

## Alumni Notes

### Class of 2004 (PCC)

**Tsungiko Renguul** - 2004 PCC double major graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Elementary Ed and Special Education. Renguul works at Meyuns Elementary School as a Special Education Resource Teacher.



### Class of 1996 (PCC)

**Brent Melairei** - 1996 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Construction Technology (CT). Melairei works at Palau High School as a Physical Education Teacher.



### Class of 1983 (MOC)

**Margaret Renguul** - 1983 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Renguul works for one of the most prominent family-owned restaurants on island, Yokohama Restaurant. She has been in the restaurant business for over 17 years.



**Alumni Notes** showcases MOC&PCC alumni 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*.

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### Celebrating Birthdays

Mason Ngiramolau January 15  
Husayn Beketaut January 15  
Lesley Adachi January 16



**Happy Birthday To You!**

## New Year Sees New Faces for Endowment



Leonora Bates, MOE

Ushering in the new year, the PCC Endowment Fund allotment program also welcomes new members. From the Ministry of Education, we welcome PCC alumni

Shelly Remengesau and Leonora Bates, and Mesrine Kelmal. From the Ministry of Health, we welcome Amos Salomon, Alynda Masayuki, Atanacia Sebaklim, and PCC alum Ador Shirai. From the Ministry of Finance we welcome Valeria Ngirameketii, and from the Bureau of Land & Survey, Ricky Rubario.



Ador Shirai, MOH

From the Post Office, we welcome Julien Adelbai, Daniel Aguon, Tito Ringang, Sanford Smau and Edwin Tomoichi. From the Bureau of Public Works, we welcome Gerald Ringang, Willy Ngiraikeleau, and Isaac Mitsuru.



Edwin Tomoichi, Post Office

From PNCC, we welcome Marissa Mad; WIA, we welcome Keiili Mikel; and Ngardmau State Government, Ronald Kumangai. Amos Solomon, MOH



Amos Solomon, MOH

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## Endowment, from Front Page



Endowment contributor Tatei Mamis receives his raffle drawing prize (\$500 gift card-Surangel & Sons) from President Tellei.

employees who donate on a bi-weekly basis through payroll allotments to the PCC Endowment Fund. So if you have not filed your income tax refund application yet, stop by the Development Office and complete your application.

Don't forget to bring the following:

- ✓ Check stub #26 or Wages & Tax Form for year 2009.
- ✓ Original receipts for your donations to other non-profit organizations.

To find out how you can join the hundreds who are already giving to the Endowment Fund, contact the 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.



President Tellei gives away a 140 piece tool set complete with toolbox to Endowment allotment contributor Caleb Mad.



Endowment allotment contributor Christian Isamu won a 5000 BTU air-conditioner unit.

**FREE!!!** **Palau Community College**

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## Board of Trustees Organizes for 2010

The Board of Trustees of Palau Community College, in compliance with the mandates of its enabling legislation, Republic of Palau Public Law 4-2 (RPPL 4-2), held its Annual Organizational Meeting on January 11, 2010 (second Monday of January). During the organizational meeting, the Board elects its officers, nominates its representative to the College of Micronesia Land Grant Board of Regents, establishes the membership and chairmanship of its Standing Committees, and adopts its Annual Calendar. The Board of Trustees of Palau Community College is pleased to inform the public of the result of its calendar year 2010 Organizational Meeting.

By a unanimous vote, the Board elected its officers for Calendar Year 2010 as follows:

Mrs. Bilung Gloria G. Salii, Chairperson  
Mr. Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl, Vice Chairman  
Mrs. Valeria Toribiong, Secretary/Treasurer  
Mr. Buk Emil Ramarui, Member  
Dr. Emais Roberts, Member  
Ms. Carmel Hanser, Student Trustee

Also by unanimous vote, the Board nominated Trustee Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl, who currently serves as chairman of the College of Micronesia (COM) Board of Regents, to continue to serve on the Board of Regents representing the College and the Republic. The Board will recommend the appointment of Trustee Emesiochl to His Excellency Johnson Toribiong, President of the Republic of Palau. The COM Board of Regents is the governing body for the COM Land Grant. Furthermore,

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Mrs. Bilung Gloria G. Salii  
Chairperson



Mr. Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl  
Vice Chairman



Mrs. Valeria Toribiong  
Secretary/Treasurer



Dr. Emais Roberts, M.D.  
Member

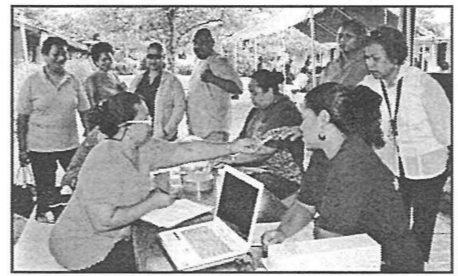


Mr. Buk Emil Ramarui  
Member



Ms. Carmel Hanser  
Student Trustee

## OPEN Season for Endowment Fund New Member Registration On-going



Allotment contributors for the PCC Endowment Fund fill income tax refund applications forms during the "end-of-year" endowment luncheon.

