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# Funneled wind gusts wreak havoc in Pohnpei



*PAMI roof interrupts a Sunday afternoon drive*

*By Bill Jaynes*  
*The Kaselehlie Press*

July 18, 2011

**Pohnpei, FSM**—Though the National Weather Service station in Kolonia reported only a maximum wind gust of 28 miles per hour yesterday localized wind gusts downed trees, toppled utility poles, and launched some Pohnpei roofs skyward.

One confirmed injury occurred on the Nanpohnmal ridge, most likely a result of funneled winds. Mr. Loren Peterson was seriously injured when a large tree fell on his van as he entered the driveway to his own home.

Peterson said that his daughter was leaving the house as he was coming home. He



*Spectators can scarcely believe what they are seeing*

leaned over and rolled down the window to speak to her. He was still leaned over when the tree fell on his vehicle. He was pinned in that position for nearly 45 minutes before rescuers were able to free him.

The main trunk of the tree fell on the rear end of the vehicle completely crushing the rear passenger area.

“If anyone had been in the back of the van they would be dead right now,” Peterson said. “This could have been so much worse!”

As it is Peterson was admitted to Genesis Family Medical Clinic with an injury to his spine. He has been referred to the Straub medical facility in Hawaii for treatment and for an MRI scan to be certain that he has no other undiagnosed internal injuries.

Peterson’s daughter escaped injury though the car she was driving, her mother’s, was heavily damaged.

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# Guangdong province “ambassadors” perform in the FSM

*By Bill Jaynes*  
*The Kaselehlie Press*

July 20, 2011

**Federated States of Micronesia**—The Embassy of the People’s Republic of China to the FSM hosted a reception at the Cliff Rainbow Hotel on Friday night, July 15. The reception was to celebrate the visit of the Guangdong Friendship Delegation and Guangdong Art Troupe headed by Mr. Fu Lang, the Director General of the Foreign Affairs Office of the People’s Government of Guangdong Province of China touring Pacific islands under the slogan “Ode to Friendship.”

In addition to remarks made by Mr. Fu and FSM’s Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Lorin Robert, PRC Ambassador Zhang Weidung gave a speech utilizing an acrostic based on the word “FRIENDS.”

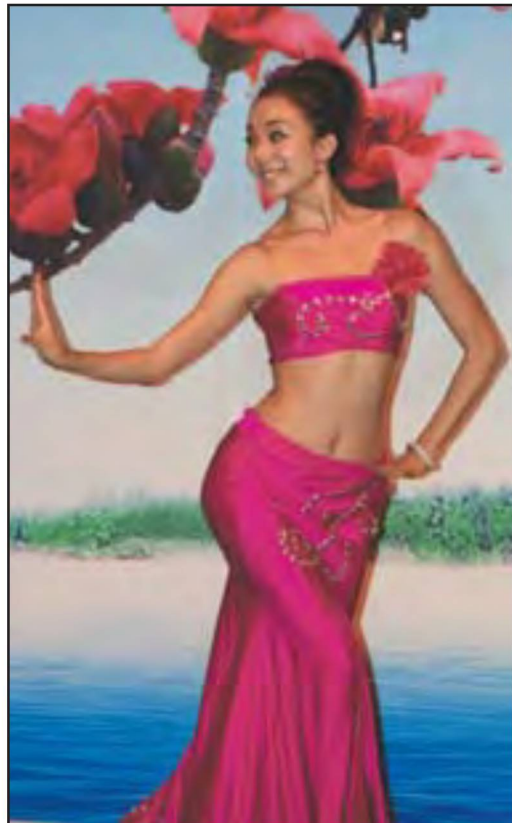
In his speech “F” stood for “far.” “However the distance cannot separate us and the seas bring us together,” he said quoting from the FSM Constitution.

“R” stood for relative. He quoted from an FSM history book issued by the Department of Education that said that the earliest ancestors of Micronesia and all Pacific Islands were from China. “Blood is always thicker than water,” he said.

“I” stood for intimacy. “We respect each other, trust each other, consult with each other and support each other.”



*Guangdong Art Troupe member dances for the crowd*



*Wu Qiong performs - Flowers*

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## Pacific Partnership completes final phase of mission, departs FSM

By Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Christopher Farrington, Pacific Partnership 2011 Public Affairs

**POHNPEI, Federated States of Micronesia** – The Pacific Partnership 2011 (PP11) team departed the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) to complete the fifth and final phase of the mission, July 14.

The amphibious transport dock ship USS Cleveland (LPD 7), the flagship for Pacific Partnership 2011, arrived in FSM 12 days prior with representatives from four of the U.S. service branches, and with members from the partner nations of Australia, Canada, Spain, and Malaysia. Medical officers from the Japan Self Defense Force (JSDF) also provided support at multiple medical civic action projects in FSM.

The PP11 team engaged in medical, dental, veterinary, engineering, and community service civic action projects in all four states of the FSM Pohnpei, Chuuk, Kosrae and Yap. Nearly 6200 Micronesians received treatment at the medical sites.

“PP11 marks another chapter in demonstrating the enduring commitment of the United States to the people of FSM,” said Peter A. Prahar, U.S. Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia. “The work that was done by more than 700 doctors, nurses, engineers, and veterinarians from the United States, along with partners from Malaysia, Australia, Japan, Canada, and Spain who are participating in Pacific Partnership 2011, has left an everlasting impact on every state of FSM.”

### Deadline

Submissions of articles, advertisements, community service items and other items for the next issue of The Kaselehlie Press is:

**August 3, 2011**

## Pacific Partnership 2011 shares a World of Stories with children in the FSM

By Airman 1st Class Haleigh Greer, Pacific Partnership 2011 Public Affairs

July 12

**POHNPEI, FSM** – The team, composed of Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and volunteers from participating non-governmental organizations Project HOPE and University of California, San Diego Pre-Dental Society, departed amphibious transport dock ship to interact with the children of Pohnpei.

‘One world, many stories,’ is the theme for this year’s Library Camp at Pohnpei Public Library. More than 50 school-age children learned about this weeks’ topic, North America, from the PP11 team.

“School is out for the summer, but some of the parents want their kids to stay active and continue learning. So they send them to library camp,” said Lt. Phillip Ridley, Pacific Partnership 2011 Chaplain. “Here they are learning library skills, playing sports with each other, and learning about different parts of the world. Each child gets a ‘passport,’ and when they finish learning about a new country, they get a sticker to show they have completed that country.”

Over the course of three days, Pacific Partnership team engaged in multiple activities with the children and had some fun while taking the time to teach.

“I feel that it was great experience for us and the kids as well,” said Lt. Melinda Garcia, PP11’s supply officer. “We played soccer, did arts and crafts, read to the children individually, and at the end we all came together to read stories to the entire group. It was a fun experience.”

While the veterinarians, medical staff and engineers were treating local patients and building schools, sheds and bathroom facilities for the students of Pohnpei, the team of community service volunteers was able to build a foundation in a different and beneficial way.

“I think community relations projects are a great bonus on these missions,” said Hanna Taylor, a registered nurse with Project HOPE. “The medical, engineering, and veterinary sites are important, but it’s also nice for us to be able to interact with the local people on a personal level and show them what people in America are really like.”

The PP11 members had the opportunity to work with Peace Corps volunteers from the United States at the library as well. These Peace Corps volunteers put together the library’s first ever reading camp to spread values of peace and tolerance to the local communities

of Micronesia.

“It’s nice to see a different type of government organization like the Navy,” Cori Jo Jahnsen, Peace Corps volunteer, said. “We didn’t know a lot about Pacific Partnership, and they didn’t know a lot about us. But it was nice to come together to learn from one another and achieve a common goal.”

Additionally, this library was built by U.S. Navy Seabees in the late 1970s, and a team of Seabees will refurbish it beginning in August.

FSM is the fifth and final mission port for Pacific Partnership 2011, which has completed operations in Tonga, Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste. In four mission ports, the Pacific Partnership team has treated more than 36,000 patients, cared for

more than 1,500 animals, conducted more than 40 community service projects and completed more than 20 engineering projects.

Pacific Partnership is an annual humanitarian assistance initiative sponsored by the U.S. Pacific Fleet. Born out of the aftermath of the 2004 Indonesian tsunami, Pacific Partnership began in 2006 and has gone to many countries in Southeast Asia and the South Pacific, treated more than 240,000 patients, and continued to enhance interoperability with partner nations.



Dr. Lydia Tong, left, and Caitlin Esinga, right, irrigates a dog’s eyes at the Pohnpei Veterinary Services Clinic during a veterinary civic action project



Capt. Juan Mendoza, with the Spanish Army receives a shot of Ivermectine from World Vet volunteer, Shannon Epler to give to a pig during a mobile veterinarian civic action project for Pacific Partnership 2011. (Photo by Kristopher Radder)

### Pohnpei vehicle owners!

We’d like to apologize for the incorrect information given to us by the Traffic Section of the Pohnpei Department of Public Safety published in the last issue of the Kaselehlie Press. If your license tag begins with a “K” or an “L” and you have not already renewed your registration you are late and the DPS may ticket you for that violation.

Vehicle owners with license tags beginning with “M” or “N” must renew their registrations before the end of July or face ticketing and a late registration fee.

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Bill Jaynes  
Managing Editor

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# Pohnpei State – OLMCHS wins 2011 FSM National Debate Competition

July 12, 2011 – The Pohnpei State/Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School (OLMCHS) Debate Team won the 2011 FSM National Debate Competition in Yap. The Debate Competition was part of the FSM Law Day Activity. President Manny Mori signed a Presidential Proclamation last May 17, 2011 proclaiming July 12, 2011 as FSM Law Day.

