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FSM Congress recognized for Climate Change Act



Speaker Dohsis Halbert of the 18th FSM Congress holds the Climate Change Act Award. Joining him are Staff Attorney Yancy Cottrill and Congressman David W. Panuelo, Chairman of the R&D Committee

June 25, 2014

Mexico City, Mexico—The FSM was awarded a GLOBE award for its Climate Change legislation during a meeting of more than 70 parliaments and houses of Congress in Mexico City.

David W. Panuelo, and Senator Berney Martin represented the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia at the GLOBE International World Summit of Legislators in Mexico City.

GLOBE International (Global Legislators Organisation) is a non-profit political organization that seeks to advance law on

On June 6-8th, Senator Yosiwo George, Senator

climate change, national capital accounting, and forests.

During the 2nd World Summit of Legislators meeting, Congressman Panuelo co-chaired a parallel session with a legislator from Bangladesh. The session addressed Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction and Management.

At the end of the summit two awards were presented for efforts on climate change policy and adaptation. The FSM Congress received recognition for the Climate Change Act it passed late last year.

the country a sense of possibility. For too long we were on the sidelines complaining about the lack of progress of climate change negotiations. Now we can do something about climate change.”

Senator George spoke about the effects of FSM’s Climate Change Act saying, “It may not look like much at the beginning, but in the long run this change may take us to substantial progress. That is what we hope—that our small country can contribute in our small way to (addressing) the global problem of climate change.”

Congressman David W. Panuelo had the honor of receiving the award on behalf of the 18th FSM Congress at which time he thanked the Summit of World Legislators and Globe International Secretariat for the award.

“While the FSM is the only recipient country for such an award, the significance of the award is that it reflects the collective leadership of World Legislators in the fight against climate change,” he told the gathered legislators.

This morning Congressman Panuelo speculated during a meeting with the press that the recognition may also have had something to do with the fact that in addition to the landmark climate change legislation, the FSM is also already dealing with the effects of climate change.

The website of GLOBE International (<http://www.globeinternational.org>) made no mention of the recognition that we could find. That fact does not diminish the accomplishment of the FSM’s landmark climate change legislation that is held up as model legislation internationally.

The legislators at the June conference adopted a Legislator’s Resolution recognizing that the biggest challenges facing humanity in the 21st century are poverty and the unsustainable use of our natural resources. The resolution additionally committed parliaments to prepare to contribute their efforts to the United Nations Secretary General’s Leaders Summit on Climate Change this September as well as for the next GLOBE International Conference in Lima, Peru and the Paris International Climate Conference in 2015.

The conference in Mexico City was the second GLOBE conference that FSM Congress representatives attended in 2014.

In March, GLOBE held a meeting in Washington D.C. during which the Speaker of the 18th FSM Congress, Hon. Dohsis Halbert delivered a statement on Climate Change. Speaker Halbert’s speech during the conference stood alongside speeches made by such luminaries as U.S. Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi who gave the key note address at the summit, as well as speeches by U.S. Congresswoman Barbara Boxer, and U.S. Senator Edward Markey.

Congressman Yosiwo George also spoke during the summit. “What we [in the FSM] can say is that the legislation [Climate Change Act] has energized the climate change debate and given

Members of the FSM Congress who notably participated in the Conference in Washington D.C. included Senator Isaac V. Figir, Senator George, and Senator Panuelo.

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IOM gives disaster response training to Camp GLOW participants

By Bill Jaynes
The Kaselehlie Press

June 14, 2014

Pohnpei, FSM—For many years, U.S. Peace Corps volunteers have been conducting camps for girls in the countries in which they serve. The FSM is no exception and this year in Pohnpei, due to the large number of girls participating in Camp GLOW (Girls Leading Our World) they held two of them. One was held at the campus of the former Pohnpei Agricultural and Technical School on May 10. The other was held at Nihco Marine Park on June 14.

According to an employee of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), U.S. Peace Corps volunteers run after school groups through the year for adolescent girls that participate regularly in the school club. Those girls are invited to an overnight camp. Unfortunately, the Peace Corps volunteer who was to have completed a story on the two camps didn't get it done in time for publication in this newspaper. We hope to be able to run that fuller story in the next issue and will keep our fingers crossed for it.

The U.S. Peace Corps volunteers contacted IOM and asked if they could design a "learning session and applied learning challenge" related to disaster preparedness and response for each of the two camps.

IOM created the "Disaster Response Educational Challenge". Campers learned to use the alphabetic code to relay a message by radio. They learned how to start an electrical generator, and to make a solar water still to desalinate salt water into fresh drinking water. They conducted a landslide mini lab where they learned that slopes with trees are less hazardous than slopes without them. They also conducted a mock search and rescue activity.

The camps were funded by US Agency for International Development Foreign Disaster Assistance Grant. Deputy Chief of Mission Miguel Ordonez also spoke to the girls and handed out their certificates of completion.

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Investigation into missing thousands of dollars at Pohnpei Supreme Court

By Bill Jaynes
The Kaselehlie Press

June 23, 2014

Pohnpei, FSM— In February, Pohnpei auditors discovered that the Pohnpei Supreme Court had remitted to Pohnpei Treasury only \$302 of the \$29,614.50 it collected in fees. The discovery came as part of a surprise cash count inspection of the Pohnpei "collection points"—the units where revenue is collected.

Of the six Pohnpei collection points, including Pohnpei's Treasury, only the Department of Agriculture revolving fund was excluded from February's surprise inspection. Pohnpei's Office of the Public Auditor (OPA) had already conducted and released an audit report that showed discrepancies in that department.

The cash counts for the Office of Fisheries and Aquaculture, the Pohnpei State Hospital, and Community Health Centers came up clean. "Admirably so," said Ihlen Joseph, Pohnpei's Public Auditor.

The cash count inspection at the Supreme Court raised alarm bells. As a result, Mr. Joseph ordered a deeper inspection of

the Supreme Court's cash receipts and remittances to Pohnpei Treasury. That deeper inspection revealed that in nearly four and a half years the Supreme Court had collected a total of \$167,716.75 but had remitted only \$43,859.50 to Pohnpei's Treasury during that time.

"The sum of \$123,857.25 was found missing and could not be accounted for," said an official letter from the Office of the Public Auditor to Fernando Scaliem, the Speaker of the 8th Pohnpei Legislature.

The letter was stamped "confidential" but was hand delivered to The Kaselehlie Press last week by an employee of the OPA. On the next day, another employee of OPA called to be sure that we had received the letter to the Speaker. Today Mr. Joseph personally confirmed that he was the one who had decided that the matter needed to be made public and so had personally instructed his staff members to deliver the letter to us.

He also told us that he had asked Speaker Scaliem to share his letter with the members of the 8th Legislature.

"It should be noted that 1400 plus copies of cash receipts were missing and could not

be found in the Supreme Court's files", the letter said. "We could not assess or confirm whether the missing receipts were issued or voided. If in fact they were issued, then it is very likely that the amount of the missing and unaccounted monies may be higher than reported herein."

On behalf of Chief Justice Benjamin Rodriguez, the Supreme Court's legal counsel returned our call of last week during which we requested an interview with the Chief Justice. He said that the Court is conducting an ongoing internal investigation on the cash count inspection. He further said that insofar as all previous interdepartmental correspondences on the matter have been confidential, the court will not be issuing a statement on it until the Public Auditor makes the matter public.

Mr. Joseph said that his office has submitted a "thick stack" of documentary evidence to the Pohnpei Attorney General's office and has recommended prosecutorial action.

"We consider the findings significant and are recommending criminal investigation and prosecution for those found responsible for the missing and unaccounted funds," his letter to Speaker Scaliem said.





