

Alumni Notes

Class of 1981 (MOC)

Steven Kanai -



1981 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Electronics Technology (GET). While a student at MOC, Kanai was the dorm-mate of PCC President Tellei. He is a former representative to Palau's Washington DC office. He also served as the Director of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs before being elected to the Senate of the 6th Ulbil Era Kelulau (CEK) where he was appointed by his fellow Senators as the Floor Leader. He currently runs his own company- Stekan's Enterprise -and is one of the 43 senatorial candidates in the November general election.

Class of 1981 (MOC)

Earnest Ongidobel -



1981 MOC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in General Electronics Technology (GET). Ongidobel works as a special assistant to RCP President

Remengesau Jr. and is also the News Director for the government radio station 5SAA/ECC Paradise. Ongidobel who orchestrates the weekly presidential press conference is a senatorial candidate in the upcoming November Palau-wide election.

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

Elia Rdiall	November 1
Tchuzie Tadao	November 1
Joel Yabes	November 2

Happy Birthday To You!

PCC President Survey: On-going

The Institutional Research of Development Office is conducting the PCC President Survey to all faculty and staff until November 7, 2008. The Assessment Consultant will bring the form to your respective offices; those who have received the survey questionnaire may complete survey and submit it to the Development Office. A "drop-box" is provided to help keep/maintain your evaluation confidential. The survey was designed to assess the quality and outcomes of the president's administrative performance within the context of the institution's vision, mission, and unifying principles.

The Development office would like to thanks in advance the faculty and staff who will be participating in the survey. Your cooperation counts! Should you need further information or clarification on the survey, please contact Niño "Onz" Pate at extension 251.

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downtown Koror. The donation was made as part of NRCS partnership strategies to supply locals with valuable information about natural land resources. NRCS works to provide technical conservation assistance to local land developers. The formal handover of the collection was held in the PCC board room on Monday. Dean of Students Marenia Edwards represented President Tellei who was off-island at the time. Also present at the ceremony were US Charge d' Affaires Mark Bezner, NCRS officials John H. Lawrence, Daniel K. Bloedel and Larry T. Yamamoto. Grace Merong and Debra Neas of the PCC Library also attended.

Library Welcomes All

The PCC library welcomes all patrons to check-out its collection which includes various magazines, newspapers, fiction and non-fiction books, and helpful reference materials. Friendly library staff are always willing and eager to help you. Stop by and visit. We are open 7 days a week.

Mon.-Fri.	8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Sat.	9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sun.	12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

General Election November 4, 2008

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

#1 Johnson Toribiong
Kerai Marior

#2 Elias Camsek Chin
Alan Rechuldak Seid

KOROR STATE

#1 Hilario Ngiraidong
#2 Alexander Merep
#3 Salvador Tellames

KAYANGEL STATE

#1 Noah Kemesong
#2 Jeffrey Titimil

NGARCHELONG STATE

#1 Don Bukurrou
#2 Faustina K. Rehuher-Marung
#3 Dilmai J. Saiske
#4 Marhence Madrangchar

NGARAARD STATE

#1 Salvador Remoket
#2 Gibson Kanai

NGIWA STATE

#1 Francis X. Llecholch
#2 Krispin Termeteet
#3 Noah T. Idechong

MELEKEO STATE

#1 Lencer P. Basilus
#2 F. Kazuo Asanuma
#3 Teodoro Rengulbai
#4 Danny Sumang Ongelungel

The Senate

#1 Raynold Oilouch
#2 Mark Rudimch
#3 Regina K. Mesebeluu
#4 Masayuki Adelbai
#5 Santy S. Asanuma
#6 Haruo Ngiraked Wilter
#7 Mlib Tmetuchl
#8 Gale N. Ngirmidol
#9 Masa-Aki Emesiochl
#10 Joan Hinang Demei
#11 Adalbert Eledui
#12 Temmy L. Shmull
#13 Jeff Ngirarsaal
#14 Paul W. Ueki

