

Alumni Notes

Class of 2002 (PCC)

Leonora Bates -



Graduated with an Associate of Science degree in Tourism & Hospitality - Hotel Management. Bates works as a Registrar at the Biggest High School in Palau (Palau High

School) and also works on a part-time basis with the newly-launched airline (Pacific Flier). She is enrolled in the San Diego State University online program, working towards her bachelor's degree.

Class of 2005 (PCC)

Rachel Ngiruos-



Graduated as class valedictorian with an Associate of Science degree in Education-Special Ed. She is a classroom teacher at the biggest high school in Palau, Palau High

School. She is also working on her bachelor's degree via the SDSU online program.

Class of 2007 (PCC)

Kubarii Joe-



Graduated with an Associate of Science degree in Education-Elementary Ed. Joe is a classroom teacher at Meyuns Elementary School and is pursuing her bachelor's

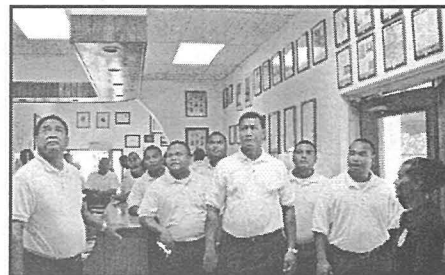
degree online from San Diego State University.

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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Police Academy Cadets Learn About PCC History

Cadets of the 18th Law Enforcement Academy were enlightened last week about the rich history of Palau Community College. They paid a visit to the college's main lobby to see historical pictures of PCC dating back to the Japanese administration. The academy is using PCC facilities such as classrooms and parking lots to conduct its classes and excercises.



Police Academy cadets review pictures of all PCC presidents mounted on the wall at the main lobby area.

2010 UB Graduation Banquet in Pictures



Celebrating Birthdays

Sheree Sengebau	July 9
Sesario Sewralur	July 11
Norma Etibek	July 12
Hilda Ngiralmu	July 14
Marensia Edward	July 15
Lesley Adachi	July 15
Maloreen Renguul	July 15



Happy Birthday To 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 Mobil at the PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, ext. 227.

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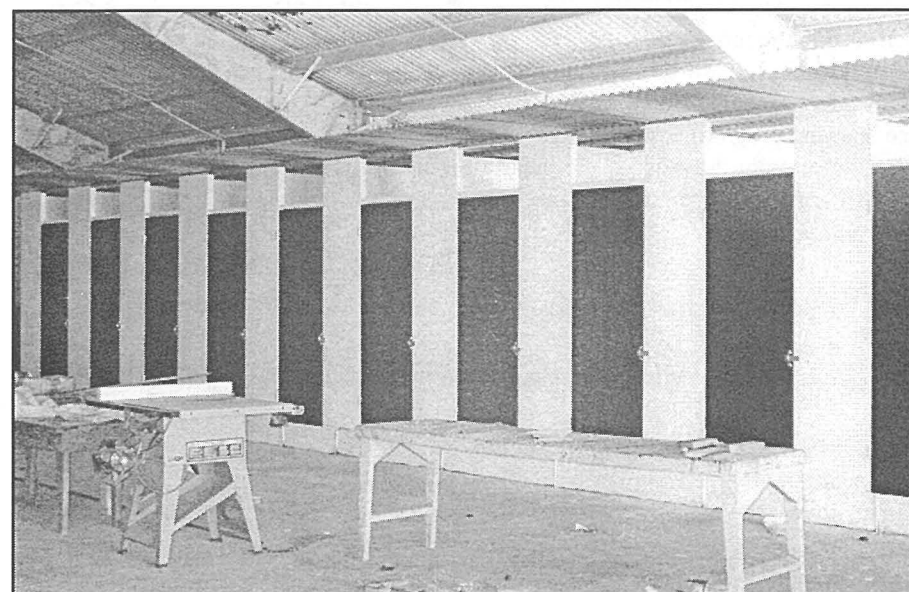


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Weekly Newsletter

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PCC to be Athletes Village for 7th Micronesian Games



New shower facilities in the carpentry shop complex built by the PCC maintenance staff.

