

Alumni Notes

Class of 2006 (PCC)

Villany Remengesau -



2006 PCC graduate with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). She is a currently attending University of Hawaii at Manoa as a junior majoring in Political Science.

Class of 1994 (PCC)

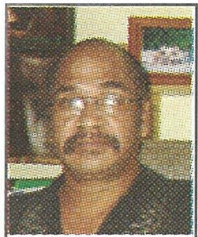
Weena Mereb -



1994 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Completion (CC) in Occupational Home Economics. Mereb works as a Social Worker at Head Start Office. She has been working there for 6 years.

Class of 1985 (MOC)

Silves Mikel -



1985 MOC graduate with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). Mikel was a Program Specialist for PREL for the past 6 yrs. and is now a Pacific Research Consultant for Berkeley

Policy Associates. He has been working there since March of this year.

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

Willa Walter December 3
Laura Mangham December 5
Ephraim Ngirachitei December 5

Happy Birthday To You!

More Show Support to PCC Endowment Fund



Maked Besebes

Belau National Museum Ethnographer, Maked Besebes, and Chief of Marine Law, Ellender Ngirameketii, are the new Endowment Fund members. 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, Charlene, Koyungil, or Armstrong at the Development office at ext. 253.

To All Second Year Students and Academic Advisors

By: Dean of Academic Affairs and Extension Program Coordinator

In preparation for Spring Semester 2007 Internship placement, we need to know the number of students who will be eligible to participate in the training and their respective trade areas at this time. This will allow us time to identify and secure commitments from appropriate employers who will be providing training to our students.

To assist in this effort, Student Advisors are requested to review their advisees' folders and to advise those who will be eligible to participate in the training to come to Academic Affairs Office and see the Extension Program Coordinator, Mr. Vincent Ito, and fill out required application forms. Application forms are now ready for pick up anytime during working hours. Deadline for submission of completed application forms is Friday,

Job Opportunities Available at PCC!!!

Position: Librarian

Salary: \$16,010 to \$24,647 per year
(Depending on Qualifications)

Examples of Duties:

~ Provides professional library services to the College and its clients, etc.

Minimum Qualifications Requirements:

~ Masters of Library and Information Science from an ALA accredited program, or international equivalent. Minimum 5 yrs. experience in an academic or public library, with at least 2 yrs. supervisory experience.

General Information:

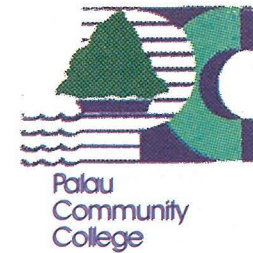
Application forms can be obtained from Human Resources Division at P. O. Box 9 Koror, Palau 96940 or at our website: www.palau.edu. Send completed application with transcripts, resume, and verification of previous employment (s), if any, to same address. For further information, call 488-2470/2471 or come in and see us.

December 22, 2006 in order for student to be considered for internship placement.

GOT A STORY?...

We want to know the scoop over at your office, what's new, what's being implemented, etc. Share your news with us by bringing your articles to the Development Office **no later than** Wednesdays at 10am each week.

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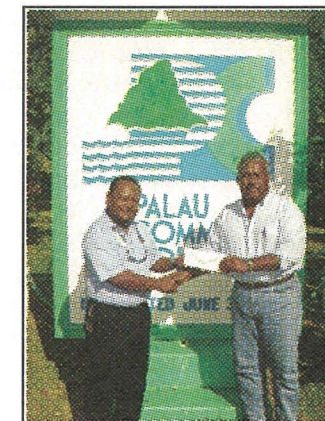


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Over \$30K Raised for Endowment, PCC Thanks All Supporters!



