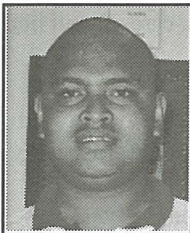

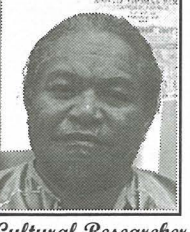


**Alumni Notes**  
**Class of 2003 (PCC)**  
**Marcil Chiokai** -  

 2003 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology (SE). Chiokai works at Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC) as a Telecom Technician 1 and has been working there for almost 2 years.

**Class of 1998 (PCC)**  
**Hilda Etpison** -  

 1998 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Etpison works at the Bureau of Agriculture-Quarantine Office as a Quarantine Officer 1. She has been working there for the past 5 years.

**Class of 1975 (MOC)**  
**Xavier Maech** -  

 1975 MOC graduate with a Vocational Certificate of Achievement (VCA) in Food Service (FS). Maech works at Koror State Government-Department of State & Cultural Affairs as a Cultural Researcher and has been working there for the past 2 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*.

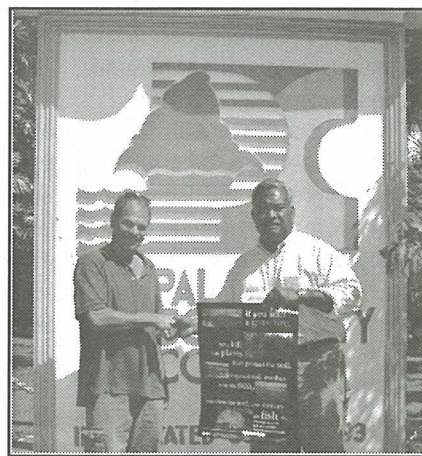
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**Celebrating Birthdays**

Howard Charles	September 15
Becheseldil Nakamura	September 19
Rogelio Vergara	September 20
Evelyn Demei	September 20

**Happy Birthday To You!**

**USDA-NRCS Visits Campus**



Jeff Knowles of United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)- Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) paid a visit to the College on Monday, September 10, 2007. Knowles arrived last week to temporarily fill in the position of a Resource Conservationist for a month before returning to Hawaii. USDA-NRCS office works one-on-one with farmers and rangers on conservation plans; and identifies resource issues and provides recommendations on what to do.

**Check Out Massey University!**

Massey University is the largest and the only truly national university in New Zealand. It is ranked by the prestigious Times Higher Education Supplement as one of the top 200 universities in the world. It offers the widest range of qualifications offered by any New Zealand University at about 240 undergraduate degrees, ranging from general to professional degrees, and nearly 340 majors. Many of these majors like Veterinary Science and Aviation are only available at Massey. Each year, nearly 40,000 students choose Massey University. Students at Massey University are taught by some of New Zealand's best lecturers and some of the world's best researchers, all of whom are dedicated to help and support students achieve their degrees. Massey University has three campuses across New Zealand where students can choose from studying at the Auckland campus in Albany, the Wellington Campus, or the Palmerston North Campus. For more information, visit their website at [www.massey.ac.nz](http://www.massey.ac.nz).

**Palau HIV/AIDS & STI Program Presents PLWHA DVD & Trivia Hour**

The Palau HIV/AIDS & STI Program presents an exciting and educational hour featuring DVD movies of People Living With HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) and fun trivia. Come experience their life stories and gain some useful knowledge.

Date: September 19, 2007 (Wednesday)

Time: 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Place: PCC Cafeteria

Win Great Prizes! Refreshments will also be provided!

For more information, please call the HIV/AIDS & STI Program office at 488-8618.

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- Make good use of its equipment such as copy machines, microfiche readers, production facilities, etc.
- Check out its quiet study areas. Sign up for their use if required.

**Get Involved in Campus Life**

There is a lot more to college than just classes. A college campus is an exciting, dynamic environment that can provide you with many opportunities for enhancing your college experience.

- Join a student organization that is consistent with your interests. You will find many organizations from which to choose.
- Join a club in your major. This cannot only help you in your studies but can provide contacts that may be very useful in your future career.
- Join an intramural team. This is a great way to keep yourself in good physical shape and make new friends.
- Attend social events. Your college experience should not be all work and no play.

Yes – success in college takes effort. But this effort will provide benefits to you throughout your life. The ideas presented above can help you to make your college experience a successful one.

