

Alumni Notes

Class of 1997 (PCC)

Dina Sandei -



1997 PCC graduate with a Certificate of Achievement (CA) degree in General Office Clerk (GOC). Sandei works as a Secretary at the National Emergency Management Office (NEMO).

Class of 1997 (PCC)

Kesoal Keto Blailles -



1997 PCC graduate with an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts (LA). Blailles is a Customer Service Representative at the Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC).

She is also one of the many employees at PNCC who loyally donate on a bi-weekly basis to the PCC Endowment Fund.

Class of 1974 (MOC)

Elia Kual -



1974 MOC graduate with a Vocational Certificate of Achievement (VCA) in Drafting (DRAFT). Kual worked for 32 years with the Bureau of Land & Surveys before transferring to

Palau Public Lands Authority.

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*.

Mesekiu's News
Palau Community College
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Celebrating Birthdays

Robert Ramarui	February 13
Abel Maech	February 15
Elizabeth deJong	February 17
Lourdes Reksid	February 17

Happy Birthday To You!

Mesekiu Basketball Wins First Game of Second Round

The Mesekiu Basketball team improved its record to 6 Wins- 4 Losses after defeating the fast team of Echang Breakers last night during its first game in the second round of regular season last night at the Palau National Gym. Mesekiu Guard Duffy Gulensru said that they are happy about their win and standing, but their next game will be a tough one as they are due to go up against former champion- Ngermid Rivals. He said that they must continue to train hard and prepare for next Wednesday's game. For more information about Mesekiu Basketball, contact Coach Hamilton Maech at 488-3885. (Game Schedule Below)

Mesekiu Canoe Team Looking for Paddlers



Can you swim?...Then you can learn to be a professional outrigger canoe paddler. Contact Mesekiu Canoe Team manager Elizabeth deJong at ext 241, or stop by her office in the Temekai building. Canoes going out every Saturday & Sunday morning at Rip-Tide. Transport and paddles provided.



Shell NBL Division I 2nd Round Schedule

Wednesday	11-Feb	6:00	Breakers vs. PCC Mesekiu
Wednesday	18-Feb	7:30	Rivals vs. PCC Mesekiu
Wednesday	25-Feb	7:30	Stingers vs. PCC Mesekiu
Friday	27-Feb	6:00	PCC Mesekiu vs. Blue Sharks
Wednesday	4-Mar	6:00	PCC Mesekiu vs. Surangel
Wednesday	11-Mar	6:00	Styxers vs. PCC Mesekiu
Friday	13-Mar	6:00	PCC Mesekiu vs. Ranchers
Friday	20-Mar	7:30	Islanders vs. PCC Mesekiu
Wednesday	25-Mar	7:30	Peched vs. PCC Mesekiu

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PCC Accreditation Self-Study Work in Full-Swing



Dean of Academic Affairs Alvina Timarong (far-left) clarifies a point regarding Student Learning Outcome (SLO) to Vice President of Administration & Finance Jay Olegeriil (4th-right) and Assistant Accreditation Liaison Officer (AALO) and Director of Student Life and Housing Deikola Olikong (5th-right) during the Self-Study Steering Committee work-session on Wednesday at the Baderirt Building Complex conference room. Other committee members present at the meeting were Associate Dean Sherman Daniel (left), Executive Assistant Todd Ngriramengior (foreground), Dean of Students Marenzia Edward (right), Student Support Services Director Vernice Rechebel (2nd-right), and Upward Bound Math & Science Director Tchuzie Tadao.

The 2010 Self Study Steering Committee is the final review panel for the college's comprehensive self-study report, which is to be presented to the Accreditation Team visiting in the coming year. The twelve (12) person committee has been meeting regularly since its commencement in August of 2008 to collate and input data from all college programs, departments, personnel, and most importantly students, including all who benefit from the College's outreach into the community. The college has consistently facilitated efficient communication on offered programs and services to improve student learning outcomes in conjunction with faculty and staff review to increase learning service capacity. This process has

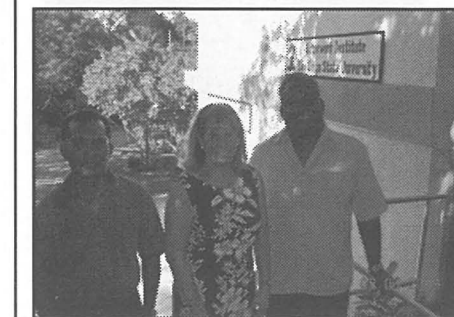
enabled the college to serve student needs, increase education awareness and participation in the community, and boost student performances in the classroom. The 2010 report is a summation of the College's efforts to abide by the mission statement and succeed as an institution. The Steering Committee has the intricate task of preparing the report and must ensure the college meets certain accreditation criteria. Review of the report is accomplished through four standards with each standard represented by a committee specifically addressing concerns of that standard. Standard I: College Institutional Mission and Effectiveness, Standard II: Student Learning Programs and Services, Standard III: Resources, and Standard