The said Debate Competition was held at the Yap State Legislative Chamber. This year's debate proposition was: "Be it resolved that the Federated States of Micronesia Constitution should be amended to allow a State to secede from the Federated States of Micronesia." Each State was represented in the said Debate, debating twice: one affirmative, and one negative. Team Chuuk was represented by Xavier High School; Team Pohnpei by Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School; Team Kosrae by Kosrae High School; and Team Yap by Yap High School.

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School gained the right to represent the Pohnpei State by winning the Pohnpei State Debate Contest last April 28, 2011 outclassing all the public and private high schools in Pohnpei. In the National Debate, the Pohnpei Debate Team had a total of 372 points as compared to Yap's 336 points, Chuuk's 306 points, and Kosrae's 293 points. The Debaters were judged according to Delivery, Argument, and Evidence.

The Pohnpei State – OLMCHS Debate Team is composed of Debaters: Carol Ann Carl & Bernis Pernes, both sophomore students, and Alternates: Shellany Saimon and John Andon, both freshmen students. Mr. Russell Figueras is their coach. It is the first time that OLMCHS joined both the Pohnpei State Debate and the FSM National Debate Competitions.



from L-R Bernis Pernes, Shellany Saimon, Russell Figueras, Carol Ann Carl, & John Andon

## FSMTC prices to increase

By Bill Jaynes  
The Kaselehlie Press

July 15, 2011

**Pohnpei, FSM**—FSM Telecommunications Corporation (FSMTC), saying that its cost of investments and development has been continuously rising has proposed a schedule of price increases. The notice released today says that increasing costs for telecommunications services is systemic in the industry.

FSMTC is a national public corporation and is required by law to invite public comment on any price increases. Their press release says that the schedule of increases will be posted in public places and at each FSMTC office. The public has 30 days to comment on the proposed increases.

Proposed price changes are as follows:

- Residential Telephone lines from \$8.00 per month to \$12.00 per month.
- Business Telephone Lines from \$16.00 per month to \$24.00 per month.
- Key system Service for Company or Customer Owned Equipment from \$16.00 per month to \$24.00 per month
- Wireless Service – Local Calling (Cell to Cell, Cell to landline, landline to Cell) from 10 cents per minute to 15 cents per minute
- Wireless Service Voicemail Retrieval from 10 cents per minute to 15 cents per minute.
- Cell to 411 directory assistance from 10 cents per minute to 25 cents per minute.
- Landline to 411 directory assistance which is currently free would cost 25 cents per call.

The FSMTC press release did not mention a price increase because of the law that will go into effect in October that will require FSMTC to pay Gross Revenue Tax for the first time in its history.

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP No: BD04-11

### SATELLITE CAPACITY

The Federated States of Micronesia Telecommunications Corporation, hereinafter FSMTC, is now accepting proposals from qualified Satellite Providers for the provision of: **Satellite Capacity (bandwidth) for Internet backhaul for Kosrae, Chuuk, and Yap States in the Federated States of Micronesia. With the following carrier requirements:**

#### INITIAL CAPACITY REQUIREMENTS

1. One point to multipoint transmission with information rate of 40Mb/s uplink from Pohnpei facility to be received at Kosrae, Chuuk, and Yap;
2. Three return transmissions, one each from Kosrae, Chuuk, and Yap at 5 Mb/s to the Pohnpei facility.

#### BACKGROUND

The Federated States of Micronesia, hereinafter FSM, is comprised of 600 islands and atolls scattered over an area of over one million square miles. Four main islands make up the four states of the FSM. These islands are (from West to East) Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei and Kosrae with Pohnpei being the Capital of the Federation.

FSMTC is the sole provider of telecommunications services within the Federated States of Micronesia. Connectivity between the four main islands is through satellite utilizing Intelsat services over Earth Stations in each of the four main islands with Pohnpei connected to the Micronesian Cable System submarine fiber optic cable.

With the rollout of broadband services throughout the 4 islands states in the FSM, the FSMTC will require a larger bandwidth and teleport capabilities in the island of Pohnpei.

#### EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

The FSMTC owns and operates the following Earth Station facilities in FSM:

1. Pohnpei:
  - 1 x 18.3 meter antenna, Standard A at 6.96 degrees North latitude; 158.21 degrees East longitude. Circular polarization pointing to NSS9 at 183 degrees East.
  - 1x 13.5 meter antenna, Standard B at 6.55 degrees North latitude; 158.10 degrees East longitude. Circular polarization limited to Right Hand Circular Pole on transmit and currently pointing to NSS9.
  - 1x 4.7 meter antenna, linear polarization. Same location as Pohnpei Standard B, pointing to T-18 at 138 degrees East.
2. Chuuk:
  - 1 x 13.5 meter antenna, Standard B at 7.27 degrees North latitude; 151.51 degrees East longitude. Circular polarization limited to Right Hand Circular Pole on transmit and currently pointing to NSS9.
  - 1x 4.7 meter antenna, linear polarization. Same location as Chuuk Standard B, pointing to T-18 at 138 degrees East.
3. Yap:
  - 1 x 13.5 meter antenna, Standard B at 9.29 degrees North latitude; 136.05 degrees East longitude. Circular polarization limited to Right hand Circular Pole on transmit and currently pointing to NSS9.
  - 1x 4.7 meter antenna, linear polarization. Located at 9.31 North latitude; 136.07 East longitude. Pointing to T-18 at 138 degrees East.
4. Kosrae:
  - 1 x 13.5 meter antenna, Standard B at 5.19 degrees North latitude; 162.58 degrees East longitude. Circular polarization limited to Right hand Circular Pole on transmit and currently pointing to NSS9.
  - 1x 4.7 meter antenna, linear polarization. Located at 5.31 degrees North latitude; 163.10 East longitude. Pointing to T-18 at 138 degrees East.

#### Vendor's Proposals

The vendor's proposal should include:

1. Link Analysis – EIRP requirements, modulation scheme, and bandwidth requirements.
2. Required earth station equipment.
3. Expansion availability and limitations.
4. Monthly Recurring Costs (MRC) for the satellite capacity and a per Mb/s cost of bandwidth.

#### Contact Information

Proposals shall be submitted electronically to: Joseph Johnny, Plant & Engineering Manager at jjohnny@mail.fm. Proposals must include in the subject line, SATELLITE CAPACITY PROPOSALS and shall be received no later than C.O.B. August 05, 2011, Pohnpei Time, GMT +11 hours.

Questions regarding this proposal should addressed to:

Nahzar Yens  
Technical Superintendent  
FSM Telecommunications Corporation  
Phone: 691-320-2740  
Fax: 691-320-2745  
e-mail: nyens@mail.fm

The FSMTC reserves the right to reject any/or all proposals deemed as not in the best interest of its services to its customers.

Signed this 5th day of July, 2011.

(s)  
Fredy Parman  
Executive VP/ Chief Operating Officer  
FSM Telecommunications Corporation



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## Chuuk Marine Resources receives grant for alternative fishing

The Embassy of Japan to the FSM

On December 28, 2010 a grant in the amount of \$US106,034.00 was signed over to Chuuk Department of Marine Resources. The grant was provided by Japan's Grant Aid Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects to purchase fishing equipments to implement alternative method of fishing other than dynamite fishing. On June 30, 2011 the equipments were finally handed over to the abovementioned Department by Ambassador Eiichi Suzuki who was inducted as Ambassador of Japan to the FSM early this year

The Japanese Embassy has been very concerned about the negative impact that

dynamite fishing has had on the environment and especially on the livelihoods of the people of Chuuk. Accordingly, the Embassy has worked closely with Japanese aid agencies such as JICA and OFCF to formulate a project for alternative method of fishing and had informed President Mori of their intentions.

Protection of people's security and sustainability are the basic concepts of the scheme for the Grassroots Human Security grant and if an alternate fishing method is introduced it will improve both in many ways such as a more safe and efficient fishing method for the fishing community and will also enable them to sell fish with appropriate prices. Mr. Maruhisa Ishii, a Senior Volunteer from JICA, was assigned as Project Leader for

this project and with combined efforts from the Japanese aid agencies and the Embassy staff, this project was made possible.

In attendance were Ambassador Suzuki and his wife, Honorable Roger S. Mori, Lieutenant Governor Johnson Elimo, Director of Marine Resources, Mr. Romio a. Osiena, and Mr. Mason Fritz, Director of Chuuk Visitor's Bureau.



## Pohnpei Department of Public Safety releases June crime report statistics

By Bill Jaynes  
The Kaselehlie Press

July 19, 2011

**Pohnpei, FSM**—The Pohnpei State Department of Public Safety, in an effort to truly understand what crime trends are and where its law enforcement priorities should be has begun to produce monthly crime report statistics. The Kaselehlie Press published the May statistics in the July 11 issue. Chief of Police Joe Roby, within the last week also sent the June statistics of crime reports.

He said in his email the report for July will be based on arrests and age groups of alleged offenders.

In June there were ten reported cases of **Assault and Battery**. Two of those reports came from U, four from Nett, one from Kolonia, and three from Sokehs.

Island wide there were seven reports of **burglary**. One of those cases was in Madolenihmw, one in Nett, four in Kolonia, and one in Kitti.

There were four reports of **Appearance in Public under the influence of Alcohol**. One of the reports was in Nett, two were in Kolonia and, one was in Sokehs.

