

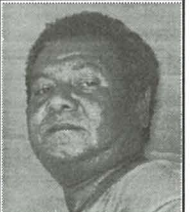


Alumni Notes
Class of 2000 (PCC)
 Sheila Tmarsel -

 2000 PCC graduate with a Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). Tmarsel works at the Ministry of Health Cancer Program as a Case Manager. She has been working there for the past year.

Class of 1998 (PCC)
 Juslee Maui -

 1998 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BA). Maui works at Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC) as a Switch Technician and has been working there for the past 5 years.

Class of 1986 (MOC)
 Jessy Markub -

 1986 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Electrical Technology (ET). Markub works at Hawaiian Belau Rock Corporation as a Heavy Equipment Operator and has been working there for the past 8 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

Antonio Villa	October 13
Debra Neas	October 14
Mason Ngiramolau	October 14
Marianne Temaungil	October 18

Happy Birthday To You!

More Show Support to PCC Endowment Fund

 Lorilynn Derbai

Lorilynn Derbai, a Foreign Service Officer from the Bureau of International Trade & Technical Assistance-Ministry of State, is the newest member of the Endowment Fund. PCC welcomes the new supporters of the Endowment Fund and invites others who have not signed up to show their support as well. For more information about the PCC Endowment Fund, please contact Hulda, Dilubch, or Koyungil at the Development office at 488-2470 ext. 253.

Can You Translate 'Good Mental Health' in Your Language?
 Contributed by: Ministry of Health
 In line with the Ministry of Health's efforts to raise mental health awareness in the context of cultural diversity in our community, the words GOOD MENTAL HEALTH have been translated into 15 common languages in Palau as listed below in alphabetical order. See if you can identify which is which without looking at the language identifier following the phrase.

- Tumivalo ~ Bangladesh, Amir
- 良好的心理健康 ~ Chinese, Google
- Echun Nonomuch ~ Chuukese, Foley & Adore
- Na Bula Vinaka Ni Vakasama ~ Fijian, Dr. Lala
- よい精神衛生 ~ Japanese, Google
- 좋은 정신 건강 ~ Korean, Google
- Wona Menanak ~ Kosraean, Berkey Tilfas
- Ejmour eo Ebo Lomen ~ Marshallese, Bija Jesse
- Ungil Ulekerreuil a Uldasu ~ Palauan, Dr. Wally
- Rahnen Roson Mwahu ~ Pohnpeian, Zane, Yasida, & Harter
- Hauereuerari Mahor Ma Ppow Zri Mengimengi ~ Sonoroese, Laura Ierago
- Matiwasay na Pag-iisip ~ Tagalog, Dr. Reyes
- Fel Fithik I Dow ~ Yapese, Alice
- Pash Liuliuwan ~ Yapese, Paul

Air Force Academy Accepting Nominations
 The Bureau of Domestic Affairs, Ministry of State, is now accepting nominations for 6 young people to compete for an Air Force Academy (USAFA) Appointment for the Class of 2010.

Nominees must be **17 years old and not older than 23 years old by July 01, 2008.**
 Nominees must take either the SAT or ACT. Test results must be received by April 1, 2008. Nominees with SAT math scores below 560 will not be considered.

All nominees should be aware and be prepared for the disciplined environment of the USAFA. The nominees should also understand that this is first and foremost a military training institution. Emphasis is placed not only on academics but also on military training and physical fitness training.

Names and birth certificates of interested individuals must be submitted to the Office of the Ministry of State to the attention of Ms. Eunice Akiwo or Ms. Clarissa Adelbai no later than **October 15, 2007** for formal submission. Application packets will be sent subsequently.

For more information, please contact Eunice Akiwo or Clarissa Adelbai at Bureau of Domestic Affairs at 767-2343/4167 or fax to 767-3680.

Library Hours...

8am-8pm (Mon-Fri.)
 9am-6pm (Sat.)
 12pm-6pm (Sun.)