IV: Leadership and Governance collectively structure college services and resources to enhance and promote Student Learning Outcome. Integration of each Standard's Committee report is the focus of the Steering Committee, therefore committee members include Standard's Committee Chair and Co-Chairs, Accreditation Liaison

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SDSU Opens Office On Campus

San Diego State University (SDSU) now has an office on campus which is located on the second floor of the Dadait Building Complex. The official opening of the office was witnessed by SDSU professor Dr. Theresa Lally who was on campus recently to launch the new BA and MA cohorts for the SDSU-PCC online program. Joining Lally to witness the "open-office" was PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Associate Dean Sherman Daniel. The office will serve as place of work for visiting professors from SDSU who teach the BA and MA cohort classes.



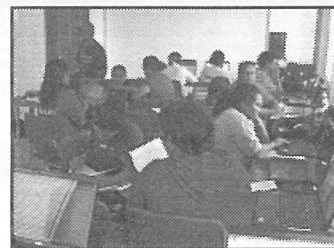
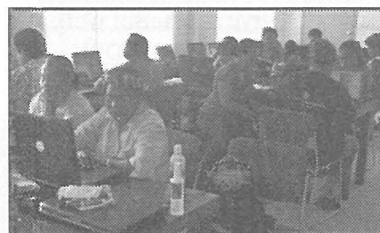
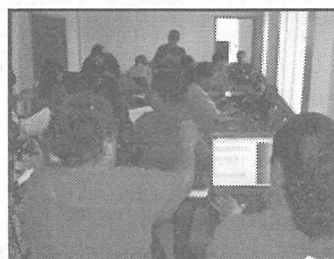
(l-r) Associate Dean Sherman Daniel, SDSU professor Theresa Lally and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei stand in front of the new SDSU office.

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Self-Study, from Front Page

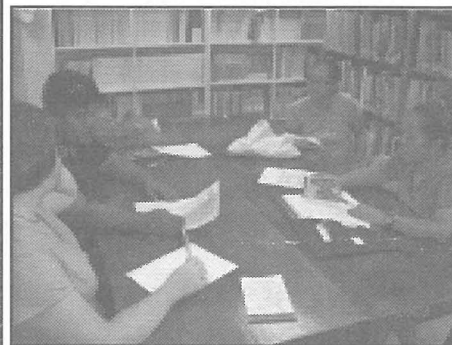
Officer(ALO) Director Dahlia M. Katosang and Assistant Accreditation Officer Director Deikola Olikong, and the editors. Chairing the Standard I Committee is Upward Bound Director Kuye Belelai, with Co-Chair UBMS Director Tchuzie Tadao. The Standard II Committee is represented by Chair Dean Alvina Timarong and Co-Chair Dean Marensia Edward. From the Standard III Committee are Chair VP Jay Olegeriil and Co-Chair Assistant Dean Sherman Daniel. And on the Standard IV Committee are Chair Todd Ngiramengior and Ephraim Ngirachitei. Tasked with editing the report are English Department Chair Marianne TEMAUNGIL and SSS Project Beacon Director Vernice Rechebei. The Steering Committee in consecutive work sessions held last week and this week are entering into the final phases of the 2nd Draft of the Self Study Report and will be wrapping up in the next few weeks. Committee sessions to conclude the report in its final draft form will immediately follow, ahead of the report's December deadline. For information about the committee's work on accreditation, please contact ALO Dahlia Katosang at 488-2471, ext. 265.

SDSU BA Cohort Classes



SDSU BA Cohort students in computer lab.

PAL Officers Meet to Discuss Scholarship to LS Students



Palau Association of Libraries (PAL) Officers meet at the PCC Library to discuss the PAL LS Scholarship for PCC students who are enrolled in the Library&Information Services (LS) program. (l-r) PCC LS Instructor and PAL secretary Megan Beard, PAL Treasurer Lori Isao, PAL Vice President Marga Aten, and PAL President Sandy Fernandez.

Palau National Scholarship Board announces the following scholarship opportunity:

1. China Pacific Islands Forum Scholarship. Deadline is February 20, 2009. Available for undergraduate, masters, and doctorate students. (must pursue studies in China)
2. Taiwan Government Scholarship. Deadline is March 20, 2009. Available for undergraduate or graduate students. (must pursue studies in Taiwan)

For more information and application forms, please contact the Scholarship Office located in Medalaii, Koror on the Palau High School campus or call us at 488-3608.

