

In memory of Simiko Amida,
co-worker, friend and PCC family member



The College would like to express its deepest condolences to the family of Simiko Amida. She was a longtime employee of the College who was known for her warm smile and friendly manner. We here at the College shall miss our dear Simiko, beloved co-worker, friend and member of the PCC family. Our prayers and warm wishes go out to her family in their time of mourning.

Celebrating Birthdays

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| (Retired) Huan Anastacio | November 23 |
| Clement Kazuma | November 23 |
| Mekreos Silil | November 24 |
| Dannies Uehara | November 27 |
| (Retired) Juliana Anastacio | November 28 |
| Maria Teruzi | November 28 |
| Larry Wakakoro | November 30 |

Happy Birthday To You!!!



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2005 THANKSGIVING PRIZE LIST

Once again, Annual PCC Endowment Fundraiser is near. It will take place here on campus on November 23, 2005, Wednesday, the day before Thanksgiving. Tickets are on sale now for \$10.00 each. Stop by Development Office and see Hulda, Dilubch, Temmy or Armstrong for a ticket.

CASH PRIZE:

- \$1,000 GRAND PRIZE
- \$500 FIRST PRIZE
- \$250 SECOND PRIZE
- \$150 THIRD PRIZE
- \$100 FOURTH PRIZE
- \$50 5th to 10th PRIZES



Other FREE Prizes Such as:

- Round trip Ticket to Guam - Continental
- Round trip Ticket to Philippines - Continental
- Washer - Surangel & Sons
- Dryer - Surangel & Sons
- Beauty Makeovers - Kathy's Beauty Salon, Hiromi's Beauty Salon & Hair Design Beauty Salon
- Really Really Big Fish - PITI
- Dinner Certificates - Palau Royal Resort, Penthouse & Emamelei Restaurant
- Lunch Certificates - Sarah's YumYum, Emamelei & Furusato Restaurant
- Live Baby Pig - Lucky's Farm
- Computer - Philip Reklai & Associate
- Cell Phone - Philip Reklai & Associate
- Shopping spree Certificate - Western Caroline Trading Company
- Hotel Overnight Stay - Palau Royal Resort, Palasia Hotel & Penthouse Hotel
- Free T-Shirt - Bank of Hawaii
- Free Pizza - Cafe @ Palau
- Free Internet - Internet Cafe, & Cafe @ Palau
- Free Plants - Palau Community College
- Overnight Fishing Trip - Palau Community College

and much much more!

Hurry, tickets are running out!

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PCC Thanksgiving Fundraiser is Next Wednesday



(l-r) Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, PCC President receiving \$2000 check from Anhel Salii, Palau Bulk Manager, Mobil Oil Company. The check is a donation for PCC's Thanksgiving Fundraiser. Thank you Mobil Oil for your generous contribution and for the many years of support you have given PCC!



(l-r) Ruthie Aitaro, Executive Secretary from the Office of President, presenting \$200 check on behalf of the ROP President to PCC's Dilubch Samil for purchase of tickets for Endowment Fundraiser. Thank you Honorable Tommy Remengesau Jr., ROP President for your kind donation!



(l-r) Brent Ueki, PCC Student accepting \$250 check from Judy O. Ikeda, Budget Officer for Aimeliik State Government. The check was a donation from the people and government of Aimeliik State. Thank you Aimeliik State.

In just a few days, PCC will be holding its Annual Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser on Wednesday November 23, 2005. This is the seventh year in a row that the College hosts one of the year's most well-known and popular fundraisers. The fundraiser raffle drawing will take place at the PCC campus courtyard from 1:00 - 6:00 pm, so to find out if you have won, just tune your radio to WWFM 89.5 and listen to the honorable Senator Alfonso Diaz as he conducts the raffle-drawing live on air during the radio program. Throughout the day of the fundraiser, the College will discuss with Senator Diaz some of the programs and services that the College offers the community as well as take the opportunity to express gratitude to our many donors, benefactors and supporters for sharing in the spirit of Thanksgiving and graciously donating to the College. Ticket holders need not be present to win, so just stay where you are and listen as they spin the PCC Wheel of Endowment to identify the many winners of the fabulous prizes that have been donated by Palau's most generous businesses and individuals. The goal for this year's Thanksgiving fund raiser is \$20,000. There are still a few tickets available, so please help our College achieve its goal and buy those few remaining tickets. For more information on purchasing tickets, please call PCC's Development Office at 488-2471/2470 and speak to Hulda, Dilubch, or Temmy. Hurry, because the tickets are almost out! The success of PCC as Palau's only post-secondary institution of higher learning is dependent on the commitment of the community in which it serves. Therefore, please join us and support our annual fundraiser as we continue to provide educational opportunities for our citizens today, and the future generations of tomorrow.



