

New Scholarship Opportunity

Pacific Islands Development Bank is offering partial scholarships to students around Micronesia, which includes Palau, Yap, Pohnpei, Kosrae, Chuuk, Marshall Islands, CNMI, and Guam. One student from each island will be selected to receive the amount of \$500.00 scholarship. Priority will be given to students Majoring in developmental planning or economic development analysis. Other students majoring in economics and business may also apply for this scholarship.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Show proof of citizenship and residency of each island state that the individual is from.
- Submit High School or College Transcript.
- Two letters of Recommendation.
- Copy of Enrollment Acceptance Letter.
- Short resume including the reason for the education major.

Complete application and supporting documents can be obtained and must be submitted to the following address before August 10, 2002.

Pacific Islands Development Bank
GCIC Building, Suite 204
414 West Soledad Avenue
Hagatna, Guam 96910
Tel: (671) 477 - 0047
Fax: (671) 477 - 0067
Email: pidbank@kuentos.guam.net
Email: rkimura@ite.net

Celebrating Birthdays

	Grace Merong	July 22, 2002
	Takemura Erungel	July 25, 2002

Happy Birthday To You!



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Palau Community College
P.O. Box 9
Koror, Palau 96940

UIIP Donates to PCC Endowment Fund



President Tellei receives donations to PCC Endowment Fund from Mr. Navot Bornowski Chairman of Underwater Palau International Photo Festival

"Reminder to all Palau National Scholarship Applicants"

For those who are applying for Palau National Scholarship and Student Loan, please be advised that upon submitting your applications:

Provide:

- ✓ Copies of your birth certificates.
- ✓ Copy of your transcript.
- ✓ Be sure to submit your documents prior to the deadlines.
- ✓ Late applications or other supporting documents will not be accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact Chur Oiph at Palau National Scholarship Office at 488 - 3608.



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Palau Community College Upward Bound Program 19th Graduation Banquet

Palau Community College's Upward Bound Program held its 19th Graduation banquet last Friday July 12, 2002 at Palasia Hotel Palau. The Program started at 7:00p.m. with invocation by Upward Bound student Ongukd Malsol. Mr. Jay Olegeriil, Director of PCC Development Office, delivered the welcoming remarks on behalf of President Patrick U. Tellei. During the program, Upward Bound Academic Advisor Larry Wakakoro presented awards to the graduating seniors. To end the formal part of the evening, Hellen Immanuel, Assistant Director of the UB Program delivered closing remarks, while Arnice Yuji followed with the benediction. Afterward, the dinner was open and entertainment began. The graduation banquet was attended by Upward Bound parents, UB students as well as principals from Palau's high schools. In addition, Mr. John K. Ueki, an Upward Bound graduate of 1990, also attended the graduation banquet. The banquet provided an opportunity for Upward Bound to recognize students who excelled in different areas, as indicated below:

Most Improved

Senior - Amorita Godwin
Junior - JR Young Sikyang

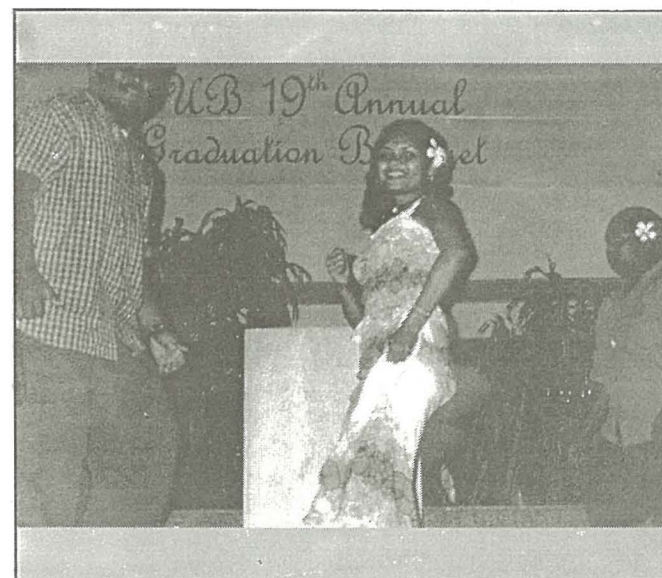
Academic Excellence

Computer Literacy
Conversational Japanese
Literature
Intermediate Math
Marine Biology

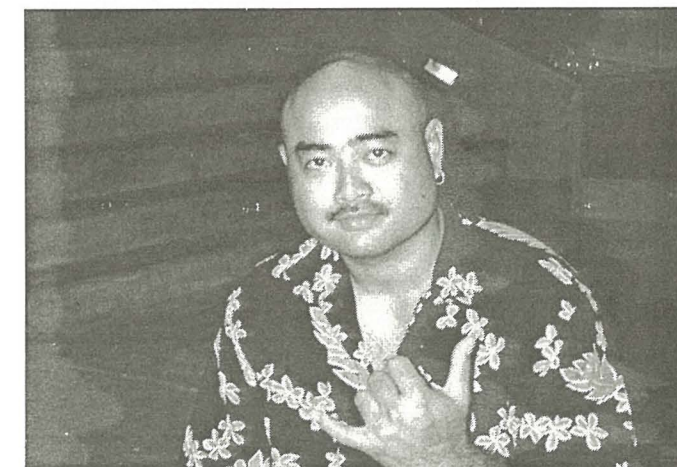
Lyban Ito
Teory Nobuo
Jessica San Nicolas
Sherrie Kodep
Jessica San Nicolas



UB students enjoy their last night together as they say farewell to some of their classmates.



