

"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.

CRE's Outdoor Wildlife Class for High School Students Ends

From July 1st through July 18th, The Cooperative Research and Extension Department of PCC ran its Outdoor Wildlife Class for high school students. The class participants had a great time hiking and observing the amazing diversity of plant and animal life Palau has to offer. The students spent plenty of time on the Airai Trail looking at the wide variety of plant and tree species and the adaptations that they have developed which allow them to survive in this environment. The students also visited the Palau Organic Farm in Ngaremlengui, the mangrove forest in Ngermid, and the orchid gardens at Palau Pacific Resort in order to get a real grasp on the diversity of life here in Palau. While in Ngermid and on the Airai Trail the students got a chance to see one or two of eight endemic birds in Palau as well as countless bats, lizards, and lots of species of bugs.

Dr. Joel Miles from PCC, Bernie Keldermans from the Palau Conservation Society, and CRE staff members Dr. Nelson Esguerra, Portia Franz, and Dr. Aurora Del Rosario served as guest speakers and gave informative talks on their areas of expertise like the mangrove forest, invasive plants and weeds, land conservation, insects, biological control, water quality, and the medicinal plants of Palau. The best part for the students was listening to these very knowledgeable people and then going out to the field and actually seeing first hand what the speakers had been discussing.

The highlight of the class was an overnight stay at the PCC Research and Development Station in Ngermeskang, Ngaremlengui. While on the overnight, the students tested the water quality around the Station with CRE staff member Portia Franz, learned about taro and cassava farming, tried using some medicinal plants with Dr. Aurora Del Rosario, and searched the clear night sky for star constellations and planets. The students also got a chance to visit the highest spot in Palau, Mt. Ngerchelechuus in Ngardmau.

At the end of the three-week course all the students earned a Certificate of Achievement and celebrated at the CRE Office with a pizza party. The students and the Class Coordinator, Kris Lloyd, wish to thank every one who helped in making the Outdoor Wildlife Class a success.



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Parents Computer Class is a Success

This summer was a special summer for some parents and teachers. Palau is very lucky to have Palau Community College to help parents who are unable to get proper computer education in a short amount of time. PCC's Continuing Education Program has developed a program to help parents to be able to work at home or in the office with the use of computers. The Program is called "21st Century Program, which started on June 24 to July 19, 2002. Participants of this program are parents from George B. Harris Elementary School, and Ngaremlengui State. Ngarchelong State parents are still in progress with the computer class, which will end in August 8, 2002.

On July 18 - 19, 2002, thirteen parents from Harris Elementary School held their awarding ceremony at PCC's Continuing Education Training room, while the next day Ngaremlengui Parent Computer Class held their awarding ceremony at the Old Age Center. PCC is proud to assist parents or anybody who is interested in any programs that will help with the well being of our society. Palau Community College is open and ready for anyone or group of people who are interested to join these programs. Call PCC Continuing Education at 488-2470/71 for more information about short-term training.

George B. Harris Elementary School Parents

Joseline Watanabe	Wilma Shiprit	Shirley Odaol
Kebesei Mongami	Laura Humio	Martina Kyota
Mario Ngiraidong	Mayleen Baiei	Harper Skang
Hilaria Kurihara	Larisa Ngirailild	
Keong Termeteet	Theresita Skang	

Ngaremlengui State Parents

Anita Teblak	Blau Skebong
Irish Ngiramengior	Wilson Ongos
Samantha Skebong	Barmelio Ibutirang
Yaorong Becheselchad	Burt Maidesil
Iteir Yamazaki	Abia Madelutk
Denae Johnny	Asuncion Towai
Jackson Ngirchongor	Amania Ngiraikealau
Peter Tadao	Beleau Hainrick
Maria Teruzi	



Seventeen Parents from Ngaremlengui State



Thirteen G.B. Harris parents complete computer class and receive certificates of completion

Oscar deBrum Passes Away

The Palau Community College family joins the rest of Micronesia in mourning the passing of Mr. Oscar deBrum, and extends its deepest sympathies to his family and the College of the Marshall Islands. Our prayers are with you.

