

## Agriculture Club Elects New Officers

Members of the PCC Agriculture Club elected their new officers for the 2000-2001 school year on Thursday, October 5. The new officers are:

**President: Fred Ikertang Vice President: Kaipō Recheungel**

Due to the small number of members this year and limited duties of the office of vice-president, the club membership decided to give the vice-president the duties of secretary/treasurer as well. They plan to amend their by-laws at their next meeting to reflect the change. Please give the new officers your full support. Any PCC student can join the Agriculture Club, come join the fun! Learn where your food's coming from.

## Thanks ALOT!!!

The Agricultural Science (AGS) program would like to thank the Automotive Mechanics program, instructor Eugene Uehara and his students for repairing the AGS pick-up truck. Additional thanks to the Small Engine and Outboard Marine Technology, instructor Joshua Ngirngbedangel and his students for repairs to our tiller and shredder.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!

## Pacific Care Insurance Update Adding Newborn Dependents

PCC received a letter from Pacific Care Health Insurance (college's health care provider) reminding all employees enrolled in Pacific Care Health Insurance Program that, *newborn dependents* must be added to the health insurance plan **within 31 days of birth**. If the *newborn* is not added within this time limit, they have to wait until the following year at renewal of the health insurance plan. If you have questions regarding this matter, please see Karen or Leo at the Human Resources Office or call 488-2471, ext. 228.



## Need Help? Com'on Over!

Developmental English and Math tutoring available at the Project Beacon Math & English Center. Students who need help with assignments or want to review for a tests are welcome to drop by anytime. The Project Beacon staff are ready and happy to assist you. Come over!!!

### TOEFL Information for School Year 2000-01

Test Dates	Registration deadline	Scores mailed
Oct. 21, 2000	Sept. 4, 2000	Nov. 29, 2000
Jan. 20, 2001	Dec. 4, 2000	Feb. 28, 2001
May 12, 2001	Mar. 26, 2001	June 20, 2001

\* Registration fee is \$110 and you may contact the PCC Counseling Office at 488-3036 for more information.

### Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Test

The GRE test for school year 2000-2001 will be administered on October 14, 2000 at Palau Community College. The registration fee is \$125.00

Interested individuals may contact Marensia Edward, Palau GRE Center Supervisor at 488-3036.

### Celebrating Birthdays



A. Sabra Vanoosterweyck Oct. 6  
Lorenza Joseph Oct. 10

**Happy Birthday to you two !!!**



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## PCC-CRE Prawn Project at R&D Station in Ngermeskang, Ngaremlengui

Palau Community College-Cooperative Research and Extension is undertaking a demonstration project on pond culture of the freshwater prawn, *Macrobrachium rosenbergii*, at the PCC's Research and Development Station in Ngermeskang, Ngaremlengui. The main goal of the project is to develop and test techniques for prawn culture that are suited for local conditions here in Palau. Afterwards the techniques for pond culture will be brought to community members in Palau who are interested in going into the aquaculture of prawns.

The project will start with the construction of two ponds. One pond will be 100 feet by 220 feet and the other will be 90 feet by 142 feet. The depth of each pond will range from three to five feet. The ponds will be filled with water from the nearby creek to provide local phytoplankton for the young prawns to eat. Initially we plan to grow out the larvae to adults to obtain broodstock and to demonstrate that it can be done easily and profitably.

Later we will spawn and hatch our own larvae so that we can provide local farmers the stock they need to start their own ponds. We will evaluate the cost effectiveness of local production of prawn larvae compared to buying larvae from outside Palau.

Other phases of the project will include testing of different food sources to determine the best economical source that will give the most desirable growth rate. Work on increasing stocking densities of the prawns to increase the profits for farmers will also be conducted at the R&D Station.

The pond culture of freshwater prawns at R&D Station will be done in a responsible and environmentally sound manner. Water effluent will be used to irrigate the plants at the R&D Station so that the water will not pollute the nearby river. We will also test the effectiveness of different local water plants in removing nutrients from pond water. Creating a new cost environmentally friendly income source for Palau is one of the many goals of the PCC-CRE Department.

**GRE Test Next  
Saturday, Oct. 14.  
For Contact  
Information,  
See Page 4**

## 2 PCC Students First Recipients of Prince Lebuu Scholarship

Two Palau Community College students were happy-recipients of the newly-established Prince Lebuu Scholarship. Wililah Faungy and Kaipō Recheungel each received a \$1000 scholarship which will be disbursed at \$250 per semester over their two year tenure here at PCC. The scholarships, sponsored by the Prince Lebuu Society, were awarded to the students during the unveiling ceremony of the Prince Lebuu Statue on independence day, October 2.

For additional information on this scholarship and others currently being offered by PCC, please contact the PCC Development Office at 488-2471, ext 253.

*For picture of Wililah Faungy and Kaipō Recheungel, See Inside*

**PCC THANKSGIVING DINNER  
FUND RAISER  
NOVEMBER 22, 2000  
PALAU PACIFIC RESORT**

Buy your Ticket(s) to an elegant dinner and chances to win fabulous prizes! Call us at PCC Development Office telephone number 488-2471 for more information or how to go about purchasing your ticket(s) today! So hurry, only 550 tickets are available and if last year was an indication, this year's tickets will be sold out real fast!!!

