

Alumni Notes

Class of 1998 (PCC)

Seline Jonas -



1998 PCC graduate with an Associate Science degree in General Office Clerk. Jonas works as Operations Manager for Palau Shop and remains actively involved in College

sporting and fundraising activities.

Class of 2010 (PCC)

Tanya Ngirkuteling-



Graduated with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Library & Information Services. Ngirkuteling is a Library Assistant with the PCC Library and is pondering about

furthering her education in the same field.

Class of 2010 (PCC)

Villiah Ngirmekur -



Graduated this Spring with an Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts. She now works full-time as a Tutor for the Student Support Services office, helping students with Math and English. She

has already been accepted to UH-Hilo this fall to pursue a degree in Computer Science.

Alumni Notes showcases MOC&PCC alumni who contribute to the quality of life in their local communities 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

Keorung Dolmers July 8
Sheree Sengebau July 9

Happy Birthday To You!

Rengulbai, One Devout Endowment Member



Hosiana Rengulbai (l) making a partial cash payment on her endowment contribution.

Endowment Fund allotment contributor Hosiana Rengulbai is one committed member. Her current employment situation disallowed her from making automatic deductions to the Endowment Fund, but it did not stop her from remaining current on

her allotments. She personally walked into the Business Office last week and made a cash payments for the next three pay periods. Rengulbai expects her situation to stabilize in the future and automatic deductions will resume.

OPEN Season for Endowment Fund New Members Registration Ongoing

To find out how you can join the hundreds who are already giving to the Endowment Fund through paycheck allotments, contact PCC Development Office at 488-2471, ext. 253. If you can't come to the office, contact the office at 488-2471, ext. 253 and we'll send someone to find you.

Vacancy Announcement

- (1) Dean, Academic Affairs
Salary range: \$21,000-\$33,730 per annum
 - (1) Asst. Director, Educational Talent Search
Salary range: \$18,000-\$22,000 per annum
 - (1) Accountant/Supervisor, Business Office
Salary range: \$12,049-\$25,633 per annum
 - (1) Student Activities Supervisor
Salary range: \$13,284-\$22,719 per annum
 - (1) Registration & Records Specialist
Salary range: \$12,049-\$20,607 per annum
- For application forms and information, please contact Karen Mobel at the PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, ext. 227.

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Bilung Shares Harvest from Her Private Grove



PCC Chairperson Bilung Gloria G. Salii donated over fifty pounds of banana fruits on-Wednesday to students living in the dorm. The fruits were harvest from Bilung's grove around her estate in Idid hamlet. Thank you Bilung for your most kind act.

Upward Bound Students Clean Campus



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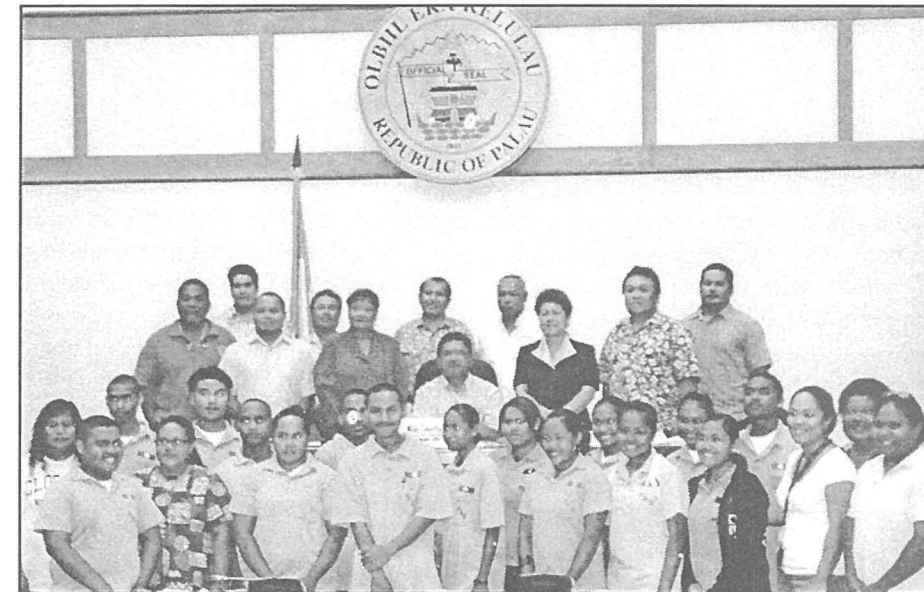


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Weekly Newsletter

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Most Talent Search Program Grads to Attend PCC this Fall



Talent Search students gather for a photo with lawmakers during their recent field trip to Palau's seat of the government in Ngerulmud, Melekeok.

