



Min. of R&D employees in the Sewer Division who have joined the Endowment Contributors' Club. From left are Greps Demei, Davis Mesubed, Albert Philip, Jack Shiro, and David Timarong



Ministry of Justice employees in the Marine Law Enforcement Division who are new members of the Endowment Contributors' Club.

Celebrating Birthdays



Simiko Amida* February 28
Angela Ngirngerak March 01

* = Retired

Happy Birthday To You!!!



New members of the PCC Endowment Contributors' Club from the Ministry of Resources and Development's Bureau of Marine Resources

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Mr. Mathias Erbai works in the Min. of Finance's Div. of Property and S. pply

PHS TEACHERS JUMP ON ENDOWMENT WAGON, ALONG WITH MORE ROP STAFF

In a meeting with Palau High School (PHS) employees last Wednesday, the Palau Community College welcomed sixteen (16) of them to the PCC Endowment Fund Contributors' Club. These PHS employees follow the lead taken by their educator colleagues at Aimeliik Elementary School, George B. Harris Elementary School, and most recently Koror Elementary School. They include PHS principal Raynold Mechol, Florentina N. Erbai, Merline Malsol, Shra M. Ngirchechol, Takeshi Erungel, Juliet Ngotel, Benedicta Mechol, Charity M. Miles, Roy Ngirchechol, Marcella Anastacio, Wilma J. Sisor, Lee R. Ngirakesau, Eldebechel Alexander, Lilly E. Oilouch, Gloria Ngiraikelau, and Villiany Thomas.

At the same time, while we already have thirteen members from the Ministry of Justice, we are proud to welcome nine (9) additional members, namely Derrick David, Colin Isamu, Alton Samsel (Class of '00 - Cert. in Auto. Mech. Tech.), Jersey Iyar, Eugene Termeteet, Eileen Solang, Edith Mary T. Elbelau, Bradley Rimirch (PCC Class of '00 - Cert. in Crim. Justice), and Antonio Adelbai (Class of '80 - Cert. in Agric. Science). We also welcome two new (2) members from the Ministry of Health Denicia Mariur and Jun Ushibata (Class of '00 - AS degree in Bus. Acctg.) as well as our first two (2) members from the Ministry of State, Ms. Bisayang Luiu (Class of '86 - AS degree in Sec. Science) and Mr. Patrick S. Moses. We also see four (4) new members from the Ministry of Finance namely Mathias Erbai, Joycelynn M. Corpuz (Class of '90 - Cert. in Gen. Office Clerk), Edwin Ongnung, and Tasya Worswick (Class of '95 - Cert. in Bus. Acctg.) as well as nine (9) Ministry of Resources and Development employees, namely Gerda Darrow, Stacy Akitaya, and Rngei F. Taima, Jay Oruetamor, Jack F. Shiro, Greps Demei, Albert Philip, David Timarong, and Davis Mesubed.

Finally, we see nine (9) new members from the Ministry of Justice's Marine Law Enforcement Division. They are Ishmael Imetengel, Jesse B. Rumong, Mathew J. Rivera, Jessy Blesam, Damasi Simon, Maximo Marcello, Fenally Seklii, Hermano R. Takeshi, and Ian Olblai Tervet. Welcome everyone to the PCC Endowment Contributors' Club. We are excited to have you join us!



Palau High School employees have just joined the PCC endowment Fund Contributors' Club and challenge all others to do the same!



Ministry of Justice Employees Jersey Iyar, Antonio Adelbai, and Eileen Solang



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PCC GEARING UP FOR 10th CHARTER DAY

While the College has a long history going back to 1927 when it was a trade school under the Japanese Administration, it became Palau Community College in 1993; hence, this year marks the 10th year of PCC. In marking this milestone, PCC has begun planning for a 10th year celebration that is slated to include annual Charter Day activities such as the PCC Charter Day Softball Tournament (slightly modified), PCC President's Run & Walk, and student performances showcasing their unique cultures, traditions, and/or talents.

ENDOWMENT MEMBERSHIP DRIVE PART OF 10th YEAR CELEBRATION

The College also celebrates this 10th year milestone by conducting a year-long membership drive for the PCC Endowment Fund Contributors' Club. The rationale behind this is the belief that PCC should always be here to ensure that Palau's students have access to affordable quality education and training. Thus, we continue to build the PCC Endowment Fund so that one day it will help to provide much needed resources for the successful and effective operation of Palau's only institution of higher learning. In other words the PCC Endowment Fund may one day help to defray the cost borne by the ROP government in providing funding for PCC.

