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## Etscheit's Break Ground for New Pohnpei Shopping Center

By **BILL JAYNES**  
The Kaselehlie Press

**Pohnpei, FSM** - On Tuesday, November 20, Ihso Nahnken of Nett Mr. Salvador Iriarte joined, President Manny Mori, Governor Johnny David, Senator Feliciano Perman and a host of dignitaries to celebrate the ground breaking of the Etscheit family's latest project, the Pohnpei Shopping Center. The upbeat spirit of the groundbreaking was not dampened by the rain that occasionally poured down in near horizontal streaks.

Senator Perman in his closing remarks congratulated the family and Agnes, its matriarch for their forward thinking. He said that he felt the shopping center would help with tourism by providing a much needed facelift and modernization to Pohnpei.

According to Robert Etscheit the 135,000 square foot shopping cen-



ter will take one to three years to complete. The projected value of the shopping center is anticipated at approximately \$8 million.

The parking lot will be able to accommodate a maximum of 110 vehicles or slightly less than 1 car

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## Congress Says Yes, No, and Maybe So in Special Session

By **BILL JAYNES**  
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The Third Special Session of the Fifteenth Congress came to a close before noon on Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup> of November. Senators had spent nearly all of the eleven days debating and deciding on vital issues for the FSM with most of the work being done off the floor in meeting after meeting continuing late into the evenings.

They are a hard working bunch and it shows. They are expected to be well informed on a wide variety of issues and they work until they feel that they know enough to make an informed decision that is right for the nation and for their own constituents. Several times during the session Senators said that they felt their work was too often hampered by the Executive Branch. Senator Urusemal

pointed out that despite repeated requests a copy of the JEMCO awards had not been transmitted to Congress 55 days after the start of the current fiscal year. Speaker Figir said that oftentimes Congress is expected to make decisions without supporting documentation and that the staff of the President's office needs to do a better job at communicating with Congress with complete information if Congress is going to be able to do their job.

As an example, Congress, in the Second Regular Session passed a bill for \$2.1 million worth of projects in the States. Shortly before President Mori vetoed the project bill his cabinet released a new revenue projection revised downward from the one that was transmitted to Congress. Under the new projections there would not be enough money to appropriate that amount of money to the States.

During a hearing of the Ways and Means Committee on the subject of a \$3.4 million supplemental budget chaired by long time Senator Dohsis Halbert, Secretary Finley Perman pointed out a fact that none in the committee had considered before. The most recent audit of the National Government showed that the FSM has accumulated since 1999, \$5 million in questioned costs for a variety of programs. External agencies that granted the FSM money to operate programs can, if they feel it is important enough, recall

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## Long Time Employee of V6AH Feels He Was Forced Into Retirement, Takes Legal Action

By **BILL JAYNES**  
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**Pohnpei, FM** -- Hiroso Santos of Pohnpei attended a tech school in Guam and was trained as a radio tech before he entered the United States Army where he received further training in communications. He also attended a University in Texas majoring in electronics Mathematics. By the time he retired from the US Armed Forces he had spent 27 years in the Army and in the Army Reserves in Texas.

The training he received throughout his earlier life landed him a contract as the radio engineer at the State owned radio station, V6AH. His annual contract was renewed ten times before he was released at the end of September. During that period of time he was Acting Commissioner four times.

He said that he was promised

\$30,000 in October 2006 per year to perform the duties of both positions instead of the \$45,000 per year it would take to pay two people to perform the same tasks. His plan as acting Commissioner was to hire a trainee on for \$10,000 and to train the person to be the radio engineer. He said he then planned to retire at the end of September 2008.

The Board of Directors in March, asked the acting Attorney General for a legal opinion on whether or not it was legal to pay Santos that amount. On April 27<sup>th</sup> the acting AG issued his opinion that it was legal to pay the additional salary for a contracted employee.

At the end of May, the Board Chairman Paulino David appointed himself as the Acting Radio Commissioner and Henry Saimon moved into the position of acting Chairman of the Board of Directors. Santos, who had func-



tioned as the acting Commissioner since October of 2006 was removed from the position. He has never been paid the differential salary though he has repeatedly asked.

On September 13 Santos filed a legal action in Pohnpei State Supreme Court against David in his dual capacities as V6AH Commissioner and Board Chair, and against the Pohnpei Public Broadcasting Corporation's (PPBC) Board of Director. The claims are Breach of contract, Involuntary Servitude, and Fraud. He requested as compensatory damages, not less than \$40,000, punitive damages of not less than \$75,000, and reasonable Attorney's fees.

Six days later, on September 19, 2007 David wrote a letter to the 64 year old Santos saying that they would not be renewing his contract as engineer for the station. Civil Service employees are required to retire at 60 years of age but Santos was a contract employee and said he was not bound by that mandate. "Why would they have renewed my contract four times since I was 60 if I was supposed to retire?"

His contract which was set to ex-

pire on September 30 required 15 days of notice. A letter from his lawyer, Vincent Kallop of Micronesian Legal services written on September 21 reminded the Chairman and Acting Commissioner of the fact. He also pointed out that the PPBC had renewed Santos' contract 10 times a fact that would assure him indirectly that he would be able to fulfill his plan of retiring in 2008 after he had trained a suitable replacement. The radio station is currently functioning without an engineer and without the on site supervision of a Commissioner. David works at the College of Micronesia in the maintenance department.

Santos and his attorney claim that there is no qualified replacement for him as Technical Engineer. Santos said that during his tenure at the radio station he had completely revamped the station. His plans for this year included the replacement of several items at the station that were worn out and past their useful life.

On the lawsuit he said, "It's not the money. It happens to too many people in Pohnpei and I want to put a stop to it. It shouldn't happen."

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vited. President Emmanuel Mori, Ambassador LIU, Governor Johnny David and traditional leader Iso Nahnken Salvadore Iriarte of Nett made remarks respectively.

In his remarks, President Mori presented his compliments to the historical friendship between China and FSM, and expressed his gratitude to the grant from the Chinese Government. Governor David said the Project made his dream over the years come true.

Ambassador LIU said that the Project is a good indication of the genuine friendship and sound relationship between China and FSM. China is willing to consistently consolidate and develop the friendly and cooperative relationship and continue to work with the FSM side to advance the friendship and cooperation between the two countries for even greater success. Ambassador LIU also expressed her confidence that the Project will be finished with high quality and 'China Speed'. The Project, when completed, will present to Pohnpei people a two-story, most beautiful, multi-purposed and modern office building.



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Ambassador LIU, President Emmanuel Mori, Governor Johnny David and Mr. QI Huawei, manager of China Ningbo Construction Group Co., Ltd laid the foundation for the Project.

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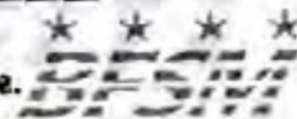
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all money that cannot be proved to have been used properly for the programs those agencies funded. Perman said that in the worst case scenario all of the involved agencies could recall all of the \$5 million in questioned costs.

Further, he said, Chuuk State has accumulated \$8 million and if the worst case scenario happens in that State and they are unable to refund the inappropriately or insufficiently documented monies, FSM is obligated to pay it back for them.

Because of the revised numbers the Ways and Means Committee agreed not to override the project bill veto. Senators made a gentlemen's agreement amongst themselves to honor that commitment.

When the supplemental budget came to the floor for its second reading, Senator Peter Sitan was successful in introducing a floor amendment that would, if signed by the President, give world champion John Minginfel \$10,000 as a

tangible way of thanking him as an unofficial ambassador and promoter of the FSM.

Senator Primo was successful in passing a floor amendment worth \$75,000 to Pohnpei State despite Senator Halbert's request for him to withdraw the amendment as improper. Senator Urusemal will be bringing home \$40,000 to Yap if President Mori signs the bill.

On the last two days Senator Suka of Chuuk tried to make a motion to override the President's veto of the States' project bill. During the discussions on the issue Senator Halbert expressed his extreme disappointment that despite the earlier discussed gentlemen's agreement it appeared that some Senators were so anxious to take home projects to their constituents that they were willing to overlook the numbers that said that overriding the veto would leave the nation only \$200,000. He said, "Hey, I'm just like you all, I want \$10 million dollars for my projects but we don't have it."

Ultimately Congress decided that if the numbers looked better in the next regular session in February they would revisit the matter of a

possible override of the veto at that time. Senator Suka acquiesced to the plan and no longer pushed the issue.

President Mori called the special session in part in order for Congress to consider his nominations. In the midst of the series of votes on those confirmations, Senator Urusemal who has served as Yap's representative for many years observed, "Never before in my history have I seen votes like these in this chamber: 3 for 11 against, or 4 for 10 against. I don't know what's going on. Maybe we're trying to send a message here or something? I don't know!"

The President's nominee for Washington D.C. Ambassador, Sabino Asor narrowly missed confirmation on reconsideration. It takes 10 votes in Congress to confirm he received 9 positive votes.

