

**Belau Amateur
Wrestling
Association Thanks
PCC**

Below is the letter from the Belau Amateur Wrestling Association President Tutii Chilton to PCC President Patrick U. Tellei.

29 November 1999

Mr Patrick Tellei
President
Palau Community College
Koror, Palau 96940

Dear Mr. Tellei:

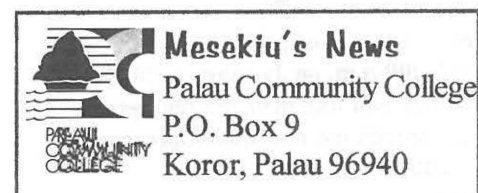
On behalf of the Belau Amateur Wrestling Association we would like to extend our deepest gratitude and thanks for your support towards our programs. Specifically we would like to thank you and the school for sponsoring the luncheon for the Korean Wrestling team on Tuesday 16 November 1999.

With this support we were able to show the Korean team our Palauan hospitality as well as our organizations potential for international competition. This is the first step for us to begin our competitions towards Sydney 2000 for the Summer Olympic Games, and future developments for wrestling in Palau.

Once again thank you for your support and please feel free to call on us for anything that you may need.

Respectfully yours,

Tutii Chilton
President
Belau Amateur Wrestling Association



9th Annual PIALA Conference



Pacific Islands Association of Libraries and Archives (PIALA) '99 participants gather in front of the PCC Bai for a group photo. Participants came from as far as California and Hawaii. Countries, states and territories represented: California, Hawaii, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, Yap, Guam, CNMI, Philippines, American Samoa, Papua New Guinea, and Republic of Palau.

All Faculty and Staff

Our college catalog is up for printing by February 2000 for the next school year. In order to meet this deadline, we need to review it and submit changes by Friday, January 21, 2000.

Staff are asked to review the catalog, especially their sections to make necessary revisions. Everyone's cooperation is needed to ensure that the catalog will have appropriate and accurate information as the accuracy of information is of the utmost importance in serving our customers. Please review and submit changes to Alvina Timarong at the CPC Office.

THINK POSITIVE

If you think you are beaten, you are.
If you think you dare not,
you don't.
Success begins with your
own will.....
It's all in your state of mind.
Life's battles are not
always won
By those who are stronger
or faster;
Sooner or later the person
who wins is the person who thinks he/
she can!

By: P. Thinker

Celebrating Birthdays
Evans Imetengel December 11
Veroonica Kloulechad December 11
Happy Birthday to you all!



**Palau Community College
MESEKIU'S
NEWS**



Friday, December 10, 1999

Weekly Newsletter

Volume 1, Issue 40

**PCC Conducts Recruitment at
Local High Schools**

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Palau Community College (PCC) recently completed the first phase of its recruitment effort at the six local high schools. As in the past, Dean of Students- Presley Etibek, Dean of Continuing Education- Willy Wally, and Dean of Academic Affairs- Meridith Randall met with seniors at each high school to provide information and answer questions about PCC.

Many questions from high school seniors centered on two main topics: (1) How can I finance my education? (2) Will I be able to transfer to a four-year college after PCC?

Students learned that most PCC students receive more than \$3000.00 per year from the Pell Grant, plus other funds from the U.S. Federal Work-Study Program and the Palau National Scholarship Board.

**The Weed Lantana
and the Technique
to Control It**

Lantana, *Lantana Camara* Linn is a perennial spreading aromatic shrub. It is considered a problem weed in many countries of the world such as Australia, USA (Hawaii), Southern Asia, Mexico, South Africa, Puerto Rico, Trinidad, and Jamaica. It is also considered a problem weed in Western Samoa, Cook Island, French Polynesia, Kiribati, New Caledonia, Niue, Norfolk Island, Papua New Guinea, Guam, Pohnpei, and now in Palau, particularly in the State of Angaur.

They were also given a chart showing articulation agreements with regional colleges and assured that most transferring students have their PCC credits accepted by regional and mainland colleges and universities.

