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What are the symptoms of high blood sugar? How do I know if I have type I or type II diabetes?

101 Tips for Improving Your Blood Sugar is a collection of tricks, ideas, strategies, and common sense approaches to the daily challenges of maintaining normal blood-sugar levels. Check out this book at the PCC Library and feel better now and avoid complications later.

The guide to basket weaving

This book is designed to teach the art of weaving with coconut leaves. Also included are projects for those who already have weaving skills. The projects are arranged so that there is progression of the basic styles of weaving one needs to know in order to complete the items.

Nine projects are included, from a simple heart-shaped basket to a more complex flower vase. The weaving process for each project is outlined step by step, with easy-to-follow directions. In addition, a glossary provides definitions for both Hawaiian and English terms.

PIALA 2003

This year's Pacific Islands Association of Libraries and Archives conference will focus on the role that libraries, museums, archives, and local historic preservation agencies across the Pacific have in preserving and keeping us connected with our island cultural heritages and history. You may access the site below for more detail information: <http://www.uog.edu/rfk/piala/conference2003.htm>.

"No entertainment is so cheap, nor any pleasure so lasting."

-- Lady Mary Wortley Montagu

Check out your PCC Library!!!

Celebrating Birthdays



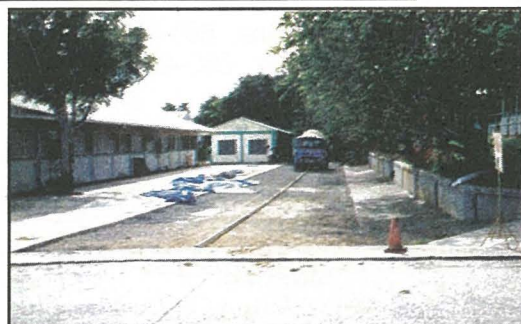
Becheseldil Nakamura September 19
Rogelio Vergara September 20

Happy Birthday To You!!!



Mesekiu's News

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This College Parking Lot located in front of the DEMUL building was undergoing improvement. Today the entire lot is completed much to the delight of our students (and their vehicles!).

Former Librarian Visits PCC

Former PCC Librarian Jane Barnwell visited the College about three weeks ago, much to the surprise and delight of most of the College staff who knew her. Jane worked at the College from March 1994 to February 2001, then transferred to the University of Hawaii at Manoa where she now works as the Pacific Specialist for the Pacific Collection at the University's Thomas Hale Hamilton Library.

Although in Palau on other business, the College took advantage of Jane's visit and 'picked' her brain on numerous PCC Library related issues and concerns. During her short visit, everyone got to see her and catch up on the latest goings-on in their lives. Indeed, it was good to see one of our own back and we hope one day she opts to return for good!



Jane Barnwell (l) and PCC President Patrick U. Tellei pose for a camera during Jane's visit to the College

BYUH Staff Visit PCC

Last week the College was host to some visitors who came all the way from Brigham Young University Hawaii (BYUH). BYUH is located in Laie, on the island of Oahu, Hawaii. It is one of the biggest Mormon affiliated universities in the United States and is home to the 'other' world famous PCC, that is, the Polynesian Cultural Center.

Visiting the College were Asai Gilman, BYUH's Director of U.S. Admissions and Recruitment, and David Lucero, Director for Student Activities and Leadership Development. They were accompanied by Palau based Mormon elders when they met with PCC President Patrick U. Tellei. During their courtesy meeting with President Tellei, they expressed their intention to boost the Palauan student enrollment at BYUH; hence, they are willing to invest in recruitment efforts to this end of the Pacific. At the moment, one PCC alumna Ms. Teruko Aderiano is studying at BYUH. Any student who wishes to learn more about BYUH may visit their website at <http://www.byuh.edu>, or email to gilmana@byuh.edu or lucero@byuh.edu.



Asai Gilman (l) and David Lucero (r), pose for a photo with PCC President Patrick U. Tellei (2nd left) and Palau based Mormon elders.

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Ritsumeikan APU Professor Returns with More Tourism Scholars

Dr. Nobuyuki Hatada, a tourism & hospitality professor at Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University (APU) in Japan returned to PCC last week with eight tourism scholars to conduct field research on sustainable tourism for a class project. The professor and his one male, seven female study group are here for two weeks and have already visited with some local businesses as well as government agencies to conduct interviews for their research work. They have also met with PCC tourism instructor Vicki Maui and attended select tourism & hospitality classes.

The students who are all in their third-year of studies at Ritsumeikan APU, are carrying out two separate studies, with one group concentrating on "komi mondai" garbage disposal and management with the

other delving into the carrying capacity of local scuba dive sites.

This is the second 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 student are living on campus and revealed to PCC President Tellei their satisfaction with the campus accommodation during a welcome luncheon hosted by President Tellei last Tuesday.

The group is wrapping up their research work today as they are due to return back to Japan early next week.



Professor Hatada (r) with his students enjoying lunch with PCC President Tellei (c), and Development Office Director Jay Olegeriil during a luncheon held in the PCC board room.

