

## Scholarship Opportunities For 2004-05 School Year

This is an announcement reminding all graduating high school seniors and current PCC students from Palau who will be attending PCC this coming school year 2004-2005, that applications for the following PCC based scholarship programs are available at the PCC Development Office:

**Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. Scholarship**  
**Prince Leeboo Scholarship**  
**Shell Company (Pacific Islands) Limited Scholarship**  
**Pierantozzi Scholarship**  
**Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship**

Application packets are to be completed and submitted to the PCC Development Office no later than Friday August 13, 2004, the deadline date. For more information about these above mentioned scholarship programs, contact PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471, extension 253.

In addition, the following scholarship opportunities for PCC students are available at the Palau National Scholarship Office:

**Palau National Scholarship**  
**Palau Student Loan**  
**Congressional Scholastic Award**  
**Bank of Hawaii Scholarship**  
**Rotary Club - Dave Williams Scholarship**

For information about these scholarship programs, contact National Scholarship Office at tel. 488-3608.

## Car wash Fundraiser for Mokedau.com Canoe Team

The Mokedau.com Team consists entirely of PCC staff and students who have joined together to form a competitive and closely knit family dedicated to good exercise, healthy living, teamwork and school spirit. With your support, we hope to achieve our fundraising goal of registering our team with the Palau National Olympic Committee (PNOC), as an official canoe team. Please join us and help support our cause. The car wash will be on June 26, 2004 at the PCC Shop Area. If you wish to make a pledge (a monetary donation equivalent to the number of cars washed) please contact Hulda or Dilubch at the PCC Development Office at 488-2471 ext 253.

## Celebrating Birthdays

 Ezra Takeo June 22  
 Geraldine Rengiil June 22  
 Sebastian Ngiratrang June 25

Happy Birthday To You!!!

## PPUC Employees Light Up PCC's Endowment Fund

The Palau Community College Endowment Fund gains additional support this week with the addition of new members who join over a thousand other PCC Endowment Fund donors. By enrolling in the endowment club, these members 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! We are excited to welcome these new friends who are enrolling in this program to support Palau's only college, PCC.

At Palau Public Utilities Corporation we welcome fifteen (17) new members, **Wilhoid Erungel, Emil Sintaro, Arnold Rengolbai, Bonifacio Ngiraiwet, Cirino Milil, Sowang Oiwil, George Ngiralmu, Ngerebluchel B. Kiueluul, Alvin Samsel, Antipas Raymond, Dickson Masayuki, Onepesa Pablo, Lorenzo Mamis, Franston Kual, Gledallyne Fritz, Leolora Kengichi and Andrew Lukas. Welcome and thank you very much!**

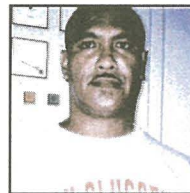
PCC welcomes everyone to the PCC Endowment Fund Contributors' Club. Thank you for showcasing your commitment to the continued existence of Palau's only institution of higher learning. Together, let us ensure that future generations have the same opportunity and access to higher learning as presently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



Emil Sintaro



Arnold Rengolbai



Bonifacio Ngiraiwet



Cirino Milil



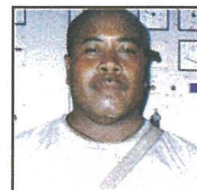
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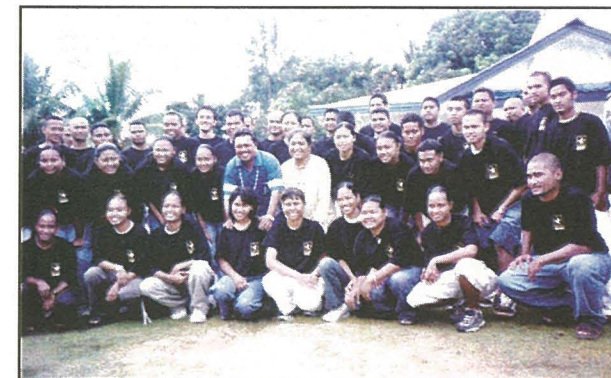


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## 32 PCC STUDENTS JOIN MILITARY



