

## Alumni Notes

### Class of 2004



Sharon Elbelau - Graduated in 2004 with an A.S. degree in Elementary Education. She's currently pursuing her B.A. degree in Education on-line with San Diego State University (SDSU).

### Class of 2000



Magrina Aderiano - Graduated in 2000 with an A.S. degree in Nursing. She is now one of the Registered Nurse working at the Palau National Hospital.

Alumni Notes showcases MOC/PCC 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*

## Celebrating Birthdays

Jeniffer Matter July 10  
Norma Adelbai July 12  
**Happy Birthday to You!!!**

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## Dolphin Pacific Interns Commended, Receive Certificates



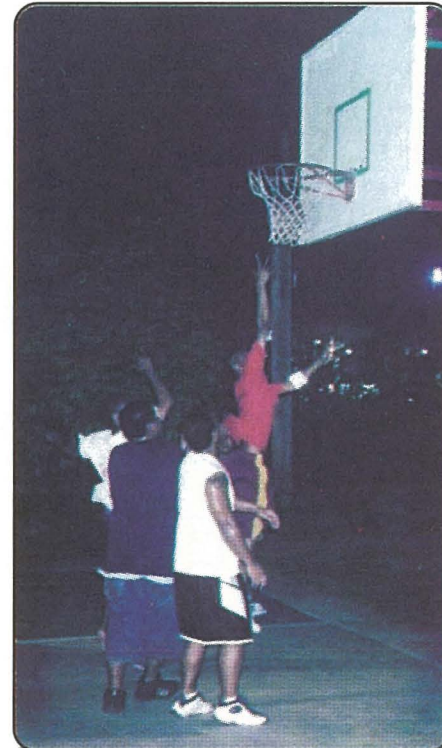
(l-r) Andrea Vereen, Dolphins Pacific Supervisor; Amorita Godwin; Weena Pasqual; and Go Murakami, Dolphins Pacific General Manager.

PCC student interns Amorita Godwin and Weena Pasqual were commended by the management of the Dolphins Pacific for successfully completing 192 credit hours with the company this summer. The general manager of Dolphins Pacific, Go Murakami and supervisor Andrea Vereen presented the certificate of completion to both students at the company's main office in Malakal, Koror, and lauded them for their remarkable achievement as interns. Godwin and Pasqual who finished their internship on June 30, 2005, are majoring in Tourism & Hospitality-Tour Services (THTT), and their

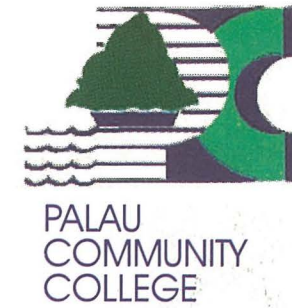
internship with Dolphins Pacific was their final program requirement before they can officially receive their degrees in the THTT program. Both students agreed that the internship was physically arduous at times but overall, it was a great learning experience. PCC extends its appreciation to Dolphins Pacific for making available internship opportunities for students, and congratulates Amorita Godwin and Weena Pasqual for their accomplishment.



Upward Bound Students take a break between classes.



PCC students playing in a semi-final game of intramural basketball against students from the Upward Bound Math & Science Program. The Championship game was scheduled for Wednesday but was rained-out.



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## Two SDSU Professors Teach Summer Classes



Left, Dr. Philip Molebash (seated) consults with students while PCC Associate Dean Sherman Daniel (standing-r) looks on. Above, Dr. Molebash (backrow-right) with students.

San Diego State University (SDSU) professor Dr. Philip Molebash was in Palau last month to teach ED-TEC 470 (Technology for Teaching) class to the students enrolled in the on-line BA program in liberal arts with SDSU. While in Palau for his two-week lecture, Dr. Molebash, was able to meet for the first time, his students who are the first group to enroll in the liberal arts program.

There are twenty-seven students enrolled in the liberal arts program, most of whom are ministry of education employees who work as teachers for the various elementary schools in Palau. PCC employees who are enrolled in the program are Helene Moros, bookstore supervisor;

Renette Meyar, administration office assistant; and Eileen Babauta, formerly CE office secretary.

After Dr. Molebash's departure, Dr. Jerry Treadway, also a professor from SDSU arrived to offer lecture in TE-362 (Field Work in Community Setting) to the liberal arts program students. Dr. Treadway is due to wrap up his lecture next week.



Dr. Jerry Treadway (seated) with PCC instructor Marianne Temaungil, class facilitator, review students' work.

