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FSM Supreme Court hears arguments in DOJ case against Marehalau

By **Bill Jaynes**
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Palikir, Pohnpei – The trial on 13 charges filed by the FSM Department of Justice against former FSM Ambassador to the United States Jesse Marehalau began on April 6th at the FSM Supreme Court in Palikir. The charges were initially filed at the Supreme Court by former FSM Attorney General Marstella Jack on May 14, 2007. Court officials estimate that the trial may well last for at least a month.

On the morning of the third day of hearings, National Police officers carried into court six large banker's boxes of exhibits for the prosecution.

When Justice Yamase gavelled the court into session after a meeting with the opposing attorneys in his chambers, he announced and opposing attorneys confirmed that the Department of Justice had offered Marehalau a plea arrangement. It was the second offer of a plea arrangement and Marehalau was allowed 24 hours to confer with his family members about it.

At 10:30 on the following day when hearings began it was apparent that Marehalau had rejected the offer. The trial resumed with an acceptance of stipulations from both parties regarding the many pages of court exhibits followed by the testimony of Deputy Chief of Mission, James Naich.

Since the plea arrangement was not accepted it will not be a matter of public record what offer the Department of Justice made to the former Ambassador.

Other high level witnesses waited in the court library for their turn to testify.

The defense, which is being handled by Julius Joey Sapelalut, the FSM Public Defender, has subpoenaed the sitting President and some of his cabinet as well as former Presidents and Secretaries of the FSM so that they can testify in the matter.

Marehalau stands accused of two counts of Bribery in Official and Political Matters, one count of Criminal Conspiracy, four counts of Over-Obligation of Government Funds, two counts of Tampering with Public Records and Information, and four counts of Theft Against the Government.

Assistant Attorney General Pole Atanraoi represents the FSM Department of Justice in the trial.

Hong Kong philanthropist and investor makes a visit to Pohnpei

By **Bill Jaynes**
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Pohnpei, FSM – A March 16, 2009 issue of Forbes magazine called Sir Eric Hotung, of Hong Kong a Hero of Philanthropy. Hotung, an extremely successful and wealthy businessman has had a lifetime of honors for his philanthropic endeavors and on April 8 at a reception held in his honor at South Park Hotel in Pohnpei he made what Governor John Ehsa called "Pohnpei history"

when the Iso Nahnken of Nett, Salvador Iriarte bestowed on him the honorary title of Soupwei Peilapalap in advance of his actually having done anything in Pohnpei other than to make a visit.

Hotung arrived in Pohnpei for a high level visit on April 3. As an At-Large Ambassador of Timor-Leste Sir Hotung was given full diplomatic honors and spent a week touring the sites of Pohnpei by land, sea, and air.



Sir Eric Hotung addresses government officials and traditional leaders at South Park Hotel at a reception in his honor on April 8, 2009. His son is seated to his left. The Iso Nahnken of U, Salvador Iriarte is seated on his right.

The March article in Forbes said that in 1997 Hotung sold one of his many homes for \$100.5 million in May of 1997 making it the most expensive home in the world at that time.

According to Pohnpei State Public Information Officer McGarry

Miguel one of the stated purposes for Hotung's trip was to look into the possibility of building what he called a "five star hotel" in Lukop, Madolenihmw. When asked what plot of land Hotung was being offered Miguel said that it is public land in Madolenihmw and not private land. Any Memorandum of Understanding regarding land in Madolenihmw would be between Sir Hotung and the Pohnpei State Government, he said.

Miguel also said that Sir Hotung met with the Mwoalen Wahu, the traditional leaders, and told them that though he as a philanthropist is committed to assisting Pohnpei in any way that he can, Pohnpei simply does not have enough tourists yet to warrant the building of a hotel in Madolenihmw.

At the April 8 reception Hotung stood and addressed the gathered group of Pohnpei State Government officials and traditional leaders calling Pohnpei a paradise. He talked about the natural resources of Pohnpei including traditional medicine—holistic medicine he called it. He said that during his visit he had become inspired to be at the service of Pohnpei saying, "You can consider me your servant at large."

He closed by saying that he felt challenged to help Pohnpei and Pohnpeians to "show the world what this little place can do."

First Ever Attempted Bank Robbery in FSM

By **Patrick Blank**

For the first time in the history of the Federated States of Micronesia there has been an attempted bank robbery. It happened at the Chuuk Branch of the Bank of FSM on Thursday, March 26, 2009. According to the CIS detectives that were interviewed on this case, Captain Pastor Mesenty, Detective Ignacio Santos, and Detective Petewel Chosa, this is what happened.

Early Thursday morning on March 26, 2009, before most employees of the Bank of FSM Chuuk Branch were at work, three men wearing bandana scarves covering their faces, attempted to rob the bank. One stood as a lookout outside of the bank, while the other two men, armed with a .22 caliber rifle and a shotgun, which is illegal to have in the FSM, went inside the bank around 8:15am. They demanded money from the bank workers that were inside the branch and fired a total of 5 rounds into the ceiling of the bank. The only injury sustained from these blasts was by a woman standing close to the man with the shotgun. She suffered minor powder burns.

Because of the timing of this robbery, most employees were starting to arrive at the branch and some of the male employees began to interfere with the robbers and challenged them by grabbing their guns. Before they touched any money, the robbers decided to flee. A witness outside the bank called the police after hearing the gunshots inside the bank and told them the make and model

of vehicle that the masked robbers were speeding away in. The detectives and many police officers were still on their way to work and were on the road when the call came through about the robbery suspects. By using their radios to communicate, the entire police force was heading towards the bank at the time the robbers were fleeing and they were able to spot the vehicle and arrest the three men, who are now in custody at the Chuuk State jail.

Although the names of the suspects were not released due to the ongoing investigation, the police were able to confirm that all three suspects are former deportees from the US for committing similar crimes. One has been back in Chuuk for more than a year and the other two recently returned within a few months and brought back "lessons learned" while robbing stores in Hawaii.

More information on this case will be released following the outcome of the investigation and the ensuing trial.



