

RIMINDERS For Advisors & Students

- Last Day to Remove "I" grades for the Spring Semester 1999 is July 2, 1999.
- Passing TOEFL scores achieved from Practice Test prior to and in November 1998 are considered official by PCC and will be valid for the duration of five (5) years starting from the date the test was taken. Incoming, Continuing, and Returning students who do not have a passing score for a desired program major will need to take an official TOEFL test.
- For statistical purposes, all graduates will have their names listed in the graduation program. However, those students who do not want to participate in the graduation ceremony need to inform the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid.


For more information or questions, contact the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid or CPC office (488-2471).

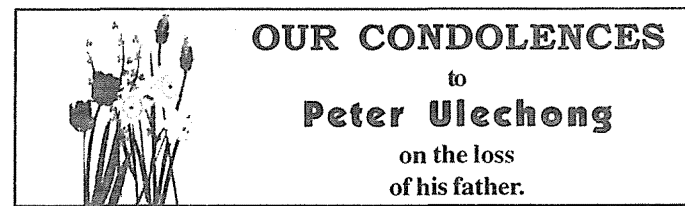
CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS



LeoBen Teriong	April 24
Viginia Ikeya	April 27
Yimnang Golbuu	April 28
Felix Domingo	April 23

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL!!!

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PCC Staff Appointed by ROP President as Notary Public

Ms. Leona Tkel in the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid has been appointed and commissioned as a Notary Public for the Republic of Palau by President Kuniwo Nakamura. The Notary Service is free of charge to students and staff who need to have his/her documents notarized.

For all non-educational purpose, a fee of \$3.00 will be assessed to anyone in the community who wish to have their documents notarized.

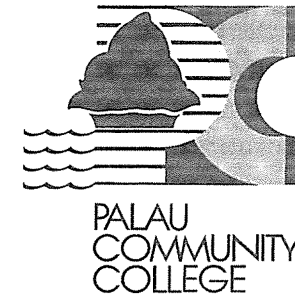
PCC continuing and prospective students are now able to get their financial aid documents notarized at the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid. Any document that requires signatures must have all the signatories present before the notary service is provided.

Anyone who needs further information may contact Ms. Leona Tkel at the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid at 488-2470 or 488-2471 Ext. 234.

UH Hilo at our Library

Thanks to the efforts of Robin DeMeo, a U-H Hilo graduate now working in Palau with the USDA, the PCC Library has the latest college catalog for U-H Hilo. In addition, a colorful information brochure, called "Glimpses" is available at the Counseling Office along with information request post cards and the 1999-2000 school year application form (genetic for the entire U-H system).

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Palau Community College MESEKIU'S NEWS



Friday, April 23, 1999

Weekly Newsletter

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3rd Annual Retreat PCC-CRE

The Palau Community College-Cooperative Research and Extension's (PCC-CRE) third annual retreat was held in the State of Ngaremlengui last month (March 11-13). The theme of the retreat was "Assesment and Evaluations" of all programs and activities of PCC-CRE.

The retreat started at 8:00 in the morning with all 22 PCC-CRE staff breaking-up into 6 groups, representing the six components of the PCC-CRE program. Each group was tasked to evaluate and asses their respective program's performance for the past year. Program goals and objectives were discussed and reiterated, as well as, identification of obstacles and hindrances to the attainment of these goals and objectives.

PCC President, Patrick Tellei was invited to witness the retreat and spoke to the group after their morning group sessions. "Palau Community College is unique in that it has a research component (CRE) which sets us ahead of other community college's in the region." President Tellei went on to say that, CRE is an integral part of PCC and he is excited about CRE's programs and activities, especially the Research and Development Station that is currently under construction in Ngaremlengui State. "This facility will showcase the college's research and demonstration programs for the benefit of not only our own people, but, also the region and beyond," the President added.

The evening session was equally enlightening as Governor John B. Skebong of Ngaremlengui State was the feature speaker. In his brief address to the PCC-CRE staff, Governor Skebong reiterated his administration's full support of the College and CRE in particular, as his State is host to the R&D Station. "In order for us, Palauans, to sustain our livelihood as people from an independent country, we must strengthen our agriculture programs to grow our own food to improve our lives," said Governor Skebong. The Governor also reminded the PCC-CRE staff to work closely with the State of Ngaremlengui to ensure that the construction of the new Research and Development Station remains on schedule, and that the contractors follow the specifications of the contract.

