



Alumni Notes
Class of 2007 (PCC)
Ramsey Ngiraibai -




2007 graduate with an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Construction Technology (CT). Ngiraibai works at the Koror State Government- Building & Zoning office as a Building Inspector. He has been working there for the past 2 months.

Class of 1996 (PCC)
Lola Koshiba -



1996 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in General Office Clerk (GOC). Koshiba works at the First Fidelity Bank Inc. as a Teller. She has been working there for the past 10 years.

Class of 1983(MOC)
Gloor Gates -



1983 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Carpentry (CARP). Gates works at the Bureau of Public Works as a Carpenter. He has been working there for the past 16 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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Palau Community College
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Celebrating Birthdays

Vernice Yuzi	February	02
McQuay Postol	February	04
Lester Rekesmesik	February	07

Happy Birthday To You!

More Show Support to Endowment Fund



Natus Misech



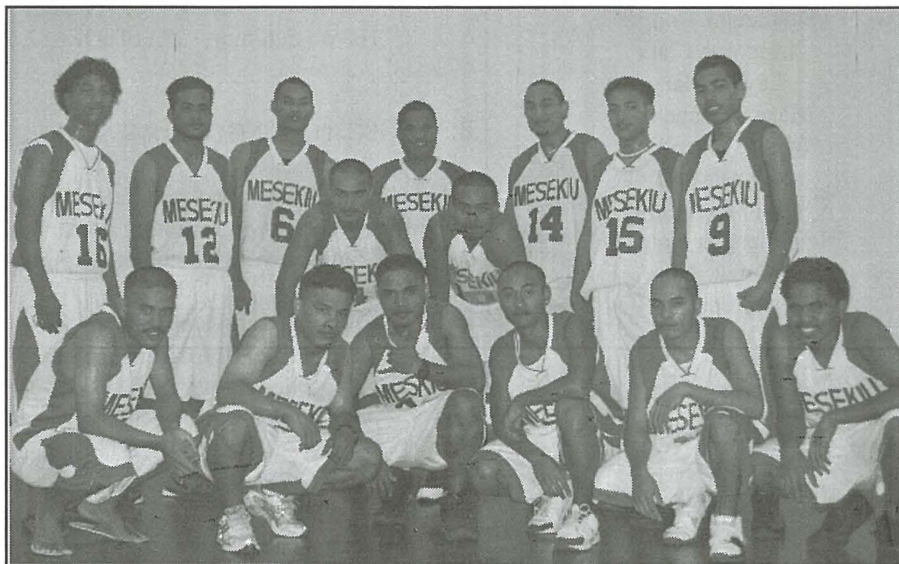
Gershwin Rengiil



Jaslynn Riungel

Natus Misech of the Probation Office; Gershwin Rengiil of Koror State Government; and Jasslyn Riungel and Shirley Ngiramolau (not pictured) of the Special Prosecutor's office 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.

Mesekiu Basketball Team Off to a Good Start



2008 Mesekiu Basketball Team

The fifteen (15) players for the PCC Mesekiu Basketball team was off to a good start as they won their first game, 92-47 for the 2008 Shell NBL Season against Meda Boyz on January 16th. Edison Anjerok scored the most points with 16 followed by Christopher Chiba with 15; Patrick Nena with 12; Bradley Wichep with 9; and Joas Suda with 7 points.

Their second game on January 22nd was also a victory as they won over Jaguars, 80-64 points. Again, Anjerok led with the most scoring points, 20, while Duffy Tulensru scored 18; Juni Nimoto scored 8; Christopher Carlos scored 6; and Christopher Chiba scored 5 points.

Scoring 85-68 points, Mesekiu won against On-Fire on Monday with Anjerok leading with 23 points; Tulensru and Wichep scoring both 11 points each; Carlos with 10; Spencer Sowad and Nimoto with both 9 points each.

With the leadership of the co-team captains, Anjerok and Tulensru, the team plans to work harder and win more games. "I am very proud of them. All our hard work is starting to payoff considering we began our practices in November of last year, but we still plan to work harder as a team and win more games", says Coach Hamilton Maech.

