

Place Testing Schedule for Fall Semester 2004

Date/Time	Activity	Location
August 9-13 (M-F) 9:00-11:00 am & 1:00-3:00 pm	English, Math, Science (walk-in testing)	Project Beacon
August 10 (T) 9:00 am.	Keyboarding Test	Room Number 67
1:00 pm	Institutional TOEFL	Project Beacon
August 12 (TH) 9:00 am	Keyboarding Test	Room Number 67
1:00 pm	Institutional TOEFL	Project Beacon
August 13	Keyboarding Test	Room Number 67

Note: Keyboarding test is administered in groups setting for 15 minutes
Institutional TOEFL is also given in groups setting for 2 hours
All summer and fall 2004 are required to take all these tests if not taken yet
Continuing students who need science credits or Keyboarding are encouraged to take tests

For more information please contact Office of Student Life at 488-3036

TOEFL TESTING DATES 2004

Test Date	Registration Deadline (Rec't. Date at TOEFL Office)	Score Report Mailing Date
Oct. 16, 2004	August 30, 2004	November 24, 2004
May 15, 2004	March 28, 2004	June 22, 2004

- The Test of Written English (TWE) is given with the TOEFL test. It is a 30-minute writing test that is required of everyone taking the paper-based test. The TWE score is reported separately and is not added to the TOEFL score.

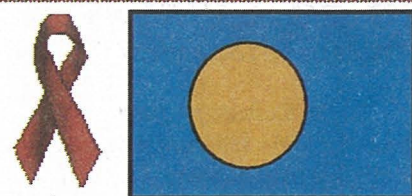
- Testing and Service Fees - \$130.00

- There are two ways to register for the test.

1. Online Registration - Those with American Express, VISA, JCB, Mastercard, and Discover credit cards may register for the test at the TOEFL Web site (www.toefl.org), or see Karen Mobel at Human Resources Development for an arrangement to use PCC credit card.

2. Mail-in Registration - You may obtain the TOEFL Bulletin from Myorang Besebes at the PCC Student Life Office.

For information about TOEFL registration and testing, contact Marensia Edward at PCC telephone (680) 488-3036.



Share the Culture, Not the Disease

HOW DO YOU GET HIV?

- Sex with an Infected Partner
- Receiving Contaminated Blood
- Sharing needles
- Mother to Child through Pregnancy and Breastfeeding



- Abstain Drug Use
- Be Faithful to one partner
- Condomize - Practice Safe Sex
- Get tested to know your status

For information on HIV/AIDS or to sign up for FREE CONFIDENTIAL Testing, Contact the Ministry of Health, P.O. Box 117, Monday to Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

CRE'S Minnow Program Makes a Splash

Amidst the sunshine and brief periods of rain, CRE's Little Minnow program held its last day of class in the Rock Islands last Friday. The 20 students from third, fourth and fifth graders spent the week at CRE learning all about the marine environment. During the program, the students got the opportunity to find out more about fish, invertebrates, and marine reptiles by completing several hands-on activities. Part of the student's time was spent out in the water observing all the creatures that had been talked about in the classroom. The highlight for the week was when the students made their own spiny sea urchins (Ibuchel) and feeding the fish at the Japan-Palau Friendship Bridge.

Most of these students will be returning to CRE to take part in the Gecko Outdoor Wildlife program where the students from third, fourth, or fifth grades will get a chance to check out the diversity of Palau's land-loving plants and animals. There are a few spaces left in the morning and afternoon class so if your son or daughter is interested, sign them up right away. Contact Kris Lloyd at the CRE Office for more information at 488-4983 or via email at klloyd_cre@yahoo.com.

Celebrating Birthdays

Takemura Erungel July 25
Happy Birthday To You!!!



Palau Community College MESEKIU'S NEWS

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Ngara Amayong Women's Cultural Center Officially Opens

Bilung Gloria G. Salii, Chairperson, PCC Board of Trustees was the main speaker at the grand opening ceremony of Palau's first ever women's cultural center. This center, a structure based on Palau's cultural heritage incorporated the traditional symbol of the moon, the Mechuchuu (Famous Palauan money bead) and the Chamayong, (Dragonfly) a symbol of the womens cheldebechel ra Oreor, (Traditional Koror women's group). This unique structure has a full stage, music and dance hall, meeting rooms, offices, dining area, garden and living quarters. This one of a kind facility will be main venues for the 9th Festival of Pacific Arts. Bilung Gloria Salii welcomed national and traditional leaders, honored dignitaries, as well as members of the community in a formal ceremony. In addition, she thanked the people and government of the Republic of China (Taiwan) for donating the funds to build the center and the government of the Republic of Palau for their support in seeing her goal of building this one of a kind cultural center, a place where Palauans can learn, share and pass on their culture and traditions to the next generation.



