

Alumni Notes

Class of 2001



Muriel Sinsak
Graduated in 2001 with an *A.A.* degree in Liberal Arts. She is employed with the Ministry of Finance as a Specialist for the Office of Planning and Statistics.

Class of 2002



Egbert Mabel
Graduated in 2002 with an *A.S.* degree in Business Accounting. Currently pursuing his bachelor degree in Business Administration at University of Guam. He is due to graduate this December.

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

Marensia Edward July 15
Don Hanser July 17
Happy Birthday to You!!!

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Oops! Apologies! Oops!
In the last issue of this newsletter (Vol. 7, Issue 27), our banner story "Two SDSU Professors Teach Summer Classes" identified Dr. Jerry Treadway as Dr. Philip Molebash and vice-versa. Our apologies to both Dr. Molebash and Dr. Treadway for the mixup.

Campus Abuzz with Activity in Preparation for Mini-SPG



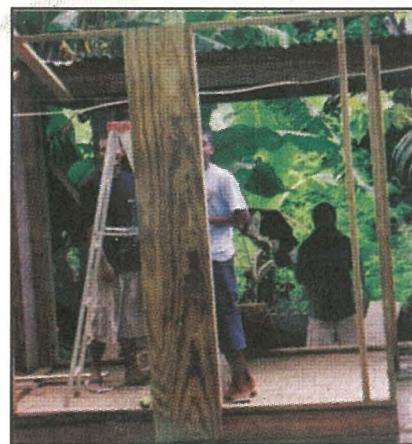
SWEP workers helping maintenance workers pave the parking lot between the PCC cafeteria and Miich building. (Inset) SWEP worker power-washes the sidewalks by the library.



Dr. Aurora Del Rosario (l) CRE researcher and Dannies Uehara (r) join other CRE staff as they put their expertise to bear in front of the PCC administration building.



Grace Yalap, maintenance worker, squatting to plant a coconut tree along the PCC sidewalk.



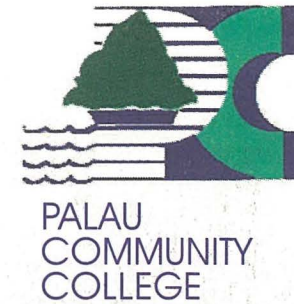
SWEP workers helping to build additional shower facilities that will be used by the thousands of athletes who will live on campus during the Mini-South Pacific Games from July 24- August 5.

Micronesian Outlaws Win Intramural Basketball Tourney

Results of the recently concluded PCC Intramural Basketball Tourney:

Micronesian Outlaw - Champions
Ikelau Apts. - 2nd Place
Palau Champs - 3rd Place
UBMS #1 - 4th Place

Congratulations to the winner who reportedly received an unreported amount of cash prize.



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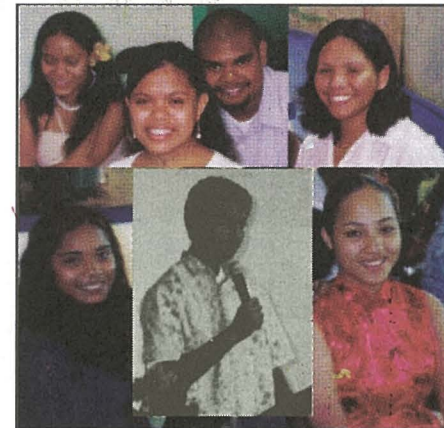


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Upward Bound Program Holds 22nd Banquet



UB Class of 2005 Graduates. (clockwise from top left) Emerald Yamanguchi, Dillusech Sadang, Melngis Uchel, Marka Gibbons, Kara Ngiratumerang, Baules Telei, and Remusei Simer.

Palau Community College Vice President Thomas Taro, Minister of Education Mario Katosang, and Emmaus High School Principal Masaharu Tmodrang were among the many invited guests who joined Upward Bound (UB) program director Kuye Belelai, UB staff, and parents to grace the Upward Bound (UB) program's 22nd Annual Banquet/ Graduation last Thursday, June 7, 2005 at the PCC Cafetorium.

