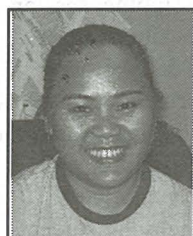


## Alumni Notes

### Class of 2000 (PCC)

Jennifer Kailau -



2000 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BA). Kailau works at the Ministry of Health-Finance department as an Accounting Technician. She has been working there for the past 7 years.

### Class of 1998 (PCC)

Cecilia Ikyasang -



1998 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BA). Ikyasang works at the Ngardmau Free Trade Zone Authority as a Secretary and has been working there for the past 2 years.

### Class of 1981 (MOC)

Louisa April-



1981 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). April has been working at the Western Caroline Trading Company (WCTC)-Purchasing Department as the Buyer for the past 3 years, but has worked at WCTC for a total of 22 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

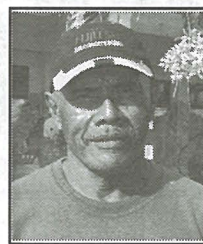
Joel Yabes	November 2
Dr. Patrick U. Tellei	November 7
Maureen Renguul	November 8

**Happy Birthday To You!**

## More Show Support to Endowment Fund



Lucio N. Remoket



Joseph Lee Mad

Lucio N. Remoket and Joseph Lee Mad of Koror State Government- Public Works office are the newest members 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.

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guides. In fact, the stories were that interesting that our students had a multitude of inquiries, which of course led to the sharing of various legends from other villages. So aside from physically exhausting our tour guides with all the trekking, we also took advantage of gaining much cultural and historical knowledge from them.

We want to extend again our appreciation to Governor Arurang for taking time out of his busy schedule to provide us with a personal tour of the Ngiwal State Farm, and for sharing his views regarding Ngiwal's future in agriculture and aquaculture. We also want to thank Ms. Lorenza Olkeriil for navigating us thru the villages of "Ngermechau" & "Ngercheluuk" and sharing the rich history of the various cultural sites in Ngiwal, as well as



SSS-Project Beacon Director Vernice Rechebei (center) and Lorenza Olkeriil (front right) with the students at Uong's tomb site area.

## Purchase a Ticket!

The following PCC Board of Trustee (BOT) members and staff are selling tickets for the 2007 Endowment Fundraiser:

1. Trustee Bilung G. Salii
2. Trustee Masa-Aki Emesiochl
3. Trustee Buk Emil Ramarui
4. Trustee Dr. Emais Roberts
5. Trustee Valeria Toribiong
6. Student Trustee Leena Muller
7. PCC President, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei
8. VP Jay Olegeriil
9. VP Thomas Taro
10. Dean Alvina Timarong
11. Dean Willy Wally
12. Todd Ngiramengior
13. Dir. Armstrong Debelbot
14. Dir. Deikola Olikong
15. Dir. Kuye Belelai
16. Dir. Dahlia Katosang
17. Dir. Vernice Rechebei
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20. Manager Koyungil Kebekol



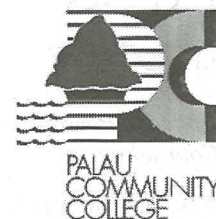
SSS-Project Beacon students pose in front of the Ngirngemlas statue at the Ngirngemlas square in Ngiwal State during their cultural site visit.

granting us the opportunity to taste the famous "Subliwal".

Finally, we want to acknowledge the Bureau of Community & Cultural Affairs for continuing to support the Cultural Site Visits. Ms. Rita Olsudong did a wonderful job of educating us about the cultural and historical aspect of each site, in terms of the settlements and livelihoods of the Palauan people. The ingenuity of our ancestors is evident in the settlements and the stone paths. Although resources were limited, it is interesting to note that the lay out of the sites were well planned and developed to meet the needs of the villagers' ages ago.

