

Alumni Notes

Class of 2008 (PCC)

Pioria Asito -



2008 PCC graduate with a Associate of Science in Library & Information Services. She now works as a Library Technician and is also enrolled in the SDSU online bachelor's program, working towards a baccalaureate degree in Education.

Villany Remengesau - Class of 2006 (PCC)



2006 PCC graduate with an Associate of Arts degree in Liberal Arts. Remengesau works as an Administrative Officer with the Bureau of Clinical Services- Ministry of Health.

Class of 2006(PCC)

Asteen Marcil -



2006 PCC graduate with an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Environmental/ Marine Science. Marcil works for Palau Public Works, overseeing the operation of the public water works system in the State of Kayangel.

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

Pioria Asito	February 9
Jay Olegerill	February 10
Robert Ramarui	February 13
Abel Maech	February 15
Lowel Abraham	February 15
Elizabeth deJong	February 17
Lourdes Reksid	February 17

Happy Birthday To You!

Mesekiu Basketball Loses Two in a Row

Mesekiu lost two games this week. First loss was to Echang Breakers (93-69); second loss was to Ngiwal 79ers (76-40).

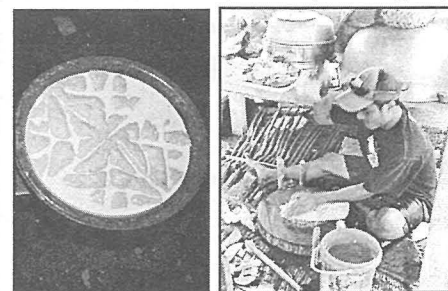
With a record of 3-12, coach Hamilton is still hopeful that they can finish the season near .500, but he is also realistic and starting to look at this season as a training ground for his young players. He said that most of his

players are brand new and are playing for the first time at the NBL level.

He continues to urge Mesekiu fans to come out and support the team. The next game for Mesekiu, he said, is next Tuesday, February 16.

CSO students Make "Kon Matun"

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"kon matun" dish

breadfruit pounding

Vacancy Announcement

(1) Director, Office of Student Life & Housing
Salary range: \$16,010-\$24,647

(1) Counselor, Office of Student Life & Housing
Salary range: \$12, 653-\$19,479

For application forms and information, please contact Karen Moberl at the PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, ext. 227.

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OPEN Season for Endowment Fund

This week, we welcome aboard new member and PCC alum herself, Shinyoyumi Emesiochl from the Ministry of Health.

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.

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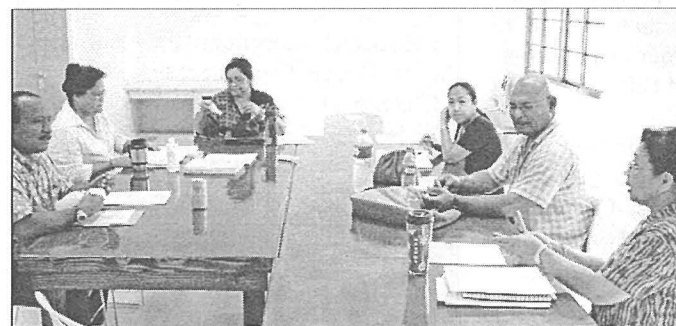


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Weekly Newsletter

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Program Review Continues



the College's executive officers, most of whom having served the school for many years, with some going back to the time of Micronesian Occupational College, the predecessor of PCC.

Work on program review continues this week with reports from most offices having gone before the review committee. The committee will look at reports from Upward Bound Math & Science (UBMS), one of the several US funded programs, and the Administration and Finance department. All program review reports are expected to have at least gone through the initial review by the committee by next week. Committee recommendations will be incorporated as necessary as each report is finalized.

The program review is an essential part of the ongoing effort to improve programs and services, and the overall institutional effectiveness of PCC.

Given its critical importance, members of the review body include members of

New Conference Room Complete, Assembly Hall Nears Completion



Maintenance crew paint the roof of the new assembly hall.

Construction work on a conference room located in the Dort building has been completed. Maintenance crew are working

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FSA Holds Fun Gathering for Members

Officers and the general membership of the Faculty Senate Association (FSA) got together for a Saturday of BBQ and fun last month at a popular local seaside resort.

