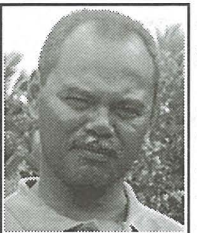



**Alumni Notes**  
**Class of 2004 (PCC)**  
 Andrew Tabelual -




2004 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Education-Elementary Education (EDEE). Tabelual worked at Koror Elementary School (K.E.S.) as a Teacher for 10 years. Now, he is working at K.E.S. as a Principal for the past 9 months.

**Class of 1998 (PCC)**  
 Jackline Immanuel -



1998 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BEA). Immanuel works at Ngarchelong Liaison Office as a Loan Packager/Bookkeeper and has been working there for the past 9 months.

**Class of 1976 (MOC)**  
 Joshua Sokau -



1976 MOC graduate with a Vocational Certificate of Achievement (VCA) in Carpentry (CARP). Sokau works at Palau High School as a Carpentry Teacher and has been working there for the past 5 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**

Ezra Takeo	June 22
Geraldine Rengil	June 22
Sebastian Ngiratrang	June 25
Margeline Buban	June 25
Wilmar Ngiraiobchel	June 26
Grace Yalap	June 26
Tarmau Ngirmang	June 27

**Happy Birthday To You!**

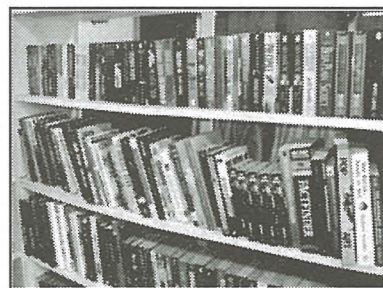
## Scholarships Now Available

To all PCC Students, scholarships are now available at Development Office. Come and get your application forms. If you have any questions or want further information, please do not hesitate to contact Hulda, Dilubch, or Koyu at Development office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 253.

### Scholarships Available:

- Moylan's Insurance Scholarship
- Shell Company Scholarship
- Pierantozzi Scholarship
- Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship
- Prince Leeboo Scholarship
- Carita Asanuma Scholarship

## 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!

## Job Opportunities Available at PCC!!!

**Position:** Academic Advisor/Counselor

**Salary:** \$15,000 to \$18,000 per annum (Depending on qualifications)

**Location:** Talent Search Office (Federally Funded)

### Examples of Duties:

- ~ Works with target school counselors/teachers in coordinating project activities.
- ~ Refers ineligible students to appropriate social and other services.
- ~ Coordinates campus and college day field trips.
- ~ Assists participants in completing admissions and financial aid forms.
- ~ Assesses participants' tutoring needs and recommends tutorial services.
- ~ Assists participants in choosing a post-secondary institution.

### Minimum Qualification Requirements:

- Master's Degree preferred or Bachelor's Degree in guidance and counseling, social work, psychology, or counseling, skills in human relations, knowledge in career counseling, educational opportunities, and financial aid.
- At least two years experience with TRIO Programs or has worked with disadvantaged students.

### General Information:

Application forms can be obtained from Human Resources Division at P. O. Box 9 Koror, Palau 96940 or at our website: [www.palau.edu](http://www.palau.edu). Send completed application with transcripts, resume, and verification of previous employment (s), if any, to same address. For further information, call 488-2470/2471 or come in and see us.

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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



Friday, June 22, 2007 Weekly Newsletter Volume 9, Issue 25

## Alumni Earns Master's Degree from The Ohio State, Joins World's Biggest Auditing Firm

By: Usong Telei, PCC Work-Study Student, with assistance from Upward Bound Work-Study students Elway Ikeda, Glowly Demei, Katosang Katosang, and WIA student worker Tatekoi Felix.



(l-r): Reggie Joseph (Laureen's Uncle), PCC Alumni Laureen Joseph, and Aunt Julie Joseph during Laureen's Graduation on June 10th in Ohio, United States.

"In order to be successful, one must decide exactly what to accomplish, and then resolve to pay the price to get it" (Bunker Hunt). Laureen Joseph, a former resident of the Republic of Palau and alumni of PCC, has paid that price with the strenuous effort she has put into her education. That effort paid off earlier this year when Laureen was recruited to work for one of the largest public auditing firms in the world.