### SDSU Liberal Arts Program Students

#### Palau High School

1. Kate Oip
2. Jocelyn Blelai

#### Koror Elementary School

1. Tiupida Tom
2. Robertha Moon
3. Rosalyne Florendo
4. Hilda Kenzio

#### Airai Elementary School

1. Linda Ngotel
2. Smyth Rdang

#### Kayangel Elementary School

1. Dario Harris

#### Ngarchelong Elementary School

1. Maybelle Ultiraki

#### Palau Community College

1. Eileen Babauta
2. Helene Moros
3. Renette Meyar

#### Harris Elementary School

1. Lorraine Franz
2. Olivine Joseph
3. Judson Butelbai
4. Lucia Tabelual
5. Clarinda Worswick
6. Valentina Omelau
7. Shellene Dolmers

#### PCAA/Headstart

1. Melan Jane Pedro
2. Melinda Ramarui
3. Gaudencia Ngiramolau

#### Peleliu Elementary School

1. Zeralda Smau

#### SPACO

1. Melissa Ueda

#### WIA

1. Sharon Elbelau

#### Meyuns Elementary School

1. Gloria Tem

## DOI Island Business Fellow Visits Palau



Uyanga Batzogs (l) and PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei.

Department of Interior Fellow, Uyanga Batzogs was in Palau last month to conduct research and work with the Palau

SBDC office to do follow-up work for the DOI trade mission that visited Palau in May. Ms. Batzogs is an MBA graduate from the University of Hawaii-Manoa and has worked as a financial

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## 2005 ALA Conference

by: PCC Library

PCC Librarian Gretchen Reynolds and LR Director Laura Mangham attended the 2005 American Library Association conference held in Chicago this year, from 24-29 June 2005. The trip was funded by the Ministry of Education from the IMLS-LSTA grant. As usual, the conference was fantastic! All the vendors manufacturing the various electronic equipment, furniture, software, as well as many publishers and library books suppliers such as EBSCO were there. The books on library programs, services, and education were so many! The exhibits covered a space about the size of two football fields at the McCormick Place where the conference was.

Gretchen and Laura met with the representatives of Follett Software Company to finalize the details of the union catalog project training. Follett Software Company also has a book dealership and Gretchen met with them to see if we can establish a good deal with their company for books we need. Since the PCC Library is already a customer as we use the Follett Software Company's cataloging software, we can get a good deal from them.

Laura and Gretchen also met with the IMLS representatives to get brochures on their various grants and asked about the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Library grant and were informed the awards were coming out at the end of June 2005. Both Laura and Gretchen were able to attend many good workshops and conferences on various topics on library services. Gretchen attended a workshop on library programs, which gave her some good feedback on the LS program that she has developed. It is good for our library staff to attend this conference once in a while to see current trends in library programs and services and to ensure our Library keeps up with important services to support not only our academic programs but the college and the community.

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consultant assisting private companies improve their profitability and implement innovative business solutions. During her two-week visit to Palau, Ms. Batzogs was able to meet with PCC President Dr. Tellei. PCC is the host institution for the Palau SBDC. Ms. Batzogs was also able to meet with

## USDA Approves New Aquaculture Project at PCC-CRE

The Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service (CSREES) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has recently approved an aquaculture research project entitled "Development and Utilization of Locally Available Feed Ingredients for the Mass Culture of the Giant Freshwater Prawn in Palau." This will be implemented at PCC-CRE by Researcher/Aquaculturist, Mr. Jose P. Baldia for 4 years, effective June 1, 2005.

The giant freshwater prawn, known worldwide as "scampi", is a widely preferred species that commands a high price in the market. A native of the Indo-Pacific Region, it has been introduced to other countries for research purposes but eventually found their way to commercial production in countries like Hawaii, Australia and South America.

A very important factor that is crucial in the culture of the giant freshwater prawn is the availability of feeds to sustain its growth. In Palau, there is no feed mill operating, such that all its feed requirements i.e., poultry, hog and fish feeds are entirely imported from other countries. This obviously results in unreliable supply and prohibitive costs of feeds resulting to uncompetitive cost of the produce.

The new project shall deal with the culture of the giant freshwater prawn under Palau conditions using inexpensive feeds made of locally available ingredients. Different feed formulations and preparations for 1) larval rearing, 2) post-larva rearing and 3) grow-out operations, shall be tested. The feeds to be developed will entail the use of simple equipment to enable the future Palauan backyard prawn farmers to formulate and process their own feeds.

members of the 2nd Constitutional Convention and joined them on a state visit trip to various states in Babeldaob. Ms. Batzogs was also invited by the family of PCC President Dr. Tellei to spend a day at their family house in Melekeok, and experience the daily life of a rural family from Babeldaob.