Celebrating Birthdays



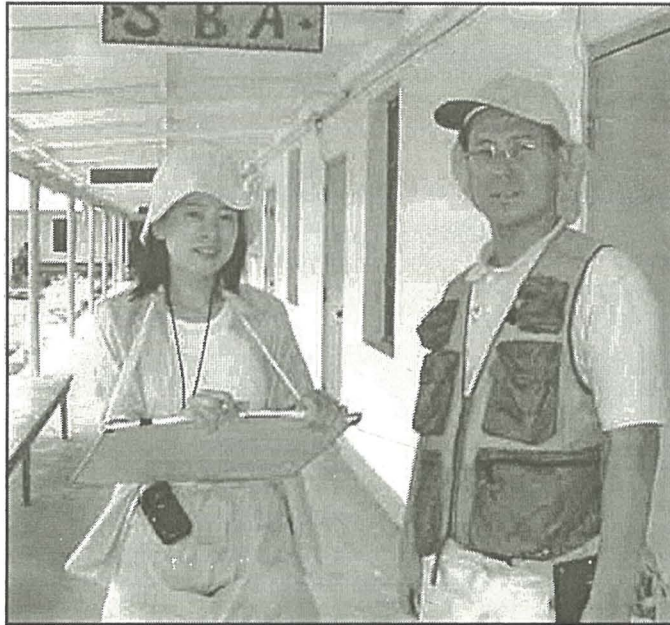
Jane Barnwell July 30, 2002
"Former Librarian"

Merelyn Omelau August 3, 2002
Happy Birthday To You!

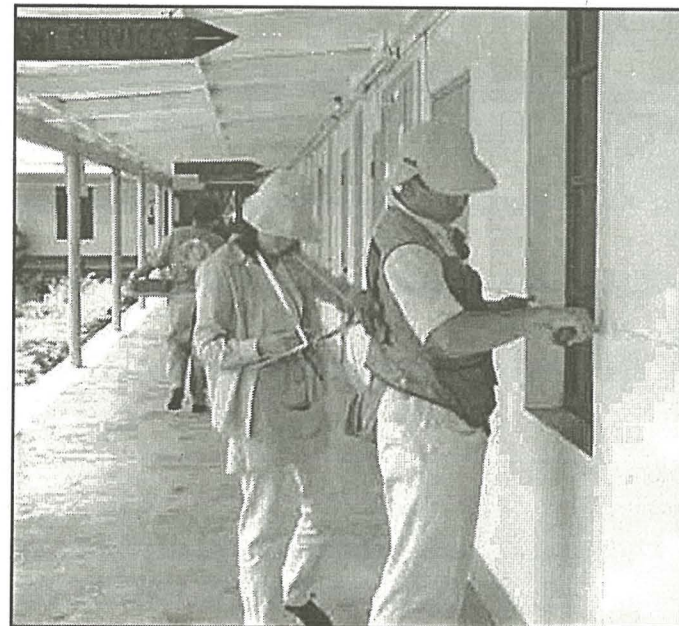
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University of Kumamoto's Dr. Makihiko Tsujihara returns to Palau to visit old Japanese mandated buildings

Dr. Makihiko Tsujihara who is a senior professor of the University of Kumamoto returns to Palau to do his research on old Japanese buildings, which were abandoned during the end of the second world war. Tsujihara arrived on July 14, 2002 to spend a week visiting and researching Palau Community College. Tsujihara heard about the old Japanese Hospital located Under PCC's Administration Building. On Monday July 15, 2002, Dr. Tsujihara started his research project by taking measurements and surveying inside the old hospital. Upon completion of his research, Dr. Tsujihara will provide a copy to PCC.



Mr. Tsujihara is being assisted by his research associate



Mr. Tsujihara takes measurement of the Administration Building

Office of Registrar & Records Fall Semester Activity Schedules

The Office of Registrar & Records would like to inform the public regarding this Fall Semester 2002 activities. The following schedule dates of each activity have been set to accommodate both continuing and new students. In order for all students to maximize and receive all the services that are available for them, we are requesting that you follow the following schedule:

Schedule for New Students:

July 29 th - August 2 nd (M-F)	Placement Testing for New Students
August 5 th -7 th (M-W)	Freshman Orientation, Advising & Registration
August 8 th (TH)	Pick-Up Official Class Schedule
August 19 th (M)	First Day of Instruction
August 26 th -29 th (M-F)	Late Registration/Drop & Add Period

Schedule for Continuing Students:

July 31 st - August 2 nd (W-F)	Registration for all Continuing Students
August 19 th (M)	First Day of Instruction
August 26 th -29 th (M-F)	Late Registration/Drop & Add Period

Only the continuing students may register during this time and will be done on first come, first serve basis.

