

Deadline for Scholarship Opportunities in Two Weeks!

This is an announcement reminding all graduating high school seniors and current PCC students from Palau who will be attending PCC this coming school year 2003-2004, that applications for the following PCC based scholarship programs are available at the PCC Development Office:

Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. Scholarship
Prince Leeboo Scholarship
Shell Company (Pacific Islands) Limited Scholarship
Polycarp International Enterprise Scholarship
Pierantozzi Scholarship
Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship

Application packets are to be completed and submitted to the PCC Development Office no later than **Friday August 15, 2003, the deadline date.** For more information about these abovementioned scholarship programs, contact PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471, extension 253.

Finally, the Mobil Oil Guam Inc. and Mobil Oil Micronesia, Inc. Scholarship Foundation announces the availability of applications for its scholarship program. Deadline is August 15, 2003 and applicants are urged to complete and mail their application packets, which are available at PCC Development Office, courtesy of PCC.


This newsletter would like to feature Endowment Club members' accomplishments and birthdays. Call Jay Olegeriil or Armstrong Debelbot at PCC Development Office at 488-2471, extension 253 and they will be very happy to assist you!

Palau Community College

congratulates fellow endowment club members

Mr. Masubed and Emily Tkel, Ms. Gamberlyn S. Rengiil, as well as **Judge J. Uduch Sengebau-Senior** on the success of their respective House Parties held last week. **Good luck as you move into your new homes!!!**

Celebrating Birthdays

 Merelyn Y. Omelau August 3
 Rosita Weilbacher August 6
Happy Birthday To You!!!

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(l-r) Lalie Ikluk and Victoria Alfonso - MOH



(l-r) Jesse Rechelluul and Allen Kebekol - MOH

Endowment Contributors Club: Recruitment Efforts Yield New Members

Continued recruitment efforts by the PCC Development Office to enroll new members to the PCC Endowment Contributors' Club have proven to be quite successful. This week yields a total of twenty-two (22) new members from the Palau National Government, with the friendly staff of the Ministry of Health coming in with the most numbers, followed closely by the determined employees of the Ministry of Education. In addition, we are delighted to see more staff from the Ministry of State having jumped on the Endowment wagon. These people donate to a worthy cause and in the end get their money back! We are excited to welcome these new friends who are enrolling in this program to support Palau's only college, PCC.

From the Ministry of Health, we welcome eleven (11) new members, **Lalie Ikluk, Victoria Alfonso, Bolan Decherong, Melinda Lawrence, Cheryl Ongalibang, Mailani Ruluked, Jesse Rechelluul, Mariano Hagleisou, Monaliza S. Melayong, Allen Kebekol, and Fermina S. Saiske.** In the Ministry of Education, we also welcome nine (9) new members, **Kabidor Taima, Henciano Basilio, Benedict Kesolei, Jackline Pedro, Stephanie Ngirchoimei, Johannes Tsuneo, Elizabeth T. Rivera, Esther Koshiba, and Joanne Donna Udui.** And, from the Ministry of State, we are excited to welcome two (2) new members, **Gustav N. Aitaro and Yvonne Ueda.**

PCC welcomes everyone to the PCC Endowment Fund Contributors' Club. Thank you for showcasing your commitment to the continued existence of Palau's only institution of higher learning. Together, let us ensure that future generations have the same opportunity and access to higher learning as presently provided by our college, Palau Community College!

As always, PCC is most grateful for the tremendous support it has received and continue to receive for its Endowment Contributors' Club and profoundly thanks all supporters. Add your face to the many that have joined the Endowment Contributors' Club by contacting Jay Olegeriil or Armstrong Debelbot at PCC-telephone number 488-2471.



(l-r) Elizabeth Rivera, Joanne D. Udui (former PCC-BOT student trustee) and Kabidor Taima - MOE



(l-r) Jackline Pedro and Stephanie Ngirchoimei - MOE



(l-r) Dilisa Brikul, Cheryl Ongalibang, Mailani Ruluked, and Mariano Hagleisou - MOH



Bolan Decherong - MOH



Principal Esther Koshiba (seated) and Johannes Tsuneo - MOE



Benedict Kesolei - MOE



Fermina Saiske - MOH



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Weekly Newsletter

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117 Accepted to PCC, So Far

The Palau Community College Office of Admissions and Financial Aid has released a report on the number of students who have expressed interest in attending PCC. The report indicates that a total of 165 prospective students have filed admission applications to attend Palau Community College this coming Fall Semester 2003. Out of the 165 applicants, 117 have completed their forms and received their acceptance letters. The remaining applicants are currently completing their application packets while additional prospective students are also submitting their applications as well. Displayed in the table below is a summary of application records provided by the College for readership information and use.