PREVIOUS LEADERS TO PARTICIPATE

As one of the highlights of this year's Charter Day celebration, the College will be inviting past and current national leaders, as well as former leaders of the College to participate in the planned activities. Specifically, they will be

requested to participate in the PCC President's Run and Walk, and maybe even sponsor or support the softball tournament in one way or another.

PLANNING STILL ONGOING

With the Charter Day scheduled for Friday April 4, 2003, planning is still ongoing. Therefore, this newsletter will keep readers posted as Charter Day nears, including finalization of activities to take place. In the meantime, anyone who would like to join the planning team or has suggestions for this year's celebration may contact Kuye Belelai at 488-2962 or Armstrong Debelbot at 488-2471, extension 252. (See page two for listing of Charter Day Planning & Implementation Committee).

Surveyors' Meet Set for March

The 2003 Western Pacific Regional GPS, GIS, Cadastral Survey Conference and Technical Programs has been confirmed to take place in Palau, specifically the PCC campus from March 10-15th. The conference is being co-sponsored by the U.S. National Geodetic Survey, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), Palau Community College, Guam Society of Professional Registered Land Surveyors, and the Palau Ministry of Resources and Development.

The conference, which will feature a two-day technical program and a two-day conference, is made possible by a \$22,500 DOI grant.

Dr. James P. Reilly, Chairman of the Department of Survey and Mapping-New Mexico State University, as well as James Johnson, Director of Technical

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Continental Micronesia Donates Computers to Palau Schools

In its first donation for this year 2003, Continental Micronesia has donated 30 personal computers to several schools in Palau which include Palau Community College (PCC), Palau High School (PHS),

Mindszenty High School (MHS), Maris Stella School (MSS) and Belau Head Start (BHS). Ms. Lou Sanchez, Manager for Continental Micronesia's Marketing and Sales was in



PCC Dean Alvina Timarong (right) at ceremony where Continental Micronesia donated computers to PCC

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PCC Vacancy Announcement

ANNOUNCING
VA #: 02-005
Open: 11/13/02
Close: Until filled

Position: (1) Librarian

Salary : \$16,010 to \$18,730.00 per annum depending on qualification

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES

Provide professional library services to the College and its clients including but not limited to, assisting individuals and groups in locating or obtaining library materials. Maintain and update the library circulation and reference collections of print resources such as general and technical books, serial publications, documents, and other material; maintain and revise, as required, index, control systems for general, technical books and other library printed materials; assist in selecting, ordering, cataloging, classifying, processing of information to students, faculties, public, regarding library activities such as services/facilities available, procedures and policies; develop and implement a variety of library orientation programs to a client; assist in the preparation of the library budget; assist faculty and other clients in developing bibliographies, promotion, outreach services and activities; and serve on the College committees as assigned; select, direct, train and supervise student library workers; and perform other related duties as assigned by supervisor.

Minimum Qualification Requirements

Master or Bachelor's degree from an accredited higher education institution in library science or, possess field experience, possess knowledge and skills required to perform the duties and responsibilities of a community college librarian. Previous successful librarian experience in higher education institution is preferable.

General Information

Application forms can be obtained from Human Resources Division at Palau Community College P.O. Box 9 Koror, Palau 96940, tel. no. (680) 488-2470/2471, fax no. (680) 488-2447. Send completed application with transcripts, resume, and verification of previous employment, if any, to above address. Please feel free to contact us at the above numbers should you have any questions or need further information.

PCC IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ACTION EMPLOYER!

Surveyors', from front page

Services, Office of Insular Affairs-Department of the Interior, have been confirmed to participate and deliver lectures at the conference along with numerous other speakers, both local and from off-island. In fact, PCC's Don Hanser, Coordinator for the Operations and Maintenance Improvement Program (OMIP), will be presenting on the topic: 'Proposals and Opportunities for Educational Programs in the Pacific Region'.

Even though the conference is a week-long, the program indicates that it will be very intense, providing participants with critical information that will help them in their field work. Because the PCC campus will be the site of the conference, all PCC staff and students are asked to welcome our conference guests and to provide them with the assistance that they may need. For information about the conference, contact Todd Ngiramengior or Jay Olegeriil at extensions 225 and 253 respectively.



Ministry of Justice Employees who enrolled in the Endowment Contributors' Club. From left are Alton Samsel, Colin Isamu, and Edith Mary Elbelau. Inset is Eugene Termeteet who works in the ROP Immigration Office.