OFA shows off its aquaculture projects at Nett Point

By **Bill Jaynes**
The Kaselehlie Press

June 17, 2014

Pohnpei, FSM—On June 6 Pohnpei's Office of Fisheries and Aquaculture set up a tour for government officials of their aquaculture projects at Nett Point.

OFA Director Joseph Saimon said that the tour was to show the Executive Branch, Cabinet Members, and Legislators what they are doing with the money that was allocated to it, and that they're actually doing something. He said that OFA's budget is \$315,000 per year but that they bring in \$400,000 for services they provide including Water bunkering service to vessels, sale of ice, transshipment fee collection, and Marine Protected Area permit fees.

Previously OFA had run their aquaculture projects from tanks located on what used to be the second floor of the former EDA building which now houses OFA's administrative offices.

Several months ago they moved everything to Nett Point and devoted staff to the projects. The College of Micronesia Land Grant program is providing consultation on the aquaculture program and they have put in place a 3-5 year aquaculture development plan.

OFA initially had problems when they raised Rabbit Fish because of power outages. When the power was off, as it often was, they could not aerate the tanks as they needed to do, particularly when the fish were spawning. They have since bought generators.

They are currently raising sea cucumbers, fresh and salt water shrimp, and fin fish.

Saimon said that they are planning to add sea weed to the list next and are currently working with the Secretariat of the Pacific Community in New Caledonia to re-introduce Indonesian seaweed. Seaweed matures in three months and can be farmed in tanks, but if that project is to work it

will need to be managed in a different way than the previously failed project was run. Saimon said that a number of lessons were learned during the previous project, foremost that the government needs to get out of the way and not try to serve as a "middle man" between buyers and farmers. "Previously the government got in the way and the farmed seaweed didn't get sent out. It just sat there and rotted," Saimon said.

He said that his office has been managing their expenses tightly in order to manage the aquaculture project. They conserve fuel by consolidating errands that take them out of the office by car. They also have not used travel money to travel to off island conferences and meetings. They instead are using their travel budget to send staff to Pohnpei's outer islands where they currently have four aquaculture projects running.

"Pohnpei should be able to feed its population from its own waters," Saimon

said, but there is significant overfishing. He said that the current harvest of reef fish is 400 percent over their ability to reproduce and that in five years the reef fish populations have decreased by 50 percent. He said that there are laws in place designed to preserve fish stocks but fishermen are still fishing with banned gear and harvesting undersized fish.

There is a law in place but enforcement, which is currently the responsibility of the Department of Fish and Wildlife has been difficult at best.

The Conservation Society of Pohnpei has recruited and trained a number of Community Conservation Officers whose function is to report activity in Marine Protected Areas. They are not law enforcement officers and have no enforcement powers. Their role is simply to report. Saimon said that the program is working well so far. Even with the heavy educational role the CSP has played and played well, more needs to be done.

"It's difficult to tell people who are trying to feed their families why they can't fish in marine protected areas," said Saimon.

"Import substitution" and food security are OFA's first priorities. They encourage sustainable fishing outside of the reef and have placed five fish aggregating devices (FADs) 50 meters off the reef. They also have placed FADs in Sapuafik, Nukuoro, Pingelap, and Mwoakilloa. They'll soon be placing a FAD in Kapingamarangi as well.

Of course, the re-introduction of aquaculture projects is another way they are serving their priorities. He said that OFA will be able to serve as a resource to help potential aqua farmers to set up their own systems. He says that tanks can be built with scrap materials and that farming fin fish is feasible, cost effective, low maintenance and "fin fish eat almost anything," he said with a smile.

USAID supports the training of emergency responders from civil Society, Parastatal Entities, and Local Government

The International Organization for Migration

Kolonia, Pohnpei FSM – After an intensive workshop held from the 23rd to 24th of June at Governor's Conference Room in Kolonia, 26 participants drawn from civil society partners, parastatal entities, and state government agencies have completed the Essentials of Humanitarian Assistance (EHA) Training conducted by the Office of Environment and Emergency Management (OEEM) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) with the funding support of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). The event also represented an effort to further USAID's global platform of gender development, with invitees drawn from local women's associations and female attendees requested in the invitation letters sent to all participants.

The training prepared participants to directly assist their communities in the event of a disaster and within existing government response frameworks. The training introduced key humanitarian

assistance concepts, outlined the essential aspects of rapid needs and damage assessments, and summarized logistics and types of humanitarian relief distributions and. The overall aim of the training was to increase the capacity of the local partners that will work alongside the national and international partners in preserving lives and dignity of disaster victims.

This EHA training followed closely on the heels of the First National Disaster Risk Management Platform which took place from June 16th – 20th, 2014, Kolonia, Pohnpei and integrated some of the forms and procedures which had been agreed upon by state- and national-level Disaster Control Officers during this preceding event. For example, EHA trainees underwent a damage assessment exercise using the national standardized Initial Damage Assessment form adopted during the Platform.

The training also covered internationally recognized concepts and standards in humanitarian response, including standards relating to Shelter, Water-Sanitation-Hygiene (WASH), and essential Non-Food-Items (NFI). During the training, the participants were afforded

the opportunity to discuss their respective organizations' roles in disaster response, consider ways to bolster local response capacity in the absence of or in advance of the arrival of outside aid, and discuss

cultural elements of community resilience.

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Filipino Community of Pohnpei goes all out for 116th Philippine Independence Day

The United Filipino Community of Pohnpei (UFCP)

The United Filipino Community of Pohnpei (UFCP) spearheaded the celebration of the 116th Philippine Independence last June 15, 2014 at the Etscheit Badminton Complex in Sokehs. Aside from the throng of Filipinos, the said celebration was also attended by the Members of the Diplomatic Community in Pohnpei including Chinese Ambassador & Mrs. Zhang Lianyun, Japanese Ambassador & Mrs. Masaki Sakai, United States Deputy Chief of Mission & Mrs. Michael Ordenez, Australian Consul & Mrs. Neil Young, Spain Honorary Consul Maria Linda Mendez, Pohnpei State Governor John Ehsa, and IOM Country Director and Mrs. Ashley Carl. UFCP, the mother organization of Filipinos in Pohnpei, annually commemorates the Philippine Independence Day. This year's theme is "Following the footsteps of great Filipinos towards widespread and permanent change."

The Program started with the singing of both the FSM and Philippine National Anthem. Mr. Russell Figueras, the President of the UFCP, welcomed everyone who attended the event. Mr. Figueras also thanked and praised the support, hard work, and cooperation of everyone who contributed to the success of the event. He further said: "I challenge each and every one of you to actively support your organization, the UFCP. Let us make good use of our life! Let us not become like a stone wasted on the field or on the side road without becoming a part of any edifice, any structure, or any organization."

After a sumptuous lunch for everyone, Independence Day Messages from the President of the Philippines, the Vice President, Department of Foreign Affairs Secretary, and the Philippine Consul General in Guam were read by UFPC Vice President Roselyn Reyes, TDIP President Ray Varas, AFLIP President Cynthia Delica, and UFCP PRO Dr. Darwin Mauricio respectively. Philippine Honorary Consul to the FSM, Dr. Merlyn Abello Alfonso also delivered her first Philippine Independence Day Message. Consul Alfonso praised the Bayanihan Spirit, the spirit of communal unity, work, and cooperation to achieve a particular goal, which was very evident in the

preparations of the said event. Consul Alfonso said "this year has definitely been a standout success and I salute the leaderships of the Filipino Community, especially our mother organization, UFCP. This success was borne out of the unified efforts of our leaders - UFCP President Russell Figueras and all Officers, all the leaders of KBP, STAP, TDIP, and AFLIP." She also reiterated the Philippine Government's gratitude to the FSM Government and all those who extended their help after the Philippines was devastated by Typhoon Haiyan in November. In the end, Consul Alfonso praised and greeted all the fathers in attendance since June 15 was also Father's Day.