Alcantara Bids Farewell After 28 Years

Anyone in Palau who claims to have knowledge or expresses the slightest interest in plants and/or landscaping knows Neri Alcantara. Those who don't would initially think Neri Alcantara is the scientific name of a tree or some type of plant or flower. This would come as a compliment to Mr. Neri Alcantara, PCC's Landscaper for the past 9 years.

Neri, as he is called by everyone here in Palau, first came on board PCC back in 1975 as a classroom teacher, where he taught agriculture. Five years later, he would be promoted to become Instructor, and on October 1, 1989 he became assistant professor.

Serving as assistant professor until December of 1993, Neri then assumed the position of PCC Landscaper on January 1, 1994. The rest, as they say, is history.

Watching the PCC campus landscape change was much like watching

a cocoon that would later blossom to become a butterfly. The whole Palau community has over the years observed and commented on the College's campus and its unfolding beauty. The plants and flowers seem to thrive here better than anywhere else.

This has led to several government



Neri Alcantara has been with PCC since 1975. He will be missed by all his PCC friends and colleagues.

agencies requesting the College's support and assistance in their respective landscaping projects. Thus, with Neri, the College has helped the Olbiil Era Kelulau, Palau Judiciary, as well as the National Hospital beautify their grounds, among others.

Indeed, the College will be fortunate to find a replacement as good and committed as Neri. Still, we realize that Neri wants to enjoy the fruits of his labors after many years of literally toiling the soil. So we say goodbye to him and wish him happiness and success as he takes on much deserved and needed rest from work.

Announcement

The College will be holding a farewell luncheon for Ayano Baules, Neri Alcantara, Allan Rengechel, Hermine Joseph, and Jose Azuma next Friday September 26, 2003 at the PCC Mesekiu Bai, starting at 11:30am.

CARP Reps Visit PCC

Earlier this week, representatives of the Collegiate Association for the Research of the Principle (CARP) visited the PCC campus to promote their organization. Among the main purposes of CARP is to promote good character, student cooperation, future leaders, etc.

Ms. Isako Yamamoto, one of the two CARP members who visited the campus to carry out a membership drive also used the visit to promote the famous Japanese art form of paper folding, better known as ORIGAMI. She demonstrated that with a square piece of paper, one can make a round balloon, various animal shapes, and many other forms. This practice enables one to have fun, not to mention that it is a good activity for relaxation as well as bring out one's creativity and imagination. Anyone who would like to learn more about CARP may contact Isako Yamamoto or Momoe Inoue at telephone (680) 488-4404.

The first meeting for all members of the local CARP Chapter is slated for September 26, 2003 at the CE training room and will feature a special guest speaker from Australia.



Isako Yamamoto (r) demonstrates the age-old Japanese art form known as ORIGAMI.

Library News You Can Use

By Imengel Mad, PCC Library Technician
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What are the two most common species of turtles in Palau? Which two areas in Palau are nesting areas for the turtles? What are the three conservation areas North of Palau? The Micronesia-Pacific Collection is very happy to inform the public of a new addition to our collection. The Palau Conservation Society donated a display rack with all PCS information flyers. This includes various facts sheets for different conservation areas and other endangered species. PCC Library would like to thank Mr. Sam Luttmann, Zoologist from England who is working with PCS staff for donating the "PCS rack of information" to PCC Library.

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Be A GVSU Student like ROP President Remengesau and Finance Minister Sadang

Are you,

- Palauan?
- Considering attending college in the U.S.?
- Would like to attend the school where ROP President Remengesau & Finance Minister Sadang graduated?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, you may just be the one we have been looking for!

The **Grand Valley State University (GVSU)** is looking for one student who is interested in furthering his/her education after graduating from PCC. GVSU will offer one scholarship per year for the next two years to an admitted Palauan student (each year). This scholarship will begin in the fall 2004 semester (next school year).

Any interested student may wish to explore the GVSU web site at <http://www.gvsu.edu>. Or, they may wish to contact Jim Crawley, Associate Director for International Recruitment at the following address: **Grand Valley State University, 1 Campus Drive, Allendale, Michigan 49401-9403.**

For information about this great opportunity, contact Jay Olegeriil at Palau Community College telephone number 488-2471, extension 253. Don't hesitate. You just might be the one that GVSU has been looking for!

Transfer from Palau Community College to Grand Valley State University

To facilitate a successful transfer from PCC to GVSU, the following classes should be taken. If these classes are completed, a PCC student will have completed 10 out of 15 required 'General Education (Gen Ed)' classes done toward completion of a GVSU bachelor's degree. Business students may also take an additional four classes toward their major, while Biomedical and Health Science students may take an additional five classes while at PCC toward completion of their degree at GVSU.

