

Alumni Notes

Class of 2001-02 (PCC)

Jorena Inglong -



2001 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Accounting and 2002 in Office Administration. Jorena works with the Clerk of Courts of the Palau Judiciary Branch.

Class of 2003 (PCC)

Eric Kloulubak -



2003 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science degree in Criminal Justice (CJ). Kloulubak works as a Substance Abuse Counselor with the Bedachel Program.

Class of 1972 (MOC)

Humiko Kingzio -



1972 MOC graduate with a Vocational Certificate of Achievement (VCA) in Food Services. Humaik's entrepreneurial spirit saw her

foray into a number of businesses after graduation. She is now a successful owner/manager of the HK Motel/Apartments.

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 News*.

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Celebrating Birthdays

Felix Sengebau	January 31
Rennetta Meyar	January 31
Elenita Brel	February 1
Casiano Relugulmar	February 1
Vernice Yuzi	February 2
Isimang Smus	February 3

Happy Birthday To You!

Mesekiu Basketball Coach Hopeful Despite Lopsided Standing

The Mesekiu basketball team now have three wins to their overall record after beating Meyuns Red Storm earlier this week. The

win though did little to improve their lopsided standing thirteen games into the season at 3-10. Coach Hamilton Maech remains hopeful that the team can and will turn things around if they concentrate on one game at a time.

He said that his players can play a winning game especially with strong support from the fans and asks everyone to come out and support them during their games. Mesekiu plays Echang South Coast this Friday at 9:00 pm.

OPEN Season for Endowment Fund, New Members Registration Continues



Dilmai Saiske

The new members to join the PCC Endowment Fund club this week come from here at PCC as well as Palau government offices. **Dilmai Saiske** from the PCC Talent Search office enrolled earlier this week. Newcomers from the Palau government office include **Lourene Echang** and **Zillah Mereb** of the Ministry of Education. Welcome aboard to all the new members!

The PCC Development Office is now processing refund applications for all government and nongovernment employees. So if you have not filed your income tax refund application yet, stop by the Development Office and let Dilubch take care of your Endowment needs.

Don't forget to bring the following:

✓ Check stub #26 or Wages & Tax Form for year 2009.

✓ Original receipts for your donations to other nonprofit organizations.

To find out how you can join the hundreds who are already giving to the Endowment Fund, contact the PCC Development Office at 488-2471, ext. 253, if you can't come to the office, contact the office at 488-2471, ext. 253 and we'll send someone to find you.

MGOC Head Visits



Micronesian Games Organizing Committee Chairman Frank Kyota (l) and President Tellei who Chairs the Committee on Logistics tour campus renovations during Kyota's visit on Wednesday. The PCC campus and classroom facilities and cafeteria will be used to house and feed thousands of athletes and officials from the Micronesian region who will converge in Palau this summer for the 2010 Micronesian Games.

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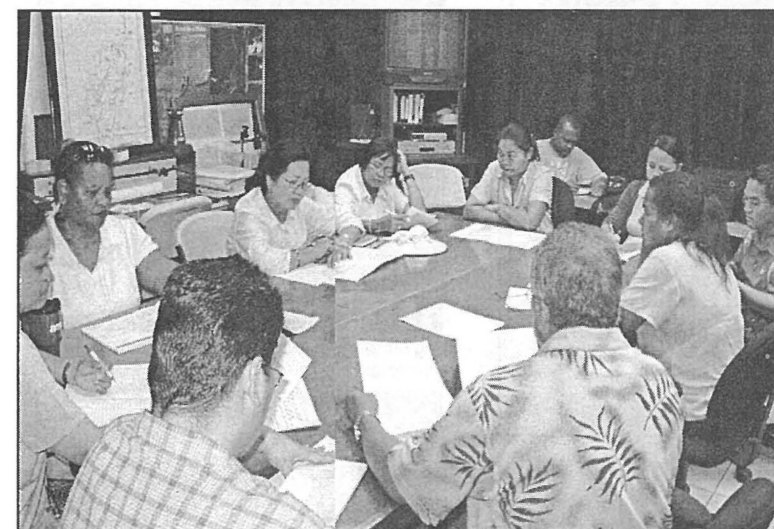


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Weekly Newsletter

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STEM Fair to Supplant Science Fair