While two of the President's nominees for the NORMA board were confirmed in a 12 to 2 vote, Johnny Meippen of Chuuk was voted down 4 to 10. A discussion on that vote revealed that the law says that members of the NORMA board serve until they are specifically replaced. Senator Nelson

expressed his concern that Congress had just voted a sitting member off the NORMA board but that it accomplished nothing because Meippen will be seated until he is replaced.

The nominee for the Department of Research and Development, Mr. Steven George was not confirmed in a 3 to 11 vote.

Senator Sitan moved that Congress defer any vote on the nominee for the Secretary of the Department of Justice, Maketo Robert until the next regular session of Congress. Senator Halbert expressed his disappointment in the Supreme Court that they had not yet handed down a judgment on Robert's legal status.

Siberiano O. Barnabas' nomination for the position of Pohnpei's National Election Commissioner was quashed twice in a 9 to 5 vote and a later reconsideration vote of 9 to 4.

Junior Nomau was nominated for the position of Postmaster General. Confirmation was defeated 4 to 10.

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## Pohnpei State Election Results - Runoff for the Two Top Spots

Elections held on November 13 in Pohnpei have resulted in a runoff for the positions of Governor and Lt. Governor. Law requires that winners for those two positions acquire 50% plus one of the votes. A runoff election will be held on December 11 between John Ehsa and Del Pangelinan for the position of Governor and between Churchill Edward and Kiomy Albert-Kilmede for the position of Lt. Governor.

The recent outlawing of "single-voting" seems not to have effected the Legislative races as some detractors felt that it would do. No runoffs for Legislative Representatives were necessary in any of the municipalities. Write-in votes were not utilized extensively to "force the issue" of the single-vote as many predicted would happen.

On the ballot in December will be a Constitutional amendment that would allow elected members of the Constitutional Convention to amend Pohnpei State's Constitution without the necessity of a public referendum.

### GOVERNOR

<b>Del Pangelinan</b>	<b>3724</b>	<b>19.54%</b>
Feliciano M. Perman	3078	16%
Jack E. Yakana	2913	15.28%
<b>John Ehsa</b>	<b>6411</b>	<b>33.64%</b>
Rufino Mauricio	2922	15.33%
Write-in	10	0.05%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19058</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### DISTRICT 1-MADOLENIHMW (4)

<b>Bellarmino B. Helgenberger</b>	<b>2092</b>	<b>15.20%</b>
Benskin B. Etse	839	6.10%
Charles D. Johnson	1155	8.39%
<b>Naiten O. Phillip</b>	<b>1964</b>	<b>14.27%</b>
<b>Nelson N. Pelep</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>14.63%</b>
<b>Nixon B. Soram</b>	<b>2655</b>	<b>19.29%</b>
Petrick Ringlen	1183	8.59%
Shelten G. Neth	1837	13.35%
Write-in	26	0.19%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13764</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 3- Sokehs (4)

Ande A. Setik	532	4.90%
<b>Ausen T. Lambert</b>	<b>2390</b>	<b>22.00%</b>
<b>Magdalena A. Walter</b>	<b>2160</b>	<b>19.88%</b>
Max Lebehn	979	9.01%
<b>Peter M. Lohn</b>	<b>2065</b>	<b>19.01%</b>
Rainer Jimmy	805	7.41%
<b>Rensper M. Liwy</b>	<b>1925</b>	<b>17.72%</b>
Write-in	8	0.07%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10864</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 5-UH (2)

<b>Aurelio P. Joab</b>	<b>1280</b>	<b>31.80%</b>
<b>Francisco L. Cantero</b>	<b>1026</b>	<b>25.49%</b>
<b>Ioseph M. Edgar</b>	<b>1137</b>	<b>28.25%</b>
Robert Andreas	578	14.36%
Write-in	4	0.10%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4025</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 7-MWOAKILLOA

<b>Ishmael Lebehn</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>38.96%</b>
Johnson Annes Sepeti	118	30.65%
Sailas J. Henry	117	30.39%
Write-in	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 9-SAPWUAFIK

Kenio Frank	125	22.48%
<b>Stevick A. Edwin</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>77.52%</b>
Write-in	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 11-KAPINGAMARANGI

Chester Saick	42	11.32%
<b>Edgar W. Lickaneth</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>51.21%</b>
Edward H. Miller	49	13.21%
Stiwan Duiai	90	24.26%
Write-in	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### LT. GOVERNOR

<b>Churchill B. Edward</b>	<b>7621</b>	<b>40.19%</b>
Estephan P. Santiago	2744	14.47%
<b>Kiomy Albert-Kilmede</b>	<b>4004</b>	<b>21.12%</b>
Norbert J.(Bert) Rodriquez	989	5.22%
Solpasio T.(Solpihs) Salvador	1329	7.01%
Yosuo M. Phillip	2257	11.90%
Write-in	18	0.09%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18962</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 2-Kitti (4)

<b>Berney Martin</b>	<b>1675</b>	<b>10.70%</b>
<b>Dahker D. Daniel</b>	<b>1764</b>	<b>11.27%</b>
Dickson H. Santos	986	6.30%
Epert Mikel	1193	7.62%
<b>Francisco L. Ioanis</b>	<b>1565</b>	<b>10.00%</b>
Harold H. Peter	952	6.08%
Luciano E. (Sano) Saimon	942	6.02%
Martin Jano	1122	7.17%
McGarry Miquel	1012	6.47%
Thomas S. Pablo	1475	9.43%
Tony Sarapio	1040	6.65%
<b>Wincener J. David</b>	<b>1905</b>	<b>12.17%</b>
Write-in	17	0.11%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15648</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 4-NETT (2)

Albert Panuelo	960	22.05%
<b>Robert Nakasone</b>	<b>1528</b>	<b>35.09%</b>
<b>Salter Loyola</b>	<b>1848</b>	<b>42.44%</b>
Write-in	18	0.41%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4354</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 6-Kolonia (2)

Antonio (Tony) Actouka	696	21.10%
<b>Fernando Scaliem</b>	<b>1154</b>	<b>34.99%</b>
Mario S. Abello	177	5.37%
<b>Marvin (Mabo) Yamaguchi</b>	<b>1265</b>	<b>38.36%</b>
Write-in	6	0.18%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3298</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 8-PINGILAP

<b>Nihlis Ernest</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>54.96%</b>
Stenson D. Solomon	362	44.91%
Write-in	1	0.12%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### District 10-NUKUORO

<b>Benjamin H. Ludwig</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>56.68%</b>
Sendilihna Lekka	172	43.32%
Write-in	0	0.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

## Second Annual Blue Ocean Fishing Derby in Chuuk

The Rotary Club of Truk Lagoon sponsored the second Annual Blue Ocean Fishing Derby on November 10, 2007. Co Sponsoring the event are the following, to whom the RCTL is truly appreciative.

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### 2007 Blue Ocean Fishing Derby Results

#### Category 1 Largest Single Catch

1st Place	Boat #9 Takyuki Suenaga & Gradvin Aisek
2nd Place	Boat #8 Bruce Serious, Junior
3rd Place	Boat #19 Esly Kando
4th Place	Boat #11 Jaffy Poll
5th Place	Boat #7 Rick Shirai Boat #16 Bitwin

4th Place	Boat #17 Mike Aisek
5th Place	Boat #10 Tar Francis
6th Place	Boat #2 Hermes Fritz

The Rotary Club of Truk Lagoon would like to thank the 2007 Blue Ocean Fishing Derby participants.

#### Category 2 Largest Total Catch

1st Place	Boat #7 Rick Shirai
2nd Place	Boat #3 Nikonas Nameno
3rd Place	Boat #16 Nincher / Bitwin Namelo

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Congress did confirm Dr. Vita Akapito Skilling of Kosrae to be the new Secretary of the new Department of Health and Social Affairs. Samson Pretrick was confirmed as the FSM Ambassador to Fiji.

In a historic decision, Congress authorized the President to renominate Frances Itimai for the position of Secretary of the De-

partment of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure.

President Mori additionally had asked Congress to review the Venture Funds Bill. Consultant Mark Heath of Micronesian Registration Advisors was not informed of the meeting of the Committee on Ways and Means and was unavailable to testify in the hearing. The committee decided to defer action on the bill until they have been fully informed about the project.

Further issues surrounding the business of the newly established FSM Petroleum Corporation were

passed in the special session. 15-80 authorizes the President to execute a full faith and credit agreement with the Bank of Guam in order to secure a loan for the acquisition of MOMI assets. 15-82 provides for an alternative procedure for States' divestment abilities in the FSM Petroleum Corporation. According to at least one Senator, it appears that this change may have contributed to Pohnpei State edging closer toward signing on to the plan.

Congress also ratified an agreement with Palau on fishing. The Kaselehlie Press did not receive a

copy of that agreement but Senator's felt it was an important agreement and gave themselves a round of congratulatory applause for its passage. They also ratified a treaty with the EU after significant discussion and after hours fact finding meetings.

Congress, as its last measure agreed to accept the \$4 million grant from China which was given to the FSM to aid Chuuk and Kosrae with Financial restructuring. They will act in the next session to appropriate the funds as they sit fit.