Despite the lingering economic challenges which continue to hinder recovery of our local economy, PCC is grateful for the support it continues to receive for the Endowment Fund. The College is especially grateful for the support it gets

from donors during the annual endowment Thanksgiving fundraiser, and the thousands of dollars in contributions from the government & nongovernment employees who give on a bi-weekly basis through payroll allotments.

Proceeds from the Thanksgiving fundraiser, the payroll allotment program, and other contributions to the PCC Endowment Fund reached over \$100,000.00 dollars for the year 2009.

The PCC Development Office is now processing refund applications for all government and non-government em-

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## First Day of School on Monday



New and returning students queue outside the business office during registration this week.

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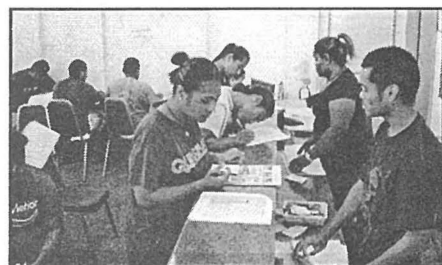
**Our Condolences**

The PCC Family express deepest sympathies to Lorenza Joseph on the loss of her mother Oribech Joseph. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this most difficult time of sorrow and mourning. Funeral services for Oribech Joseph will be held tomorrow in Ngarchelong State.

## First Day of School on Monday

Spring semester 2010 is here, and with the hustle and bustle of registration out of the way this week, students and staff are preparing for the first day of instruction on Monday.

It is shaping up to be another busy spring semester with the initial count putting the number of students already signed up for classes at 500. The number is expected to increase as more students return home from the holiday break to make late registration next week.



Students crowd Student Life office to see their advisors during registration this weeks.

## Former Faculty Accepts Post at NMC



Roland Merar

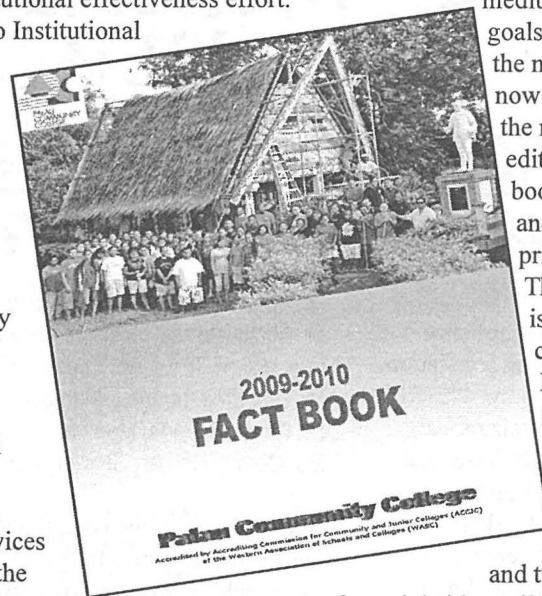
Roland Merar, who worked for the PCC as head of the Recreation Department and later as an instructor recently accepted an offer by Northern Marianas

College to head their Physical Education Dept. PCC congratulates Merar on his appointment and wishes him a great start in Saipan.

## IR Office Active in Institutional Effectiveness Programs

The IR office has been busy with a number of tasks critical to the College's overall institutional effectiveness effort.

According to Institutional Researcher Ligaya Sara, she is working closely with program review teams to devise survey instruments. Such evaluations she says will help offices reassess and improve services in-line with the ongoing effort to improve Student Learning Outcome (SLO). Such institutional effort on SLO enhancement will be the primary focus of the accreditation visiting team members during the three-day visit from March 3-5, 2010. In addition to the surveys being conducted, the IR office has been working closely with the Development Office in finalizing two institutional documents: PCC 15 Year Institutional Master Plan; PCC Fact-



book- 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. A final draft of the master plan, a document which maps out medium and long range goals for the College for the next fifteen years, is now ready for printing. In the meantime, the second edition of the PCC Fact-book is being compiled and should be ready for print by month's end. The PCC Fact-book is a publication that contains Common Data Set (CDS) such as figures on enrollment & graduation, program offerings & requirements, and tuition and fees and financial aids available.

PCC published its first fact book last year and is one of only a handful of ACCJC-WASC accredited institutions in the Pacific region that has compiled and published such outcome document.



PCC Institutional Researcher Ligaya Sara.

## BITS AND PIECES...

### LIBRARY



New PCC Library

### PCC Library Hours...

PCC Library Hours:  
 Mon.-Fri. 8:00 am – 8:00 pm  
 Saturday 9:00 am – 6:00 pm  
 Sunday 12:00pm – 8:00 am  
 Library contact: 488-3540

### TEXTBOOKS

### Syllabus for Textbooks...

This is a reminder to all students that in order to purchase your class textbooks, you must first obtain your course syllabus from your instructors. The college bookstore will need to see a copy of the syllabus in order to the right textbooks. If you have any questions, you may see your advisor or visit the bookstore and talk to Gibson or Hussayn.

