOC)
Patrick Aribuk

1982 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Electronics Technology (GET). Aribuk has been working at the Ministry of Health-Behavioral Health as a Inpatient/Outpatient Nurse Supervisor since January 2007, but has been working at the hospital for almost 15 years.

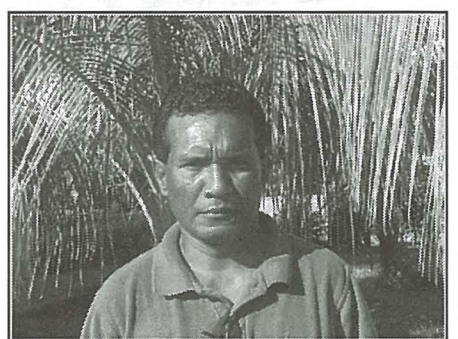


Alumni Notes showcases MOC&PCC alumni who contribute to the quality of life in their local community and are positive role models for other PCC students to emulate. If you are that alumni or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471. We would like to feature you in future issues of the *Mesekiu's News*.

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Celebrating Birthdays
 Alex Gachalian June 16
 Midori Mersai June 18
Happy Birthday To You!

Summer 2007 Teachers' Academy Starts in Two Weeks!



Sherman Daniel, Associate Dean, School of Technical Education
 Palau Community College is preparing to host a Pacific Teachers' Academy for only 30 days this coming summer. The purpose of the academy is for beginning or aspiring teachers who are high school graduates or current teachers who need refresher training.

- Topics to be covered include:
- Classroom Management
 - Introduction to Teaching
 - Lesson Planning & Presentation
 - Teaching Methodologies/Strategies
 - Tests and Measurements/Evaluation

The academy will begin on June 25th, 2007 to July 27th, 2007. The cost of the program is ONLY \$420.00 plus \$25.00 (per day) for accommodations and meals provided by the College. The cost per meal is \$3.00 or \$9.00 for three meals a day. Courses will be conducted daily, Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Additional time will be arranged if holidays are observed.

For more information about the program, please contact Sherman Daniel at PCC OMIP office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 254. You can also fax to (680) 488-2447 or email him at shermant1961@yahoo.com. For enrollment, please call Academic Affairs at 488-2470/2471 ext. 245.

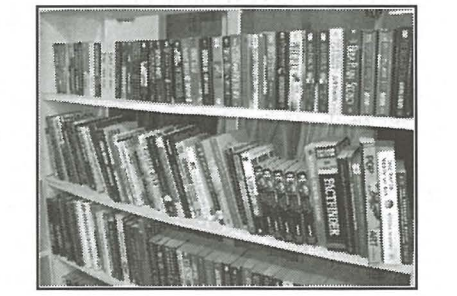
Maintenance Workers Prep Facilities for Summer



Maintenance workers getting the classrooms at Batches building ready for the students taking classes this summer.

Painting classrooms, painting benches, fixing door knobs...these are some of the many face-lifts that the maintenance workers are sweating for this past week to ensure that the students who will begin classes soon will be able to study well in a clean and new environment. The College thanks all the maintenance workers for always keeping the campus and classrooms new. Thank you!

Books For Only \$2.00



The College Bookstore is having a summer sale so come and check it out! Books, Palauan posters, and coffee mugs are on sale for only \$2.00! A variety of interesting books such as *Forbes' Great Minds of Business*, *Gift and Mystery* by Pope John Paul II, *Reinventing Public Education* by Hill/Pierce/Guthrie, *American Literature and the Culture Wars* by Gregory S. Jay, *Rosa Lee- A Mother and Her Family in Urban America* by Leon Dash, *Do we still need Doctors?* by Dr. John D. Lantos, *A Time to Love* by Barbara Delinsky, *The Green Mile* by Stephen King, and many more. The bookstore is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. so, hurry before this sale ends!