# Department of Health and Social Affairs FSM National Government Request for Proposal

### 1. General

The Department of Health and Social Affairs (HSA) of the FSM National Government (*hereinafter referred as "government"*) hereby solicits bids from interested medical/health firms, agencies or organizations (*hereinafter referred as "applicants"*) for the provision of the following specialized medical services in the Federated States of Micronesia

- Cardiology
- ENT (Ear Nose and Throat)
- Ophthalmology
- Urology
- Psychiatry
- Radiology
- Dental (adult and pediatric)

Applicants may submit a proposal for one, a combination of, or all of the specialty areas.

### 2. Eligibility

The following kinds and types of firms, agencies and organizations within the Federated States of Micronesia, US mainland, Alaska, Hawaii and US territories and the Freely Associated States (Palau & Marshall Islands) shall be eligible to submit proposals:

1. Institute of higher education (IHE);
2. Private, independent health consulting groups or agencies;
3. Health departments;
4. Community-based health organization; and
5. Other health-related NGOs.

### 3. Format

All interested parties and/or agencies may adopt any generally accepted style and format of proposal writing as long as it provides the necessary information as follows:

1. Name and address of agency
2. Telephone and facsimile numbers, including contact email addresses and website, if any.
3. Name, address and email address of the contact person.
4. Title of proposal and brief description of proposal (50 words or less)
5. Availability and name of individuals to provide the services.
6. Statement of mission.
7. Cost of services, professional fees, per diem, local transportation and other related charges.
8. Clearance and endorsements
  - a. Letter of support and endorsements by responsible person of governing boards.
  - b. Copy of medical licensures and academic credentials of individuals who are part of the team.

### 4. Selection Criteria and review panel

These review and rating elements shall be used in reviewing and rating individual duly submitted proposals:

1. Technical experience and competence – These elements account for 25% of the scoring unit on the total proposal, and applicants are required to present the rationale on how their proposals are relevant and applicable for the FSM education environment and needs.
2. Familiarity with FSM health care systems – These elements account for about 25% of the scoring unit on the total proposal. Applicants are required to note if they have had previous engagement in delivering health care to the FSM population.
3. Cost Effectiveness and Efficiency – These elements account for 25% of the scoring unit on the total proposal, and applicants are required to justify every estimated cost or cost activities thereof as they relate to all parts and sections of their proposed activities.
4. Other supporting documents – These other elements shall include, but not limited to, volume, types and accuracies of supportive documents, references, endorsements and recommendations, as well as style, form of presentations, level of third parties support, etc. These account for about 20% of the scoring unit on the total proposal.
5. The Government reserves the rights to refuse any and/or all proposals on the basis of incompleteness and/or non-compliance. In case where no proposals will be accepted, the Government shall re-announce the Request for Proposal.

### 4. Submission

All completed original proposals shall be submitted either in sealed envelopes or via email at [health@fsmhealth.fm](mailto:health@fsmhealth.fm) and received by the Department of Health and Social Affairs on or before the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 2008. If application is sent via mail, please deliver to:

Mr. Marcus Samo  
Acting Secretary  
Department of Health and Social Affairs  
FSM National Government  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Phone: 691 320 2619  
Fax: 691 320 5263  
Email: [health@fsmhealth.fm](mailto:health@fsmhealth.fm)

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per 1000 square feet. The facility will house roughly 302 people who are currently employed in Pohnpei. The family estimates that there will be 85 to 135 new jobs because of the opening of the Shopping Center.

Anchoring the shopping center will be a relocated Ace Commercial Grocery Store. Brian Etscheit said that the family is working on techniques to keep the Grocery Store optimally stocked and that it shouldn't be a problem with the number of ships that currently arrive in Pohnpei on a monthly basis.

Other businesses slated to occupy the Pohnpei Shopping Center include the Bank of Guam, Leo Wholesale, Hi-Tech Electronics Shop and Repair, A-1 Fabrics, A-1 Tailoring, A-1 Fashions, A-1 Handicraft and Gift Shop, SP Bakery, House of Travel, and Ace Service Station which will offer fuel, minor repairs, and tuneups.

The family plans to additionally open four new businesses that will be housed in the complex. One of them is a Multi-purpose Center for conferences or for performing arts. The Center will have a stage, theater lighting, and sound systems and will be able to be subdivided into three separate areas by the use of movable walls.

Robert Etscheit said that the family had not yet "decided what kind of stores will open but they are looking at a Beauty Salon, a possible Kinko's type place and two more that have not been discussed."

Brian Etscheit said that the family is talking about a food court for the new shopping center. He said that developing leases for those businesses was tough going. They want to be sure that the restaurants in the food court are not all serv-

ing the same types of food.

According to Brian Etscheit, Senior Project Manager and Ace Construction Operations Director, Daniel P. Gleason, III who came to Pohnpei from Texas was chosen because of his experience with US Construction Standards and codes. He said that they wanted their new shopping center to be up to US Codes and needed someone who could manage that type of project. The Shopping Center will be built by Ace Construction, a wholly owned subsidiary of Etscheit Enterprise with a workforce consisting of 109 construction workers, 94% of whom will be locals. 6% will be expatriates.

When the shopping center is completed the next phase in the project will be a housing development close to water's edge. The third and final phase of the project would be a marina. According to Brian Etscheit, the family is working with the Environmental Protection Agency on specifications for a sea wall and beach for the complex.

Rumors circulated via the Micronesia Seminar Forum ([www.micsem.org](http://www.micsem.org)) were that a bowling alley is included in the plan. According to Robert Etscheit the family has discussed the possibility but that there are no immediate or concrete plans to do so. If they do build a small bowling alley it will not be a part of the Pohnpei Shopping Center complex but would be located near the Pohnpei Center Cinemas, also owned by the Etscheit family.

The family continues its charitable work through the Leo Etscheit Foundation. In addition to continuing to supply the meals at the hospital they recently also donated two more heart monitors to the hospital.

The Pohnpei Shopping Center is being constructed just south of the new United States Embassy project in Nett, Pohnpei.

## Collector looking for Collectable Coins

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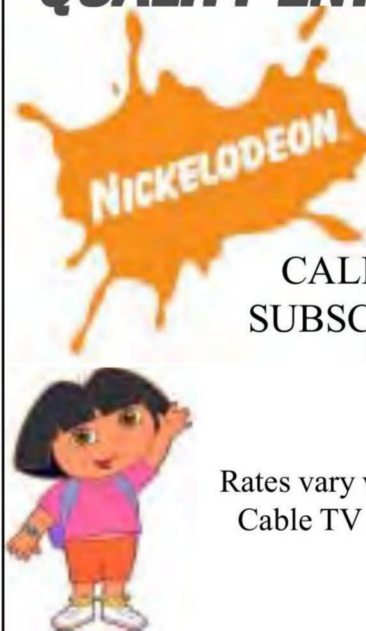
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## Police Attend Planning and Budget Conference

By **Captain Lino Amor**  
FSM National Police

Chief Joe Roby of the Department of Public Safety of Pohnpei State and Captain Lino Amor of the FSM National Police attended the Heads of policy, Planning and Budget workshop in Cairns, Australia from October 22-26, 2007.

The Pacific Regional Policing Initiative (PRPI) as a working tool put the workshop together for police managers and supervisors in preparing, implementing and evaluating plans.

Conference participant countries include Cook Island, FSM National, Kiribati, Nauru, Palau, Pohnpei, PNG, RMI, Samoa, Salomon Island, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu Police Agencies.

The purpose of the workshop is to provide training and guidance to members of Forum Island Policing Organization's who are to be involved in the development and monitoring/evaluating of strategic planning systems and in the development of police policies and procedures. And also seek guidance from participants regarding future directions in relation to the fol-

lowing:

- The current situation with future of police strategic planning in the Pacific
- The development of a Pacific wide monitoring and evaluation framework.
- The establishment of linkage between plans and police budgets
- The development of a Pacific police project management framework to aid agencies in the implementation of strategic activities.
- The development of model reporting systems to Government.
- Use of electronic police orders and procedures.

Strategic planning is a concept in which police managers examine their operating environment and the world around them and allows to plan for the future. There are number of ways to prepare plans and many of these are called by different names. For example, some organizations call their main or long plan 'Corporate Plan' while others call it the 'strategic plan'. The lower level plans are called "Action Plan" while others have business plans. Many of these mean the same thing and seek to achieve the same goals.



# Peace Corps

### **(2) EMPLOYMENT/CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES** **MEDICAL OFFICER**

Peace Corps seeks two high energy physicians, physician's assistants or nurse practitioners with a minimum of three years recent relevant clinical experience to fill the following long-term contract staff positions in Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia and in Tarawa, Republic of Kiribati.