There were 20 reported cases of **careless driving** on the island. Chief Joe Roby said that the charge of careless driving is filed in the event of an accident where police feel that at least one involved driver was clearly negligent. Careless driving is different from moving violations such as unsafe passing, excessive speed or any number of other moving violations. Of the 20 cases of careless driving,

three were in Madolenihmw, two were in U, seven were in Nett, six were in Kolonia and two were in Sokehs.

Of the 14 reported cases of **consuming liquor while under age 21** one was in U, one was in Nett, nine were in Kolonia, and three were in Sokehs.

There were 55 cases of **disorderly conduct** reported in June compared to 91 last month. Three of the reports were from Madolenihmw, five were from U, 13 were from Nett, 22 from Kolonia, 11 from Sokehs and, one in Kitti.

Chief Roby said that the crime of **Malicious Mischief** is the crime of intentional property destruction. Six cases were reported last month. One of them was in U, Kolonia and Nett each had two, and Sokehs had one case reported in June.

Of the ten reported cases of **Carrying an Open Container of Beer/Liquor on Public Road** seven of them were in Kolonia. Sokehs had one case and Kitti had two.

11 cases of **Driving while under the influence of alcohol** were reported. Every municipality reported at least one case of this crime. Madolenihmw, U, and Kitti had one reported incident each. Nett and Kolonia had three cases and, Sokehs had two.

**Theft** is different from burglary in that it does not involve unauthorized entry. Chief Roby said that examples of theft might include the stealing of sakau, yam, taro, or even stealing a pair of zorries from someone's front porch. There were six cases of theft reported in the month of June. Madolenihmw and Nett had one each and Kolonia had four.

### Employment Opportunity

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**College of  
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**Minimum Qualifications:** Master's degree required in relevant fields from US an accredited college. Foreign credentials must be equated to US standards using World Education Services at <http://www.wes.org> teaching experience at the post secondary level. Five years of progressively more responsible administrative experience in a higher education environment. Demonstrated leadership and management skills including effective communication skills and significant budgetary responsibility. Familiarity with the role of education in a developing country. Desirable Skills and Knowledge: Senior-level administrative experience with responsibility for academic, vocational, and basic education programs. Experienced in team leadership. Five to eight years' teaching experience in higher education. Experience with program review processes that leads to institutional assessment, curricular relevance, and continuous improvement. The ability to conceptualize, develop, and implement a distance education delivery system. Experience in strategic planning and budgeting. Skilled in establishing and maintain effective partnerships with agencies, the community, industry, and education institutions. Commitment to innovation in education programs. Demonstrated community involvement. Knowledge of Micronesian Culture and ability to work in a multi cultural environment and willingness to live in a rural area.

**Contact:** Applications are available at the College of Micronesia-FSM Human Resources Office, state campus sites or the college's website at [www.comfsm.fm](http://www.comfsm.fm).

**Process:** Applicants must submit an interest letter, COM-FSM Employment Application form, resume, official & hard copies of college transcripts to be mailed directly from schools to COM-FSM, a brief teaching philosophy and 3 up to date letters of recommendation to Human Resources Office at the address above or send via E-mail to [hro@comfsm.fm](mailto:hro@comfsm.fm) no later than August 13, 2011.

The College reserves the right to request or require from any applicant additional documentation or certification in addition to the minimum requirements stated in this advertisement in order to be considered for this position. All persons applying must meet or exceed any additional qualifications required in the COM-FSM Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual.

The College of Micronesia-FSM is an equal opportunity employer. FSM Citizens are encouraged to apply

## President Mori nominates Cabinet members and Ambassadors for his second term

*FSM Information Services*

**July 17, 2011**

On July 13, 2011, President Manny Mori, pursuant to section 2(d), article X of the FSM Constitution and Title 2, Chapter 2 section 207 of the FSM Code, submitted twenty one (21) nominations to the Seventeenth FSM Congress for "advice and consent".

In his letter to Speaker Isaac V. Figir, the President stated that the selection of nominees "could have been more difficult had it not been for the overriding national interest to maintain status quo". Submitted nominations are as follows:

Office Nominee

Secretary of Education - Dr. Rufino Mauricio  
Secretary of Finance and Administration - Mr. Tiser Reynold  
Secretary of Foreign Affairs - Mr. Lorin S. Robert  
Secretary of Health and Social Affairs - Dr. Vita A. Skilling  
Secretary of Justice - Mr. Maketo Robert

Secretary of Resources and Development - Mr. Marion Henry  
Secretary of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure - Mr. Francis I. Itimai  
Director of Environment and Emergency Management - Mr. Andrew Yatilman  
Chief of Public Defender - Mr. Julius Joey Sapelalut  
Director of SBOC - Ms. Evelyn Adolph  
FSM Ambassador to China - Mr. Akillino Susaia  
FSM Ambassador to Fiji - Mr. Gerson Jackson  
FSM Ambassador to Japan - Mr. John Fritz  
FSM Ambassador to the United States of America - Mr. Asterio R. Takesy  
FSM Resident Representative to the United Nations - Mrs. Jane J. Chigiyal  
Consul General in Guam - Mr. Robert Ruecho  
FSM Consul General in Honolulu - Mr. Ismael Dobich  
Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs - Mr. Samson Pretrick  
Postmaster General - Mrs. Ginger Porter Mida  
Public Auditor - Mr. Haser Hainrick  
FSM National Election Director - Mr. Albert T. Welly

The President pointed out that some of his department and office heads have been shifted from current posts to different offices due to several considerations ranging from educational background to work experience and loyalty.

Concerning other officials not nominated for the second term, the President expressed regrets in admitting that he made the decision to forego such nominations based on "consideration of the totality of the circumstances surrounding each case with the best interest of the Nation in mind".

Pursuant to the new Public Law No. 17-02, amending relevant sections of the FSM Code governing Congressional action on Presidential nominations, the 17th FSM Congress will have two consecutive sessions to act on these twenty one nominations.

A twelve-day Special Session of the FSM Congress will commence on July 25 as called by President Mori on June 10 to address the nominations, among other issues.

## VACANCY

Administrative Officer



**Deadline for Submission:**  
August 5th, 2011

The Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) invites applications from suitably experienced and qualified individuals for the Support Staff post of **Administrative Officer** to be based at its headquarters at Kolonia, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia. Information about the WCPFC is available at [www.wcpfc.int](http://www.wcpfc.int). The successful candidate will work as a member of a small, multi-national team in a challenging environment.

The incumbent will support the Finance and Administrative Manager to provide logical support for annual meetings, maintenance and safe keeping of the Commission's property and assets, develop staff travel itineraries, provide assistance with financial administration and human resource, and undertake special projects. Starting Salary \$21,000. Higher salary may be considered depending upon qualifications.

Terms of reference are available on request from Mr Aaron Nighswander, Finance and Administrative Manager, WCPFC Secretariat ([aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int](mailto:aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int)). Applications should be addressed to Mr Aaron Nighswander, Finance and Administrative Manager, WCPFC Secretariat, P.O. Box 2356, Kolonia, Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia 96941, and clearly identified as an application for the post of Administrative Officer. Alternatively, applications may be dropped off at the office between 8:00 am and 4:35 pm Monday through Friday or sent via e-mail to [aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int](mailto:aaron.nighswander@wcpfc.int).

*WCPFC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages both men and women to apply.*

## RMI crowned boys basketball champions

*By Jim Tobin*

The Marshall Islands boys' basketball team was crowned champions of the first ever 2011 Micronesia 15 Years and Under Basketball Tournament eastern division beating the Pohnpei A team by a score of 91 to 67. Third place in the boy's division went to the greatly improved Kosrae boy's team. The girls' division champions were the Pohnpei Warriorz. Pohnpei Upward Bound finishing second and the Pohnpei Remix finished in third place.

The youth basketball tournament was held at the COM-FSM national campus gymnasium from July 9 to 14. The schedule format for the tournament was a round robin preliminary round where each team played each other once as well as a double elimination playoff round (two losses and a team was out). The tournament was co-hosted by the FSM Basketball Association, COM-FSM and FSM National Olympic Committee. The local organizing committee, chaired by Senator Aurelio Joab, coordinated the Micronesia eastern division, and invited boys' and girls' basketball teams from the Marshall Islands, Kosrae State, Chuuk State and Pohnpei State to participate.

The Micronesia western division tournament was held in Palau at the end of June with boys' and girls' teams invited from Yap State, Palau, CNMI and Guam.