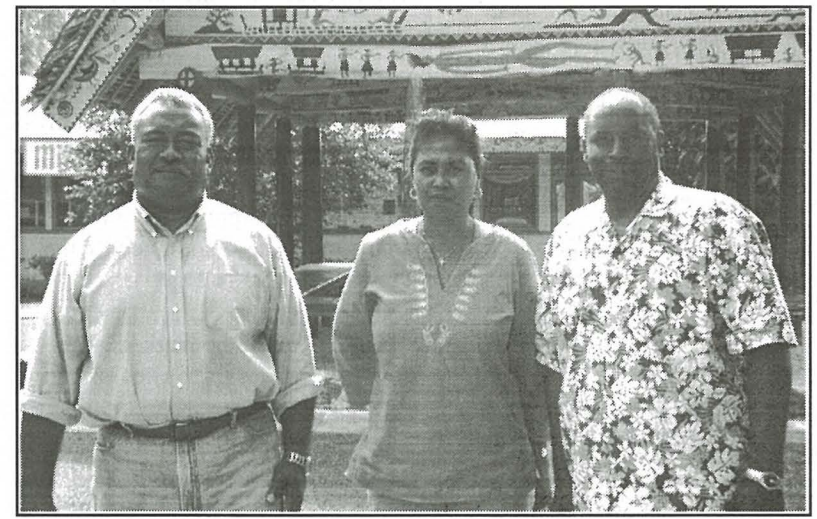
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U.S. DOL- ETA Regional Administrator Meets President Dr. Tellei

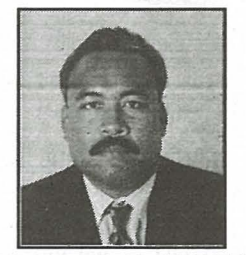


President Tellei (left) with Josephine Ulengchong and Richard C. Trigg in front of Mesekiu Bai during Trigg's brief visit to Palau.

While attending a conference in Guam, Richard C. Trigg made a special trip to Palau to meet with Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program Director, Josephine Ulengchong last Friday. Upon meeting with Ulengchong, Trigg also had the opportunity to meet President Dr. Tellei.

Trigg decided to come to Palau so that he can meet with Ulengchong and any other workforce partners on how ETA might better collaborate and support Palau's continued workforce development efforts.

President Returns from PPEC and DOI Conference in Guam



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

After attending the 2007 Secretary of Interior's Island Business Opportunities Conference last week in Guam, President Tellei returned earlier this week. While attending the Island Business Opportunities Conference, President Tellei met with representatives of various higher education service providers. He also met with officials from Pacific Post-secondary Educational Council (PPEC) for which the College is a member to discuss collaborative work that might be able to help PCC further meet its obligations under the laws of Palau and federal grant obligations.

Environmental/Marine Science Club Monitors Coral City

By: Shelley Remengesau, EMS Student



EMS students monitoring near the Coral City (Ebiil Channel) in Ngarchelong State during the Independence Day fishing derby.

In celebration of Palau's 13th Independence Day, a fishing derby was held in the waters of Ngarchelong State. Given that the site of the derby was near Coral City (Ebiil Channel), a conservation area, the Ebiil Association had sought assistance from the Environmental/Marine Science (EMS) Club to monitor the site during the event. The club members were joined by friends and individuals from the Ebiil Association and Palau Conservation Society to monitor the site. While the task was specific to monitoring the area, the club members were grateful to what the task brought with it: a visit to Coral City! Given that the topic of

coral reefs is one of science's most renowned aspects, everyone very much appreciated what had turned out to be a great class on corals. The corals were just beautiful! There's no other way of putting it. It was an exposure that was both interesting and educational. Therefore, despite what was indeed a rough boat ride due to the high seas, the EMS club regards Coral City as having been "worth the ride"! The club officers and members would like to thank Ebiil Association for a wonderful opportunity and personally thank Geraldine, Jade, Aluka, and Kellael for accompanying them on the trip.

UH-PBC Research & Administrative Manager Visits College



Dorothy Y. Han Chen and President Tellei (left) pose in front of the College sign yesterday.

University of Hawaii Pacific Business Center (PBC) Program- Research and Administrative Manager, Dorothy Y. Han Chen visited the College and met with President Dr. Tellei during her brief three-day stay in Palau.

New Assistant Instructor to Help Students



Uroi Salii

To better help the students elevate their academic standings, Uroi Salii is an addition to the assistant instructors who help assist students with their remedial classes. Starting Monday, Salii will provide services in Math and English remedial classes. "I'll be available to assist any student who needs help in Math and English so, do not hesitate to stop by", says Salii. She is ready to help students so, do take this opportunity and visit her at Faculty 2 office.