STATE/REPUBLIC	APPLIED	ACCEPTED
Chuuk	4	1
Kosrae	10	9
Marshalls	12	10
Palau	103	80
Pohnpei	11	3
Yap	17	10
China	2	1
Guam	1	1
Philippines	1	0
Taiwan	2	2
TOTAL	165	117

Epi and Kasio Impress PREL

In a July 21, 2003 letter from A.J. Sandy Dawson, Ph.D., to PCC President Patrick U. Tellei, the former President Tellei for recently sending two PCC Math instructors, namely Epimachus Moses and Baskasio Oiterong, to the 27th annual meeting of the International Group for the Psychology of Mathematics Education.



Front row (left to right): Sandy Dawson, Alton Higashi, Hadleen Madalarak, Lucy Castano, Peter James, Pernis Diopulos, Tulen Peter, Roselyn Hasuguwol, Marybea Klava, Tauvela Fale, Rhoda Velasquez, Epi Moses, Danie Mamangon, Karen King and Glenn Keaton. Back row (left to right): Alicia Aguon, Bea Camacho, Letupu Moananu, Jerry Fagolimul, Baskasio Oiterong, Bedinin Joseph, Alice Borja, Sallie Sablan, Brian Torres, Ray Verg-in, Yen-ti Verg-in, and Mary Lenja.

In her letter, Dawson informed Tellei that Moses and Oiterong "made an outstanding contributions to the conference through the poster presentation on mathematics education in Palau, and through their active involvement with and contribution to the scientific program of the conference". Indeed, we at PCC are proud that our very own Epi and Kasio have stood out among their peers as some of the best in their field. They make us proud of them. Congratulations Kasio and Epi!!!

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ETS Program News

The Educational Talent Search (ETS) Program will be conducting a TOEFL practice for all students who are juniors going on seniors. If you fall under this category, please come to the Talent Search Office located at the PCC campus (next to BTACHES building) and get your TOEFL bulletin so you may order your TOEFL test.

Time is limited so please come right away and have your application filled out. Last day for applications will be August 25, 2003. For information, contact Veronica Kloulechad or Angelio Antonio at telephone 488-2470/2471, extension 267/276.

PCC VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Position: (1) Instructor, General Electronics Technology

Salary: \$16,010 to \$21,911 per annum Depending on qualifications

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Responsible for teaching courses in accordance with the approved course outlines and developing curriculum for his/her respective division; maintain accurate attendance and counseling and advising students as needed; submitting required reports; serve on College committees as needed; enforcing College policies and performing other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualification Requirements

Bachelor's degree in related field from an accredited institution with at least three years of successful teaching experience. Preferably master's degree in the teaching area or related field. Additionally, she/he must be proficient in basic computer software and program.

General Information

Application forms can be obtained from Human Resources Division at Palau Community College mailing address P.O. Box 9 Koror, Palau 96940. Send completed application with transcripts, resume, and verification of previous employment(s), if any, to same address. For further information, call PCC telephone number (680) 488-2470/2471, extension 226 or come in and see us.

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Fran is An Expert on Learning Styles

A Learning Styles Workshop was recently held from July 21-25, 2003 at the Palau High School for elementary and high school teachers. Approximately twenty-three (23) participants discovered how they themselves learn, the different ways that students learn, and the many factors that affect learning.

Our very own Strategic Planning and Institutional Research Coordinator Frances 'Fran' Kinsang attended the workshop to learn the latest factors affecting learning and teaching so that they can be utilized in the assessment of the quality of instruction at the College.

Being the only institution of higher learning in Palau, it is imperative that our

faculty be current with the latest developments and discoveries in learning styles.

The workshop was conducted by Joyce Reinke from Oregon. If this name kind of sounds familiar to some of us, it is because she is the expert consultant that helped us develop the College's vision statement.

For information about the workshop, contact Fran at PCC Development Office (680) 488-2470/2471, extension 251.



Fran Kinsang

Library News You Can Use

Written by: Imengel Mad, PCC Library Technician

The PCC Library's Micronesia-Pacific Collection recently received a copy of *Government of Palau: A Nation That Honors Its Traditions* by James E. Davis and Diane Hart. It explains the structure and functions of Palau's system of democratic government. This book is the first to provide Palauan students and any interested individual with a basic understanding of principles that underlie that system. It emphasizes the relationship between citizens and government and the importance of citizens being involved in governmental decision making.

Thank You Olebuu

The PCC Library would like to thank Mr. Herrington Olebuu, Ministry of Education specialist, for donating copies of this book for our students and our patrons. We continue to welcome all donations in our effort to share useful and vital information to all our customers.

Websites of the Week

<http://www.pacificweb.org/index.html> - This website displays statistical data for the current and former US Insular Areas. These include Guam, American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, United States Virgin Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau. The statistics fall into three general areas:

(1) results of census, (2) results of intercensal surveys, and (3) administrative records, including yearbooks. Links to other web pages are included. Please check 'staff' to request information or to submit any comments.

