

**Alumni Notes**

**Class of 2004(PCC)**

**Sunny Williams -**



Attended PCC from 2001-2004 and majored in Liberal Arts. After PCC, Williams transferred to the University of Hawaii-Hilo where she received her BA in Anthropology. She is currently working a researcher with the House of Delegates.

**Class of 1998 (PCC)**

**Louisa Rivera -**



1998 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BEA). Rivera works at the Palau National Olympic Committee (PNOC) as an Information Technology Officer. Rivera has been working at PNOC for over 4 years.

**Class of 1990 (MOC)**

**Aldrin Siksei -**



1990 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Police Science (PS). Siksei works at Suvangel & Sons Company- Warehouse as a Heavy Equipment Operator. He has been working there for the past 13 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*.

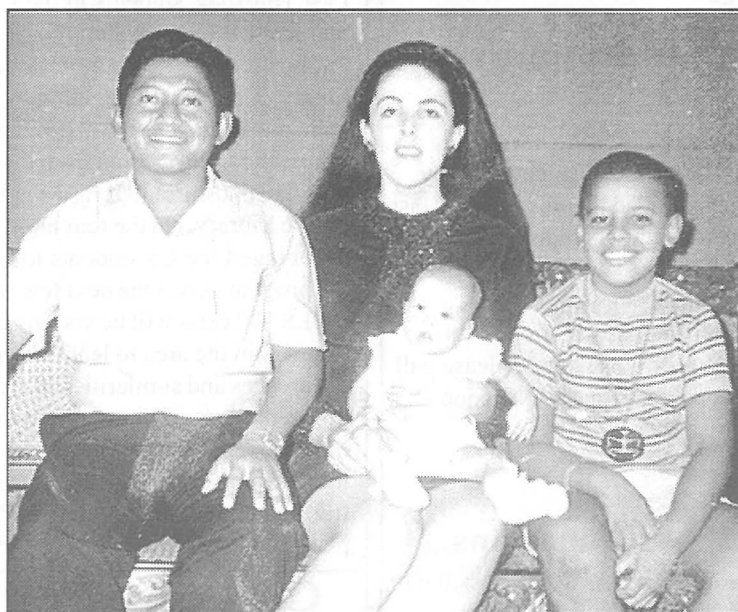
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**Celebrating Birthdays**

President Patrick U. Tellei	November 7
Irving Dwight	November 7
Nobby Enano	November 8
Maureen Rengui	November 8
Debra Ngiraingas	November 10
Leona Tkel	November 11

**Happy Birthday To You!**

**Congratulations Obama & Biden**



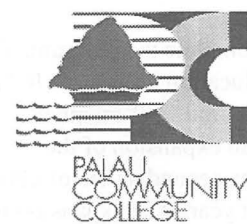
Future US President Barack Obama (r) with stepfather Lolo Seotoro, mother Stanley Ann Dunham of Kansas, USA and half-sister Maya. Throughout his younger years Barack Obama was known at home and school as "Barry". Born on August 4, 1961 in Honolulu, Hawaii, Obama moved to Indonesia with his mother and Indonesian stepfather. He attended elementary school in Indonesia until 5th grade, then moved with his family back to Hawaii where he enrolled in the private Punahou School. After high school, he enrolled at Occidental College in California, and after his sophomore year, transferred to Columbia University in New York where he graduated with a B.A. in Political Science. He later went on to graduate from Harvard Law School. (en.wikipedia.org)