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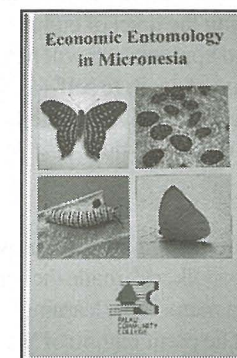


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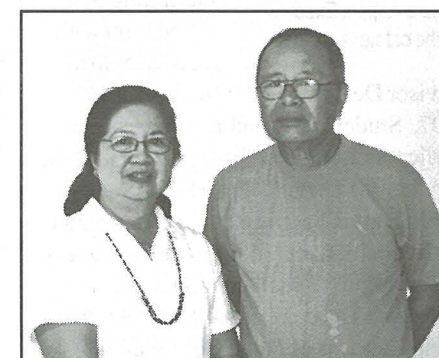
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## PCC-CRE Produces 1st Agricultural Science Book



Economic Entomology in Micronesia



Economic Entomology in Micronesia Authors, Dr. Aurora G. Del Rosario (left) and Dr. Nelson M. Esguerra (right).

Two PCC-Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Researchers, Dr. Nelson M. Esguerra and Dr. Aurora G. Del Rosario, teamed up to produce a new book entitled "Economic Entomology in Micronesia". This book is considered to be the first book written by staff of PCC-CRE in Palau and also the first book written by staff with the College of Micronesia Land Grant System.

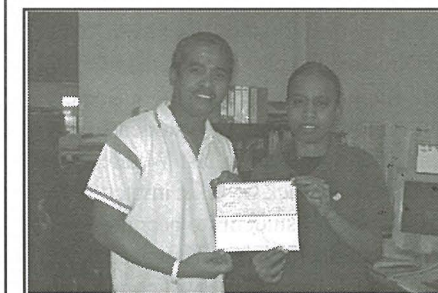
The book contains a total of 84 pests of crops including 369 colored photographs of the pests. It has also a list of references, summary of occurrence and distribution in Micronesia, indices to scientific names and common names of pests and host plants. Majority of the photographs required the use of a digital camera attached to a dissecting microscope to obtain clear photographs of small pests that would otherwise be unrecognizable.

The main purpose of writing this book was to show that even smaller institutions in Micronesia like the Palau Community College can be a good source of valuable information in agricultural science which can be used as a reference book by undergraduate and graduate students in agricultural science, agricultural researchers, extension agents, and those interested in agriculture.

Dr. Rosario and Dr. Esguerra specifically acknowledge the editor, Mrs. Alice Arejola, from the University of the Philippines for a good job in advising them on a better presentation and layout of the text and photos.

For more information about this book, contact Thomas Taro, Vice President, Cooperative Research and Extension at telephone number (680) 488-2746/4983 or e-mail [tarothomas@yahoo.com](mailto:tarothomas@yahoo.com).

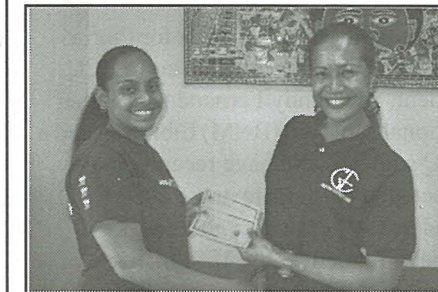
## More Donate to Thanksgiving Fundraising



Jasmine Ruluked (right) of Socio Micronesia, Inc. hands over the \$1,000 dollar check donation to Nino Pate of PCC Development office.



Janice Aguon (left), Sales Manager of Palasia Hotel Palau, hands over their donation of (2) gift certificates for one-night complimentary room accommodation and (4) gift certificates for the health spa & fitness center to SBA President Emrei Takeo.



Representing Gibbons Enterprises Corporation, Viola Kanai (right) gives their donation of (2) gift certificates to PCC student Kristy Olkeriil.

**PCC THANKSGIVING FUNDRAISING SET FOR NOVEMBER 21, 2007 FROM 1:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M. TICKETS ON SALE FOR \$10.00 EACH. TO DONATE OR PURCHASE TICKETS, PLEASE CALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICE AT 488-2470/2471. SEE BACK PAGE FOR LIST OF TICKET SELLERS.**

## Sixty-two Students Invited to Join International Honor Society



PCC students watching the video presentation by the Phi Theta Kapp's Executive Director, Rod Risley at Wednesday's orientation at the cafeteria.

completed 12 college credits, students are invited to apply membership of this honor society. The 62 students who were invited by President Tellei will become members by submitting an application with a fee of \$75.00 to

"... You are the best of the best from PCC", said Director Deikola Olikong, the PCC Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society Advisor, to the twenty (20) students who attended the orientation last Wednesday. President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei invited sixty-two (62) eligible students to become members of the Phi Theta Kappa an International Honor Society of community colleges. Over 1,200 community colleges in the United States, Canada, the Pacific, and around the world with over one million members take part in this society which fosters student's success, voices academic excellence, opens variety of opportunities, offers scholarships yearly worth \$35 million dollars, and builds network.

