

Alumni Notes

Class of 1998

Danny Azuma



Earned his Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Automotive Mechanic Technology. He did his internship at Surangel's Auto Shop and was hired thereafter. He then trained to become a heavy equipment repairman, which he has been doing for the past 10 years. *Message:*

Mo blak a rengmiu ra vocational courses. A Belau a ouspech er kemiu, me lak do lai ra foreigners.

Class of 2010

Glory Kemesong



Earned her Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Nursing. She is currently working at Surangel & Sons as a Service Desk Cashier. She is hoping to someday continue her nursing studies abroad. *Message: Learn to respect each other and your instructors. Also,*

study hard in school.

Class of 2011

Carlson Mesubed



Earned his Associate of Science (AS) degree in Tourism & Hospitality - Tour Services. During the summer, he was hired to teach Algebra at Mindszenty High School. Then, in Fall 2011, he was hired as a substitute teacher this and activities coordinator. *Message: Don't be*

too hard on your teacher's. Trust me, they will be more hard on you!

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*.

Mesekiu's News

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Celebrating Birthdays

Ann Sabra Ngirarorou Oct 06
Miano Sowraenpiy Oct 08

Happy Birthday To You!

"Salamat Po" Endowment Donors



L-R: Arsenio Sumampong, Renante Jusay, Camille Reyes, & PCC IR Ligaya Sara.

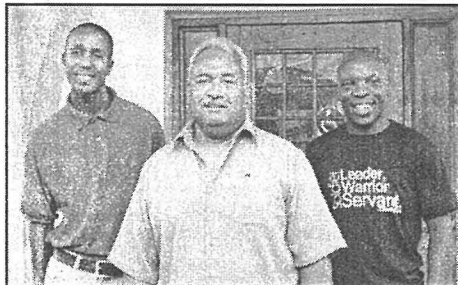
Institutional Researcher, Ligaya Sara brought her friends on September 23, 2011 from CTSI and Printzone to PCC to donate to the Endowment Fund. Renante Jusay is working for CTSI while Arsenio Sumampong, Camille Reyes, Randy Eimbillo and Rolando Martinez, Jr. are from the Print-

zone. Thank you for your support to the Endowment Fund.

If you wish to join the Endowment Fund or to give a donation, please contact the Development Office at 488-2470 ext. 252./253 and ask for Dilubch, Adora or Alvina.

Tellei Bids Farewell to Missionaries

Dr. Tellei met with two Seventh Day Adventist Missionaries on September 22, 2011. Abraham Phiri and Edwin Ogoti will be leaving Palau soon, and wanted to drop off copies of the "Great Controversy" and "The Desire of Ages" for Dr. Tellei, a friend they got to know while staying at Ngaremlengui. Dr. Tellei presented them with PCC souvenirs, and wished them well.



L-R: Abraham, Dr. Tellei & Edwin.

New Employee



Uroi Sali

Welcome! Uroi Sali is the newest member of the PCC family. She is the Director of Finance. Uroi started on September 12, 2011. She holds a BS in Business

Administration from the University of Colorado and an MBA in Business Administration from the National Taiwan University.

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) Tracing & Data Coordinator, Talent Search
Salary range: \$14,000 - \$18,000 per annum

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

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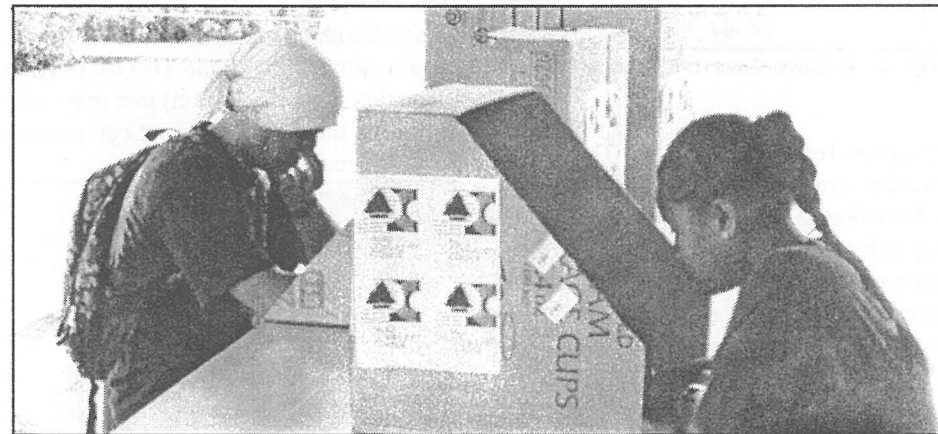


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Weekly Newsletter

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Results of 2011 Student Elections



Efraim Paul and Mariposa Ngiramengior casting their votes during the 2011 SY Elections at Mesekiu Bai.