#### **Job Description:**

This is a role of tremendous challenge and excitement. As medical officer you will provide medical and counseling support to Peace Corps Volunteers living in rural and urban areas. Your duties will include: Assessing and treating common illnesses and injuries; triage and appropriate referral of Volunteers with problems beyond the scope of the medical officer, preventative health education, basic psychological counseling, management of Volunteer Health Care Delivery System, and of a Peace Corps health office including basic administrative tasks, including maintaining adequate medical supplies and an accurate medical inventory. Peace Corps has consolidated a network of medical and pharmaceutical vendors to serve our growing Volunteer base. As medical officer, you will be a key part of the team that builds on this success. You will sometimes be on call 24 hours/day for medical emergencies and maintain routine office hours of 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. The position requires substantial travel within the country of assignment and infrequent travel outside for continuing medical training and medical evacuations.

#### **Qualifications:**

The ideal candidate will possess: a current, active, valid license as a registered physician, physician's assistant or nurse practitioner; experience in the Micronesian or Pacific Islands health sector a plus; a degree or diploma from an accredited school of medicine/nursing; an excellent record of teaching basic health education to large groups of individuals as demonstrated by appropriate evaluation systems; fluency in speaking, writing, and reading English is a must. Applicants must be highly organized, detail oriented and personable under the most trying circumstances. An understanding of, or willingness to learn about Peace Corps Volunteer work as it relates to development issues in the Pacific Islands is of utmost importance. The ability to obtain a U.S. visa and drive a vehicle are required.

Interested applicants should email, post mail or fax their curriculum vitae, including salary history and a cover letter no later than December 19, 2007 to:

**Attention: Recruitment Team**

**Email to: [applicant@fm.peacecorps.gov](mailto:applicant@fm.peacecorps.gov)**

**Fax No.: (691) 320-2658**

**Mailing Address: C/O Administrative Officer, P.O. Box 9, Kolonia, Pohnpei, FM 96941**

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**Only short listed candidates will be contacted. CVs received after closing date will not be accepted.**

## Veterans of Foreign Wars Day

By **BILL JAYNES**  
The Kaselehlie Press

**Pohnpei, FSM** – On yet another rainy day, November 12, a reverent crowd gathered underneath tents at the residence of the U.S. Ambassador to commemorate what citizens of the United States have known as Veteran's Day. FSM citizens have, for four years recognized the day as Veterans of Foreign Wars Day.

The crowd of approximately 75 people including veterans, some in sharp uniform gathered near the diminutive flag pole to hear the speeches of the dignitaries gathered there.

FSM President Emanuel Mori spoke, his words carrying the authority that only a father with children currently serving in the U.S. military could possibly have on such an occasion. He called on all gathered to pray for FSM citizens serving in the military saying that the families of soldiers endure their own sacrifices and should be remembered and commended every day but especially on this special holiday.

US Ambassador Miriam Hughes, who earlier in her career served as a United Press International Reporter and who handles words well, spoke eloquently about the

sacrifices and commitment of veterans and what those sacrifices have meant to the two countries that had joined together on that special day for their fourth joint commemoration.

Representatives of the Australian government and uniformed officers of the Royal Australian Navy were also present at the ceremony.

Retired Sergeant First Class, Benito Cantero spoke of the sacrifices of veterans and called on the US Government to recognize and support veterans even better than they currently do.

President Mori, US Ambassador Hughes, Australian Ambassador Susan Cox, and Sergeant Frank Semens placed wreaths at the base of the flag pole to honor veterans; those who have fallen and those who are still serving the cause of freedom no matter under which flag they serve.

Sgt Semens read the roll call of FSM citizens who have fallen in military service for the cause of freedom.

Father David Andrus gave the benediction.

The assembled crowd was slow to move to the naahs for refreshments.



Photo by Bill Jaynes

It took them just a short while to shake off the significance of the ceremony and what it represented.

Some members of the Veterans' Association of Pohnpei gathered at the Rusty Anchor not long after the ceremony. Proprietor, Marie Olter had arranged for what they called pwu pwu's but what looked more like a meal.

Veterans have a special camaraderie that doesn't seem to exist anywhere else. It was in full force on that afternoon as they shared story after story of the time that many of them said was the hardest and best time of their lives.

## Continental Micronesia Donates to Pohnpei Community

By **BILL JAYNES**  
The Kaselehlie Press

**Pohnpei, FSM** - On Friday, November 16, Continental Airlines personnel stood in front of a full house consisting of Pohnpei Island Central School students and staff. They were there to deliver twelve personal computers they had donated to the school.

The donation is part of the airline's philosophy of giving back to the community. According to their press release, in 2003 the airline donated computers to Pohnpei Agriculture and Technical School (now closed) and the public school system through the Director of Education, Cassiano Shoniber. They have donated hundreds of computers to Kosrae, Chuuk, Saipan, Pohnpei, Kwajalein, Majuro, Yap, Palau, and Guam.

The Compaq PCs consist of video monitors, high-end Compaq computers with 10 GB hard drives, 500 MHz Pentium Processors,

512 MB of RAM, 48X CD-ROM Drives, keyboards and mouse peripherals for each of the computers. The computers were part of Continental's office inventory.

David Kendell, Continental Micronesia's Director of Sales and Marketing for Asia and Micronesia said, "We are working together with the communities we serve to support education and raise a future workforce with the skills necessary to embark on a successful career."

On Saturday morning, at the Cliff Rainbow Hotel David Kendell and staff members of Continental Micronesia made themselves available for a question and answer session about their services.

On Saturday evening they attended the Rotary Quiz Night at PCR Nahntehtlik. Previous to the bi-annual fund raiser held to raise funds for the scholarships that the Rotary Club of Pohnpei provides for students Continental



Photo by Bill Jaynes

John Sohl shakes hands with Continental Micronesia Director of Sales David Kendell. Sohl was the winning bidder on two Continental Micronesia airline tickets.

Micronesia had donated two plane tickets to the club for auction at the event.

John Sohl was the winning bidder for the tickets. All of the proceeds from the Rotary Quiz Night go to support the scholarship program. This year the Rotary Club of Pohnpei was able to provide ten \$500 scholarships to deserving

students of Pohnpei.

"Supporting education in Pohnpei is important to us, given the size of our organization. By giving PCs to schools (and by supporting the Rotary Club scholarship program), Continental is doing its part to help educate Pohnpei's youth," Kendell said.

## And Atoll Declared A UNESCO Biosphere Reserve

### Conservation Society of Pohnpei

After 5 relentless years of hard work and preparation, the Nanpei Family, along with the Conservation Society of Pohnpei (CSP) and its partners are proud to announce the establishment of And Atoll Biosphere Reserve.

The World Network of Biosphere Reserves is an international conservation tool coordinated by United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Biosphere reserves are sites recognized under UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere Programme which innovate and demonstrate approaches to conservation and sustainable development. They are under national sovereign jurisdiction, yet share their experience and ideas nationally, regionally and internationally within the World Network of Biosphere Reserves. There are 529 Biosphere Reserves worldwide in 105 countries. At its meeting in September 2007, the Bureau of the International Coordinating Council of UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Program added 23 new reserves sites in 18 countries to its global network - and And atoll is one of them.

In 2002, CSP and UNESCO's Office for the Pacific States began working together to establish Pohnpei's first biosphere reserve on And Atoll. To meet this goal, several activities were carried out, which included stakeholders (landowners, resource managers,

and government officials) in meetings, public education, and community outreach on biosphere reserves. From these activities the stakeholders agreed to submit the application to UNESCO in 2005. However, in the process the core team, which included the landowners, the Department of Lands and Natural Resources and CSP, determined that more fieldwork, assessment and discussion was required to gain the information needed to complete the application for submission in 2006. A Rapid Ecological Assessment (REA) was conducted, which revealed And atoll as one of the most biologically significant areas on Pohnpei.

Due to its isolation and undisturbed human occupation for more than 20 years, And atoll is Pohnpei's number one marine Area of Biodiversity Significance (ABS) and a Priority Action Area (PAA). And atoll retains one of the last relatively intact seabird rookeries in the region and provides crucial nesting grounds for rare sea turtles. And atoll's main channel has also been validated as one of the few grouper spawning and aggregation sites on Pohnpei. And atoll also embraces the healthiest giant clam population on the main Island of Pohnpei with impressive aggregations of sharks, barracudas and other tourism-attraction marine life. And has great potentials for ecotourism and is already reputable for diving and snorkeling.





And Atoll Channel

Unfortunately, over fishing, bird/turtle hunting and egg collection has become a major threat for And atoll. Therefore, the establishment of a biosphere reserve on And atoll is one of the initial steps for us to safe and conserve these resources. Unlike the existing Marine Sanctuary and Wildlife Refuge Act of 1999, UNESCO's biosphere reserves enclose three zones. These are Core Zones: commonly known as "No-Take" areas, Buffer Zones: allows certain, but restrictive activities, and Transition Zones: where human settlements are and most sustainable activities such as agriculture, fishing, and forestry are allowed. The core zones of And Atoll Biosphere Reserve correspond to Pohnpei's existing MPAs and will eventually become a part of the local MPA network.