With a CGPA of 3.5 and above, and have

Advisor Dei Olikong by November 16, 2007. Students who submit their applications and pay fees will be inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society PCC Chapter, Pacific Region Chapter and the International Honor Society at the end of this month. Membership fee is a one time deal. There are nine (9) current Phi Theta Kappans of Palau Community College Chapter and we are looking forward to induct more members at the end of this month.

Invited eligible students may pick up application forms at the Office of Student Life. For more information, please contact the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society Advisors, Director Deikola Olikong @ 488-2690/3036 or Dean Alvina Timarong @ 488-2470/2471.

## PCC LS Students Awarded "Leaders for Libraries" Scholarship

By: Debra Neas, Interim Librarian

Congratulations are in order for Pioria Asito, a Library Technician and a PCC student, and Sandy Fernandez, a Belau National Museum (BNM) Librarian and a PCC student, who have recently been selected to participate in the 2007 Leaders for the Pacific Libraries (LPL) project, funded by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The LPL activities are an integral part of the Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums conference this year, which will be held on Tinian, CNMI, from 12 November to 17 November 2007.

Pioria Asito and Sandy Fernandez will be enrolled in the pre-conference workshop, "Protecting Library & Archive Collections: Disaster Preparedness, Response Recover". In addition, they will attend a two-part workshop on "Care of Library Materials" during the conference proper. Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL) received funding for this project through an IMLS-funded Laura Bush 21<sup>st</sup> Century Librarian Program Grant and awarded two candidates from Palau to attend.

## SSS-Project Beacon Treks to Ngiwal State

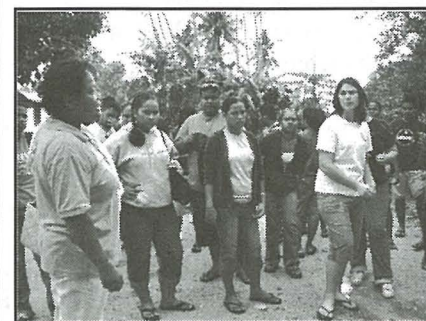
By: SSS-Project Beacon Peer Tutors and Counselors

On Friday, October 26, 2007, forty (40) SSS-Project Beacon students and staff went on a Cultural Site Visit to Ngiwal State. On board two buses, the troop went to Ngiwal via Despedall route, and returned on the Kiukl route. The Cultural Site Visits are opportunities to orient students about our culture and history. Raising the level of cultural awareness and appreciation will help instill the value of positive self-worth that can serve as a motivating factor for students to strive to do their best at all times.

Governor Arurang and his staff, as well as Ms. Lorenza Olkeriil, made the trip to Ngiwal State a memorable learning experience. The participation of Ms. Rita Olsudong, an archaeologist from the Bureau of Community & Cultural Affairs, added to the quality of learning that was afforded our students. We were able to visit various cultural sites in Ngiwal that included: *Sualel a Iluochel*; *Ngirngemlas' Grave & Lukel a Tutau*. We also had the opportunity to visit "*Ngirngemlas Square*." Last but not least, we were able to visit the state farm, which was huge and had a good variety of plants that included bananas, guavas, and vegetables among others.

The students enjoyed themselves tremendously and found the trip extremely interesting. In particular, they enjoyed learning about the cultural sites, and the oral history shared by our tour

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Lorenza Olkeriil (left) describing the history of the Kanzadori to the students.

## BITS AND PIECES...

REMINDER

### Reminder for PCC Department Heads Annual Reports Due...

In accordance with 22 PNCA, PCC is required to submit its Annual Report to the Board of Trustees by December 31st. All departments, divisions, and offices are hereby requested to begin compiling their respective reports, and submit them to the Development office by Tuesday, November 20th, 2007. If you have any questions, please contact Koyungil Kebekol at extension 252.