The gathering which began in the early afternoon allowed faculty members and their families plenty time to relax and enjoy the beautiful beach, clear water, and the tranquil surrounding of the secluded resort in Malakal.

Joe Chilton, President of the FSA and other officers were on hand to ensure that the occasion was fun and relaxing for everyone. Chilton thanked faculty members for their hard work last semester and urged them to continue the good work this spring.

Chilton said that the purpose of the gathering was to forget work for a few hours and indulge in uncomplicated conversation with colleagues, and enjoy sumptuous food with friends and family.

Upcoming activities for the FSA include the "Gentlemen Gourmet" and other fund drives. For more information, contact Joe Chilton at 488-2471, ext. 240 or stop by the faculty office located on the third floor of the new PCC library.

Spring Enrollment at 647 OA Program Remains Popular

After late registration and the drop/add period, the latest report from the Registrar's office puts the official spring semester 2010 enrollment at 647. This is the first time in five years that such high numbers have been logged in for spring. In spring 2004, enrollment hit 646 with the record in 2003 at 670.

As always, Office Administration (OA) continues to be the program of choice

for many students. Top five programs in terms of enrollment: One hundred twenty-one (121) students signed up for OA, followed by the Tourism & Hospitality program with eighty-four (84), Seventy-seven (77) for Education, Seventy-three (73) for Liberal arts and thirty-eight (38) for the Agriculture program.



FSA officers and members relax at a local resort

STEM Fair Preparation Proceeds with MOE Collaboration



STEM Fair committee

The Science Technology Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) Fair organizing committee met again earlier this week and agreed that the STEM Fair which has been agreed to replace the Science Fair this year and forward, will be held as planned on March 17-18 to coincide with the Ministry of Education's awareness week. Vice President Thomas Taro who is spear heading the effort with Debbie Nagata of the Ministry of Education said that they will proceed to

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now to furnish the general-purpose conference room, making it ready for use.

In the meantime, construction work to refurbish an adjacent room in the same building (former library area) is nearly finished. The room will function as an assembly hall capable of accommodating gatherings with seating capacities too big to be accommodated in classrooms.

The assembly hall and the new conference room will also be useful this coming summer when Palau hosts the 2010 Micronesian Games. President Tellei is in charge of logistics for the upcoming games and has said that the College campus and all its facilities, classrooms, and especially the cafeteria will be integral part of the proposed Micronesian Games' olympic village.



Micronesian Games Organizing Committee Chairman Frank Kyota (l) and President Tellei during a recent tour of the assembly hall construction site.

work with elementary and high schools who are interested in participating. He said that invitation packets have been readied and school visits should begin sometime next week, after her MOE counterpart Debbie Nagata returns from a business trip early next week.

The STEM Fair format, Taro said, will follow that of the Science Fair's with students from elementary and high schools throughout Palau competing in their individual school science fair, with the top three winners to compete with winners from other schools during the national STEM Fair.

Assisting Taro and Nagata in organizing for the event are personnel from the Palau Ministry of Education, PCC-Cooperative Research & Extension, Upward Bound Math & Science, and Development Office.

BOT Chair Invites CSO for Cookout

The most active and involved student club on campus, Chuuk State Organization, got a personal invite from the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees Bilung Gloria G. Salii to her house last



Bilung (standing right) with her husband Ambassador Carlos H. Salii and CSO students at her residence last weekend. (more photos on back page)

TS Holds Tutors Workshop

The Talent Search office held a workshop for its tutors yesterday at the CE training room. Retired elementary school principal Miriam Sakuma was the guest presenter. She talked to counselors/tutors about various methods and techniques that she used during her years as principal. Sakuma also involved workshop participants, allowing them to share common issues they face in the classroom and encouraged discussions on the best ways to address such problems.

Talent Search tutors from Airai Elementary School, Harris Elementary School, Maris Stella School, Meyuns Elementary School, Mindszenty High School and Palau High School attended the workshop.