Last year, exactly 50% of all graduating seniors in Palau enrolled at PCC, and this year the number is expected to increase.

The second phase of the recruitment visit will be going to the high schools in January to help students complete applications and financial aid forms. There are also plans to schedule an "information" meeting for parents early in the new year.

If you have any questions about the services and the program at the college, please contact us at 488-2471. We are looking forward to helping students begin on a path to successful careers.

The weed forms dense thickets, crowding out desirable plants and in plantations, it impedes as it strongly competes with crop plants for moisture and nutrients thereby reducing crop yields.

Lantana is poisonous to cattle, when ingested, it can cause photosensitivity, scours, jaundice, hepatitis, and death. In Australia 1000 to 1500 cattle are said to die each year from Lantana poisoning alone.

In Palau, there were six bio-control agents released from 1960 to 1977 to control the spread of Lantana. These contributed to slowing the spread of this dreadful weed in Koror and Babeldaob.

Host Family Needed

The College needs a host family for our Japanese volunteer, Reiko Kawamura. Ms. Kawamura is a Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) volunteer working with the PCC's Agricultural Sciences program.

Please contact Fidelia Tengoll at the Academic Affairs Office at 488-2471, ext. 245 for more information.

Party Today!!!

Reminder to all the lucky people that received invitations to the Counseling Office party. The party will be at SLC Club starting at 4:00 p.m. until whenever.....

Don't forget to bring your *KLES*, and your dancing flip-flops! See you when you get there! Call 488-3036 for carpool.

Of the six bio-control agents released, two were established. *Teleonemia serupulosa* (Stal) - Tingidae and *Uroplata girardi* Pic-Chrysolmelidae.

These two useful insects that got established can be collected and released in areas of Palau where Lantana is wide-spread to help control it.

For more information on where to find these insects and their collection methods, contact PCC-CRE at tel #: 488-2746, fax #: 488-3307, or email: ASuata@palaunet.com.

Agriculture Club Invests in New Computer

The PCC Agriculture Club has invested some of their hard-earned money in a brand new computer. The club has raised money through the sales of eggs, plants and T-shirts for the past two years.

In a club meeting held earlier this semester, the club decided to use some of the money to invest in a brand new Micron computer from our friends at Computer Plus. The club decided that it would be a very beneficial educational tool for the present students and the future AG students as club members are able to use the computer to type out papers, do internet research and check campus email. It's especially convenient when there are classes in the computer lab and the computers in the library are being used.

The members of the AG Club are very proud to say that we have invested hard earned money in something that will not only benefit us, but will also benefit the future students in the AG program. We would like to thank **Computers Plus** for giving us a discount on the price of the computer.

DON'T PARK THERE!!!

Let's keep the front lot open for our students and guests of the college. Please refrain from parking there. Thank You!



Agriculture Club officers with their new computer. (L-R) Fredrick Ikertang, Vice President; Uelbil Pua Michael, President; Pong Chingyan, Secretary/Treasurer.

Is Your Dog a Killer?

Did you know that most dogs like to chase and kill chickens? Well, our Agriculture students have learned this lesson the hard way when twice this week, their chicken farm was attacked by dogs that left them with 12 dead chickens.

As part their Agricultural Science Program, they raise chickens mainly for egg production. At the chicken farm, students use what is called a "free range" method to raise the chicken. In the free range production method, the chickens are

allowed to feed and range outside the cages in a fenced area. This improves the health of the chicken, and weeds are controlled as the chickens eat them.

Unfortunately, a fence that was strong enough to keep the chickens inside was not strong enough to keep the dogs out.

Four chickens were found dead last Monday and eight additional were discovered on Tuesday, same fate. Tuesday's incidence took place during the morning between 8:00a.m. and 9:00 a.m. as the agriculture students were in class.

To date, the Agriculture program has lost a total of 30 chickens to dogs at night, but the latest incident is the first time that an attack has occurred during the day.