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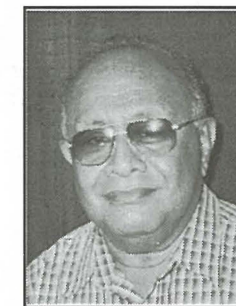
Weekly Newsletter

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PCC Board of Trustees Holds First Meeting of the Year



Bilung Gloria G. Sali, BOT
Chairperson



Masa-Aki Emesiochl, BOT
Vice Chair & BOR Chairman

The governing board of Palau Community College, Board of Trustees (BOT), held its statutory organizational meeting on January 14, 2008. With all members present and voting, the Board unanimously voted to retain the same officers, committee chairmanship, and representative to the College of Micronesia Board of Regents. The Board also set its regular meetings schedule for the year 2008.

Board of Trustees

Bilung Gloria G. Sali, Chairperson
Masa-Aki Emesiochl, Vice Chair
Valeria Toribiong, Secretary/Treasurer
Dr. Emais Roberts, Member
Buk Emil Ramarui, Member
Leena Muller, Student Trustee

Standing Committees & Chairs

Academic Prog. Comm.- Trustee Emesiochl
Student Affrs Comm.- Student Trustee Muller
Personal/Finance Comm.- Trustee Toribiong
Facilities Comm.- Trustee Sali

Vice Chairman Emesiochl, who currently serves on the Board of Regents of the College of Micronesia was re-elected to

President Tellei Appoints Charter Day Organizing Committee

In preparation for the 15th PCC Charter Day Celebration on April 4th, 2008, President Tellei has appointed the following to serve on the Charter Day Organizing Committee:

- Tchuzie Tadao, Chairman
- Ephraim Ngirachitei, Vice Chairman
- Hellen Immanuel
- Ismael Anastacio
- Lesley Adachi
- Armstrong Debelbot
- Rodney Kazuma
- Vernice Rechebei
- Deikola Olikong
- Ezra Takeo
- ASPCC President Emrei Takeo
- Mekreos Silil
- Sherman Daniel
- Leilani Senior
- Angelio Anthonio
- Helene Moros

Vice Presidents Jay Olegeriil and Thomas Taro will serve on the committee as well to provide all the necessary support to the work of the organizing committee.

The Charter Day Organizing Committee, chaired by Tchuzie Tadao, will hold their first meeting on Monday, February 4th.

Schedule of Regular Meetings

January 31
February 21
March 20
April 24
May 20
June 26
July 24
August 21
September 25
October 23
November 25
December 18

Reminder to All PCC Bi-Weekly Endowment Donors!

Applications for tax refund are still available at the PCC Development Office so, if you have not filed your application, please do not forget to stop by the Development office to complete your form. Deadline for submission is at the end of March. If you have any questions, please call Development office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 253.

Security Officer Graduates from 16th Law Enforcement Academy



Mariano Wur (3rd from left), a security service officer at the College and one of the eighteen cadets, graduated yesterday from the 16th Law Enforcement Academy. College officials, Dean Alvina Timarong (3rd from right), Director Clement Kazuma (2nd from right), Director Deikola Olikong (r), Wiles Tmecherur (2nd from left), and Harline Haruo showed their support and witnessed this special ceremony. Congratulations Mariano from all of us at the College!

To Chew or Not to Chew



Kambes Kesolei (r) encouraging students to quit chewing betelnut during the "Tuesday Night" Program at the Cafeteria.

To Chew or Not to Chew?...this was the question on everybody's minds during the "Tuesday Night" Program held at the Cafeteria after watching a video that focuses on Micronesians who chew betelnut. The quite graphical yet realistic video about the effects of chewing betelnut helped students think twice about what they are doing to their bodies.

In addition, Kambes Kesolei, the Chief Aquarist at the Palau International Coral Reef Center, who is also the Chairman of the Coalition for a Tobacco Free Palau, encouraged students to quit chewing betelnut, sharing his 22-yr. experience of chewing and how he overcame his addiction and has not chewed for the past 5 years. "Trying to quit chewing is as individualistic as from one person to another. What may work for me may

not work for you. When you decide to quit, one or two weeks is easy. The real test is the two months down the road when you find it boring or difficult not to chew betelnut. Just hold on. Drink water every time you feel an urge to chew or during those times/settings when you know you may usually chew", said Kesolei.

He also stated that cancer is now the #1 deadly disease in Palau and chewing betelnut can be one of the reasons why one gets cancer. Kesolei encouraged the students to quit chewing stating that quitting gave him a new found confidence that enabled him to use that energy and improve other weaknesses that he had. That same energy could help students in sports or other things that they want to do.

