

Alumni Notes

Class of 2002 (PCC)

Glendalyn Ngirmeriil -



2002 PCC graduate with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). Ngirmeriil works at the State of Hawaii-Department of Human Resources BESSD Punawai Unit as a Case Worker. She has been working there for the past 2 and a half years.

Class of 1993 (PCC)

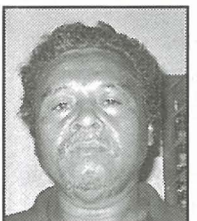
Lalii Meyar -



1993 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Meyar works at the Dental Clinic as a Dental Assistant. She has been working there for the past 14 years.

Class of 1989 (MOC)

Stephanus Gabriel -



1989 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Electronics Technology (GET). Gabriel works at the Ministry of Education as an Operator and has been working there for the past 11 and a half 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*.

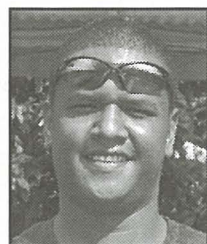
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Celebrating Birthdays

Jovanka Koshiba	December 08
Veronica Kloulechad	December 11
Herman Rdechor	December 11
Dawkins Dingelius	December 12

Happy Birthday To You!

More Show Support to Endowment Fund



Gregory Meyar

Gregory Meyar of PCC is the newest member of the Endowment Fund. PCC welcomes the new supporter 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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Grace Ongalibang (l) and Rollins Jonathan (2nd from right) receiving their MVP awards for the Open/Co-Ed Division from Legislator Idesong Sumang (2nd from left) and Arbedul Kuiroy Arurang (r).

thank the following individuals, government agency, teams, and sponsors who supported the PCC Endowment Fund Softball Tournament Fundraiser:



Arbedul Kuiroy Arurang (2nd standing from right) awarding team Ngarakeukel who won 1st place in the Masters Division. The softball tournament fundraiser was hosted by the MOC-PCC Alumni Association in cooperation with the Belau Softball Umpires Association, Tiull 2000, and Koror State Youth Council.



Legislator Sumang awards Rebiel Towai (l) the MVP trophy for the Masters Division.

Vice President Elias Camsek Chin; Senate Vice President Mlib Tmetuchel; Senator Alfonso Diaz; Koror State Legislature; Ngerkebesang (sponsored by Attorney Ngiraked Johnson Toribiong); Aimeliik (sponsored by K & C Enterprise); Koror State (sponsored by Koror State Government); Keseblau (sponsored by Airai State Government); Meyuns (sponsored by Minister Elbuchel Sadang); Ngardmau (sponsored by Ngardmau State Con-Con); Budweiser (sponsored by Shimbros Inc. and Vice President Elias Camsek Chin); Bud-Family (sponsored by Shimbros. Inc.); Meruruu (sponsored by Dixie Tmetuchel); Red Men (sponsored by Aban Ongalibang & Gail Ngirmidol); Ngarakeukel (sponsored by Adair Sumang); Bud-Light (sponsored by Shimbros. Inc.); and Smodii (sponsored by Attorney Arnold Oilouch).

The MOC-PCC Alumni Association, Belau Softball Umpires Association, Tiull 2000, and Koror State Youth Council organizes the softball tournament every year to raise money for the PCC Endowment Fund. Last year, they donated \$1,000 dollars.

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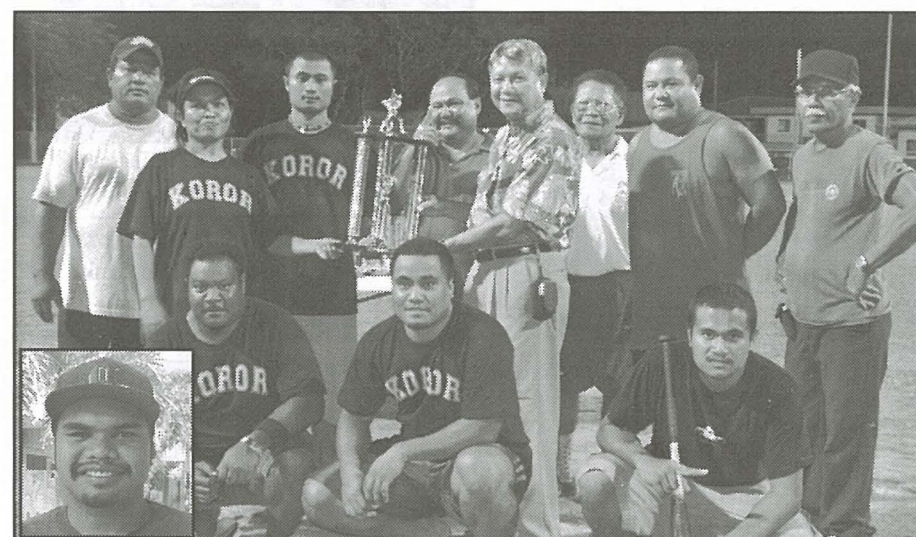