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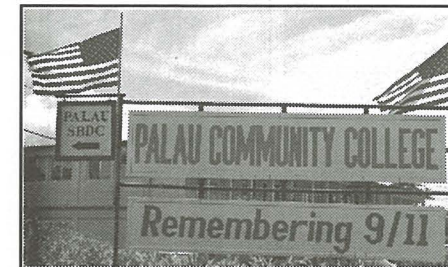


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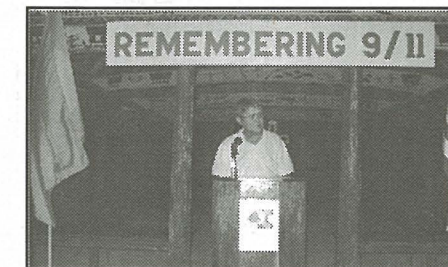
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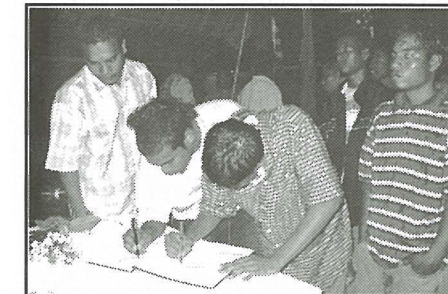
**PCC Hosts 6th Anniversary of 9/11 Tragedy**



Sign in front of the College in remembrance of 9/11.



Vice President Camsek Chin delivering special remarks during the ceremony on Tuesday.



PCC students signing the guestbook which will be presented to the government of the United States as a memento for the 6th anniversary memorial of 9/11.

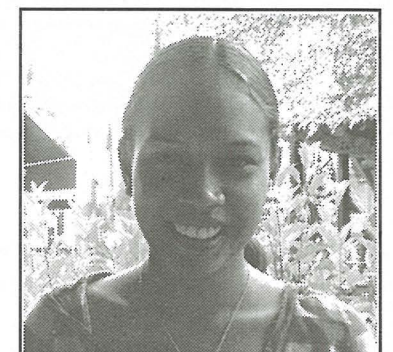
*Time Heals What Reason Cannot*- Palau Community College joined the Republic in remembering 9/11 tragedy. It also hosted a national memorial service on Tuesday evening, September 11, 2007 on the grounds of the PCC campus. The memorial service was dedicated to remember the victims and their families and to memorialize the 6<sup>th</sup> year since the ghastly terrorist attacks that befell the United States of America on the ill-fated day of September 11, 2001.

Close to a hundred people attended the memorial service. Vice President Camsek Elias Chin, U.S. Charge d' Affaires Mark Bezner, PCC President Dr. Tellei, Senators, and government officials were among the many gathered to remember 9/11. Vice President Camsek Chin and U.S. Charge d' Affaires Mark Bezner each delivered the special remarks recalling

**Muller New Student Trustee, Election Results Out**

Based on the results of the Student Trustee and Student Senate general election held last Friday, September 07, 2007 at Mesekiu Bai, over 200 students exercised their right to vote for those they believed would better serve them. As a matter of fact, the voters' turn-out was 34.52%. Official results showed that Leena Muller, an exemplary environmental/marine science student, won by a landslide against Evadne K. Nakamura. Muller will serve as the Student Trustee to the Board of Trustees for term, 2007-2008. In accordance with the Student Body Association (SBA) constitution, Emrei Takeo took over the position of the SBA President and remains as such after former SBA President Ramon Adelbai graduated this past May. She continues to hold the position until next year's general election. Heston Aluka Kebou is the new Vice-President-Elect; Sasha Lirow- Secretary; Sheena Henry-Treasurer; Liane Smau and Shane S. Ingais- Sophomore Representatives; and Elway Ikeda and Kimberly Kingzio-

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Leena Muller, Newly Elected Student Trustee

the tragic event of 9/11 and stressed the value of education in decreasing acts of terrorism and increasing understanding.

Songs from St. Joseph Choir, Koror Evangelical Church Choir, and PCC students made the ceremony all the more memorable as they sung hymns in tribute to the numerous lives, both young and old that were abruptly ended six years ago this Tuesday. Many from the community including a number of PCC staff and students also joined the observance.

In 2001, two weeks after the attacks, Palau Community College held the first national memorial service to mourn the victims, and has since then organized memorial services to remember those who lost their lives and loved ones during the tragic event of September 11.

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### SBA General Election Results



Emrei Takeo- SBA President  
Heston Aluka Kebou- SBA VP  
Sasha Lirow- SBA Secretary  
Sheena Henry- SBA Treasurer



Liane Smau- Soph. Rep  
Shane Ingais- Soph. Rep.  
Elway Ikeda- Freshman Rep.  
Kimberly Kingzio- Freshman Rep.

Freshmen Representatives. The Palau State Organization (PSO) also held its election with Mariean K. Kazuma taking the Presidency position unopposed. Being the PSO President, Kazuma automatically becomes the new Palau

National Leader to the SBA Student Senate for the entire school year, 2007-2008. Jovani Adachi won the Vice Presidency against Fred Takada; Obechou K. Merib is the new Secretary; and Ursela Salvador the new Treasurer.

### PSO Election Results



Mariean Kazuma- PSO President  
Jovani Adachi- PSO VP



Obechou Merib- PSO Secretary  
Ursela Salvador- PSO Treasurer

Congratulations to the new Student Trustee, Student Senate members, and the new PSO members! We are looking forward to working with you and are excited to see all your new and creative ideas be implemented this school year!

## Public Health Officials Propose Program at PCC



(l-r): Public Health officials Professor Sitaleki 'Ata'ata Finau; Dr. Giuseppe G. Cuboni; Dr. Gregory Dever; and President Tellei pose for a photo in front of the College sign earlier this week. Finau and Cuboni are here on island with Dr. Dever to propose a public health program at PCC.

