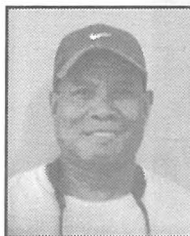


Alumni Notes

Class of 1978 (MOC)

Johnson Ngirailild -



1978 PCC graduate with a Vocational Diploma (VDP) in Electrical Technology (ET). Ngirailild works at Palau Communication Corporation (PNCC) as a Telecom plant Coordinator. He has worked there for the past 24 years.

Class of 1984 (MOC)

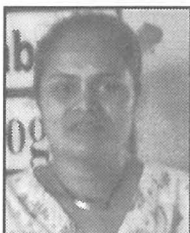
Elizabeth Keptot Ngirakesau



1984 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Food Services (FS). Ngirakesau works at Koror Elementary School as the Chief Cook. She has been preparing healthy meals for students for the past 22 years.

Class of 2000 (PCC)

Jocelyne Tonyokwe -



2000 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN). Tonyokwe is working at Palau National Hospital as a Nurse, offering professional medical care to patients for the past 12 years.

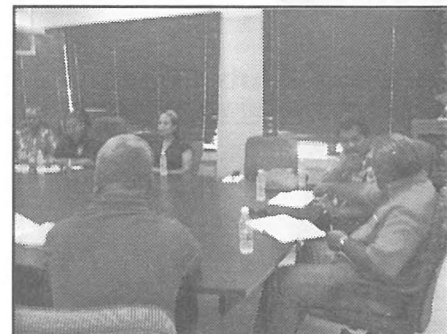
Alumni Notes showcases MOC&PCC alumni who contribute to the quality of life in their local community and are positive role models for other PCC students to emulate. If you are that alumni or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471. We would like to feature you in future issues of the *Mesekiu's News*.

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Celebrating Birthdays
Howard Charles September 15
Happy Birthday To You!

Namekawa Gives Big to PCC and Palau

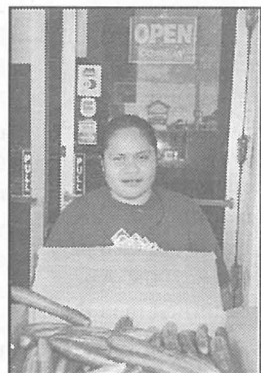
In addition to establishing the Namekawa Scholarship Fund for PCC students worth thousands of dollars, Mr. Yuji Namekawa and the NPO South Sea Community Association (SSCE) again made a generous donation to PCC, this time a form of a Japanese-made Garbage Truck to be used by the maintenance and ground crews of PCC.



President Tellei (right) talks with Vice President Olegeriil during yesterday's meeting with Mrs. Jennifer Yano of the Namekawa South Sea Community Association.

PCC President Tellei and Vice President Olegeriil met with Jennifer Yano who is the secretary of SSCA to discuss the formal handover of the truck. Also discussed was the formalization of the Namekawa SSCA- sponsored exchange program between Palau Community College and Japan. Namekawa and SSCA also donated garbage trucks to Palau's Ministry of Health and a firetruck to the Ministry of Justice.

Yano's Market Donates Again!!!



Yano & Sons clerk Bedebii with the donation

Yano and Sons Market has become a well known contributor to the nourishment of the dormitory students at PCC. Every other week, for the past month, Yano's Market has

FSA to Hold Fundraising On Independence Day!!!

The Faculty Senate Association (FSA) of Palau Community College is going to have a booth during the Independence Day celebration to be held on Oct. 1st at KB Bridge. Money raised during this event will go towards a scholarship for future students at PCC. Show your support by stopping by the booth to buy food, drinks, and other items at very low prices!!! If you are interested in donating food, materials, or anything to help us in our fundraising efforts, please contact Danka or Evangeline at 488-2471 ext. 259 or Joe at ext. 248. Thank you!!

Intramural B-Ball & V-Ball Begins!

