

Alumni Notes

Class of 2000(PCC)

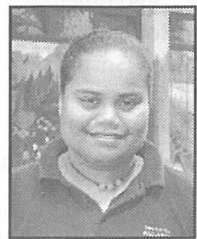
Jun Ushibata -



2000 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting (BA). Ushibata is an Accounting Technician in the Finance Department at the Belau National Hospital

Class of 1996 (PCC)

Darlyne Takawo -



1996 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Takawo works as a GIS Assistant Analyst at the Palavis Office-Ministry of Resources

& Development.

Class of 1980 (MOC)

Erena Sebalt -



1980 MOC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Secretarial Science (SEE). Sebalt is a Librarian at the Melekeok Elementary School. She also manages the school's

computer lab.

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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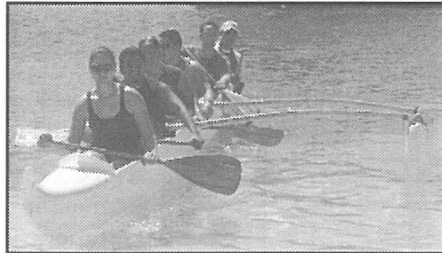
Celebrating Birthdays

Clement Kazuma	November 23
Mekreos Siliil	November 24
Jackline Immanuel	November 24
Dannies Uehara	November 27

Happy Birthday To You!

Mesekiu Finishes a Strong Second in Local Canoe Races

By: Elizabeth deJong, Mesekiu Canoe Coach



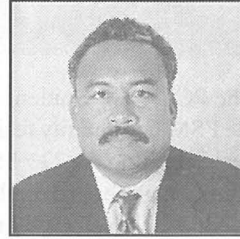
Mesekiu Canoe crews prepare for the 250 meter sprint race.

Last weekend November 15, the Palau Community College Canoe Club competed in the Rotary Club Fishing Derby Canoe Race which was held at Rip Tide. The race consisted of 5 different teams: PCC Canoe Club, KEA, CAT (Civil Action Team), Sureor Gym and last but not least Ngardmau. At the end of the day it was a successful race with Ngardmau placing first place, PCC Canoe Club place second, Sureor Gym placing third, and KEA placing fourth overall. The race was a great way to check our abilities and skill in Outrigger Canoeing and we hope to refine our skills and do our best the next coming Canoe race. We extend a special THANK YOU to our Palau Community College Vice President Jay Olegeriil for taking the time to watch our races and provide us with healthy, energy boosting delicious lunch which

helped us maintain our energy for the race. Thank you again for your time and efforts! (see race results below)

Tellei To Head Organizing Body for 2010 Micro Games

ROP President Remengesau has once again turned to PCC President Patrick U. Tellei to head an organizing committee in preparation for a regional sports competition- this time it's the 2010 Micronesian Games. In 2005, Remengesau chose Tellei to chair the Mini-Games organizing committee, and Palau successfully hosted its first-ever Mini-South Pacific Games. The Micro-Games has fewer countries, less participants and fewer events compared to the Mini-Games. Congratulations President Tellei and you have the full force of PCC at your disposal. Let's do it again!!!



President Tellei

CANOE SPRINT EVENT RESULTS

TEAM NAME	EVENT	TIME	PLACE
Klebokl E Abunai	500m Women	4:10	1 st Place
PCC Women	500m Women	4:12	2 nd Place
KLebokl E Abunai	1000m Women	8:45	1 st Place
PCC Women	1000m Women	8:50	2 nd Place
Ngardmau Waterfall	500m Men	3:12	1 st Place
Ngardmau Yankees	500m Men	3:22	2 ^{dn} Place
PCC Sparks	500m Men	3:27	3 rd Place
Ngardmau Waterfall	1000m Men	7:11	1 st Place
PCC Bombers	1000m Men	7:13	2 nd Place
Sureor Team	1000m Men	7:23	3 rd Place
PCC 1	250 Mix	1:36:02	1 st Place
Sureor Mix	250 Mix	1:39:97	2 ND Place
PCC 2	250 Mix	1:40:15	3 rd Place
Ngardmau Mix	500 Mix	3:29:70	1 st Place
Sureor Mix	500m Mix	3:34:57	2 nd Place
PCC 2	500 Mix	3:35	3 rd Place