16th COM Founding Day Celebration Draws All Ages

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College of Micronesia says accreditation is not in danger

By **Bill Jaynes**
The Kaselehlie Press

Palikir, Pohnpei – At about the same time as the community college in the Marshall Islands received word that their accreditation had been reinstated after years of struggling, the Progress Report submitted by the College of Micronesia – FSM was rejected by the accreditation board. Many believed that the rejection of the report meant that COM’s accreditation was in danger. “We don’t believe that our accreditation is in danger in any way,” said Joseph Saimon, the College’s Accreditation Liaison Officer.

The accrediting body is the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). A letter written to COM President Spensin James by ACCJC President Dr. Barbara A. Beno said that the ACCJC took action to reject a follow up report submitted by the College on October 15, 2008 and gave the College another opportunity to submit a follow-up report by March 15, 2009. The college did resubmit a follow up report by March 15, 2009. A single member of the ACCJC, Floyd Takeuchi will visit Chuuk on April 21 as a follow-up.

Dr. Beno said in response to a Kaselehlie Press email enquiry, “The College of Micronesia’s report, submitted in Fall 2008 and considered by the Commission at its January 2009 meeting, was rejected by the Commission because the report was poorly written and poorly organized, and did not clearly convey the institution’s responses to the recommendations it was given. The College was not placed on a sanction that would lead to termination of accreditation.

“A report is rejected when its character or content are of insufficient quality to permit the Commission to make a sound

judgment on the basis of the report. The College has been asked to rewrite the report, taking care to edit it carefully so as to insure it is very clear. The Commission will make a judgment on whether the institution has adequately responded to the recommendations provided by the visiting team when it considers the revised report at its June meeting.”

Saimon said that accreditation is vital for the College. “It is the language of quality. Without accreditation much of the College’s budget would disappear.” He said that only accredited schools are allowed access to US Federal funding such as the Pell grant and other resources. More than 90% of COM’s students pay their tuition with money from Pell grants. Tuition supplies more than 60% of the College’s budget. Other money received by the College comes from US-FSM Compact of Free Association funds that they wouldn’t be able to access without accreditation. Further, without accreditation, coursework done by students at the College would not be accepted at other accredited universities.

“Accreditation is a uniquely United States thing and it insures delivery of quality programs and services at the College,” Saimon said. He said that in many other countries, colleges are judged by government entities whereas in the United States, the US Department of Education relies upon the judgment of educators to ensure quality education standards at Universities.

The ACCJC letter said that the report should describe the resolution of each recommendation, analyse the results achieved to date, provide evidence of the results and indicate what additional plans the institution has developed. “The report should also be carefully edited to ensure its accuracy and clarity,” the letter said.

Indeed, the report submitted by the College on October 15 had many typographical errors and did not describe resolution

of previous ACJCC recommendations but only steps taken toward resolution.

Saimon said that the manner in which they reported was similar to the way they had reported in the past but that things had changed. He said that in 1998 the ACCJC made recommendations for the College to follow. They did so again in 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007. The US Department of Education requires WASC-ACJCC to allow only two years for institutions they review to completely resolve citations and recommendations. He said that ACJCC had not paid attention to that requirement and the US Department of Education ultimately cited the ACJCC itself requiring them to keep to the two year requirement.

Whereas the College had previously listed the steps they had taken to resolve whatever problems ACJCC had previously identified, ACJCC needed more. They needed to know that the problems had been resolved. Saimon said that the resubmitted report shows that they have been.

One of the issues that needed resolution was a permanent site for the Chuuk campus of the College of Micronesia. The College was to have identified a permanent site by the end of 2008. This was not an ACJCC requirement but a self imposed goal established by COM leadership. Saimon said that one of the functions of the ACJCC is to help Colleges under their jurisdiction to keep to their own goals and the establishment of a permanent site in Chuuk has been an ongoing goal of COM. “The ACJCC didn’t impose any requirements regarding the Chuuk Campus. They’re simply helping us to keep on track with our own goals,” he said.

In 2005, the College completely closed the facility in Weno, Chuuk and renovated all of the buildings on the property leased to them by Roger Mori. In the meantime, the college utilized temporary facilities situated throughout Weno until renovations were completed.

Saimon said that while all of the other states of the FSM had donated property for the use of the College, Chuuk did not. Chuuk’s Governor offered the use of the Chuuk High School facility but it was later found that administrative officials within Chuuk State government were at odds about that offer. Further, the College found that some of the land that was being offered was under dispute and that the College would have to assume some outstanding debts. That idea has been completely scrapped.

In the late 90’s the College purchased from Redley Killion, a 3 acre plot of land in the Metchitew area of Weno known as Nantaku. More recently the College entertained the possibility of purchasing and utilizing the Chuuk Star Hotel for its uses. Some time during the negotiations for the Chuuk Star Hotel the ACJCC got word from someone in the COM hierarchy that the Nantaku site was unsuitable for building. They mentioned this fact in their letter conveying the rejection of the October 15 follow up report.

COM hired a geological survey firm from Guam to look into the situation. That firm determined that there would be no problem with building on the land the College had bought in the late 90’s. The allegation that the land was unusable was untrue.

Currently, the College’s head of maintenance is in Chuuk making arrangements for the construction of a road to the Nantaku site. The College has funding in place for the development of the site for their purposes and at least the problem of a permanent facility for the Chuuk Campus of COM seems to have been resolved.

The ACJCC will meet again in June to consider the follow up report of the College. The next comprehensive evaluation of the College will take place during the Spring of 2010.

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President Mori Submits FY 2010 Budget Proposal to Congress

FSM Information Services

Palikir, Pohnpei, April 07, 2009 - Last week, President Mori transmitted the proposed FY 2010 budget for the FSM National Government to Speaker Figir and the 15th FSM Congress. By law, every year on April 1st, the budget must be submitted. The proposed budget contains operational, resource, and investment funding requirements of each department, office, agency, and program of the FSM National Government and matches them against anticipated revenues.

In his transmittal letter, President Mori stated that "the FY 2010 budget proposal is formulated at a time of greatest challenge and uncertainty for our Nation. Today, we are in the midst of a recession and face an economic downturn of historic proportions. Real GDP per capita has steadily declined from fiscal year 2005 onward, from \$1,934 in 2005 to less than \$1,832 in 2007 and an expected drop again in 2008 and 2009." The President said that this budget proposal is distinguished from previous budgets in that it provides a "blueprint for the Government to deal with the current economic and financial crisis and pave the way for a brighter future."

