

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 16 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 and all alumni in future issues of the *Mesekiu's News*.

Celebrating Birthdays



Akilina Maech July 25
Ignacio Akiwo July 25

Happy Birthday To You!



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Alumnus is New Head of Recreation Office



Weldon Gideon

This position places Gideon at the helm of the Recreation Office, which handles co-curricular and recreational activities for the upwards of 400 students who currently attend the college. The Recreation Office organizes, sponsors, and facilitates many of the activities that

students at the school may attend. The office performs maintenance and oversees the running of the pool-hall located in the dorms. Depending on the time of the semester the Office of Recreation may be involved in any kind event from student orientation to intramural team sports or even a gala movie night. Gideon began his supervisory position on Monday July 6, 2009. Prior to working at the college Gideon worked as a System Administrator for the Ministry of Finance. Currently, Gideon is overseeing summer semester's intramural sporting events in volleyball and basketball. In preparation for next semester he plans to begin a softball tournament for students wishing to take part.

BOT Meetings, from Front Page accreditation.

The workshop was conducted by David Wolf, former Executive Director of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC-WASC), and Attorney Robert Henry of School and

College Legal Services.

PCC extends its appreciation to President Dr. Robert Underwood of the University of Guam and President Mary Okada of Guam Community College for coordinating and hosting the workshop.

Our Condolences

PCC employees and students express deepest sympathies to the family of alumnus and former employee of the College, Ski Kertou. The funeral has been scheduled for Friday, July 31 and will be held at his house in Ikesiil.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during this most difficult time of sorrow and grief.

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MESEKIU'S NEWS



Friday, July 24, 2009

Weekly Newsletter

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Major Donor Tours Reps Library Construction



Tan Holdings Executive Vice President George Chiu, President Tellei, and Tan Holdings President Jerry Tan in front of new PCC library structure.

The President of Tan Holdings (biggest donor to the new PCC library) Jerry Tan and Executive Vice President George Chiu

visited the campus on Monday and met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. The two executives had the opportunity to

tour the construction site of the new PCC Library with President Tellei.

In 1997, to celebrate its 35th anniversary of doing business in the region, Tan Holdings donated \$200,000 dollars to Palau Community College for the construction of the new PCC library. For their donation, Tan Holdings also received naming rights for the three story structure which will house entire PCC library collections.

BOT Members Attend Leaders Meeting in Guam

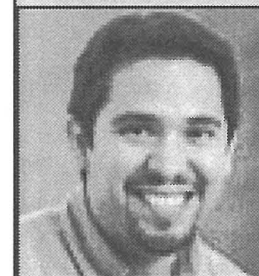
Earlier this month, Bilung Gloria G. Sali (Chair- Board of Trustees), Valeria Toribiong (Secretary/Treasurer), Elway Ikeda (Student Trustee), and Executive Assistant to the President Todd Ngiramengior attended a workshop for Leaders of Educational Organizations in the Western Pacific. The workshop was hosted by the University of Guam and Guam Community College from July 12-14.

The workshop included topics such as the role of trustees in the governance of their respective institutions; trustees responsibilities and involvement in the accreditation self study process; distinction between governance and administration; and the performance evaluation of the board and the president of the college.

The College's participation in the workshop is crucial as the College prepares for its next accreditation review in early 2010. The College is determined to maintain its accreditation uninterrupted as it has done since 1977 when it first gained full

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Institutional Effectiveness Consultant Returns Next Week



Dr. Kenneth Gonzales of the University of San Diego

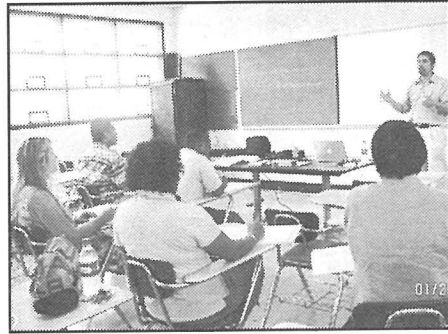
Dr. Kenneth Gonzales, an Associate Professor of Education at the University of San Diego who also specializes in coaching post-secondary institutions

develop Student Learning Outcome to conform with accreditation standards will be on campus again next week to meet with key College personnel. His

visit will be a follow up to the initial week-long institutional effectiveness seminar he conducted back in January. Dr. Gonzales who is known for his data-driven approach in increasing persistency rate, course completion rate, and graduation rate of college students is set to meet with the Dean of Academic Affairs Alvina Timarong and Associate Dean Sherman Daniel to review Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) at both the course and program level.

Also topping Dr. Gonzales' schedule

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Dr. Gonzalez in a session with faculty members during his first visit in January.

is a meeting with the Dean of Students Marensia Edward and staff who have been developing SLOs for the area of student support services.

Gonzales will also meet with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and members of the Executive Committee where a number of topics are expected to take center stage, including the on-going writing of the PCC Self-Study report and the PCC Strategic

PCC Vision Statement: - where we want to be
We Guarantee Quality & Excellence
PCC Mission Statement: - who we are & what we do
 Palau Community College is an accessible public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

Directions 2009-2024. With Dr. Gonzales' assistance, both crucial documents are expected to be completed ahead of the March 2010 visit of members of the Accrediting Commission for Community & Junior Colleges (ACCJC).