#15 Tadashi Sakuma
#16 Martin N. Rengul
#17 Elia Tulop
#18 Ngirataoch Nick Ngwal
#19 Tommy Esang Remengesau Jr.
#20 Adair Sumang
#21 James Unique Orak
#22 Roman Yano
#23 Tadao Ngotel
#24 Elbuchel Sadang
#25 Joel Toribiong
#26 Otoichi Besebes
#27 John B. Skebong
#28 Mario Katosang

#29 Yukiwo P. Dengokl
#30 Hokkons Baules
#31 Fritz Koshiba
#32 Alfonso N. Diaz
#33 Dwight Alexander
#34 Regis Akitaya
#35 J. "Risong" Tarkong
#36 Earnest Ongidobel
#37 Caleb Otto
#38 Lorenza Olkeriil
#39 Kathy Kesolei
#40 Jennifer Y. Sugiyama-Yano
#41 Dilmei L. Olkeriil
#42 Steven Kanai
#43 Gillian Johanes

The House of Delegates

NGCHESAR STATE

#1 Sirino Hideo
#2 Bonifacio S. Basilus
#3 Marcello Cello Ngirkelau
#4 Zacheus Kotaro
#5 Moses Y. Uludong
#6 Seciil Eldebechel

NGARDMAU STATE

#1 Balkuu Kumangai
#2 Rebluud Kesolei
#3 Swenny M. Ongidobel

NGEREMLENGUI STATE

#1 Alonzo Kyota
#2 Portia K. Franz
#3 Jerry Nabeyama
#2 Valentino Emesiochl

AIMELIK STATE

#1 Warren S. Umetaro
#2 Kalistus Ngirturong

AIRAI STATE

#1 Noah Sechalraimul
#2 Tmewang Rengulbai

PELELIU STATE

#1 Jonathan "Cio" Isechal

ANGAUR STATE

#1 Horace N. Rafael
#2 Natus Mischech

SONSOROL STATE

#1 Marcelino Xavier
#2 Edwin Mario

HATOHOBEL STATE

#1 Sebastian R. Marino
#2 Huan F. Hosei
#3 Wayne Andrew

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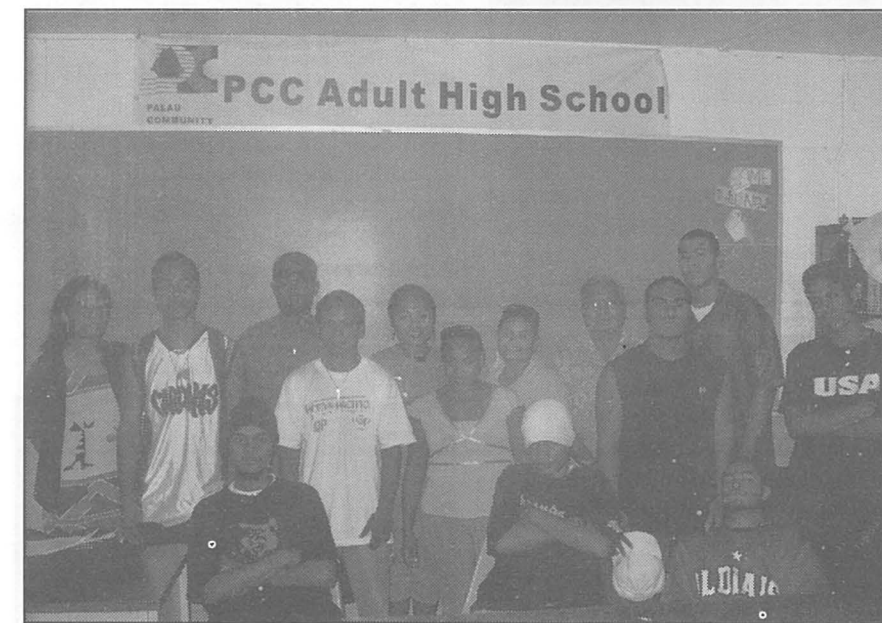
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Weekly Newsletter

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Adult High School Gets \$20,000 from UNESCO

By: PCC Adult High School students



Adult High School students and their instructor Masaharu Tmodrang (standing-fourth right) and Adult High School Director Laura Mangham (far left).