TODAY

SBA Barbecue Fundraiser

The Student Body Association are hosting a BBQ fundraiser at the PCC courtyard. Proceeds will help pay for the first PCC Yearbook.

Let's all have lunch on campus for a worthy cause.

Menu: Chicken, Hotdogs, Ribs, Prak, Diokang, Billum, Potato Salad, Crab Salad, and of course...Rice!
Dessert is a surprise so you'll just have to come and find out.

TODAY

Badek

We kindly solicit your assistance to help Ms. Marlyne Olkeriil during the loss of her beloved mother who passed away on April 14, 1999. Your contributions to Ms. Olkeriil can be given to Ms. Leona Tkel at the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid today (Friday) **April 23, 1999 by 2:00 p.m.**

Thank you for your contribution.

7th Annual Science Fair Top 3 Finishers for all Grades

DIVISIONS	CLASS	1st PLACE	2nd PLACE	3rd PLACE
Application	K-2	Seth Stacey, SDA	Christopher Misajon, SDA	Sharinna Ikeya, Harris
	3-5	Nicolette Misech, Harris	Megan Decheron and Juana Martin, MSS	Jack Antonio, Harris
	6-8	Baules Tellei & Kapono Rafael, SDA	Ayla Ubedei & Bria Hira, Koror	Sibong Chimreck, Morikawa Sekool, & Matias Taisacan, Meyuns
Collection	K-2	Crystal Nakamura, Airai	Kayla Rechekek & Ahlai Kyota, Ngaremlengui	Barbara Ridpath, SDA
	3-5	Shelly Ingereklii, Lynette Long, & Dil-Ayangel Midas, MSS	Sharelyee Ulysses, Felicia Saburo, & Feverlyne Ngiramengior, Ngchesar	Gary Rengulbai, Ngaremlengui
	6-8	Elway Ngiraboi & Raquel Besebes, MSS	Gracket Imeong, Meyuns	Idip Tiobech & Parley Glenn, Harris
Demonstration	K-2	Zachary Techitong Harris	Najwa Sadang, Joannie Marvin, & Gervin Gerald Meyuns	Waynona Takeo, Harris
	3-5	Jeffry Nixon, Klein Dismass, & Rodman Swanson, MSS	Sean Mesubed & Sharon Joseph, Harris	Stephanie Wiley & Elilai Ngimang, MSS
	6-8	Anisa Hanser, Bray Ngiruchelbad, & Ricoh Umetaro, Koror	Branson Temaungil, SDA	Gordon Mereb, Jr., Jahmila Brel, & Emeraech Odang
Investigation	K-2	Richard Misech, Jr., Harris	Ethan Cleophas, Harris	Carolyn Haruo, Rosela Fernando, & Alexander Sumor, Meyuns
	3-5	Carly Misech, Harris	Nikkita Ngiralmu, Harris	Eitau Tutii, MSS
	6-8	Edwin Milong & Ikesiil Anastacio, Koror	Isechal Remengesau & Shenna Ingereklii, MSS	Cheryl-Ann Udui, Emerald Yamanguchi, & Lizette Johanes, SDA
Model	K-2	Norton King, SDA	Calin Garrett, Giovanni Endoso, & Mereb Ngiralmu, Jr., Meyuns	Ngeweiss Skey, Harris
	3-5	Evelyn Otto, MSS	Amylaine Sasao, Meyuns	Kodep Ngiralmu, Jesse Sbal, & Jarel Taimanao, MSS
	6-8	Kerson Mariur, Talbot Ngiratmab, & Abba Ngiroos, Koror	Joleen Ngoriaki, Didiich Albert, & Dilyabed Tellames, Koror	Kennedy Mateus & Jared Carlson, Meyuns

Special Awards

1. Science Fair Theme

Project that focused on this year's science fair theme "Bode Kerremelii a Keburs" and won first place in its category. This year's science fair theme award went to a group project by Athena Wally, Dilreng Swei, and Marilyn Tkel of Palau High School.

2. School Recognition

An award is presented to an elementary and a high school that registered the most number of science projects. Award went to Maris Stella School and Palau High School.

3. Science Fair Teacher Award

A award is presented to a teacher from an elementary and a high school who submitted fifteen or more science projects (by his/her students and in addition, most of his/her student's projects were placed in the top 5). This year's awards went to Jeana Dismas from Harris Elementary School and Irene Soalablai from Palau High School.