The banquet/graduation ceremony saw twenty-one (21) of the twenty-three (23) graduating seniors from high school all over Palau receive their certificate of achievements for successfully completing the required four years in the federally-funded college preparatory program. Certificates for the two other graduates were presented to them earlier to accommodate their early departure dates to pursue their post-secondary careers off-island.



UB Class of 2005 graduates. (pictured clockwise from top left) Jeanmarie Arurang, Mariean

The graduating seniors along with their parents and guests had the opportunity to hear the Vice President of PCC Thomas Taro, delivered his message to the graduates. Vice President Taro applauded the students for their accomplishment and

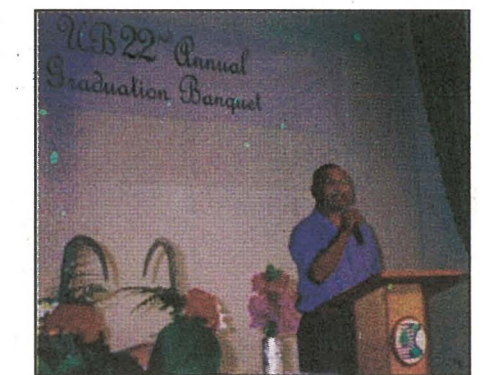
urged them to persevere and continue in their diligent effort to further their education after the Upward Bound program.



UB Class of 2005 graduates. (l-r) Thomas Marcello, Jeremy Alonz, Lois Blailles and Dillusech Sadang.

Taro also gave special recognition and praise to the program Director Kuye Belelai, for her splendid leadership that has enabled the Upward Bound Program to thrive and grow, thus enabling disadvantaged students from high schools throughout Palau to benefit from its much needed services.

The Upward Bound Program is a federally-funded program that has been in existence since 1983, mainly providing academic classes in the fields of English, math, science, and foreign languages to college-bound high school students to help them better prepare for the academic rigors of college.



PCC Vice President Thomas Taro praised and urged UB graduates to continue their hard work.

Upward Bound Program Class of 2005	
Name	College/Univ.
Alonz, Jeremy	University of Guam
Arurang, Jeanmarie	University of Guam
Blailles, Lois	PCC
Emesiochl, Tayeko	PCC
Gibbons, Marka R.	PCC
Katosang, Kato	PCC
Kazuma, Mariean	PCC
Ketebengang, Dolyne	PCC
Koshiba, Shirley	Chaminade Univ., HI
Marcello, Thomas	PCC
Masahiro, Kurt	PCC
Morei, Rechirei	PCC
Ngiraboi, Dirralukes	University of Guam
Ngiratumerang, Kara	PCC
Obeketang, Kayla	PCC
Omelau, Raylynn	University of Guam
Rafael, Kapono	Bates Tech. Coll., WA
Sadang, Dillusech	PCC
Simer, Remusei	PCC
Telei, Baules	Lassen Comm. Coll., CA
Uchel, Melngis	Alpena Comm. Coll., MI
Walter, Krystle	Pierce College, WA
Yamanguchi, Emerald	PCC

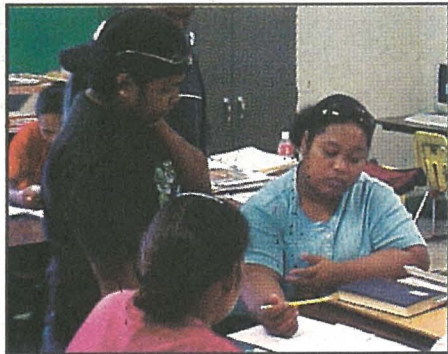
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SSS-Project Beacon Concludes Summer Activities