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13 Teams Participate in PCC's Endowment Softball Tourney Fundraiser, Melngis Home-run Derby King



Vice President Elias Camsek Chin (center) handing over the 1st place trophy to the Open/Co-Ed Division winners, Koror State, during the PCC Endowment Fund Softball Tournament Fundraiser last Friday at the Asahi Baseball Field. Also shown in the picture above is Home-run Derby winner, Melngis Uchel (inset: bottom left).

The MOC-PCC Alumni Association in cooperation with the Belau Softball Umpires Association, Tiull 2000, and Koror State Youth Council has yet again organized a successful PCC Endowment Fund Softball Tournament Fundraiser which concluded last Friday, November 30th at the Asahi Baseball Field. The turnout was great as nine teams registered for the Open/Co-Ed Division and four teams for the Masters Division. The tournament also hosted a Home-run Derby for individuals wanting to try their skills. As a result, Melngis Uchel, became the Home-run King. Team Koror won the Open/Co-Ed Championship as Ngarakeukel took the 1st place trophy for the Masters Division. Both Grace

Ongalibang and Rollins Jonathan from team Koror were awarded the Most Valuable Player (MVP) trophies for the Open/Co-Ed Division while Rebiel Towai from Ngarakeukel was awarded MVP for the Masters Division.

The Palau Community College, most especially the students would like to thank and recognize the MOC-PCC Alumni Association, Belau Softball Umpires Association, Tiull 2000, and the Koror State Youth Council for all their hard work in organizing the tournament. Special "thank you" to Koror State Government for their tremendous support. The College would also like to

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ASPCC Holds 1st International Night

By: Elway Ikeda, ASPCC Freshmen Representative

Wanting to show the diversity of cultures here at PCC, the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) held its first International Night on Friday November 23, 2007 for all PCC students as well as the community. It was a variety show which gave a chance for all the Micronesians at Palau Community College to showcase their cultures through a fashion show, through traditional dances, basket weaving, and songs.

The program began as ASPCC Vice President-Elect Heston A. Kebou gave the opening remarks, welcoming and thanking everyone for attending PCC's 1st International Night. Also taking into consideration the traditional Palauan way

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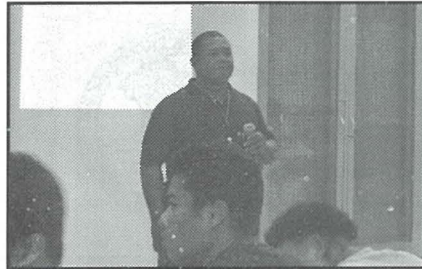


Students representing Palau during the International Night wearing the traditional Palauan attires for men and women.



Students from Kosrae wearing the traditional men and women's attires.

BPS Chief Aquon Encourages Students to Live Without Alcohol & Drugs



Chief Ismael Aquon answering questions from the students regarding his presentation on Alcohol & Drugs.

Alcohol and Drugs education and awareness was the focus of attention during November's "Tuesday Night" Program which was held at the PCC cafeteria. Bureau of Public Safety (BPS) Chief Ismael Aquon shared information with the hundred students about the deadly and disastrous use of alcohol and

drugs and how they can avoid using them.

Working in the police force for a substantial number of years and experiencing how people have violated the laws relating to alcohol and drug use, Chief Aquon warns students saying, "Using alcohol and drugs is a one way street. The further you go down the wrong road, the longer, the more difficult and impossible it will take to get back. You will be sent to jail, have an addiction problem, have severe depression, have serious injury, or perhaps even die". He then encouraged students to "believe and have self respect", giving them pointers that will help lead them to success such as the importance of listening to one's parents; paying attention to teachers; participating in sports or other healthy activities;

maintaining self discipline; and never giving up, just to name a few. He also urged the students to spend their free time wisely, especially during the upcoming holiday break saying, "fill your baskets with all the tools you will need to go on your journey, because your tomorrow depends on what you do today".

Student Life office as well as the PCC students would like to express their gratitude to Chief Aquon for giving an interesting presentation. They would also like to thank the cafeteria staff for the delicious snacks.



One hundred students attended the "Tuesday Night" Program about Alcohol & Drugs.

Club; Mr. and Mrs. Tico Smus; and Dexter Sadang. ASPCC would also like to thank everyone who took time off their busy schedule and attended the program.