**Un-official Results of the 2008 General Election- (President & Senate only)**

President			
Toribiong-Mariur	4770	Haruo Wilter	2045
Chin-Seid	4554	Jennifer Sugiyama	2002
		Tadashi Sakuma	1942
		Roman Yano	1859
		Otoichi Besebes	1842
		Mario Katosang	1835
		Jeff Ngirarsaol	1771
		Tadao Ngotel	1640
		Earnest Ongidobl	1486
		Masayuki Adelbai	1418
		Dwight Alexander	1385
		Lorenza Olkeriil	1196
		J. Risong Tarkong	1057
		Gale Ngirmidol	991
		Elia Tulop	859
		Gillian Johannes	857
		Nick Ngual	705
		James Unique Orak	471
		Martin Renguul	221
Senate			
Surangel Whipps Jr.	6461		
Raynold Oilouch	6073		
Mlib Tmetuchl	5360		
Joel Toribiong	5086		
Kathy Kesolei	4947		
Mark Rudimch	4891		
Hokkons Baules	4437		
Adalbert Eledui	3934		
Regina K. Mesebeluu	3731		
Alfonso Diaz	3603		
Tommy Remengesau Jr.	3579		
Regis Akitya	3144		
Paul Ueki	3044		
Yukiwo Dengokl	2917		
Adair Sumang	2915		
Caleb Otto	2891		
Temmy L. Shmull	2865		
John B. Skebong	2861		
Steven Kanai	2671		
Masa-Aki Emesiochl	2668		
Santy Asanuma	2544		
Dilmei Olkeriil	2517		
Joan Demei	2465		
Elbuchel Sadang	2298		
Fritz Koshiba	2050		

**Message of Condolences**

Our Condolences and Sympathies to maintenance staff Wilmar Ngiraibiochel on the loss of his beloved wife Alice Telmang Ngiraibiochel. Our thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time of sorrow and grief.



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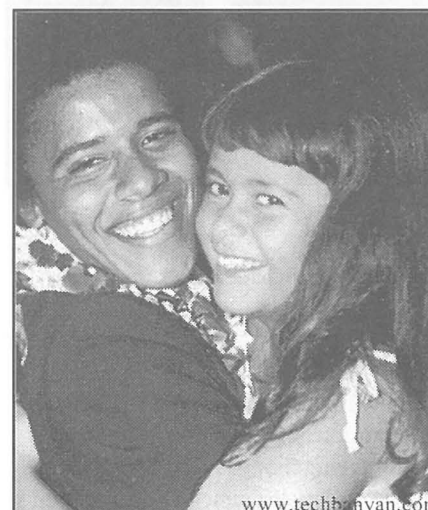


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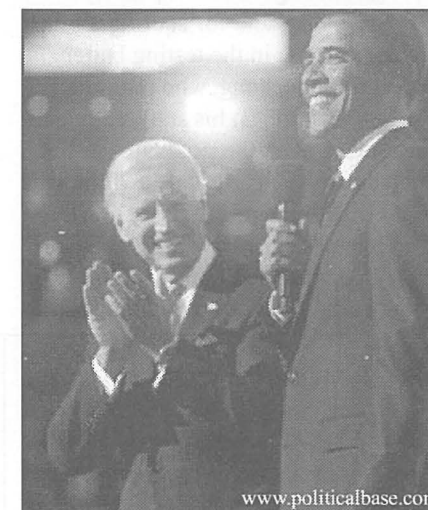
Weekly Newsletter

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**Congratulations Obama & Biden**



Young Barack Obama congratulated by sister Maya Kassandra in an undated photo. Obama grew up with his sister in Indonesia and Hawaii. He attended elementary school in Indonesia and later the private Punahou School in Hawaii. He later went on to graduate from Harvard Law School.



Sen. Barack Obama, D-Illinois., speaks at the Democratic National Convention in Denver, Wednesday, Aug. 27, 2008, while his running-mate Sen. Joe Biden, D-Delaware applauds in approval.

**More Obama photo on back page**

**Database Training Coming to Palau**

By: Megan Beard, PCC Library Services Instructor

Jane Barnwell, former PCC Librarian and now Director of the Pacific Resource Center- Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL), based in Honolulu, Hawaii is traveling to Palau next week to lead several training sessions covering the use and content of the National Library of Medicine and EBSCO Host databases, as well as Stat!Ref. The training will include a special focus on health resources. PREL provides free access to both Stat!Ref and the EBSCOHost databases for the entire US-affiliated Pacific islands. These resources offer a wide variety of information that is useful for both academic and personal research. Students, faculty, and staff are all encouraged to attend the database training. The first session is scheduled

for Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at the Palau High School computer lab. The second session is on Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at the same location. Both sessions will cover similar material. For more information, please contact Pioria Asito or Megan Beard at 488-3540.



Jane Barnwell of PREL is the former librarian at Palau Community College.