The highlight of the celebration was the most awaited Booth and Cultural Dance Contest. In the Booth Contest, the different Filipino Regional Organizations constructed Filipino style huts that showcased the different cuisine, culture, and games in the provinces/regions they represent. Each hut was colorfully introduced and described by the group's representative. The Samahang Tagalog at iba pa sa Pohnpei (STAP) won the first prize, followed by Katilingbang Bisaya sa Pohnpei (KBP) and Timpuyog Dagiti Ilocano iti Pohnpei (TDIP). The Cultural Dance Presentations were astounding. The different groups presented different cultural dances from the Philippines. To the delight of the crowd, the different groups merrily and gracefully danced with their colorful costumes. KBP won the best dance presentation, followed by TDIP, STAP, and AFLIP (Association of Filipino Ladies in Pohnpei). To add more color to the event, the Genesis Staff also performed song and dance numbers. Consul Mendez was joined by Kaselehlie Press Managing Editor Bill Jaynes and Japan Embassy Researcher/Advisor Hiroku Nobusada in judging the Booth and Cultural Dance Contests.

The celebration ended with the Awarding of the winners of the UFCP Sports Fest – Badminton Tournament as well as the drawing of the STAP's Fundraising Raffle Winner. Dr. Aurelio Espinola of Labtech Guam won the grand prize of \$10,000. The said fundraising activity is for the benefit of the STAP/COM-FSM Scholars.

All the Filipinos went home with smiles and sense of pride and nationalism.



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FSM's achieves a new bench mark for its anti-human trafficking efforts

By **Bill Jaynes**
The Kaselehlie Press

June 23, 2014

Federated States of Micronesia—Last week the U.S. Department of State released this year's Trafficking in Person's report on world efforts to combat human trafficking. For the first time FSM's efforts have been upgraded to the Tier 2 list status from the Tier 2 Watch List rating it has received for most of the time it has been listed on the report. Tier 2 is the highest status the FSM has ever achieved for its efforts to curb human trafficking.

The Tier 2 rating is given to countries whose governments do not fully comply with the TVPA's (Trafficking Victims Protection Act) minimum standards, but are making significant efforts to bring themselves into compliance with those standards.

Of the 187 countries reviewed on the report, 89 were placed at Tier 2. Only 31 countries were placed at Tier 1 including the United States. The report said that Tier 1 does not mean that there is no problem with Human Trafficking in those countries. On the contrary, it means that the countries have recognized the problem and are actively combating it.

44 countries were placed on the Tier 2 Watch list and 23 were at the lowest ranking of Tier 3.

FSM's efforts against human trafficking were first rated in the TIP report in 2009. FSM debuted on the Tier 2 Watch List, the next to the lowest tier in the system. It remained in that tier through 2010. In 2011 the FSM slipped to the lowest tier, Tier 3. In 2012 and 2013 it was again on the Tier 2 Watch List. This year, due to much greater effort in the area of human trafficking in the FSM, including one ongoing human trafficking prosecution, it reached Tier 2, the highest tier to which it has climbed.

FSM's public education efforts on human trafficking have increased substantially.

"The FSM government increased efforts to prevent trafficking through a heightened public awareness campaign," the report said. "President Mori highlighted the importance of a Pacific regional response to combat trafficking and committed the country to make efforts to fight modern slavery. He declared January 22 as the National (Anti-Human) Trafficking Day and a launched a trafficking awareness campaign in all four states."

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) is still operating its Migrant Resource Center for FSM citizens considering emigration from the FSM and the FSM Government provided \$190,000 to IOM and the Chuuk State government so that a Migrant Resource Center can also be established in Chuuk. The Migrant Resource Center in Pohnpei provided anti-trafficking training to 250 representatives of national and state law enforcement, local churches, and women's groups, and to 5300 students in all four states.

Even after the public education campaign, there still seems to be some misunderstanding in the FSM about what human trafficking is even amongst some lawmakers.

As a bit of a primer, human trafficking is NOT prostitution, though many victims of human trafficking have been forced into prostitution. Human trafficking victims need not be immigrants who have been forced to move from one country to another. A human trafficker can be a citizen of the same country as his or her victim. They can even be a family member. Trafficking is not a synonym for smuggling though some victims of human trafficking have been smuggled from one place to another, from country to country, state to state, from rural places to urban places, and vice versa, but a victim of human trafficking need not be moved anywhere at all. It can happen right at home.

Perhaps some of the difficulty in understanding the term might be an incomplete understanding of the definition of the word "traffic". Even native English

speakers might be surprised to know that in Webster's II Dictionary it isn't until the third listed definition before the idea of moving people arises. The first listed definition of the word is in two parts. The "A" definition is, "Commercial exchange of goods." The "B" definition is "illegal or improper commercial activity."

Essentially human traffickers are selling humans as their product. Victims of human trafficking are modern day slaves, held against their will in order to benefit another human.

"Trafficking in persons" and "human trafficking" have been used as umbrella terms for the act of recruiting, harboring, transporting, providing, or obtaining a person for compelled labor or commercial sex acts through the use of force, fraud, or coercion," the TIP report says. "Human trafficking can include, but does not require, movement. People may be considered trafficking victims regardless of whether they were born into a state of servitude, were transported to the exploitative situation, previously consented to work for a trafficker, or participated in a crime as a direct result of being trafficked. At the heart of this phenomenon is the traffickers' goal of exploiting and enslaving their victims and the myriad coercive and deceptive practices they use to do so."

The TIP report describes the "Face of Modern Slavery" in significant detail under the headings of "Sex Trafficking", "Child Sex Trafficking", "Forced Labor", "Bonded Labor or Debt Labor", "Involuntary Domestic Servitude", "Forced Child Labor", and "Unlawful Recruitment and Use of Child Soldiers". The 64 page introductory materials provide numerous examples of what human trafficking is and provides specific examples and personal accounts. The report can be found at www.state.gov/j/tip/rls/tiprpt/2014/index.htm.

The report says that last year more than 44,000 victims of human trafficking were identified. 9500 prosecutions were initiated and nearly 6000 convictions were obtained. "We each have a responsibility to make this horrific and all-too-common crime a lot less common. And our work with victims is the key that will open the door to real change—not just on behalf of the more than 44,000 survivors who have been identified in the past year, but also for the more than 20 million victims of trafficking who have not," said a stark letter by US Secretary of State John Kerry that opens the report said.

The governments of the FSM have come a long way in their understanding of human trafficking and in their efforts to combat the crime. During the



reporting year for the TIP report, "the FSM government initiated a prosecution involving one alleged Micronesian offender and eight Micronesian victims." A Chuukese man is being prosecuted for allegedly aiding and abetting the forced labor and prostitution of eight Chuukese females in 2009. Charges in that case were filed by the FSM in December of 2013.

The pretrial hearings on the case in Chuuk have been completed. The trial date has not yet been set but it is expected to begin before the end of the year.

The report says that during the reporting period, the government reported conducting three investigations of suspected sex trafficking offenses involving Micronesians as compared to none in 2012

All five FSM governments have sufficiently stringent laws to prosecute and punish human traffickers including the National government. Under those laws a human trafficker could be prosecuted both in an individual state according to that state's laws and by the National government according to its law.

The TIP report recommends that the FSM should "increase efforts to investigate and prosecute trafficking offenses, and convict and punish trafficking offenders; develop and implement procedures or the proactive identification of trafficking victims among vulnerable populations, such as fishermen on fishing vessels in FSM or its territorial waters, women and girls in prostitution, and FSM nationals migrating to the United States for work; develop and implement a victim referral system; train officials on human trafficking and how to identify and assist trafficking victims; continue to implement the national plan of action; dedicate resources to establish protective services for victims of trafficking; continue nationwide educational campaigns to increase awareness of trafficking; and collaborate with traditional leaders to raise awareness of trafficking and to break away from customary practices that render Micronesians vulnerable to trafficking."



