

Alumni Notes

Class of 1972 (MOC)

Rosania Masters



Earned a Vocational Certificate of Achievement (VCA) in Food Service. She continued her education in Hawaii, and returned to MOC to teach food service courses and eventually became a Food Service Supervisor at the cafeteria until her retirement in 1998. She opened

her store in Airai after she retired. *Message: Continue doing your best in all that you do. Get into food service. There is always a need.*

Class of 2004

Yip Erungel



Earned his Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Automotive Technology. Worked at AM/PM for 2 years as a stocker for the store. He then volunteered at Airport Rescue Fire Fighter (ARFF) for almost 2 yrs., after which he got hired in July 2008. *Message: Don't play with fire.*

Class of 2006

Elaine Arurang



Earned her Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Business Accounting - Book Keeping. She worked at the Law Office of Bill Ridpath after graduation. Recently, she was hired to work at Airai Headstart as a Teacher Assistant. *Message: Bol blak a reng-miu. Ng diak dodengei a klukuk er kid.*

Alumni Notes showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities. If you are that alumnus/alumna 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

Howard Charles Sept 15
Noah Yarofaitip Sept 17

Happy Birthday To You!

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lage. The Sao'wac Village was inhabited by the aboriginal Taiwanese tribe of the Amis people, of whom my host family, Mr. Chien-Ming Lu and Ms. Su-Chen, were trying to protect. My host family lived among these people to try to study their culture and, at the same time, help them rebuild their homes which the government of Taiwan had destroyed to make way for new scenic bike paths.

The family I lived with took me and another SayTaiwan participant, Michael Kisombo from Papua New Guinea, around Taiwan. We traveled to places like Taipei, Yang-ming Mountain, Keelung, Ji-an, Fata'an, Duli, Taimali, Fangliao, Kaohsiung, Sandimen, Yanshuei, and Ali Mountain. We ex-



Fata'an Harvest Festival.

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Campus comes to a staggering 742. The number is very high in comparison to the past years. PCC hasn't seen the registration hit the 700's, except in Fall 2002 when it was at 727. The following is the breakdown of all students: China - 4, Chuuk - 35, Guam - 1, Kosrae - 5, Marshall - 3, Palau - 560, Philippines - 3, Pohnpei - 12, Saipan - 7, USA - 25, Yap - 87. PCC continues to provide quality and excellent learning to the students and the community by promoting learning opportunities.

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perienced many of the aboriginal cultures of Taiwan and even participated in an Amis harvest festival.

I left my host family on August 22 to participate in a mandatory trip to Kinmen with the other 250 SayTaiwan participants. There we were taken on tours around the small island and were introduced to the local sweet, knife, and noodle shops. We stayed in Kinmen for one night before returning to Taipei.

In Taipei, we stayed at the Howard Palace Hotel. We attended a press conference with the vice president of Taiwan the day after we arrived and toured the President's house. On the night of the same day, we attended a farewell banquet to celebrate the precious moments we had in Taiwan and to say goodbye to the friends we had made. I left Taiwan on August 25, 2011.



Hakka tribe villagers with Tuvalu participant & Silil.

Vacancy Announcement

- (1) English Instructor, Learning Resource Center
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (2) Math Instructor, Learning Resource Center
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (3) Financial Aid Counselor, Adm. & Financial Aid
Salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (4) 2 Part-Time Math Instructors/Tutors (UB)
Salary range: \$100 to \$200 biweekly
(depending on qualification)
- (5) 2 Part-Time English Instructors/Tutors (UB)
Salary range: \$100 to \$200 biweekly
(depending on qualification)
- (6) 2 Part-Time Science Instructors/Tutors (UB)
Salary range: \$100 to \$200 biweekly
(depending on qualification)
- (7) 3 Part-Time Academic Instructors/Tutors (UB)
to be at BHS, BMS & EHS
Salary range: \$100 to \$200 biweekly
(depending on qualification)

For application forms and information, please contact Karen Mobil at PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, ext. 227.

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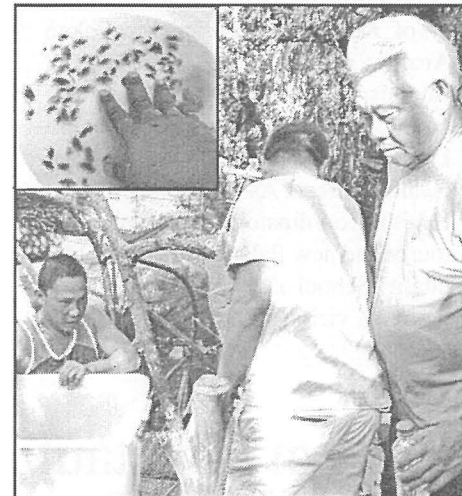
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First Recipient of PCC-CRE Mangrove Crab Seed Production Project