Local High School Recruitment Visits Begin



PCC Director of Admissions and Financial Aid Dahlia Katosang (standing-back right) and her staff Elenita Brel (standing-back middle), and Mekreos Siliil (standing- back left) talk to students and parents during the recruitment visit to Mindszenty High School last night.

Recruitment to local high schools by the staff of Admissions & Financial Aid began earlier this week. Led by Director Dahlia Katosang, the PCC staff began their recruitment effort with visits to Bethania High School and Belau Modekngai School on Tuesday. On Wednesday, they visited Mindszenty High School. Today, they are scheduled

to be at Emmaus High School. Visit to Palau Mission Academy and Palau High School- biggest high school in Palau- are scheduled for next week. During the visits, the PCC staff meet with both students and parents to discuss admissions and financial aid requirements for those seniors interested in enrolling at PCC after graduation.

BITS AND PIECES...

TODAY

The Steering Committee tasked with preparation for the upcoming Vocational/Technical Education Awareness Week will meet today at 4:00 pm in the Auto Mechanics classroom. All subcommittee chairs are required to attend and must come ready to update the committee on the progress of their work.

Class Tours

To enhance student learning and to help them better understand the field of Library & Information Services (LS), the LS class began conducting tours on Tuesday mornings to different local libraries and archives around Koror. Non LS majors interested in joining the tours are asked to contact instructor Megan Beard at 488-3540. The following is the tour schedule:

- Feb. 10 - PCC Library Micro-P Section
- Feb. 17 - Belau National Archives
- Feb. 24- Belau National Hospital Med. Library
- March 3- Belau National Museum Research Library
- March 10- Palau Judiciary Library

Learn Palauan

Basic Palauan Class Forming...

Do you want to learn Palauan? The Continuing Education is forming a class for basic Palauan language. Interested individuals are asked to contact Dean Willy Wally at the Continuing Education office at 488-2471, ext. 237.

REMINDER

Inter-Departmental Work Orders...

All Interdepartmental work orders to the PCC Cafeteria must be submitted at least (5) working days prior to the date of service or products requested. Any work order submitted within the (5) working days limit must be accompanied by a written justification for the work order's urgency. Thank you.

44 Days Into Construction of the New PCC Library Construction



Forty-four (44) days into 270 days of construction, the entire first floor has been poured and work is progressing the first floor retaining wall. Upon completion, the three-story library complex will rival the Btaches Classroom Complex in height, and command a presidential view of the track & field and the surrounding waterfront.

Office of Admissions & Financial Aid
Palau Community College
Recruitment Schedule For 2009-2010 School Year

Phase I: HS VISITS:
College representatives will visit all high schools throughout Palau and meet with the seniors to discuss Palau Community College's academic programs and services. Then the Director of Admissions & Financial Aid will discuss admissions requirements and provide Admissions Application Forms to interested seniors and assist them to complete forms.

DATE (February 2009)	HIGH SCHOOLS	# of Seniors	TIME	PLACE
10 - Tuesday	Belau Modekngai Sch. (BMS)	4	10:30 - 12:30p	BMS Classroom
	Bethania High School (BHS)	20	1:00 - 3:00pm	BHS Classroom
11 - Wednesday	Mindszenty HS (MHS)	48	12:45 - 1:45pm	MHS Cafeteria
13 - Friday	Emmaus High School (EHS)	15	2:30 - 4:30pm	EHS Classroom
16 - Monday	Palau Mission Academy (PMA)	11	11:45 - 1:45pm	PMA Classroom
17 - Tuesday	Palau High School (PHS)	165	9:30 - 11:00am	PHS Multi purpose building

Phase II FINANCIAL AID NIGHTS:
During the Financial Aid Nights, Director of Admissions & Financial Aid will meet with high school seniors and their parents during the evenings to discuss various Federal Student Financial Aid Programs, Eligibility Requirements and assist interested students to complete financial aid forms. (Note: Parents and students' 2008 income from wages, social security benefits, pension plans, etc. are needed to complete the application forms).

DATE (February 2009)	HIGH SCHOOLS	# of Seniors	TIME	PLACE
9 - Monday	Palau Mission Acad. (PMA)	11	7:00 - 9:00pm	PCC Badirt
11 - Wednesday	Mindszenty High Sch. (MHS)	48	7:00 - 9:00pm	MHS Cafeteria
13 - Friday	Belau Modekngai Sch. (BMS)	4	6:00 - 8:00pm	EHS Classroom
	Bethania High School (BHS)	20		
	Emmaus High School (EHS)	15		
17 - Tuesday	Palau High School (PHS)	88 (A - M)	6:00 - 8:00pm	PHS Multi purpose building
18 - Wednesday		77 (N - Z)		
Total Seniors		263		