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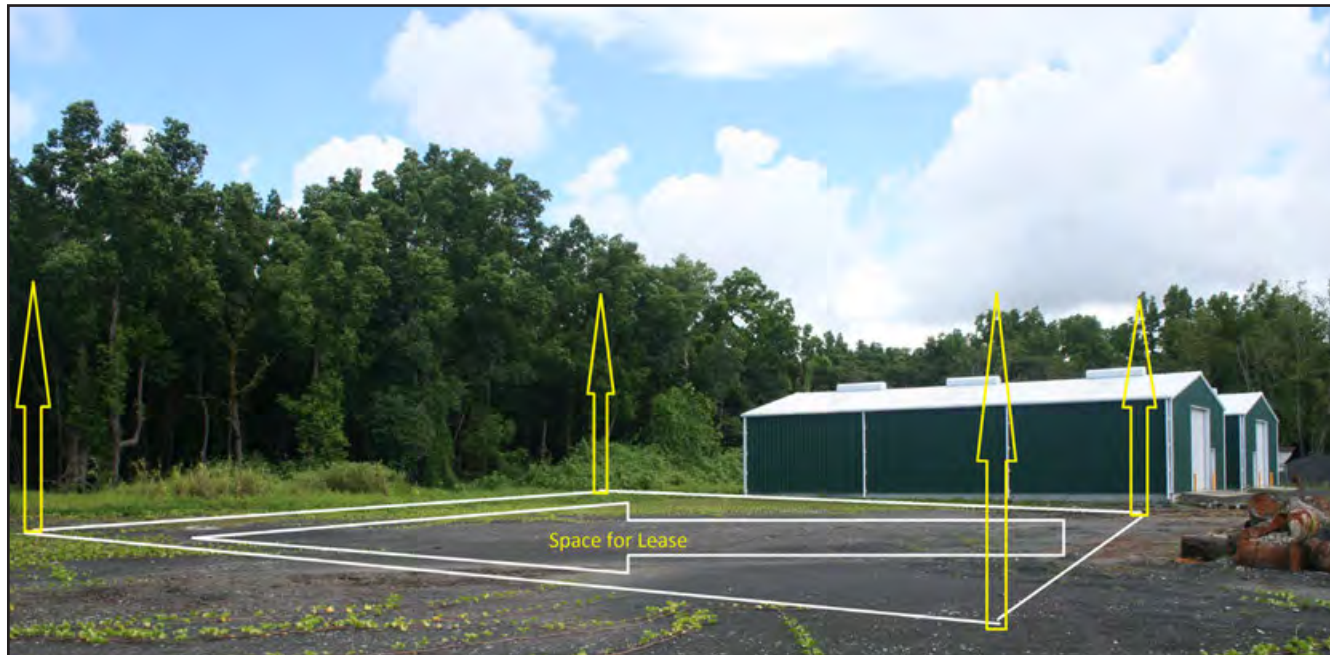
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(June 16, 2014)**

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Furthermore, the general public should take note on §301 of 37 FSMC stipulating that no 'insurance business' shall be carried on in the Federated States of Micronesia unless the person or company engaging in insurance business is registered or licensed by the Board. Hence the publication required under §215 of 37 FSMC for the benefit of the general public. Any person or company engaging in 'insurance business' in the FSM not in compliance with the provisions of 37 FSMC may be subject to the applicable violation and penalty provisions of 37 FSMC. Please contact your FSM Insurance Board at the address provided below if you have any questions.

I. Following are pending registration and license applications:

- 1. Century Insurance Co., Ltd. (Application for Registration as foreign insurer)
- 2. Individual Assurance Company (Application for Licensure as domestic insurer)
- 3. Mr. David Panuelo (Application for licensure as agent for Individual Assurance Company)

II. Following are registered insurers and respective licensed agents in the FSM:

| Registered Insurers: | Licensed Agents: |
|--|---|
| 1. Pacific Indemnity Insurance Company ----- | Actouka Executive Insurance Underwriters |
| 2. First Net Insurance Company ----- | Moylan's Insurance Underwriters (FSM), Inc. |
| 3. Dongbu Insurance Company ----- | Moylan's Insurance Underwriters (FSM), Inc. |
| 4. NetCare Life and Health Insurance Co. ----- | Moylan's Insurance Underwriters (FSM), Inc. |

III. Following are licensed Brokers:

- 1. Oceania Insurance Company, Inc.
- 2. Micronesia Insurance Brokers Company, Ltd.

IV. Denied registration application:

- 1. Federal Insurance Company (Incomplete application).

No registration or license has been cancelled, suspended or revoked. The Board is also not aware of any winding-up or liquidation in progress of a registered, licensed insurer or intermediary.

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Pohnpei's Graduation season ends

Students all over Pohnpei have participated in graduation ceremonies. For several weeks everywhere you looked there were students adorned almost to their eyes with decorative, monetary, and sometimes even edible leis—graduates from primary and from secondary schools.

In the blazing heat at Spanish Wall Park on June 18, Pohnpei Island Central School graduated 336 students. Nanpei Memorial High School graduated 126 the day before. We would have photographed that graduation but the school accidentally left the time off its invitation. Madolenihmw High School didn't send an invitation. That school graduated 108 students.

Congratulations to all the graduates throughout the FSM!



Pohnpei State Legislature's Speaker and Vice Speaker have an interesting shared background. Speaker Fernando Scaliem and Vice Speaker Francisco Ioanis entered Our Lady of Mercy Elementary School at the same time and graduated at the same time. They were also classmates at Pohnpei Island Central School and graduated in the same class. They went to separate colleges. While Vice Speaker Ioanis pursued a career in law enforcement, Speaker Scaliem pursued a career in education. The classmates were elected to the Pohnpei State Legislature at the same time and were chosen as Speaker and Vice Speaker at the same time.

Perhaps there is another evolving story for future leaders who just graduated. Again, congratulations to all of the graduates.

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FSM DEVELOPMENT BANK

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 2014-004

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POSITION & GRADE: Business Development Officer/Senior Vice President, Grade 9
LOCATION: FSM Development Bank, HQ in Kolonia, Pohnpei
SALARY: \$30,534.40 minimum per annum, Higher Salary and other Benefits may be Considered Depending on Qualifications,
REPORTS TO: President/CEO
Opening Date: June 25, 2014
Closing Date: July 25, 2014

SUMMARY: Develops and establishes strategic business relationships, conducts marketing research and sources business opportunities and training; collaborates with the bank's clients and potential clients for new products and services; negotiates merger or acquisition opportunities; works along with Senior Vice President/Chief Operating Officer to market the products and services of the bank according to Bank policy and procedures and the overall Bank's strategic plan.



GENERAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (Illustrative only):

1. Develops and establishes strategic business relationships and/or partnerships
2. Conducts sales and marketing research and recommends sales strategies to align with the overall Bank's strategic plan
3. Works closely with the Bank's clients and potential clients for new products and services
4. Negotiates merger or acquisition opportunities
5. Develops, establishes, implements and directs policy and strategic plan
6. Promotes the Bank's services and products in the communities
7. Participates in community or other civic programs to develop goodwill
8. Sources and develops business and marketing training for local entrepreneurs, clients, business partners, governments, and bank staff
9. Participates in formulating and administering the Bank's policies and in developing long range goals and objectives
10. Other duties as assigned by the President/CEO.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIREMENTS:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability

required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Bachelor's Degree in Business, Finance, Economics or any related field of study from an accredited College or University; at least 5 years of related experience in the field of business development, marketing and sales; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:

Ability to read, analyze, and interpret general business periodicals, professional journals, technical procedures, or governmental regulations. Ability to write reports, business correspondence, and procedure manuals. Ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally with clients, customers, employees and/or officers of the bank. Ability to present information and respond to questions from groups of managers, clients, customers, and the general public. Must have very good communication skills, ability to formulate business strategic plans, good grasp of the business industry trends, ability to develop strategic planning and forecasting.