*Proceeds of the dinner go to the PCC Endowment Fund.*

# Prince Lebuu Statue Unveiled on PCC Campus

After weeks of keeping the public in suspense, Palau Community College finally unveiled the life-size statue of Prince Lebuu on Monday, October 2, 2000, a day which was also observed by the Republic of Palau as its 6th anniversary since its independence in 1994.

The unveiling of the statue on the grounds of Palau Community College was timed to coincide with the 6th independence day celebration of the Republic as to signify the importance and significance of Prince Lebuu and his pioneering quest to England in search of higher education back in the late 1700s.

In 1783, Prince Lebuu, son of paramount Chief Ibedul, set sail with an English captain to England in search of higher education and knowledge to hopefully, one day, bring back to share with the people of Palau.

Prince Lebuu's worldly quest was unfortunately and sadly ended when he was stricken by small pox and died in England shortly thereafter.

To this day, many are still following in his footsteps as it is commonplace for Palauans to go abroad for educational enrichment as well as attainment of new knowledge and information to bring back and share in Palau.

During the unveiling ceremony, two newly established Prince Lebuu scholarships were awarded to two PCC students to help them in their educational pursuit. The \$1000 dollars scholarships were awarded to Wililah Faungy and Kaipō Recheungel, both first year students at PCC. The scholarships are funded by the Prince Lebuu Society whose founding members are *Ibedul Yutaka Gibbons, Bilung Gloria Salii, Jackson Henry and Ngiraibai Masaichi Etiterngel*. The Society, also donors of the statue, chose PCC to be the host of the statue as it is Palau's institution of higher learning and in doing so, hope to encourage and foster in young Palauans the drive and motivation to succeed academically.



Wililah Faungy (l), flanked by her younger sister and mother; with Kaipō Recheungel (r) and his mother are the first recipients of the Prince Lebuu scholarships. The scholarships were sponsored by the Prince Lebuu Society. The total scholarship amount per student is \$1,000 dollars and will be disbursed at \$250 dollars per semester during their two years here at Palau Community College.

Special guests that graced the Prince Lebuu Unveiling Ceremony included: (from left to right) Senate President Seit Andres, *Bilung Gloria Salii, Ngiraibai Masaichi Etiterngel*, House Speaker Ignacio Anastacio, PCC President Tellei, *Prince Lebuu Statue*, Delegate Alan Seid, Jackson Henry, High Chief *Ibedul Yutaka Gibbons*, Chief *Rdechor Mutsuo Delkuu*, and ROP President Kuniwo Nakamura.



# RETENTION WEB PAGE

PCC Retention Office, Tel. #: 488-2471, ext. 247

## PSO Election Official Result September 27, 2000

The Palau Student Organization (PSO) held their elections last month and the following is the line-up of the new PSO leadership:

Total Registered Voters: 512  
Total Votes Cast: 194

**President:** Sharon "Shay" Elbelau \* 189  
**Vice President:** Conlee "Turu" Mongami \* 185  
**Secretary:** Holly "Emaim" Nolan \* 178  
**Treasurer:** Herson "Ngirairiki" Soaladaob \* 182

\*Total votes recieved

Submitted by  
Dirraklai Errich  
Acting PSO President

### Academic Calendar, Fall 2000

October 9-13	Mid-term period
October 20	Last day for all withdrawals
October 24	Holiday: United Nations Day
November 23	Holiday: Thanksgiving Day
November 23-24	Students Thanksgiving Day
December 8	Last day of instruction
December 11-13	Final examination period
December 15	Grades due
Dec. 15- Jan. 1, 2001	Fall Recess

### Attention Contributing Writers

Any student, faculty or staff are asked to submit their article to Armstrong or Dilubch at the Development Office no later than 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays

## Palau Community College Student Government School Year 2000 - 2001

### Student Trustee

Gwendolyn Sisor ..... Student Trustee

### Student Body Association Senate Members

### Presiding Officers

Analiza Ililau ..... President  
Valena Joseph ..... President Elect  
Charlene Omelau ..... Secretary  
Lynna Thomas ..... Treasurer

### Senate Members

Sharon Elbelau ..... Palau State Leader  
Ivan Tauag ..... Yap State Leader  
Jim Obed ..... Pohnpei State Leader  
Dickson Thompson ..... Kosrae State Leader  
Patrick Bells ..... Chuuk State Leader  
Francis Silk ..... Marshall Islands State Leader  
Epsie West ..... Sophomore Class Representative  
Vacant ..... Sophomore Class Representative  
Cheryl Adachi ..... Freshmen Class Representative  
Limei Meyar ..... Freshmen Class Representative

## Students: Type Your Papers at the SBA Office

The computer lab in room #60 will be open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 1:00 - 4:30 p.m. Also the SBA office will have some computers available for students who wish to type their papers; hours will be posted on the SBA bulletin board; please utilize the library for e-mail and internet services, the library staff will be happy to assist you.