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\$1.6 Million to Fund PCC-UB Program for Next Five Years

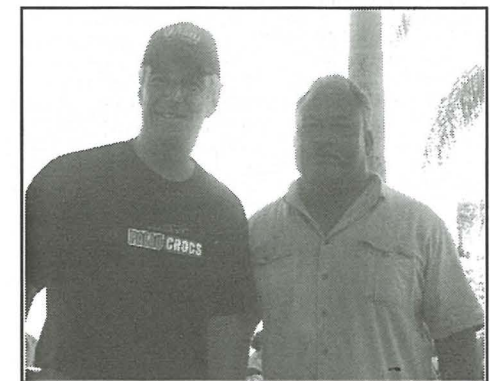


Upward Bound (UB) Project Director, Kuye Belelai (far left) with President Tellei (seated-center), UB Staff and students pose for a picture in front of the PCC sign. President Tellei is holding a copy of the winning proposal submitted by the PCC-Upward Bound Program.

States Department of Education (USDOE) - Federal TRIO Programs, the Palau Community College Upward Bound Program (PCC-UB) has been awarded nearly \$1.7 million to fund its activities for the next five years. According to the terms of the grant award, the PCC-UB will receive at minimum three

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College Joins ROP in Hosting Kempthorne's Visit



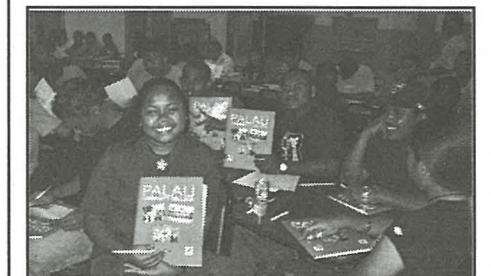
Department of Interior (DOI) Secretary, Dirk Kempthorne with President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei at Bailechesau, Melekeok on Sunday, June 10th. A luncheon was held for the Secretary at Bailechesau after his tour of the Compact Road and Capitol building.

The College was very happy to have had a part in hosting Secretary Kempthorne during his recent visit to Palau. PCC provided logistical support- land and sea transport- for the two days Kempthorne was on island. The College vehicles were used to transport members of the support staff while the College's boat joined in the flotilla of other government boats which were used for the Secretary's visit to the Rock Islands. Recreation Supervisor, Ismael Anastacio and a recent graduate of the College, Gregory Meyar were assigned for work detail with Kempthorne's flight crew members -U.S. Navy Airmen from Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland.

119 Students Accepted to PCC

Of the one hundred and nineteen (119) who have been accepted to the College, over eighty (80) of them packed the Cafeteria on Monday for the new students orientation. PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and the Dean of Students Marensia Edward were on hand to greet the students. After President Tellei's welcoming remarks, the students were divided into sessions by School of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, and School of Technical Education and advised on program requirements. Later that afternoon, the students were familiarized with the financial aid system in two separate sessions organized by the Admissions & Financial Aid office.

Out of the 119 students accepted to the College, three (3) chose to major in Agricultural Science; sixteen (16) in Auto Mechanics Technology; two (2) in
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New students get acquainted before the start of orientation.



The crowd of new students consisted of recent graduates from all the high schools in Palau.

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(\$339,381.00) every year, starting in the Fall of 2007.

In his letter with a Grant Award Notification (GAN) to PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, USDOE-Federal TRIO Programs Director Larry Oxendine congratulated the President for the award-winning grant proposal. Oxendine noted in his letter that because PCC-UB's proposal received perfect scores from all reviewers and placed within the top 10% of all applications, it is awarded a five-year funding cycle- highest possible. He also said that out of 988 proposals submitted from various colleges and universities across the United States, its territories and the Freely Associated States (FAS), Guam, and CNMI, PCC-UB's grant proposal was one of the 755 funded proposals.