Military Inductees Pose for Group Photo

This past Monday, strong winds and heavy rain did not deter the 32 PCC graduates and students who were inducted into the U.S. Armed Forces in a formal ceremony held at the Office of the President. These students were among the 46 brave young Palauan men and women who have opted to join America's Military Service. In addition to these Palauans were nine (9) citizens from Yap, two (2) from Pohnpei and one (1) from Kosrae of the Federated States of Micronesia who also participated in the induction ceremony as well. Joining the U.S. armed forces has become one of the more popular choices among Palau's youth. In fact, among the recruiting team that arrived in Palau to conduct the Induction Ceremony were two Palauan citizens who themselves joined the U.S. armed forces. They are U.S.

Army SSG Alexander Tkel and U.S. Marine SGT Douglas Takawo.

ROP President Tommy Remengesau Jr, High Chief Ibedul Yutaka Gibbons, High Chief Reklai Raphael B. Ngimang, OEK members, PCC President Patrick U. Tellei, Cabinet Ministers, family members of inductees and officials from the U.S. Armed Forces attended the ceremony. Coincidentally, Palau's two highest chiefs, both served in the U.S. Armed Forces with Ibedul serving in the Army while Reklai served his duty as a Marine. Guest Speaker, Elias C. Chin, a retired Lt. Colonel who was Palau's highest ranked officer in the U.S. Military gave closing remarks. Emceeding for the ceremony was one of PCC's very own instructors Joe Chilton who also served in the U.S. Army. With so many of Palau's leaders and members of the community having served in the U.S. military it is no wonder why so many young Palauans seek the same success and opportunity by joining the armed forces.

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei, on behalf of the College would like to thank these young men and women for being a part of PCC and wish these new recruits a safe journey and God bless. President Tellei added, "I know that you will serve the American flag with its ideals of freedom and liberty with dignity. And when you fight for these worthy ideas you bring honor to yourselves, your nation and make the world a better place for all of us."

Here are the current and former PCC Students who chosen to join the U.S. Armed Forces: John Rush Asanuma, Reinelda Beltau, Eric Ellis, Torual Gibbons, Keith Iekar, Lyban Ito, Ashley Joseph, Ramson Julio, Elechesel King, Edwin Milong, Jasmine Nakamura, Jesse Ngiratreked, Kelly Olegeriil, Kyle Ongesii, Jolene Rafael, Ida Ramarui, Stan Remeliik, Dupline Stephanus, Erving Steven, Harlie Temengil, Keyong Teriong, Glay-Canny Tom, Omar Yobech, Erbai Colby, Serabel Kuniwo, Hendricks Mengidab, Sengebau Everson, Teruhisa Okada, Marson Sue, Joe Benjamin and Raylee Omelau.

## PCC to Offer Degree Programs in Library Science

PCC Librarian Gretchen Reynolds and Library Technicians Miriam Kual and Portia Faungy have been touring libraries throughout Palau conducting a needs assessment of library and information professionals working in Elementary Schools and High Schools libraries. The purpose of the survey is to gain feedback so that PCC may understand their educational and technical needs and thus design a degree program that will offer a two-year Associate of Science degree in Library and Information Science to meet those needs. According to Mrs. Reynolds, the PCC Library Staff will focus on all public and private school and special libraries. The College is developing the Library Science degree program in response to a need in education in library and information sciences. The school visits help PCC better understand what types of specialized courses are needed. PCC's Laura Maugham, Librarian Gretchen Reynolds and the Curriculum Committee are developing the program.

Reynolds said, "This was a way for us to better understand those professionals who work in library and information field, to hear their needs and wants and to solicit their advice so that we may create a program that will provide the educational, technical and skills necessary to effectively manage our libraries."

Reynolds added, "I would like to thank all the Library staff for dedicating their time and making this project possible." If you are interested in the Library Science degree program please call Gretchen Reynolds at the PCC Library at 488-3540.