We, the citizens of Pohnpei, should be proud for the establishment of And Atoll Biosphere Reserve. Not only will And atoll serve as a sanctuary for the animals and plants, it will help protect and conserve the resources for generations to come. Also, Pohnpei is now included in a biosphere learning network around the world. We can learn from the other nations, states, and/or communities how they are managing and benefiting from their biosphere reserves. And atoll biosphere reserve is unique because its Pohnpei's first government and private landowner co-managed MPA, and the first sanctuary established on an atoll, outside of Pohnpei's lagoon.

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  **VOTE**

**SENYORINA K. YANG**

*From Tafunsak For Kosrae's Legislature*

The opinions expressed in the BNN Column are those of the author.

## Election Fever is Near Over...Or Is It?

It was not possible to publish the Pohnpei State election results in the issue that hit the streets the day after the primaries. I apologize for having failed to bring you election results on time but it was out of my control.

If you did not get any updates on that election, here is a summary:

Candidate John Ehsa led the pack of 5 but did not garner the 50% plus 1 vote necessary to avoid a run off so he and runner up Del Pangelinan will be in the run off in December.

Candidates Feliciano Perman, Rufino Mauricio and Jack Yakana trailed behind Ehsa and Pangelinan.

In the Lt. Governor's race, candidates Churchill Edward and Kiyumi Albert Gilmete will be in the run off ballots. Candidates Estepan Santiago, Yosuo Phillip, Solpasio Salvador and Bert Rodriguez trailed behind Edward and Gilmete.

In the Legislature race, all incumbents, except Kittu, retained their seats. In Kittu, there was a double upset with candidates Wincener

David and Dahker Daniel knocking off incumbents Epert Eperiam and Thomas Pablo. Trailing behind David and Daniel were incumbents Berney Martin and Francisco Ioanis.

Interesting results came out of the Kolonia Town Council election. The incumbent Mayor, Marcello Peterson, ran unopposed, a first and an unusual occurrence. In Section 3 of Kolonia Town, two fresh women candidates knocked off two incumbent councilmen and another fresh woman won and filled a vacated seat in Section 4.

**And get this:** A voter went to the polling place in Kansas and picked up his ballot, marked the candidates and folded the ballot and stuck it in his pocket and left. Pity because the ballot could not be counted and among the candidates in the ballot was his own mother whom he had voted for.

This is part of a BNN Column that appears every two weeks in the local paper, the Kaselehlie Press.

Note: Getting the numbers for this election, and most other governmental functions, is more difficult than climbing the Sokehs Rock!!!

## SURVIVOR 16 - Can Palau Outwit, Outplay, Outlast?

Well, things are once again in full swing here in Palau for the shooting of SURVIVOR 16, the second Survivor show to be shot in Palau, Micronesia. Survivor 10 was also shot in Palau a few years ago. Helicopters are again buzzing around, shuttle boats and security boats zooming here and there, and selected locations cordoned off for filming. Across the street from Sam's Tours, SURVIVOR Base Camp is buzzing with activity almost 24/7.

It's the tourism "off-season" here in Palau so without the Survivor crew here, things around town would otherwise be pretty quiet. Local establishments like Bottom Time Bar and Grill at Sam's Tours, Kraemers Bar and Restaurant, Taj Indian Restaurant,

and Drop-Off Bar are all places where Survivor crews hang out in the evenings. They're a busy bunch but also very friendly with lots of new faces from all around the world that help liven up the place. Many bring a fresh perspective that's good to hear!

Of course, we don't really get to talk shop with these guys 'cause everything's gotta be kept super secret until after the show airs, but that's why we have the Internet. Anyone looking for info on Survivor 16 Palau just has to spend a few minutes on Google to find all the latest gossip. I pasted a few links below that I ran across but anyone can find these and much more in a few minutes at the keyboard themselves. Guess we'll just have to wait til SURVIVOR

## Letters to the Editor

### Congratulations, Voters

DepwekEnLeng,

I'm glad that voters of Pohnpei came out to vote for what each candidate stands for instead of that all too common "family" ties. While other cause-worthy platforms were presented, let it be a lesson to all candidates be it the executive or legislative branch, that the people have spoken about their concerns with regards to students & farmers alike benefiting from their elected officials.

How can one go wrong with such a platform that will bring back student lunches by incorporating farmers to foot this initiative through a cooperative effort between farmers and the public education system. Mr. Ehsa can rest assured that this hope for the future leaders and the countless farmers of Pohnpei, have touched the very core of their existence and are behind you all the way on this and they're counting on you to deliver.

It's very odd that within the minds of all public officials, this very obvious benefit have rang ever so loudly throughout the years and yet, have never been put into practice to back up their concerns for the future leaders of Pohnpei State. While breakfast maybe the most important meal of the day, lunch is what refuels the mind and body to close out a hard days work.

Let it also be a lesson to supporters of the foreign investment bill that the people of Pohnpei are fed up with the high prices of goods monopolized by established local business owners. You may delay change, but you can never prevent it for in the world of progress, technology and money that we live in today, change will remain the only constant.

*Johnston Jones Eldridge  
Guam USA*

CHINA is finished and SURVIVOR 16 Palau begins to air to really know what's going on.

[http://www.claycritters.com/map/s16/survivor\\_16\\_map.htm](http://www.claycritters.com/map/s16/survivor_16_map.htm)  
<http://www.unofficialsurvivorguide.com>  
<http://www.survivor.com>

But SURVIVOR isn't the only "show in town"... Discovery Channel's BONE DETECTIVE series has been here for a few weeks shooting some episodes of their own. And rumors still abound that SURVIVOR Russia may shoot in Palau too!

#### THE BIGGER THREAT:

Palau is indeed a small place, but nonetheless there's lots going on. I just hope Palau itself can Outwit, Outlast and Outplay the growing global exposure and successfully survive the outcome by converting increased interest and exposure in to sustainable low impact - high return tourism. Sounds simple perhaps, but it's actually a major challenge.

Palau President Tommy E. Remengesau Jr, has done much during his last seven years in office to lay a strong foundation of environmental preservation and protection intended to ensure the survival of Palau's natural resources in the years ahead. He recently masterminded the Micronesia Challenge, and just weeks ago was recognized by TIME Magazine as a global environmental hero, for his many ac-

complishments. With his two term limit as president about to end in 2008, there is considerable concern about successors sustaining his momentum.

While SURVIVOR 16 Palau Micronesia is but a television show, the true realities are the very real environmental challenges Palau faces as a direct resultant of global warming, illegal foreign fishing, shark finning, destruction of mangroves, and dependence on fossil fuels to name but a few.

Can Palau truly Outwit, Outplay and Outlast the mounting environmental challenges and destructive impacts that are often the result of actions and or inactions of other nations whether close by or half way round the world? Never mind "Reality TV", a much more (environmentally) foreboding show is being played "Live" right before our very eyes every day in Palau.....all that's missing are the cameras to broadcast it around the world .... hopefully to an audience of responsible world leaders with the vision and courage to care and to act now. Palau, is a tiny country made up of hundreds of islands yet fully aware that no man is an island, a sentiment lost it seems on continental nations "who cannot see their damage for the seas!"

*Dermot Keane*

## Guest Perspective

## Turn Down, Switch Off, Recycle, Walk!

By **BERND RIEBE**  
Bild-Art

The European Commission's basic message for its citizens to control climate change may at first sight seem to be a plain message, nothing more than, come on, leave your car in the garage and walk to the baker's next door or switch off the light in your office during daylight or even turn down your heating by two degrees. How can you control climate change by such tiny measures while on the other hand a single medium sized power plant burns 14,000 tons of coal per day producing some 25,000 tons of Carbon Dioxide, the most harmful greenhouse gas?

You can indeed! Here I strongly support the Commission:

*Make sure that your home is well insulated and save over 630 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per household and year.*

*Increase the performance of your fridge by placing it in a cool environment and save up to 150 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per year.*

*Switch off five 60 W lights in hallways and rooms of your house when you don't need them and save about 270 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per year.*

*Switch off your air conditioner every day for four hours when you're not in the house in summertime and save about 300 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per year.*

*Make sure to use the washing machine only when it's full and save about 45 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per year.*

*Boil just enough water for your hot drink and save about 25 kg CO<sub>2</sub> per year. If all Europeans boiled just the water they needed, thus avoiding 1 litre of unnecessarily boiled water per day, the energy saved could power one third of Europe's streetlights.*

Now multiply this by some 680 Million Europeans and the above mentioned power plant emissions are mere nothing. However, the problem is, that nobody cares. It's not easy to change habits. Especially the Central Europeans, in particular my fellow citizens, the Germans are used to law and order and are very reluctant when it comes to voluntary actions. For example, we are the only country in the world with no speed limits on motorways, so there are quite a few racing drivers speeding along at up to 300km/h. Though the average speed is only 130km/h a speed reduction to 120km/h would reduce CO emissions by 30 per cent! So far the government has yet to enact a law to put an end to

this irresponsible behaviour as the car industry's lobbyists are working very efficiently. There seems to be no chance of motivating these drivers to reduce speed voluntarily.