Fifty (50) of the fifty-four (54) Talent Search students who recently graduated this spring from high school across Palau will enroll at

College Staff Attend Leadership Academy



Participants of the 7th Annual Leadership Conference held on the campus of the University of San Diego included a delegation from Palau Community College.

A team of seven from PCC traveled to San Diego earlier this month to attend the 2010 Community College Leadership Academy.

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financial aid paperwork requirements before fall semester commences in mid August.

"It has always been our unwritten rule to strongly encourage our graduates to enroll at PCC for the first two years of their college experience, and we are happy that the message is getting through," said Saiske. Students have indeed heeded the message, and for some twenty-eight (28) from Palau High all too well as they did not wait for fall semester, but rather have enrolled in summer classes. With the more than half already enrolled, Saiske said that their effort is now focused on getting the rest on-board for fall semester.

The Talent Search program is the only TRIO program at PCC that serves both elementary and high school students, unlike Upward Bound & Upward Bound Math & Science which concentrates only on high school students.

PCC this coming fall semester. According to staff Dilmai Saiske, they have been working closely with their high school graduates to complete all admissions and

Happy July 4th America!!

The PCC Family of Board Members, Administrators, Faculty, Staff and Students express gratitude and appreciation to the people and country of the United States of America for their decades of friendship and unwavering support to

Palau and Palau Community College.

Happy 4th to all Americans here at the PCC (Don, Marianne, Megan, Mike, Tim), in Palau and elsewhere around the globe!



Land of Liberty

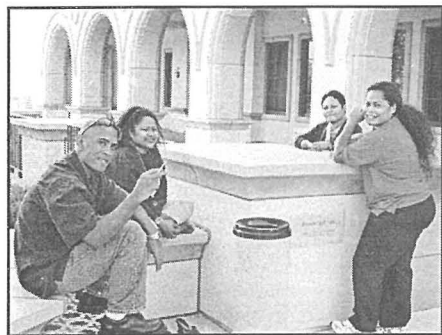
(Leadership, from Front Page)



Lester Rekemesik (2nd-right) was one of the faculty members to attend the leadership academy.

Led by the Executive Assistant to the President Todd Ngiramengior, the team consisted of two faculty, two counselors, and two classified staff. By sending a diverse group in terms of specialties, the College is fulfilling one of its long-term goals in indiscriminately developing its human resources, as well as promoting leadership traits across the board.

Adora Nobuo, a counselor with the Student Support Services who was among the seven said that the academy was an eye-opener for her. She said that the rigorous three-day training specifically focused on leadership in a community college setting, and from it, she gained fresh insight into enhancing her organization and leadership capacities that she anticipates will reflect in her services to the students.