Paul Ho Wai Kong, President of Palau Asia Pacific Air, Inc. (PAPA) and Sheryll Guanlao, Sales and Services Division (PAPA) presenting certificate for one round trip ticket to Hong Kong to PCC's staff member, Dilubch Samil (center). PCC welcomes first time donor, PAPA! to the ranks of local companies supporting our College. Thank you PAPA Air and welcome aboard, we look forward to sharing our warm friendship with your company for many more years to come!

Turn to Page 4 for list of fantastic prize giveaways for this Year's PCC Endowment Fundraiser.



(l-r) Charlene Madraisau, PCC Staff member receiving donation of \$50 from Severiana Tirso, Treasurer for Sonsorol State Government. Many thanks to the people and government of Sonsorol, a small state with a big heart!



Members of PCC the Environmental Club pose with their donation of \$30 for the Fundraiser. Thank you all for the kind donation. You set a great example for our students to emulate!

PCC-CRE Concludes Educational Program at Ngaremlengui State



PCC's Thomas Taro, VP CRE, and Willy Wally, Dean of Continuing Education and Josepha Tutii, Extension Agent pose with John Skebong, Governor of Ngaremlengui State and the participants of the EFNEP program.

PCC's Cooperative Research and Extension Department concluded its Adult Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) at Ngaremlengui State on November 10, 2005. This education program was a three week course that taught participants how to create nutritional and delicious foods that promote greater health and physical well-being. In addition, the course taught participants that healthy cooking can be fun, inexpensive, and easy but most of all, it tastes really great. The training was taught by Josepha 'Seba' Tutii, CRE Extension Agent. After the conclusion of the program, participants received certificates for completing the program, during a formal ceremony held at the Old Age Center. The ceremony, the welcoming remarks were given by honorable Governor John Skebong, followed with remarks from William Wally, Dean of Continuing Education who represented the College. The awarding ceremony was followed by special remarks given by Johana Ongos, a participant in the program who said she learned a lot and really had a fun time. Closing remarks were given by Thomas Taro, Vice President of PCC-CRE who told the audience that the

College stands ready to work closely with the state government to provide more educational and training opportunities for the community. The closing prayer was given by Deacon Yosiwo Eledui. The ceremony was emceed by Emiwo Mad, who was the Master of Ceremony. After the ceremony, PCC staff as well as members of the community were treated to some special cooking provided by the participants who were able to display their new found cooking talents with great results. The College would like to congratulate the following participants of the Adult EFNEP program: Kalista Adelbai, Johana Elbelau, Amelia Franz, Dilyar Franz, Grace Franz, Nglis Lakobong, Michaela Louch, Johaina Mad, Masrin Mekoll, Itwong Ngiraikelau, Johana Ongos, Jalavenda T. Osima, Daphne Rebluud, Romana Skebong, Sharleene Skebong, and Anita Teblak. Good job and congratulations!

PCC Students Receive Awards for Best Business Plans



(l-r) PCC Business students Tracy Estanislaus and Brent Ueki pose with their Instructor Robert Ramarui, and award winner, Maria Remeliik Inset: Mayce Ngirmeriil. Great job Maria and Mayce, you make us all proud!

The College congratulates PCC students Maria Remeliik and Mayce Ngirmeriil who received monetary awards of a \$100 each for "Best Business Plan" submitted to the Business Plan Writing Competition sponsored by the Palau Banking Association, the Palau Chamber of Commerce and the Small Business Development Center (SBDC). Both Ms. Remeliik and Mr. Ngirmeriil are students majoring in Business Accounting. Remeliik's entry was deemed best technically written while Ngirmeriil's entry was recognized for its practicality. Judges for the competition were John Devivo, Vice President, Pacific Savings Bank (PSB), Kaleb Udui, President of the National Development Bank of Palau (NDBP), Benjamin Adelbai, Palau Community Action Agency (PCAA), Lisa Abraham, Director, SBDC and Hobbs Lawson, Country Manager, Bank of Hawaii. The students' work were based on the following criteria: financial projection, technicality, feasibility, and promotion of Palauan exports. The students were awarded their prizes during a formal ceremony held at the Palau Chamber of Commerce. Maria Remeliik was accompanied by Instructor, Robert Ramarui and her fellow business accounting classmates. Mayce Ngirmeriil was not present during the ceremony so his award was received by Instructor Ramarui on his behalf.

Environmental Club Has Booth at Regional Conference



PCC Environmental Club members pose with their colorful display of their conservation projects.

