

MOC/PCC Alumni Softball Fundraiser Nets Over \$3,000

The first MOC/PCC Alumni fundraiser was a tremendous success as twenty-seven (27) softball teams signed up to participate in the five-day Thanksgiving Softball Fundraiser. Unlike other softball tournaments with only one division, the MOC/PCC Alumni tourney had three different divisions (open, co-ed, masters), thus it was able to accommodate a lot more teams. "We are happy to see the public come out in force to support our function. It is a good indication that people are really sincere when they say that education is important", said Eugene Uehara, MOC/PCC Alumni Association President.

Mr. Uehara with the help of other noteworthy alumni such as PCC President Patrick Tellei, Senate Floor Leader Steven Kanai, Palau High School teacher Inacia Oilouch Rengulbai, professional fisherman Mark Mabel, police sergeant Mike Rafael, and Grace Kladiem Rafael rallied other alumni to organize this fundraiser to help raise money for the Palau Community College's Endowment Fund. The fundraiser netted \$3,375.00 in registration fees, over 70% of which will be donated to the PCC Endowment Fund.

The MOC/PCC Alumni Association thanks Parks & Recreation and the Meyuns Softball League for the use of the field; all teams for their support and participation; all the umpires, scorers, announcers and all the volunteers who helped make this fundraising a success. Special thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Diaz of W.W.F.M 89.5 for broadcasting the games live. Thank you all very much!

Open

Ark A's - Champions
Meruruu - 2nd Place
OEK - 3rd Place

Co-Ed

Track & Field - Champions
Doruruu - 2nd Place
Lak Muaisei - 3rd Place

Master

Meyuns Outlaws - Champions
PCC/MOC Alumni - 2nd Place
KSG Latars - 3rd Place



MOC/PCC Alumni Softball Team which participated in the tournament fundraiser.



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PCC Baseball Team Debuts - Blows Away Opponent



On Tuesday, November 26, 2002, the PCC Mesekiu Baseball Team defeated Koror to open its 2002 Major League Season. Taking a 2 to 1 lead in the bottom of the first inning, Mesekiu never relinquished the lead, winning the seven-inning game 8-7.

Offensively, Mesekiu was led by Dio Olikong who reached base three times on two errors and a single and scored twice. Ngeskebei Saburo went 2 for 4 with a single and a double and scoring once. Also scoring for Mesekiu were Calvin Johanes, Fred Nedlic, Houston Mad, Rodney Kazuma, and Caleb Melte. Team Captain Houston "Stone" Mad courageously stole home to score what turned to be the winning run. Leading the defense was Cleofas "Opas" Iyar who had a very impressive outing on the mound allowing only 4 hits and walking 5 and earning the win.

The entire PCC congratulates Manager/Coach Norman Sato and the Mesekiu Baseball Team for this great win. Everyone in the PCC family is encouraged to cheer for our team as they proudly play for the College!

Ngerbeched Head Start Thanks PCC

Some very grateful Head Start students and teachers at the Ngerbeched center have expressed gratitude to PCC for donating much needed and appreciated scratch paper. Teachers Gaudencia Ngiramolau, Edwina Ngirailid, and Hilaria Ngiratkl accepted the donations with much gratitude. Meanwhile, the PCC Development Office continues to accept donations of scratch paper to be disseminated to the various Head Start centers in Koror. Thank you for your support.



Celebrating Birthdays

Veronica Kloulechad December 11

Happy Birthday To You!!!



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PCC Instructor Making a Difference

Student to attend Hawaii Conference



PCC Social Science Instructor Joseph Tutii Elbuchel Chilton is a model instructor who explores avenues to make learning more interactive and fun for students.

Aside from being a full-time social science instructor, teaching five classes at Palau Community College, Mr. Joseph Tutii Elbuchel Chilton, or Joe as he likes to be called, has taken it upon himself to enhance and expand the learning environment and opportunities for PCC students. Believing in the teacher's role as a positive reinforcement factor in the student's academic experience, Mr. Chilton has recently been involved in a number of activities that promote this belief.

First of all, he has been a very active participant in the Moving Cultures movement. In fact, he is currently in the state of Hawaii attending the final Moving Cultures conference, to wrap up and discuss all the benefits, research and projects that have come into being as a result of the Moving Cultures grant for "new" area studies. Palau Community College has benefited from the Moving Cultures project as several PCC instructors have been able to meet with their counterparts in other Pacific Islands schools: New Zealand, Australia, as well as the United States. The College has also been able to gather modules from these networks that have served to enhance PCC classes, especially those pertaining to Pacific-oriented materials and information about Asia's influence in the Pacific.

While at this final Moving Cultures conference, Chilton will be presenting his experience with another instructor from Kapiolani Community College, Ms. Collette Higgins about their internet/e-mail project.

Chilton and Higgins have connected several students from PCC and KCC on a research and writing project. This project began in the spring 2002 semester and this fall 2002 semester is their second attempt at refining it. One very positive result of this project is that the students involved have gained a new student-to-student perspective from Hawaii and from Palau about issues pertaining to their classes.

During the 2002 spring semester, Chilton also connected his Changes in Micronesia (SS209) class with Higgins' Hawaiian History course. Because of the success of such a connection, the fall 2002 semester has seen Chilton connecting his World Civilization (HI 159) class with Higgins' Pacific History course.

"All college instructors should be like Mr. Chilton. That way we know that learning will not only be educational, it will also be fun and we would look forward to going to class."

Laureen Joseph
PCC Student

The Moving Cultures grant also provides transportation, housing and stipend for one student to go to Hawaii and present her experience with this internet/e-mail project. At the same time, that student will get a chance to have a face-to-face meeting with her partner in Hawaii. This year, Chilton selected PCC student Ms. Laureen Joseph to represent PCC at the Hawaii conference. Chilton chose Ms. Joseph because of her performance in class and her interaction with her partner in Hawaii.