Any students who missed the above scheduled dates will register during the **REGISTRATION DAY, August 15, 2002.**

For more information about registration, please contact the Office of Registrar & Records at 488 - 2470/2471, Ext. 247/257 or 274. Our office hours are from 8:00am - 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

What's New in the Library?

New Books:

1. Maarten Hesselt van Dinter, "Tribal tattoo designs" Netherlands, Pepin press, 2000.
2. Augusta N. Ramarui, "Kerresel, a klechibelau: Tekoi er a Belau me a Omesodel: Palauan Language lexicon." Koror, Palau, National Museum, 2000.
3. National Biodiversity Team, "The Marshall Islands: Living atolls amidst the living sea." Republic of the Marshall Islands, National Biodiversity Team, 2000.

Periodicals:

National Geographic, (March 2002)

Diamonds, The Real Story!

Vegetarian Times (April 2002)

A taste of Spring, Light, Bright, Naturally Healthy!

Taipei Review (April 2002)

The WTO Harvest, Membership's Pluses and Minuses!

Recent Donations: (Many Thanks!)

Laura Mangham

Melinda Ada

Dan Miller

Masaharu Tmodrang

PCC Librarian Attends Institute of Museum Library Services Outcome Based Evaluation Workshop

The Institute of Museum and Library Services conducted an outcome-based evaluation workshop for representatives from State Library Administrative Agencies and National Leadership Grantees. This workshop was recently held in Honolulu, Hawaii.

PCC Librarian, Debra Neas was chosen to represent Palau Community College and the Ministry of Education, as they are both recipients of the IMLS National Leadership Grants. Both the MOE and PCC are working collaboratively, as recipients, to improve library standards and services in the Republic of Palau.

The workshop centered on "outcome measurement," which is a systemic way of determining whether a program has achieved its goals. This workshop assisted participants in organizing and developing an outcome-based program and logic model or evaluation plans that help each institution articulate and establish clear program benefits.

The workshop also assisted in helping each organization identify ways to measure program benefits, clarify the specific individuals or groups for which the program's benefits are intended, and design program services to reach that audience and achieve desired results.

For the next Five Year Plan, the PCC Librarian focused on developing an evaluation plan for the Certification and Continued Education of Librarians in the Republic of Palau. In Ms. Neas' development group, she devised a program that established clear program benefits or outcomes and indicators that could measure the program effectiveness here in Palau.

Another part of the evaluation plan development included determining the target audience and to design a program that reached the desired results of the target audience. In this library program, the target audience or stakeholders would include: Librarians, the PCC governing board, Ministry of Education, Funding Organizations and Patrons.



Education Instructor Continues to teach after retirement

Natalia Rekemesik who is now an education instructor for PCC is working under special contract for retired teachers. Ms. Rekemesik attended the intermediate school here in Palau from 1956 to 1958. Then after 1958, Rekemesik transferred to Pohnpei and attended high school there for three years. In 1961 Rekemesik transferred to Saipan to attend Mount Carmel High School, where she earned her diploma. After High school, Rekemesik started teaching at Maris Stella Elementary. After 9 years of teaching, she was accepted for Trust Territory Scholarship, where she decided to pursue her bachelors degree in Sociology and Minor in Elementary Education. Rekemesik earned her degree in 1975. After she graduated, Rekemesik returned to Palau and started working for Palau High School as a teacher. Ms. Rekemesik taught for a year then she was accepted to another Trust Territory Scholarship.

She was very interested in furthering her education, so she went off to California State University from 1976 to 1977 to pursue her masters degree in "Special Education with Emphasis on Early Childhood. From 1977 to 1982 she left to State of Chuuk (FSM), where she coordinated an early childhood program.

Followed by that, Rekemesik moved to Yap where she coordinated Special Education for the State of Yap (FSM). Right after Yap, she went to Community College of Micronesia where she taught special education courses from 1985 to 1999. Upon returning to Palau, Ms. Rekemesik was fortunate enough to support Palau Community College, where she continues to devote her time after retirement to teach as her contribution to her native home and people.



Rekemesik continues her teaching services at PCC