The PCC Environmental Club provided an information booth at the South Pacific Community (SPC) Conference hosted by the Republic of Palau. The booth provided information brochures, reports and various publications on environmental and conservation projects conducted by the College. The representatives from 26 nations across the region were here to attend the 35th Committee of Representatives and Governments and Administrations (CRGA) and the 4th Conference of the Pacific Community, both part of the SPC. Having so many people from the international community come to Palau to attend the conference provided an opportunity for PCC's Environmental Club to showcase Palau's rich environment, and to demonstrate current PCC conservation projects as well as build a positive network for the club to foster friendship and develop support from our neighbors throughout the Pacific Region. The conference was held from November 14-18, 2005 and was held at the Ngarachamayong Cultural Center.

BITS AND PIECES...

PCC Wishes everyone Happy Thanksgiving....,

Next week Thursday, November 24, 2005 is Thanksgiving Day and a national holiday observed by the College. Therefore, no classes will be held, offices will be closed and only essential services will be offered. Please have a safe and Holiday. Happy Thanksgiving, PCC!

CE Hosts Grant Writing Workshop....,

PCC's Continuing Education Office will be offering an interesting workshop on Grant Writing. The workshop is scheduled for Saturday, December 3, 2005. Interested individuals are encouraged to sign up for this very worthwhile and interesting workshop. For more information, please call Taruu Nakamura or Sharon Elbelau at 488-2470/2471 or 488-6223.

No Mesekiu's News Next Week

In the tradition of this newsletter, there will be no Mesekiu's News next week as it is Thanksgiving week. The College will be conducting our annual Thanksgiving Fund raiser for the PCC Endowment Fund next Wednesday. The Mesekiu's News will be printed the following week and every week thereafter.

Interns Wanted For Spring Semester....

Internship candidates for 2006 Spring Semester are reminded that applications for Internship placements are now being accepted at the Extension Program Office located in the TEMEKAI building. The deadline for processing the applications is December 23, 2005. Please see Mr. Vincent Ito right away so that you will be able to complete your forms and submit them on time. Internship is provided as a final requirement for students who have completed all their course requirements. Internships allow students to be placed on the job in their respective field of training working on a full-time basis as an intern or trainee. The practical experience gained from their internship will be counted as credits required for students to graduate.

PCC Represents Palau at PIALA 2005

by Gretchen Reynolds, Librarian



Imengel Mad, PIALA President and PCC Library Technician, (back row: 3rd left), Pioria Faungy, Media Specialist and Gretchen Reynolds, PCC Librarian (front row: center) pose with the parents of Kosrae students attending PCC. The parents hosted the dinner in appreciation of our PCC staff. Thank you so much for your warm hospitality and kindness!

Palau Community College library staff represented Palau at the annual Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums (PIALA) Conference held in Kosrae. PCC Librarian Gretchen Reynolds, Media Specialist Pioria Faungy, and Library Technician Imengel Mad attended the conference from November 7 through November 10. PIALA provides important professional development opportunities and a vital forum for collaboration among librarians in the Pacific region.

The theme of the 2005 conference was "Resources Today and Learning Tomorrow", focusing on building resources to promote greater learning in the future. Conference topics included cataloging media materials, capacity building, free online medical information resources, and updates from member institutions across the Pacific. Librarian Gretchen Reynolds reported on behalf of PCC and Palau several significant accomplishments in Palau's library community that occurred this year, including the creation of the Palau Union Catalog, extensive additions and updates to library collections at PCC, the Public Library, and school libraries, and PCC's new Library & Information Services degree program. PCC Library Technician and PIALA President Imengel Mad was also pleased to announce that Palau will host the next PIALA conference in November 2006.

The upcoming conference will be planned through the Palau Association of Libraries (PAL). In addition to attending the conference, library staff members Pioria Faungy and Imengel Mad delivered letters from PCC students to their families in Kosrae, and arranged for parents to send letters and gifts back to PCC students. These efforts were a highlight of the trip. Parents in Kosrae generously hosted a dinner for the library staff and sent back letters, food, and other gifts to their children who are attending PCC. Many thanks to PIALA and the people of Kosrae for organizing such a successful conference.

CE Office Visits Ngarchelong State

The Dean of Continuing Education visited the State of Ngarchelong on November 15, 2005. Governor Salvador and the First Lady, along with 25 residents of the state, attended the meeting to discuss what PCC has to offer to the state. The meeting was very interactive as the residents expressed their needs right away. Their top priorities are: customer service, small engine maintenance and repair, sewing and cooking, and adult high school. Governor Salvador pledged his support to help all the residents of Ngarchelong State who will be involved in the trainings PCC will offer. Continuing Education will be working with Vice President Taro in providing the cooking and sewing class, while the other training needs will be catered to accordingly. PCC would like to thank the people of Ngarchelong for taking part in the meeting and providing PCC the opportunity to serve them.