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**OMIP Sponsors Air Conditioner Repair/Maintenance Training**

Ten technicians from various departments at PPUC recently completed a 40-hour air conditioner maintenance and troubleshooting class. Course activities were split between the PCC shop, and various job sites, with the class sometimes traveling to the national power plants in Aimeliik or Malakal. At these off-campus sites, the trainees were able to work on air conditioners that control the work environment temperature in the control rooms of the power plants. Under the supervision of their instructor Ramon Garcia, students conducted preventive maintenance and repair work on the air conditioner units. Trainees included workers from the Aimeliik power plant: Bonifacio

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Happy Birthday President Tellei! See back for others who share birthdays with President Tellei.

Palau Community College Extends Congratulations to all Unofficial Winners in the General Election!!! See back page for election results.

## EMT Trainees Receive Certificates

By: Usong Tellei, Mesekiu's News Workstudy Student

The graduation ceremony for the first Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) program was held for the ten program participants this past Friday (Oct 31, 2008). The ceremony, held in the CE Training Room, featured speeches from Chief of Fire Benhart Baulechong, Dean of Continuing Education Willy Wally, Ministry of Health (MOH) representative Dr. Gregory Dever and program instructors from the Civic Action Team (CAT). The program regiment required a three (3) month commitment from the ten (10) participants, a total of 300 hours combined situational application and curriculum review. Program participants from the Ministry of Justice Fire and Rescue Division entered the program to acquire new emergency response skills for pre-assessment of accident victims on location or en route to the hospital. This helps expedite emergency room

doctor's diagnosis and treatment for these patients who for the most part are in critical and deteriorating conditions. For individuals in potentially critical conditions, the training undertaken by the program participants will be invaluable in saving lives. Instructors for the program were Dr. James Corbin from the Ministry of Health, and Dr. Montoya Gunn from the Civic Action Team. Both instructors were very proud of the participants for keeping up with the program's regimen, completing the necessary hours, and for scoring a high program average in the testing battery. Fire Chief Baulechong, who promoted the program amongst his staff, extended congratulations to the graduates in his speech during the certificate awarding ceremony. Dr. Gregory Dever, Director of the Belau National Hospital's clinical services commended both instructors and the participants who put in the time

and effort to complete the program. PCC Continuing Education Program, MOH representatives, and CAT members expect to see an expansion of the program for the second series of classes to be held next year. The expansion is planned to include participants from the state government level. Congratulations Graduates!



EMT Trainees pose for a photo with their instructors after receiving their Certificates of Completion.

## Congratulations!

### PCC-Based Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to the students named below who were selected as recipients of the PCC-based scholarships for this School Year 2008-2009. Recipients are asked to go to the Development Office to see Armstrong Debelbot for their scholarships.

Prince Leeboo Scholarship	
Recipient	Major
Mallie K Ngriou	Env./Marine Science
Marvin J. Mathew	Liberal Arts

Pierantozzi Scholarship	
Recipient	Major
Jake Ngiraked	Nursing
Diliaur L Tellei	Liberal Arts & Information Tech.

Moylan's Insurance Scholarship	
Recipient	Major
Akiko Udai	Office Administration
Walcy Ngirngotel	Construction Tech.

Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship	
Recipient	Major
Megan Tikei Mad	THFB
Sean K. Mesubed	Auto Mechanic

Shell Company Scholarship	
Recipient	Major
Meleana Ngirmeril	Office Administration
Lizbeth U. Skaruno	Information Tech.

Karita Asanuma Scholarship	
Recipient	Major
Komtil Ngirmang	Liberal Arts

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Ngiraiwet, Advin Asito, and Lelle Mongami; from Malakal power plant: Bonny Ulenchong, Evalt Yaoch and Cecilio Hideo, Prudence Techur, Tilden Teltull, and Ronald Gabriel; and from the Peleliu power plant: Dominic Rekemesik. The course was sponsored by the Operations and Maintenance Improvement Program (OMIP) at PCC, which offers infrastructure-related training for state and national government employees.

### Tellei Schools PCC Staff on Con Con Amendments Before Election Day



President Tellei (center) fields questions from PCC staff regarding the 23 amendments to the Palau Constitution at the Mesekiu Bai on Monday. This was one day before everyone went to the polls to vote on the amendments and the new ROP leadership.

## BITS AND PIECES...

TODAY

### PCC President Survey Due...

All faculty and staff who have not submitted their PCC President Survey forms are reminded that today is the last day to do so. Kindly complete and bring them to the Development office by 5:00 pm. Thanks for your kind cooperation and participation in this essential survey. Questions, please call the Development office at extension 253.