STEM Fair organizing body holds its first meeting

"Everything that the Science Fair was, this Science Technology Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) Fair will be, and more." That's what Vice

Career-Tech/ STEM Fair to Combine



Daniel

Daniel who met with the his committee members yesterday to initiate planning work said that the awareness week is an annual "open house" event for the college where elementary and high school students are invited to tour the campus, get acquainted with PCC students and officials, and learn about the technical and academic programs available at PCC, and it will continue to be. The only change is that it will be merged with the STEM Fair to be held on the same dates, and thus he is working closely with Vice President Thomas Taro of the STEM Fair to coordinate planning and preparation.

President Taro said during a meeting with other committee members earlier this week as part of planning for the upcoming fair scheduled for the Spring Break week in March. Taro said that the STEM Fair which aims to encourage and promote interest in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics will appropriately assume all the activities that were

Shell Palau Gives \$1000 for PCC Scholarship



Shell Palau Area Manager Frank Kyota (r) hands a \$1000 donation to PCC President Tellei on Wednesday. The money will fund the PCC-Shell Palau scholarship for two eligible PCC students.

Shell Palau Area Manager Frank Kyota paid a visit to the campus on Wednesday and presented President Tellei with a \$1000 check donation. The money will fund the PCC Shell Scholarship which

undertaken during the science fair.

"The only difference will be the name change from Science Fair to STEM Fair. As practiced before, students from elementary and high schools throughout Palau will continue to compete in their individual schools science fair, with the top winners automatically entered into the STEM Fair to be judged nationally,"

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Last year's overall winner trophy went to Mindszenty High School. The traveling trophy will be up for grabs again during this year's STEM Fair.

awards \$500 to two students each semester.

Shell Palau is one of the many privately sponsored PCC scholarships that grants scholarships to PCC students with financials needs and are in good academic standing.

Shell Palau is also a major sponsor of the annual Endowment Thanksgiving Fundraiser, having given thousands of dollars over the years in donations as well as in-kind contributions.

PCC thanks Frank Kyota and Shell Palau for its continued support.

Our Condolences

The PCC Family express deepest sympathies to Vice Chairperson of the Board of Trustees Masa-Aki Emesiochl on the loss of his son McKnight Emesiochl. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this most difficult time of sorrow and mourning.

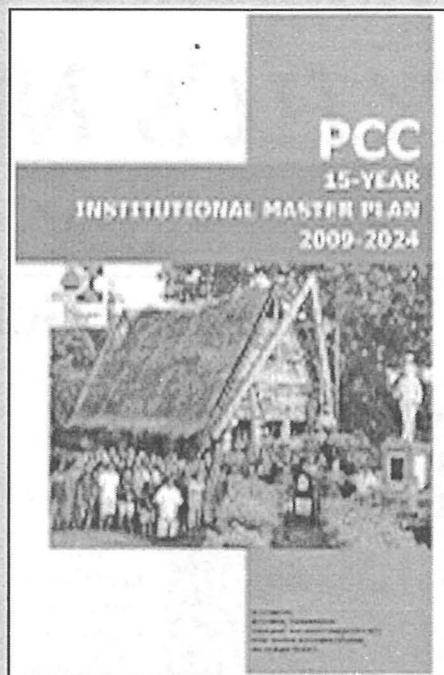
PCC 15 Year Institutional Master Plan Released

After a year and half of work that involved everyone from students and staff to faculty and administrators, including community members, the final copy of the PCC 15 Year Institutional Master Plan was released to members of the steering committee yesterday.

After the release, President Tellei met with members of the steering committee and thanked them for stepping up and taking on the additional responsibility of writing such a critical document for College.

The eighty-two page master plan is a medium/long range planning document that outlines major goals and objectives and sets the overall direction of the institution for the next 15 years. It is a continuation of the first PCC master plan (PCC 10 Year Institutional Master Plan) which was in use from 1997-2007.

For a digital copy of the PCC 15 Year Institutional Master Plan, contact Ligaya Sara at the IR office at 488-2471, ext. 250.



PCC 15 Year Institutional Master Plan

8 Rooms Get Bragging Rights for Being Cleanest

The PCC dormitory staff held the monthly general cleanup for the dorms last weekend and according to Dorm Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei, a number of dorm rooms received special recognition for being the most clean and organized.