<http://www.sonsorol.com> - For the really adventurous with time to spare and a whimsy for the boat, the Sonsorol Islands, some 400 miles southwest of Koror offer pristine beaches and a lot of traditional Pacific island culture. Today's technology enables you to visit this place at the comfort of your own desk. This website offers you a brief history of the island, black and white photos dated 1090 and 1937, movie clips, slide shows and many more.

Reminders

During the summer break, PCC Library is open from 8:00am to 5:00pm Mondays thru Fridays. Weekend hours will remain the same. The Regular PCC Library hours will resume on August 18th.

Once again, the PCC Library will be closed today from 1:00pm to 5:00pm for clean up. Thank you and let us work together to keep our PCC Library clean.

**Libraries will get you through times of no money better than money will get you through times of no libraries!!!
Check out your PCC Library!**

BITS AND PIECES...

PCC Students, Did you meet the Scholarship Deadline?

Yesterday, July 31, 2003 was 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.

Starting on Monday this week, members of the Palau National Scholarship Board Screening Committee began the tedious and time-consuming work of reviewing each and every scholarship/loan application that was submitted. If this coming school year is no exception, the board expects to review between 800 to 1,000 applications for financial assistance from Palauan students attending post-secondary institutions here in Palau all the way to the United States east coast, as well as some foreign nations. Furthermore, the Board realizes that students need financial assistance, the sooner the better. Thus, the Scholarship Board will, as has become a tradition, be meeting daily from 5:00pm into the night to expedite the review process. In this manner, students will find out early whether they will receive financial assistance from Palau or to look elsewhere for help in offsetting their post-secondary educational expenses.

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 the back page of this paper. These are the PCC based scholarship opportunities with a deadline of August 15, so hurry and do not miss the deadline.

Palau Horizon is Five Years Old

The President of Palau Community College, Patrick U. Tellei, on behalf of the entire PCC family of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Staff and Students, would like to express our heartfelt congratulations to the management and staff of Palau Horizon, one of Palau's major sources of objective news reporting. We at PCC are proud to be part of a productive partnership with Palau Horizon that has brought enlightenment and unbiased information to the general community. We look forward to a continued partnership with Palau Horizon in ensuring that the local citizenry and our regional readership will be provided the same if not improved services and untainted information via the Palau Horizon. Once again, Happy 5th Birthday Palau Horizon!

Did You Know...

One cup of black tea has enough fluoride to help prevent tooth decay - and green tea is actually much more popular in China and Japan, and is much richer in flavonoids and antioxidants. (Source: TopHealth, the health promotion and wellness newsletter)

How To Boost Your Brain Power

The following article is taken from the February issue of TOPHEALTH, a health promotion and wellness newsletter. It is provided as a tool for fitness buffs to help them improve their overall health.

Do you sometimes feel as if your brain is on 'empty?' Here's how to keep it in shape so you can pump up your problem-solving abilities, fight forgetfulness and think more clearly and creatively:

Practice mentally. Studies of athletes indicate that imagining a tennis serve or ski run between competitions can boost performance. Possible reason: Mental rehearsals use most of the brain connections switched on during the real thing, so they help build mental muscle.

Capture creative peaks. Experts believe the brain to be in a highly creative state just before going to sleep and right after waking up. Action: Use these times to think about solutions to problems and jot down any ideas that come to you.

Focus your attention. To help remember 'where': If you tend to misplace your car keys, for example, say to yourself, "I'm placing the keys on the shelf by the hallway mirror." To help remember 'when': Note the weather, the day's headline news or what you're wearing at the time of performing a task.

Use it or lost it. Research suggests that as you age, you can reverse a decline in thinking abilities by becoming more mentally active. Smart moves: Learn a new language, study a new subject, play games like checkers and do crosswords and other puzzles.

Keep fit. Evidence shows that people in their 70s and 80s who stay healthy can expand their brain power - and easily match the mental abilities of a 30-year-old. Helpful: Keep physically active, manage stress and maintain a positive attitude.

More mental muscle builders: Read more... eat foods rich in brain-boosting beta-carotene (like apricots, carrots, papayas and sweet potatoes)... use rhymes and acronyms to help remember facts and names.

"Enthusiasm is contagious.

Be a carrier." Susan Rabin



Fall 2003 Placement Testing, Registration and Orientation Schedule

DATE	TIME	PLACEMENT TEST	LOCATION
August 4 to August 8	9:00-11:30am & 1:00-4:30pm	English, Math & Science (Walk-in testing)	Project Beacon
August 5 to August 5-8	9:00am All Day	Keyboarding Test Registration for Continuing, Returning, and Readmitted students	Room 67
August 7	1:00pm	Keyboarding Test	Room 67
August 11 to August 11-13	1:30-4:30pm All Day	English, Math & Science (Walk-in testing) Orientation, Advising and Registration for New and Transfer Students	Project Beacon
August 12	1:00pm 1:30-4:30pm	Keyboarding Test Walk-in testing continues	Room 67 Project Beacon