Contributed by Miguel Delos Santos



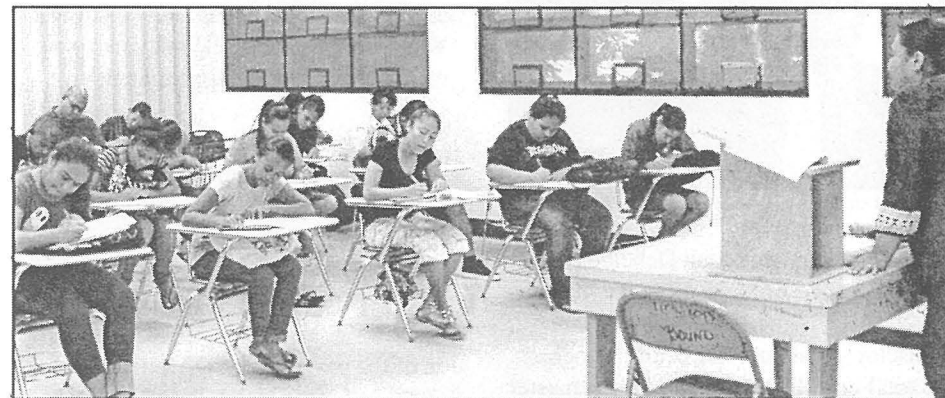
Hiromi Nabeyama (right) observe the stocking of hatchery produced crablets in his farm. (inset: hatchery bred crablets produced in nursery tanks.)

On August 15, 2011, a total of 50 pieces crablets were stocked at the Mangrove

Crab Farm of Hiromi Nabeyama located in Lalou in Ngatpang State. The crablets were part of about 500 pieces that survived two months after the June 2011 larval rearing cycle. The body weight ranged between 3 to 5 grams and the carapace length was about 1-1.5 inches. These crablets were held in a pen 15ft x 25ft net enclosure inside the mangroves and they will be fed with chopped fish meat from fish trimmings obtained from a tuna fishing company in Koror. PCC-CRE will regularly monitor the growth and survival of the hatchery produced mangrove crabs until they reach the size suitable for market. Additional crablets will be stocked upon completion of additional grow-out compartments in the said crab farm. This activity is part of PCC-CRE's implementa-

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New Fall Record of 742 Students



Many classes are at capacity level, including this SS 100 class for Ms. Ngirmeril.

The Registrar's Office has confirmed the official number of students registered for the Fall Semester 2011. The total

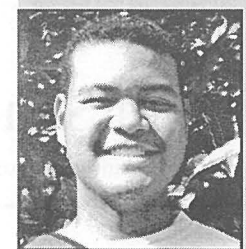
number of registered students, including those in the SDSU cohort and the Yap

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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.

ES Student Reflects on Taiwan Trip

Contributed by Byron Silil



Byron Silil

I arrived in Taiwan on August 11, 2011 to participate in the celebration of Taiwan's centennial, joining 249 other youths chosen to stay in Taiwan for two weeks to experience the lives of the Taiwanese people and their culture. I stayed with a host family there in the Taoyuan County in the Sao'wac Vil-

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ASPCC Elections

The Associate Students of PCC will be holding elections for the new Student Trustee, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Freshmen and Sophomore Representatives, and the Senators from each entity. The scheduled voting day is September 21, 2011. Please stop by the Student Service Office and see Dean Daniel or Verna for more information.

PCC Music Club



Music club members practicing a new song in Palauan and English.

This Fall Semester 2011, the Music Club with their advisor, Mr. Howard Charles, have been meeting regularly every Tuesday & Thursday from 11:30 am - 12:50 pm. They discuss activities, practice for the choir and brainstorm for what they want to accomplish as a club. On Fridays, the club has the Palau Wind Orchestra (PWO) open for members who are interested in learning a musical instrument to come in and learn from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. According to ad-

visor Charles, they are looking into bringing in community musicians to help out with the instructions on how to play instruments to interested students. They have organized the club and are looking into ways to host events like PCC Idol, and have a couple of recordings done for their choir. If you are interested in joining, please see instructor Howard Charles in his office located at the PWO Bldg.

Adult High School Orientation

Contributed by Adult High School



Counselor Hedrick Kual with Adult High School students at orientation.

The PCC Adult High School program kicked off its 2011 Fall semester with student orientation held in the CE training room on Thursday, September 1, at 5:30 PM. Director Mangham welcomed the new students and counselor Kual led the students in going over the student handbook. AHS started classes on Tuesday September 6, offering a total of thirteen courses. AHS teachers for the Fall Semester includes:

Maile Andreas, Armstrong Debelbot, Juliet Ngotel, Angelio Antonio, Rhondalyne Ngrarorou, Alex Ngrairingas, Robert Ramarui, Counselor Kual and Director Mangham. The total enrollment for the Fall semester at the PCC campus is forty six, sixteen of them are new students. With AHS programs in Airai and Peleiliu, the total number of Adult High School students for the 2011 Fall semester is 88.

Japan Embassy Counsellor Visits



PR manager Nobuo with Counsellor Anzawa.