The approach consists of spending cuts and savings, appropriate use of one-time resources to prevent the collapse of the Social Security and MiCare programs and the dedicated use of new, recurring revenues, in the investment in human resource and infrastructure development, and in capital formation through private sector development.

The FY 2010 Budget is formulated on the administration policy that core operating expenditures of the National Government remain at the current FY 2009 level and to apply a 10% budget reduction on travel and non-essential expenditures. When the original budget submissions were submitted by all Executive agencies, the total was over \$46 million. Through the budget review process of the Executive Budget Review Committee, the proposed budget was cut to \$39 million in order to balance it with the projected revenues.

Total revenues projected for FY 2010 are approximately \$39,739,723 and include domestic sources, Compact Sector Grants, and money from Supplemental Education Grants (SEG). This projected revenue does not include potential funds from other US Federal grantor agencies, foreign govern-

ments and other international and regional organizations. Compared to FY 2009, total receipts from domestic and compact sources will increase by 1.3%, primarily coming from domestic revenues.

Total operating expenses for the three branches of the National Government, the Public Auditor's Office, and all agencies of the FSM government is \$22,136,043, of which \$15,219,405 or 68% is for the Executive Branch, \$3,049,223 or 13.8% is for the Legislative Branch, \$1,190,894 or 5.4% is for the Judiciary, \$976,087 or 4.4% is for the Public Auditor's Office, \$1,460,724 or 6.5% is for Boards and Commissions, and \$239,710 or 1% is for all others. This represents a slight increase in total operating expenses of 0.2% for the Executive Branch, a decrease of 1.8% for the Legislative Branch, and a decrease of 1.5% for the Judiciary. Although the Executive Branch kept their operating expenses at FY 2009 levels and decreased travel by 10% or \$234,658, contractual services increased by \$178,178 because of an increase in lease and space rentals for FSM overseas embassy missions as well as the consulate offices and needed consultant services in the Executive Branch.

In terms of Human Resource Development and Capital Investment, the total expenditure for FY 2010 is proposed at \$12,822,983, or an increase of 84% or \$5,818,678 from FY 2009. The increase is primarily attributed to the dry-docking of the MS Caroline Voyager, repairing and improvement of the FSM capitol complex, implementation of Year 2010 Census, investing in the FSM Development Bank and FSM Visitor's Bureau to spur greater productivity growth in the private sector, plus other programs. President Mori wrote that "this investment is crucial to laying a strong foundation for long-term economic growth as well as putting our people quickly to work and contribute to the development of our economy."

Together, the total expenditures proposed for FY 2010 is \$39,739,723, which is an increase of \$6,397,828 or 19.1% over FY 09. Based on the total revenue projected and the proposed total expenditures of the government, the National Government will have a balanced budget with no surplus. Now that the budget has been submitted to Congress, it will be reviewed, undergo possible revisions, and hopefully be approved during the May session of the 16th FSM Congress.

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Earth Day on Pohnpei

By Jonathan Trombly

As Earth Day (April 22) approaches, Pohnpeians have a chance to actively reflect on the exceptional beauty of the island and reassert their commitment to keeping the island clean of debris and litter. The State Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), along with a few other state agencies, is sponsoring a number of Earth Day activities, including educational programs in the local schools and island-wide trash collections. The latter will collect all kinds of trash, including batteries, abandoned vehicles, and metals, among other waste. Residents should contact their municipal offices for more details, or to schedule a pick-up for their household or community (phone numbers below).

The opening statement of the 2006 "Litter Law" that was passed by the Pohnpei State Government, declares that "it is the public policy of this State to preserve the pristine beauty of our natural environment and to protect, maintain and improve the aesthetic attributes of our State for the promotion of public health and

welfare of our people."

Nonetheless, each day massive numbers of aluminum cans, plastic vessels and bags, foam food containers, and other single-use products are consumed and disposed of on the island. In the worst cases (Styrofoam and many plastics), the materials are non-biodegradable and will sit, either in the landscape or in the landfill, for centuries. In the best cases, a material can be disposed of and then recycled. Aluminum, for instance, is a highly valued metal that is easily reused.

It is the job of the EPA to implement the vision of the government in these matters and to make sure that the litter law is put into action. Executive Director Albert Roby says that his agency has been focusing on getting into the island's schools to educate the next generation of Pohnpeians about how they can insure the health of the island's environment. Roby does admit, however, that some of the provisions of the law--like the regular disposal of abandoned vehicles--have been difficult to implement because of lack of funding.

The short-term Earth Day initiatives will rid the island of lots of litter, but a raft of longer-term solutions will also need to be implemented in order to ensure the natural beauty of the island and the health of those who live here. One way to keep litter out of the landfill and off the land is to assess deposits on items like aluminum cans or plastic bottles.

Aluminum Cans Deposits on Kosrae

In the early 1990's, the state legislature in Kosrae passed a comprehensive deposit bill that set up a refund system for aluminum cans, the first of its kind in the FSM. In 2006, after a two-year hiatus to retool some of the legislation, the program was back online with a solution to a problem and a vision of the future.

In its infancy, the program saddled the recycling operators on the island with extra collection and bookkeeping work without any compensation. The revised legislation allows for money to assist in this process by assessing a 6¢ fee on canned beverages when they arrive on island. The recycling operator, however, pays out a 5¢ refund when the can is returned to their place of business. They then turn

in the cans for the full 6¢ refund from the government, gaining 1¢ per can in the process to offset their costs.

The new legislation also includes wording that will allow the program to be expanded to glass beverage containers, plastic containers, and lead-acid batteries--all materials that are currently packed into the landfill or strewn across the island landscape on Pohnpei.

Recycling on Pohnpei

In 2004, the Pohnpei State Legislature worked on a bill that would have established a deposit system for aluminum cans similar to the one on Kosrae, but the legislation languished in hearings and never reached the floor for a vote. According to Senator Maggie Walter (Sokehs), one of the big problems with starting a deposit program is the massive number of cans--perhaps in the hundreds of thousands--that currently litter the island. These cans, pre-dating the law and without any deposit levied upon their arrival, would create a financial strain that could bankrupt the program if they were turned in for refunds.

See "earth day" on following page

In loving memory of our beloved husband, brother, father, and a great friend.



Heinrich B. Palik

No words are sufficient to convey our heartfelt appreciation and thanks to families, friends and everyone for your prayers, condolences, generous support and contributions, during our time of grief and sorrow. Your kindness will forever be remembered and treasured.