UB students enjoys the 19th graduation banquet with entertainment by the PCC Music Club



John K. Ueki, former UB student joins this year's banquet

SDSU Art Class goes on Site Visit

On Friday July 12, 2002, SDSU Intro. to Visual Art Class went on a site visit to Airai's Traditional Abai. About 19 students were involved in this visit to the Abai. The Introduction to Visual Art (109) is one of the courses that the summer SDSU students are taking in order to complete their classes for the summer. About three summers ago, the San Diego State University teamed up with Palau Community College to provide education to Palau's teachers in vocational education. It is a continuation of a similar program based in Guam since 1994. In 2000, the SDSU program was moved to PCC for the convenience of teachers from the other Micronesian Islands. Many teachers from Yap, Chuuk, Marshall Islands, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and as well as Palau are taking these summer classes to obtain their bachelors degree in vocational education. Today, some of these students are doing on-line projects to continue as part of their course program. Several of these students are currently taking lower level classes to meet the required credits which is sixty credit hours, in order to complete the program. All 19 of them are expected to graduate in May 2003. Several of the students were interviewed based on their experience while staying here in Palau. Gallen, who is a seven year teacher at Marshall Islands High School said, "the program is a great one and it has taught me a lot." Another teacher from the Northern Islands of the Marshall Islands added to what Gallen said, "I would like to take the opportunity to thank PCC for the support which has made it possible for me and the other teachers to complete our educational level at a higher level. Many of these students will graduate with their Bachelor of Vocational Education."

Graduating Candidates:

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| 1. Aurelio Saimon (Pohnpei) | 11. Edsin Joseph (Pohnpei) |
| 2. Kosaky Keller (Pohnpei) | 12. Meterson Alfons (Pohnpei) |
| 3. Randy Edmond (Kosrae) | 13. Lugo Skilling (Kosrae) |
| 4. Kathy Ittu (Kosrae) | 14. Telsin Kephass (Kosrae) |
| 5. Gallen Gallen (Marshalls) | 15. Gary Uen (Marshalls) |
| 6. Alex Jaukon (Marshalls) | 16. Ann Enoch (Marshalls) |
| 7. William Gideon (Palau) | 17. Sebastian Shiro (Palau) |
| 8. Joan Philip (Palau) | 18. Clement Kazuma (Palau) |
| 9. Karen Mobel (Palau) | 19. Senna Azuma (Palau) |
| 10. Serelina Ridep (Palau) | |

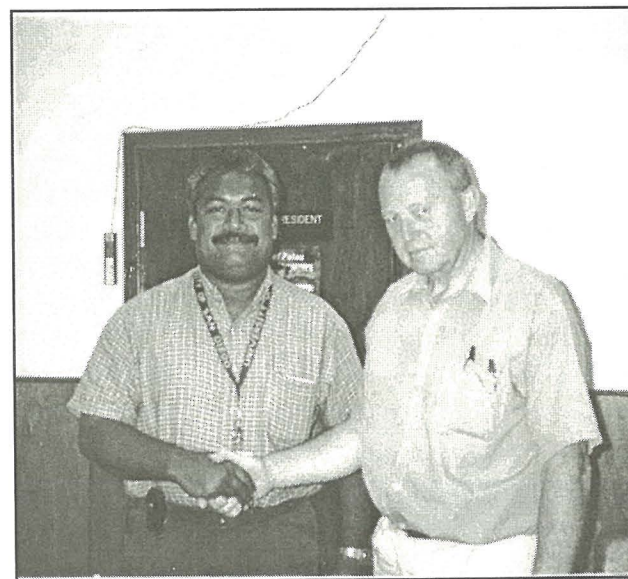


SDSU class goes for site visit

Palau National Youth Congress Donates to PCC's Endowment Fund

Last Friday July 12, 2002, the Palau National Youth Congress (PNYC) donated \$150.00 to the PCC Endowment Fund. This Donation was made possible through a PNYC fund raising effort held in March this year, during the annual National Youth Day celebration. The College itself participated in this year's Youth Day festivities by setting up an information booth to help inform the public about available education and training opportunities. The College Adult High School also disseminated brochures and encouraged prospective students to enroll. In a meeting held earlier this week, PCC President Patrick U. Tellei personally thanked PNYC President Joe Aitaro and PNYC for their generous donation. Thank you PNYC and we look forward to working with you even more in the future.