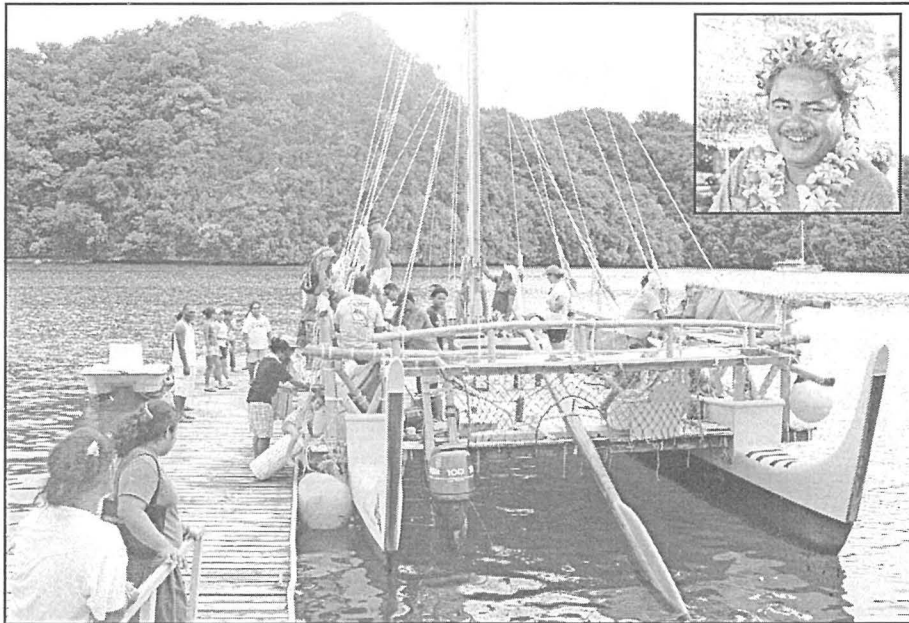


Angelio Anthonio, Adora Nobuo, Arlyn Igancio and Renette Meyer during a break from sessions. The four were part of PCC team to the 2010 leadership academy in San Diego, California.

Nobuo's experience mirrored that of the team which wrote in its post-report trip to President Tellei, saying that the academy provided team members with opportunities to assess their leadership styles and skills and adjustments as necessary.

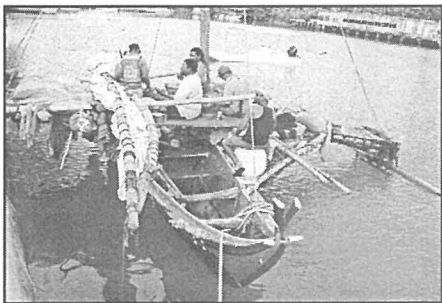
This is the fourth year in a row that PCC has sent a team to the summer leadership academy, a true testament of the college's commitment to fostering leadership skills among employees.

Alingano Maisu Escorts Yap Voyagers Home



Well-wishers seeing-off voyaging canoe *Alingano Maisu* as it leaves its home berth at NECO Drop-Off dock. (inset) Master Navigator and Captain of *Alingano Maisu* Sesario Sewralur.

Captain/Instructor Sesario Sewralur and the crew of the traditional voyaging canoe *Alingano Maisu* returned last weekend from a successful humanitarian mission to Yap. Sesario said they made the trip to assist the Yap voyaging canoe *Simion*



Yap voyaging canoe *Simion Hokulea* and crew in Palau days before their voyage back to Yap.

Hokulea safely return but to Yap. The Yap voyaging canoe left Guam for Yap last month but foul weather forced it to make an unscheduled stop in Palau.

Sesario said that sailing conditions couldn't have been better and it took only four days for both canoes to make landfall in Yap. He said that the only problem they encountered was when *Simion Hokulea* sprung a leak from a preexist-



Ngulu Island

ing crack in its hull about a day out from Yap, but they managed to make temporary repairs and arrived in Yap safely. Sesario and crew spent a week in Yap to rest and restock. On the return voyage to Palau, they made an overnight call on Yap's Ngulu island to deliver supplies and left the following morning.

Captain Sasario who was hired by the college to revive the art of traditional island seafaring navigation, uses the *Alingano Maisu* as a floating classroom to teach students how to sail to distant islands without the use of modern instruments (sextant, compass, GPS), but the sun, moon, stars, ocean current and ocean salinity level.

BITS AND PIECES...

TODAY

CE Summer Kids Program Concludes...

Today marks the end of the Continuing Education-Summer Kids program. One hundred elementary school students (grades 5-8) who attended the four-week program, taking daily classes in basic keyboarding, English reading/writing, mathematics, and environmental/marine science will receive certificates. Congratulations to everyone for a successful summer!

LIBRARY

Summer Activities

- ✓ Internet Searching/EBSCO Training
- ✓ Online Catalog Training
- ✓ Gmail/Email Set-Up

Training begins June 16 - End of July on every Wednesday & Friday from 1:00-4:00 pm. Training is for ages 12 & Up. Call 488-3540 and talk to Tanya Ngirkuteling or Jolene Ulenchong for more details.

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Summer Seminar for Teachers...