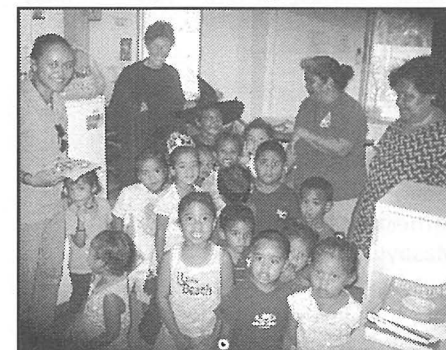
DONATE

### FSA Seeks Donations...

The Faculty Senate Association will be holding a rummage sale on Sunday, November 16, 2008 at the PCC main parking lot, and welcome donations of any and all items. Please call Telly Bells, at ext. 241 if you want to donate.

TRICK or TREAT

### Pencils & Things Instead...



To promote education and health, instructors at Faculty II office passed out pencils, erasers, and things to their Halloween visitors last Friday. Instructor Elizabeth deJong dressed up as the "wicked witch" and enslaved fellow instructor Telly Bells to give out the goodies to kids.

SALE

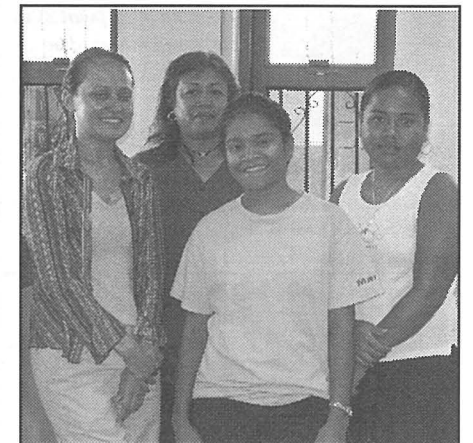
### Cheapest USBs...

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.

## LS Students Tour Koror Public Library

By: Megan Beard, PCC Library Services Instructor

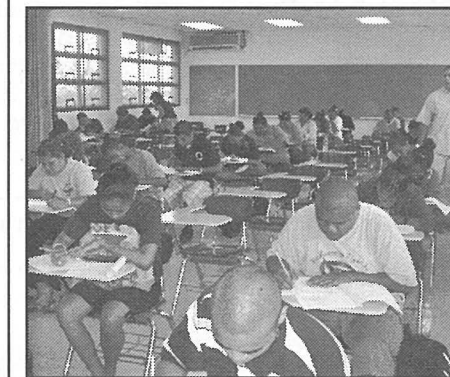
Last Thursday, students in the Library Service (LS 102) class toured the Koror Public Library to learn more about public library operations, budgeting, collections, and overall organization. Mary Arius, a PCC grad from the LS program and current librarian at Koror Public Library, led the tour and encouraged the LS students to complete the program. Over the next few weeks, the LS 102 class will be visiting other libraries in the area to learn about the differences and similarities in the different types of libraries and to see library operations first hand. For more information about the Library and Information Studies program at PCC, please contact Megan Beard at 488-3540.



LS 102 students Debra Neas (l) and Magdalene Nena (r) pose for a photo with PCC alumni and now librarian for the Koror Public Library Mary Arius (c), and her assistant Joyce Moses who is also a former student at Palau Community College.

## Challenge Test and Tutoring for MA 95

By: Rose Aliven-Kohama



With only 5 weeks left in the semester, everyone still taking the course needs to stay in class and make sure they get the 70% average needed to pass the class and move on.

Also extra tutoring currently on offer for those taking MA95. Extra hours for guidance are available on Monday to Thursday at both 10:00-11:00am and 3:00-4:00pm in room 32. Some students have improved tremendously after coming regularly to this tutoring. This one-on-one tutoring and small group sessions, combined with more opportunity to ask questions, has helped these students to grow in confidence and better their grades. With only 1 or 2 chapters left to cover in the semester, it would be wise for all to take advantage of the tutoring hours on offer to ensure they pass come December.

On October 27, 2008 the Challenge Test for MA95 was administered in rooms 68 and 69. This demanding test had a pass mark of 70%, or 21 correct answers out of 30. Of the 71 students who took the test an elite 10 passed.

So congratulations to those students, but many other students nearly passed and too are deserving of commendation.

## 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.