Bilung Gloria G. Salii Cuts Ribbon with Honored Guests

PCC President Emcees at Grandstand Ceremony

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei was the master of ceremony for the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Palau Track and Field Grandstand held this past Monday July 19th, 2004. The opening remarks were given by the Honorable Alexander Merea, Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs with special remarks by Honorable



Min. Alexander Merea Poses with Ambassador Chen and PNOG Staff Ms. Temengil, Ms. Ngrirasui and Ms. Koshiba

Clark K. H. Chen, Ambassador Republic of China (Taiwan), Tadao Ngotel, Speaker, Ngarchelong State Legislature and Palauan Olympian, Ms. Peoria Koshiba and Track and Field Association Officer. Honorable Fritz Koshiba, Minister of Resources, made closing remarks with benediction conducted by Pastor Hubert Charles from the Palau Evangelical Church. The project was cost \$363,000 and was funded by the government of the Republic of China (Taiwan). The project was built by Socio Micronesia, Inc. beginning on April 2004 and completed this July 2004. The National Track and Field Grandstand is the main venue for the Opening and Closing ceremony for the 9th Festival of Pacific Arts.

PCC President Welcomes Visitors for the Festival of Pacific Arts



PCC President Tellei

On behalf of the PCC Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, and students, I would like to welcome all of our friends from the Pacific Region and the world as we co-host the 9th Pacific Festival of Pacific Arts. These next 10 days will be filled with the celebration of our unique cultural heritage through song, dance and culture. We welcome you into our homes, our dinner tables and our hearts in the spirit of good will and friendship. We invite you to partake of our Palauan hospitality, and share with us this truly memorable occasion with the hopes that you leave our country having come to know that the true beauty of Palauan culture is in our warm hearts and friendly smiles. I wish all you a very enjoyable, safe and memorable 9th Festival of Pacific Arts. Again, Alii, and God bless us all.

PCC President Patrick U. Tellei



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The Ninth Festival of Pacific Arts will be taking place from July 22-31, 2004. The festival's theme: Nurture, Regenerate, Celebrate is designed to promote the idea that protection of natural resources helps the retention of island culture and spirit. And, that the knowledge of one generation should be transmitted successfully to the next.

Palau is the host country, and 26 other countries and territories from across the Pacific were invited to send delegations. The Festival program includes the performance arts, traditional and contemporary song, dance, storytelling, theater, etc. Additionally there will be exhibitions, demonstrations, and workshops on visual arts and applied design, architecture, canoeing and navigation, culinary arts, natural history, healing, literature, and recreation and games.

The opening ceremony was held at the Palau National Track & Field (in Palau Community College Campus) on the afternoon of July 22 with the closing ceremony to be held on July 31. The traditional welcoming of the canoe flotilla will be at dawn of July 22. The 9th Festival of Pacific Arts is open to the international public. For any other inquiries: Contact Yvonne Singeo, Email: secretariat@palaunet.com; Tel: (680)488-6490/1; Fax: (680)488-6492; Mailing: PO Box 666, Koror, Palau PW 96940.

9th Festival of Pacific Arts Schedule of Events at the Palau Community College

	TUESDAY 7/27	WEDNESDAY 7/28	THURSDAY 7/29	FRIDAY 7/30	SATURDAY 7/31
Btaches	Philatelic/Photo Exhibition	Philatelic/Photo Exhibition	Philatelic/Photo Exhibition		
Temekai	Architecture Exhibition	Architecture Exhibition	Architecture Exhibition	Architecture Exhibition	
Smuuch	Literary Arts Display	Literary Arts Display	Literary Arts Display	Literary Arts Display	Literary Arts Display
Sebus	National History Exhibition	National History Exhibition	National History Exhibition	National History Exhibition	
CE		Creative Writing Workshop	Creative Writing Workshop		
AHEC	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm

	THURSDAY 7/22	FRIDAY 7/23	SATURDAY 7/24	SUNDAY 7/25	MONDAY 7/26
Btaches		Philatelic/Photo Exhibition	Philatelic/Photo Exhibition	Philatelic/Photo Exhibition	Philatelic/Photo Exhibition
Temekai		Architecture Exhibition	Architecture Exhibition	Architecture Exhibition	Traditional Navigation Seminar
Smuuch		Literary Arts Display	Literary Arts Display		Literary Arts Display
Sebus			National History Exhibition	National History Exhibition	National History Exhibition
CE					Creative Writing Workshop
AHEC	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm	Medical Clinic 7am-11pm

*Please refer to the Official 9th FPA Schedule of Programs and Activities for specific events under each of the exhibitions.

PCC Daycare Celebrates Japanese Tanabata Festival



Happy PCC Daycare children with their Tanabata Decorations

PCC's Japanese instructor, Ms. Junko Kobayashi celebrated Tanabata a traditional Japanese festival with the youngsters from the PCC Daycare Center. The children had a fun time as they learned how to fold Japanese origami and draw colorful drawings. July 7th is called Tanabata in Japan, a Japanese tradition where people write their wishes on tanzaku paper (colorful, small strips of paper) and hang them on bamboo branches. People also hang many kinds