"They are getting bolder. We have tried strengthening our fence, but they always manage to get in. We could give up completely but this would be depriving our students of an important learning experience," said a dismayed Dr. Joel Miles, Agriculture instructor.

"We have not found a solution to this problem, but believe us, we are working on it," said Reiko Kawamura, a JICA volunteer working with Dr. Miles.

DOGS, BETTER BEWARE!

RETENTION WEB PAGE

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

Exam Study Tips

Be Prepared: The most important factor in exam success is preparation. No matter how many helpful hints you employ, nothing works as well as making sure you have studied enough.

Study Your Weakest Subjects First:

Why? You'll be fresher & therefore better able to deal with difficult areas, and you'll have more time to deal with any problems that arise.

Understand vs. Memorize:

You may pass your exams if you memorize the materials, but you'll improve your grades considerably if you understand what it is you are memorizing. You'll also find the material easy to remember.

Review in a Group:

Make sure the review doesn't take the place of your own study time. Brainstorm possible test questions with your classmates, compare notes & test each other on the material.

Don't Study Too Long:

A 10-hour study marathon will only wear you out. You'll learn more if your study periods are short, frequent and include regular breaks.

Eat Well & Get a Good Night Sleep:

Take care of yourself during exam week - you're going through a lot of stress.

Your success or failure is dependent on how you spend your time between now and the finals. Good luck to all of you and have a safe and joyous holiday season.

Final Examination Schedule Fall Semester 1999

December 13, 1999 classes which meet at:

8:00 a.m.	Take Final Exam From	8:00-9:50 a.m.
10:00 a.m.	Take Final Exam From	10:00-11:50 a.m.
1:00 p.m.	Take Final Exam From	1:00-2:50 p.m.
3:00 p.m.	Take Final Exam From	3:00-4:50 p.m.
5:00 p.m.	Take Final Exam From	5:00-6:50 p.m.

December 14, 1999 classes which meet at:

9:00 a.m.	Take Final Exam From	8:00-9:50 a.m.
11:00 a.m.	Take Final Exam From	10:00-11:50 a.m.
2:00 p.m.	Take Final Exam From	1:00-2:50 p.m.
4:00 p.m.	Take Final Exam From	3:00-4:50 p.m.

Laboratory practical exams and classes scheduled at or after 5:00 p.m. will take final exams during their last scheduled meeting of the classes for the semester.

Classes with unscheduled final exams or make-ups will have their exams on **December 15, 1999**. Instructors should arrange their own schedule and inform the students.

Change of Pre-registration for all Continuing Students (12/27/99-01/06/00)

- Pick up Pre-Registration Drop/Add Form (Free of charge at the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid)
- Complete the Pre-Registration Drop & Add Form with your advisor and return the form to the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid.

NOTE: A student who pre-registers must pick up his/her official class schedule no later than **12:00 p.m. on January 6, 2000**. Students who miss this deadline will lose their pre-registered classes and will have to go through the registration process again starting **January 7, 2000**.

PCC Endowment Announcement!

All PCC staff and faculty who contribute to the PCC Endowment Fund on a bi-weekly basis will be having their annual meeting on Friday, December 17, 1999 at the College Cafeteria, starting promptly at 2:00 pm. Let us gather for just one hour and hear Stan or Jay give a report of just how much money we have raised alone! At the meeting, refund claim forms will be distributed and filled out so that we prepare ahead of time for the January filing. At the same time, the Development Office has some wonderful raffle prizes to be given away at the meeting and you **MUST** be present to win!

Therefore, make arrangements with your schedule to secure your attendance at our annual meeting. In the meantime, Jay will be happy to answer any questions you have or provide further information you may need. Just give him a call at extension #252.

Academic Calendar Fall Semester 1999

December 10th	(F)	Last Day of Instruction
December 13th-15th	(M-W)	Final Exam Period
December 17th	(F)	Grades Due (End of Fall Semester)