2003 Charter Day Planning & Implementation Committee:

Kuye Belelai, Chairperson
Armstrong Debelbot, Co-Chair
Presley Etibek
Sherman Daniel
Ephraim Ngirachitei
Clement Kazuma
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Alvina Timarong
Willy Wally
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Josephine Ulelongchong
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Ezra Takeo
Todd Ngiramengior
Vernice Rechebei
Vincent Ito
Jay Olegeriil

New Books at PCC Library...

- Seafaring in the Contemporary Pacific Islands: Studies in Continuity and Change

- The Pacific Islands: An encyclopedia edited by Brij V. Lal and Kate Fortune - This authoritative reference book and accompanying CD-ROM provides easy-access for information about all the islands and island countries of the Pacific. It includes maps, graphs, and hundreds of photographs of important political, historical, and cultural figures.

- Distance Education in the South Pacific: Nets & Voyages - Distance education in the South Pacific has been innovative, using radio, television, satellite technology and international collaboration. Much has been learned from these experiences, not only by students but by instructors as well. The chapters here analyse the historical, physical, political, social and economic contexts that have shaped the emergence and practice of distance education in the past 25 years--at times enhancing, at other times constraining the delivery of education.

Imengel back from Canada

The PCC Library Technician for the Micronesia-Pacific Collection, Ms. Imengel Mad recently returned from attending the ASAO meeting in Vancouver, Canada. During the meeting she volunteered to staff the registration desk and literature display table. Resulting from her being a good samaritan, she was given the opportunity to choose one of the books from the literature display table. Thus, she was able to bring two (2) books to be added in the Micronesia-Pacific Collection. She was also able to meet with Dr. Lawrence 'Larry' Marshall Carucci from Montana State University who had done works on the Marshall Islands. He was very happy to learn about the PCC Library's Micronesia-Pacific Collection and has offered to donate materials about the Marshall Islands to our Library.

Did You Know...

...that the PCC Library features a Kids' Corner for children to enjoy their favorite books and magazines?

...that the PCC Library has computers available for students to conduct research on the internet?

...that the PCC Library is probably the most extensive of its kind in Palau?

...that the PCC Library is open seven days a week?

PCC Library Hours

Monday - Friday 8am - 8pm
Saturday 9am - 6pm
Sunday 12noon - 6pm

Continental, from front page

Palau this week Wednesday to personally donate these computers. Attending a brief ceremony that was broadcast live on WWFM 89.5 courtesy of Mr. Alfonso Diaz, were Deputy Chief of Staff Pablo Temol from the ROP President's Office, Director of Education Emery Wenty, Chief of School Management Kalistus Ngirturong, PCC Dean of Academic Affairs Alvina Timarong, MHS principal Justa Polloi, PHS principal Raynold Mechol, MSS principal Felix Okabe, and BHS Director Belhaim Sakuma.

In her remarks, Ms. Lou Sanchez stated that this first donation of the year from Continental Micronesia will probably be the largest of its kind for the foreseeable future. This was most welcome news to the grateful recipients of the donation who duly expressed their appreciation to Ms. Sanchez and Continental Micronesia for its noble example of corporate citizenry.

BITS AND PIECES...

Self Study-Accreditation Update

As suggested during the the last self study steering committee meeting, two reference files have been placed in the College Library Reserve section. In each of the files are relevant reference and resource materials for the self study review process. You can find the new accreditation standards, most recent midterm and focus report to the Commission, last evaluation team report, the last comprehensive self study report, and many more. The self study subcommittees are encouraged to utilize these reference files and to duplicate any of the materials as needed. Other interested individuals are also invited to read and review these materials to gain a better understanding of the self study review process.

PCC-Based Scholarships Available Soon

This is an announcement to all high school seniors and current PCC students that applications for all PCC-based or administered scholarship programs are scheduled to be available in May 2003. These aforementioned scholarship programs include the following:

Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. Scholarship
Shell Company (Pacific Islands) Ltd. Scholarship
Prince Leeboo Scholarship
Polycarp International Enterprise Scholarship
Ngiraked Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship
Pierantozzi Scholarship

All inquiries about the above scholarship programs may be directed to the PCC Development Office, telephone number (680) 488-2470/2471, extension 253.

Ezra Takeo Thanks PCC

'I, Ezra Takeo and my entire family, would like to take this opportunity and thank all PCC staff and everybody for their generous contributions during our house party. We will never forget your kind support for many years to come and our doors will always be open for any help we can give. Again, Thank you.'

/s/Ezra Takeo & Family