The overall results and scores were:

	BOYS	GIRLS
<b>CHAMPIONS</b>	Marshall Islands	Pohnpei Warriorz
<b>2nd PLACE</b>	Pohnpei 1	Pohnpei Upward Bound
<b>3rd PLACE</b>	Kosrae	Pohnpei Remix
<b>SPORTSMANSHIP</b>	Pohnpei 2	Pohnpei Warriorz
<b>MVP</b>	Kyle Paul	Rita Paulino
<b>ALL STARS</b>	Kavika Abraham	Isako Peterson
	Austin Saimon	Savanah Silara
	Princeton Else	Nicole Solomon
	June Matayoshi	Shaynez Santos
	Emilyo Maddison	Tyana Musrasrik



*Pohnpei's aggressive hands on game combined with RMIs hard drives combined to make the free throw line one of the most visited spots on the court for RMI*

DATE	TIME	VISITING TEAM	VS.	HOME TEAM
8-Jul	5:30 PM	RMI	77 vs. 42	Pohnpei 2
	7:30 PM	Kosrae	45 vs. 75	Pohnpei 1
9-Jul	2:00 PM	PNI Warriorz (F)	50 G1 63	PNI UB
	5:00 PM	RMI	74 vs. 36	Kosrae
	7:00 PM	Pohnpei 1	106 vs. 42	Pohnpei 2
11-Jul	10:00 AM	Kosrae	52 vs. 45	Pohnpei 2
	12:00 PM	Pohnpei 1	68 vs. 65	RMI
	2:00 PM	PNI Remix	18 vs. 35	PNI Warriorz (F)
	5:00 PM	Pohnpei 2	44 G2 76	Pohnpei 1
	7:00 PM	Kosrae	42 vs. 73	RMI
12-Jul	3:00 PM	Pohnpei 2	61 vs. 64	Kosrae
	5:00 PM	PNI Upward Bound	42 G3 25	PNI Remix
	7:00 PM	Pohnpei 1	65 vs. 74	RMI
13-Jul	5:00 PM	PNI Remix	L G4 W	PNI Warriors
	7:00 PM	Kosrae	71 vs. 79	Pohnpei 1
14-Jul	3:00 PM	PNI Warriors - girls	75 G5 21	PNI Upward Bound - girls
	5:00 PM	RMI - boys	91 vs. 67	Pohnpei 1 - boys

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## PP'11 rehabilitates three public schools in Pohnpei

### Embassy of the United States of America Kolonia

On July 12-13, U.S. Embassy Deputy Chief of Mission Lori Dando participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremonies for renovation projects at three public schools in Pohnpei: Ohmine Elementary School in Kolonia, Wone Elementary School in Kitti, and Temwen School in Madolenihmw. Under Pacific Partnership 2011, the engineering projects (ENCAP) were completed by Navy Mobile Construction Battalion 133, and included roof replacements, restroom, sidewalk, and partition repair, and paint upgrade. Participating on behalf of Pacific Partnership were Rear Admiral Paul Bushong and Construction Battalion 133 Commanding Officer Nicholas Yamodis. Rear Admiral Bushong is U.S. Defense Representative Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and Republic of Palau; Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Marianas; and Commander, Joint Region Marianas.

During her remarks at the ceremonies, DCM Dando remarked that "[these schools are] solid evidence of the commitment of the people of the United States to making real improvements in the lives of the people of the FSM, who are our partners and our friends in this region of the world and globally." DCM Dando thanked Battalion 133 for their tireless efforts, and expressed hope that the facility would be maintained to the highest standard.

Turning to the local stakeholders, Dando, encouraged the community to take care of the school and take an active role in the school's activities, the parents to demand and pursue excellence from the public school system, the teachers to renew their dedication to their careers and student achievement,

and the Administration to ensure a safe and clean learning environment. Lastly, she urged students to absorb as much as possible from their academic experiences, explaining that hard work in the classroom will open doors for their future success.

Speaking on behalf of the Pohnpei State at Ohmine and Wone, Governor John Ehsa expressed gratitude on behalf of Pohnpei, and committed to maintaining the facilities with pride: "These structures will be kept up to standards. They will not go to waste."

In his remarks at Wone and Temwen, Rear Admiral Bushong noted that the ENCAP projects illustrate Pacific Partnership's focus on education, as well as the importance the U.S. places on its commitment under Title III of the Compact. With regards to defense and security, Admiral Bushong explained that "[The United States] is committed to the defense of Micronesia as if it were our own."

Attending the events on behalf of Pohnpei traditional leadership were His Excellency Wasa Lapalap Isopahu, Nahnmwarki of Madolenihmw and Likend Madolenihmw; His Excellency Nahnmwarki of Kitti Wasa Lapalap Soukisoahloang and Nahnalek Kitti; and other traditional leaders from the respective municipalities.

Representing the F.S.M. National Government were Vice President Alik Alik, and Congress Vice Speaker Berney Martin, and Secretary of Foreign Affairs Lorin Robert.

Attending on behalf of Pohnpei State Government were Governor Ehsa and First Lady Junalinda Weital, and Director of Education Joe Villazon. Attending on behalf of the Municipal governments were Kolonia Town Mayor

Marcelo Peterson, Councilwoman Yuko Nakasone, Kitti Council Acting Speaker Isokohnedi, Section VI Chief Masao Silbanuz, and other education administrators, teachers, community members, parents, and students.



Constuction Battalion 133 and enthusiastic students congregate in front of the newly renovated Ohmine Elementary School in Kolonia July 12.



Members of Battalion 133 transport a 300lb pig, offered as a gift by His Excellency Wasa Lapalap Isopahu, Nahnmwarki of Madolenihmw, to express gratitude for the assistance under Pacific Partnership 2011.

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## Guangdong Friendship Delegation and Art Troupe visit FSM President and Vice President

### FSM Information Services

July 20, 2011

A visiting delegation from Guangdong Province in The People's Republic of China, accompanied by Ambassador Zhang Weidong, paid a courtesy call on President Manny Mori and Vice President Alik L. Alik at 10:00a.m., Monday, July 18.

The visitors are part of a Friendship Delegation and Art Troupe from Guangdong that is undertaking a 7-country tour including the FSM. The FSM is the first among these seven countries to host the visiting exotic arts performers.

In welcoming the visitors to his office, President Mori expressed his appreciation to the Guangdong Friendship Delegation for bringing their show to the FSM which allows our people to have a first-hand experience of China's arts, music, and performing culture.

In attesting to the welcoming enthusiasm and high level of excitement over the event, the President spoke of the huge crowd turnout on Sunday night at the COM-FSM gym in spite of the nearly one hour electricity "black-out" that did not deter the people from enjoying the presence of the rare visit.

According to the President, the performing art show is "one of the ways to further strengthen relations between the FSM and the People's Republic of China, along with cultural exchanges, student scholarship programs, and other mutually beneficial engagements" – the mainstream development partnership between FSM and China.

Mr. Fu Lang, President of the Guangdong People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries, through an interpreter, expressed appreciation to the President and Vice President for the opportunity to visibly meet and interact.

In responding to President's mentioning of the unexpected power-cut during the Sunday night exhibition, Mr. Lang commended the President

for "being patient and calm" amid the unpleasant interruption – a rare display among Heads of States in similar situations, according to Mr. Lang.

Mr. Fu Lang also briefly enumerated five areas of prospective "partnerships" where he feels his Province of Guangdong, as part of China's commitment to FSM, could be able to engage on a Province-to-State development. These areas include: Cooperation in Tourism, Enhancement of Tuna Industry, Technical Training and College education for Agricultural Industry, Trade Partnership, especially in Commerce, Electronics, and Food Industry, and Infrastructure Development for Power Generation, Road Construction, and Hotel Industry.

President Mori, in acknowledgment of Mr. Fu Lang's remarks, alluded to the fact that the FSM has been formulating a fisheries rehabilitation scheme that is to be supported by China and working on ways to accelerate the enhancement of its tourism market in an environmentally balanced development.

It was pointed out during this meeting that the State of Chuuk and Guangdong Province have signed a MOU of Cooperation and established "Friendly Relation" that will eventually create a "sister-ship" between the two local governments.

"Guangdong is open-minded to establish good relationship with all the states of the FSM", Ambassador Weidong had expressed during the welcoming ceremony for the visiting group hosted by China Embassy last Friday.

The Friendship Delegation and the Art Troupe conducted their events at the China-FSM Friendship Sports Center at COM-FSM Palikir Campus on the evenings of July 16 and 17. The group will perform at the Saramen Chuuk Development Center on Weno Island, Chuuk on the late morning of July 20.

## FSMACC held 2nd Board of Directors meeting in Pohnpei

The FSM Association of Chambers of Commerce (FSMACC) held its 2nd Board of Directors meeting in Pohnpei on May 21, 2011 to discuss and consider issues important to the organization which included representation on the Pacific Islands Private Sector Organization (PIPSO) for the North Region, funding for the organization, financial and capacity building assistance, website and logo for the organization, organization strategic plan and implementation of organization administrative policies. The first full Board of Directors meeting was held in Chuuk in November, 2010

The recent meeting was chaired by the President of the FSMACC Mr. William Stinnett and attended by eleven members with one member absent. The Board is comprised of 12 members, having three directors representing each of the State Chambers of Commerce.

Participants discussed the vacated seat for the representative of the North Region on the PIPSO Board of Director. The FSMACC was invited to nominate a potential member to the Board. The Board agreed to submit the names of Mr. William Stinnett, President of the FSMACC and Mr. Leon Senda, Vice President of the FSMACC as the

alternate. The Board also discussed a need for a work plan to enable further progress of the work of the association and to support the funding for the organization and its activities.

The FSMACC was chartered in March of 2010 to support the State Chambers by providing: 1) capacity building for the private sector; 2) pro-business policy advocacy; 3) corporate functions; 4) information and; 5) developing networking. The association is also a valuable conduit in bridging the State Chambers of Commerce and other private sector organizations and facilitating public-private dialogue.

The FSMACC is the national focal point for the private sector in the FSM and also a member of the Pacific Island Private Sector Organization (PIPSO) based in Suva, Fiji, facilitating public-private dialogue.

For more information on the FSMACC and the recent Board meeting, please contact Ms. Marciana Peterson, Secretariat of the FSMACC at the FSM Department of Resources and Development, Tel no: (691) 320-5133 or email maranshan.peterson3@gmail.com.

## NOTICE OF LAND SALE BY AUCTION

Pursuant to the order of the FSM Supreme Court entered on May 20, 2011, public notice is hereby given that the leasehold interests in the parcel described below will be sold by auction to the highest bidder under the following terms:

Leasehold interests in parcel no. 092-H-01, land known as "Togmaa", situated in Yinuf Village, Rull Municipality, Yap State, with an approximate area of 1,882 square meters, as described in the Certificate of Title issued on September 4, 1996 and registered as Doc. No. 3414 at the Registrar, Yap State Land Commission, with all improvements, including an apartment building, fixtures & equipment, excepting tenant-owned furnishings & equipment.

- Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "August 4, 2011 Land Auction" by personal delivery to Ms Katherine Gisog at the front entrance area of the FSM Supreme Court courthouse in Colonia, Yap on Thursday, August 4, 2011 between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.
- The deadline for submitting bids will be 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 4, 2011.

Pursuant to the order of the FSM Supreme Court entered on May 13, 2011, public notice is hereby given that the parcel described below will be sold by auction to the highest bidder under the following terms:

Parcel no. 045-E-30, situated in Lohd-powe section, Madolenihmw Municipality, Pohnpei State, with an approximate area of 7,608 square meters, as described in the Certificate of Title issued on June 2, 2005 and registered as Document No. 20533 at the Office of the Registrar, Pohnpei Court of Land Tenure.

- Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "August 4, 2011 Land Auction" by personal delivery to Mr Ricky Jano at the front entrance area of the FSM Supreme Court courthouse in Palikir, Pohnpei on Thursday, August 4, 2011 between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m.
- The deadline for submitting bids will be 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 4, 2011.

### INFORMATION APPLICABLE TO BOTH PARCELS

- There are no minimum bid amounts for the parcels. You may bid on one or both of the parcels.
- All bid submissions must state the full name, mailing address, phone or fax numbers, e-mail address or other valid contact information for the person submitting the bid.
- All bid submissions must clearly state the bid amount for each parcel.
- The winning bidder shall be conveyed title through a duly issued Court order transferring title or the leasehold interest to the land, including all buildings, fixtures, equipment, and other improvements on the land, upon delivery of a cashier's check in the full amount of the bid payable to the "FSM Development Bank" no later than ten (10) days after notice is given.
- The winning bidder must be eligible to hold title to land in the Federated States of Micronesia.
- If the winning bidder fails to remit payment within the required time, the award will be granted to the next highest bidder and the same conditions will apply.
- The parcels and any improvements thereon, are offered for sale "as-is" with no guarantees or warranties as to their condition whatsoever.
- Questions concerning this auction may be directed to Nora E Sighah, Legal Counsel, email: noras@fsmdb.fm, FSM Development Bank, PO Box M, Pohnpei, FM 96941, phone no. 691-320-2840, fax no. 691-320-6533, website: www.fsmdb.fm

## ... Guangdong

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“E” stood for Economic Cooperation. “Even if China itself is not rich, it has been providing economical and technical aid to the FSM within its own capacity, based on the principles of equality, accountability, mutual beneficial, pragmatism and efficiency.”

“N” stood for Nation Building. Ambassador Zhang said that though China has a history of more than 5000 years the People’s Republic of China is only 62 years old. Similarly the FSM is a young nation, 32 years in the making and with 26 years of independence. He said that both countries have arduous tasks in nation building.

“D” stood for Development. “China will develop friendship and cooperation with all countries including the FSM on the basis of the Five Principles of Peaceful Coexistence, uphold the legitimate demands and common interest of developing countries, and take an active part in multilateral affairs to make the international political and economic order more just and equitable,” the Ambassador said.

“S” stood for Success in the Ambassador’s speech. “We have every reason to be proud of what we have achieved, but we have no reason to be complacent. We must not and shall never rest on our laurels. We will continue to make great efforts in strengthening our friendship. We will be successful and we must be successful since it is beneficial to both our countries and our peoples.”

“The visit by the Guangdong Delegation will contribute to the friendship and cooperation between us. Guangdong was among the first Provinces to implement the policy of reform and opening up to the world in China 33 years ago. Today Guangdong has become a model on economic and social development in China. Guangdong Province and Chuuk State have signed a MOU to establish a sistership. And Guangdong is open-minded to establish (a) good relationship with all the states of the FSM... To sum up, we are relatives from afar and we cooperate successfully with each other in all fields,” the Ambassador concluded.

After all of the speeches were done guests were treated to two performances by members of the Guangdong Art Troupe.

The first, a virtuoso musical performance on the four stringed Chinese “Pipa” astounded listeners. The fingers of Sha Jingshan cascaded over the strings in a performance that left non-musicians appreciative and musicians open mouthed.

Ma Lixin showed that she had complete control over her body as she swung multiple aluminum covered hula hoops with complete control both while standing on her feet and on her head.

The translator for the troupe teased the guests by telling them that if they wanted to see more they would have to come to one of the performances on the weekend.

FSM Vice President Alik and his wife were at the July 16, 6:30 performance as were the members of the diplomatic corps and some cabinet members. The stands were nearly full.

The show kicked off in front of an appreciative Pohnpei audience with a dance entitled The Soul of Dance with performers Wu Qiong, Lu Hongyi, Wang Xuexin, Zhang Xuan, Pen Chuqing, Zhao Kan, and Ou Yang.

Performer Ma Zhimin played a Suona Horn Solo, “Harvest Chinese Dates” that featured two differently pitched straight brass horns and a mouth

insert that made the performer seem as if she was singing pitches impossible for a human being to sing. The audience went wild. She followed that performance with a Cucurbit Flute Solo entitled “Phoenix Tail Bamboo under the Moonlight,” reminiscent of the musical sound track of nearly every Kung Fu movie ever made.

Xu Zhaohua, Xu Damei, Ma Xiaohui clowned for the audience as they balanced on a board perched on top of multiple rolling tubes. They invited a young boy from the audience to see if he could balance like they did to the audience’s immense pleasure.

Wu Qiong performed a dance entitled “Flowers” in a dress that bloomed as she spun just like the flowers she was imitating.

A group of stick dancers from Nett, Pohnpei were invited to perform and demonstrated their craft more for the benefit of the Guangdong Art Troupe than for the audience.

Champion Kung Fu experts Gan Lei, and Chen Lun did a floor show to demonstrate their ancient martial art.

Ma Lixin followed with a longer version of the performance she had given the evening before at the Cliff Rainbow Hotel. Afterwards she invited a young local girl to try to swing a hula hoop around her hips as the crowd whooped and hollered. She performed admirably with barely a trace of embarrassment.

In a truly remarkable and magical performance

Ou Yang, Wu Qiong, Lu Hongyi, Zhang Xuan, and Pen Chuqing displayed the art of Szechuan opera in which the performer changed masks without anyone seeing how or when she did it; in the blink of an eye.

Mrs. Amy Prahar who is from Hong Kong and is the wife of U.S. Ambassador Peter Prahar later said that Szechuan opera artists have been guarding the secret of the magic behind the changing masks for generations and that only the artists know how it is done.

Sha Jingshan demonstrated her instrumental virtuosity on two different four stringed traditional Chinese instruments in her performances of “Playing My Beloved Pipa” and “A Rose for You.”

Gan Lei and Chen Lun demonstrated Kung Fu swords in a muscular presentation.

Dancers in a change of costume performed a charming and innocent appearing dance involving straw hats in a number they entitled “The Charm of Cantonese Girls.”

Xu Zhaohua, Xu Damei and Ma Xiaohui performed head and hand standing and stacked acrobatics on the floor that should never be attempted by anyone who doesn’t have the proper training. Stacked three people high the performers did acrobatic tricks that would reasonably scare a person trying to do them at floor level much less over a dozen feet off the ground.

An ambulance was standing by.

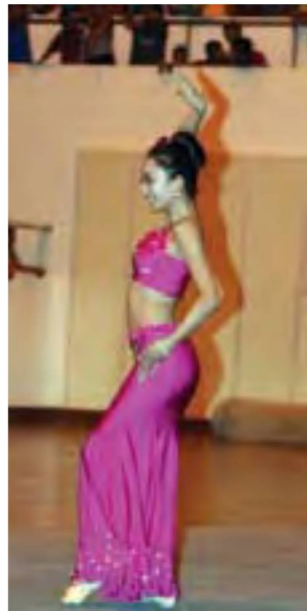
A Bawu and Pipa duet was performed by the musicians of the troupe followed by a surprise and seemingly impromptu saxophone performance of Edelweiss, Auld Land Syne and an encore traditional Chinese musical number by Guangdong head of delegation Fu Lang.

The audience was told by the English and Chinese Speaking Master of Ceremonies and McGarry Miguel who acted as the Pohnpei language interpreter that in China the color red symbolizes happiness. The Art Troupe closed its performance with a raucous dance entitled “China Red,” with dancers clothed entirely in crimson attire.

The Guangdong Art Troupe gave a second performance on the following evening which was delayed for nearly two hours due to a weather related power outage. Apparently the crowd was at capacity and most of them stayed for the performance which didn’t begin until after 8:00.

This morning they gave another performance in Chuuk.

Perhaps Ambassador Zhang’s spoken wish has come true. “The two-day show here in Pohnpei and one show in Chuuk will not only impress the audience with the wisdom, courage and diligence of the Chinese people but also bring love, peace and happiness to the people of the FSM. I am sure that after you have watched the performances, you will have a better understanding of China, its culture and its people,” he said in his concluding remarks at the Cliff Rainbow reception.