On August 31, 2011 the new Embassy of Japan's Counsellor, Mr. Takao Anzawa paid a courtesy visit to PCC campus. He was given a short tour of the campus, visiting the Japanese Language Lab, met with Pacific Island Health Officers Association (PIHOA) Health Coordinator, Dr. Dever, and toured the new Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence (PTHSE) building, visiting the classes.

Husayn Beketaut Volunteers 3 Days

PCC Development Office would like to take this opportunity to thank Husayn Beketaut, the bookstore clerk for the past two years for his services, and for staying three extra days volunteering his time to help out the bookstore. Your willingness to help out when you were needed is truly appreciated.

PCC wishes you success as you embark on a new career at the Ministry of Health.

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tion of the on-going USDA-NIFA funded Project under the Hatch Program entitled Seed Production of Mangrove Crabs in Palau which aims to promote and establish the aquaculture for mangrove crabs in the country.

BITS AND PIECES... ANNOUNCEMENT

Next SDSU Bachelor of Art Cohort Program

Palau Community College (PCC) in collaboration with San Diego State University (SDSU) is preparing to start the next Bachelor of Art degree in Education cohort program scheduled to begin in Spring 2012. Submission of SDSU admission applications for interested and qualified applicants will take place in October 2011. For more information, please contact PCC Dean of Students, Sherman Daniel, at 488-2471 ext. 269.

Next SDSU Master of Art Cohort Program

Palau Community College (PCC) in collaboration with San Diego State University (SDSU) is preparing to offer an SDSU Master of Arts degree in Education with a concentration in Educational Leadership and a Specialization in Post Secondary Education Leadership with emphasis in Public Administration and Human Resource Development. Interested individual can contact PCC Dean of Students, Sherman Daniel, at 488-2471 ext. 269.

Apology

Mesekiu's News apologies to Yasinda Donre for inadvertently providing information in the Alumni Notes that she was working at Pohnpei State Finance Office. Yasinda is actually in Utah, attending Weber State University for her bachelor's degree.

News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIUS NEWS welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Monday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and electronic copies to adoraa@palau.edu, dilubchs@palau.edu, and alvinam@palau.edu.

Please call ext. 250/252/253 if you intend to submit your article after Monday or for more information.

Angaur Community Benefit From PCC-CRE Food and Nutrition Program

Contributed by Lydia Marero



Back (L-R): Dalton Thomas, Lydia Marero, Gina Lewis, VP Thomas Taro, President Patrick Tellei, Robert Steffers, John Tetsuo, Tricia Obrien, Margarita Abraham. Second Row (L-R): Madlynn Tamngin, Lily Joseph, Governor Maria Gates-Meltel, Joshua Lewis, Mike Henry, Margarette Setsuo. Front (L-R): Seba Kazuo, Barbara Abraham, Telei Marcil.

The Palau Community College-Cooperative Research and Extension (PCC-CRE) has recently conducted a 24-hour outreach program on food safety, nutrition, and food technology/security in Angaur State from August 22 to September 02, 2011.

The lessons included nutrition information such as right servings for daily needs of grains, vegetables, fruits, milk, and protein-rich foods; reading food labels; importance of exercise; food safety; and shopping tips. About forty (40) kinds of processed food products from local food sources such as fish, banana, coconut, taro, and tapioca were taught to the participants.

Twenty one (21) participants of the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) and Food Technology classes benefited from this activity. The successful participants are as follows: Barbara Abraham, Elizabeth Isamu, Fana Jiro, Gina Lewis, Grace Singeo, Jay Alfred, John

Swords, John Tetsuo, Joshua Lewis, Leon Gulibert, Lily Joseph, Madlynn Tamngin, Margarette Setsuo, Margarita Abraham, Mike Henry, Robert Steffers, Seba Kazuo, Telei Marcil, Treya Swords, Tricia Obrien, and Vandella Augustine. The classes were conducted by Dr. Lydia Marero, PCC-CRE Researcher-Food Technologist, and Dalton Thomas, EFNEP Extension Agent.

The participants of the EFNEP and Food Technology classes have not only learned how to prepare safe and nutritious foods for their families, but also provide them with skills and opportunities for a home-scale food business to offer to the tourists who visit Angaur State.

This PCC-CRE extension program is offered free of charge to the communities, so that people who prepare food will be updated with new information and skills, as a result of researches conducted at the Research and Development Station.

New Dorm Residents Tour the Island

Contributed by PCC Dorm Managers

On Sunday, September 04, 2011, thirty-four new dorm student residents took a tour around Babeldaob with stops at the following places: Ngerulmud (Capital) Melekeok, Oketol dock and Badrulchau in Ngerchelongs, and the mono rail in Ngardmau. Along the way the students were briefed on Palauan legends. Stories told were of the Giant Uab and the formation of Palau Island, the building of Badrulchau, and Ngerchokl (the fountain of youth). Students were also

given the make up of the government of Palau, from the President and Ministers to Senators, Delegates, Governors and State legislatures, including Paramount Chiefs to State Chiefs as well as hamlet chiefs. The tour is part of the new students' orientation.

By orienting the new students to the local setting, the natural environment, Palau's culture and its people, the students may be able to adapt better to the new learning environment.