THANKS

### Day Care Kids Thank PCC Staff...



Day Care kids trick-or-treating on campus.

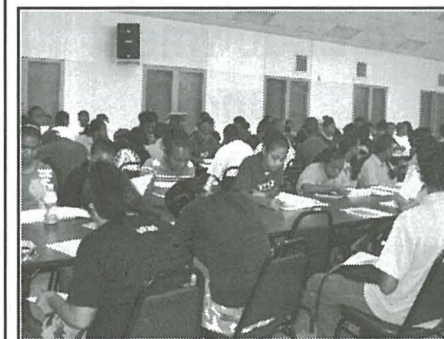
In the spirit of Halloween trick-or-treating, the Day Care kids visited the PCC offices and got many wonderful treats. They would like to thank all the PCC staff for their tasty goodies and making their Halloween fun and exciting.

ANNOUNCEMENT

### Mabuhay! Learn Basic Tagalog at PCC...

Continuing Education (CE) office would like to announce that it is offering a Basic Tagalog class. Anyone who is interested may contact Taruu Nakamura or Leona Blaluk at CE office at 488-6223/ 2470/2471. For those who have registered but have not paid their fees, please stop by CE office and make payment.

## Upward Bound Program Holds Orientation



New and continuing UB students examining their new class and counseling schedules at the fall orientation on October 26th.

One hundred and ten (110) students, ranging from 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, attended last Friday's Upward Bound (UB) fall orientation where UB Director Kuye Belelai and her staff provided student handbooks, schedules, and other necessary information that the students needed to know before starting UB classes. Parents of current UB students also showed their support and attended the two-hour meeting.

The UB program, geared towards high

school students only, began this past Monday and will run through until May of next year, including a summer session, which lasts six (6) weeks. Students enrolled in UB will have daily tutoring classes by qualified instructors as well as counseling classes to help them attain the best grades they could possibly achieve. The program also holds a variety of monthly workshops to help the students orient themselves with the different situations they may face while away in College and/or away from their families and friends.

UB is one of the four TRIO programs available here in Palau and PCC. The three other TRIO programs include Upward Bound Math & Science (UBMS), Talent Search (TS), and Student Support Services (SSS). These programs are U.S. federally funded programs created to help students achieve their goals in furthering their education and attaining a Bachelor's degree. For more information about the UB program, please call UB office at 488-2962/5895.

## "Tuesday Night" Program Emphasizes Character Building

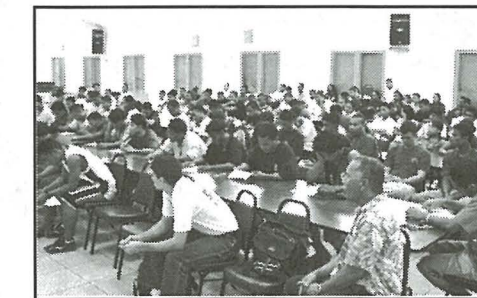
Are you a good person? What is good and bad? Do you think it matters whose truth you follow? These were some of the questions that the one hundred fourteen (114) PCC students had to ask themselves at this month's "Tuesday Night" Program. Held earlier this week at the Cafeteria, Youth Director at the Palau Baptist Church, Andrew McClure shared with the students the importance of character building and provided visuals to help the students better understand the concept. *Your truth, My truth, Who's truth?* and *The Good Test* videos helped the students know some right and wrong situations.

Participants Comments:

"I learned which character is right to have and how to choose the right decision and become a good person. I like every single thing that was presented. This presentation was a good and effective lesson to all students".

"I learned what the difference is between bad and good and also about truth. I liked the last part of the session where we were learning whether or not we were as good or bad as we thought we were".

After the thought provoking videos, the guests and the students enjoyed refreshments provided by the Cafeteria staff, filled evaluation forms, and listened to a few announcements before concluding what was again a worthwhile program organized by the Student Life office.



Students filling in their questionnaires at the "Tuesday Night" Program.