Palau Community College Adult High School (AHS) Director Laura Mangham received word last week that the grant proposal she submitted to the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) has been funded for the amount of \$20,000 dollars.

The program, according to Mangham will use the \$20,000 to purchase classroom instructional materials to support the growing number of students enrolling in the program each semester. She also said that she plans to purchase much needed computers and other classroom equipment to support the Computer Literacy course of the Adult High School program.

The Adult High School program which is now in its eighth year at PCC, offers

specific coursework which helps adult individuals, who for one reason or another were previously unable to finish high school, earn a high school diploma. All study materials and textbooks are provided by the program at no charge to the students.

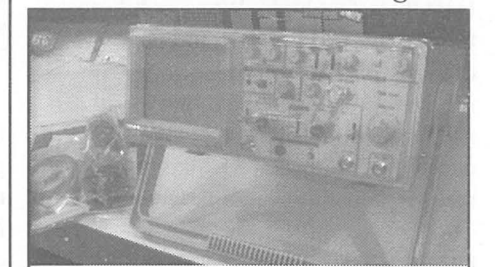
Since its inception in the Fall of 2000, the program has graduated one hundred seventy-six (176) Palauan adults. Some have continued on to enroll and successfully graduate from Palau Community College. Many have joined the local workforce, while a number of adventurous others have opted to join the US Military.

Mangham said that the AHS program regularly assesses its courses to ensure that the instructional materials are

Dr. Yano Donates Oscilloscope to GET Program

The General Electronics Technology instructor Joel Yabes and his students were happily suprised when Palau's Minister of Health Dr. Victor Yano walked in on their class session, handed them a brand new Oscilloscope -

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A brand new Oscilloscope worth about \$500.

updated to reflect current information and practices; and the grant funds from UNESCO will also assist the staff to make those needed revisions.

The PCC Adult High School program students and staff extend deep appreciation to the Palau UNESCO office for the \$20,000 funding support, and all the funding support UNESCO has generously given over the past few years. Special thanks to Mr. Dwight G. Alexander, former Secretary-General of the National Commission of the Republic of Palau for UNESCO, and Mr. Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl, former Chairman of the National Commission of the Republic of Palau for UNESCO. Both Alexander and Emesiochl have been strong advocates of UNESCO educational projects in Palau.

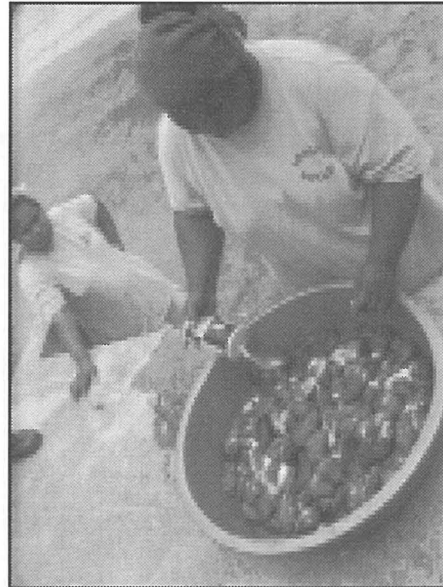
General Election Next Tuesday

See Alumni Notes section on back page for notable alumni running for office in the November General Election next week.