The government has indeed enacted a law recently to put an end to wasting millions of tons of aluminium in the shape of beer cans and other types of packing for consumer goods. Till then people have littered the streets with cans, ignorant of the fact, that this precious metal should be recycled as



aluminium production consumes a great deal of energy. The specific energy consumption is approximately 15 kilowatt-hours per kilogram.

Now every store is legally obligated to take back any can and refund money that was initially charged during the purchase.

It really is a shame that there are so many people lacking comprehension; so many ignorant blockheads who can, only by force be prevented from polluting our planet.

Confronted with the facts of rising temperatures, I often hear reactions like these: "Don't make a fuss about a rise in temperature of one or two degrees, it's too cold in Europe anyway..." The only way to react to this mental attitude is with information about the consequences of just one degree rise, e.g. confronting them with the consequences that this one degree on a global scale means more extreme events, such as heat waves, heavy precipitation, blizzards and droughts, a sea level rise of up to 50cm with catastrophic consequences not only for island states but also for densely populated areas in the US, South East Asia and Europe with millions of people affected.

On a larger scale it is globalisation with its free movement of goods that contributes to climate change. Day and night there are thousands of lorries on our roads, many of them with dubi-

ous orders such as French potatoes being transferred to Poland where they are processed then brought to Italy to have them packed and finally carried to a Swedish supermarket after some 5000km on the road.

Another energy-intensive phenomenon can be seen even from space in the night, it's Belgium, Europe's political center, as all Belgian roads and motorways are brightly illuminated thus spending enormous amounts of energy.

Only a few people are aware that the energy consumption of the internet is in the same range as the total worldwide air traffic. Did you know that one single Google query consumes the same amount of energy as a 15 Watt light bulb in half an hour?

So the EU commission's question "How can you control climate change?" should be addressed to the policymakers and economic leaders as well as to you and me. More and more politicians at least seem to understand and plead for taking rigorous steps to fight climate change. Thanks to the Green Party and some forward looking economists the Germans have become the world's leading wind turbine producers and—more important—Germany is the country with the largest Wind Power Capacity: : 21283 MW compared to the USA: 13885 MW and China:

2956 MW. See my Video and comments on [YouTube](http://YouTube.com/watch?v=9gCeNCnWZhE) at [youtube.com/watch?v=9gCeNCnWZhE](http://youtube.com/watch?v=9gCeNCnWZhE).

Wind energy is plentiful, renewable, widely distributed, clean, and reduces toxic atmospheric and greenhouse gas emissions if used to replace fossil-fuel-derived electricity. Travelling through the country almost everywhere on hill tops, open plains and along the sea shores you will see these elegant looking wind turbines. For me they are a symbol of hope for our planet's future. Only by our joint efforts of course will we be able to stop global warming before it exceeds the temperature in pre-industrial times by more than 2°C. Scientists view a 2°C rise as the threshold beyond which climate change could trigger irreversible and possibly catastrophic planetary changes.

Let us stand up for the use of clean renewable energy such as wind power and solar energy, for the accelerated development of hybrid vehicles and fuel cells and please keep in mind::

Even small changes in our daily behaviour can help prevent greenhouse gas emissions without affecting our quality of life. Turn down, switch off, recycle, walk!

*In addition to activism on environmental issues Bernd Riebe has developed CSS and Content Management Systems and was an editor on the Open Directory Project, the largest, most comprehensive human-edited directory of the Web. He is also the super-administrator of the K-Press website.*



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## KPress Perspective

### We're Still Here!

We have just passed that uniquely American Holiday called Thanksgiving. It happened with relatively little fanfare in Pohnpei although I understand that in Chuuk many residents celebrated their own form of Thanksgiving. I spent Thanksgiving morning in Congress and a good portion of the afternoon in my office trying desperately to write anything at all that would keep you informed about what is going on in the FSM.

I shuffled letters and papers in my completely trashed office. My desk barely had enough room to put my forearms on it so that I could type.

There was a copy of a letter by Chuuk Representative Roman Robert, Chairman of the Special Committee on Impeachment personally presenting to Attorney General Josses Gallen, "greetings and best wishes" in the opening sentence. The rest of the letter was much more menacing and made me uncomfortable, coming, as it did, out of the blue. "If you choose to item-veto that level of salary of the members of the Legislature, I too am sure you know well what you'll get from the Legislature in return".

I worried on the letter for a good long time knowing that The Kaselehlie Press didn't have the budget to call Chuuk State Government to pursue the issue and also knowing that some of the Government's phones have recently been disconnected due to non-payment.

I passed the letter on to Meranda Amor a COM student, fulfilling practicum requirements by working at the K-Press on a part time basis. I asked her to type up the letter for the paper in case there's room for it.

I shuffled more papers and finally pushed them aside and began a gentle reflection about those things in my life for which I am thankful. If I began to list them I would leave something or someone out and that would exacerbate my normal state of insomnia. It wouldn't mean as much to you as it does to me anyway.

My thoughts drifted to the great privilege it is for me to be the Managing Editor of The Kaselehlie Press and what a long

way we have come.

I got up and searched the eight years of issues, the covers of which are posted on the walls of the Kaselehlie Press, for an item that would help me to remember a person's name I had forgotten for an article I was thinking about in the back of my mind. It's easy to get lost reading the headlines on my wall and I did for far too long on Thanksgiving afternoon.

The headlines included extensive coverage of Scott Hamel's murder trial, appeal, and ultimate deportation to the US.

The articles on Sherry O'Sullivan's deportation and lawsuit always give me significant pause whenever they catch my eye.

What really did happen to Gayvy Ann Hallers? Will we ever know?

What happened to the Medical School planned for Pohnpei?

"Bombs...Bombs...Bombs."

"Police Officer Killed in Chuuk."

"Headless Body Found in Nukuoro."

From the July 26, 2001 issue, the item "Pohnpei Seceding from the Union" caught my eye for obvious reasons.

A very small picture of Leo Falcam caught my attention when it had not for a year and a half of looking at it. It was a teaser in the April 19, 2001 issue of The Kaselehlie Press for an "exclusive" interview with then President Leo Falcam on his trip to Japan.

President Mori approached me on Veterans of Foreign Wars Day and asked about whether the newspaper could afford airfare for me to accompany him on his own State visit in the country. Though I knew that this small non-profit paper could never afford to send me to Japan but I was honored and thought about how far we had come from the early days.

The more I thought about it the more I knew that we simply couldn't miss it if there was any way. To the best of my knowledge we will be the first FSM free press

representatives to ever have been given the opportunity to freely report on an FSM international visit from first hand inside knowledge.

Our ability to cover the President's meeting in Japan is happening because a few donors who want you to know what happens when your tax money is spent to represent you in other countries have stepped up and financially supported our participation in it. I'm looking forward to finding out myself and will share what I see with you. I am grateful for the opportunity.

I'm thankful for the volunteers that come for just over an hour and a half every other Tuesday night to collate and fold the paper that you are holding in your hand. They are wonderful people and we have a great time on those evenings every other week.

I'm thankful for the technology that sent this newspaper to you by email if that is how you received it. We've been sending out a PDF version since June of 2006.

Bernd and Xenia Marita Riebe of Germany not only pay for the K-Press internet domain at [www.kpress.info](http://www.kpress.info) so that readers all over the world can read our paper but they provided the platform (Joomla), servers, and support to make it happen. Bob Spegal, the Board President of the non-profit corporation called Rohng En Pohnpei which does

business as The Kaselehlie Press shared his vision for a K-Press website before I started on May 23, 2006 but it was Bernd Riebe who showed me how easy it could be and walked me through the process. Bernd told me that in the month of October our website had 30,000 page impressions (the number of times visitors selected items from the website that are displayed on their screen) and that 10,000 different users visited the website.

I'm grateful for Jeff Howard who plowed straight ahead, an unbending furrow for the paper as its first managing editor. I'm thankful for all of the editors and staff members that have followed in his path.

Our first issue was circulated on November 30, 2000 under the name Rohng En Pohnpei. We have missed only one issue in all that time making The Kaselehlie Press the longest running newspaper in the FSM. I am grateful and humbled to have served a small role in its history.

There is a long way to go yet. We need a staff for instance but I am committed to taking things one day at a time with an eye toward the future. You need us and we need you.

Thank you for supporting us for so long!