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Komol tata

Rest in
peace

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...Earth Day

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Even without a deposit program, however, Pohnpei residents now have the opportunity to make sure that these cans are recycled. Simply keep them clean, separate them out from other waste, and then put them into the new silver dumpster set aside at the dump especially for collection of aluminum cans.

Bob Spegal, owner of Pohnpei Waste Management Services, says "it is important that PWMS makes an attempt to collect aluminum as it is one of the recyclable items that has sufficient value that could support additional recycling efforts--plastic, glass, other metals." He also stresses that consumers have to get in the habit of separating out recyclable materials, a process that can be helped along by education initiatives from his company and the State EPA.

Other Initiatives

In addition to a deposit system for cans and other materials, Mr. Spegal also advocates instituting an advance deposit fee, or a charge for all products that come onto the island that will compensate for their eventual disposal or reuse. Some eight years ago, he had done some research on this solution and found that "an additional 0.25% (1/4 of one per cent) on most imports would be sufficient to operate a complete solid waste management program for Pohnpei Island." Vehicles, and other items, might have a higher rate, but a fee of this kind, adjusted to the current economy, could fund an island-wide, comprehensive waste management system.

Even before packaging and other materials are turned into garbage, however, we have the opportunity to keep them out of the waste stream by reducing our consumption or finding ways to supplant those needs. Developing a habit of declining unnecessary plastic bags at the market is one simple way of curtailing the amount of plastic you throw out. Or, better yet, bring your own reusable bags so that you never have to throw out another plastic bag again.

According to Senator Walter, the State Legislature is currently considering proposals to eliminate, or reduce, the number of plastic bags currently doled out daily around the island, either by assessing a fee per bag, or by outlawing them completely. There are also initiatives currently underway at the College of Micronesia (National) to begin campus-wide collection of aluminum cans for recycling and to jettison the foam take-out containers currently used in the cafeteria for a more earth-friendly alternative.

Take Action

All of the governmental and business initiatives listed above promise to improve the environment on Pohnpei, but every

citizen must make an effort to clean things up and to get in the habit of living cleanly. Living on an island takes care, especially when we consume so much from off-island sources. Here are a few things you can do to help:

- No more plastic bags. Decline them or bring your own reusable bags.
- If you're going to get take-out food, bring your own reusable containers to carry-out. The foam containers currently handed out are environmental nightmares: non-biodegradable, petroleum-based, and single-use.
- If you use lots of paper for work or school, be sure to use both sides of each sheet.
- Make sure your used motor oil, and other caustic fluids, are disposed of properly. Absolutely do not pour them off into your watershed.
- If you have to throw something out, try to recycle it or make sure it gets into the landfill, not the landscape.
- Demand that your government representatives and local business owners support recycling initiatives that will keep the island clean.
- Encourage those around you to take care of the island, too.

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I write this letter at a time of great family loss and wish to say thank you.

On Saturday March 14, 2009 my family and my life changed forever. My wife and their mother Neomy Chotailug was taken from us in a tragic accident. I wish to take this opportunity to thank all those who shared with us the sorrow and shock of this sudden loss. The large number of people that attended during the time of mourning was such that I am unable to thank you individually, those from National, State and Local Government, the Diplomatic Corp, family and lastly but most importantly my friends.

I have had to do a number of hard things in my life with the job I do, but this has been one of the hardest I believe that I will ever have to do and I only thank you for your support and understanding during this time. I take this opportunity through this letter of thanks to thank you for the dignity, respect and love shown to my wife. I would like to especially make mention and thank her school children whom she loved and taught that came to the burial, I know she would have appreciated you being there and we thank you for coming.

As my family and I move through this time we look to your continued support and understanding and though time will lessen the hurt it will never lessen the loss we have all suffered, family and friends alike.

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JICA Alumni Association aids Pohnpei Cultural Day

BY: JAA-FSM

On March 19th, JAA-FSM also donated \$625.00 to the Pohnpei Office of Social Affairs to help support and promote Pohnpei Culture Day on March 31st. Its support is intended particularly to support the traditional and international dance competitions.



The JICA Alumni Association of the Federated States of Micronesia (JAA-FSM) was created on November 03, 2006 as a non-profit organization. Its purpose is to (1) strengthen friendship between JICA alumni and volunteers within and outside of the FSM; (2) develop relationship between JICA and the alumni with the frames of the official development assistance program of Japan; and (3) support economic, culture, scientific, and technical cooperation between the FSM and Japan. Any person who had attended a JICA training, workshop or study is eligible to be a member of the Association.

As a young association and still not well known throughout the FSM, one of its short-term objectives is to promote JAA-FSM through collaborative work or partnership with national, state or community-organized activities, which support its goals and objec-

tives. Since its establishment, JAA-FSM has supported a number of community activities throughout the FSM, including Yap Day which was held on March 01, 2009. JAA-FSM is also planning to support Earth Day activities in April to help promote and protect our environment.

The current Officers for JAA-FSM are Moses Pretrick (President), Bermance Aldis (Vice President), Stephanie Rettin (Secretary) and David Manglay (Treasurer). For more information about JAA-FSM, its activities and membership, please contact Mr. Manglay at the JICA office in Kolonia, at 320-5350.

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(Tel): 320-5465

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**NOTICE OF LAND SALE BY
AUCTION**

Pursuant to the order of the FSM Supreme Court entered on March 18, 2009, public notice is hereby given that the land described below will be sold by auction to the highest bidder under the following terms:

Land known as "Waath", situated in Maa Village, Tomil Municipality, Yap State, with an area of 300 square meters, more or less, as described in Document no. 4091, registered on April 10, 1990 at the Yap Land Commission, Office of the Registrar.

- There is no minimum bid amount for the land.
- Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "May 20, 2009 Land Auction" by personal delivery to Ms. Teresa Fagaltinan at the front entrance area of the FSM Supreme Court court house in Colonia, Yap on Wednesday, May 20, 2009 between the hours of 12:00 p.m. noon and 5:00 p.m.
- The deadline for submitting bids will be 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2009.
- All bid submissions must state the full name, mailing address, phone or fax numbers, and e-mail address or other valid contact information for the person submitting the bid.
- All bid submissions must clearly state the bid amount for the land.
- The winning bidder will be notified by a duly issued Court order transferring title 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 Supreme Court" no later than ten (10) days after notice is given.
- 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 land is offered for sale "as-is" with no guarantees or warranties as to its condition whatsoever.

