

Alumni Notes

Class of 2005 (PCC)

Vaoita Yalap -



2005 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Nursing (NU). Yalap works at the Ministry of Health as a Registered Nurse. She has been working there for the past 2 years.

Class of 1996 (PCC)

McSheldon Salvador -



1996 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Business Accounting (BA). Salvador works at the Division of Labor as a Labor Technician. He has been working there for the past 7 years.

Class of 1991 (MOC)

Linda Kuterbis -



1991 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Kuterbis works at the Bureau of Immigration as an Immigration Officer and has been working there for the past 15 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

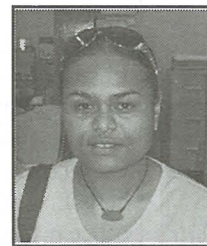
Clement Kazuma	November 23
Mekreos Sill	November 24
Dannies Uehara	November 27
Maria Teruzi	November 28
Larry Wakakoro	November 30
Willa W. Rechelulk	December 03
Laura Mangham	December 05
Ephraim Ngirachitei	December 05
Alice Faletam	December 05

Happy Birthday To You!

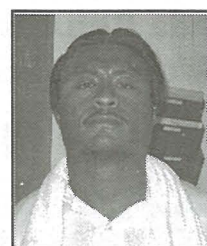
More Show Support to Endowment Fund



Ngerikl Baules



Uroi Salii



Wilmar Ngiraibiochel (Primo)

Ngerikl Baules and Ush Luii (not pictured) of the Ministry of State, Uroi Salii and Wilmar Ngiraibiochel (Primo) of PCC are the newest members of the Endowment Fund. 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, or Koyungil at the Development office at 488-2470 ext. 253.

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Students look on as C-Boy Rimirch (2nd from left) shows them the totally cool GPS-NAVMAN demo.

probably a lot better for our country, as fuel ejected into the waters can destroy our marine life.

All of us students had a great time learning the different aspects of Surangel & Son's Co. One student commented "I really enjoyed the presentation by C-Boy from the marine division of Surangel & Son's Co. It was really detailed and it gave me a better understanding of how to enter into a franchise." Another stated that "this jobsite was very informative and helpful especially the part on construction and engineering staff."

After the jobsite visit, lunch along with a mini workshop on "Transferring to a Four Year College" was held in the SSS-Project Beacon lab. We were given information about where and how to search for colleges and where to go to find information about financial aid and other scholarships that are available, plus the do's of applying to a college/university. Much appreciation to Counselor Adora for making an exception, and letting us devour our lunches while she did her presentation. After all, we were quite famished from the exciting tour, but who knows....she might

have allowed it just so she could keep our attention. On a serious note, the tips and information gained are beneficial for college transfer and is appreciated. For the delicious lunch and the fabulous transportation, we give a big "holla" to CRE!!

Thank you to Eric Whipps for agreeing to let us tour Surangel & Son's Co., to Kimberly Elarionoff for helping with the arrangements, and to the rest of the Surangel & Son's Co. employees who took the time out to give us their take on their jobs and to answer our questions. We will not forget Ceasar, the BIG dog who also gave us a warm welcome at the dock when we checked out the boats.



Students checking out the boat engine.

Want to Donate Unused Household Items, Books, or Clothes?

The Professional Development Seminar (PDS) organizing committee is holding a yard sale scheduled for Saturday, December 8th, 2007 at the PCC front parking lot. If you have any household items, books, or clothes that you do not use anymore and have no more space for them at home, why not donate them? If you want to donate, please bring your items to PCC-Upward Bound office by Friday, December 7th before 4:00 p.m.

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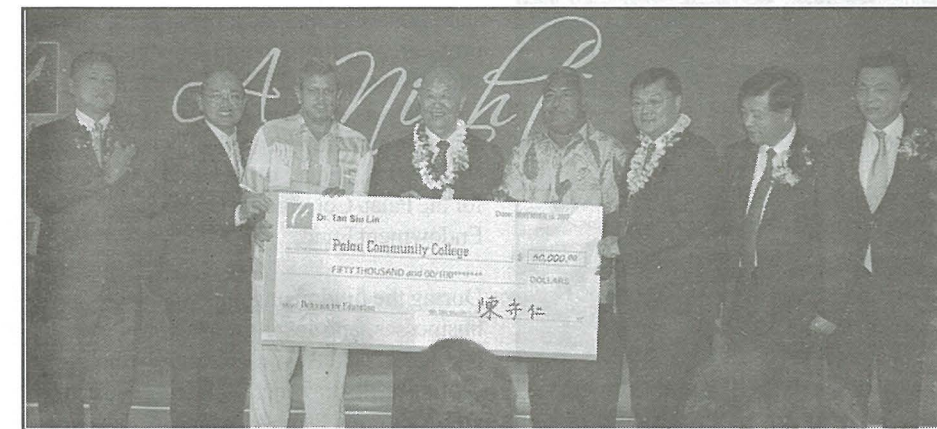