Ability to work with mathematical concepts such as probability and statistical inference, and fundamentals of plane and solid geometry and trigonometry. Ability to apply concepts such as fractions, percentages, ratios, and proportions to practical situations.

Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions. Ability to interpret an extensive variety of technical instructions in mathematical or diagram form and deal with several abstract and concrete variables.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Ability and willingness to travel to other FSM states or abroad for bank's businesses and/or leave office desk and meet the key players in the fields. Participates in related conferences, community activities and symposiums that will extend the reach of the business in exploring partnerships that will improve profitability. Presenting strategies for expansion and studying the company's competitors.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The noise level in the work area is typically that of a moderately quiet office environment.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

All applications, curriculum vitae, and at least three letters of reference shall be completed and submitted to: The FSMDB Corporate Office in Kolonia, Pohnpei with mailing address as follows: FSMDB Headquarters, P.O. Box M, Kolonia, Pohnpei FM 96941 by mail; by fax to 320-2842 or in person at the FSM Development Bank's Corporate Office in Kolonia, Pohnpei on or before July 25, 2014. Or by email to Human Resources & Facilities Manager, Lover Haimin, at email address: loverh@fsmdb.fm

32 men and women from FSM enlist in U.S. Army



Embassy of the United States of America Kolonia

A U.S. Army enlistment ceremony for 32 young men and women from the FSM was held on the Kolonia Embassy grounds on June 12th. Seventeen of the new recruits were from Pohnpei, thirteen from Kosrae, and two from Yap. The Compact of Free Association provides the opportunity and privilege for qualified FSM Citizens to enlist and the serve in the United States Armed Forces.

In emphasizing the unique and special relationship between the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia, Chargé d'Affaires, Miguel Ordonez said. "Our two countries, separated by thousands of miles of ocean, must be specially blessed to have men and women who not only believe in the ideals that our countries stand for, but are willing to pay the price to defend them." Ordonez also noted that nine men and one woman from the Federated States of Micronesia have paid the ultimate price in the defense of these common ideals.

Ricky Cantero, FSM Department of Foreign Affairs Assistant Secretary for American & European Affairs, spoke directly to the recruits. "You are a symbol of our nation, a nation that strongly supports the principles for the preservation of peace and security of freedom for all humanity. All that your country asks of you now is that you do your very best and that you represent her with honor and pride."

The seventeen recruits from Pohnpei were: Rommel Marquez, Lolarnick Soswa, Conner John, Janet Dannis, Trisha Peter, Michael Francisco, Kelson Leon, Emilio Mihkel, Benjamin Mihkel, Rickson Paul, Sherman Silbanuz, Rico Joab Hatles, Freud Rumsin, Clinton Primo, Jesse Jack, Baldwin Norman, and Ron David.

Kosrae had thirteen recruits: Timothy Jackson, Elvi John Mike, Duffy Tulensru, Ursula Tara, Rudy Edwin, Richard Jonas, Timothy Kephass, Kasuo Neth, Lenson Taulung, Arthy Welly, Gregory Anton, JB Anthony Palik, and Kitashima Lowary.

The two recruits from Yap were Genieva Fanapin, and Joe Haffei.

During the ceremony, Staff Sergeant Walter Asher, a Micronesian who has served 19 years in the U.S. Army was recognized for his dedication and service.

Family shelter furnished and equipped by Ayuda Foundation

By **Marstella Jack**
Pohnpei Women's Council

When the honorable Judi Won Pat, Guam Legislature's Speaker visited the Center for Research and Empowerment in March of this year the place was essentially empty. The Pohnpei Women's Council had been seeking donations to try to furnish the building so that they could operate a shelter for survivors of family violence there.

In April, Susana Sos, President of the Pohnpei Women's Council wrote a letter to Speaker Won Pat who is also the President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislators (APIL). Sos asked the Speaker if APIL might be able to help with furnishing through APIL's charitable arm, the Ayuda Foundation.

Speaker Won Pat rolled up her sleeves and went right to work and on June 18, eight pallets of household and office furnishings arrived in Pohnpei via Matson Navigation who donated their shipping services. Matson was just one of the donors who helped provide the huge donation that included kitchen items, a washer, refrigerator, water heater, two queen sized beds, couches, over 400 pieces of white linen, curtains, toys, women's handbags, t-shirts, shoes, cook-books, magazines and many other items.

At the time of the presentation of the donation some other items had not yet arrived including a table seating for 20 people, a Christmas tree and decorations, arts and crafts supplies, VHS tapes, and many more items.

At the port to facilitate the transfer of the container were Lululeen Santos and Speaker Fernando Scaliem. At the Center awaiting the arrival of the pallets were

Speaker Won Pat and Council members. A small presentation ceremony was held to commemorate the event and a sakau ceremony followed to express our appreciation to Speaker Won Pat for taking time out of her busy schedule to personally deliver the donated goods.

Several donors made the furnishing of the shelter possible including Jennie Leon Guerrero, Pacific Laundry, Gotham City Liquidators, Elizabeth Gayle, Agana Library, Eric Bell of Triple B Freight, and Matson Navigators.

The Guam Port Authority also agreed to waive its usual port costs as well.

"No financial transaction is involved and no items are to be sold for profit but rather donated to the end users," Speaker Won Pat wrote in an email.

The Center is furnished now but the bill on domestic violence is still stuck with the legislature. There has been no movement on it since over a year ago. Without the necessary law in place, the services the Center hopes to provide will be difficult to manage given the need to collaborate with Police and the hospital to help survivors of family violence.

The Pohnpei Women's Council appeals to the members of the Pohnpei State Legislature to please take action now and pass the Family Violence bill.

A huge Kalahngan goes out to Senator Likaned, and his Kapinga boys who took the initiative to come and help deliver the pallets to the Center.



Robots Roll Forward in Yap Micronesia

Habele

Yap, Micronesia – Two-dozen high school students in the Micronesian State of Yap showed off a year's worth of work at a high stakes robotics public competition in Colonia earlier this month.

The pupils and their coaches from Yap Catholic High School and the Yap SDA School began working on the robots at the start of last school year. The teams met at least once a week throughout the spring semester and practiced with the robots every day within the final weeks before the annual Yap Robo-Day Exhibition. In total, four teams from the two schools competed at the public event.

In this year's competitions, two robots faced off head-to-head on a playing field divided into two halves by an 8-inch high wall. Tennis balls, foam soccer balls, and foam footballs were scattered throughout the playing field. The objective of the game was to place as many balls as possible onto the other team's side of the wall. The winning team was the one that had the least number of balls on their

side of the wall at the end of two 5-minute rounds.

"This was an impressive demonstration of applied science, technology, engineering, and mathematics instruction (STEM)," explained Neil Mellen of the US-based charity "Habele," which equipped both schools with the materials to create the VEX robots. "This third annual Yapital Robo Day is a testament to hard work of students, the expertise of their classroom instructors, and the support of their engaged parents."

Each of the student crafted robot involved complex engineering. Many different designs and prototypes were needed before the teams were satisfied with their final products. Two of the robots from Yap Catholic High employed unique claw designs that could grab and lift balls, as well as rams to knock tennis balls off of the dividing wall. The third robot also included a battering ram, and used an innovative two-wheel system to trap balls into a reservoir and then shoot them through holes in the wall. The intricate designs showed a great deal of understanding and creativity from the students, hone through trial and error over the course of two semesters.