Wu Qiong performs the dance - Flowers



Stacked acrobats



Ma Lixin performs with hula hoops at Cliff Rainbow reception



Ma Lixin covered in hula hoops



Local girl gives it a go



Masters of ceremonies



Local boy balances with just a little bit of help



A kung fu demonstration



Nett group performs stick dance



Lightning fast magical mask changing



Guangdong Art Troupe dancers perform - The Soul Of Dance



Dancers perform - The charm of Cantonese girls



Sha Jingshan performs at reception at Cliff Rainbow



Guangdong Art Troupe with Chinese and FSM officials and diplomatic corps



Sha Jingshan performs a virtuoso string solo



## Search for six children and nine adults underway in Chuuk waters

By Bill Jaynes  
The Kaselehlie Press

July 21, 2011

**Chuuk, FSM**—According to several news sources a 28 foot boat with six children and nine adults has gone missing in Chuuk waters as they attempted to make the 60 mile trip from Weno to Ruo. The boat left Weno, the capital of Chuuk, on Monday and the passage should have taken approximately six hours. When the tiny boat did not arrive in Ruo by Tuesday morning residents reported it as missing.

"We're now almost 27 hours into the search and so far we've covered over 9,300 square nautical miles of ocean," Coast Guard Ensign Richard Russell told CNN. At that point searchers had found no sign of the boat.

of the adults in the boat work in Weno but live in Ruo. Weno and Ruo are both in Chuuk.

The FSM national government, the Chuuk State government and the Guam sector of the Coast Guard coordinated a joint search to find the missing people.

U.S. Navy and Coast Guard aircraft were in the search, the Coast Guard's Russell said, as was a 750-foot Norwegian cargo ship that had been in the area.

"We have a program called AMVER (Automated Mutual Assistance Vessel Rescue) that allows us to track vessels and (in an emergency) we have the ability ask them to change course to search, and that's what they've done," he said.

A Coast Guard cutter based in Guam was also joining the search,

The CNN article said that most

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## Visitors descend on Pohnpei for the 27th Pacific Educational Conference

PREL press release

With the theme The Pacific Child: Cultivating and Preserving the Pacific Identity, the 27th Pacific Educational Conference (PEC) took place from July 19 to the 21st in Pohnpei State, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM).

The PEC, hosted by the Pohnpei Department of Education, the College of Micronesia-FSM, and Pacific Resources for Education and Learning (PREL) is one of the largest gatherings of experts and professionals in the field of education in the Pacific region.

More than 1,000 educators and professionals, from the continental U.S., the U.S.-affiliated Pacific Islands, Asia, and Australia came together for the event to share and network. With over 160 professional development workshops, educators of the Pacific region and around the world shared instructional strategies for contextual and culturally grounded learning. Assessment and evaluation, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education, teacher training technology, math, and climate change are just a few of the subjects that were discussed at this year's PEC. There were also beautiful cultural presentations of traditional dance and customs every evening of the 3-day event.

Organizers called Pohnpei a "perfect backdrop for the conference, with its rich mangrove forests, beautiful ocean vistas, and indigenous villages. The island has much to explore and enjoy. A short boat trip could take you to two neighboring atolls, Ant and Pakin, with pristine beaches and

coral reef. Pohnpei is also the home of the mysterious Nan Madol ruins, known as the Venice of the Pacific. The ruins, which consist of a series of artificial islands, once housed a royal civilization."

As part of this year's events, the organizing committee lined up an extraordinary series of keynote speakers following along the lines of the conference's theme, The Pacific Child: Cultivating and Preserving the Pacific Identity. Among the keynote speakers was internationally renowned Māori educationalist and advocate, Professor Graham Smith; Professor Smith is an influential contributor to the development of what he has described in his writings as the "twenty-five year Māori educational revolution, 1982–2007." Highly esteemed Pacific-island scholar, educator, and leader, Dr. John Haglegam, also spoke; Dr. Haglegam has served as a representative, congressman, Vice President, and President of the FSM. Among his honors, he has earned recognition as an East-West Center Scholar, a Fulbright Scholar, and a Distinguished Senior Pacific Fellow at the Australian National University. Also invited to speak was the honorable U.S. Ambassador to the FSM, Mr. Peter A. Prahar, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service. Mr. Prahar has served on assignments that include tours in China, Japan, Albania, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Mali, and Rwanda.

As with the 26 previous conferences, the PEC is an event of collaboration and sharing among educators, not separated, but united by the Pacific and the common interest for the Pacific child.

## Native Pohnpeians conduct coral study in Dekehtik and Enipein

By Bill Jaynes  
The Kaselehlie Press

**Pohnpei, FSM**—Kitti natives Jorg Anson and Leinson Neth, both of whom are doing undergraduate work in Marine Biology at the University of Hawaii Manoa returned to Pohnpei in late June for field research on Pohnpei's coral population. Anson said that there has previously been no other Pohnpeians enrolled in the Marine Biology program at UH Manoa.

While in Pohnpei the two took coral tissue samples from coral reefs in the area of the Enipein Marine Protected Area (MPA) and the Pohnpei International Airport (PIA). They took coral tissue samples of Pocillopora damicornis and Porites Lobata and froze them in liquid nitrogen for return to the Kewalo Marine Laboratory (KML) for study under the direction of Dr. Robert Richmond.

Anson said the sites were selected because they reflect the impact of ongoing human activities around watersheds throughout Pacific Island nations. Dr. Richmond told the students that the data collected in Pohnpei would serve as a benchmark for the robustness of coral colonies that still dominate coastal ecosystems not only around the island of Pohnpei but in other islands throughout the Micronesia region.

According to the scientific method scientists develop hypotheses and then develop controlled experiments to test those hypotheses. Anson said that the analysis of the coral tissue sample would reveal any enzyme secretions containing genes that code for proteins in corals as a stress response to human activities in the Dekehtik and Enipein areas. He said that the study could serve as a baseline for other reefs that are exposed to increased sediment deposits not only in Pohnpei but also in other Pacific islands. "For policy purposes, this study could also reveal the presence of anthropogenic (human caused) stressors e.g. heavy metal and oil exposure due to the fact that Dekehtik is located in proximity to the urbanized Kolonia Tow, a waste water

management outfall, and the ship docks with the barrier reefs and from activities within the Enipein watershed," he wrote exhaustively in an email.

"The significance of our project highlights the need to expand our Marine Science program at the College of Micronesia in order to increase the number of students pursuing careers in biological sciences," Anson wrote.

"In Pohnpei, poor land management practices and human activities continue to result in increased deposition of terrestrial runoff from our watersheds into our marine ecosystems," he continued. "The continued decline in reef fisheries as reported in studies done by Dr. Kevin Rhodes and others have revealed an alarming decline in the abundance and biodiversity of reef fish. We hope to capitalize on the current conditions of our corals due to the fact that they serve as the building blocks of our coral reefs. The persisting issues associated with climate change, namely global warming, will continue to affect ecosystems around the world. The immediate action that our nation must focus on is centered on integrating western science with our traditional knowledge systems in order to preserve our native ecosystems in the island of Pohnpei."

Anson, who is a graduate of PATS is set to graduate from UH Manoa after the next Spring semester. He said that Marine Science/Biology has always been his major field of study since his High School days at PATS.

Neth graduated from Xavier and worked for the Education Program of the Conservation Society of Pohnpei prior to his enrollment at the University of Hawaii where he recently completed his first year. Anson said that Neth's experience at CSP gave him wide and varied skill in community outreach.

Both men have been year round student interns with the Undergraduate and Research Mentoring program in biological sciences for underrepresented minorities of the Pacific

Islands. It is through that program that he began working under Dr. Richmond at the Kewalo Marine Laboratory.

Both men are passionate about the marine environment and about their home.

"In Pohnpei, human activities and poor land management are the major sources of stressors that are detrimental to our coral reefs," Anson wrote. "We continue to fish more than what we need due to the fact that we are westernized and money is what every fisherman need. The same scenario is true for our farmers who continue to clear the heart of our forest for sakau. In Pohnpei, our environmental issues associated with sakau farming are well known throughout not only Micronesia but the whole Pacific. We must understand that coral reefs are valuable for economic, ecological, and cultural reasons. A true Pohnpeian does not need a scientist from any university from around the world to travel thousands of miles to come tell us about that. But we must integrate our traditional knowledge systems and science in order to effectively preserve our ecosystems. It's a challenge and we hope that more students will follow the path that we have taken. Needless to say, the ocean is not only a resource that we must take care of but a beautiful place to study."

"We would like to thank FSM R&D and Pohnpei State Office of Aquaculture and Fisheries for issuing our permits on a timely manner. Special thanks go to Brian Lynch and the COM-FSM Marine Science program for the training that they continue to provide for our people. We also thank Patterson Shed and his entire staff at CSP for the hospitality they provided in our short two week stay here at home. We look forward to more collaboration with our agencies here at home," Anson concluded.



Leinson Neth takes a coral sample in Pohnpei



Jorg Anson prepares coral specimens for transport



Anson and Neth in the lab in Hawaii

## ...Missing

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Russell said.

He added that although there had been no sign of the boat or the missing people, "We'll search until we've exhausted our capabilities."

Other articles said that search resources out of Hawaii had also been mobilized for the search.

Chuuk has more daily boat traffic than any other FSM State. There currently is no government requirement that boat operators carry EPIRB's (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon).

A boater with an EPIRB can activate the device during an emergency situation. When the device is activated a monitoring center in Guam is electronically alerted. If the device

is still active after the satellite that received the signal has made three passes, emergency procedures would be implemented. In a marine emergency situation the Guam office would notify the proper local officials for response.

EPIRBs allow emergency responders to know, within 200 meters of accuracy, where the device is, and therefore, where the boaters are so that rescuers can go right to that position.

EPIRBs transmit no information if they have not been activated and are for emergency use only.

Currently no government in the FSM requires their use though they are comparatively inexpensive.

Many people have been lost at sea in the FSM. Some have been very lucky to have been found even after they had been given up for dead. Many have never been found.