Questions concerning this auction may be directed to Ms Teresa Fagaltinan, Representative for Land Sales, phone no. 691-350-3185 / 950-5523 or Nora E Sigrah, Legal Counsel at the FSM Development Bank, PO Box M, Pohnpei, FM 96941, phone no. 691-320-2840, fax no. 691-320-6533, email: noras@fsmdb.fm, website: www.fsmdb.fm

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Pursuant to the order of the FSM Supreme Court entered on February 26, 2009, public notice is hereby given that each of the six parcels of land described below will be sold by auction to the highest bidder under the following terms:

- Parcel One:** Parcel No. 023-D-15 situated at Rohi, U Municipality, consisting of 1,063 ± square meters, as shown on Cadastral Plat No. 023-D-02.
- Parcel Two:** Parcel No. 023-D-05 situated at Rohi, U Municipality, consisting of 4,400 ± square meters, as shown on Cadastral Plat No. 023-D-00.
- Parcel Three:** Parcel No. 009-D-02 situated at Lukop, Madolenihmw Municipality, consisting of 27,077 ± square meters, as shown on Cadastral Plat No. 009-D-00.
- Parcel Four:** Parcel No. 140-A-08 situated at Pahlap, U Municipality, consisting of 12,611 ± square meters, as shown on Cadastral Plat No. 140-A-00.
- Parcel Five:** Parcel No. 002-E-12 situated at Temwen, Madolenihmw Municipality, consisting of 7,330 ± square meters, as shown on Cadastral Plat No. 002-E-12.
- Parcel Six:** Parcel No. 046-D-06, situated at Kinakapw, Madolenihmw Municipality, consisting of 793 ± square meters, as shown on Cadastral Plat No. 046-D-00

- There is no minimum bid amount for any of the parcels.
- Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "May 8, 2009 Land Auction" by personal delivery to the filing window of the Office of the Chief Clerk of Courts of the FSM Supreme Court – Pohnpei trial division in Palikir.
- The deadline for submitting bids will be 3:00 p.m. on Friday, May 8, 2009.
- All bid submissions must state the full name, mailing address, phone or fax numbers, and e-mail address or other valid contact information for the person submitting the bid.
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Questions concerning this auction may be directed to the FSM Supreme Court National Justice Ombudsman or Nora E Sigrah, Legal Counsel at the:

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U.S. EMBASSY KOLONIA EMPLOYMENT VACANCY

POSITION: Public Diplomacy/Staff Assistant, FSN-9; FP-5*

OPEN TO: All Interested Candidates

OPENING DATE: April 1, 2009

CLOSING DATE: April 22, 2009

WORK HOURS: Full-time, 40 hours/week, Monday to Friday
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (includes 1 hour lunch break)

SALARY: *Not-Ordinarily Resident (NOR): Starting salary at FP-5; Step to be determined by Washington.

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All ordinarily resident applicants must have the required work and/or residency permits to be eligible for consideration.

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BASIC FUNCTION OF THE POSITION:

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A copy of the complete position description listing all duties and responsibilities is available in the Human Resources Office. Contact: 320-2187.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED

NOTE: All applicants must address each of the required selection criteria detailed below with specific and comprehensive supporting information.

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2. Four years progressively responsible experience in public relations, government, non-governmental organizations (NGO) or politics is required.
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4. Thorough knowledge of the host country's government, media, NGO, commercial, social and educational structure and key personalities is required; good knowledge of U.S. government, U.S. media, environmental, business, education, and political processes is required.
5. Ability to develop and maintain access to target contacts in the media, government, business, education and environmental circles is required.
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TO APPLY:

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K-Press Perspective

Justice or lack of it in Pohnpei

There are times when a reporter/editor cannot write a dispassionate unbiased news report because he is just too personally close to the story. This is one of those times. Items in the K-Press Perspective are always what are called op-ed pieces, opinion editorials. This piece is no exception though this particular piece is based on what would have been a hard news story if it hadn't happened to my wife.

I was at the office at 5:30 in the evening on Wednesday, April 9, preparing myself to attend a reception in honor of Mr. Eric Hotung (see story on page 1) at the South Park hotel when my wife called me on the phone. I could tell that something awful had happened and I didn't know what to do. I had to be at the reception because it would be my last chance to get the story on Mr. Hotung's visit but my wife was obviously in distress. She quickly told me that she wasn't injured but that she had been attacked while driving home from work and then, saying that the police had arrived and she would call me back, hung up.

She was in Sekere and I was at my desk in Kolonia feeling helpless, watching the clock tick off the minutes. The next time she called I snagged up the phone frantically. She told me that the State Police, who apparently don't know how to take a report in the field, had told her to follow them to the Police Department to file a report which she ultimately ended up writing herself after an hour and a half. They didn't give her a ride to the station because they wanted to take pictures of the car but to her knowledge they never did.

I feel pretty certain that the police officers who suggested the name of the individual who attacked my wife's car with a machete in Sekere got the name right. In the event that they didn't I'm not going to print it here due to the possibility that I might defame someone unjustly. It's why my wife ended up having to write the police report herself. She tried to find out the name of the man from one of the many of onlookers but she never got it. The report that the Police department wrote used the man's name. She couldn't sign it because she didn't know the man's name.

Let's get back to what happened. My wife was driving home from work to our home. As she crossed the second bridge in Sekere she saw an apparently drunk man standing in the street swinging a machete. She was already upset because this was the fourth drunk man she had encountered on her trip down the circumferential road. The previous one had suddenly stumbled into the street and she had nearly hit him. She didn't hit him because she had the reflexes of a sober person instead of those of the drunken idiot who nearly threw himself at her car where? Sekere, of course. Now here she was, faced with yet another drunken buffoon and the streets were lined with spectators watching to see what he would do next.

What he did next was smack my wife's car as she attempted to continue her drive home. As she was already angry and was driving the only car she has ever personally owned in her

life she stopped the car and was going to confront the drunk. She had the door open and had one foot out the door when she saw him running toward the car waving the machete. She quickly closed the car door and tried to get the car into gear she was by then in a state of panic and couldn't do it. Not only could she not get the car into gear she couldn't get her phone open to call the police and none of the bystanders watching the show seemed to be making any moves to do so.