On September 21, 2011, the Associated Students of PCC held its yearly election to determine who will be the new Student Trustee, President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Sophomore and Freshmen Representatives. The results of the election is as follows:

Student Trustee: Ashley Umetaro
President Elect: Yosko Aichi
Secretary: Chandler Ngirmeriil
Treasurer: Chance Douglas

Sophomore Representatives:
Byron Silil
Hadden Seklii
Freshmen Representatives:
Andrea Uchel
Monique Mariur

The State entities also elected their president who will sit as ASPCC Senator. They are as follows:

Chuuk State President: Abandon Ludwig
Kosrae State President: McKenzie Jackson
RMI President: Edgar Nena
ROP President: Elsei Tellei
Pohnpei State President: Valeen Alexander
Yap State President: Lance Sulog.

With the installation of the new student government, all students are asked to utilize their representatives and college personnel to meet their needs. ASPCC Office is located on the 3rd floor of the TAN SIU LIN Library Bldg. The telephone number is 488-2461.

Congratulations to all elected leaders for 2011-2012 SY.

Addressing Follow-Up Recommendations

Contributed by ALO Deikola Olikong

Beginning September 20, 2011, the Recommendations I-IV Subcommittees met with Chairs & Co-chairs to go over the Recommendation I-IV grid, explaining the process, and to go over the standards needed to be addressed by each recommendation. ALO Olikong was invited to attend these meetings to provide information of the 2012 Follow-Up Report timetable, explain standards, and answered any questions. ALO Olikong and AALO Temaungil continue to meet the Accreditation Steering Committee (ASC) members weekly to address challenges and concerns; assist chairs & co-chairs of tasks and responsibilities; and share success. This is in line with PCC's efforts to write the 2012 Follow Up Report, having addressed all standards required by the Commission.



Steering committee meeting with ALO & AALO. L-R: Omdasu Ueki, Marianne Temaungil, Deikola Olikong, Dr. Isebong Asang, Tehuzi Tadao, Alvina Marcil, Sherman Daniel, Ephraim Ngirachitei, Thomas Taro, Todd Ngiramengior & Jessica Brooks.

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.

President Tellei Meets With Japanese Professors & Students



Back (L-R): Yuka Yano, Izumi Mimura, Datira Shilla & Hideyuki Shiozawa. Front (L-R): Makoto Tsuchiya, Dr. Tellei & Shunsuke Nagashima.

On September 23, 2011, visitors for Japan paid a courtesy visit with Dr. Tellei. The delegation included: Mr. Hideyuki Shiozawa of Sasakawa Peace Foundation, Professor Makoto Tsuchiya, University of Ryukyus, and Professor Shunsuke Nagashima, Kagoshima University Research Center for Pacific Islands. They are doing research on eco systems that incorporates socio eco-

nomics and ecological aspects. The team at this time are scouting Palau and gathering information as to the areas they will be doing their research. On this trip, they visited three watersheds: Airai, Ngermeduu, and Ngiwal. They were accompanied by students Yuka Yano, Isumi Mimura and Datira Shilla who had the opportunity to visit local sites and do their research.

Farewell to JICA Senior Volunteer



L-R: VP Jay Olegeriil, Taiji Usui, Dr. Tellei, Mr. Yoshio Takahashi, Mrs. Keiko Takahashi, Dr. Isebong Asang, Dean Joe Chilton, VP Thomas Taro, Mr. Todd Ngiramengior, and Mr. Omdasu Ueki.

PCC officials held a farewell luncheon for Mr. Yoshio Takahashi and his wife Keiko on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at Fuji Restaurant. During the luncheon, Dr. Tellei expressed profound gratitude to Mr. Takahashi for years of services as a volunteer Instructor for the Agriculture Program at PCC, and also for donating equipment and tools for students to use as they con-

tinue their studies in the animal management field. With his vast knowledge, he has helped students meet student learning outcomes.

Mr. Takahashi dedicated two years of service to PCC. Thank you for your services and donations. Farewell Mr. & Mrs. Takahashi. You will be greatly missed.

Site Visit Conducted For UB & UBMS

Contributed by Kuye Belelai

A comprehensive site visit was conducted by Mr. James Oda for Upward Bound Program and Upward Bound Math & Science Program on August 24th to September 1st, 2011. The purpose of the program review was to assist both program staff in preparing for a site-visit from the US Department of Education. The gist of the evaluation focused on programs compliance with regulations, fiscal management, program services, record keeping, etc. While on campus, Mr. Oda met with UB & UBMS staff to discuss certain provisions of the HEOA (Higher Education Opportunity Act) that may have impact on the upcoming grant competition for both programs this year.



Back (L-R): Larry, Tchuzie, Fred, Keith, & James. Front (L-R): Akiko, Nikita, Geraldine, Lakolani, Helen, and Debra.