Overall Results with PRIZES

Ngardmau Team	1 st Place Dinner at Sam's Bottom Time and \$100 WCTC gift cert.
PCC Team	2 nd Place Spaghetti Dinner At Kramers & \$50.00 WCTC gift cert.
Klebokl e Abunai	3 RD Place (PIZZA AT ROCK ISLAND CAFÉ)
Sureor Team	4 th Place (PIZZA at ROCK ISLAND CAFÉ)

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MESEKIU'S NEWS

Friday, November 21, 2008

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18 Students Inducted into Phi Theta Kappa- International Honor Society



PCC President Tellei (standing-left) and Dean of Students Alvina Timarong (standing-right) join the newly inducted student members of the PCC's Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, for a group photo after the induction ceremony at the PCC cafeteria on Wednesday, November 19, 2008.

Eighteen (18) PCC students were officially installed as the newest members of PCC's Beta Omicron Zeta, a chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society. The group is the third from PCC to join the prestigious society, bringing the total number of PCC students who are members to sixty (60).

The international honor society of Phi Theta Kappa has over 2 million members worldwide with 1200 chapters located in the US and its territories, Canada, Germany, British Virgin Islands and the Pacific. The society offers more than \$40 million in scholarships to members and promotes leadership in its members.

For more information about the international honor society, please

contact Dean of Students Marensia Edward at 4888-2471, ext. 229.



President Tellei's eldest daughter Diliaur Tellei (standing-right) who is an honor student majoring in Liberal Arts at PCC and her cousin Ngedikes Benedict were among the 18 inducted into the Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa. Seated are her proud parents President Tellei and Virginia Tellei.

EMS Club Donates to Endowment Fund



President Tellei (c) receives the \$50 dollar donation from EMS club president Ngedikes Benedict and other club members.

The Environmental/Marine Science (EMS) Club student and their advisors Vernice Yuji and Sherry Ngirmeriil presented a \$50 dollar donation to President Tellei on Wednesday at the PCC cafeteria. PCC Science instructor and club advisor said that the donation is for the school's Endowment Fund and said that it came from the proceeds of their car-wash fundraiser last month.

The EMS club is one of many student clubs on campus who are actively involved in activities both on and off campus, and always remember the schools endowment fund after fundraising activities.



Senator-elect Adalbert Eledui who witnessed the ceremony stands for a photo with President Tellei and a student.

Wall Touch-Up



Campus artist "Vince-land" is back to do touch-up work on his very first artwork assignment on campus- the south parking lot wall. Passersby are highly encouraged to admire the artwork, and refrain from dribbling betelnut juice on it.

"Jurassic" Welding Shop Machine Revived

By: Usong Tellei, Mesekiu's News Work-study Student



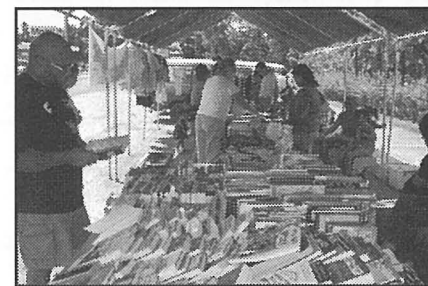
New Welding/Auto Body instructor Rogelio Santos stands next to the now operational sheet metal shearing machine which he repaired. The machine has been dormant since the time of MOC.

Through the efforts of our new Welding/Auto Body instructor, Rogelio Santos, an archaic and formerly broken piece of equipment has been recently repaired and will now be featured in the Welding Shop. The power-shearing machine for sheet metal, one of the remaining original equipment in the welding and auto body shop since MOC time is used to segment sheet metal into different sizes for easier precision welding and auto body work. The equipment has been in a shabby state for many years. Thanks to Instructor Santos and his students, the machine is now up and running again.