## UB Students Begin Work Study Program!



UB students taking a break

This summer, the Upward Bound Program has for the third year in a row, placed its students in various PCC, private sector and other governmental offices under its Work Study Program. The UB Program, working in conjunction with government and non-government agencies has made it possible for its students from Palau High School, Mindsenty High School, Emmaus High School, Belau Modekngai School, and Palau Mission Academy to participate in a work-study program. These student have been placed in various Offices to serve as assistants/aides and be paid for the services they render to the office. The work-study program will not only provide students with extra money for the summer, but also help them to make informed decisions regarding their future career fields through the guidance of their career mentors. In addition, this unique opportunity will help students earn much needed wages to offset the ever

increasing costs associated with going to college. Thus, when these students graduate from high school they will have been exposed to a positive learning and working environment that will better prepare them for college. Upward Bound (UB) students are already ahead of their non-UB counterparts as the former are earning college credits this summer by taking PCC courses. Upward Bound is a Federal TRIO program designed to generate the skills and motivation necessary for success in post-secondary education among high school students who are potential first generation college students. Students qualify for Upward Bound if they meet the federal low-income criteria and if neither parent has received a bachelor's degree. The College welcomes these UB students as they provide much appreciated and needed services throughout the College offices this summer. For information about the UB Work Study Program, contact Ms. Kuye Belelai, Upward Bound Project Director at telephone 488-2470 or 488-2962.

More Images of UB Students:



## UB Students Pursue Careers in Sports



Kurt Masahiro and Sesengel Ketebebang

Palau High School students Sesengel Ketebebang and Kurt Masahiro are part of the Upward Bound summer work-study program that began on May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2004 and will last approximately six weeks. This summer program gives these students valuable work experience in the career fields of their choice and helps them gain a feel of the types of field the student may wish to pursue in their futures. Their typical workweek begins at 8:00 am. to 1:45 pm. where they take college level courses at PCC, then rush to the PNOC Office to begin their duties under the supervision of Topps Sugino, National Development Officer

(Basketball). The students assist Sugino in basketball program operations like logistics, and the officiating and coordination of basketball tournaments.

Ketebebang said, "We both work at PNOC as officials and as officials we work as time keepers, score keepers and referees. We also have to help clean the gym. There are so many activities that we can participate in when we work here, that's why we chose this job. We also get a chance to play basketball and exercise both physically and mentally."

Sugino said, "I think this program provides an excellent opportunity for our youth to gain practical experience by participating in a real working environment, where they will learn effective communication skills, team work and cooperation. These are important skills that they will use throughout their lives in whatever career fields they choose."

Sugino added, "Sesengel and Kurt bring a lot of life and spunk to our office, but most of all they are hard workers, and we all at PNOC are proud to have them work for us."

## UBMS Visit PCC Research Station

On Friday June 11, The Upward Bound Math and Science students visited the PCC Research and Development Station in Ngermeskang, Ngaremlengui. The students spent the day touring the facilities, examining the agriculture fields, and planting mahogany and banana trees. In the morning the 60 Math and Science students sat in on two lectures given by CRE Staff members about Medicinal Plants and CRE's Biological Control Projects. After a tasty lunch provided by the PCC cafeteria, the students planted 200 mahogany trees and 50 banana trees to commemorate their visit and beautify the grounds at the R&D Station. The entire CRE Staff wishes to thank the students for their hard work in planting all those trees and encourage them to continue in their pursuit of higher learning.

## BITS AND PIECES...

### PCC CE Offers Summer Camp

The Summer Camp at Melekeok, which was originally scheduled for June 27 to July 2, 2004 has been rescheduled for July 4 to July 10, 2004. Registration is ongoing and will continue until July 2, 2004. The fee is \$50 and parents will be asked to drop off their children at Melekeok and pick them up on their last day. This is a great opportunity for children to learn about Palauan traditions such as how to make a spear, how to use them to fish, how to weave baskets as well as learn the values of independence and cooperation.

To register, please call 488-2470/1 ext. 237/238 and talk to Eileen Babauta or Taruu Nakamura or call our direct line at 488-6223, or stop by the Continuing Education Office.