SC Students Work With Scientists

Last week Tuesday, September 20, 2011, the students in SC 170 (Marine Biology), SC 201 (Oceanography) and SC 239 (Natural History of Palau) were given a rare opportunity to join the Wood Hole Oceanographic Institution research scientists as they went around Palau collecting field data for their investigation. One of the field trip objectives was for the students to observe how the research scientists collect field



Student Timothy Rafael (SC 239) assists in water sampling.

BITS AND PIECES...

Announcement

From the Human Resource Dept.

Palau Community Colleges' Human Resource Department (HR) is responsible for the recruitment, training, development and retention of its employees. Our HR department works with its employees to shape policies and procedures ensuring that PCC's business and long term goals are in harmony with that of its working staff. Working in partnership with our employees, HR hopes to keep PCC a competitive and desirable place to work for. We want all our employees to know that PCC's HR department is an advocate for its most important resource - its people!

Some services we provide include:

Recruiting, Hiring, Training, Organization Development, Communication, Performance Management, Coaching, Policy Recommendation, Salary and Benefits, Team Building, Employee Relations, Leadership.

Our current staff members consists of:

Director, Human Resources - Omdasu T. Ueki
Personnel Manager - Karen Mobel
General Office Clerk - Harline Haruo

Non-Instrument Navigation

PCC & Micronesian Voyaging Society announces that the next Non-Instrument Navigation class will begin in the 1st week of October with Master Navigator, Sesario Sewralur on the *Alingano Maisu*. The class centers on reviving the ancient knowledge of navigation without the use of modern navigational instruments. Learn to identify and name the stars for navigation and directional purposes; observe and predict weather conditions; and know the functions and operation of traditional sailing canoes. COME and SIGN UP. Space is limited. Contact Norma at 488-2470/2471 for more information.

News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIU'S 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.

PMHC Conducts Training

Contributed by Alex Ngiraingas

The Palau Mental Health Council (PMHC) in collaboration with Palau Community Wellness Clinic coordinated an intensive training from Sept. 21 - 23, 2011, to train volunteers. Self inflicted harm and/or suicide is one of the biggest health issues concerning our community. PMHC invited Dr. Sylvia Wally-Medical Physician/Clinical Psychiatrist from Community Wellness Clinic, Brenda Santos-Bureau of Public Safety, Allyne Andrew-HIV/STI Program, Dean Willy Wally-PCC-CE, & Fumiana Masayos-Senior Social Worker to conduct a community service effort to train and certify volunteers as "Suicide Prevention TALK line specialists". Members of

the community from various governmental agencies and non governmental agencies volunteered to go through this intensive skill enhancement training to be able to handle crisis on the phone for people who are in need of help and prevent others from harming themselves. There were 21 volunteer participants who were certified on September 23, 2011.

PMHC wants to inform the public and the community that the Palau TALK line (775-8255) is available for anyone who needs professional assistance. PMHC gives assurance of the anonymity and confidentiality of conversations and callers.

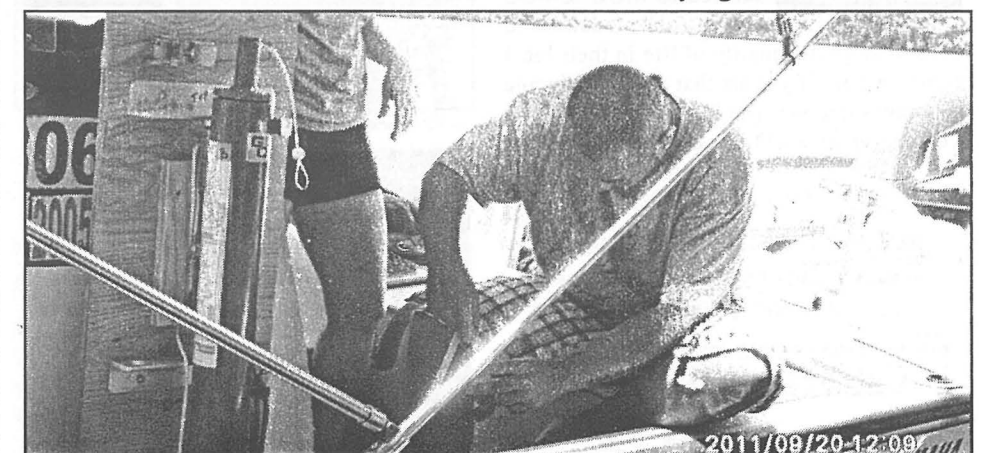


Dean Wally presenting effective communication skills and customer service skills to the trainees.

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data investigating effects of ocean acidification on coral reefs. The research team was interested in collecting data on salinity, temperature of the water, and the amount of dissolved carbon dioxide that is found in the water. Students were accompanied by instructor Sherry Ngirmeriil.



SC 239 student Robert Rengiil assist scientists with water samples.