

Alumni Notes

Class of 2007 (PCC)

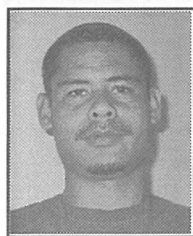
Mouais Kang-ichi -



2007 PCC graduate with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). Kang-ichi works at Koror State Government Finance Department as an Accounting Filing Clerk. She has been working there for the past 4 months.

Class of 1998 (PCC)

Jeremiah Tem -



1998 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in General Electronics Technology (GET). Tem works at Aimeliik Elementary School as a Teacher. He has been working there for the past 6 years.

Class of 1977 (MOC)

Doris Wachi -



1977 MOC graduate with a Vocational Certificate of Achievement (VCA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Wachi works at Ngaraard Elementary School as a Teacher. She has been working there for the past 9 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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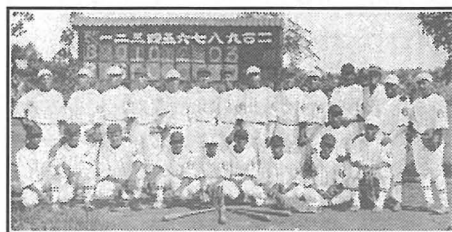
Celebrating Birthdays

Simon Allan	August	16
James Norman Sato	August	18
Deskim Tutii	August	19



Happy Birthday To You!

Baseball in Palau: Passion for the Game



1926: All Palau All-Stars

PCC Bookstore introduces the first book about the history of Baseball in Palau by renowned Micronesian historian and University of Guam professor Donald R. Shuster. The book entitled "Baseball in Palau: Passion for the Game", brings you back in time to 1926 when the first All Palau All-Star baseball team was formed. The book includes a picture of the 1962 Palau All-Stars with celebrated players such as Markub Baulechong, Takeo Towai, Niisang Tewid, Seibo Rechebong, Ignacio Sadang, and Manager Melachelbeluu Wilhelm Rengiil.

The book also contains more contemporary pictures of Palau baseball including



1990 Micronesia Games in Guam: Palau All-Stars

a full color picture of the Palau All-Star at the 1990 Micronesia Games in Guam.

The book even contains record of conversations with past and present Palau baseball greats such as Eusebio Termeteet, Melachelbeluu Wilhelm Rengiil, Joshua Koshiba, Takeo Towai, Ngiraked Johnson Toribiong, Martin Sokau, Eugene Uehara, and Senator Mlib Tmetuchl.

The book, *Baseball in Palau: Passion for the Game* is available at the PCC Bookstore for \$25 each. Call 488-2471, ext. 236 to reserve your copy or stop by the PCC Bookstore.

College Bids Farewell to Emesiochl and Postol



Tayeko Emesiochl



McQuay Postol

Tayeko Emesiochl, a PCC student who worked as an Office Clerk at the President's front reception office, left last week to pursue her education at the University of Guam. Emesiochl graduated last May with her Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Tourism & Hospitality- Hotel Operations. She was a hard working student, pursuing her associate degree and working during her free time. She was also a recipient of the two-week cultural language trip to Japan last year. Another staff who will be leaving the College is McQuay Postol of the Cafeteria. Postol who has been working at the College for the past four years as a lead cook, has decided to move to the United States in

Smith Barney Names Miyashita to its Global Blue Chip Council



Jason B. Miyashita

The Palau Community College (PCC) would like to congratulate financial advisor Jason B. Miyashita in his prestigious recognition to the Smith Barney's Blue Chip Council. Miyashita of Guam was awarded this Blue Chip Council special recognition for "demonstrating the highest professional standards in addition to excellence in client service" within his first 5 years of work.

pursuit of other career opportunities. The College bids Emesiochl and Postol farewell and wishes them both the best in their future endeavors.

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MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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Outgoing Student Trustee to Attend UH-Manoa



Student Trustee Leena Muller (sitting 2nd from right) with the Board of Trustees and some of the Executive Committee members during her last board meeting and her farewell luncheon at the boardroom on Monday.

The College is not only welcoming the hundreds of new students for the fall semester, but also saying "good-bye" to an outstanding student, Leena Muller. Muller who left earlier this week to Hawaii where she will enroll this Fall at the University of Hawaii- Manoa to pursue a

degree in Natural Resources & Environmental Management served on the College's Board of Trustees as Student Trustee.

Since enrolling at the College, Muller has maintained a 4.0 GPA every semester.

During her second year at PCC (2007-2008 school year), she was overwhelmingly elected by her fellow students to sit as Student Trustee on the College's six-member Board of Trustees. She was very active in school, helping to tutor students with the Project Beacon office, and was an active member of the Environmental Club. Muller was selected among numerous students from the Pacific to participate in the highly competitive summer internship program in Washington, D.C. The internship which she finished with flying colors was a final requirement for her Associate of Science (AS) degree in Environmental/ Marine Science. Muller is also an Upward Bound (UB) alumni and while a UB student she worked at the Development office as a work-study student writer for this newsletter.

