

Alumni Notes
Class of 2002 & 1995
(PCC)

Clarinda Worswick -
2002 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Education-Elementary Education (EDEE) and a 1995 graduate with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). Worswick works at George B. Harris Elementary School as a Teacher. She has been working there for the past 8 1/2 years.



Class of 2000 (PCC)

Romeo Filrang -
2000 PCC graduate with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). Stationed in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, Filrang, who used to work at SSS-Project Beacon, is currently a Sergeant serving in the U.S. Marines and has been in service for the past 5 years. Filrang is from Yap State.



Class of 1989 (MOC)

Isaac Mitsuru -
1989 MOC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Carpentry (CARP). Mitsuru works at the Bureau of Public Works as a Carpenter. He has been working there for the past 17 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

Marianne Mesengei	December 29
Hellen Imanuel	December 29
Mary Arius	December 30
Lyndon Masami	January 1
Ramon Garcia	January 2
Jemmy Blelai	January 3

Happy Birthday To You!

More Show Support to Endowment Fund



Nobert Ito



Harlan Derbai

Nobert Ito and Harlan Derbai of the Ministry of Resources and Development -Bureau of Agriculture 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.

Words to Remember for the New Year

"The big secret in life is that there is no big secret. Whatever your goal, you can get there if you're willing to work."
- Oprah Winfrey

"Create a definite a plan for carrying out your desire, and begin at once, whether you are ready or not, to put this plan into action."
- Napoleon Hill

"The successful person makes a habit of doing what the failing person doesn't like to do."
- Thomas Edison

"When you innovate, you've got to be prepared for everyone telling you you're nuts."
- Larry Ellison

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Job Opportunities Available at PCC!

Upward Bound Math & Science
Tel #: 488-3965/ Fax #: 488-3948

- Position:** (2) Science Tutor
(1) Math Tutor
(2) English Tutor
(1) Japanese Language Tutor

Salary: From \$110 - \$150 bi/weekly for (16) weeks (\$880-\$1,200)
(Commencing on January 14, 2008 to May 1, 2008).

Job Summary:

1. Provide individual and group tutoring in the areas of each respected fields, starting from the basic subjects through the highest standard taught in high school level.
2. Monitor each participant's progress to ensure that each participant is progressing in each subject field.
3. Keep records of each participant's tutoring progress or problems.
4. Submit evaluation/recommendation report at the end of each week.
5. Perform other assigned duties as requested by the Project Director.
6. Participate in all extracurricular activities for UBMS students.

Job Qualifications:

1. College sophomore classification; Bachelor's Degree is preferred.
2. Grade point average of 3.00 or higher.
3. Previous tutoring experience is preferred, especially with TRIO Programs.
4. Preference given to candidates who are from low-income and first generation background.

General Information:

Application forms can be obtained from PCC-Human Resource Division (HRD) or our website: www.palau.edu. Submit completed application with official academic transcript, diploma, resume, and verification of previous employment (s), if any, to HRD.

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MESEKIU'S NEWS

Friday, December 28, 2007 Weekly Newsletter Volume 9, Issue 51

Happy New Year to All!

Ungil Becheserrak, Happy New Year Palau! Next week Tuesday is New Year's Day and it's the beginning of new changes, new goals. There is nothing like another chance for a fresh start, a chance to right those wrongs, strengthen those weaknesses, and improve everything else. However, before we press on with business this 2008, let us take the opportunity to visit some of the events that were recorded by this newsletter in 2007. By doing so, we are reminded as to where, what, how, who, and why events occurred; therefore, better preparing us for the year to come.

Here are some of the Mesekiu's News Headlines for 2007:

January - Board of Trustees holds first organizational meeting, votes for new officers. Bilung Gloria G. Salii re-elected as Chairperson. Masa-Aki Emesiochl appointed as representative of the board to the College of Micronesia (COM) Board of Regents.

- Agriculture Development in the American Pacific (ADAP) Board of Directors holds meeting in Palau. As a land grant institution under the College of Micronesia (COM) Land Grant treaty, the College is an ADAP member.

- New Taiwan Envoy, Ambassador Matthew S.M. Lee meets President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei.

- Japanese Aikido Grand Master, Gyoichi Mibukawa and students visit College for first time.

February - Focused Midterm Report completed and sent to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC).