The following room and tenants made the "Best Room" category:

Dorm A 104 - Emerald Sebastian, Daisyleen Inos, Adri Remengesau
 Dorm A 105 - Elizabeth Waayan, Joeann Malchelm, Juliet Kandy
 Dorm A 201 - Daisy Maryen, Aileen Sallel, Gloria Rudolph
 Dorm B 9 - Jillong Anitok, Fredy Fredrick
 Dorm B17 - De-Lugo Florencio
 Dorm B19 - Carlson Langbata, Mathew Yareoiuteipy
 Dorm C 8 - Alvin Deffmew, Patwin Hasiugiulyeng

Dorm C 16 - Sepe Philip

All other rooms were relatively clean; therefore no rooms made the "worst room" category this time. We hope this



Room 201 belongs to Aileen Sallel (above), Daisy Maryen & Gloria Rudolph (not pictured).

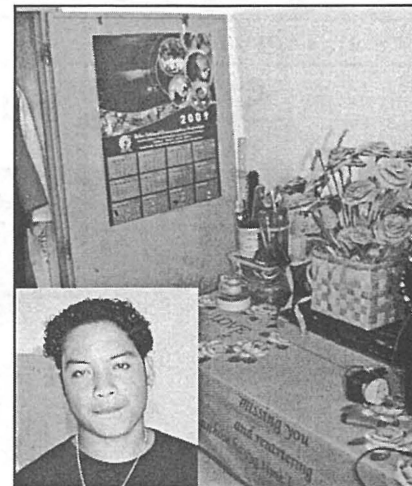
trend continues. The dorm management implemented the room inspection and recognition program to encourage healthy



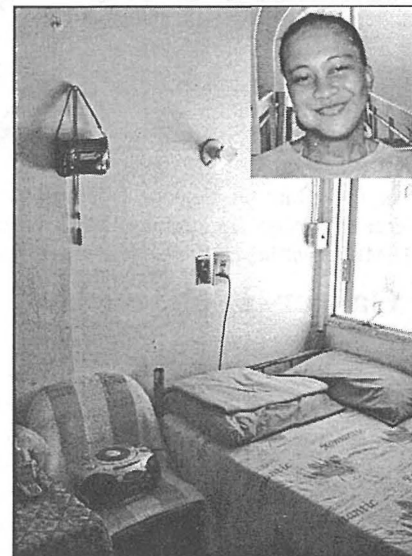
Room 104 belongs to Emerald Sebastian (above), Daisy Inos and Adri Remengesau (not pictured).

competition among dorm students which results in cleaner dorm facilities.

The dormitory management congratulates and thanks everyone for their participation and cooperation in making the PCC dormitories an ideal living and learning environment for everyone.



Jillong Anitok (inset) and Fredy Fredrick (not pictured) are the tenant of award winning room B9.



Sepe Philips (inset) billeted in room C16 was all smiles when she found out her effort has thrust her among the Who's Who of PCC dorm residents.

Spring Semester 2010 Academic Schedule for 8-Week Classes

Schedule of Events	1 st 8 - Weeks (January 16 - March 06, 2010)	2 nd 8 - Weeks (March 22 - May 15, 2010)
First Day of Instruction	January 18, 2010 January 16, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	March 22, 2010 March 27, 2010 (Sat. Classes)
Last Day to Remove "I" Grades for Fall 2009	February 26, 2010	February 26, 2010
Midterm	February 8 - 12, 2010 February 6, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	April 12 - 17, 2010
Last Day for All Withdrawals	February 19, 2010	April 16, 2010
Last Day of Instruction / Final Examinations	March 12, 2010 March 6, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	May 14, 2010 May 15, 2010 (Sat. Classes)
Grades Due	March 19, 2010 (by 11:00am)	May 21, 2010 (11:00 am)

BITS AND PIECES...

LIBRARY

PCC Library Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
 Friday 8:00 am - 6:00 pm
 Saturday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm
 Sunday 12:00pm - 8:00 pm

ACCREDITATION

Submission of Evidence...

Accreditation Liaison Officer Dahlia Katosang and Assistant Accreditation Liaison Officer Deikola Olikong continue to receive materials that will be used as evidence to support the College's Self Study report during the upcoming accreditation visit in early March.