Bookstore contact: 488-2470/71, ext. 236

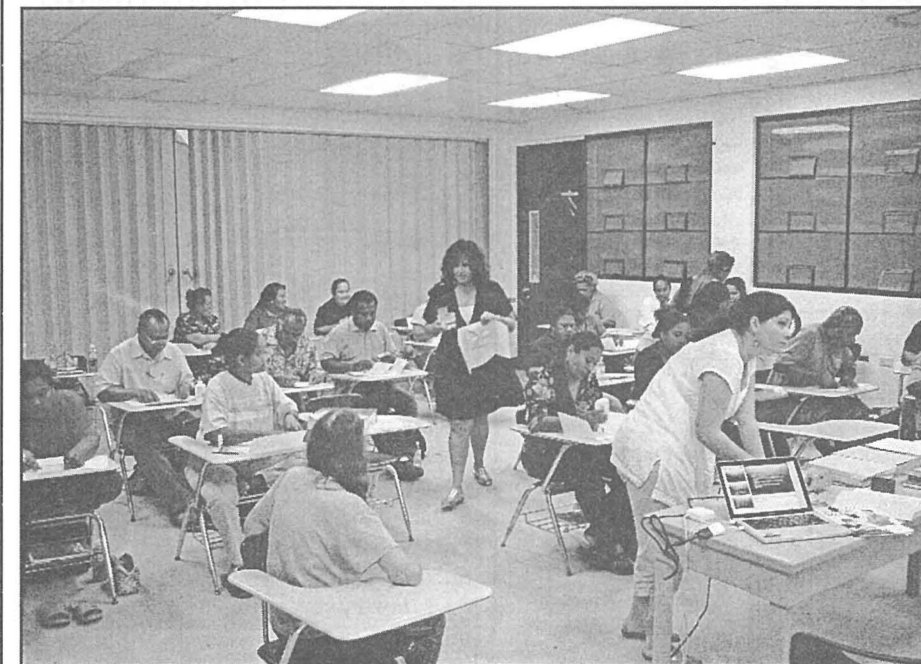
### SURVEYS

### Maintenance Survey Forms to IR Office...

The College IR Ligaya Sara thanks students and staff who participated in the Cafeteria and Maintenance satisfaction surveys, and asks that completed survey forms be returned to the IR office. Results of both surveys are expected to be compiled and released before the end of the month, according to Sara.

IR contact: 488-2470/71, ext. 250

## SDSU Professors on Campus



San Diego State University education program professors Dr. Kelly Moore Johnston (c) and Dr. Aida Allen (r) teaches an Ed 362 course (Fieldwork in Community Settings) to PCC and Ministry of Education staff enrolled in the online bachelors degree program with San Diego State University.

Two professors from San Diego State University were on campus this week to launch a class for the SDSU on-line bachelors cohort program. Dr. Kelly Moore Johnston and Dr. Aida Allen began the education 362 course (Fieldwork in Community Settings) with a week-long face-to-face instructional, after which they will return to the main SDSU

campus and continue course delivery via on-line. The course will be number 9 in a series of 18 that are required for the bachelors program. The bachelors program which began in January 2009 has is expected to see students complete all course requirements by Fall 2011.

### Self Study Report Sent as Scheduled in December

The writing of the PCC Self Study Report was finished as scheduled on December 2009. According to the Director of Admissions and Financial Aid Dahlia Katosang who is also the college's Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO), the final draft of the report was sent out after its approval by the Board of Trustees. Katosang said that now the focus is on preparing the evidence room where all supporting/reference documents for the Self-Study Report will be kept for the accreditation visitation team's review in the beginning of March. During the visit in March, the visiting team will tour the campus, visit offices, and interview staff and students to validate the Self-Study report. The Self-Study Report is a mandatory report used for determining institutions accreditation status.

### Board, from Front Page

the Board adopted the membership and chairmanship of its standing committees as reflected in the attached Board Standing Committees roster. Finally, the Board adopted its Annual Calendar containing its regular meetings schedule. All regular meetings of the Board are open to the public provided the Board is not discussing sensitive personnel issues or impending litigation(s) with its attorney.

*Mesekiu's News* thanks all contributing writers for their articles and pictures. We depend on you to tell us all about the exciting programs and activities you are undertaking to make our College great. Too busy to write, call us, we'll come to you. Call the Development Office at ext.253. Thanks again!!!

### Clip for Reference

## Academic Schedule

### SPRING SEMESTER 2010

### 8-WEEK CLASSES

Schedule of Events	1 <sup>st</sup> 8 – Weeks (January 16, - March 06, 2010)	2 <sup>nd</sup> 8 – Weeks (March 22, - May 15, 2010)
First Day of Instruction	January 18, 2010 January 16, 2010(Sat. Classes)	March 22, 2010 March 27, 2010 (Sat. Classes)
Last Day to Remove "I" Grades for Fall 2009	February 26, 2010	February 26, 2010
Midterm	February 8 – 12, 2010 February 6, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	April 12 – 17, 2010
Last Day for All Withdrawals	February 19, 2010	April 16, 2010
Last Day of Instruction / Final Examinations	March 12, 2010 March 6, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	May 14, 2010 May 15, 2010 ( Sat. Classes)
Grades Due	March 19, 2010 ( by 11:00am)	May 21, 2010 (11:00 am)