Student Support Services Cultural Site Visit to Ngaremlengui State

By: Adora Nobuo Andreas, Project Counselor

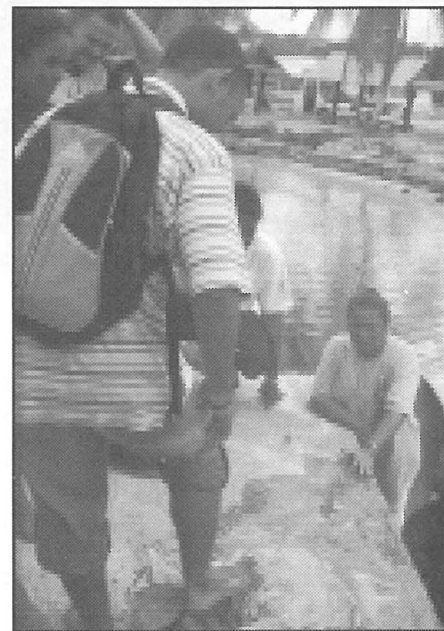
Fresh and delicious cheremrum/sea cucumber? A log bridge that is hundreds of years old? Student Support Services-Project Beacon participants were not sure what to expect on their cultural exposure trip to Ngaremlengui State on Thursday, October 23, 2008. Over forty students including 3 staff from SSS-Project Beacon braved the low threatening clouds and went gallivanting with Ms. Rita Olsudong, and Ms. Sylvia Kloulubak from Bureau of Arts & Culture, and Mr. Leory Fritz from Ngaremlengui State, through the old pineapple farm equipments. The first place we visited was a traditional rock in Imeong called "Olbedabel el Bad". Men who wanted to be warriors had to jump over this rock, which is at least three feet high. We went hiking through the old Beluu ra Imeong, crossing over the old log bridge with moss growing on it, making it a bridge not for the faint of heart. On the way to explore Ngerutechei, we hiked along a rare stone path through the mangroves,



Ngaremlengui state is known for its tender and tasty sea cucumbers. PCC students were allowed to collect a whole tub of sea cucumbers (above).

blew natural whistles made of terming plant stems, and visited the old traditional village called Uluang. After having hiked for three hours, we were exhausted and ready to eat our delicious lunch prepared by the PCC cafeteria staff. With lunch completed, we rested for a few minutes; the fun part of cheremrum demonstration began. We saw Nazarine Mekoll, Jodi Yusim and Maireng Malsol demonstrate the process of preparing the cheremrum. It was interesting to see fellow participant Berkey Tilfas and Carl Mengidab get their dirty feet on the plastic bag and begin the rub down of the salted cheremrum. Once they were rubbed down, rinsed off, then we were shown the way to gut the poor sea cucumber, locally known as cheremrum. They were then placed in an onion bag and hung to allow seepage to occur; the end result was the tasty and very soft cheremrum, which all of us got to try. It was so good that by the time everyone was done tasting, the big container was empty. After the cheremrum demonstration, a workshop was conducted by Counselor Adora Nobuo which helped us learn how to deal with difficult people. Learning to set boundaries, saying no,

and detaching with love are some of the ways one can deal with difficult individuals that come into our lives. After the workshop, we got to skip rocks along the beach front, hike to the end of the pier and just enjoy the rest of the afternoon as it was raining too hard to continue our hike to Iie Ra Ngebesek. All in all, our trip was enjoyable, allowing us to learn something about Ngaremlengui State and to appreciate the history and culture of the people of Palau. Shout out goes to PCC-CRE for the use of their truck to transport our lunches, the cafeteria staff for the wonderful lunch, to Governor Ongos for supporting us in our quest to learn more about Palauan history and culture, to Nazarine, Jodi, and Maireng for volunteering to demonstrate the art of cheremrum preparation, and for Leory, Rita and Sylvia for divulging the rich history of Ngaremlengui State to us.



PCC students preparing sea cucumbers for lunch.

Mesekiu's News thanks all contributing writers for their articles and pictures. We depend on you to tell us all about the exciting programs and activities you are undertaking to make our College great. Too busy to write, call us, we'll come to you. Call the Development Office at ext.253. Thanks again!!!

BITS AND PIECES...

TODAY

EMT Trainees Get Certificates...

The Continuing Education office will be awarding certificates today to the trainees who completed the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training. Dean of Continuing Education Willy Wally will officiate the ceremony which will be held at 1:00 pm at the CE training room. Everyone is invited to come bear witness.