of paper decorations on bamboo branches and place them outside their houses. Tanabata originated more than 2000 years ago with an old Chinese tale called Kikkoden. Once there was a weaver princess named Orihime and a cow herder prince named Hikoboshi living in space. After they got together, they were playing all the time and forgot their jobs. The king was angry at them and separated them on opposite sides of the Amanogawa River (Milky Way). The king allowed them to meet only once a year on July 7th. This is why Tanabata is also called the Star Festival. People say that Orihime and Hikoboshi can't meet each other if July 7th is rainy, so they pray for good weather and also make wishes for themselves. Many Japanese cities and towns hold Tanabata festivals and decorate the main streets with colorful displays. In some regions, people light lanterns and float them on the river, or float bamboo leaves on the river. The most common Tanabata decorations are colorful streamers. Streamers are said to symbolize the weaving of threads. Other common decorations are Toami (casting net), which means good luck for fishing and farming and Kinchaku (bag), which means wealth. Tanabata events are held all over Japan, but the festivals in Sendai-city, Miyagi Prefecture and Hiratsuka-city, Kanagawa Prefecture are particularly well-known. Huge Tanabata decorations fill the main streets in these cities and attract millions of visitors every year.

BITS AND PIECES...

Internship Placement for Fall Semester

As the College prepares for Internship placement for the upcoming 2004 fall semester, the number of students who will be eligible to participate in the training and their respective trade areas are needed by Mr. Vincent Ito, Extension Programs Coordinator. This will allow him to identify and secure commitments from appropriate agencies/employers who will be providing training to our students.

Thus, to assist in this effort, all Student Advisors are requested to review their advisees' folders and to advise those students who will be eligible to participate in the training to come to Academic Affairs Office and see Mr. Ito, to fill out the required application form. **APPLICATION FORMS ARE NOW READY FOR PICK UP ANYTIME DURING WORKING HOURS.** The deadline for submission of completed application forms is Friday, August 8 in order for students to be considered for internship placement.

Internship is provided as a final requirement for students who have completed all their course requirements on campus or at most have one remaining to be taken concurrently with the training. It allows students to be placed on the job in their respective field of training working on a full time basis. The experience gained from the training will be counted as credits required for students to graduate.

Agricultural Scholarships

Due to low enrollment in agriculture and home economic classes here in Palau and throughout the Micronesian region, the Agriculture Development in the American Pacific (ADAP) Pacific Land Grant Program is offering several \$500 scholarships to students pursuing a degree in these two very important areas. This scholarship is open to any student at PCC pursuing these two subject areas. Agriculture and Home Economics are two very diverse areas of study and include a lot more than just cooking and farming. An Agriculture student might study biochemistry to design a non-toxic pesticide, while a Home Economics student could look into creating accurate food labels.

If you are interested in applying, please pick up an application from Kris at the CRE office. The deadline to apply is September 3, 2004. For more information, please contact Kris Lloyd at 488-4983.

Deadline for ROP Scholarships

This coming July 31, 2004 is the deadline date for all scholarship and loan programs that are administered by the Palau National Scholarship Board. It is our hope here at PCC that our students took time to complete their applications for the numerous financial aid opportunities that are being funded and made available by our national government.

Anyone who has questions about any scholarship or loan program being administered by the Palau National Scholarship Board may contact the National Scholarship Office at telephone (680) 488-3609/5424. In the meantime, check out other scholarship opportunities on this paper. These are the PCC based scholarship opportunities with a deadline of August 15, so hurry and do not miss the deadline.

PCC 2004 Fall Semester Academic Calendar Year

August 2, 2004	Monday Faculty Report for duty
Augusts 9-13, (M-F)	Placement Testing
August 16-18, (M-W)	Freshmen Orientation and Advising
August 19 (TH)	Registration
August 23 (M)	First Day of Instruction
August 23-27 (M-F)	Late Registration/Drop and Add Period
September 6 (M)	Holiday Labor Day
October 1 (F)	Holiday: Independence Day
October 4 (M)	Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades (Summer)
October 11-15 (M-F)	Mid-Term Period
October 22 (F)	Last Day For All Withdrawals
October 25 (M)	Holiday: UN Day
November 25 (TH)	Holiday: Thanksgiving Day
November 25-26 (TH-F)	Students Thanksgiving Break
December 10 (F)	Last Day for Instruction
December 13-15 (M-W)	Final Examination Period
December 20 (M)	Grades Due, End of Fall Semester, Student Fall Break

Scholarship Opportunities For 2004-05 School Year

This is an announcement to all graduating high school seniors and current PCC students from Palau who will be attending PCC this coming school year 2004-2005, that applications for the following PCC based scholarship programs are available at the PCC Development Office:

- Prince Leeboo Scholarship**
- Shell Company (Pacific Islands) Ltd. Scholarship**
- Pierantozzi Scholarship**
- Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship**
- Moylan's Insurance Scholarship**

Application packets are to be completed and submitted to the PCC Development Office no later than Friday August 15, 2004, the deadline date. For more information about these abovementioned scholarship programs, contact PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471, extension 253.

In addition, the following scholarship opportunities for PCC students are available at the Palau National Scholarship Office adjacent to Palau High School Office:

- Palau National Scholarship**
- Palau Student Loan**
- Congressional Scholastic Award**
- Bank of Hawaii Scholarship**
- Rotary Club - Dave Williams Scholarship**

For information about these scholarship programs, contact National Scholarship Office at tel. 488-3608.