The entire 10 acre PCC campus in downtown Koror city will be transformed into a bustling village comes August

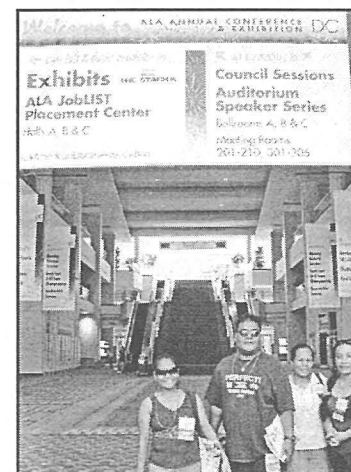
1, 2010, the official beginning of the 2010 Micronesian Games. According to Vice President Jay Olegeriil and Todd

Ngiramengior who both represented PCC to the game's organizing committee weekly meeting on Wednesday, preparation work is centered around PCC campus being the athletes' village. "We are trying as much as possible, given our facility limitations, to accommodate as many athletes and officials on campus as possible. The whole idea is to have everyone living in one area to help promote and foster friendship and camaraderie among participating-countries, and enhance the overall experience for everyone" they said. This arrangement will also give participants convenient access to downtown Koror and cut down on transportation costs.

When Palau hosted the 1998 Micronesian Games and the 2005 Pacific Mini-Games, athletes were scattered in elementary schools throughout Koror, only converging at the PCC cafeteria for meals.

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Library Staff Attends ALA Conference in DC



(l-r) Mary Arius of Palau Public Library, Atarino Helieisar of COM-FSM, Pioria Asito of PCC, and Karleen Samuel also of COM-FSM at the ALA conference in Washinton, D.C.

PCC Library Technician Pioria Asito represented the College to this year's American Library Association (ALA) annual conference held in Washington, D.C. from June 24-29. Joining Asito from Palau to the conference was PCC alumna and now librarian at the Palau Public Library Mary Arius.

Asito said that week-long conference offered useful workshops geared towards helping library workers enhance services. Asito and Arius also co-presented with Atarino Helieisar, President of Pacific Islands Association of Libraries,

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Talent Search Grads off to Taiwan on Scholarship

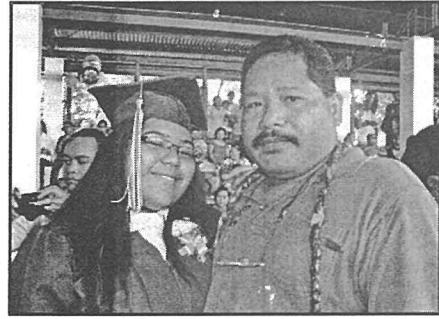


Saiske

Two graduates from the PCC Talent Search program will leave this coming August to begin their postsecondary education in the Republic of China, Taiwan, after being selected as two of the four from Palau to receive the Taiwan-sponsored scholarship. Genna Saiske and Brittany Masang were each awarded five year scholarships which are fully-funded by the government of Taiwan. The first

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(Talent Search, from Front Page)



Brittany Masang and her father Nelson Masang at her graduation ceremony in June.

year of the scholarship will concentrate on language with the next four on the student's chosen field of study.

Saiske who graduated from the biggest high school in Palau, Palau High School and has a strong background in the subjects of mathematics and English is interested in pursuing a degree in Business Accounting. Having served as the Student Body Association (SBA) vice president during her senior year, she believes she is ambitious and has the drive to succeed in the scholarship program.

Brittany Masang, on the other hand, is from Mindszenty High School, and given her strong skills in science and mathematics has chosen to follow a track in the field of Medicine.

Both students are currently enrolled in summer classes at PCC and will attend a pre-scheduled orientation at the Taiwan Embassy this month before their departure to Taiwan in mid-August.

(Athletes' Village, from Front Page)

This time, it seems that a much greater emphasis has been put on bringing everyone together.

Over one thousand two-hundred athletes and officials are expected to take part in the Micronesian olympic event scheduled for August 1-15, 2010.

Even with the best effort of the organizing committee to centralize the housing of all athletes, it remains a given that there will be spillovers, and organizers say that the campus of Palau High School, adjacent to the western boundary of PCC has been designated to accommodate the extras.

Equipped with mattresses, classrooms on both campuses will be converted into

SDSU's Degeneffe Launches New Class

by: Mark Alex, staff writer

Mr. Charles Edmund Degeneffe, Ph.D., an Associate Professor in the Rehabilitation and Counseling department at San Diego State University (SDSU) was on island for a face-to-face instruction to students enrolled in the master's level course of the SDSU online program. Degeneffe's trip was to fulfill a mandate that so many teaching hours of the distance learning program has to be done in person. Normally, he teaches the class via the internet from the main campus in California.