Even if she could have gotten her phone open with her panic stricken fingers she couldn't remember the phone number for the Police Department. For some very peculiar reason, Pohnpei and Chuuk are the two states that have no 911 system although in Chuuk the number is listed as available. Just the same, everyone in Chuuk knows that there simply is no way to reach the police department by phone—but I digress.

Before my wife could get the car in gear the drunken wild man had reached her car and struck it with enough force that it actually ripped a hole in the metal of the door. He tried to climb in the window apparently also intent on ripping a vent hole in my wife, but the car finally went into gear and she drove away. She tried to stop and find out the man's name but every time she stopped he charged her car again while the spectators looked on.

She stopped a few blocks later at the store that is close to our home and asked Saburo Carl, a kind and gentle man we have come to appreciate, to call the police for her. I'd like to thank him for being there for my wife when I couldn't be. I will be forever grateful.

The situation on Wednesday was made more devastating for my wife because this is the second time that she has been attacked in Pohnpei. The last time was seven years ago almost to the day. The story that ran in the April 18, 2002 issue of The Kaselehlie Press long before I was the editor of the newspaper carried the headline, "Released convict assaults American." Some readers of the Kaselehlie Press still remember that story because the situation was pretty sensational.

There never was much in terms of a follow up story because there really wasn't much to follow up on. The police department released the alleged offender on his own recognizance the next morning and a couple of days later arrested him for beating up a Pohnpeian on the front porch of 4TY. That time they kept him. I guess the beating was more serious than the attempted roadside rape and murder of my wife.

She was summoned to testify in that case a couple of years ago, the only time she has been summoned on the matter at all. Unfortunately, either the AG's office failed to also summon the assailant or the police department failed to deliver the summons and the trial was postponed. That was the last we ever heard about the situation and we expect at this point that the matter has been dropped completely.

Her attacker is now free to live his life out peacefully in Nett which is where we hear he is now living. I truly hope that he does live out his life peacefully and that the demon living within him has been put to rest at last if only for the safety of his neighbors.

One of the two officers who took my wife's statement last Wednesday is the same one who took her statement seven years ago. The two officers supplied a name for her Sekere assailant but she couldn't sign the report because she didn't get the name. However, the description they provided fit and later that man, a Pohnpeian, was arrested at the same store where my wife earlier stopped to get help.

The officers told her that they know him well because they arrest him quite often. They said that usually by morning the charges are dropped by who ever called them in and they have to release him.

The officers told my wife that her attacker had, just before the incident in which she was involved, attacked one or two other passing vehicles. She was not clear on that. Either the man attacked only one previous vehicle with his machete, and the flying glass cut the woman's arm who was giving a statement at the same time as my wife or; her attacker cut the woman with a machete as she passed and also broke the windshield of another vehicle. My wife wasn't clear about which and she didn't witness any of it. Either way, it might have been the reason for the crowds of gawkers enjoying the high entertainment in Sekere.

The woman who had a cut on her arm was older than my wife and a local, a fact that leads us to believe that this was no racially motivated attack but rather an outbreak of alcohol soaked stupidity and rage released on whoever happened to be passing by at the time.

That leads to another matter for concern, al-

Selflessness in Kosrae

Thank you very much for the opportunity to express my thought as a free citizen in this free country on our governor for the State of Kosrae and his lieutenant governor.

When Honorable Robert J. Weilbacher started his administration two years ago, I have been watching him driving in his own truck to and from work. Later on I noticed that Honorable William O. Tosie was doing the same thing. I paid so much attention to this for almost one year, and I was very, very impressed to learn later that they both did not buy new vehicles after got elected to head the executive branch of our state government.

If my memory is good, I found that a newly elected governor and a lieutenant governor were to have two new trucks and of course, a new brand of vehicle for their uses, along with the other two branches leaders in our state government. I am not trying to make noise here, but I am putting up something unusual and of course very unselfish here for us the taxpayers to be thankful for. Of course this bold and unselfish attitude and action can save thousands of dollars in our state monies which could be

used for other projects that will be beneficial to the general public as a whole.

Oh how I wish other leaders in our state or even every single state government employee could do likewise as the top two guns in our executive branch had been doing it for two years. I am very sure that you all could say with me that this is quite a RECORD for our state of Kosrae and this record should require our attentions and of course actions to follow the leaders.

Once again thank you very much Governor Weilbacher and Lt. Governor Tosie for such a bold, unselfish, and a good example you have done to our people, I greatly appreciate it and I do really respect you for doing this. May God bless you and lead you as you serve us in your duties as Governor and Lt. Governor.