Palau Ministry of Health, Professor Sitaleki 'Ata'ata Finau of Massey University in Auckland, New Zealand, and Dr. Giuseppe G. Cuboni of Epidemiology and International Public Health who is currently residing in Pohnpei, FSM made a presentation on *Human Resources Development for Public Health in and for Micronesia* as a summary of the proposal to launch a public health program at PCC.

The three public health experts first explained the current status of public health services in Micronesia. Then, they went on to stress the importance of creating such a program; its goal; anatomy of the proposed program; academic program framework; career-ladder; the five public health specialties

or disciplines; competencies, etc.

This proposed public health program will prioritize those who are already on-the-job who have been trained on-the-job by other people who were also trained the same way. Such a program will also provide a pathway for future public health advocates; provide real training to already on-the-job employees; thereby, stopping the uneven level of untrained workers working in the hospital.



Dr. Dever (standing) briefing PCC officials and Dr. Asang at Baderirt building on Wednesday about the proposed Public Health program.

Public Health officials working at various Pacific Islands conducted a presentation on Wednesday at Baderirt building proposing a public health program right here at PCC. Dr. Gregory Dever of the

## BITS AND PIECES...

### PCC Bids a Warm Farewell to APU Professor and Students...

Professor Nobuyuki Hatada, a Tourism & Hospitality professor at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) in Japan returned to PCC last month with tourism students to conduct field research on sustainable tourism. Hatada and his students were here for three weeks visiting with some local businesses as well as government agencies to conduct interviews for their research work.

This is the sixth group of scholars from Ritsumeikan-APU to come to Palau to conduct studies in Sustainable Tourism since Palau Community College signed a memorandum of agreement with the Japanese university in the fall of 2001. The agreement promotes, among other things, the exchange of faculty and students between the two institutions, such as the current visit by Professor Hatada and his students. Professor Hatada and his students stayed on campus at the PCC dormitories. PCC bids farewell to Professor Hatada and his APU students from Japan and we look forward to strengthening our already warm relationship which PCC shares with the Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University.

### Mandarin Classes Start Next Week...

Basic 1 begins on September 18th, every Tuesdays and Thursdays and Basic 2 begin on September 17th, every Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, please call CE office at 488- 6223.

### Our Condolences

The College family expresses its deepest condolences to Tanya Ngirkuteling on the loss of her brother, Billy Ngirkuteling. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during your most difficult time of sorrow and grief.



## Succeeding in College- Part 2

Taken from Study Tips.com at www.how-to-study.com

### Stay Physically and Emotionally Healthy

You will need to be at your best to succeed in college. This means taking care of your body and maintaining a good frame of mind.

- Get enough sleep.
- Don't rely on coffee and drinks that contain high doses of caffeine to provide you with energy. Foods such as pasta, peanut butter, non-sugar cereals, and fresh fruit are healthy alternatives to provide the energy you need.
- Avoid junk foods. Fast food is convenient but usually not good for you.
- Use the services of the student health office. These services typically include emergency treatment, low cost examinations, and low cost or free medication.
- Use the services of the counseling office. The professionals there can help you overcome feelings of loneliness, depression, and anxiety.

### Choose a Professor Carefully

In college you get to select your schedule of classes. Most classes offer more than one section so that you can choose not just the day and time, but the professor who is teaching that section. Often you will find student ratings of professors on the Internet. You can get even more feedback by talking to other students. Try to choose a professor who demonstrates the following characteristics.

- Maintains adequate office hours.
- Provides constructive feedback.
- Adapts to different styles of learning.
- Grades fairly.
- Is highly competent in the subject being taught.
- Establishes clear and reasonable requirements.
- Provides a positive learning environment.

### Work With Your Advisor

As a student you will be assigned a faculty advisor to help you with both academic and career issues. It is up to you to get the most out of this guidance.

- Know your advisor's office location, schedule of office hours, and contact information.
- Schedule an appointment with your advisor at any time you have problems that affect your academic performance.
- Consider your advisor's ideas when selecting your major or at any time you are considering changing your major or career goals.
- Have specific questions in mind whenever meeting with your advisor.

### Make Good Use of the Library

You are going to spend a lot of your time in college at the library. Take full advantage of this major resource.

- Get to know the resources of the library as soon as you get to college.
- Learn to use its computer resources and card catalogs.

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## PCC Welcomes New Adjunct Faculty Members



Masaharu Tmodrang Gail Rengiil Rita Olsudong Clinton Ngemaes Steven Victor

Compared to last year's number of faculty members, there is an increase in this year's count. There are over fifty faculty members, six of them are new adjunct faculty members who are devoting time after work to help educate students here at PCC. The

College would like to welcome Masaharu Tmodrang, Gail Rengiil, Rita Olsudong, Clinton Ngemaes, Steven Victor, and Simon Allen (not pictured) as the new and additional adjunct faculty members for fall semester. Welcome aboard!