"Overall, the Moving Cultures grant has allowed instructors from PCC to network via internet with other Pacific Island instructors. We have been sharing materials for different courses, developing different ideas about presenting materials in class, and have exposed students to a variety of viewpoints. Collette (Higgins) and I will discuss further expansion of our internet/e-mail project with other schools to see if we can coordinate more than two schools per semester", says Chilton. Chilton has also begun discussion with Higgins on the possibility of offering a Pacific Islands Studies course at PCC that could run in conjunction with other Pacific Island courses throughout the Pacific, Australia, New Zealand and U.S. as a means of exposing students to other points of view.

As if all these are not enough to occupy his time, Chilton has also been involved in UNESCO National Commission. On the week of 18-22 October, he attended a Small Island Voice conference that is under the initiative of UNESCO Office in Paris and the Palau National Commission. Small Island Voice (SIV) is gathering local attitudes and issues regarding the development and growth of small island nations. Palau and the Cook Islands were chosen to represent the Pacific, Seychelles was chosen to represent the Indian Ocean, and St. Kitts and Nevis was chosen to represent the Caribbean Sea. While at the conference, all participants were able to have face-to-face interaction and discuss issues, obstacles and successes on each island. Mr. Chilton is one busy instructor and PCC is proud of his commitment to enhancing the learning environment for our students!



PCC Student Laureen Joseph

PCC Thanks Donors/Supporters

A very grateful Palau Community College family of Trustees, Administration, Faculty and Staff, and most especially students, would like to thank the many agencies, businesses, corporations, groups, and individuals for their generous support. Your commitment to Palau's only institution of higher education has resulted in a most successful 4th Thanksgiving Fund Raiser for the PCC Endowment Fund, where we exceeded our \$20,000 goal! In the spirit of this season of Thanksgiving, we would also like to acknowledge the following for their support and commitment to the fundraiser by providing prizes as indicated:

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 Computer System
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 Television, VCR, CD/Tape Player
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Mr. Alfonso Diaz (WWFM 89.5)	-	Radio Announcement Discounts and Free Live Broadcast of Thanksgiving Fund Raiser
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Next Week is EXAM Week!!!

For all PCC students, this weekend will probably be devoted to hours of study and research in preparation for next week's final exams. While most of you are already making plans for how you will be spending your Christmas break, you must first make sure that you successfully pass all your classes. One way to do that is to be as prepared for the final exams and to do your best, thus improving the likelihood of you having a successful 2002 fall semester. Below are final tips for students as you study for finals. While some of them may sound like repeats, they have proven to be useful study guides that benefit any student who heeds them. These tips are:

- 1. Be Prepared**
The most important factor in exam success is preparation. No matter how many helpful hints you employ, nothing works as well as making sure you've studied enough.
- 2. Study Your Weakest Subjects First**
Why? You'll be fresher and therefore better able to deal with difficult areas, and you'll have more time to deal with any problems that arise.
- 3. Ask for Help**
If you're having trouble with a particular subject, do not be afraid to ask for help. Your teacher and fellow students will be glad to give you a hand.
- 4. Understand vs. Memorize**
You may pass your exams if you memorize the material, but you'll improve your grade considerably if you understand what it is you're memorizing. You'll also find the material easier to remember.
- 5. Look at Old Exams**
They can be useful study tools, as long as you don't limit your studying to them.
- 6. Eat Well and Get A Good Night's Sleep**
Take care of yourself during exam week - you're going through a lot of stress. Make sure you hold up well.

10th Police Academy Graduation



Last Friday saw the commencement exercises of the 10th Basic Police Academy. ROP President Remengesau and members of the Olbiil Era Kelulau attended the graduation which was held at the PCC Cafeteria. The cadets of the academy also participated in the recently held MOC/PCC Alumni Association softball tournament, the proceeds of which will be donated to the PCC Endowment Fund. The College congratulates the cadets on their graduation and wishes them success in their endeavors.

Dr. Roberts Donates Piggy Bank to PCC Fundraiser



Dr. Emalis Roberts, center, donated a piggy bank full of paper bills and coins totalling \$421.70, at last week's fundraiser for the College's endowment fund. Dr. Roberts, a member of the PCC Board of Trustees, is seen below with a grateful PCC President Patrick U. Tellei (l) and Ephraim Ngirachitei (r).

BITS & PIECES...

PCC To Be Santa's Elves Once Again

Once again, PCC will be Santa's Elves this Christmas. Specifically, the PCC Development Office will be helping to give out candy at "Bethlehem" across the College campus on the evening of December 13, 2002 (that's next week Friday), as part of the College's effort to assist the national government as the latter conducts its annual Christmas Program. The College has been providing such assistance to the government ever since this activity began. Everyone is encouraged to bring their children to "Bethlehem" on December 12th for an evening of Christmas caroling followed by Santa and his PCC elves giving away goodies and sweets for all the young and the young at heart.

'Toward a Common Future' Conference Coming Soon

As a result of a successful grant proposal submitted by PCC Instructors Julie Anastacio and Joe E. Chilton, the college has received funds to sponsor a 'Toward a Common Future' conference to be held from January 29-31, 2003 here on the College campus. Hence, PCC President has appointed the following staff to assist Anastacio and Chilton prepare for the conference:

Jay Olegeriil, Director of Development
 Clement Kazuma, Director of Physical Plant
 Lesley B. Adachi, RQA Manager
 Lorenza Joseph, Accountant/Supervisor
 Ismael Anastacio, Student Service Supervisor

Everyone is requested to provide adequate assistance to this team as they spearhead this College effort.