## U.S. helps Sokehs to purchase a new police vehicle

*By Bill Jaynes  
The Kaselehlie Press*

**Sokehs, Pohnpei**—The Sokehs Police Department received a new police vehicle as a result of an \$11,000 matching grant from the United States Embassy and USDA Rural Development. According to Sokehs Chief Magistrate, Michael Lieman, the municipality took delivery of the vehicle of May 8 but only recently was put into service patrolling Sokehs.

The vehicle was purchased from Triple J Auto Company in Guam who won the bidding process for the purchase of the vehicle.

Mr. Lieman said that Sokehs Municipality is very grateful for the assistance in purchasing the vehicle.



## Yap Games 2011

The Closing Ceremony for the First Yap Game ever was held at the Sports Complex yesterday July 13, 2011 where Leaders and Sport Officials have Awarded the teams or municipalities that participated in the 2011 Yap Game based on the number of Gold Medals that each team collected during the games which recently concluded in Yap.

Speakers at the closing ceremony have shared the same sentiment by thanking the athletes and their coaches for their participation in this very important undertaking in the development of sport.

The Department of Youth & Civic Affairs, Division of Media has provided Live Coverage of the closing ceremony via Radio V6AI for those who were following the program on the radio.

Following is the final Medal Count for the 2011 Yap Game;

TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	Total
Dalipebinaw	0	3	4	7
Maap	1	0	3	4
Fanif	2	1	1	4
Weloy	3	5	3	11
Nimgil	3	5	8	16
Rumung	4	1	2	7
Gagil	6	9	5	20
OI	6	11	4	21
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August 8 through September 2, MAHI International is hosting FREE chiropractic clinics and health lectures throughout the island communities of Pohnpei. Dr. John Marelli will be offering his services in each municipality. We will be working out of the dispensaries. Please come by and see us for a consultation!

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Education Instructor	Yap Campus	August 4 2011
English Instructor	Chuuk Campus	August 4 2011
English Instructor (2 positions)	National Campus	August 7 2011
Library Technician I	National Campus	August 7 2011
English Instructor	National Campus	August 7 2011
Vice President for Instructional Affairs	National Campus	August 13 2011
Instructor-Nursing Program	National Campus	August 19 2011
Mathematics Instructor	Kosrae Campus	August 20 2011
Science Instructor	Kosrae Campus	August 20 2011
Mathematics Instructor	Kosrae Campus	August 20 2011

## Chuuk CRE receives WHO Healthy Islands recognition award

The COM-FSM CRE was awarded the "World Health Organization Healthy Island Recognition" in the best proposal category during a ceremony on June 29 in the Solomon Islands for a proposal it submitted.

The proposal entitled Adopt-A-Community Approach for Healthy and Clean Chuuk was selected for its innovativeness and its multi sector-based orientation. It was submitted by CRE Researcher/ Extension Specialist Dr Lolita N Ragus and Chuuk CRE Coordinator Elfriede D Suda. Ms Suda received the award certificate and in-kind award for the value of \$20,000 on behalf of the college.

The proposal will encourage multiple agencies and sectors to adopt a community or agency and ensure that the adopted entity has a cleaner and healthier environment. Each adoptive agency will plan and implement solid waste management strategies with its adopted entity and nurture them in the areas of good solid waste management practices. To ensure that the program is sustainable, the following recommendations shall be emphasized:

- creation of partnership among agencies and entities through a formal memorandum of understanding;
- consultations with participating entities about plans

and implementation processes; and

- advocacy, education campaigns and political support in favor of declaring a Clean and Healthy Chuuk Day.

The Australian Agency for International Development and the New Zealand Aide Programme spearheaded the bi-annual meeting which was attended by 18 participating countries, 5 international agencies and 11 agencies as observers. The Pacific health ministers established the WHO Healthy Islands Recognition Programme in May 10, 2010, at the first healthy islands forum in Geneva.

Healthy islands as envisioned are those throughout the Western Pacific Region where:

- children are nurtured in body and mind;
- environments invite learning and leisure;
- people work and age with dignity;
- ecological balance is a source of pride; and
- the oceans that sustain us is protected.



Chuuk Campus CRE Coordinator Suda receiving award

## Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat



The Secretariat seeks a suitably qualified and experienced person to fill the position of **Team Leader Information & Technology Services.**

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This position will be responsible to the Director Corporate Services Programme for:

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## ...Wind

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Earlier that day, a single furious blast of wind lifted the lagoon side of the roof of the three story Pami Building and launched it into the middle of the street.

Parts of the roof landed on a passing SUV.

At least four of Senny's rental cars were damaged and two of those vehicles appeared to be total losses.

The flying roof also tore out power lines over the span of at least three blocks and wrenched transformers from their mounts.

Miraculously no one was injured during the calamity as the sharp edged tin roof was propelled through the air.

Only one representative of the Japanese Embassy which occupies the entire third floor of the Pami Building was working inside that afternoon. He said that he didn't hear anything when the roof lifted off and wondered what the crash was outside. He said that he was shocked to see the twisted metal in the street and wondered where it had come from.

In addition to the roof that flew away the Pami Building also has a concrete roof which is still in place.

"We were very lucky. Japan survived another natural disaster," said Genichi Terasawa, Deputy Chief of Mission of the Japanese Embassy yesterday afternoon.

Terasawa said that the Japanese Embassy leases the Pami Building space from the Helgenberger family.

Police closed down the street between the Pohnpei Market and the FSM Development Bank. 30 minutes



*On the day after Lorin Peterson was trapped in his car, family members work to clear the massive tree*

after the Pami building roof came crashing down in the street Lt. Patrick Carl said that the Helgenberger family was in the process of mobilizing laborers to do the job of clearing the debris.

Feliciano Perman, Pohnpei Utilities Company General Manager was on site at that time and said that PUC line crews had already shut off the power in the area and that crew members would be working that afternoon to repair the downed power lines.

PUC line crews were still working on the lines at 10:00 this morning but the majority of the debris from the roof had been cleared and the road had been reopened by that time.

On Sunday evening, power went down at the College of Micronesia China Friendship gym just fifteen minutes before the visiting art troupe from Guangdong, China was scheduled to give its final performance in Pohnpei. The power outage left hundreds of spectators in the dark. For nearly two hours performers did their best to perform in the dark as members of the Guangdong delegation attempted to light the performances with their cell phones.

After power was restored at ten minutes after 8:00 last evening the troupe gave their full performance for the crowd that remained. Embassy officials say that a majority of the near capacity crowd stayed for that performance.

Not far away, members of the Jack family worked into the late evening to protect equipment that had been stored in their naahs after wind gusts tore away half of the roof of that structure.

The FSM National Weather Service said that wind gusts could have been much stronger than the maximum wind gust of 28 miles per hour their instruments recorded yesterday at their headquarters in Kolonia. A representative said that depending on the direction of the wind and the terrain through which the wind was tunneled, wind speed at any given point on the island could at any moment have been much faster than the maximum recorded wind speed at the Kolonia station.

### Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat



The Secretariat is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced person to work as **Trade Development Officer** who will be accountable to the Director of the Economic Governance Programme.

Applicants should have an appropriate Degree (e.g. in Business Administration, Marketing) or minimum 7 years demonstrated experience in a similar position. Applicants should have good experience working in a regional or international environment with proven knowledge and understanding of regional social and economic conditions. Applications should have the ability to work with a small team of professional staff, set priorities successfully, to work with minimal supervision, have the ability to meet tight deadlines, and have experience in organising meetings and workshops. Applicants should be willing to travel economy class.

The appointment will carry a competitive remuneration and benefits package including medical and life insurance. The salary will be in the range of SDR22,754 – SDR34,131 per annum. At the 1 June 2011 exchange rate this salary range was equivalent to FJD64,114 to FJD96,171. For non-Fijian nationals, this salary may be tax-free.

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- Coordinate the activities and reporting of the Pacific Islands Trade and Invest network; and
- Coordinate the annual Private Sector Dialogue with Leaders

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor

In your last press release for July 11-24 2011, you stated that I told the demonstrators to take their sign away. I probably told you that but I meant it in a different way. I told them to move their sign out (further out) but not out (away). When I was talking to them, I was trying to convey the message that McGarry Miguel, the MC, was trying to tell them and that is to move their sign further out. I don't know if you notice, but McGarry Miguel was telling them to move their sign further out and at first they don't seem to get what McGarry was telling them, so I went and told them just what McGarry was telling them. If I told you the wrong word or gave you a wrong impression, then I truly apologize for that. I don't have anything against the demonstrators.

As much as I respect people's freedom of speech, I, like so many other people that were there that witnessed what happened, do feel that it was an inappropriate act at that point in time. I could care less if they put the sign up on the stage for the entire world to see, but do it after the ceremony is over instead.

It was an opening ceremony to celebrate the arrival of the Pacific Partnership 2011 which comprised of so many country representatives, that took their time away from being with their families and loved ones and in good will and good faith came to FSM to assist people of FSM in different professions that will enhance our infrastructures, living and health standard of the people.

After I asked them, who told them to do what they were doing, they said it was Yalmer Helgenberger. I told them that Yalmer is a cousin of the governor. He could have setup an appointment with the governor or have them set up an appointment with the governor. Why I told them this, is because I think it would have been much easier for them and much more peaceful for everybody, than carrying plywood with writing on it and having the plywood do the talking. I think it would have been nice if they met the governor or the appropriate person and freely state their side of the story in person, while sitting on sofas or nice chairs in an air-conditioned room. Don't you think so? This was just my opinion at that time.