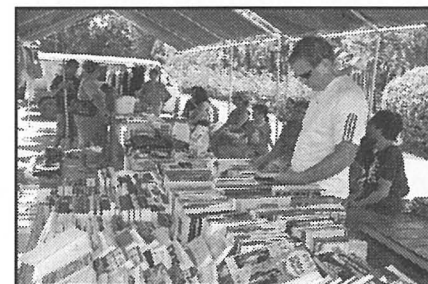
PCC FSA Garage Sale

The Palau Community College Faculty Senate Association (FSA) held its second fundraising event, a garage sale, on Sunday, November 16, 2008 at the PCC parking lot. Thanks to the support of its members and the community, FSA was able to raise over \$400. The money raised will help secure scholarships for future PCC students. If you would like to donate to FSA, please contact the FSA officers Vicki Maui, Jemmy Blelai, Soledad Garcia, or Samantha Bells at 488-2471.

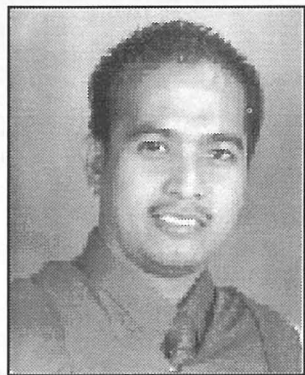
We would like to take this opportunity and thank all the donors as well as those who were able to help in selling and promoting the event.



FSA members had tons of good books to sell during their used items sale last weekend, though they closed shop considerably early at 1:00 pm.



Spring 2008 Palau-Wide Stanford Achievement Test (SAT10) Report



Nino "Onz" Pate, Institutional Research Analyst

For the past couple of months, the College's Institutional Research Analyst and Assessment Consultant, Niño Pate has been working on the Spring 2008 Palau-Wide Stanford Achievement Test (SAT 10) Report. The SAT 10 was administered to two private elementary schools and five high schools in of Palau namely Maris Stella, Seventh Day Adventist, Belau Modekngai School, Bethania High School, Emmaus High School, Mindszenty High School and Palau Mission Academy. The 2008 report was disseminated to the respective schools already. Copies will be furnished also to the President's Office, Vice-President's Office, Senate, Delegates and Ministers.

This report presents an overview of the 2002 enabling legislation to test all students with the SAT 9 (later updated to SAT 10), background information about

the SAT 10 that was first administered in 2004 to public and private schools in Palau, and a summary report of results from the 2008 Spring SAT 10 results from Palau private schools. Tables, charts, and descriptions of the results Palau-wide, by school, by grade level are included. Comparisons of scores from 2004-2008 Palau-wide and private schools are also presented.

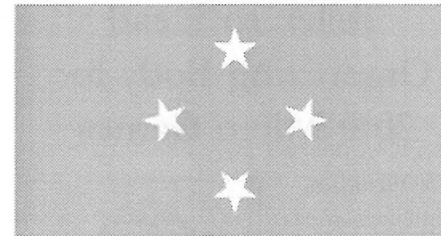
In the first SAT 10 administration in April 2004 pursuant to RP 6-25, more than 80% of the enrolled public and private school students were tested (2004 SAT 10 Student Data CD). Palau's total public and private school spring 2004 enrollment was 4,222 (MOE Statistics). In 2005, the private schools that participated in the testing program consist of approximately 25% of the total public and private school enrollment. The total enrollment for the private schools participating in May 2006 SAT 10 test administration was 1,031. Approximately 89% or 915 of the private school students took the test in 2006 while 92% or 1,007 students in 2007. For the spring 2008, 97% or 990/1016 of the private school students took the SAT 10.

The college would like to extend its appreciation to Dr. Elizabeth Rechebei who prepared the 2004-2006 SAT 10 report. Should you need further information on the 2007-2008 SAT 10 report please contact "ONZ" at the PCC Development Office, extension 251.

BITS AND PIECES...

THIS WEEKEND

Students To Celebrate FSM Day Saturday...



FSM Flag

The PCC FSM Student Organization and the FSM community residing in Palau will be celebrating the 22nd FSM Independence Anniversary on November 22, 2008. The event will take place at the Long Island Park from 9:00am - 5:00pm with live dance/song performances by the students. A number of traditional island games are also being planned for the day. Come join the celebration.