The College family bids Muller farewell and wishes her the best at UH- Manoa.

Campus Abuzz with Fall Registration, Classes Start Monday



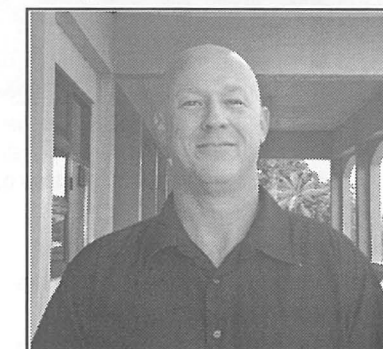
Students patiently wait their turn outside the Business office which is one of the stops during the registration process.

The Palau Community College (PCC) campus was packed this week with hundreds of new and continuing stu-

dents lining up to register for classes before the start of fall semester next Monday. Earlier last week, an orientation organized by the Student Life counselors/advisors was held at the campus cafeteria to help incoming freshmen familiarize themselves with College services, including academic advising and key personnel they will need for a successful transition into

College life. Classes will begin on Monday, August 18th, 2008.

SDSU Professor Conducts Final Course for BA Degree Candidates



San Diego State University (SDSU) Professor and anthropologist, Stefan "Steve" Krause.

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Six Graduate from Yap Apprentice Training



Participants of the Yap Apprentice Training with President Tellei (standing right) and some of the College officials as well as representatives from the participating agencies.

Company (WCTC) in auto mechanics. Steven Mara and Samuel Gaangred completed their training at the Organization of Industrial, Spiritual, and Cultural Advancement (OISCA) in food processing and plant propagation.

Last week at the ceremony, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei congratulated the

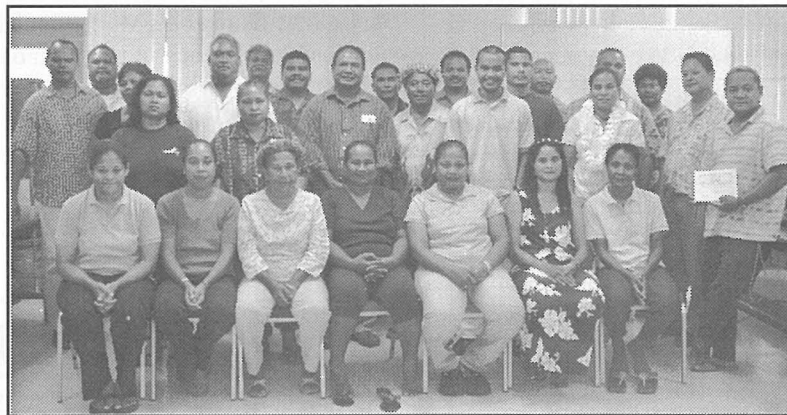
The Yap Apprentice Training concluded last week Friday with six teachers from Yap State, FSM receiving their certificates of completion at the Continuing Education (CE) training room.

During the summer months, the participants trained in various vocational/technical fields. Gregorio "Gorong" Yow, Philip Paiy, and Eddy Uolai completed their training in survey methods and the use of auto cad at the Bureau of Lands & Surveys. James Rogol completed his training at West Caroline Trading

participants and thanked the participating agencies of the Bureau of Lands & Surveys, WCTC, and OISCA for accommodating the participants. Afterwards, President Tellei, Vice President Thomas Taro, and Dean Willy Wally awarded the certificates. Also representing the College during the ceremony were Dean Alvina Timarong and Director Kuye Belelai.

The program, to date, has certified thirty-nine participants from Yap State since it first began in the summer of 2003.

Summer 2008 Teachers' Academy Concludes



Graduates of the Summer 2008 Teachers' Academy with Minister Mario Katosang (standing center), President Tellei (standing 3rd from left), Ministry of Education officials, and their school principals during their awarding ceremony last Friday.

Eighteen teachers from the Ministry of Education completed 25 days, 150 hours of training from the Summer 2008 Teachers' Academy. Last week Friday, a small awarding ceremony was held for them on campus.

Teachers from the elementary schools in Koror and Babeldaob participated in the academy. Jeremiah Tem and Vincente Pua of Aimeliik Elementary School; Natalie C. Delemel and Aileen Mikel of

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New Insect Invades Palau

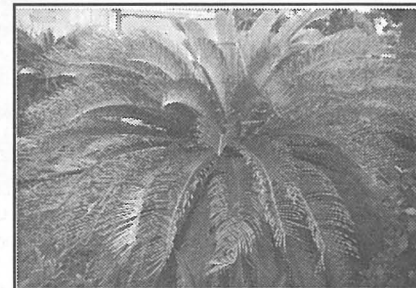


Close up photo of adult Asian Cycad scale insects.