New Structural Engineer-AutoCAD Designer Arrives



Chester Paran Lelis

The College welcomes the new arrival of the Structural Engineer-AutoCAD Designer, Chester Paran Lelis who arrived yesterday morning. Young and full of new ideas, Lelis will primarily be designing the new library which is expected to be completed next year. He will also be designing any other architectural tasks assigned by the President of the College.

Considering that he worked as an architectural designer/sales executive for Union Galvasteel Corporation in the Philippines and has a Bachelor of Science degree in Architecture from the University of Mindanao, he is well equipped to fulfill his responsibilities. Some of his responsibilities include drafting and reviewing construction drawings for compliance and adherence to building specifications; coordinate with contractors in every phase of the construction process; and preparing work plans for construction forces.

"I am happy and excited. My new job is both challenging and interesting, but I also see it as an opportunity to grow as a person as well as in my profession and begin to go beyond my limits and explore the best of my capabilities", says Lelis.

Message of Appreciation

On behalf of the Maech family, Akilina, Abel, and Hamilton would like to extend their sincerest appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to all PCC staff. Your support and generosity during our time of sorrow will not be forgotten. God Bless us all!

BITS AND PIECES...

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Builders' Club Elects New Officers...

By: Esmeralyn Baulis, Builders' Club Secretary

It's a new year with fresh thoughts and ideas. Speaking of new and fresh, the Builders' Club has newly elected officers: Sherwin Matam was elected as the new president; Ursela Salvador the new vice president; Esmeralynn Baulis the new secretary; and Kato Katosang as the treasurer. Builders' Club is open and willing to take on any construction projects. Our office is located at the Temekai Building behind Academic Affairs office so, if you want us to make dressers, tables, shelves, etc. give us a shout out.

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Clinical Counseling Starts Oct. 19th...

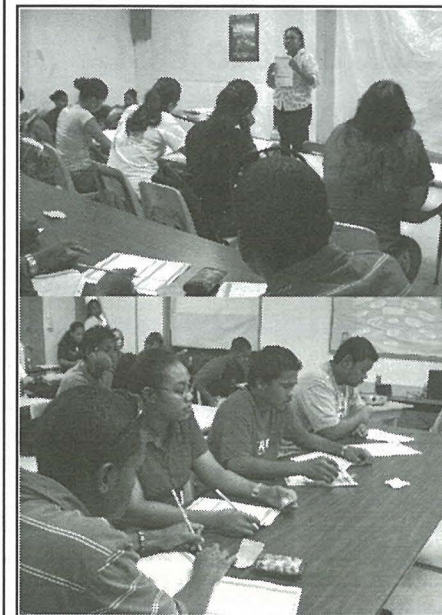
The Clinical Counseling class, sponsored by the Ministry of Health in association with PCC-Continuing Education (CE) office, will begin on October 29th. Registration is still open, so if you want to enroll in the class, please call Taruu Nakamura or Leona Blaluk at CE office at 488-6223/2470/2471 or call Alex Ngiraingas at Bedochel Substance Abuse Center at 488-1164/4711. For more information, please call Alex at the above said number.

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Basic Tagalog Will Begin Soon...

Continuing Education (CE) office would like to announce that the Basic Tagalog class is set to begin this October. Registration is still open so if you want to take the class, please call CE office at 488-6223/2470/2471. For those who have registered and have not paid their fees, please stop by CE office and make payment.

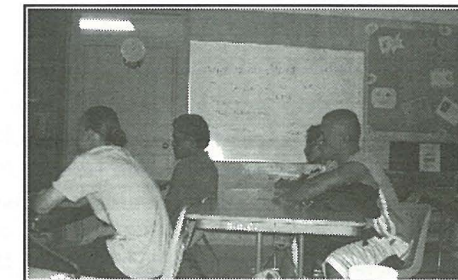
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Students having their workshop with SSS staff.