All four Standard chairs and members are encouraged to submit all evidence so the evidence room can be finalized.

Accreditation Visit on March 3-5...

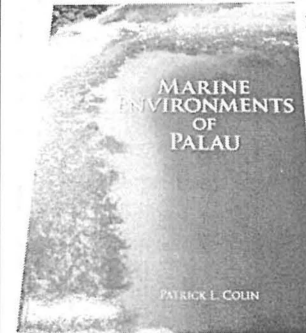
Members of the eleven-member accreditation visitation team will begin arriving in Palau on February 27. The team is scheduled to visit the campus from March 3-5 to validate the PCC Self-Study report. Kapiolani Community College Chancellor Dr. Leon Richards who was here last month for an advance visit will lead the team.

Visitation Team members:

1. Dr. Leon Richards (chair)
Chancellor, Kapiolani Community College
2. Dr. Salvatore Lanzilotti (assistant)
Executive Assistant to Chancellor
Kapiolani Community College
3. Mr. Gary Allen
ESL Instructor & Outcome Assessment Coordinator
4. Mr. Michael Unebasami
Associate Vice President for Administrative & Community College Ops
UH Community Colleges
5. Dr. Susan Bangasser
Interim Dean of Science
San Bernardino Valley College
6. Dr. Daniel Walden
Dean of Academic Affairs
Los Angeles Southwest College
7. Ms. Carol Bloch
Senior Nursing Instructor
Los Angeles County College of Nursing and Allied Health
8. Dr. Roger Welt
Former Vice President of Student Services
Allan Hancock College
9. Ms. Catherine Chenu-Campbell
Librarian
Sacramento City College
10. Dr. Audrey Yamagata-Noji
Vice President of Student Services
Mt. San Antonio College
11. Ms. Bernadette Howard
Director, Vocational & Community Education
Windward Community College

New Book at Library

Dr. Patrick L. Colin of The Nature Conservancy office in Palau has just released a copy of his new book which is now available in the Micro-Pacific Collection section of the PCC Library. The book titled: "Marine Environments of Palau" is perfect reference material for environmental/marine science students or individuals with keen interest in our local marine surroundings.



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general collections, a United Nations collections, Micro-Pacific collections, periodicals, Kid's Corner (children's books), media room (DVDs and Videos), and a technology/research center. For guided tours of the new PCC Library, please contact Linda Kloulechad at 488-3540.

For information about the new PCC Library, contact Linda Kloulechad at 488-3540.

STEM Fair, from Front Page

explained Taro.

Thomas who also sat on the Science Fair planning committee last year said that they worked with Palau's Ministry of Education personnel and school principals, and sees the same group working together again this year.

To maximize participation of elementary and high school students, the STEM Fair will take place on March 17-18 to coincide with the Ministry of Education's Awareness Week.

The STEM Fair committee will meet again today at 3:30 pm at the Continuing Education training room. Interested volunteers are asked to attend.

Dugong Campaign Slogan Contest

In line with this year's worldwide theme of Biodiversity, PCC is taking part as a participating partner in the 2010 Dugong Awareness Project to raise local awareness about the animal and the need for the conservation of its habitats.

To support such effort, PCC is sponsoring a Dugong Campaign Slogan Contest open to all PCC students. Slogans must be written in Palauan. For guidelines, contact PCC Vernice Yuzi at 488-2471, ext. 240. Winners will have a chance to participate in a helicopter ride to photograph dugongs in the wild. (see ad below)



Dugong Drawing (ages 6-12) Rules: Dugong Essay (ages 12- 18)
 - letter size paper - minimum 2 pages
 - any materials OK - typed in English
 - no words allowed on the drawing - double-spaced
 - name, age and tel number on the back - name, age and tel number

The winning essay and drawing entry will be published in the local newspapers, and the students will get the opportunity to join one of the helicopter surveys to see dugongs in the wild. These contests are open to any local school or individual Palauan students.

Please drop off your entry by February 28, 2010 at the Etpison Museum (488- 6730/ 488- 4322) or email your essay to: etpison@palaunet.com
 A panel of judges will select the winners during the Science Week at PCC in March.