According to Program Director Belelai,

the \$1,696,905.00 grant will take effect in October 1, 2007 when their current grant comes to an end. Belelai said that since receiving the initial grant award nearly twenty-five years ago (October 1, 1983) to establish the Upward Bound Program at Palau Community College, she has subsequently written a total of eight grant proposals (all funded). She said that these grants have essentially guaranteed uninterrupted funding all these years, enabling her office to continue its services to high school students throughout Palau.

The PCC-UB is a federally-funded program designed to generate in participants the skills and motivation necessary to complete high school then enter and succeed in a program of post-secondary education. The goals and objectives of the program are accomplished through supplemental and enrichment classes in addition to specialized tutoring in core courses of

English, Math, Science, & Foreign Language. It also provides counseling/advising in all facets of college planning and career exploration through summer work study.

The PCC-Upward Program is one of the four USDOE-TRIO- funded programs at Palau Community College. Others are the SSS-Project Beacon Program, Educational Talent Search Program, and the Upward Bound Math & Science Program.

Belau Games Starts Today!

Opening Ceremony starts at 5:30pm at PCC Track and Field.

Best Wishes and Good Luck to all the players of the 2007 Belau Games! Stay Drug-Free, Alcohol-Free, and Be Safe. From all of us at the College!

What Are Your Kids Doing for the Summer?

PCC-Continuing Education (CE) Summer Kids Program for 2007 is now offering classes for English Reading, English Writing, Palauan Reading, Palauan Writing, Math, and Music for 3rd to 8th Graders from 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday to Thursday; and *Marine Science Class for 7th & 8th Graders from 9:00am to 11:00 am, Monday to Thursday*. Maximum number of students for this class is only 20 so, hurry and register your kids! The classes are designed to provide educational activities for students, enhance their abilities to improve in the subject areas, and foster new skills. These classes are on a first come first serve basis so register as soon as possible to ensure a spot for your kid (s) this summer. Classes will begin on June 25, 2007- July 20, 2007. Last day for registration is June 22, 2007.

CE office is also offering Basic Tagalog Language class so, hurry and sign up! For more information about these classes or for registration, please contact Taruu Nakamura or Leona Blaluk at 488-2470/2471/6223.

4th Apprentice Training Begins Next Week



Three Apprentice trainees with President Tellei and Dean Willy Wally during their welcome dinner at Lebuu Bai on Wednesday.

Three (3) vocational teachers from Yap State, FSM arrived this week to begin their apprentice training for the summer.

Since 2003, PCC-Continuing Education (CE) office in collaboration with Yap State Department of Education has conducted an apprentice training for vocational teachers from Yap. This year, Mark Googag will be staying in OISCA and will be having training in Food Processing while the other two will be living in Koror; James Rogol will be having Advanced Mechanic Training and Gregorio "Gorong" You will be having Computer Aided Drafting training. Googag, Rogol, and You will be on island until August when their training ends. Welcome and we hope that you have a wonderful two-month stay in Palau!

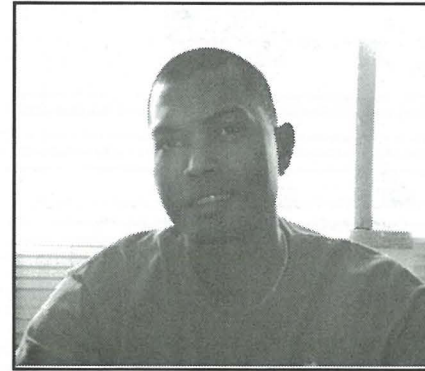
Message of Appreciation

We the family of the Late Adelbairureor el Ngirauchuladokou Ubal Tellei, most especially President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Frutoso "Toto" Tellei, and Byron Tellei would like to take this opportunity to extend our utmost appreciation to all of you for your kind contribution, prayers, and thoughts during our time of sorrow. Thank you very much from the bottom of our hearts. May God continue to bless each and everyone of us!

BITS AND PIECES...

UPDATE

Alumni Returns Home for R&R...