The day of the public exhibition began with exciting volleyball and basketball competitions between YCHS and SDA. The sports teams had also been organized at the start of the school year and equipped by Habele with custom jerseys and professional grade balls. During the day, YCHS students sold local food and coconuts as a school fundraiser. The day concluded with the robotics competition, which began with two of the YCHS robots competing against each other to demonstrate the rules of the game. In the final match, two sophomore drivers—Annalyn

Tareg and Kobe Sacres—took home the State Championship title for YCHS for the third year in a row.



“Sports Update – 2014 Micronesian Games – Spear Fishing, Micronesian All-Around And Va’a (Outrigger Canoe)”

By **Jim Tobin**

Sport Director, 8th Micronesian Games Organizing Committee

This is the last article updating the status of the sports to be played at the 2014 Micro Games. The last few issues of KPress have updated Athletics (Track and Field), Swimming, Basketball, Wrestling, Weightlifting, Table Tennis, Tennis, Volleyball, Fast-Pitch Softball, Baseball and Football. This article will update the sports to be played in the ocean. The sports are Spear Fishing, Micronesian All-Around and Va’a (Outrigger Canoe).

The 8th Micronesian Games will be held on Pohnpei from July 20 – 30, 2014. Participating in the games is CNMI (Northern Marianas), Guam, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Palau and the four Federated States of Micronesia states (Pohnpei, Kosrae, Chuuk and Yap). There will be 14 sports on the games program including Athletics (Track and Field), Baseball, Basketball, Football (Soccer), Micronesian All-Around, Softball (Fast-Pitch), Spear Fishing, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Va’a (6-man outrigger canoe), Volleyball, Weightlifting and Wrestling.

The 8th Micronesian Games Organizing Committee is chaired by Pohnpei Lt. Governor Marcelo K. Peterson. The CEO of the organizing committee is Bob Spegal. There are 11 sub-committees including the Sport Committee. The Sport Committee is chaired by Jim Tobin, with an estimated 500 volunteers and officials. There are 14 Competition Managers, one for each of the 14 sports on the game’s sports program:

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| Rendy Germinaro | Athletics |
| Jose Joab | Baseball |
| Castro Joab | Basketball |
| Steve Finnen | Football (Soccer) |
| Mark Johnny | Micronesian All-Around |
| Donald David | Va’a (Outrigger Canoe) |
| Kingston Anson | Softball (Fast-Pitch) |
| Andy Musrasrik | Spear Fishing |
| Conrad Kohrs | Swimming |
| Roldan Laguerta | Table Tennis |
| Ray Garcia | Tennis |
| Nimrod Half | Volleyball |
| Ron Etscheit | Weightlifting |
| Mike Ioanis | Wrestling |

The Competition Managers are in charge of coordinating each sport including: sports manuals and rules; technical meetings; final schedules; recruiting volunteers; training sport specific officials; and preparing the sport venue each day of the competition.

SPEAR FISHING

The Spear Fishing competition will be held from Monday, July 21 to Tuesday, July 22. The Competition Manager for Spear Fishing is Andy Musrasrik. The competition schedule is:

July 21
Monday 8:00am – Depart Mangrove Bay
9:00am - Day 1 Competition (Individual Event)

July 22
Tuesday 8:00am - Day 2 Competition (Team Event)
3:00pm - Medal Award Ceremony

The event is strictly a “Free Dive” underwater fishing competition. The objective is to catch and land the highest combined weight of fish.

Individual Competition: The athlete with the heaviest total weight of fish caught and landed will be selected for the Gold medal, the second for the Silver medal, and the third for the Bronze Medal. The spear fishing competitors must not combine

their catch. Each individual must turn in his own catch. All competing countries must provide their own safety diver (1) throughout the competition. An alternate athlete may serve as a safety diver, but as noted above, no safety divers may assist a competitor in the capturing or landing of any fish.

Team Competition: A team consists of two athletes representing an island. The team with the highest combined total weight of fish caught and landed by its two athletes and one alternate will be selected for the Gold Medal, the second for the Silver Medal and the third for the Bronze Medal. All competing countries must provide their own safety divers (2) throughout the competition. An alternate athlete may serve as safety diver, but as noted above, no safety divers may assist a competitor in the capturing or landing of any fish.

Pohnpei, Chuuk, Kosrae, Marshall Islands, Guam, Palau, and Northern Marianas will be competing in the Spear Fishing competition.

MICRONESIAN ALL-AROUND

The Micronesian All-Around competition will be held from Thursday, July 24 (land competition) and Friday July 25 (water competition). The land competition will be held at the Spanish Wall Park. The events are coconut climbing, coconut husking, and coconut grating (women only). The water events will be held at Nett Point. The events include run/swim, diving and spear throwing. The Competition Manager for Micronesian All-Around is Mark Johnny.

The events for men are: Coconut Tree Climbing, Coconut Husking, Spear Throwing, Run/Swim and Diving. The events for women are: Coconut Husking, Coconut Grating, Spear Throwing, Run/Swim and Diving.

Coconut Tree Climbing: Each athlete will climb three (3) coconut trees in the quickest time (running time) possible.

Coconut Husking-Men: Each male athlete will husk ten (10) coconuts in the fastest time possible.

Coconut Husking / Grating-Women: Each female athlete will husk ten (10) coconuts, followed by grating five (5) of the husked coconuts (both halves).

Run / Swim: Each athlete will start at a starting line about 10 meters from the edge of the dock; run and dive into the water, swim to a marker approximately 100 feet out; at which point the swimmer will submerge and swim underwater approximately 25 feet where there will be a buoy. At the buoy, the athlete will surface and ring the bell on the buoy and then continue swimming back to shore.

Diving: Each athlete will be taken in a boat out to water at a depth of approximately 10 to 15 feet for men and 8 to 10 feet for women. Contestants will dive for 5 objects. On a signal by the Official, the athlete will dive into the water and swim to the bottom and retrieve a specified object and resurface and place the object inside the boat. The swimmer will continue another 4 dives, for a total of five dives in all, and retrieve the objects each time. The Official in the boat will be timing the dives starting with the first dive until the last (fifth) dive is completed and the fifth object has been placed inside the boat.

Spear Throwing: Three targets will be placed in the water at three different distances; distances for men are 10 feet, 20 feet and 30 feet; distances for women are 10 feet, 15 feet and 20 feet. Each athlete is allowed one (1) practice throw at each distance. Each competitor will

have three throws at each distance.

Pohnpei, Chuuk, Marshall Islands and Palau will be competing in Micronesian All-Around.

VA’A (6 MAN OUTRIGGER CANOE)

The Va’a (V6 - outrigger canoe) competition will be held on Saturday July 26 and Monday, July 28 at Lidakihka Beach and Tekehtik Harbor. The Competition Manager for Va’a is Donald David. The International Va’a Association (IVA) Technical Delegate is Baklai Temengil from Palau.

List of Events

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| Men | Women |
| V6 500m sprint | V6 500m sprint |
| V6 1500m sprint | V6 1500m Sprint |
| V6 20km Long Distance | V6 15km Long Distance |

The 2014 IVF Rules and Regulations, used at the World Sprints, are applicable to this event. They are included as a general guide for competing paddlers. All Va’a (6-men outrigger canoes) are to be made from the same mold, using the same materials, with weight and dimensions to be the same. Prior to the competition, officials will check the weight and make alterations as need so that all Va’a are of the same weight.

The 8th Organizing Committee for the Micronesian Games has purchased six new 6-men Va’as from Yap and they will arrive to Pohnpei by the end of this month.

Pohnpei, Kosrae, Chuuk, Yap, Guam, Palau and Northern Marianas will be competing in Va’a.