Acting on a report from local community members regarding a never before seen insect infesting dying Cycad plants near a local gas station in Koror, PCC- Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) researchers and invasive insect specialists Dr. N.M. Esguerra and Dr. A.G. Del Rosario went to investigate. What they observed was the four Cycad plants in the area were heavily infest with scale insects which appeared to be feeding on the sap of the plants. Esguerra and Del Rosario later confirmed that the invasive insect was the Asian Cycad scale, *Aulacaspis yasumatsui* Takagi, notorious for infesting ornamental Cycads on Guam.

Esguerra and Del Rosario are currently working with Dr. Aubrey Moore of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at the University of Guam to bring a biological agent, the coccinellid beetle, *Rhyzobius lophanthae* to Palau to help control this scale insect.

For more information about the control of invasive insects in Palau, please contact Drs. Esguerra and Del Rosario at PCC-CRE at telephone number 488-2746.



Browning of Cycad leaves caused by the Asian Cycad scale insect.

BITS AND PIECES...

THANKS

Trustee Roberts Gives to Endowment...



Trustee Dr. Roberts Emais

Board of Trustees Dr. Emais Roberts donated \$175 to the College Endowment Fund after the board meeting on Monday at the College. In addition to his outright cash donations throughout the year, Trustee Roberts also organizes local softball tourney fundraisers in support of the Endowment Fund. His private clinic, Family Surgical Clinic also is a major sponsor of the annual Endowment Fund-drive during Thanksgiving Holiday. Thank you Trustee Roberts!

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships Now Available..

Scholarship applications are now available at the PCC Development office. Please stop by and get your forms. Deadline is end of August 2008.

Our Condolences

The Palau Community College (PCC) Board of Trustees, President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Students take this opportunity to extend sincerest sympathies and deepest condolences to the family of Greg Urwin. Greg Urwin was the former Secretary General of the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat. He served the Oceania region for the past 37 years, contributing to the development of Australia's relations with the Pacific.



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Stefan "Steve" Krause, an anthropologist and a professor from San Diego State University (SDSU) is currently in Palau to wrap-up instructions for his ANTH-349- Roots of Civilization class to the SDSU online bachelors (BA) program students.

Krause's anthropology class will be the final course requirement for the twenty-six students enrolled in the SDSU online degree program. The students who are also full time employees from the Ministry of Education, PCC, Head Start program, Koror State Government, and other private agencies are expected to officially complete by the end of this summer.

The College is already organizing the next on-line cohort program for both the bachelor and master's level and encourages individuals to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity by contacting Associate Dean Sherman Daniel at 488-2470 ext. 254.

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Airai Elementary School; Calista Rafael of Angaur Elementary School; Frienda Wasisang of Ibobang Elementary School; Felisa Tmag, Glenda Masayos, and Abba Ngiroos of Koror Elementary School; Celeste Sumor, Rita Kuchad, Merong Abraham, Nancy Sabino, Delphina Sumor, and Florencia John of Meyuns Elementary School; Cerilla Michael of George B. Harris Elementary School; and Darcy Iskawa and Doris Wachi of Ngaraard Elementary School completed the requirements of the Academy and received their certificates of completion. The month-long academy provided the teachers with refresher training to help them become more successful in the classroom. PCC instructor Jemmy Blelai conducted the five-course series of Introduction to Teaching, Classroom Management, Teaching Methodologies/Strategies, Classroom Assessment, and Lesson Planning/Presentation.

Minister Mario Katosang and his staff along with the school principals of Aimeliik, Airai, Angaur, Ibobang, Koror, Meyuns, George B. Harris, and Ngaraard Elementary Schools were also present during the awarding ceremony.

Chairperson Bilung Donates to College



Chrisalen Isamu (r), PCC work-study student, receives the donation of bananas yesterday from Leeboo (standing left), BOT Chairperson's son.

Yesterday, Leeboo, who is the son of the Board of Trustees (BOT) Chairperson Bilung Gloria G. Sali, delivered 260 pounds of bananas (*meskebesang* and *rubegang*) to the College cafeteria. Chairperson Bilung and her family have always donated to the College and for that we at PCC are very grateful, most especially the students.

2008 Fall Semester

Aug. 11-14 (M-TH)	Academic Advising & Registration
Aug. 18 (M)	First Day of Instruction
Aug. 18-20 (M-W)	Credit by Examination Period
Aug. 18-22 (M-F)	Late Registration/Drop & Add Period
Aug. 22 (F)	Last Day to change to CR/NC and AUDIT Grading options
Sept. 1 (M)	Holiday: Labor Day
Sept. 26 (F)	Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades for Summer
Oct. 1 (W)	Holiday: Independence Day
Oct. 6-10 (M-F)	Mid-Term Period
Oct. 17 (F)	Last Day for all Withdrawals
Oct. 24 (F)	Holiday: UN Day
Nov. 27 (TH)	Holiday: Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 27-28 (TH-F)	Students' Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 5 (F)	Last Day of Instruction
Dec. 8-10 (M-W)	Final Examination Period
Dec. 15 (M)	Grades Due
Dec. 22 (M)	Last Day for Change of Grades