(more Science Fair to come in the next issue)

RETENTION WEB PAGE

Spring Final Exams Only 2 Weeks Away

According to our Academic Calendar, we only have 2 weeks left before the scheduled spring final examination period. Your success or failure may well be dependent on how you spend your time between now and the finals. To skip classes at this point in the semester will be a terrible mistake. You now need to ask yourself these questions: Where do I stand in my class(es)? In other words, am I in the A, B, C, D or F grade range? What do I need to do to receive the next higher grade for this course? Am I up to date in my reading? Have I perhaps forgotten to submit required work or project that was due? What are my chances to pass the course if I missed one more class time? Who has the answers to all these? The best person to see about your progress in class would be your instructor. Your instructors are always glad to help but they won't know what you need until you tell them. Again, these last 2 weeks will either help you **PASS** or **FAIL**. **Good luck!**

What Are You Going To Do This Summer?

April 26, 1999, is the first day of pre-registration for summer session '99 and it might be a good idea to give some thought to your summer plans if you have not already done so. Were you planning to just rest up the entire summer? Maybe you thought about getting a summer job? Or did you want to take extra classes this summer so that you can move ahead in your program? If you have not discussed your summer plans with your academic advisor, a simple chat with him or her might help you decide.

Summer Courses at a Glance

Below is a tentative list of courses for Summer quarter 1999. Consult with Dean Randall, your academic advisor, or the PCC catalog for course titles:

AG 123	CJ 222	CT 222	EN 095	MA 090	NU 199
AG 222	CJ 123	ED 110	EN 110	MA 095	NU 199L
AM 222	CJ 221	ED 115	EN 120	MA 110	SC 090
BA 110	CJ 224	ED 151	EN 149	MA 121	SC 109
BA 112		ED 201	EN 200	OA 095	SS 104
BA 211	CO 111	ED 239	ET 222	OA 211	SS 119
BA 221	CS 100	EN070	GE 221	OA 222	
BA 223	CS 121A	EN 091	HP 180	NU 104	
BL 205	EN 093	JP 109	NU 106a		

Study Hints And Shortcuts (first part of many to follow)

Studying isn't as hard as you think. Sure, it takes time and effort, but if you follow a few proven study techniques, you can decrease the amount of time you spend at the books and increase the amount you learn. In fact, study skills play as important a role in college success as intelligence.

Practice Tests: Practice tests are extremely effective study aids. They work best when you test yourself a few times during the semester.

The advantages of practice tests are many: (1) you'll be increasing the number of questions on the exam that will be familiar to you, (2) you'll be giving your study sessions a focus so you'll be less likely to waste time, (3) the best preparation for an exam is to practice exactly what you'll be doing when you actually write it, (4) you'll eliminate the stress of exam time because you'll have answered so many practice questions that the real thing will be "old hat" to you.

How To Set Up Practice Tests: What questions would you ask on a test if you were a teacher?

Keeping this question in mind, set a practice test using your study questions, old exams and textbooks review questions. If possible, use the same test format that your professor uses, if that happens to be multiple choice, here's where old exams are particularly helpful.

When you sit down to take the test, simulate test conditions as closely as you can. Whatever you do, don't look at your notes until you've finished the test. You won't get a true picture of what you know and where you need to spend more time.
(more to come in the next issue)

CJ Club Extends Sincere Appreciation

On behalf of the PCC-Criminal Justice Club, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to the Honorable Vice President Tommy Remengesau Jr., who sponsored the CJ Vice Squad (men's team) and Mr. Ivan Rudimch for the CJ Island Rhythms (women's team) in the PCC Softball Tournament Fundraising Event.

Your sponsorship not only allowed us to participate in the tournament, it also gave us the opportunity to gain valuable experience both as a team and as individuals.

Academic Calendar, Spring 1999		
May 05	(W)	Holiday: Senior Citizen's Day
May 07	(F)	Last Day of Instruction
May 10-12	(M-W)	Final Examination Period
May 14	(F)	Grades Due

Attention PCC Students, Staff, and Faculty

Please submit your articles for our weekly newsletter, *Mesekiu's News*, to Armstrong Debelbot at the Development Office no later than 3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Thank you for your support!!!