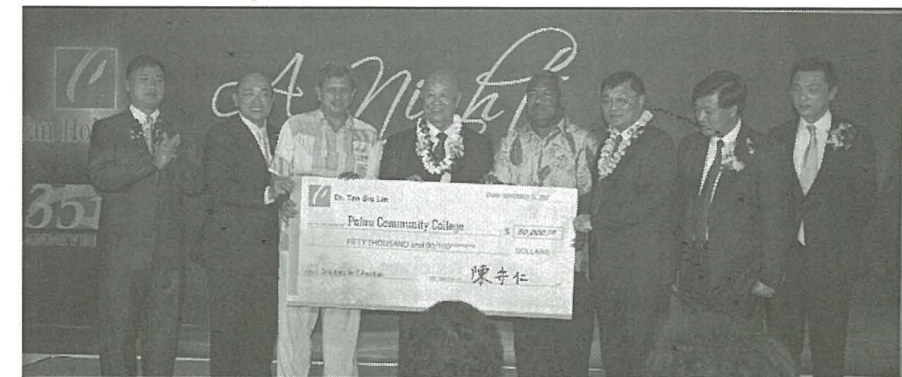
- The College of Micronesia (COM) Board of Regents holds first meeting for the year in Palau. Addresses budget, endowment investment, and selection of new officers. Masa-Aki Emesiochl appointed as chair.

- Professor Hajime Oshiro of the University of the Ryukyus- Okinawa visits the College and meets President Tellei. An MOU was signed in 2000 to

March - The two-member ACCJC visiting team comprised of Dr. Shirley Kelly and Dr. Lyn MacConnaire visit College. Validate college's Focused Midterm Report.

- University of Guam TRIO students visit, donate \$200 to the College Endowment Fund.

- Committee on Program and Curricula (CPC) meets with local group comprised mainly of historians to map out plans for the establishment of a Palauan studies program.
- College signs Memorandum of



A \$200,000 dollar donation from Tan Holdings Corporation completes funding drive for new PCC Library. Dr. Tan Siu Lin (4th from left), Chairman of Tan Holdings Corp. hands over the donation to PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (4th from right) during the company's 35th year anniversary celebration in Guam.

promote collaboration between the two schools.

- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) task force holds first meeting to layout initial plans for the proposed program.

- Japan Foundation donates \$8,000 worth of books to the PCC library. The foundation is a regular donor of books and Japanese language study materials to the College.

Agreement (MOA) with Palau's premier hotel, Palau Pacific Resort to enhance its tourism program.

- College Federal Work-Study program expands to include off-campus employment to students for first time.

- SDSU professors, Barbara Moss and Marilee Bresciani on island to conduct classes for the SDSU-BA and MA cohort program.

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- College conducts Career Mentoring program for high school students.

- Teaming up with the Ministry of Health, the College opens a Health Resource Center on campus.

- College helps welcome voyaging canoes Hokulea and Alingano Maisu on their epic voyage through the Pacific.

- College celebrates 14th Charter Day. Holds 5K President's Run/Walk, tours Babeldaob/New Capitol Building, and hosts staff/student luncheon at Melekeok state.

April - College receives \$958,000 dollars from the Republic of Palau government, and \$600,000 dollars in federal funding from the U.S. government.

- College's Mesekiu Baseball Team wins the Palau Major League pennant for the first time.

May - PCC students Carmin Pipit and Victor Nestor present research work and receive award at 2nd Environmental/Marine Science (EMS) Student Symposium.

- PCC students Barbara Gbewonyo and Recobert Redhor receive international scholarships to attend Grand Valley State University (GVSU).

- College holds 44th Commencement Exercises. Ninety-four students receive degrees and certificates.

- Shelley Remengesau, a student majoring in Education and Environmental/Marine Science receives UMEB Internship Scholarship to study at UH-Manoa.

- Library donates volumes of encyclopedias to the Palau Association of Libraries (PAL).

June - PCC Upward Bound program awarded nearly \$1.7 million from the U.S. DOE to fund activities for next five years.

- Emrei Takeo is new SBA President after President Ramon Adelbai graduates from PCC.

- Fredrick Ikertang, a PCC alumni, graduates with a BS in Agricultural Science from UH-Hilo.

- Faculty members Eric Tomlinson, Kiblai Suzuki, Caryn Koshiba, Takashi Mita, Allan Ziegler, and Scarlett Rechirei ends stint to pursue their education and other careers.

- PCC alumni Laureen Joseph receives master's degree from The Ohio State University, joins world's biggest auditing firm, Price Waterhouse Coopers in San Francisco.

- Twenty-eight PCAA employees participate in PCC's first Teachers' Academy at PCC.

- Continuing Education summer programs attracts over 100 elementary and high school students.

- Over 30 librarians and staff participate in Library Skills Workshop at PCC.

July - Trustee Masa-Aki Emesiochl, President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Dean Alvina Timarong, Associate Professor Wilma Sukrad, Director Deikola Olikong, Classified Staff Organization President Ephraim Ngirachitei, and Project Director Tehuzie Tadao attend the 5th Community College Leadership Development Initiative (CCLDI) leadership academy at the University of San Diego in California.

- Student trustee, Shane Salvador receives the Charlie Corn Scholarship from the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME).

- Rollins Mellil, a physically disabled student completes certificate program with Thomson Education Direct (TED).

- PCC Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) hatchery production of rabbitfish fingerlings successful. Eighty thousand pieces of larvae hatched.