Palau SBDC acknowledges the support of

## SSS-Project Beacon Remembers Ms. Vernice Andrew



*So difficult to accept  
that you are gone  
Such vitality, so suddenly ended  
The emptiness you leave behind  
Could never be filled*

*You brightened our days  
With such lively cheer  
Your dimples gaily flashing  
Always a smile for everyone  
To forget that... it is impossible*

*Grief follows your leaving  
Your loved ones are left  
Confused and bewildered  
It is not enough to know  
That our time here is not our own*

*All we're comforted with then  
Is the assurance that... you are happy  
where you are*

the US Embassy, ROP President's Office, Palau Community College, and the Belau National Hospital for helping facilitate the visit of Uyanga Batzogs.

For more information about DOI Island Business Fellows program, contact:

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## BITS AND PIECES...

### Academic Affairs Office



Terry Ngirmang

Instructors Terry Ngirmang and Damiana Kunihiro recently returned from the American Pacific Nurse Leaders Council (APNLC) Pacific Global Health (PGH) conference in Honolulu, Hawaii. The conference was held from June 13-17.

Summer 2005 session on Yap for headstart teachers started on June 20, 2005

### Palau Community College

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July 1, 2005

To : All Second Year Students and their Advisors

Thru : Dean of Academic Affairs

From : Extension Program Coordinator

Subject: Internship Application for Fall Semester, 2005

In preparation for Internship placement for Fall Semester, 2005, we need to know the number of students who will be eligible to participate in the training and their respective trade areas at this time. This will allow us time to identify and secure commitments from appropriate employers who will be providing training to our students.

To assist in this effort, Academic Advisors are requested to review their advisees' folders and to advise those who will be eligible to participate in the training to come to Academic Affairs Office and see the Extension Program Coordinator, Mr. Vincent Ito, and fill out required application forms. APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW READY FOR PICK UP ANYTIME DURING WORKING HOURS. Deadline for submission of completed application forms is preferably no later than Friday, August 5, 2005 in order for student to be considered for internship placement.

INTERNSHIP IS PROVIDED AS A FINAL REQUIREMENT FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED ALL THEIR COURSE REQUIREMENTS ON CAMPUS OR AT MOST HAVE ONE REMAINING TO BE TAKEN CONCURRENTLY WITH THE TRAINING. It allows students to be placed on the job in their respective field of training working as intern trainee for the semester. The practical experience gained from the training will be counted as credits required for students to graduate.

Your prompt assistance and support on this matter is much appreciated.

### Dates to Remember...

July	7 (TH)	Last Day of Instruction
July	8 (F)	Holiday: Constitutional Day
July	11-13 (M-W)	Final Examination
July	18 (M)	Grades Due End of Summer Session

and will run until Aug 3, 2005. Six classes are being offered with 43 students signed up for the classes.

Work on accreditation progress report is completed. Two of the six recommendations (2 & 3) refer to assessing student learning outcomes at courses, programs, and degree levels. Associate Dean Sherman Daniel, instructor Marianne Temaungil, and Dean Alvina Timarong were responsible for Recommendation 2. They also worked with Dean Presley Etibek to respond to Recommendation 3.

## SSS-Project Beacon Wraps up Summer 2005

In preparation for the final exams which are scheduled for the week of July 11, 2005, SSS-Project Beacon will once again be conducting Study Marathons. The Study Marathons will be conducted on Thursday, July 7, 2005 and Monday, July 11, 2005, at the SSS-Project Beacon Tutoring Center. Students are encouraged to bring their notes and books for review. Program instructors, counselors, and peer counselors will be on hand to assist with the reviews. Snacks and refreshments will be provided by the Office of the Dean of Students. On a final note, our apology to the program participants as well as the staff of Kayangel State Office, for canceling our cultural trip to Kayangel State which was scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> of July. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the trip had to be rescheduled. We would like to extend our appreciation to the Kayangel State Office, as well as individuals from the state that went out of their way to accommodate our request. We will look forward to working with you again in finalizing our future visit to the State.

## New Extension Agent at PCC-CRE



The Cooperative Research and Extension Department recently hired Ms. Leilanie Rechelluul as an Extension Agent. Ms. Rechelluul graduated from the University of Guam (UOG) with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Secondary Education in 1997. While working at CRE, she will continue to work on her thesis towards her Master of Arts degree in Micronesian Studies. Leilanie previously taught at the Emmaus High School and finds her new job of coordinating the Upward Bound Math and Science Summer Program at PCC-CRE very interesting. She hopes to contribute and acquire new experience and knowledge as a new staff member of CRE.

## Nakamura Becomes CE Secretary



Taruu Nakamura

Taruu Nakamura is the new secretary for the Continuing Education office. Nakamura took over the position after it was vacated by Eileen Babauta who resigned to further her educational career. Nakamura started working at the CE office as a clerk under the WIA program and later became a PCC employee after her term with WIA expired. Congratulations!