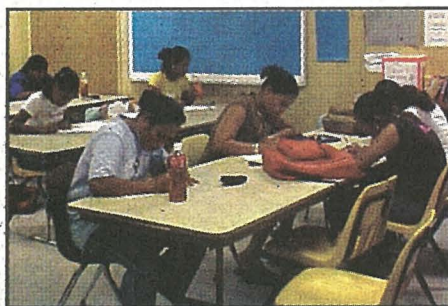
by: PCC Project Beacon Office

On Thursday and Monday, July 7 & 11, Study Marathons were conducted at the SSS-Project Beacon tutoring center. The two days were devoted to helping students review for their final exams and/or finalizing their essays/reports, since final exams were scheduled from July 11 to July 13, 2005. About sixty (60) students participated in the study marathons. Aside from English, Math and Science students that participated, we also had students from HI 129, CO 110, and CS 100 & CS 121.

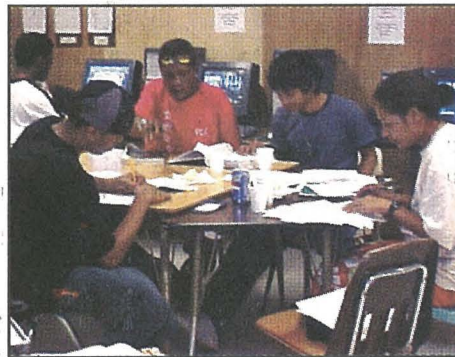


Project Beacon peer tutor Tanya Rengulbai (r), helping Joycean Letatiguw (seated) with Shelley Remengesau's help.

Instructors and tutors were kept busy, hopping from one student to another, helping them with reviews, and editing essays/reports. A number of students also came in to practice their computer skills, speech writing, as well as catching up with their reading lab points. Snacks and refreshments were provided by the Office of the Dean of Students to fortify students as they studied.



Project Beacon clients and EN 95 students taking advantage of the Study Marathon program and study for their exams.



Project clients John Stills (l) and Joycean Letatiguw (r) get help from peer tutors Asteen Marcil and Brent Ueki.

SSS-Project Beacon counselors were quite busy the final two weeks of the summer semester as well, working with our recent graduates to communicate with other institutions in completing their transfer requirements. Transfer requirements included those of Admissions and Financial Aid. Follow up on academic and personal progress continued as well, to insure that we were updated on our students' plans for the rest of the summer, as well as for the coming Fall 05 semester.

A get together for program staff and peer tutors/counselors was held at Long Island on Friday, July 8, to celebrate the end of the summer semester. We would like to recognize and thank the peer tutors/counselors for their tireless effort and enthusiasm in making this summer semester a success. Although it was a short semester, it was packed to the seams with academic activities that gave students the opportunity to participate in an array of fun learning activities.

For more information about the Project Beacon Office and its services, please contact telephone number 488-3073

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(l-r) Lois Blailles, Kato katosang, Thomas Marcello, and Marka Gibbons await their turn to receive their certificate of achievements.

During the banquet/graduation ceremony, program director Kuye Belelai presented special achievements and monetary awards to graduates who excelled in the different aspects of the program, such as academic achievements, career development and the work-study program. Congratulating the high achievers, Director Belelai also expressed her profound appreciation to all the mentors from the various agencies, both government and non-government for their continued partnership and support for the UB's work-study program. "I want to thank all mentors and their offices for helping to enrich the learning experience of our students outside of the classroom," Belelai said. In addition to taking academic classes, UB students also took part in the work-study program where they were placed in various office settings to help them explore their own career interests, capabilities and gain valuable hands-on experience.

Since its inception in 1983, the UB program has graduated over 200 students, many of whom have gone on to attain their college degrees.



Sesengel Ketebengang, Jeremy Alonz, and Kapono Rafael.

See page 3 for list of UB Work-study Mentors and their Agencies.

BITS AND PIECES...

Upward Bound Field Trip....

The Upward Bound Program students are scheduled to go on a cultural awareness field trip to Peleliu next week Thursday, July 21, 2005. Boats will be leaving at Fisheries Dock at 8:30 am so UB students are reminded to please be on time.

Math Instructors to Guam....