DOPING CONTROL

All Athletes are advised that random drug testing will be conducted for the duration of the 2014 Micronesian Games. The Doping Control will be supervised by the Oceania Regional Anti-Doping Organization (ORADO), a member of World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). The FSM National Olympic Committee applied for and received an ORADO and Oceania National Olympic Committee (ONOC) grant to fully fund the cost of the Doping Control (\$50,000). Dr. Natanya Potoi-Ulia (Samoa) and 4 assistants from Fiji and Palau will supervise the random drug testing program. Assisting the group will be 3 Pohnpei certified Doping Control officers – Ari Montana Skilling, Lerry Dakanno and Jeffra Jim. It is the responsibility of the athlete to check the status of all medications and refrain from using prohibited substances. Any athlete that tests positive for a prohibited substance will be disqualified from the 2014 Micronesian Games.



Veterinary Services will be available in Pohnpei on the following date:

July 4 - 6

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United and Asia Pacific Airline agree on mail hub relocation to Chuuk

FSMIS

June 23, 2014

In a June 9th travel report, FSM Post Master General, Mrs. Ginder Porter Mida, briefed President Manny Mori on the newly launched contract between the United Airlines (United) and the Asia Pacific Airline (APA).

The new contract between United and APA concerns an agreement that establishes the State of Chuuk in the Federated States of Micronesia as the new hub for mail coming in to the FSM through Guam.

PMG Mida indicated that the State of Pohnpei had been the mail hub for mails received through Guam. However, the

decision to relocate the hub to Chuuk was taken "due to the greater volume of mail going to Chuuk". In this arrangement, APA will terminate its inbound mail delivery in Chuuk. United will then pick up from Chuuk mails bound for Pohnpei, Kosrae and the Marshall Islands.

PMG Mida said she had met with Governor Johnson Elimo, Chuuk State, to secure his support regarding the hub relocation and related concerns. She also discussed logistics matters with Mr. Anthony Mori, manager of United ground operations, and Mr. Kane Phailym, manager of Chuuk International Airport.

According to Mrs. Mida, the Matson Company has agreed to provide a forty-footer standard container to be placed at the Chuuk Airport to secure outbound mail awaiting onward service by United.

The contract between United and APA was announced by Mr. Joshua Yoak, United's Global Mail Performance Manager at its Headquarters, during the annual meeting between the United States Postal Services and the Postal Services of the FSM, RMI and Palau held in Koror from May 19th to 22nd.

PICS track final surface underway in time for the 8th Micro Games

Now that the asphalt that Pohnpei Transportation Authority laid down at the PICS track has fully cured, contractors and local employees have begun the laying of the rubberized surface. They say that they will complete the work in ten days, in plenty of time for the Micro Games. The contractor has significant experience in building tracks throughout the Pacific and in Australia.

They are laying down a Conica Conipur track system. The website for that company says, "CONICA Track Surfaces are ecologically friendly because of our high-tech products, which are in line with all relevant regulations and technical standards. They support athletes in their efforts to achieve top performance and at the same time reduce injury risks.

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement Number: 2014-03



The U.S. Embassy in Kolonia is seeking an individual for the position of **Consular Assistant** in the Consular Section.



BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

The Consular Assistant is the sole employee in charge of both Non-Immigrant Visa and American Citizen Services functions, Consular outreach, and fraud prevention efforts. The Consular Assistant will report directly to the Consular Chief.

A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Human Resources Office. Contact Ethan Curbow at (691) 320-2187.

- OPEN TO:** All Interested Candidates/All Sources
- POSITION:** Consular Assistant, LES-8
- OPENING DATE:** June 19, 2014
- CLOSING DATE:** July 3, 2014
- WORK HOURS:** Full-time; 40 hours/week
- SALARY:** Ordinarily Resident (OR):\$13,754.00 USD p.a. (starting salary) (Position Grade: LES-08)

NOTE: ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT (OR) APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

Environmental Summer Camp

Environmental Protection Agency

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Environmental Club was created by a JICA Volunteer, Mr. Takahiro Hamagawa and implemented by Pohnpei Environmental Protection Agency in the month of February 2014. The vision of the program is to help sustain a healthy environment for the future.

Having a clean and healthy environment is our first line of tourist attraction and economic development. It is something to consider when every day we can see trash alongside the roads, sea shores and even on or in our open waters.

The environmental clubs aim to provide the knowledge to reduce the risk of our environmental problems from the amount of trash that we thoughtlessly throw away into the rivers, along the roads and on our shorelines. This program looks to raise awareness by promoting the importance of keeping our environment clean and healthy at all levels at schools. With the practical practices that our students learn from the program, they can improve their communities.

This is a newly developed program that has only been around for five months and the aim of the Environmental Clubs is to provide the teaching techniques that students can adopt and practically apply or do at the school environments and even at the homes. The clubs aims to provide all the tools that each student can learn and also creative enough to come up with an action plan for their schools to adopt and practice every year to change the habits of littering to Recycle, Re-use, Reduce and Refuse.

ACTIVITIES:

The office of Environment Protection Agency conducted its 1st Environmental Club Activity on June 13-14, 2014. It is a two days camp and about 26 students attended the camp with 7 EPA staff, 5 staffs from the two schools (Ohmine and Kolonia School), 2 JICA Volunteers, 5 from the Embassy of Japan, 1 from Island Food Community and 1 Peace Corp stationed in Pohnpei and working for Department of Education.

On the first day, Students were able to listen to a guest speaker from Island Food Community one of the partner agencies for the program. Presenting the importance of Local Food or local products. Later on that

same day, the students were able to learn how to make local baskets from and plant pandanus trees to help prevent soil erosion.

The second day, students were divided into groups to come up with an environmental presentation. The presentation delivered a message about Recycle, Say No to Plastic, and Pollution Control. After students decided on what topic to present, they met and formed their presentation and delivered their presentation along with the message that they want their audience to learn or understand.

Other activities also included main events like treasury hunting and clean-up, this is to have students know that keeping our environment clean everyday leads to healthy environment and healthy people.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

The program was able to enlighten the students about:

- a) Solid waste and how they can identify bio-degradable and non-biodegradable material. Also learn the use of 4 R's system.
- B). Importance of re-planting trees.
- C). Marine protected areas
- D) Water quality
- E). Energy Conservation
- F). Climate Change
- H) Pollution Control and many other important topics.

Finally, after all presentations and activities had been carried out, it comes down to the final moment which was the award ceremony. During the award ceremony, certain certificates were awarded to the students along with some gifts to help keep the spirit in them throughout the summer and even in the future. The 1st set of awards were presented by the Ambassador of Japan, the 2nd set of awards were presented by the Vice-Principal of Kolonia Elementary School and the last set of awards were presented by the Representative of Pohnpei Environmental Protection Agency.

Lastly the office of Environmental Protection Agency would like to sincerely thank our sponsors: Pohnpei Port Authority and Petro Corps without your support the event might not be successful therefore we are so thankful and hope that we continue to work together and in passing the seeding of knowledge to the young minds of tomorrow.