The PCC Co-Ed Intramural Basketball and Volleyball Tournament began Monday Sept. 15. The Basketball tournaments are on Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays and Volleyball Tournaments on Tuesdays and Thursdays. First games play at 7 pm and second games at 8 pm. Come cheer for your teams!!!

graciously given large quantities of fresh produce to help nourish the dormitory students who frequent the cafeteria for their daily meals. Just last week, they donated over 50 pounds of egg plants and cucumbers. This week, they again donated 44 pounds of cucumbers and 18 pounds of eggplants. The gratitude and appreciation can be seen in the healthy physique of the PCC dormitory students that consume the healthy veggies everyday. Thank you Yano's Market for helping PCC in promoting the importance of good health!!

Located in downtown Koror, next to WCTC shopping center, Yano & Sons Market offers daily, a variety of sumptuous Palauan dishes, including fresh produce. Stop by and check it out.



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CYFAR- Guam Officials Visit



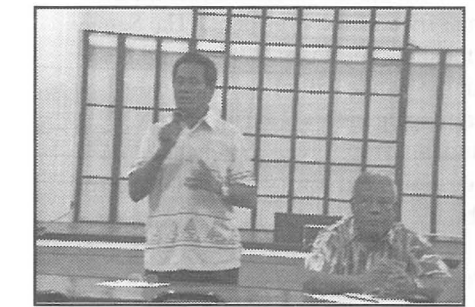
(l-r) PCC CRE Vice President Taro Ngiraingas, CYFAR-Guam Instructor Faith Brown, CYFAR-Guam Project Coordinator Elizabeth Guerrero, PCC President Tellei, CYFAR-Guam State Evaluator Gena Pojas, CYFAR- Palau staff Jalavenda Osima, CYFAR-Guam State Director Theodore Iyechad, and CYFAR Mentor Devi Baranas.

The Children, Youth, and Families at Risk (CYFAR) Guam team and Palau CYFAR staff had a courtesy call-meeting with PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei on Monday morning to go over the sub-award renewal agreement and the year two budget review.

While on island, the CYFAR Guam team also took the time to conduct site visits to Emmaus High School, Belau

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Whipps-Kuartei Speak at ASPCC Forum



Senate President and presidential candidate Surangel Whipps and his running mate Reverend Billy Kuartei speak to PCC students during yesterday's ASPCC forum at the PCC cafeteria. *(See Story on Page 2)*

BOT Holds Meet in Ngchesar Village

The lush mangrove and the clean coastal waters of Ngeraus village in Ngchesar State on the big island of Babeldaob provided the perfect backdrop for the Palau Community College Board of Trustees' special meeting & retreat which was held at the *Bai ra Ilulk* (men's meeting house) in Ngchesar earlier this month.

The village which is about an hour drive from the PCC campus in downtown Koror and the home village of one of the trustees Buk Emil Ramarui, was idyllic for the gathering as it enabled board members to conduct business away from the usual hustle and bustle of the campus board room. All members of

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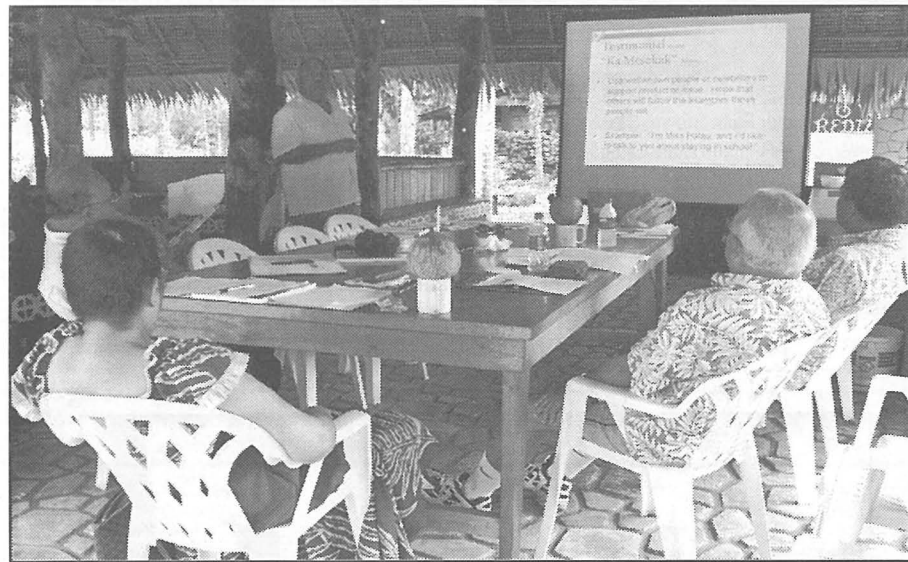