VP Jay Olegeriil receiving his basket of coconuts from the Pohnpei students.



Chuukese students perform a war dance.



Palauan students entertain the crowd with a special contemporary dance.

The Marshallese students then entered the stage singing and playing their ukuleles, while some of the young men performed a war dance. Then, one courageous Yapese student went on stage and serenaded the crowd with a couple of Yapese songs. Before concluding the performances with the Palauan contemporary dance, the young Chuukese men performed their war dance.

The Associated Students of Palau Community College wish to thank the following people for their contributions and donations as this 1st International Night could not have been as successful without them: Board of Trustees Chairperson, Bilung Gloria G Sali; PCC President, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei; Vice President, Jay Olegeriil; Dean of Academic Affairs, Alvina Timarong; Dean of Students, Marensia Edward; Director of Student Life, Deikola Olikong; Ismael Anastacio; Shelley Remengesau; Tourism

BITS AND PIECES...

J. Scott Magliari Company Donates...



Representing the J. Scott Magliari Company, Debbie Ngiraibai (l) hands over their \$200 dollar donation for the PCC Endowment Fund to Virginia Ikeya of Business office on Wednesday.

Attention Fall 2007 Graduating Students...

In line with the Graduating Student Exit Survey, we would like to request the fall 2007 graduating students to fill up the assessment form at the Development office on or before 14th day of December. As a graduating student, your evaluation is very important to PCC. Thank you in advance. For more information, please contact ONZ at Development office at 488-2470 ext. 251.

Important Dates to Remember...

Dec. 7 (F)	Last Day of Instruction
Dec. 10-12 (M-W)	Final Examination Period
Dec. 17 (M)	Grades Due
	End of Fall Semester
	Students' Fall Recess
Jan. 1 (T)	Holiday: New Year's Day
Jan. 2-4 (W-F)	Placement Testing
Jan. 7-9 (M-W)	Freshman Orientation & Advising
Jan. 10 (Th)	Registration
Jan. 14 (M)	First Day of Instruction

Our Condolences



The College family expresses its deepest condolences to staff member, Merelyn Omelau on the untimely loss of her brother, Augusto Yada.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this most difficult time of sorrow and grief.

Strategy for Taking Tests

Taken from Study Tips.com at <http://www.how-to-study.com>

The DETER Strategy for Taking Tests

To do well on a test, you must have good knowledge of the information that is being tested. But you must also have a strategy for taking the test that allows you to show what you know. The DETER strategy can help you do your best on any test. Each letter in DETER reminds you what to do.

D = Directions

- Read the test directions very carefully.
- Ask your teacher to explain anything about the test directions you do not understand
- Only by following the directions can you achieve a good score on the test.
- If you do not follow the directions, you will not be able to demonstrate what you know.

E = Examine

- Examine the entire test to see how much you have to do.
- Only by knowing the entire task can you break it down into parts that become manageable for you.

T = Time

- Once you have examined the entire test, decide how much



time you will spend on each item.

- If there are different points for items, plan to spend the most time on the items that count for the most points.
- Planning your time is especially important for essay tests where you must avoid spending so much time on one item that you have little time left for other test items.

E = Easiest

- The second E in DETER reminds you to answer the items you find easiest first.
- If you get stuck on a difficult item that comes up early in the test, you may not get to answer items that test things you know.

R = Review

- If you have planned your time correctly, you will have time to review your answers and make them as complete and accurate as possible.
- Also make sure to review the test directions to be certain you have answered all items required.



Using the DETER strategy will help you do better on tests and get better grades.

Library Staff Attend Conference in Tinian

By: Library Technician, Pioria Asito

Palau Community College library staff represented Palau at the annual Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Archives and Museums (PIALA) Conference. The Conference was held in Tinian, CNMI from November 12th to 16th. PCC Library Technicians, Pioria Asito and Grace Merong attended the conference as well as Pamela Bidwell, Library Services Instructor. Bidwell gave three presentations on Library Computer Systems, Cataloging and Library Operations. This year's PIALA theme is "It Can Be Done: With Advocacy, Libraries Can Thrive on Pacific Islands". PIALA has always provided important professional development opportunities and a vital forum for collaboration and experience sharing among librarians in the Pacific region. This

year's Conference topics included Protecting Library & Archive Collections; Disaster Preparedness, Response & Recovery, which all the three staff attended and will present details to the Palau Association of Libraries (PAL). Other topics that were offered were Caring of Library Materials, Map Cataloguing, Library Operations and many more.



Participants of the PIALA conference at the Tinian Public Library.