### Japanese Art Exhibition

Do you have a deep interest in Japanese art? If you are you're in luck as a beautiful private collection of Japanese embroidery and Mizuhika art by Michiko Kidokora and Senga Shimizu will be on display at the PCC Cafeteria. The exhibition will begin on July 8 to 9, 2004 and starts from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. So, set the dates on the your calendar and come on down to PCC to observe this exquisite artform.

### CRE Offers Summer Marine Program

PCC CRE Division will be offering the Tide pool Grouper Program that aims to help young people understand and explore the fascinating ocean world. The class consists of field trips, brief informative lectures and class room activities. This is a free weeklong program for children from grades six to the eighth grades. The class starts June 28 and ends on July 2, 2004. Space is limited so please sign up early to reserve a spot. Furthermore, for younger children there is the Little Minnow, a marine science program for younger children from the third grade to the fifth grade. The program begins on July 12th and ends on July 16th. Students may register for morning or afternoon class. This is also a free weeklong program and deadline to register is July 8, 2004. Space is also limited so call early to reserve a spot. To register or for more information please contact Kris Lloyd, PCC Cooperative Research and Extension (CRE) at 488-4983.

## Pierantozzi gives \$1000 Scholarship to PCC



For the third straight year, the Pierantozzi Scholarship has offered a \$500 scholarship to Palauan students seeking to pursue their educational goals at PCC. This year however the scholarship was increased to \$1000 so that two deserving Palauan students instead one will be eligible to receive \$500 each to study here at PCC. PCC

President Patrick U. Tellei on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the College would like to express his appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Pierantozzi for providing educational opportunities and for helping develop Palau's most important resources, its children."

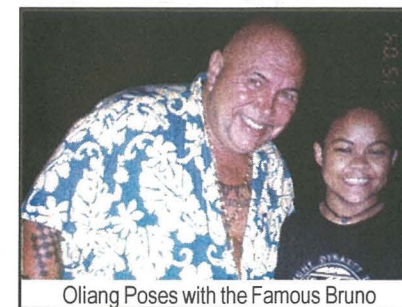
## YAP Teachers In CE Program

This summer, Palau Community College conducted an apprentice training program to serve the teachers from the Yap State Department of Education. These teachers are Gregorio G. You, James Rogol, Philip Paiy, Joachim Rabotaman, Jim Hashigeiresch, Bernard Machamai, Lorenzo Saremalyang, and Steven Mara. The people arrived last week and are residing at off campus facilities for the duration of their training. PCC's Dean of Continuing Education, Willy Wally has begun working closely with these teachers in order to accommodate each of their specific training needs. In fact, Dean Wally has secured training sites in both the public and private sectors to provide training experience for our friends from Yap. Scheduled to last for six weeks, the training ends on July 16, 2004

This is the second year that teachers from Yap have participated in the CE program and is the first of its kind in Palau. Programs like these are indicative of PCC's continuous effort to anticipate and meet our customers' needs. Thus, PCC has begun expanding our services to serve our friends and neighbors around the region who choose to take advantage of the many education and training opportunities available to them here in Palau through Palau Community College. For information about the PCC Apprentice Training, contact Ms. Eileen Babauta at PCC telephone number (680) 488-2470/2471, extension 237.

## A Job at the Magic Land Circus

Submitted by Glowly Ngwal



Oliang Poses with the Famous Bruno

Oliang Kenty is an enrolled student at Palau Community College. She is a colleague at the Magicland Circus. She has been working at the circus since the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2004. When she first started the job at the circus, she was working as a cashier at the souvenir section, soon after she started working they moved her to another position. This time she is working as Sosi's game assistant.

Ms. Kenty is responsible for everything that goes on in her game section. When her customers arrive she has to teach them how to play a certain game, provide change when needed, give away prizes to winners, and also watch other games. In her point of view, she says, "her job at the circus is fun," Its all because she gets to meet new people, see new faces, get free rides, and get entertained by other employees.

The job was an opportunity for her to have fun and learn other things that are not taught in school. She gets to ask as many questions as she wishes based upon the Samoan Culture and language. She also had the privilege to deal with a lot of money and lots of customers. Ms. Kenty says, "My experience (as an employee at the Magicland Circus) has made an impact on my life and if they come back next year I will be happy to work with them once more..."