PCC Course	GVSU Equivalence
MA 100	MTH 100 (math basic skills requirement)
MU 102	Meets Gen Ed Fine Arts requirement
EN 189 or PH 169	Meets Gen Ed Philosophy & Literature requirement
HI 159	Meets Gen Ed History requirement
MA 109	Meets Gen Ed Math requirement
SC 115 or SC 160	Meets Gen Ed Physical Science requirement
SC 109* or SC 159a & 159b	Meets Gen Ed Life Science requirement
BA 159, SS 119, SS 129	Meets Gen Ed Social Science requirement (need 2)
SS 189 or Palauan Culture course	Meets Gen Ed World Perspectives requirement

* Biomedical & Health Science majors should take MA 119, SC 109, SC 160

General Education courses to be taken at GVSU:

Freshman Composition (Writing 150)
One course from the General Education U.S. Diversity Category
Three courses from one of the 23 General Education 'Themes'

Business Majors planning to transfer to GVSU should take the following additional courses at PCC:

BA 159, BA 218, BA 219, CS 100 & 121a

Biomedical & Health Science Majors planning to transfer to GVSU should take the following additional courses at PCC:

SS 209, MA 119, SC 109*, SC 160*

* These courses also meet General Education requirements.

BITS AND PIECES...

Thanks OMS

A very grateful individual recently claimed her lost bankbook at the PCC receptionist desk last week, found by PCC student Omsangel 'OMS' Tmetuchl at the College's Main Parking Lot. The owner of the bankbook, who wishes to remain anonymous, thanked OMS saying that if everyone behaved like OMS, this world would be a much better place. Thanks OMS, for a good deed!

REMINDER: October 1st

Don't forget. October 1st is Independence Day for Palau. Find out what is being planned and volunteer to be one of the organizers or a member of the various planning teams. The experience you garner will benefit you for a lifetime -- that's for sure!!!

OOPS, To Err Is Human

In last week's issue of this newsletter, we announced the addition of a new book to the PCC Library's Micronesia Pacific-Collection, written by Mike Stanton. The correct name of the author is **Mike Sakamoto**, and we apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

As reported last week, this highly popular book gave Mike the opportunity to tell tales of the few that got away- and the many that didn't - on fishing trips in Hawaii and beyond. In addition to telling exciting stories, Mike shares 101 tips that show us how to:

- Select and assemble rods and leaders
- Select, make, and use lures, baits, and hooks
- Fight and land a variety of fish in Hawaii
- Be a "lucky" angler

Visit the PCC Micro-Pacific Collection to get more details on this new book!

REMINDER: FSM Scholarship Opportunities

All PCC students from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) are highly encouraged to apply for scholarships that are funded by their respective FSM states and/or national government. Pay attention to those deadline dates to ensure you make it!

Job Opportunities at PCC-UBMS

In the August 15, 2003 issue of this newsletter, we reported that Palau Community College was the recipient of a five-year \$1.1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education to implement a PCC based Upward Bound Math and Science Program (UBMS).

As reported in that article, competition for this grant was high, and PCC was the only institution in the Micronesia region that was granted this year. In other words, the PCC-UBMS became only the third program based in the entire Pacific region, and the only one in the Micronesia region, for that matter. The other two programs are based in Hawaii, USA.

With the PCC-UBMS comes job opportunities that are sure to attract many interested applicants, and the College announces them as follows:

POSITION : Project Director
SALARY : \$17,000.00 - \$25,000.00
(Depending on qualifications)

JOB SUMMARY

1. The Project Director assumes overall responsibility of the project, project staff, and participants.
2. Prepare, submit, and negotiate the budget with U.S. Department of Education.
3. Prepare, submit, and respond to all reports required by the U.S. Department of Education and supervising unit.
4. Represent UB Math & Science Project by participating in college activities.
5. Adhere to the college policies and procedures in carrying out the project.

POSITION : Math/Science Coordinator
SALARY : \$16,000.00 - \$18,000.00
(Depending on qualifications)

JOB SUMMARY

1. Plan and design curriculum for the project.
2. Organize and conduct intensive Science and Math enrichment program during the summer.
3. Plan and organize laboratory experience for participants.

4. Supervise Math and Science students at Project functions.
5. Evaluate and monitor the instructional guides for participants and report progress to the Project Director.

POSITION : Academic Counselor/Advisor
SALARY : \$15,000.00 - \$17,000.00
(Depending on qualifications)

JOB SUMMARY

1. Assist the Project Director with recruitment of eligible participants for Math and Science Project.
2. Provide academic counseling/advising services for participants.
3. Monitor participant's progress in their classes.
4. Provide college preparatory workshops.
5. Organize and provide career exploration workshops.

POSITION : Administrative Assistant
SALARY : \$11,000.00 - \$12,000.00
(Depending on qualifications)

JOB SUMMARY

The Administrative Assistant will be in charge of all administrative/secretarial supports for the project; this includes, correspondence, maintaining and supervising all the files in the office readying periodic reports, filing, supplies and materials, office maintenance and the like.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Application forms can be obtained from Human Resources Division or UBMS Project at the following address:

Palau Community College
Upward Bound Math & Science
PO Box 857
Koror, PW 96940
Phone: 680-488-2962
Fax: 680-488-3405

Submit completed application with transcripts, resume, and verification of previous employment(s), if any, to same address.

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