Oiterong

PCC Math instructors Baskasio Oiterong and Epimachus Moses are leaving for Guam this weekend to attend a math Mentoring Program workshop. The workshop is scheduled for July 18-22, 2005.

Oiterong and Moses, together with Hadeleen Madalarak of MOE and Dilmal Saiske of Koror Elementary School will represent Palau at the workshop. Other mentors from Hawaii, American Samoa, FSM, and the Marshall Islands are also expected to attend. The Mentoring Program is sponsored by PREL and is made possible by funding from the National Science Foundation. Its goal is to allow for math mentors to share expertise and knowledge that they can take back to their home countries and further help elementary school math teachers become math mentors themselves.



Moses

US Dept. of State Official on Campus...

Rickford Bobbsempel of the US Dept. Of State - Diplomatic Security Service is on campus, using the CE training room to train local law enforcement on emergency response procedures to attacks and accidents involving weapons of mass destructions (chemical, biological, and radioactive). He will wrap up his three-day training today with live demonstrations to be held at the parking area directly behind the Upward Bound office.



Rickford Bobbsempel (r), talking to local law enforcement during a workshop.

SWEP Students Help Prepare Campus for Mini-SPG



Break time for three SWEP workers

With only days left before the start of the Mini- SPG, the campus is looking better and better each day, thanks to the extra hands the SWEP program workers have provided. Numerous SWEP program workers are helping the PCC physical plant workers complete vital projects such as parking lots, bathroom & shower facilities, and the beautification of the campus for the Mini-SPG. (see more pictures on back)

Upward Bound Summer 2005 Mentors and Agencies

Mentor	Agency/Office
Ms. Allison Sengebau	Palau Supreme Court
Mr. Johnny Sokau	Court Marshall Office
Mr. Satrunino Tewid	Public Auditor's Office
Mrs. Jennifer Yano	Belau Medical Clinic
Ms. Emilda Adelbai	Café @ Palau
Mr. Eric Marino	Computers Plus
Mr. Marino Ngemaes	Continental Air Mic.
Ms. Eunice Koshiba	DHL
Mrs. Liz Roberts	Family Surgical Clinic
Mr. Secilil Eldebechel	Ministry of Finance
Ms. Maria Luisa Gomez	First Fidelity Bank
Mr. Gail Ngirmidol	House of Delegates- LC Office
Mr. Henaro Polloi	Mabuchi Construction
Mrs. Lorry Kumangai	Ministry of Education
Mr. Hazime Telei	Ministry of Justice
Mrs. Peggy Hanser	Ngardmau State Office
Mr. Hareh Baryanani	One Nation Store
Ms. Louie Moses	Palau Palasia Hotel
Ms. Rodech	Palau Travel & Tour Agency
Mr. Todd Ngiramengior	PCC Administration
Ms. Gretchen Reynolds	PCC Library
Mr. Satoru Adachi	Palau Public Utilities Corp.
Mr. William Wally	PCC CE Office
Ms. Leilanie Senior	PCC CRE Office
Mr. Armstrong Debelbot	PCC Development Office
Mr. Clement Kazuma	PCC Maintenance Office
Mr. Jemmy Belelai	PCC Part time Instructors Office
Mr. Ismael Anastacio	PCC Recreation Office
Mrs. Lesley Adachi	PCC Retention Office
Ms. Veronica Kloulchad	PCC Talent Search Program
Mr. Larry Wakakoro	PCC UBMS Office
Ms. Emiel Maui	Civil Service Pension Plan
Mr. Phillip Polloi	PNCC/ICTV
Ms. Chur Oiph	Palau National Scholarship Board Office
Mr. Ponciano Materne	Palau Postal Service
Ms. Marleen Ngirmetuker	Palau Pacific Resort
Ms. Adora Ngiramolau	Senate
Mr. Martin Sokau	Mini- SPG Office
Mr. Uchel Sechwas	Mini- SPG Office
Ms. Jennifer Olegeril	Min. of Justice
Julie Jiro	Attorney General's Office