2014 Environmental Club members



On the way to Kehpara



Arrive at Kehpara island



Settling in their new homes



Planting pandanus trees to help reduce soil erosion

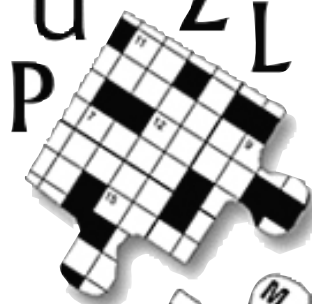


Learning how and making their first local baskets



Award Presentation by the Ambassador of Japan

PUZZLES



Across

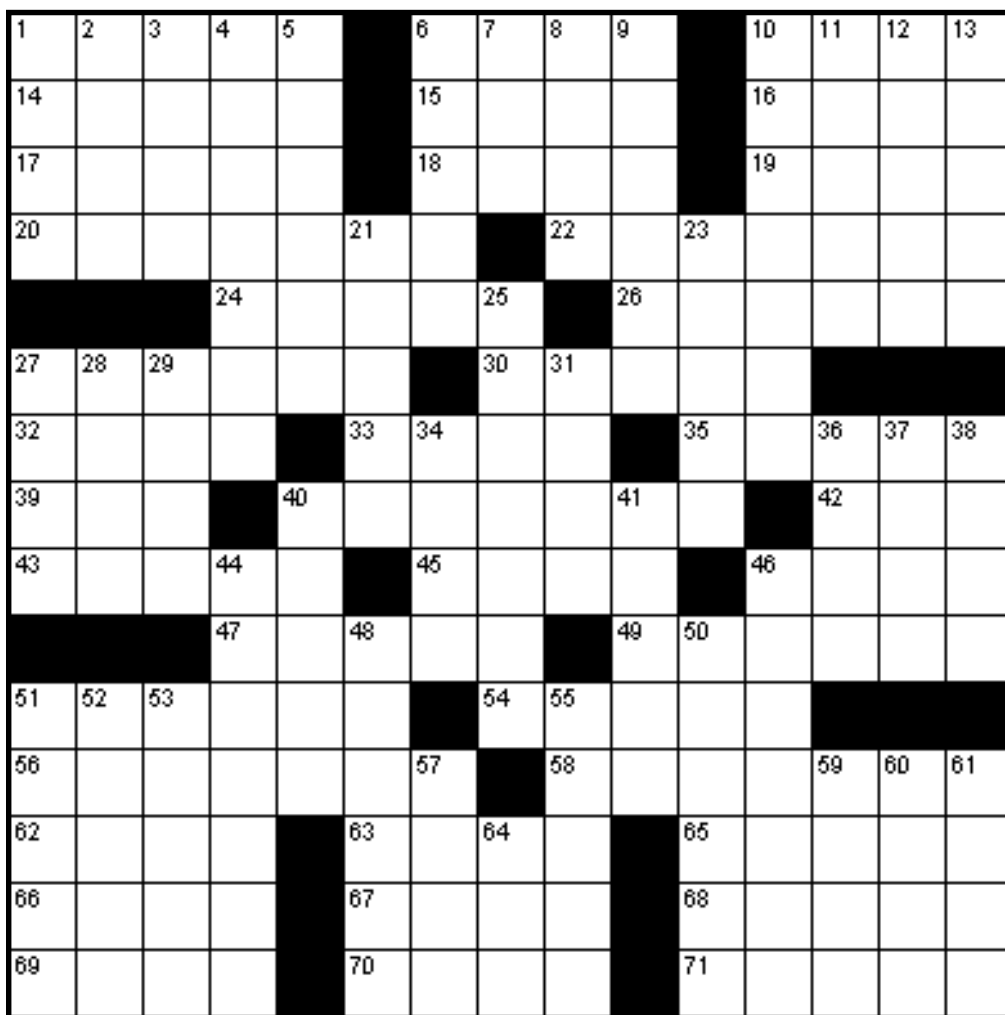
- 1 Lights
- 6 Thomas __ Edison
- 10 Actor Lugosi
- 14 Banish
- 15 Great Trek participant
- 16 Berserk
- 17 Funny man Woody
- 18 "Touched __ Angel"
- 19 Persian fairy
- 20 Must
- 22 Speaker's spot
- 24 Billy, Nanny and the kids?
- 26 English counties
- 27 Heraldic dragon
- 30 Orbital point
- 32 Weeding tools
- 33 Commotion
- 35 D-day beach
- 39 Like some vbs.
- 40 Checkpoint sites
- 42 Yang's opposite
- 43 Words of agreement
- 45 "I __ Kick Out Of You"
- 46 Hang in the balance
- 47 Works for actors
- 49 Rough and outspoken

- 51 Fought for air
- 54 Not our
- 56 Diffusion through a membrane
- 58 For fun
- 62 One of these
- 63 Uninteresting
- 65 Danny DeVito's "Taxi" role
- 66 "Women and Love" author
- 67 Tel __
- 68 Touch of color
- 69 Rushed
- 70 Computer command
- 71 Readily available

Down

- 1 "Ryan's Daughter" director
- 2 Wheel support
- 3 Race distance
- 4 Promises
- 5 It picks up readings
- 6 Monks' head
- 7 Frequent Powell co-star
- 8 Calf's flesh
- 9 TV's "Gunsmoke" star
- 10 Christening
- 11 Mideast prince
- 12 Mr Moto portrayer Peter
- 13 Actor Claude
- 21 So much, to Solti
- 23 Aegean island
- 25 Most pathetic
- 27 Caprice

Crossword



- 28 Days gone by
- 29 Green, in heraldry
- 31 Longfellow, e.g.
- 34 Wild party
- 36 Passing remarks?
- 37 Helpful suggestion
- 38 Capp of comics
- 40 Tree trunks
- 41 Track events
- 44 Anti
- 46 Filch
- 48 Gymwear name
- 50 Commercial area of Venice
- 51 Ancient invaders
- 52 On board
- 53 Afflict
- 55 Reduce by 50 percent
- 57 Fiji's capital
- 59 Female relative
- 60 Baltic port
- 61 Retain
- 64 Actress Ullmann

Word Search

- Buffoonery
- Burlesque
- Clowning
- Comedy
- Drollery
- Farce
- Gags
- Japes
- Jests
- Jocularly
- Jokes
- Nonsense
- Parody
- Puns
- Raillery
- Satire
- Slapstick
- Wisecracks
- Witticism



Winners of Vital Petrocorp fishing tournament get gas



All five of the top winners won with catches of yellow fin tuna. The third place winner who won 40 gallons of gasoline was Paul Alagna aboard the "Frenzy" for his fish which weighed 62.5 pounds. Maria Spegal's 55 pound tuna won her 30 gallons of gasoline. She fished aboard the "Pohnlik Special". Caroline Dabugsiy dragged in a 49 pound yellow fin when she came in aboard the



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Pohnpei, FSM—FSM Petroleum Corporation, also known as "Vital" sponsored the most recent tournament of the Pohnpei Fishing Club with \$2500 worth of gasoline given out to the top prize winners. Additionally, each registered boat received a voucher for 10 gallons of gas when they paid their \$25 registration fee.

Alex Tretzoff aboard "Miss Yirwor" and Christopher Cruz aboard the "Happy Hooker" both caught big yellow fin tuna and took the top two prizes. Tretzoff was awarded 65 gallons of gasoline for his 87 pound yellow fin, and Cruz received 50 gallons of gas for his that weighed in at 68.5 pounds.

"Miss Yirwor". She won 25 gallons of gas for her catch.

There were also categories for Lady Angler and Junior Angler.

Nicole H. Yamase brought in a 28.5 pound Wahoo aboard the "Team Cupid" and was awarded 30 gallons of gasoline. Shermick Ehsa brought in a 9.5 pound skip jack tuna aboard the "Shermick" and also received a voucher for 30 gallons of gasoline.

Once again a barbecue was held during the weigh in that started at 4:00 in the afternoon at Mangrove Bay. Proceeds from the sales of that barbecue benefitted the Pohnpei Public Library.



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FAA GRANTS & MATCHING FUND SUMMARY (2004-2012)

PROJECT FUNDING

| Island | Project Funding (\$M) |
|---------|-----------------------|
| Pohnpei | \$66.8M |
| Chuuk | \$18.2M |
| Yap | \$32.2M |
| Kosrae | \$50.5M |

Under FSM President Mori and the FSM Airline Taskforce and the US Federal Aviation Administration:

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- Generated \$4M in local tax revenue
- Provided over 150 local jobs
- Significant training of FSM Inspectors, Engineers, and skilled workers

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