*Bill Jaynes  
Managing Editor*

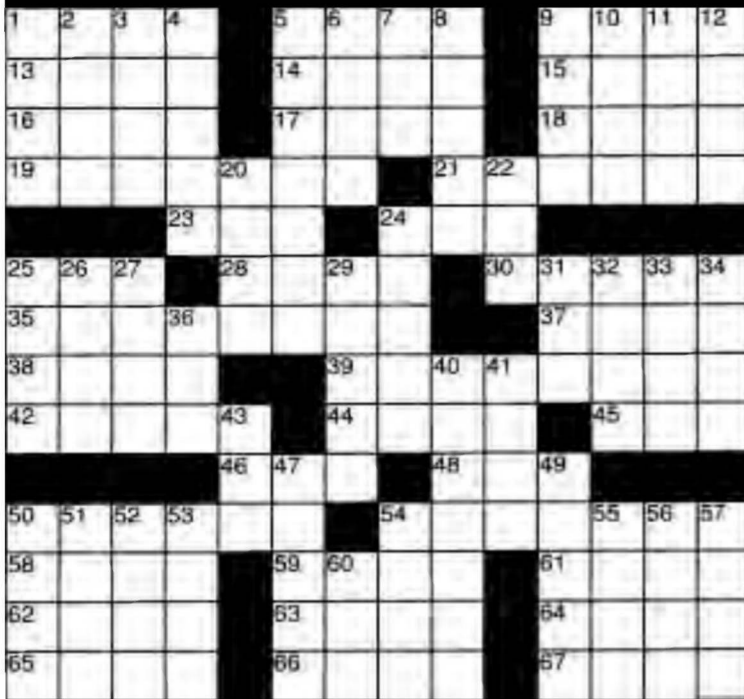
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**HEY!**

**ACROSS**

- 1. Bloc's agreement
- 5. At a distance
- 9. Social slight
- 13. Shampoo additive
- 14. Uh-uh
- 15. Manuel's money
- 16. Eat in splendor
- 17. Dancer's duds
- 18. Lopped off
- 19. Tracing aid
- 21. Guard
- 23. Hey!
- 24. The Boston \_\_\_\_ Party
- 25. Common breakfast ingredient
- 28. Weak, like an excuse
- 30. Work for the copy center
- 35. Container in a coven
- 37. With the fat removed
- 38. Aggravate
- 39. "Scarborough Fair" herb
- 42. Like a rejected draftee
- 44. Babe's cart

- 45. Gender
- 46. Unpleased response
- 48. Keep a \_\_\_\_ on it!
- 50. However
- 54. Surgical sewing
- 58. Passageway
- 59. Leave out
- 61. Go elsewhere
- 62. On an \_\_\_\_ keel
- 63. Bargain event
- 64. Ballerina's move
- 65. Flat-topped hill
- 66. Stepped on
- 67. Kennel cry

- 12. \_\_\_\_ of work
- 20. Arctic weather
- 22. Muff preceder
- 24. Choir member
- 25. Shade of brown
- 26. Profit
- 27. Big gap
- 29. Special effect
- 31. A Nightmare on \_\_\_\_ Street
- 32. Like two \_\_\_\_ in a pod
- 33. Like steak tartare
- 34. Jet black
- 36. Luau loop
- 40. Paid respect to
- 41. Give off
- 43. Harbor craft
- 47. Easy Halloween costume
- 49. Unlike an Amazon
- 50. Those folks
- 51. Got
- 52. Corrida cries
- 53. Elbow-wrist connector
- 54. Missile site
- 55. Part in a play
- 56. Up to no good
- 57. Ooze
- 60. Damage

**DOWN**

- 1. Paw parts
- 2. Came to earth
- 3. Megaphone shape
- 4. Itsy-bitsy
- 5. Not hawklike
- 6. Ump's cry
- 7. Befitting
- 8. Recycling aim

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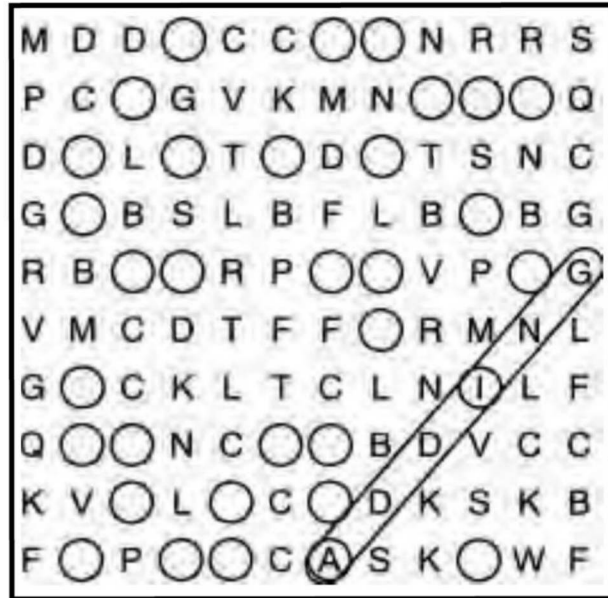


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- ALONE
- ASKEW
- BOCCIE

- BUTTE
- COUPE
- DOCILE
- DOODLE
- ELATED

- ENTOIL
- FILTER
- IMPOSE
- MAUVE

- NOVICE
- PLAID
- QUEEN
- QUINCE
- USAGE



**ZIGZAG**

Instead of reading in a straight line, each word has one bend in it. One word has been looped for you.

- ~~ZIGZAG~~
- ARTIST
- CRULLER
- HABIT

- LEATHER
- RABBIT
- RADISH
- ROTARY

- SHOWER
- SORBET
- YOGURT



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# Catholics Notice Weaknesses In Their Church Today

In the last month, the Catholic Church of Pohnpei/Kosrae continued its reflections on the life of the Church today. During this month we tried to reflect on where the life of the Church might be weak; where it might need improvement. Of course, our goal is to grow in the way that we should. At the end of our reflections we have tried to put our thoughts into terms of priorities needed for growth.

Many felt that a good number of Catholics feel that they are Children of God by Baptism but do not realize the gifts that they enjoy through Baptism. At the same time they do not realize the responsibilities that have come to them through the Sacrament of Baptism. Many do not seem to feel the connection between their faith and their life. They are members of the Church but do not realize what this really means in

terms of preaching and living the Gospel in daily life. They feel that we are still not used to reading, reflecting and sharing the Bible.

Many families still do not have a Bible in their home or use it on a daily basis.

There is still a need for more instructional programs to help people to understand the Catholic Church. There is additionally, a need for more ordained Priests and deacons. Committed Church workers in each of the parishes are also needed.

Many members feel disconnected from their Church and do not feel that the Church is really their Church.

Others do not understand the need for financial and service offerings to support the programs they want

in the Church.

Some participants in the evaluation felt that the relationship of Catholics with God is still too individualistic and too based on the living of commandments rather than on Jesus' message of love and unity among all people. Oftentimes, we wait for someone else to do something that is needed for the Church to grow.

There is often poor leadership and understanding of the Church from local Church leaders.

We wondered if women were allowed to take real leadership roles in the Church.

Almost all felt that there is a need for more and better programs for youth so that they can feel that there is really a need and a place for them and their talents in the Church. We often say that our youth are the future of the Church but many are not at home in the Church and its celebrations.

Mothers and Fathers often wait for the Church to give instruction to their children, a responsibility that is really theirs as parents.

Church attendance can often be very poor as well as our understanding of the sacraments as a way of life. Many do not seem to understand what is really happening at Mass or the significance of the sacraments.

Many mentioned that they would like our Deacons to be allowed to give the Sacrament of the sick since they are often the ones visiting the sick on a regular basis.

*Joseph A. Cavanagh, S.J.*

*The Kaselehlie Press appreciates the efforts of the Pohnpei Ministerial Association to provide articles for the Religion page. More than anyone we understand how difficult it is to write on a deadline.*

*If you would like to see this page continue, please take the time to write an article for the page. It is in danger of disappearing due to a shortage of submissions.*

Astronomical Tide Prediction November 28 - December 11, 2007				
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# Pohnpei Competitor's Association Standings

## VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

COM-FSM NAT'L - MEN					
RK	TEAM	GP	W	L	PCT
1T	COM-PNI	8	6	2	0.750
1T	Nukap	8	6	2	0.750
3	Mortlock	8	5	3	0.625
4	Chuuk	9	5	4	0.556
5	COM-Nat'l	8	4	4	0.500
6	PingMok	7	3	4	0.429
7	Yap	8	2	6	0.250
8	Kosrae	8	1	7	0.125

COM-FSM NAT'L - WOMEN					
RK	TEAM	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Nukap	8	7	1	0.875
2	COM-PNI	9	7	2	0.778
3	Kosrae	8	5	3	0.625
4	Chuuk	8	4	4	0.500
5	Yap	9	4	5	0.444
6	PingMok	8	2	6	0.250
7T	Mortlocks	8	2	6	0.250
7T	COM-Nat'l	6	1	5	0.167

COM-FSM POHNPEI - MEN					
RK	TEAM	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Mdlnhmw	2	2	0	1.000
2	PNI Camp	3	2	1	0.667
3	A & P	3	1	2	0.333
4	Nett	2	0	2	0.000

MADOLENIHMW HS - WOMEN					
RK	TEAM	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Section 3	2	2	0	1.000
2	Section 4	1	1	0	1.000
3	Section 6	6	4	2	0.667
4	Section 1	2	1	1	0.500
5T	Section 7	3	1	2	0.333
5T	Section 2	2	0	2	0.000
6	Section 5	2	0	2	0.000