FSA Meeting Today...

The Faculty Senate Association will be holding a meeting today at 12:00 noon in room 63. Fundraising main topic to be discussed.

SALE

Cheapest USBs...

PCC Bookstore has the cheapest flash drives in Palau. (8GB - \$50; 4GB - \$20; 2GB - \$10). Call PCC Bookstore at 488-2471, ext. 236. Hurry while supplies last.

LOST

USB Lost at Faculty Office...

1GB flashdrive with brown leather casing was lost at Faculty Office 1 on Wednesday. The flashdrive contains a number of irreplaceable documents, and thus the owner asks for your help in returning it if you find it. Owner willing to give reward-1GB flashdrive. Please contact Marianne Temaungil at ext. 256.

CORRECTION

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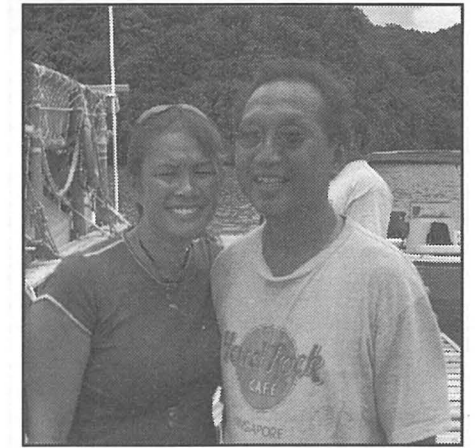
In the October 17, 2008 issue of the *Mesekiu's News* in the "Bits and Pieces" section, we inadvertently referred to the Palau Chamber of Commerce as the other "PCC". The proper acronym for the Palau Chamber of Commerce is and has always been PCOC and not PCC. Further, the acronym PCC denotes only Palau Community College and no other. Our apologies to our readers for the mix-up.

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Dr. Yano Donates \$500 Oscilloscope to GET Program

a device that uses a cathode ray tube to produce a visual record of an electrical current on a fluorescent screen- and then left. According to Jabes, his class uses exactly the same instrument to troubleshoot and properly diagnose problems with electrical appliances and the donation will be immediately put to use. He said with the donation, his students now have use of seven oscilloscopes. Jabes said that the the equipment is not cheap and generally costs about \$500 dollars each.

Such acts of generosity by the Yano family are widely known at PCC. Just last month, Dr. Yano and his wife Jennifer Yano, together with their Japanese friend Yoji Namekawa and the South Sea Community Association donated a garbage truck to PCC, and gave thou-



Dr. Victor Yano (r) and his wife Mrs. Jennifer Yano.

sands of dollars to established a scholarship fund for students. Furthermore, Dr. Yano's family business - Yano & Son's Market- has over the years, donated tons of fruits and vegetables to the PCC cafeteria. Most recent fruits & vegetables donation was last month.

Instructor Joel Yabes and his students extend profound thanks to Dr. Yano, Mrs. Jennifer Yano and their family for generous contribution and for their continued support to the PCC.

NRCS Gives to Library



(l-r): , NCRS Assistant Director John, H. Lawrence, NCRS Resource Conservationist Daniel K. Bloedel, US Charge d' Affaires Mark Bezner, PCC Dean Marencia Edwards, and NCRS' Larry T. Yamamoto

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) officials with the help of PCC Library staff concluded efforts to integrate the NRCS collection of natural resource studies, surveys, conservation guides, and natural resource inventories into the PCC Library. Accumulated by NCRS through various sources and their own publications, these pieces will soon be available to students and interested individuals. The collection which includes upwards of 3500 items was formerly stored in the NCRS's office in

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Library/Archives Database Training Coming to Palau

Date: November 11 & 12, 2008
 Place: Palau High School Resource Center
 Trainer: Jane Barnwell of Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL)
 Training: Covers the use of and content of National Library of Medicine and other databases.

For more information, please contact PCC Library Technician Pioria Asito or Library Services Instructor Megan Beard at 4883540.