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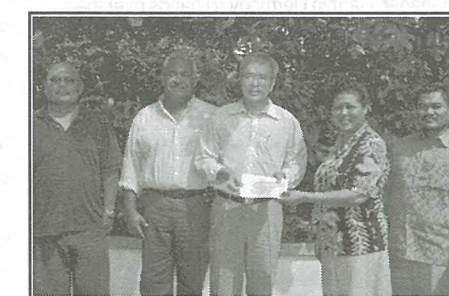
Tan Holdings Corp. Gives \$200,000 for New Library, Over \$38K Raised for Endowment



To celebrate its 35th year anniversary of doing business in Micronesia, the Tan Holdings Corp., chaired by Dr. Tan Siu Lin, donated a large sum of money to educational institutions across Micronesia and Palau Community College (PCC) was fortunate to be one of the recipients. PCC received a total amount of \$200,000 and this amount will go towards the construction of the new PCC library. PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei traveled to Guam before the Thanksgiving holiday to receive the initial \$50,000 dollars, while the remaining amount of \$150,000 will be dispersed throughout the duration of the construction of the library. In the photo above, Dr. Tan Siu Lin (4th from left) is shown handing over the check to PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (4th from right). Also shown in the photo is Senate Floor Leader, Alan Seid (3rd from left). Tan Holdings is based in Hong Kong, but is involved in a variety of industries extending throughout the Western Pacific, Asia, and the United States.



President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei handing over the thanksgiving fundraising grand prize of a round-trip ticket to Taipei plus a \$500 cash prize and a turkey dinner to winner Techur Rengulbai (r).



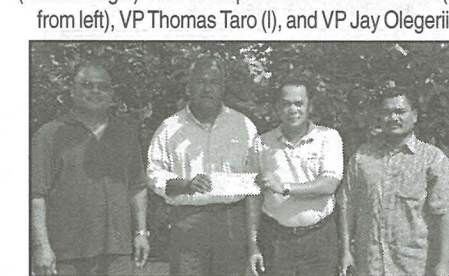
Republic of China-Taiwan Ambassador, Matthew S. M. Lee (c) handing over their donation of the round-trip ticket grand prize to BOT Chairperson, Bilung Gloria G. Salii (2nd from right). Also in the photo are President Tellei (2nd from left), VP Thomas Taro (l), and VP Jay Olegeriil.



ASPCC members, Elway Ikeda (2nd from left), Mariean Kazuma (3rd from left), and PCC student Maloreen Rengulul (l) delivering the ASPCC donation of \$3,000 dollars to President Tellei.



Marilyn Whipps (l) of Surangel & Son's Co. hands over their donation worth of \$2,500 for the fundraising.



President Tellei (2nd from left) receives the \$1,000 dollar check donation from Rodrigo Misajon of Shell Company Palau. Also present to receive the donation are VP Taro (l) and VP Olegeriil.



Toribiong Mekreos (l) representing PIDC hands over the \$500 dollar check donation to Ephraim Ngirachitei (2nd from left) of PCC. Also present to receive the donation are President Tellei (2nd from right) and VP Taro.

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Airai State Governor, Victoria Kanai (r) personally delivering the \$250 donation to the fundraising.



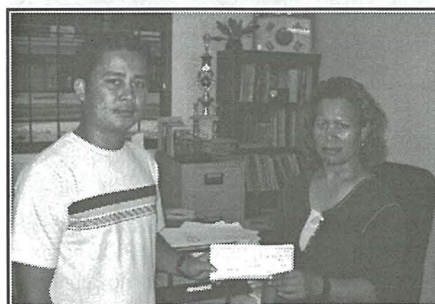
Dr. Gregory Dever (r) gives his \$100 cash donation to VP Olegeriil for the fundraising.



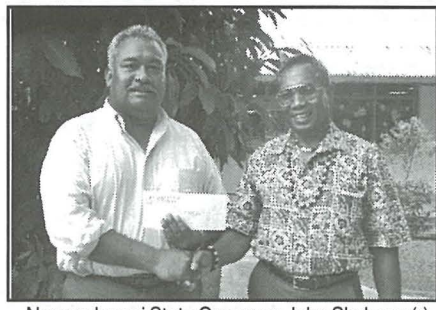
WCTC representative, Louisa April (l) hands over their donation worth \$2,250 to Dilubch Samil of PCC.



Colette Etpison (l) of NECO Group of Companies handing over their \$1,000 dollar check donation to Arlyne Ignacio of PCC.



HANPA Corporation representative (l) hands over their donation of a \$500 dollar check to Samil of PCC.



Ngaremlengui State Governor, John Skebong (r) delivering his donation of \$50 to President Tellei.



Dilubch Samil of PCC receiving the donation worth \$1,100 from Topside/Midtown Mobil Service Station management and employees.



Bank of Hawaii-Palau AVP & Branch Sales Manager, Carmin Dermody (r) hands over their check donation of \$1,000 dollars to Samil of PCC.