Previous activities were held as well during the earlier part of this semester to welcome students back to school. On September 21, 2007 (Friday afternoon), an activity was held at the Tutoring Lab to welcome new participants to the program. A total of thirty two (32) students attended the activity which began with an "Ice-Breaker," followed by a mini-workshop on "Time Management." The "Ice Breaker" was necessary and appropriate since the participants were new to the program and we wanted to create an opportunity for them to know each other and to feel welcome and at home with the program staff. It was also

crucial that "Time Management" be the initial topic in our series of workshops to be offered this semester, considering that a majority of the attendees were incoming college students, and it was the beginning of a new semester. A "Time Management Academic Kit" was introduced, and provided to the participants to help them get organized. Based on the workshop evaluations, the new participants rated the overall workshop as excellent, and the content material as something useful that can benefit them as college students. A matinee was provided afterwards for those who were free in the late afternoon. Another afternoon of matinee was held on September 28, 2007 (Friday afternoon), for continuing program participants since there was not enough space to accommodate them in the first matinee held. A total of thirty six (36) students participated. As usual, the matinees were followed by questionnaires to give students the opportunity to practice their analytical and writing skills.



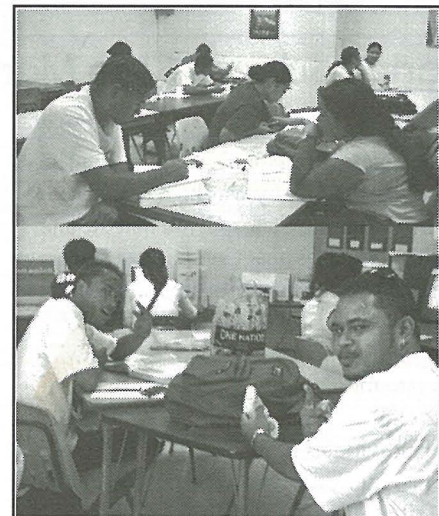
SSS clients enjoy a matinee after the workshop concluded.

SSS-Project Beacon Kicks Off FALL 2007

By: SSS-Project Beacon Peer Counselors/Tutors

On Thursday and Friday, October 4 & 5, Study Marathons were conducted at the SSS-Project Beacon tutoring center. The two days were devoted to helping students review for their mid-term exams, since mid-term exams were scheduled from October 8 to 12, 2007. One hundred seventeen (117) students participated in the study marathons. Aside from English, Math and Science students that participated, we also had students from IT 105, CO 110, HP 180 & 181, OA 112, 211 & 210, CS 100 & 213, SS 189, JP 109, HI 159 & 179, TH 101 & 115 and BA 110, 130 & 122. Instructors and tutors kept busy, hopping from one student to another, helping them with reviews. A number of students studied in groups, while others opted to study on their own. At times it got too crowded, that spill-over groups occupied the main SSS-Project Beacon Office. SSS-Project Beacon staff donated to provide a "Tet Buai"...basket filled with betel nut, pepper leaves, and lime to tidy the students on the Thursday study marathon. During the

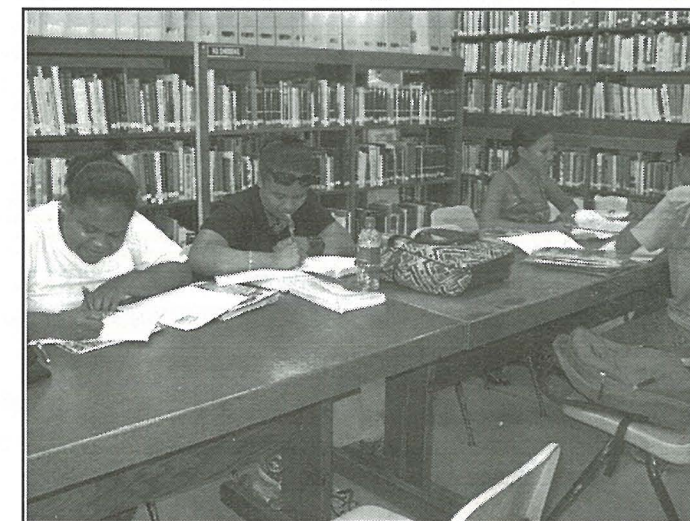
Friday study marathon, the CRE Office donated snacks and refreshments to sustain the students while they studied. A big HOLLA to CRE from the students for supporting the study marathon. Hopefully all students that participated will pass their mid-term exams with flying colors.



SSS clients having a study marathon at Project Beacon office.

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Students Preparing for Mid-terms



Two months has passed since classes started and now students are busy preparing for their week-long mid-terms which ends today. From the walkways, bais, library, benches, under the trees, wherever there is peace and quiet, you see students busy studying and reviewing their notes for their next exam. Good Luck!