Board members and College officials during last month's BOT meeting/retreat at Bai ra Ilulk in Ngeraus Village, Ngchesar State. (l-r) Vice President Taro, Trustee Roberts, Trustee Ramarui, Chairperson Bilung Gloria G. Salii, Trustee Emesiochl and Presidet Tellei.

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the board were in attendance with Chairperson Bilung Gloria G. Salii presiding. PCC President Patrick U. Tellei was also in attendance along with vice presidents Jay Olegeriil and Thomas Taro and some members of the College's Executive Committee.

The board entertained on their agenda among other things, measures to better monitor power usage on campus and conserve energy to reduce cost, especially in light of prevalent high oil prices. President Tellei in his report during the meeting said that effort will begin with new buildings to be fitted with separate power meters, while current structures' wiring and metering will be surveyed for possible refit. Tellei also updated everyone on the progress of ongoing infrastructure projects such as the state-of-the-art Multi-species Fish Hatchery Center for the College's Cooperative Research & Extension department. The hatchery which is being built in Ngermetengel village,



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (standing left) conducts a presentation during the BOT meeting/retreat at the Bai ra Ilulk in Ngeraus Village of Nchesar State.

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Modekngai School, and Ngaremlengui Elementary School. The tour visits were aimed at visiting schools with vocational workshop sites.

The CYFAR program's mission is to marshal resources of the Land-Grant and Cooperative Extensions Systems so that, in collaboration with other organizations, they can develop and

Ngaremlengui State will hatch and grow popular commercial fish such as groupers and rabbit fish, including popular seafood such as mangrove crabs and giant prawns.

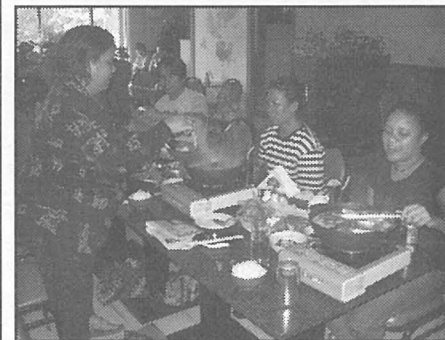
In addition to Tellei's report, the board also had the opportunity to hear from the three deans of the College. Dean of Academic Affairs Alvina Timarong reported on the recent push to improve services by closely monitoring student academic progress, and offering help when needed. Dean of Continuing Education Willy Wally updated everyone on the number of on-going short-term classes currently being offered through Continuing Education. Dean of Students Marensia Edward in her report put the College enrollment at 575.

The special board meeting & retreat wrapped up around noon with Trustee Ramarui taking everyone on the grand tour of the village where he grew up.

PR Manager to Pursue Master's Degree

Koyungil Kebekol, PCC's Public Relations Manager will be leaving the College to pursue her master's degree in business off island. Koyu will leave for Hawaii where she will work part time while preparing for the GMAT examination.

Known by most people simply as "Koyu", she came to PCC fresh after graduating from Ritsumeikan-Asia Pacific University (APU) in Oita, Japan in 2006. Koyu was a hard-worker in all sense of the word and was an active participant in all College activities both on and off campus. She was very well liked by many PCC staff and workers and will be sorely missed. The PCC family, especially the Development Office staff, wishes her the best in all her future endeavors!



Koyungil Kebekol (r) with her Development Office colleagues during her farewell luncheon held at a trendy local eatery.

Whipps-Kuartei Speak at ASPCC Forum

The Association of Students of Palau Community College held an open forum at the PCC Cafeteria on Thursday, Sept. 18, 2008 for the candidates running for the office of the President. The Senate President, Surangel Whipps and his running mate Billy Kuartei, are the first to participate in this open forum. PCC students were given the chance to ask questions and also voice out concerns about education, the economy, etc....