(l-r) Marino Ngemaes, Continental Airlines Manager and President Tellei



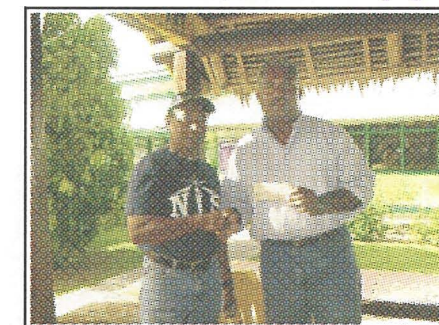
(l-r) Mobil Oil Micronesia's Sales Manager, Ralph Moses, and President Tellei



(l-r) Shell Company's Area Manager, Frank Kyota, and President Tellei

pumpkin pie. Palau International Coral Reef Center won the Grand Prize #3 which included a computer set & printer from Computer's Plus.

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(l-r) Governor John Skebong and President Tellei



(l-r) Minister Yano and President Tellei



(l-r) VP Thomas Taro, Day Dream Representative, and Senator Alfonso Diaz. Senator Diaz provided live local/ international radio broadcast of the event via WWFM 89.5 radio station.



(l-r) President Tellei, VP Thomas Taro, Chairperson Bilung Gloria G. Salii, Minister Elbuchel Sadang, and Mrs. Jennifer Yano in front of PCC Mesekiu Bai

With the support of the national and state governments, local businesses, non-profit organizations, community groups, and private citizens, Palau Community College was able to stage a successful Thanksgiving fundraiser last week Wednesday, netting over \$30,000 dollars for the Palau Community College Endowment Fund. Considering the current financial situation facing the Republic of Palau with the abrupt closure of a locally owned bank- patronized by more than seven thousand depositors including many state governments, the fundraising event was a huge success.

During the fundraising, individuals, businesses, and local groups won prizes from the event's raffle drawing. Deluus Polycarp won the Grand Prize #1 which included a Round-trip ticket to Manila, Philippines and a \$500 cash prize. Grand Prize #2 winner was U-Corporation with a Round-trip ticket to Taipei, Taiwan and a Roast Turkey with stuffing, gravy, and

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Palau Community College's Board of Trustees, President Dr. Tellei, administration, faculty, staff, and especially the students, thanks everyone for supporting the school's efforts in increasing the College's financial security. A special thank you to Senator Diaz for his support as well.



(l-r) President Tellei and Dr. Soaladaob



(l-r) VP Jay Olegeril and PPUC's General Manager, Satoru Adachi



(l-r) Joe Giramur and President Tellei



(l-r) Yuhi Motel & Apartments Manager, Wilma Kumangai and her son and President Tellei

TVET Educators Visit PCC



President Tellei delivering his welcoming remarks to the TVET Educators

Last week, the Technical and Vocational Educators of the Pacific Region arrived on the island to attend the week-long Sixth PRIDE (Pacific Regional Initiatives for the Delivery of Basic Education) Project Regional Workshop. The workshop focused on the role of TVET (Technical/Vocational Education and Training) in the Pacific Secondary Schools. Participants were from Fiji, Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Samoa, Tokelau, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and a PRELBoard Member from Guam. As one of the highlights of the workshop, the

participants visited Palau Community College to tour and observe its technical/ vocational programs. Before touring the campus, President Tellei greeted the participants and gave a welcoming speech. Then, the participants were split into two groups and visited PCC's technical/ vocational classes such as the Information Technology and Tourism & Hospitality Program just to name a couple. Afterwards, the participants had a Q & A session with PCC's Associate Dean Sherman Daniel. Shortly after, Mr. Winsley Degoba, the Assistant Secretary of TVET, spoke on behalf of the participants. He thanked President Tellei for allowing them to tour the campus and see its programs and stated that they were all very impressed with PCC and its programs. They learned a lot of different approaches from PCC's technical/ vocational programs that they may use in their own countries. They were also very impressed with the good collaboration among PCC, Ministry of Education, and the Palauan community as a whole in regards to the technical/ vocational programs here in Palau.

Japanese Students Visit Campus



Niigata College of Art & Design Students

Earlier this week, the Niigata College of Art & Design students, accompanied by their Vice Principal Kazuhito Kato and Director of International Program & Cultural Exchange, Emi Okamoto, arrived on the island for a brief tour of Palau and a chance to visit PCC campus to observe and learn about its programs and meet with the students.