Laureen's path to success began here at PCC where she completed two years and received an Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts. She was selected as the College's valedictorian in 2003. After graduating from the College, Laureen went abroad to the United States to attend Grand Valley State University (GVSU) in Michigan. There she worked towards a B.B.A in accounting, which she

received in 2006. Her skills as a student and the hard work she put into her classes became apparent once more when she became the sole Michigan undergraduate student to receive a University Fellowship to attend The Ohio State University. The fellowship presented Laureen with a full-ride to pursue her studies in the University's (The Ohio State) Master of Science in Accounting program. In school, Laureen carried a full course-load of sixteen (16) credits; full-time students usually take just twelve (12) credits. In addition to her courses, Laureen spent her time volunteering to file tax forms and returns for low-income families that are not able to afford professional accounting/auditing services. Her fine example in applying what she learned to help those less fortunate than her makes the College proud to claim her as one of our own. Her studies culminated this year on June 10th when she received her Master's degree from the program. The graduates from the University this year were privileged to have former United States President Bill Clinton as their keynote speaker.

After her graduation earlier this year is when all the effort that Laureen gave

came into fruition. Laureen was recruited directly from the University to work at Price Waterhouse Coopers. In her own words, Laureen describes the company as, "...the largest public accounting firm, and the largest professional services firm in the world. It is the largest of the 'Big Four' accounting firms, the other three being Deloitte, Ernst and Young, and KPMG. The firm provides auditing, tax and consulting services to big companies, most of them publicly traded in the Fortune 500. It has offices in 149 countries with over 140,000 employees and reported revenues of \$22 billion in 2006. I will be starting as an audit associate in the Audit and Assurance Services practice of the San Francisco office. We are divided into broad industry categories and I'm in the Investment Management group which audits investment firms and mutual funds...". In July, Laureen will begin her move to San Francisco. She will be studying for her Certified Public Accountant (CPA) exams. There are four parts to the exams and she will begin the first two parts after she has moved to San Francisco, and will complete the other two parts later this year in November. Laureen is the daughter of Lorenza Joseph who works for PCC as a Business Office Accountant/Supervisor.

Congratulations, Laureen and best of luck in all your endeavors!

**Students and Staff Participate in 6th Belau Games. See Page 3.**

## 14 PCAA Employees Complete Bus Training Today

Story and Photos by: Katosang Katosang and Glowly Demei



PCAA participants during their training at the PCC Auto Shop.



PCAA buses used for the training parked in front of the Auto Shop.

Fourteen (14) participants from Palau Community Action Agency (PCAA) participated in the Bus Training hosted by the Operations & Maintenance Improvement Program (OMIP) that began last week and will conclude today. This program started 10 years ago and has mostly trained Ministry of Education (MOE) employees in the maintenance and up-keep of their buses. PCC instructor Eugene Uehara trained the participants from PCAA. Congratulations to the participants for completing their training! OMIP is able to host numerous training programs for the community such as computer training, air conditioning & refrigeration training, and many more as it receives half of its funding from Palau and the other half from the United States Department of Interior.

## 3rd Air Conditioner Training Begins This Week



Instructor Ramon Garcia (in striped shirt) is shown above with his students atop the Science lab. Sponsored by the Operations & Maintenance Program (OMIP), the third AC training began this week with 14 participants from the Ministry of Education and Public Works. Participants receive hands-on experience in installation, maintenance, troubleshooting and servicing of air conditioners.

## BITS AND PIECES...

### ANNOUNCEMENT

#### CE & Koror State Cultural Affairs Offering Cultural Classes...

PCC Continuing Education (CE) & Koror State Cultural Affairs office is offering cultural classes for high school students starting June 25, 2007 through July 27, 2007, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday at PCC Mesekiu and Lebuu Bais. The following traditional and cultural skills will be taught:

- Basket weaving
- Performing Arts, Palauan chants and dance
- Story board carving (itabori), and spear making (biskang)

For more information regarding these classes, please call PCC CE at 488-6223.