Talent Search officials and tutors gather for a group photo after last night's workshop.

weekend. The Chuukese students got a special treat when Bilung who owns several breadfruit trees on her property told the students to harvest fruits from the trees and prepare their favorite dish "kon matun" which is cooked and mashed breadfruit with coconut milk. The students made two gigantic pots of "kon matun" and spent the whole day feasting on them and sharing breadfruit recipes and stories with Bilung and her family.

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	March 22, 2010
Last Day to Remove "I" Grades for Fall 2009	January 16, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	March 27, 2010 (Sat. Classes)
Midterm	February 26, 2010	February 26, 2010
Last Day for All Withdrawals	February 8 - 12, 2010 February 6, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	April 12 - 17, 2010
Last Day of Instruction / Final Examinations	February 19, 2010	April 16, 2010
Grades Due	March 12, 2010 March 6, 2010 (Sat. Classes)	May 14, 2010 May 15, 2010 (Sat. Classes)
	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

RELOCATIONS

Adult High Moves to New Office...

The Adult High School office has relocated to the former development office/library area in the Dort building.

The Development Office is still in the Dort building but now located on the other west side of the Dort Building hallway.

The library has moved into the new three-story building next to Batches classroom complex.

CONTEST

Dugong Campaign Slogan Contest

In line with this year's worldwide theme of Bio-diversity, 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 on page 3)

Mesekiu's News thanks all contributing writers for their articles and pictures. We depend on you to tell us all about the exciting programs and activities you are undertaking to make our College great. Too busy to write, call us, we'll come to you. Call the Development Office at ext.253. Thanks again!!!



Happy Valentines Day!

Cupid Messages:

To: Nicole
Fr: SA

Message: Happy Valentine's Day!

To: PCC Library staff and workstudy students
Fr: Sam
Message: Happy Valentine's Day! Work hard.

To: Florence Sintaro
Fr: Turz

Message: Happy Valentine's Day Mom! Hope you have a great one. Love you.

To: The Crew
Fr: Val Salvador

Message: Happy Valentine's to ya'll! Have a safe and fun Valentines, but do party hard!

To: Po
Fr: Ms. Kupkeik

Message: Happy Valentine's Day! Now go cut that hair!

To: All PCC students

Fr: PCC Faculty Senate Association
Message: Hope you have a very happy Valentine's Day filled with love and happiness.

To: Terrance Epugmai

Fr: Your baby girl 16
Message: Happy Valentine's Day with lots of love and kisses.

To: Trax Mark

Fr: Your girl Diandra B.
Message: Happy Valentine's Day w/love and kisses. Hope you have the best V-Day.

To: TinTin, Friend, Toy, Suzan, Yosko, Latii, Aich, Nicole, Tanya
Fr: John DLG
Message: Happy Valentine's Day to my cute friends! Love Yah.



To: Vallynn, Lietta, June, Ula
Fr: Omtab

Message: Happy Valentine's Day to my dearest friends! Love Yah.

To: AlviM
Fr: Pi Eye 4-U

Message: Oh! If you could only know how many times I roll with you in my mind daily. Happy Valentines Day my Vina!

To: Pohnpean students
Fr: Cupid

Message: Happy Valentine's Day! Have a great one.

To: Firefly
Fr: Keny_Kubs

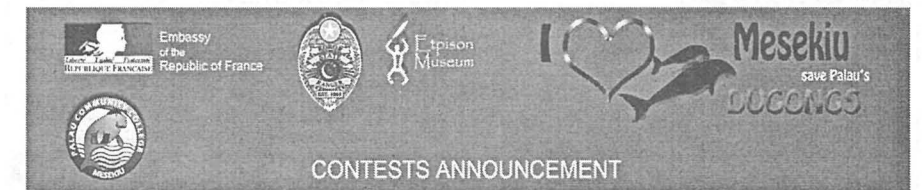
Message: Happy Valentine's Day! Study hard but party harder!

To: All people from Library, Bookstore, and family

Fr: Someone special
Message: Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Teory & Toss

Fr: M.E.I
Message: Thank you for all your help! God bless.



CONTESTS ANNOUNCEMENT

Dugong Drawing (ages 6-12) Rules: Dugong Essay (ages 12- 18)

- letter size paper
- any materials OK
- no words allowed on the drawing
- name, age and tel number on the back
- minimum 2 pages
- typed in English
- double-spaced
- 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.