Samil (r) receives the \$600 dollar check donation as well as T-shirts and candles from the Palau International Coral Reef Center employees.



Director Armstrong Debelbot (l) receives the \$100 dollar check donation from Ngiratrang Kyota and Dwight Ngirabai, officers of Ongiall Association.



Tova Harel (r) of Fish n' Fins donates local recipe cook books as prizes for the Endowment fundraising.

Once a year, Palau Community College seeks support from the community to help raise funds for its Endowment Fund. This year, the College is proud to announce that 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 \$38,000 dollars for the Palau Community College Endowment Fund.

During the fundraising, individuals, businesses, and local groups who purchased tickets won prizes from the event's raffle drawing. Techur Rengulbai won the Grand Prize # 1 which included a round-trip ticket to Taipei, Taiwan inclusive of a \$500 cash prize as well as a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Ngarachamayong won Grand Prize #2- \$1,000 cash prize and a Citizen brand watch- and generously donated the \$1,000 cash back to the Endowment Fund. Sure Save Mart won the Grand Prize # 3 which included a round-trip ticket to Philippines with a \$250 cash prize. Grand Prize # 4- a laptop computer -went to U-Corporation which purchased hundreds of dollars worth of tickets.

Palau Community College thanks everyone for supporting the College's efforts in securing its financial stability. Special thanks is extended to Dr. Tan Siu Lin and Tan Holdings for his tremendous donation of \$200,000, which will be used for the construction of the new library. Also, special thanks to Senator Alfonso Diaz for his continuous support to the College, especially broadcasting the event live and providing the opportunity for community members to call-in and make donations/pledges. The College also thanks all who donated cash, in-kind, as well as those who purchased tickets to the raffle drawing.

BITS AND PIECES...

Sawada Returns Home After Two Years ...



Yuko Sawada (center right) with President Tellei (center left); VP Jay Olegeriil (l); Dean Willy Wally (2nd from left); Sherman Daniel (3rd from left); Ephraim Ngirachitei (r); JICA Resident Representative Yoshio Notsu (2nd from right); and JICA Volunteers Coordinator Yasushi Satake (3rd from right) during her farewell dinner hosted by the College.

Sawada arrived two years ago as a JICA volunteer to teach the Japanese language at PCC. Finishing her last semester, Sawada left early Tuesday morning where she will be returning back to Japan. The College bids her farewell and thanks her for all the work she has done at the College, sharing her knowledge about the Japanese language and culture with PCC students, and also further strengthening the cordial relationship between Japan and Palau.

TRANSPAC VP Visits College ...



VP Jay Olegeriil with Vice President Kevin Mendenhall (r) of Trans Pacific Export Company (TRANSPAC) during his visit to the College last week. TRANSPAC is a long time business partner of the College, providing textbooks and supplies.

Message of Appreciation

Elenita Brel and her family would like to extend their sincerest appreciation and heartfelt gratitude to all the PCC staff. Your support and generosity during this time of sorrow will not be forgotten.
God Bless us all!

Surangel & Son's Host Career Expedition

By: SSS-Project Beacon Sophomore Students

Eleven sophomore participants from Student Support Services – Project Beacon went on a Jobsite Visit to Surangel & Son's Co. on Friday, November 16, 2007. Kimberly Elarionoff from the Human Resource office made arrangements for us to visit the Accounting Office, Travel Agency, Auto-mechanic Shop, Socio-Surangel & Son's Co., and Evinrude-marine shop.



Construction Manager Lee Otobed (r) gives a detailed history behind the expansion of Surangel & Son's construction company.



SSS-Project Beacon students with Counselor Adora Nobuo-Andreas (l) at Surangel & Son's Travel Agency during their career expedition.

At the Accounting Office, Comptroller Rukebai Inabo and Chief Accountant Erwin, explained the work they did, what the other accountants were responsible in doing, and how, if we wanted jobs like theirs, to at least strive for BA degrees in the accounting field. We asked a lot of questions in regards to how a business was run, what kind of accounting system was being used, and how the company projects its cost to customers and the revenue that comes in. At the Auto-Mechanic shop, we learned that it was important to do a good job at one's internship because this can lead to immediate hiring, as our former classmates – Simeon Fanesog and Alik Tolenoa were examples, working as full time mechanics. Supervisor Herbert Decherong also described what kind of work they did. They worked on engines and tires, but didn't do body work. An interesting feature was when we met the "tire man",



One of the construction employees (l) showing the students the projects they were working on.



SSS-Project Beacon students with Counselor Nobuo-Andreas (5th from left) at the Auto Mechanic Shop.

We then moved to the Evinrude-marine shop where Manager C-Boy Rimirch gave us a tour of the boats, showing us the NAVMAN system... a totally cool GPS and computerized engine system. We learned the difference between EFI, DFI and carburetor engines. As some of us are Environmental Science majors, we agreed with C-Boy that EFI and DFI engines are

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