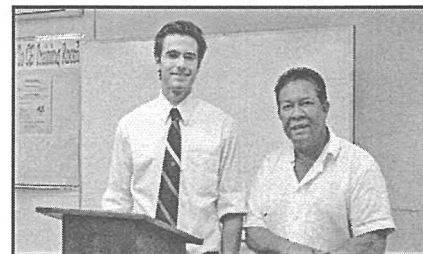


Dr. Degeneffe and students

The class titled, "Communication & Group Processing in Educational Settings" is the seventh out of ten courses in the master's level. Students who successfully complete it will have three more courses to go and are expected to graduate in the spring of 2011.

Court Counsel Shares Expertise

by: Mark Alex, staff writer



Bennardo with Dean of Continuing Education Willy Wally.

From May 26 to June 30, PCC had the good fortune of having a Constitutional Law specialist offer his experience and expertise to the public. A legal counsel to the Palau Supreme Court, Kevin Bennardo wanted to use the opportunity to educate the general public about their fundamental rights under the Constitution.

Every Wednesday night for the last six weeks, Bennardo generously volunteered his time to teach the class. He toned his sessions and made it easier for participants to understand. Dean of Continuing Education Willy Wally whose program sponsored the free seminar said that it is seldom for an expert, especially one in the area of law who is willing to offer his/her advice for free. "I thank him for his generosity and hope that we can work with him again in the near future to conduct similar classes," said Wally.

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Archives and Museums (PIALA), and Jane Barnwell of Pacific Resources for Education & Learning (PREL). During the presentation, Asito and Arius talked about their growth experience as PIALA members over the years.

Both were able to meet a number of publishers and vendors at the conference exhibits and as a result, acquired a number of complimentary books and other useful library gadgets. They are due to share what they learned with other librarians and library workers during an upcoming meeting.



Students help Asito and library staff Miriam Kual sort through the donated books and gadgets.

sleeping quarters for the game participants. Meals for everyone including volunteers will be served in the PCC cafeteria.

BITS AND PIECES...

TODAY

Constitution Day Holiday...

Today the Republic of Palau celebrates its 30th Constitution Day. To commemorate this day, the Palau President's office will hold a ceremony at the flag pavillion in Ngerulmud, Melekeok. PCC joins the Republic of Palau in observing the Constitution Day, thus all offices are closed. Happy Constitution Day Palau!

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...

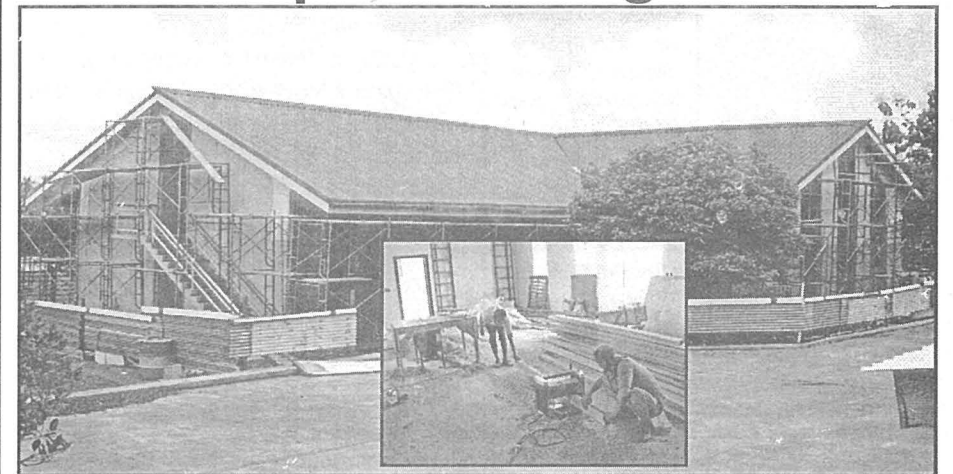
A seminar will be held in Hawaii from August 8 to August 13 entitled "Hawaii National Great Teachers Seminar". For information, go the following website www.greatteacher.hawaii.edu The contact person is Ms. Cindy Martin at: cindymar@hawaii.edu. Fliers also available at Faculty Senate Association mailboxes located 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 Program Holds 2010 Graduation Banquet



Upward Bound program Class of 2010 Thirty-four (34) graduating seniors received their certificate of completion during the 2010 graduation banquet for

the Upward Bound program held on Wednesday.

Principals from all participating high schools were on hand to join PCC President Tellei in handing out the certificates to the graduates.

The Upward Bound program is funded by US federal grants and its purpose is to help disadvantaged high school students enroll and succeed in college.