MADOLENIHMW HS - MEN					
RK	TEAM	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Section 1	2	2	0	1.000
2	Section 6	3	2	1	0.667
3T	Section 5	3	2	1	0.667
3T	Section 3	2	1	1	0.500
5	Section 2	3	1	2	0.333
6	Section 4	3	0	3	0.000

OHWA CHRISITAN HIGH SCHOOL					
RK	TEAM	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Manila	1	1	0	1.000
2	Akadan	1	0	1	.000

POHNPEI SDA SCHOOL					
RK	TEAM	GP	W	L	PCT
1	Prtty lady	1	1	0	1.000
2	Team 1	1	0	1	.000

RK=Rank GP=Games Played W=Win L=Lost PCT=Winning % (W/GP)

## MONOPOLY STANDINGS

SDA - TOP 10			
RK	PLAYER	GP	AFP
1T	Pete Jesse	1	0.000
1T	Benjamin	1	0.000
1T	Lei Edward	1	0.000
4T	Arm Bloom	1	1.000
4T	Loch King	1	1.000
6T	Ron David	6	1.67
6T	Nath Nanpei	3	1.67
8	Trav Halbrt	4	2.00
9	Jor Jano	7	2.14
10T	JB Palik	4	2.25
10T	Sam Hadley	4	2.25

MADOLENIHMW HS - TOP 10			
RK	PLAYER	GP	AFP
1	Char Suzuki	8	1.88
2	Lory Ohry	5	2.20
3	Lov Patricio	4	2.25
4	Leo Santos	8	2.38
5	Rub Reimers	7	2.43
6	Yor Pahmer	3	2.67
7	Bren Moses	5	2.80
8	Rog Paulis	11	2.91
9	Ren Silbanuz	9	3.11
10	Peter Primo	7	3.29

OHWA CHRISTIAN HS - TOP 10			
RK	PLAYER	GP	AFP
1	Ket Saperma	1	1.000
2	Sull Uyehara	1	2.000
3	Sat Sehpin	1	3.000
4	Don Lorencio	1	4.000

RK=Rank GP=Games Played AFP=Average Finish Position

## CHESS CLUB STANDINGS

MADOLENIHMW HS - Top 10					
RK	PLAYER	GP	W	L	PCT
1T	Jayln Silbanuz	1	0	1	0.000
1T	Herbt Patricio	2	0	2	0.000
1T	Leo Henry	7	0	7	0.000
1T	Memerna Tom	1	0	1	0.000
1T	Reagan Elwise	1	0	1	0.000
1T	Joemar Wasan	1	0	1	0.000
1T	Amsan Iriarte	1	0	1	0.000
8	Cel Ada	39	18	20	1.462
9T	Lerisa John	2	1	1	0.500
9T	Anor Helgnbrg	2	1	1	0.500
9T	Person Hemil	2	1	1	0.500
9T	Nays Fred	2	1	1	0.500

SDA SCHOOL - Top 10						
RK	PLAYER	GP	W	L	D	PCT
1T	Tyrone Jano	3	0	3	0	0.000
1T	Fabrice Nimea	1	0	1	0	0.000
1T	Travis Halbert	1	0	1	0	0.000
1T	Lor Yamada	1	0	1	0	0.000
1T	Wendy Itimail	1	0	1	0	0.000
1T	Tano Acfalle	1	0	1	0	0.000
1T	Arman Bloom	1	0	1	0	0.000
1T	Nath Nanpei	6	1	4	1	0.167
1T	Yuuki Omura	4	1	2	1	0.250
1T	M. Pangelinan	3	1	2	0	0.333
1T	Clint Edward	3	1	1	1	0.333
1T	JB. Palik	9	3	6	0	0.333
1T	MJ Ramone	3	1	2	0	0.333

## COMMUNITY BULLETIN

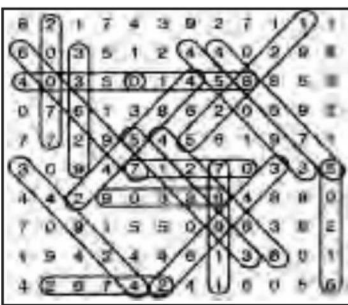
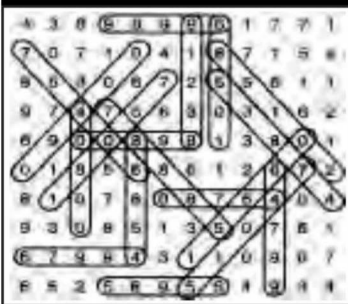
- Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Wednesday at Cantero Hall at the Roman Catholic Vicariate office at 7:00 p.m. Public welcome. For details, call 320-2123.
- Pohnpei Lions Club meets monthly every 4th Tuesday at Cliff Rainbow Restaurant at 6:30p.m. Public Welcome.
- The Christian Ministerial Association of Pohnpei meets the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in Cantero Hall at the Roman Catholic vicariate office.
- Devotions every Sunday 9:30 a.m. at the Bahai Center in Dolonier. For details, call 320-2182.
- Habitat for Humanity Pohnpei holds their meetings every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Sei Restaurant.
- Soccer practice/games at PICS field Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 5:30 p.m. Everyone welcome.
- The Rotary Club of Pohnpei holds its weekly meetings Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. at PCR Nantehlik.
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## Pohnpei Work Highlighted in Regional Banana and Plant Genetic Resources Meetings

By **Dr. LOIS ENGLBERGER**  
Pohnpei Island Food Community

Adelino Lorens, Chief of Agriculture of the Office of Economic Affairs and Chairman of the Island Food Community of Pohnpei (IFCP) and Dr. Lois Englberger of IFCP represented the Federated States of Micronesia at the regional Pacific Banana Strategy and Pacific Agriculture Plant Genetic Resources Network (PAPGREN) meetings, held in Suva, Fiji, from 9-10 and 12-16 November, as coordinated by the Secretariat of the Pacific Community. Other participants included representatives from Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kiribati, New Caledonia, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, American Samoa, Samoa, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu. Bioversity International in the Asia Pacific and Oceania and France were also represented

Pohnpei work on conserving and promoting diversity of island food crops was highlighted. The conservation of giant swamp taro (mwahng) at the Pilot Farm in Pohnlangas, Pohnpei, was named as a particularly important collection with its 69 accessions, as it appears that **this is the largest such anywhere.**

There was also great interest in IFCP's awareness work on promoting island foods and inclusion of nutrition topics in agriculture work. Mr. Lorens pointed out that the Pohnpei posters on varieties of banana, giant swamp taro, breadfruit and pandanus have been an important part of the awareness program. He presented photos of the FSM postal stamps highlighting Karat, the State Banana of Pohnpei and other Micro-nesian bananas, including Utin Iap, Utimwas, Mangat and Ihpali, as well as the GOING YELLOW video, and the Traditional

Food for Health project, as one of the 12 case studies in a global health project, in collaboration with the Centre for Indigenous Peoples' Nutrition and Environment.

Dr. Englberger provided an overview of the work on analysis of many local foods, which was initiated due to the emerging vitamin A deficiency problem in FSM. She explained that many yellow-fleshed varieties have now been identified to be carotenoid-rich and can help alleviate vitamin A deficiency and other nutritionally-related problems in Pohnpei, such as diabetes, heart disease, and cancer, all which have emerged along with the trend towards consumption of imported foods and changing lifestyles (including decreased physical activity).

She also presented some of the lessons learned in the Pohnpei awareness program:

- 1) The five benefits of local food (food security, health, economic, environment, and cultural) need to be repeated and repeated!
- 2) Focus on the youth as they are the future.
- 3) We are not banning imports but we are utilizing our own local foods, which are available to us!
- 4) A campaign needs a slogan...so LET'S GO LOCAL!!



Photo by Dr. Lois Englberger

*The unique giant swamp taro (mwahng) collection at the Pilot Farm in Pohnlangas, Madolenihmw, with its 69 accessions (over 45 varieties) is the largest of its kind anywhere. Kiped Alpert (far left), Pohnpei Agriculture of the Office of Economic Affairs showing it here to visitors and supporters.*

- 5) Follow a community, research-based, and inter-agency approach!
  - 6) Go to all levels, from the youth and communities to the leaders.
  - 7) Use a whole range of media and methods!
  - 8) Acknowledge our partners! Use color, humor and make it fun!
  - 9) Keep messages short, interesting and correct!
  - 10) Do what we preach!!
- Serve local foods and drinks at our meetings and workshops and at home and work remember to go local...and take care of our gardens and grow our own food crops as much as possible, encouraging our families to also GO LOCAL!!

Due to the interest by participants in the nutrition topics, the SPC Media Team did a radio interview with Dr. Englberger and Mr. Lorens, which will later be broadcast throughout the Pacific on SPC's Pacific Way radio program. IFCP would like to thank the SPC Centre for Pacific Crops and Trees (CePaCT) of the Land Resource Division, Bioversity International and NZ Aid sponsored Pacific Agricultural Plant Genetic Resources Network and all the organizers and supporters for involvement in this exciting and productive meeting. Warm thanks are also extended to Mr. Tevita Kete, SPC CePaCT, for assistance in writing this article.

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