Gonzales will wrap up his week-long visit with a "Focus Group" training to designated members of the faculty, staff

and student body. The office of the Dean of Students is organizing Dr. Gonzales' itinerary. (see complete schedule on this page)

Library Technicians Attend Training

Miriam Kual, Grace Merong, And Pioria Asito attended the Library and Information Services and Strategies Training Workshop conducted by Libby Cass From July 20-21, 2009 held @ Multimedia Lab (Koror Elementary School). The training was hosted by Palau Ministry of Education with the collaboration from PCC Library. The purpose was to provide training in information and library services and strategies to librarians and computer lab managers as well as administrators, principals, curriculum specialists, and teachers to support the instructional program.



Library Technicians with Interim Librarian Debra Neas (l).

BITS AND PIECES...

TODAY

IYAIP Wraps Up Today...

The International Youth Ambassador Interactive Program which has been holding sessions in the Continuing Education training room for the last three weeks concludes today with a ceremony at the PCC Cafeteria. The participants of the youth ambassador program include Taiwanese university students and students of Palau High School. For the last three weeks, the students have taken part in activities to share and promote the culture and language of both Taiwan and Palau, all in an effort to further strengthen the relationship between the two countries. The ceremony which will be highlighted by a number of songs and dances learned by the students will begin at 6:30pm and everyone is invited.

The IYAIP is sponsored by Taiwan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and co-organized by the Palau's Ministry of Education and Fu Jen Catholic University in Taiwan.

212 Days Into 270 Days of Construction of the New PCC Library



Fifty-eight (58) more days to go according to the original construction schedule of the new three-story library building. The building will house the library collections on the first two floors while the top floor will be used for faculty offices and office of the Associated Students of Palau Community College.

PCC Library Offers Summer Programs July 13-31, 2009

***Library Orientation**- Open to anyone (9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.)

- Library Tour
- Showcase Available Resources
- Apply Email Accounts
- Using Search Engines
- Apply Library Card

***Reading/Story Telling** (Monday-Wednesday-Fridays) 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

Age: Kindergarten to Elementary Students.

In this activity, students who are invited get to pick one of their favorite books and read it to the rest of the group. If students have their own favorite book or story from their home that they would like to share, bring it along and read it.

***Palauan Legend Illustration**

Age: Grade 5 High School Level
 For this activity, a student can pick one of the stories from the Palauan Legend

book in the Micro-P and can read it and retell it the way she interprets the story. Then has the option to do some of his/her own illustration of the story. At the end of the month (July 31st) library will put together the stories and illustrations with name of author, illustrator, and age before printing it. This copy of the publication will be added to the Micro-P collections. There will be small token prizes for authors/illustrator

***Coloring for Fun** (Monday-Wednesday-Friday) 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

NEEDED

Old/Used/Damaged CDs Needed for LS Class...

Donate your old CDs to the LS program to support students' learning. Contact LS instructor Megan Beard at the faculty office II at ext. 241, or stop by the office and drop them off.

IMPORTANT DATES

Last Day for Withdrawals Next Week...

- July 9 Constitutional Day Holiday
- July 10 Last day for all withdrawals
- July 31 Last Day of Instructions
- Aug. 3-5 Final Examination Period
- Aug. 7 Grades Due
- Aug. 14 Last day to change grades
- Aug. 17 First Day of Instruction - Fall Semester

Institutional Effectiveness Training

By: Dr. Kenneth Gonzalez
 CE Training Room, July 27 July 31, 2009

DAYS/DATE	ACTIVITY	ATTENDEES
Monday, July 27, 2009		
9:00 - 10:00 am	Meeting w/ Dr. Gonzalez	President Tellei & EXCOM Members
10:00 - 11:30 am	Meeting w/ Dr. Gonzalez	Dean Timarong, Associate Dean Daniel
11:30 - 12:30 pm	LUNCH	
01:00 - 02:30 pm	Meeting w/ Dr. Gonzalez	Dean Edward, Directors Olikong, Katosang,
02:30 - 4:00 pm	Rechebei & Registrar Meeting with Dr. Gonzalez	Dean Wally & Key Staff
Tuesday, July 28, 2009		
08:30 - 10:00 am	SLO's and Assessment	Director Olikong & Counselors
10:30 - 12:00 noon	SLO's and Assessment	Director Katosang & Staff
12:00 - 01:00 pm	LUNCH	
01:30 - 03:00 pm	SLO's and Assessment	Director Rechebei & Staff
03:30 - 04:30 pm	Meeting w/ Dr. Gonzalez	IRAA Nino Pate
Wednesday, July 29, 2009		
08:00 - 05:00 pm	Focus Group Training	Designated Faculty/Staff/Students
Thursday, July 30, 2009		
08:00 - 05:00 pm	Focus Group Training	Designated Faculty/Staff/Students
Friday, July 31, 2009		
08:30 - 09:30 am	Meeting w/ Dr. Gonzalez	Director Rimirch & Systems Analyst Alexander

Dr. Kenneth Gonzalez's visit next week will be to conduct follow-up work on the Student Learning Outcome seminar he conducted back in early January. He will also train selected faculty, staff, and students on the organization and utilization of focus groups. For questions, contact Dean Marensia Edward at ext 229.

Priority Survey Report Ready (Story Next Week)



PRIORITY SURVEY REPORT