### ANNOUNCEMENT

#### CE Offering Basic Tagalog...

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

### CORRECTION

#### Correction to Last Week's Issue...

In last week's issue of *\$1.6 Million to Fund PCC-UB Program for Next Five Years*, it stated that PCC-UB will receive \$339,381 dollars every year. However, it should have stated that PCC-UB will receive at a minimum \$339,381 dollars during the first year. It also should have stated that PCC-UB's grant proposal was one of the 775 funded proposals, not 755.

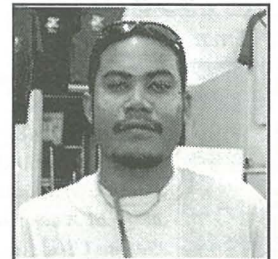
## Staff and Students Join 6th Belau Games

Stories and Photos by: Katosang Katosang, Glowly Demei, and Elway Ikeda on assignment with the 6th Belau Games Competition

All sixteen states are participating in Belau Games and PCC staff and students are representing some of the states in the different events such as athletics, basketball, baseball, and spear-fishing, just to name a few. PCC Staff participating in the games are: Rodney Kazuma, Ngatpang State- Fast-Pitch, Basketball, & Baseball; McQuay Postol, Ngatpang State- Baseball, Volleyball, Fast-pitch, & Basketball; Murais Sebangiol, Melekeok State- Spearfishing; Norman Sato, Ngaraard State- Baseball Coach; ; Hamilton Maech, Ngaraard State- Table Tennis; Akiko Udui, Larry Wakakoro, Keith Ignacio, Koror State- Tennis; Winfred Recheiungel, Peleliu State- Canoe Coach; Armstrong Debelbot, Peleliu State- Canoe, Swimming & Triathlon; Dilubch Samil, Peleliu State- Swimming; and Midori Mersai, Peleliu State- Canoe. Closing ceremony is on Sunday, June 24th at 6:30 p.m. at Palau Track and Field. Come and cheer for your state teams! Below are some PCC students who are also participating in the games:



Kimberly Kingzio, Major- Office Administration; Ngaraard State- Basketball and Volleyball.



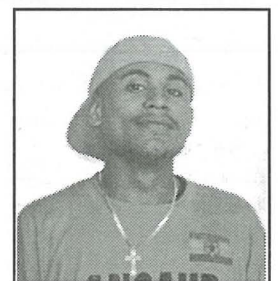
Yamada Iyechad, Major- Education-Elementary Education; Kayangel State- Athletics.



Kumangai Maech, Major- Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology; Koror State- Basketball and Wrestling.



Krislyn Omung Termeteet, Major- Business Accounting; Koror State- Basketball.



Jacques Stills, Major- Auto Mechanics Technology; Angaur State- Athletics.

## Our Condolences

On behalf of the PCC Board of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students, President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei would like to extend heartfelt sympathies and deepest condolences to the families of the Late Former Senator Peter Lawrence Naoya Sugiyama and Retired Construction Technology Instructor William "Myos" Mobil.

The Sugiyama family has always been a great supporter of the College, especially the College's Endowment Fund. Mobil whose wife Anne works in the Business Office and sister Karen, the Human Resource office, was no stranger to the College as he was a Blueprint Reading instructor for many years.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this most difficult time of sorrow and grief.



## Summer Reading Program Available for Elementary Students



Palau librarians gather for a picture after their workshop last week at PCC Btaches building.

The Palau Association of Libraries (PAL) is hosting a reading program this summer for elementary students to promote and encourage reading as a lifelong habit, and to enhance students' skills in basic reading such as comprehension, summarizing, recognizing main ideas main characters, simple bibliographic entry, and vocabulary learning.

This program will begin next week, June 25th until July 20th, 2007. As an incentive for the students to read, there will be four categories with winning prizes from first to third place: Category 1- first & second graders; Category 2- third & fourth graders; Category 3- fifth

& sixth graders; Category 4- seventh & eighth graders. To win the special prizes given by PAL, students borrow books from the school library, or read books they have at home already, but the home books must be shown to the librarian for approval. Students will have to fill a book report page after they read the book, and submit the completed forms to the librarian by due date set by the librarian. Participants can ask the library staff at their local library circulation desk for the book report form when registering.

In collaboration with PAL, PCC will help jump start this program. All the libraries in Palau will also take part in this program, so if you have further questions or want to join the program, please contact your state/local library.