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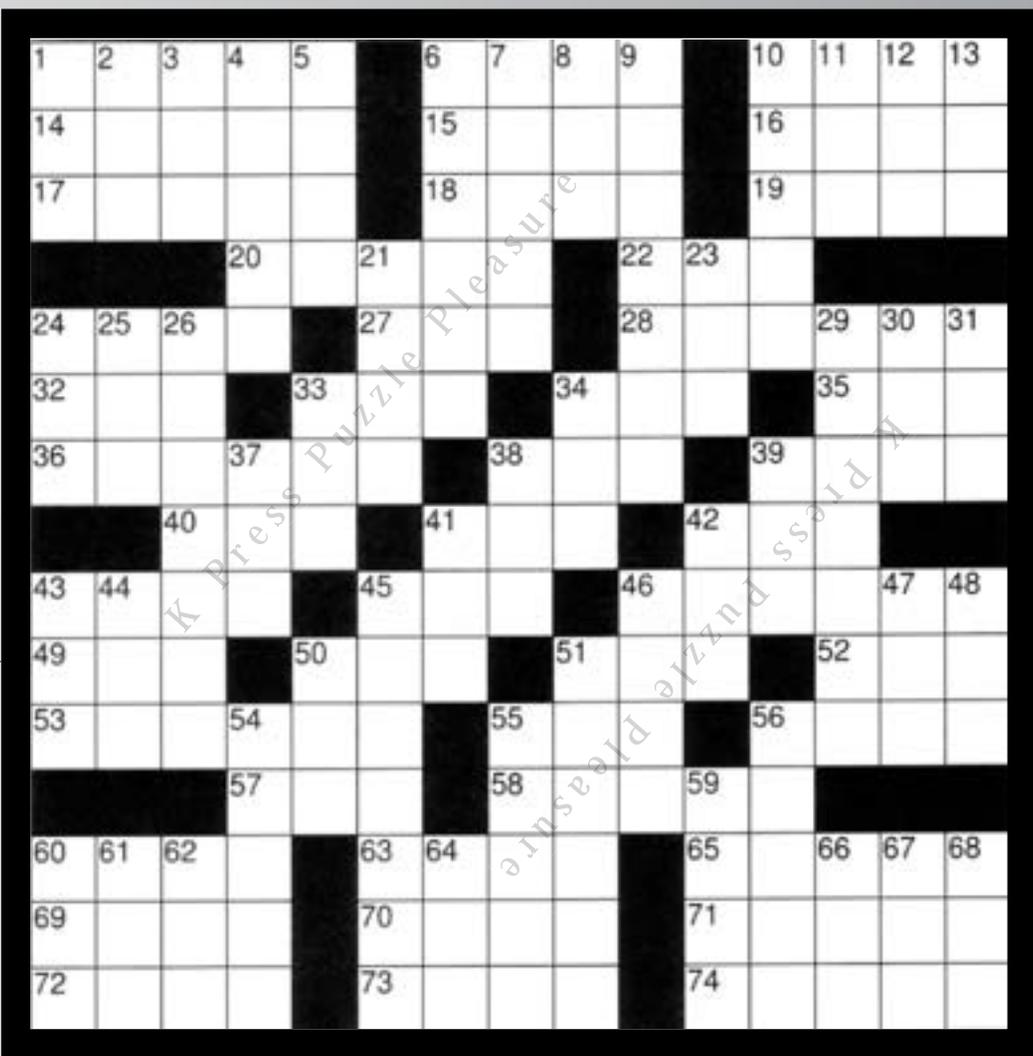
Crossword - Bible 1

ACROSS

1. "in the days when the judges ___": Ruth 1:1
6. "he had ___ himself with a new garment": 1 Kings
10. "A ___ answer turneth away wrath": Proverbs 15:1
14. "And Moses said, I will now turn ___": Exodus 3:3
15. "talents of silver to ___ them chariots": I Chron. 19:6
16. Biblical weed
17. "and the garment, and the ___ of gold": Joshua 7:24
18. About whom was said "Am I my brother's keeper?"
19. "out of the ___ furnace, even out of Egypt": Deu. 4:20
20. "comfort yourselves together, and ___ one another": The. 5:11
22. "bore his ear through with an ___": Exodus 21:6
24. "and he ___ his birthright unto Jacob": Gen. 25:33
27. "took away the locusts, and cast them into the Red ___": Exodus 10:19
28. "The young lions roared upon him, and ___": Jer. 2:15
32. "Stand in ___, and sin not": Psalms 4:4
33. "buried in a good ___ age": Gen. 15:15
34. "when ___ began to multiply": (Gen. 6:1)
35. "Give, ___, O ye heavens, and I will speak": Deu. 32:1
36. "Yet will I bring one ___ more upon Pharaoh": Exodus 11:11
38. "Why is thy spirit so ___ that thou eatest no bread?": I Kings 21:5
39. "Nineveh, and the ___ Rehoboth": Gen. 10:11
40. "when she lay down, ___ when she arose": Gen. 19:35
41. "And Jacob ___ pottage": Gen. 25:29
42. "Whereas thou ___ been forsaken": Isaiah 60:15
43. "And Samuel told him every ___": 1 Samuel 3:18
45. "And she fastened it with the ___": Judges 16:14
46. "but the talk of the lips tendeth only to ___": Pro. 14:23
49. "even as a ___ gathereth her chickens": Matt. 23:37
50. Fowl's place
51. "___ that it was good": Gen. 1:18
52. "ye tithe the mint and ___": Luke 11:42
53. "stringed instruments and ___": Psalms 150:4

55. "shut the doors, and ___ them": Neh. 7:3
 56. "he hath ___ his bow": Psalms 7:12
 57. "That which groweth of ___ own accord": Lev. 25:5
 58. "And Noah builded an ___ unto the LORD": Gen. 8:20
 60. "Therefore I will ___ and howl": Micah 1:8
 63. "the land of Nod, on the ___ of Eden": Gen. 4:16
 65. "that it may give seed to the ___": Isaiah 55:10
 69. "for all their sins ___ a year": Lev. 16:34
 70. "Who told ___ that thou were naked?": Gen. 3:11
 71. "they look and ___ upon me": Psalms 22:17
 72. "And Saul ___ David from that day and forward": I Samuel 18:9
 73. "and Rachel travailed, and she had ___ labor": Gen. 35:16
 74. "came and ___ them into the pot": 2 Kings 4:39
- DOWN
1. "for the ___ flesh is unclean": Lev 13:15
 2. "neither shall ye ___ enchantment": Lev. 19:26
 3. "took a chest, and bored a hole in the ___": 2 Kings 12:9
 4. "sharp as a two-___ sword": Psalms 149:6
 5. "What ___ is this that ye have done?": Gen. 44:15
 6. "and they be ___ in their minds": 2 Samuel 17:8
 7. "Persia, Ethiopia, and ___ with them": Eze. 38:5
 8. "These ___ the three sons of Noah": Gen. 9:19
 9. "I made haste, and ___ not": Psalms 119:60
 10. "Stand ___, and I will hear what the LORD": Num. 9:8
 11. "And all that handle the ___ the mariners": Eze. 27:29
 12. "going to and ___ in the earth": Job 1:7
 13. Commandment count
 21. "And the inhabitant of this ___ shall say in that day": Isaiah 20:6
 23. "maimed, or having a ___": Lev. 22:22
 24. "The trees ... are full of ___": Psalms 104:16
 25. "the screech ___ also shall rest there": Isaiah 34:14
 26. "___ upon the top of his staff": Heb. 11:21