APOLOGIES

Mesekiu's News Errs...

In the October 31 issue of the *Mesekiu's News*, a story titled "Student Support Services Cultural Site Visit to Ngaremlengui State", wrongly captioned a photo of a student at highly holy "Olbedabel el Bad". The proper caption should have been "Neslon Ngirairiki (student) attempting the 'Olbedabel el Bad' to be a warrior." Mesekiu's News apologizes for the error. No disrespect of the holy "Olbedabel el Bad" or of any past or present warriors was intended.

SALE

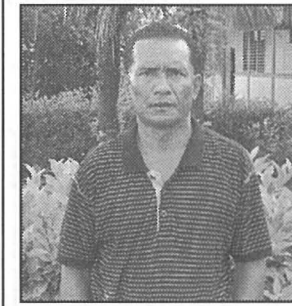
Cheapest USBs...

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.

Mesekiu's News thanks all contributing writers for their articles and pictures. Too busy to write, call us we'll come to you. Call the Development Office at ext.253. Thanks again!!!

SDSU Online Cohort Update

By: Usong Tellei, Mesekiu's News Work-Study Student



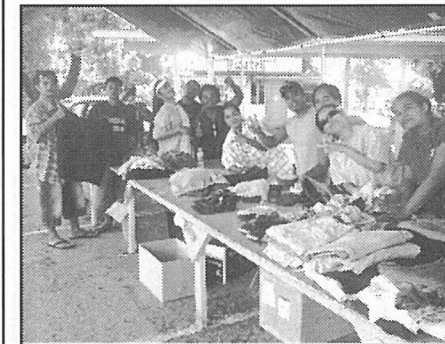
Associate Dean Sherman Daniel

The College is pleased to make public that the next BA and MA cohort degree programs in education with San Diego State University will soon be underway with potential students already selected to participate in these two programs. The BA degree cohort consists of 35 potential applicants who have already sent their program entrance requests and

other required documents to SDSU's Admissions Office. There are also about the same number of potential applicants interested in the MA degree cohort who are now in the process of completing and submitting their application to SDSU. Applicants to the cohort programs are mostly teachers and administrators from the Ministry of Education(MOE) including some from the private schools, PCC, and other governmental agencies. Both programs are scheduled to begin early Spring Semester 2009. For more information about the SDSU on-line cohort, please contact Associate Dean Sherman Daniel at 488-2471, ext. 254.

CSO Enjoys Strong Local Support

By: RA-Kohama, CSO Advisor



Chuuk State Organization (CSO) members during last Saturday's garage sale.

The Chuuk State Organization (CSO) at PCC held a garage sale fundraising last Saturday and were able to raise a substantial amount, thanks to numerous clothing items and other items donated by several supporters of the club. The club made up of Chuukese students enjoys strong support from the local

Chuuk community in Palau. Chuukese native now residing in Palau Advin Asito and his Palauan wife Pioria Asito are regulars at all CSO-sponsored events and they did not miss this one. CSO is grateful for the support and extends thanks to all of its supporters, especially the following local community members who donated items to the garage sale:

- ✓ Advin & Pioria Asito
- ✓ Encely Ngiraiwet
- ✓ Elma Rubeang
- ✓ Lynn Polloi
- ✓ Margeline Buban
- ✓ Rose Aliven-Kohama
- ✓ Seit Andres
- ✓ Dr. Sylvia Wally

To donate, please call Rose at 488-2471, ext. 241.

Message of Appreciation

On behalf of my family, especially my children, I offer my deepest appreciation to PCC President Patrick U. Tellei, the entire PCC family, and my colleagues at the Maintenance Department for the kind support and well wishes you extended me during my most difficult time of sorrow and grief. Your outpouring support and genuine kindness made it a little easy for me to cope with the such unexpected loss of my wife Alice Telmang Ngiraibiochel. My Children and I will forever remember your most kind act of generosity. Thank you very much.

Wilmar "Prima" Ngiraibiochel and Children