SBA Donates to Hospital



PCC Student Body Association

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, the Student Body Association (SBA) visited the Belau National Hospital's Medical and Surgical Ward patients last week and donated ten packages which included tissues, soaps, lotions, and toothpastes as their thanksgiving gifts to the long-term patients. They also gave balloons to cheer them up for the holiday.

BITS AND PIECES...

ANNOUNCEMENT

Walk-N-Pick Trash-A-Thon...

In celebration of its 5th Anniversary, Dolphins Pacific in cooperation with Koror State Government and Palau Community College's Tourism Hospitality Club, Environmental Science Club, and Student Body Association, is sponsoring a Walk-N-Pick Trash-A-Thon for all public and private students in Koror.

Registration starts at 6:30am- 8:00am at PCC Track and Field parking lot on December 02, 2006 (Saturday). T-Shirts and light refreshments for participants will be given.

There will also be a free concert for all students by the famous Japanese Shamisen Band at PCC Cafeteria from 6:30pm- 9:00pm on December 06, 2006 (Wednesday). The public is also invited for both events.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Palau Red Cross Society is offering courses in First Aid & CPR. The course is 12 hours long and can be divided into two or three day sessions depending on your preference. There is a \$15 participant's manual which you can get to keep as reference and can be reused should you want to certify additional personnel. There is also a \$20 course fee per participant. If you are interested or have further questions, contact the Palau Red Cross Office at 488- 5780/1.

CORRECTION

To Err is Human...

Last Week's Issue of Tia Belau and Palau Horizon newspapers stated that Governor Laurentino Ulechong pledged \$50 to PCC's Endowment Fund Thanksgiving Fundraiser; however, he pledged \$100, not \$50. Governor Ulechong, we sincerely apologize for our mistake.

Chuuk State Organization Tours Babeldaob

By: Ador Shirai, Chuuk State Leader

Two weekends ago, the Chuuk Student Organization members, like the Pohnpei State Organization, visited and toured the new capitol in Ngerulmud Hill. While



Chuuk State Organization

special lunch at Bethania High School (BHS). In the afternoon, PCC students and BHS students from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) had a cultural exchange. This exchange was to celebrate the FSM National Day, a national holiday in FSM held on November 18th each year to celebrate the birth of FSM as a nation and a member of the international community. The cultural exchange continued throughout the day with students from different FSM entities performing their cultural performances. The day ended with students enjoying a smooth drive on the nearly completed Compact Road.

at the capitol site, Senator Caleb Otto took us inside the Capitol building and gave us a tour in the Senate Chamber and the Senators' offices. Afterwards, we drove to Ngarard where we had a

Special thanks to Senator Otto and BHS Principal Tem for allowing us to tour inside the Capitol building and using the BHS campus. Also, special thanks to PCC Dean Edward and Director Olikong for making their trip possible.

UBMS Holds Academic Survival Skills Workshop

On November 18, 2006, Upward Bound Math and Science held its second workshop with Mr. Jemmy Blelai as the guest speaker. Mr. Blelai empowered UBMS students with **10 Ways to Stay Motivated**, the basic academic skills that students need to stay academically motivated and stay in school. In addition, Mr. Blelai had the students participate in a few ice-breaking activities and time management exercises. The students enjoyed learning new useful skills for them. One of the students said, "This workshop



Upward Bound Math and Science Students at PCC CE Training Room



Instructor Jemmy Blelai with Upward Bound Math and Science Students

is very useful for us to organize our time in the future." Another said, "It was fun. It is good we have someone who cares about what we're doing." The UBMS staff and students would like to take this opportunity to extend their big thank you to Mr. Blelai for a good and useful workshop. Special thanks also goes to Taruu for availing herself on a weekend to be with us at the CE Training Room. Last, but not least, UBMS staff thanks PCC cafeteria staff for preparing the yummy snacks.