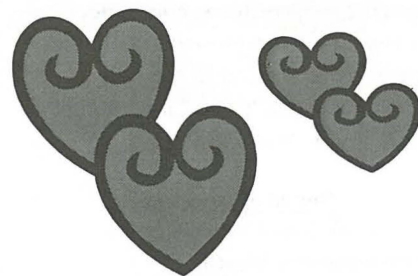
The video and the personal testimony from Kesolei was so inspiring that Dorm Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei vowed to quit chewing and challenged the students to do the same.

Student Life office who hosted the special program thanks Kambes Kesolei for sharing his experience and the cafeteria staff for the delicious snacks.

CE to Offer Licensed Residential Appraiser Program

Palau Community College will be hosting a **Licensed Residential Appraiser Program** in March. Mark Gruber from the Micronesian Appraiser Associates based in Guam is a certified appraiser and instructor coming to Palau from March 24th to 27th to offer the first course (Basic Appraisal Principles), leading toward a completion of the program on residential appraising. Subsequent courses will be offered after this. Schedules will be announced to the public in due time. Anyone interested in this opportunity to become a certified and licensed appraiser should contact PCC Continuing Education office at 488-6223 or 488-2471 ext. 238 and talk to Taruu Nakamura for more information.

Happy Valentines to All PCC Library Customers



Palau Community College Library would like to announce that for the **entire month of February, if you return overdue PCC library books, your fines will be waived.** No matter how much you owe the library, just bring in those overdue books and get your account settled. This is also an opportunity for us to update your personal information in our files. Thank you and hope to see you soon.

BITS AND PIECES...

ANNOUNCEMENT

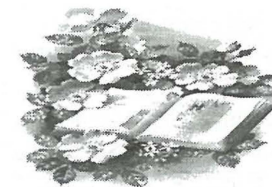
Attention Fall 2007 Graduates...

In line with the Graduating Student Exit Survey, we would like to request the fall 2007 graduate students to fill up the assessment form at the Institutional Research-Development office on or before 15th day of February. As a recent graduate, your evaluation is very important to PCC.

Emesiochel, Shinoyumi L.
Ewatel, Pasquana
Gurantin, Julie
Kumangai, Dodger
Laagmay, Clara
Layan, Mary
Maag, Elizabeth F.
Miteg, Josephine
Moya, Mason
Ngirabong, Carter
Ngiramengior, Lantz D.
Piyemal, Paul J.
Remengesau, Shelley
Sulog, Liyon
Tman, Jennifer M.
Ucherkemur, Annette
Yeh, Tan B.

CONDOLENCES

Our Condolences



The College family expresses its deepest condolences to College employees, Ramon, Soledad, and Sunshine Garcia on the untimely loss of their beloved daughter and sister, Sharlyn Garcia Pantaleon.

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

EMS, AGS, & IT Scholarship Available for Students

I. CRITERIA FOR A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT APPLICANT

An applying high school student must:

- Be a citizen of Palau or FAS if funds are available;
- Be a high school graduating senior;
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of at least 2.50 on all four years of high school;
- Have been accepted to Palau Community College for the upcoming Fall Semester; majoring in EMS, Agricultural Science or Information Technology
- Have a TOEFL score.

II. CRITERIA FOR A PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE APPLICANT

An applying Palau Community College student must:

- Be a citizen of Palau or FAS if funds are available;
- Be currently enrolled as a full-time student in the EMS, AG-Science, or Information Technology Program
- Have a minimum GPA of at least 2.5 while enrolled at PCC

III. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

All applicants, high school and Palau Community College students, are required to provide the following supporting documents. All supporting documents must be submitted together with a completed application form:

- Completed application form**
- Verification of Citizenship** – attach a copy of official Palau, FSM or RMI passport or a notarized copy of birth certificate
- Acceptance Letter** – all high school applicants must provide a copy of an official acceptance letter from Palau Community College Office of Admissions
- Certificate of graduation** - all high school applicants must provide a copy of high school diploma or certificate equivalent thereto
- Transcript** - all applicants must submit a complete official school transcript

*For more information, please contact Vernice Yuzi at 488-2470 ext. 248.

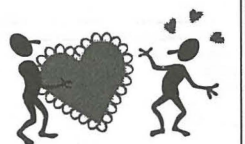
Valentines Ball

When: Saturday, February 16, 2008

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Place: PCC Cafeteria

Dress Code: Semi-formal



A night to remember...Bring your date and dress to impress. You might be the lucky couple to be the King and Queen of PCC Valentines Ball. There is more to it...raffle drawing, cha-cha contest, jitterbug contest, and also singing contest and many more...

For questions or comments, feel free to call Emrei Takeo at ASPCC at 488-2461.