Presidential Candidate Johnson Toribiong will be the guest of the open forum on Friday Sept. 19 and Vice-President Elias Camsek Chin will be on Monday, Sept. 22 at 12 noon.

BITS AND PIECES...

CLUB NEWS!

Tourism Club Officers...



New Tourism Club officers: (l-r) Jeri Temengil, President; Dalton Thomas, Vice President; Ayla Ubedei, Secretary; Lianne Renguul, Treasurer.

EMS SCHOLARSHIP!

The Environmental/Marine Program Scholarship (EMS) applications are now available at the PCC Development Office. High school students, current PCC students, PCC alumni (undergraduate and graduate students) are eligible to apply. Last day to turn in application is October 16, 2008. All applications are to be turned in at the Development Office. For any questions, please contact Vernice Yuji or Sherry Ngirmeriil at 488-2471, ext. 248.

UB Orientation

Upward Bound Math & Science would like to announce the start of the Academic Year 2008-2009. All New and Continuing participants are required to attend the Orientation on September 29, 2008 Monday 4pm at the CE training room.

If you have any question please call 488-3965.

ASPCC Forum Today

Presidential Candidate Johnson Toribiong and his running mate Delegate Kerai Mariur will be the guest speakers at the ASPCC open forum today at the PCC cafeteria at 12 noon. Come hear the Toribiong-Mariur team.

Scholarship Awarding Ceremony held at PCC Mesekiu Bai



PCC student recipients of the Congressional Scholarship and Bank of Hawaii Scholarship.

The Palau National Scholarship Board (PNSB) held an awarding ceremony at the PCC Mesekiu Bai on September 15, 2008 at 9:00am. Scholarship Board Members present were Chairman of PNSB, Mr. Caleb Udui, Vice Chairman, Mr. Nelson Sisor, Caroline Skebong, member, and Jay Olegeriil, member. Congressmen in attendance to present the ten (10) Congressional Scholarships were Senate President Surangel Whipps, and Delegate Kalistus Ngirturong of Aimeliik State. Mr. Tadao Ngotel and Hobbs Lowson, Manager of Bank of Hawaii (BOH) were also there to present the Tadao Ngotel Scholarship and BOH scholarship respectively.

Of the thirteen (13) students that received scholarships, nine (9) of them are PCC students; seven (7) recipients of the Congressional Scholarships and two (2) are recipient of the Bank of Hawaii Scholarships. Recipients of the Congressional scholarships are Swayze Rekiu Chin, who is majoring in Business, Danica Elechang, majoring in Office Administration, Jake Ngiraked,



Mr. Tadao Ngotel (2nd left) with Aimeliik Delegate Kalistus Ngirturong (middle), Senate President Surangel Whipps, PCC President Tellei (far-right), and Scholarship Board Chairman Caleb Udui Jr. after the awarding of the Tadao Ngotel scholarship.

majoring in Nursing, Villiah Ngirmekur, majoring in Liberal Arts, Anthony Rudimch, majoring in General Electronics, Ethan Tmoderang, majoring in Business, and Gail Williams majoring in Liberal Arts. Recipients of the BOH scholarships are Herson Herman and Geneva Ringang who both majoring in Business.

The Congressional Scholarships are awarded to the top ten high school students. This is the first award ceremony that PNSB has held for the Congressional Scholarship Awards.

SDSU Online to Start New Cohorts

Dr. Patrick U. Tellei recently received accolades from San Diego State University (SDSU) for making the SDSU-PCC online program a huge success. A success indeed, the online program has graduated over forty (40) with bachelors's and master's degrees in the field of Education. Students who have taken advantage of the online program have come from various government offices and private agencies such as Palau Community College (PCC). A new cohort for the master's program is set to begin in January 2009.

Interested participants for the master's or bachelor's program are welcome to attend the orientation meeting which will be held on September 22 and 23 at in Room 68 from 4:30pm - 5:30pm. Dr. Spencer of SDSU will conduct the orientation meetings. For additional information, contact Sherman Daniels at 488-2470, ext. 254.