AusAID Representative Graces PCC Campus



This Tuesday July 16th, PCC President Patrick U. Tellei and the College campus had the pleasure to host a courtesy visit by Mr. Doug Melvin, an AusAID Representative at the Australian Agency for International Development. Several years ago, the College was a recipient of much needed assistance from the Australian government in the form of Australian Small Grant Scheme.

At the present, PCC has begun initial planning to submit grant proposals to Australia to help the College in some of its critical development areas. Because of the positive relationship that has been further strengthened by Mr. Melvin's visit, PCC looks forward to an even more productive partnership with the government of Australia as the College continues its efforts to provide quality and excellence in its program and services.

Fulltime Instructor Continues her services to PCC

By: Jessica San Nicolas

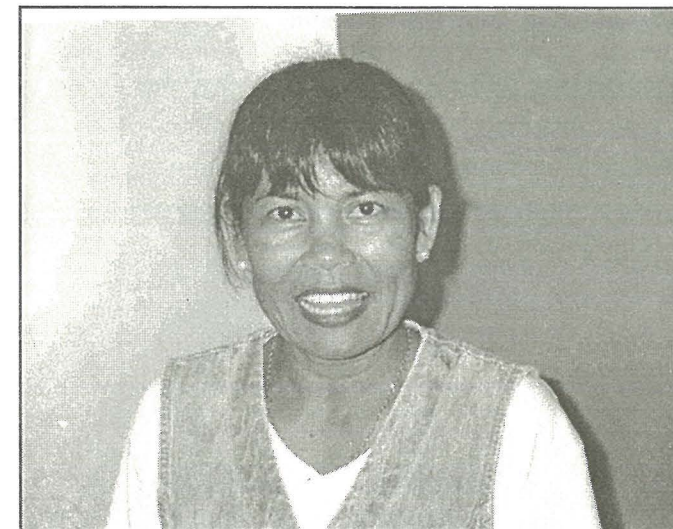
Wilma Sukrad

Wilma Sukrad attended her freshman & sophomore years at Palau High School. During her junior & senior years of high school, she attended the Catalina Island School at California. She was a high school graduate of the Senior Class of 1978 at Catalina Island School. She later attended the California State University at Chico, and graduated in 1984.

From 1985-1992, she worked as a full-time instructor at PCC. From 1993-1996, she was the Chairperson of the Committee on Program and Curricula, Associate Dean Coordinator Course/Program Review & Development. From 1997-1998, she was the Regional Quality Academy Manager. At the same time, she assisted Human Resource Development with Total Quality Management training for staff and faculty. In addition, she coordinated training for community clients. Then, from 1998 to 1999, she established and managed the Student Retention Program. Now, since 1999, she has been a full-time instructor at PCC.

She currently teaches Basic Writing and Freshman Composition at PCC. At the same time, she takes classes from the San Diego State University (SDSU). The program started about two years ago and teaches Educational Leadership. Her colleagues as well as herself will be taking a Comprehensive Exam for the program, which is scheduled for Oct. 1, 2002. She hopes that they will pass the exam. When the program finishes, she expects to have obtained her Master's degree in Educational Leadership.

Wilma Sukrad wishes to contribute to the effectiveness of teaching and teachers in the Republic of Palau. Wilma states that teaching is a rewarding job, which she enjoys doing. She will do her best to help people learn, provided that they want to learn. Wilma Sukrad, thank you for your support in promoting education.



Sukrad continues her support for PCC

PCC Continuing Education Summer Kids Program

The CE Summer Kids Program, which began on June 3rd, 2002, came to an end on July 17th, 2002, when the kids got their certificates of completion. The ceremony was held at the PCC Cafeteria at 10:00a.m. The kids have been great to have around the campus and they are excited about getting their certificates. There were 96 students who attended classes and we enjoyed each and everyone of them.

The CE staff would like to take this opportunity to give special thanks to all our teachers: Sherrie Ngirmeriil, Marisol Imperial, Felix Sengebau, Willie Watanabe, Martina Basilius, Katsue Ngiruos, and Howard Charles. Thank you for watching over our kids, teaching them, and having fun with them. Also, special thanks to the Palau International Coral Reef Center for the Marine Science Program for the kids.



CE's summer kids program awards certificate of completion to summer participants

PCC Continuing Education Computer Class for Parents

Palau Community College Continuing Education in conjunction with the Ministry of Education's 21st Century Program have started computer classes for parents at Ngarchelong state, Ngeremlengui state, and at G.B. Harris Elementary school. The classes began on June 24th, 2002 and will end Wednesday July 19, 2002 for Ngaremlengui state parents and G.B. Harris parents, while Ngarchelong state parents will complete their training by August 8, 2002. This 40-hour computer training is designed to teach parents the basics in computer.

There are two trainings conducted at Ngarchelong state, one from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. with 10 participants and one from 8:00p.m. to 10:00p.m. with 7 participants. Ngaremlengui state parents also had 2 sections of the computer training with the same times as Ngarchelong state but with 9 participants for the first section and 9 participants in the second section. As for G.B. Harris parents, they had one section of computer training with 13 participants.