August - U.S. DOE grants Education Talent Search over \$200,000 per year for next four years.

- College to participate in Veterans Affairs (VA) Educational Assistance Programs.

- Aiko Tanaka, a sophomore at Waseda University- Japan to study at PCC for one year.

- PCC student Wililah F. Xavier presents field study at the 3rd Environmental/Marine Science (EMS) Student Symposium.

- Fall 2007 enrollment tops 600.

- Tayeko Emesiochel, a tourism & hospitality student, participates in two-week historical, cultural, and language exchange program in Osaka, Japan.

- Five Yapese apprentice/trainees complete summer apprentice training with Continuing Education program.

- Japan Literature Publishing Project donates six works of Japanese fiction to PCC library.

September - World-renowned typhoon/tropical climate expert, Chip Guard conducts workshop on campus.

- Student Leena Muller replaces graduating Shane Salvador as the new Student Trustee.

- PCC Faculty Senate Association (FSA) organizes, elects new officers.

- College hires four assistant instructors, Renette Meyar, Gregory Meyar, Rose Aliven-Kohama, and Uroi Salii.

- College hosts 6th anniversary of September 11.

October - President Tellei attends 2007 Department of Interior's Island Business Opportunities seminar in Guam.

- Mobil Oil Inc. donates over \$16,000 to PCC library.

- College hires Chester Lelis as Structural Engineer-Auto CAD designer.

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BITS AND PIECES...

REMINDER

Endowment Members Gathering Today...

To show its appreciation to all bi-weekly donors to the PCC Endowment Fund, the College is hosting a gathering today from 11:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. at the PCC Courtyard (Mesekiu Bai). Members will be treated to a delicious lunch and have the chance to join in the raffle drawing and win some fabulous prizes. Tax refund forms will also be available so, please do not forget to bring a copy of your check stub for pay period 26 so that you can complete your application. For more information, please do not hesitate to call Development office at 488-2470/2471.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Tuesday, New Year's Holiday...

In observance of New Year's Day (Tuesday, January 1st, 2008), all Palau Community College offices will be closed. Only essential services will be provided during this day. *With that, the Board of Trustees and the Administration wishes a Happy New Year to all faculty, staff, and most especially the students.*

ANNOUNCEMENT

New Library Hours...

PCC library will be having the following schedule during the Christmas break until January 13, 2008. Regular PCC library hours will resume on January 14, 2008.

Mon-Fri. 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Sat. 9:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.
Sun. 12:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.

Resolutions for the New Year.... Thought About Yours?

Quit Chewing Betelnut

Deskim Tutii
Samantha Bells
Uroi Salii
Jamilla Vincente
Ngelulei Ililau
Maureen Renguul
Rhondalyn Ngirarorou
Harline Haruo (*Limit chewing per day*)

Loose Weight/Live Healthier/ Exercise

Bluu Ongiil
Maloreen Renguul
Lorenza Joseph
Myra Hollingshead
Karen Mobel
Leona Tkel
Gibson Towai
Mekreos Silil
Elenita Brel
Merelyn Omelau
Grace Salvador

Gain Weight

Emrei Takeo
Sunshine Garcia

Others

Nino "Onz" Pate- *Improve PCC services and more support to institutional research. Gain more friends here in Palau. Learn how to swim.*

Arlyn Ignacio- *Start going to church.*

Chester Lelis- *Go to the rock islands.*

Ignacio Akiwo- *Make more money.*

Husayn Beketaut- *Quit Smoking*

Important Dates to Remember for PCC Students

January 2-4 (Wed.- Fri.)
Placement Testing

January 3 (Thurs.)
Freshman Orientation

January 7-10 (Mon.- Thurs.)
Advising & Registration

January 14 (Mon.)
First Day of Instruction

January 14-18 (Mon.-Fri.)
Late Registration/Drop & Add Period

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- PCC hires Nobby Enano as Automotive Mechanics instructor, and Jerry Taroy as Electrical Technology instructor. Enano and Taroy will be replacing retiring instructors Eugene Uehara and Takemura Erungel.

- PCC-CRE Aquaculture team succeeds in the 1st coral trout breeding in Palau.

November - Tan Holdings Corp. contributes \$200,000 for the construction of new PCC library.

- College raises over \$38,000 from its annual Endowment Thanksgiving Fundraiser.

- PCC-CRE produces the 1st Agricultural Science book.

- Sixty-two students join the International Honor Society, Phi Theta Kappa.

- Library & Information Services students, Pioria Asito and Sandy Fernandez receive the "Leaders for Libraries" Scholarship.

- Student Body Association (SBA) changes name to Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC).

- Yuko Sawada, a Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) volunteer returns home to Japan after successfully completing a two-year assignment as a Japanese language instructor at PCC.

- U.S. Embassy donates a Ford Mercury vehicle to PCC.