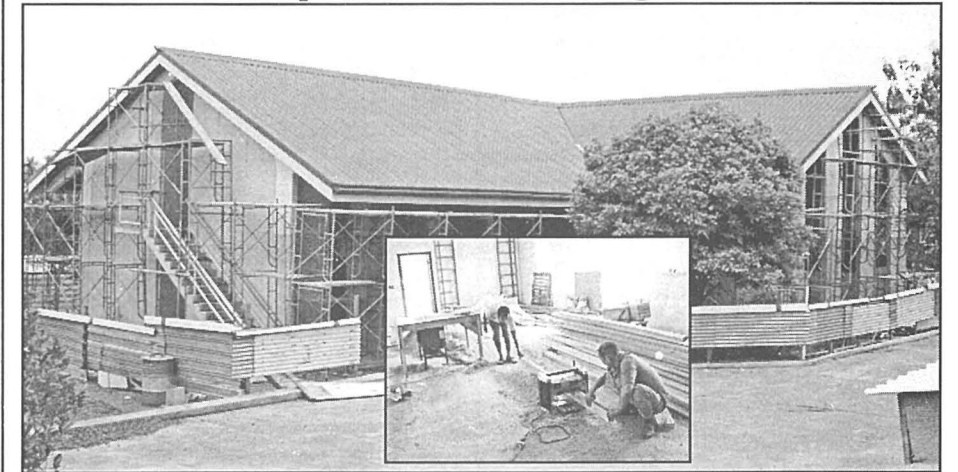
A seminar will be held in Hawaii from August 8 to August 13 entitled "Hawaii National Great Teachers Seminar". For information, go the following website www.greatteacher.hawaii.edu The contact person is Ms. Cindy Martin at: cindymar@hawaii.edu. Fliers also available at Faculty Senate Association mailboxes locate in the Academic Affairs office.

SCHOLARSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

Scholarship & Internship Opportunities...

The office of the Micronesia Challenge is offering thousands of dollars in scholarships as well as internship opportunities for qualified students and individuals. For details, stop by the PCC Development Office or contact: The Micronesia Challenge Regional Office, P.O. Box 4040, Koror, Republic of Palau 96940. Telephone: 680-488-8008; Fax: 680-488-8003

PTHSE Construction to be Completed in August 2010



Construction work continues on schedule for the Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence (PTHSE). According to project manager Mr. Shao, who recently returned from a shopping trip to the Philippines for materials, all needed supplies are on-hand now to ensure that construction continues unabated to meet the August time-line. (inset) Workers prepare wood panels and other fixtures for the building's interior.

Upward Bound Students Clean Campus

Upward Bound (UB) program students and staff spanned out across campus on Monday to pick up trash. Equipped with trash bags and gloves, the students began the cleanup at the PCC dormitory area a little after 8:30 am. They worked their way up to the main courtyard, across to the classroom area, then around the shop program's vicinity, and wrapping up the cleanup at the Canoe Wharf (*Taoch ra Idererach*) around noon.

The college recognizes and applauds

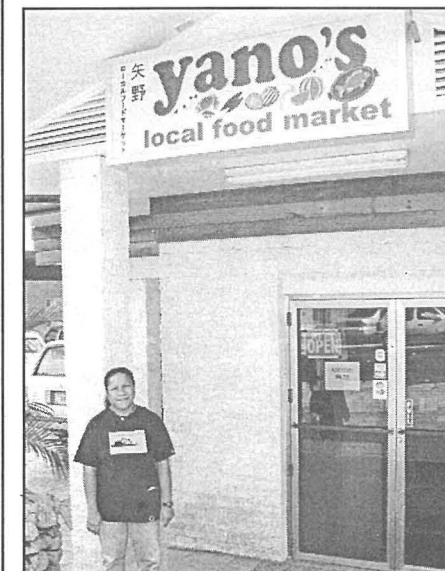
the UB program and its students for the thoughtful act and encourages others to follow suit.



UB students gather for group photo before start of campus cleanup.

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Yano's Market Gives Again!



Leilani Rechellul of PCC is one of the many local food aficionados who frequents Yano's Market during lunchtime.

Yano's Market outdid itself on Wednesday, donating 100+lbs. of fresh vegetables (cucumbers, egg plants, okra, and *markoso*) to the PCC cafeteria. This latest giving brings the total weight of fresh vegetables given this month by the local market to PCC to well over a quarter of a ton.

Owners of the establishment which is renowned for the popular local food *bentos* it makes fresh daily said that they were especially blessed with the vegetable harvest for the month of June and wanted to share the yield with PCC. "We enjoy giving to PCC because we know it will be appreciated and enjoyed by the students," said the owners.

Thank you Yano's Market for always remembering the College!