2004 Alumni, PFC (Private First Class) Rechirei, Mokokil

PFC Rechirei, Mokokil has returned home for R&R after 7 months in Iraq. PFC Rechirei is an alumni for the College who graduated in 2004 with an Associate of Science degree in Criminal Justice. He is currently stationed in Fort Knox, Kentucky but is in Iraq right now taking part in the Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). Rechirei was initially assigned to a 12-month term in Iraq, but because of his exemplary performance, he was added an additional three months. He now has eight more months to go before he leaves Iraq and returns to the United States where he has 6 years until his 8-yr. term in the Army ends. PFC Rechirei is a gunner on a hummer and is also a top-rank gunner (expert) in his squad. We are very proud of you and we wish you all the best, from all of us at the College!

THANKS

College Thanks Yano & Sons' Market...

The College, most especially the students, would like to thank Yano & Sons' Market for donating 35 pounds of vegetables (okras, eggplants, and cucumbers). Yano & Sons' Market is a regular supporter of the college and has once again been kind enough to donate vegetables for the school and for the students to enjoy. Thank you very much for your donation!

Over 30 Participate in Library Workshop



Library Workshop Participants pose for a picture after their workshop concluded last week.

Over thirty (30) participants comprised of librarians and collection managers from Palau gathered together in the first full week of June to attend a Library Skills workshop held at Palau Community College (PCC). The workshop was funded by a grant from the IMSL-LSTA, Ministry of Education, and Palau Community College (PCC). Topics covered were designed to prepare staff to perform library tasks most efficiently. These include how to prepare books for lending, customer service, human resource, running a loans system, repair of books, running a successful Summer Reading program, and fundraising.

Pam Bidwell, instructor of Library and Information Services, presented a number

of sessions on topics as diverse as copyright, pest control, fundraising, and book repair. Sandra Pierantozzi, a well-respected businesswoman, presented a 2-hour workshop on customer service, as well as a session on filing systems. Other presenters included staff from PCC library. Debra Neas, Interim Librarian, presented on staff collaboration in libraries; Library Technician Grace Merong, presented a three-hour session on Cataloging assisted by Library Assistant, Pioria Faungy, who presented sections on Classification and Weeding. Miriam Kual, Library Technician, presented a section on library inventory and talked of PCC plans for offering services to our senior citizens. Another valuable component was a three-hour workshop on Internet searching by Library Technician, Sunshine Garcia.

During the same week a library book exchange took place - allowing libraries and agencies to share duplicates within their collection. This means that many libraries will have a different assortment of books in their collections shortly.

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Business Accounting; five (5) in Construction Technology; two (2) in Environmental Science; six (6) in Electronics Technology; seven (7) in General Electronics Technology; three (3) in Information Technology; twelve (12) in Liberal Arts; one (1) in Library and Information Services; seventeen (17) in Office Administration; sixteen (16) in Tourism & Hospitality; and twenty-nine (29) are still deciding which field of major to pursue.

Congratulations to all the students on your acceptance to the College and we look forward to seeing you on campus!

Registration also began this week and will end on June 19th. Communication, Computer Science, Education, English, Health & Physical Education, Japanese, Mathematics, Music, Office Administration, Science, and Social Science will be offered this summer.

For more information about registration, please call the Registrar's office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 274.

German Ph.D. Candidates Visit the College



President Tellei with Jens Werle (l) and Kerstin Maelicke (r) at the President's office showing the gift, a hand-made rope, made by Xavier Yarofalyango of Lamotrek, Yap State, FSM.

Vacationing from Yap State, FSM, Jens Werle and Kerstin Maelicke visited the College and delivered a special gift from Xavier Yarofalyango, Principal of Lamotrek High School. This is the second time Werle and Maelicke have been to Palau. They were here in 2002 to conduct research for their Masters theses and now they are Ph.D candidates conducting their research in Lamotrek, Yap State.