Same goes with U.S Embassy. You stated that the sign ask for U.S intervention. Why not set an appointment with the right people at the Embassy and go talk to them?

My friend, your so-call peaceful demonstration is something that in the future won't be too peaceful if people start thinking and acting that way just for the sake of freedom of speech. It will only bring chaos to our peaceful environment and disrespect to our well respected custom and culture.

I thank you and again, I apologize for any inconvenience.

Sincerely  
Wayner Louis

## "MAHI International Volunteers Serve Pohnpei"

MAHI International

During the week of June 12, volunteers from Bakersfield, California descended upon Pohnpei to share their expertise in a variety of projects throughout the island. The group was hosted by MAHI International.

Most of the team was made up of health professionals from San Joaquin Community Hospital (SJCH). This latest trip wasn't the hospital's first contribution to Pohnpei. Group leader, Krystal Ball, a certified Basic Life Support (BLS) instructor trained hundreds of locals on proper CPR technique during her last trip to the island in November 2009. MAHI International, in conjunction with SJCH, played a key role in helping facilitate an ambulance donation made to the Pohnpei State Department of Public Safety.

During this trip, Ball and Vicky Hankins certified hundreds of Pohnpei Port Authority, Department of Public Safety, Pohnpei State Hospital, and Department of Education personnel in American Heart Association BLS. Included in the training were the members of Pohnpei's first Emergency Medical Technician class, led by Rick Herman.

"It's such a joy to be able to share these life-saving skills with the people of Pohnpei," Ball said. "CPR has saved thousands of lives throughout the world, and my hope is that it will have a positive effect in Pohnpei for years to come."

On Wednesday, June 15, the group helped organize a health fair at the Pohnpei State Government building. The event included blood pressure testing, activities for kids, and information on diabetes,



heart attack, stroke and healthful living. More than 600 people came to the health fair. For each booth visited, MAHI International gave each participant a raffle ticket to enter in the raffle that included many prizes.

In addition to the health fair, these volunteers served in other areas. Visiting RNs and respiratory therapists also conducted lectures at the State Hospital that focused on diabetes care, cardiac/stroke, and respiratory therapy training for health care professionals. At the State Hospital, MAHI International volunteers also participated in a remodeling project in the surgical ward, converting shower rooms into a private room. Finally, our volunteer diesel engineer Mark Vanworth spent his time fixing the fire truck donated by the Rotary Club of Pohnpei which had been out of service for over 12 months. Because of Vanworth, both firetrucks are in good working condition! Vanworth also serviced the State Hospital's generator.

On Thursday, June 16, MAHI International's volunteer team assisted and participated in the mock casualty exercise that was directed by the Pohnpei Port Authority. Kem County firefighters Stephan Phillips and Jake Cagle assessed this exercise that mimicked an airplane crash on the airport runway. Overall, the exercise was a success thanks to the hard work of all the agencies involved. Many thanks to all of the volunteer victims that made the drill possible!

The Secretariat seeks a suitably qualified and experienced person to fill the position of  
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# 2nd Annual Let's Go Local Fun Run/Walk gathered people together to "Go Local"

By **Chizuru Seki**  
Island Food Community of Pohnpei

The 2nd annual Let's Go Local Fun Run/Walk sponsored by the Island Food Community of Pohnpei (IFCP) and the FSM National Olympic Committee gathered more than one hundred thirty people together at Palm Terrace shopping center in Kolonia, Pohnpei on July 9th, 2011. With the \$5 registration fee, participants who ran or walked 5 km through Kolonia town got a colorful Let's Go Local T-shirt and an IFCP red pen.

At the event, an IFCP special membership was offered. People were encouraged to become a member of IFCP (an individual

annual membership fee is \$10) on the day of the event and join FUN RUN/WALK for free. Eight people became new members of IFCP to support the Go Local campaign.

Many yellow-fleshed varieties of bananas (Karat, Utin Iap, Akadah and Akadah Weitahta) gave energy to the participants before and after the run/walk. Banana suckers and tree crops such as lemon, guava, papaya and more were given to all participants who were interested. The distribution of planting materials attracted many people's attention. IFCP got many calls asking for planting materials after the event.

IFCP Let's Go Local T-shirt, which came in green, orange or yellow indicating banana

colors, as well as an IFCP red pen, carries the same message "Let's Go Local." The message encourages people to plant, grow, maintain, harvest, cook and eat more local foods.

Ms. Emihner Johnson, IFCP Acting Director/Local Food Educator, pointed out a health crisis in Pohnpei: one in three adults in Pohnpei have diabetes. The red color of IFCP pen is an alarming

color for this health crisis. By growing and taking care of local foods, people get enough daily exercise. Unlike unhealthy imported food, local food is high in fiber, vitamins and minerals, which your body really needs to be healthy.

Moreover, IFCP encourages people to GO LOCAL for its CHEEF benefits which are an acronym for Culture, Health, Economy, Environment and Food Security.

For more information about IFCP GO LOCAL campaign, please visit our website at [www.islandfood.org](http://www.islandfood.org) or call (691)320-3259.

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Special thanks to all participants as well as volunteers. IFCP appreciates Mr. Diaz Joseph coordinating UPWARD Bound students to come to the FUN RUN and clean the IFCP banana collection garden after the RUN. IFCP extends its gratitude to the US Forestry, Australian AusAID Small Grant Scheme, Palm Terrace, Scooby's, Dorothy Jackson, Pohnpei Water Company, Dr. Mayleen Ekiek, COM- FSM Sports and Recreation, and the FSM NOC team for all their support.



Participants grab yellow-fleshed bananas before the RUN/WALK starts

## Let's Go Local roundtable discussion with U.S. Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs

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From June 26 to July 1, 2011, United States Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs Kurt M. Campbell, accompanied by US Pacific Fleet Commander Admiral Patrick M. Walsh, USAID Assistant Administrator for Asia Nisha Biswal and Office of the Secretary of Defense South/Southeast Asia Principal Director Brigadier General Simcock traveled and visited the nine Pacific Islands. The visitation to Pohnpei, FSM was made on July 1, 2011.

On the same day in the afternoon, at the Pohnpei State Hospital, the delegation held a roundtable discussion with Non-Governmental Organizations in Pohnpei. The Island Food Community of Pohnpei (IFCP) was happy to be selected as one of the four organizations to present its work along with Conservation Society of Pohnpei (CSP), the Nature Conservancy and Micronesia Conservation Trust.

IFCP Acting Director/Local Food Educator, Ms. Emihner Johnson presented the work of IFCP emphasizing on Going Local which means growing and eating more local food. The CHEEF benefits (Culture, Health, Economy, Environment and Food Security)

of local food and a health crisis in Pohnpei were also highlighted. The health crisis, which is that one in three adults in Pohnpei are diabetic, became noticeable when people started depending more on unhealthy imported food rather than own traditional local food. No diabetes was found in a study carried out by the US Navy right after World War II. This is the time when people ate mostly local food and had active lifestyles.

Ms. Johnson stressed that returning to growing and eating more local food is one of the solution to the health crisis. IFCP strongly encourages people to Go Local through awareness workshops at community level, school visits and more.

IFCP also organized Pohnpei local snack trays for refreshments. Local food trays included yellow-fleshed bananas (Karat and Akadah), Utin Ruk banana chips, Karat banana bread, and boiled Utin Kerenis as well as fresh coconut juice.

IFCP would like to thank Ms. Lori Dondo and Embassy of the United States of America for inviting us to present and share valuable information concerning the health crisis and many benefits of growing and eating local food, as well as challenges IFCP is facing. Thanks also to the US Forestry Service and Australian AusAID Small Grant Scheme for funding support.



U.S. high level delegation tries the Pohnpei local snacks prepared by the Island Food Community of Pohnpei



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# Rotary Club of Truk Lagoon Blue Ocean Fishing Derby VI & Miss Chuuk Blue Ocean 2011

On July 09, 2011 the Rotary Club of Truk Lagoon held its 6th annual Blue Ocean Fishing Derby. After nearly a month of continuous rain, the skies cleared up and the sea laid flat welcoming the participants.

This year the derby included 13 boats, each one anchored off the Blue Lagoon resort dock at 5:00am anxiously waiting for the send-off.

The RCTL would like to thank our loyal fishermen: 1. Esly Kanto 1. Mckay Shirai 3. Myron Hashiguchi 4. Gideon Bisalen 5. Maltrik Yamaguchi 6. Richardson Dereas 7. Gradvin Aisek 8. David Kramer 9. Ribby Narruhn 10. Kior Wengu 11. Paul Howell 12. Joe Serious 13. Augustine Jacky

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1st prize \$1,000 Esly Kanto  
2nd prize \$600 Mckay Shirai  
3rd prize \$400 Ribby Narruhn

The derby prizes were awarded in the evening, at the second phase of the event "Miss Chuuk Blue Ocean 2011" a pageant sponsored by the Rotary Club as a fundraising function. The event turned out to be more "fun" raising as nearly 400 spectators poured onto the lawns at Blue Lagoon Resort for a most enjoyable evening.

The Ms. Chuuk Blue Ocean Pageant committee is very thankful to the following sponsors: Blue Lagoon Resort, Padma Enterprises, Lei Side Store, Shigeto Store, Island Mart, Aten's & Associates, Micro Enterprises, Truk Stop Hotel, Ace Hardware, BS Distributing, Downtown Gas Station, Dealfair Store, Dr. Inday Gesulga, Josie Estepa, Dave Vinaluan, and Myron Hashiguchi

Miss Chuuk Blue Ocean 2011	Ms. H. Ann Ruben
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