29. "they had no ___ so much as to eat": Mark 6:31
30. "But of the tree ... thou shalt not ___ of it": Gen. 2:17
31. "called the ___ land Earth": Gen. 1:10
33. "Let us make man in ___ image": Gen. 1:26
34. "Surely oppression maketh a wise man ___": Ecc. 7:7
37. "which he had ___ in the land of Canaan": Gen. 36:6
38. "And Abraham said, My ___ will provide himself a Lamb": Gen. 22:8
39. "My punishment is greater than I ___ bear": Gen. 4:13
41. "The nobleman saith unto him, ___, come down ere my child die": John 4:49
42. "___ thee two tables of stone": Exodus 34:1
43. "___ dwelt in Sodom": Gen. 14:12
44. "Then Bathsheba bowed with ___ face to the earth": 1 Kings 1:31
45. "any that ___ against the wall": I Samuel 25:22
46. "Thou shalt ___ it in pieces": Lev. 2:6
47. "___ now, I pray thee, to meet her": 2 Kings 4:26
48. "And he stayed ___ another seven days": Gen. 8:10
50. "Go to the ___, thou sluggard": Pro. 6:6
51. "savour, wherewithal shall it be ___?": Matt. 5:13
54. "What ___ thee that thou fleddest?": Psalms 114:5
55. "fellows of the ___ sort": Acts 17:5
56. "and pour out the ___": Judges 6:20
59. "until an ___ head was sold": 2 Kings 6:25
60. "___ unto us!": I Samuel 4:8
61. "lest ___ find him should kill him": Gen. 4:15
62. "___, and wherein the snow is hid": Job 6:16
64. "___, our eye hath seen it": Psalms 35:21
66. "The LORD is a man of ___": Exodus 15:3
67. "and how long will it be ___ they believe me": Num. 14:11
68. "His eyes shall be ___ with wine": Gen. 49:12



HIDDEN NUMBERS

Did you know that there are around 100,000 hairs on the human head? Each day the average person can lose up to 125 hairs, which are replaced by new ones.

1	7	7	3	0	2	5	1	8	6	5	4	5	8
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01015	20103	47598	75910
01281	33029	48197	77565
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04624	37338	59139	86066
05583	37824	60573	88272
11475	38528	60621	93342
13100	40200	65119	95783
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Puzzle Pleasure Previous Issue's Solution

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Crossword Solution

S	A	M	M	I	A	E	L	M	A	R	T
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Word Search Solution

4-1-09 Issue
Hidden Answer

One joy scatters a hundred griefs.

ANOTHER CLASSIC LIMERICK BROUGHT TO YOU BY **TRASHBUSTERS**

A blonde at a bank in Kentucky
Confronted a robber -- how plucky!
But got shot in the head
Yet she still isn't dead
For her mind was a blank (that was lucky)

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Mango – Marvelous Mango!

By : *Kathay Larsen*
Island Food Community of Pohnpei

We are very fortunate to have so many mango trees here on our island of Pohnpei. When this tree is in season, its bounty is so plentiful that all can enjoy the tender and juicy fruit. These trees can grow 50-60 feet tall, so gathering fruit from the lower part is easy, but you have to work to get the fruit from the upper limbs. If you are “waiting around”, watching a particular tree, thinking that you will pick the fruit right when it becomes ripe, then you will never have the opportunity to enjoy this delicious treat.

As all the children here in Pohnpei know, you can pick mangos before they are ripe. The children too are watching the mango trees once the season starts, and they have a very keen eye as to when they can pick these gems. If you aren't keeping careful watch over your tree, they will beat you to the harvest every time! They are experts at climbing the trees and they love those mangos. This is a bad thing for you if you want to enjoy a bit of tasty morsel for yourself, but it's wonderful for the kids. Mangos are much healthier than the store bought sweets that they could be eating, and they cost far less as well.

An interesting nutritional fact is that there is more Vitamin C in a small mango than there is in a medium sized apple. Mangos also contain more protein, provitamin A, Vitamin B2, calcium, iron and niacin than medium sized apples, yet apples cost more and are harder to come by here on Pohnpei.

As Island Food Community of Pohnpei has explained before, Vitamin A is important for healthy eyes, proper growth and disease protection. Vitamin C helps the body's use of

iron, assists in chemical actions important to the body and keeps tissue in the body strong. Green mangos have more Vitamin C than a ripe mango, but be cautious when eating too many un-ripe mangoes as they are harder to digest and can upset your stomach. Why on Earth would you buy apples when mangos are in season and mangos have all these nutrients, are so plentiful and are usually free?

If you have mangos on your property consider yourself lucky and take care of this precious tree. Mangos take about six years to start bearing fruit. Once a tree is about 40 years old, you will see a marked difference in the amount of fruit that it yields. The ripe flesh colors will vary from red and orange, to yellow. Some will weigh much more than others. Whatever type of mango you have on your land, take care of it and enjoy it.

Ripe mangos are a very nutritious food for babies to eat. At about six months, a baby will need to start eating soft food along with the mother's breast milk. It is important to know that as a mango has an interesting and somewhat strong taste, a baby may not at first want to eat it, so a mother may need to be patient and feed it to her baby a couple of times before they finally acquire a taste for it. When preparing mangos for a baby, be sure to mash them up and strain so that there are no strings that the baby can choke on. Babies are also able to drink mango juice as well. Just press a little ripe mango flesh through a clean wire strainer or a clean cloth, then add some cooled boiled water. Do Not Add Sugar, it is not healthy! So, please give your babies some mango. It's good to start your baby on this and other soft and nutritious types of local food.

Acknowledgements are made to the South Pacific Food Leaflet No. 3, on Mango, 1992.

Astronomical Tide Prediction

April 15 through April 28, 2009

	Pohnpei		Chuuk	
Wednesday	04/15	04/22	04/15	04/22
	05:35AM 3.9	01:46AM 3.7	04:07AM 2.1	01:45AM 1.5
	12:35PM 1.7	07:47AM 1.4	07:56PM 0.0	07:35AM 0.7
	05:20PM 2.3	01:43PM 3.7		01:06PM 1.5
Thursday	04/16	04/23	04/16	04/23
	06:03AM 3.6	02:09AM 4.0	04:28AM 2.0	01:43AM 1.8
	01:41PM 1.9	08:22AM 1.1	08:03PM 0.0	08:10AM 0.5
	05:22PM 2.1	02:18PM 3.7		01:41PM 1.4
Friday	04/17	04/24	04/17	04/24
	06:40AM 3.3	02:36AM 4.4	04:49AM 1.8	01:55AM 2.1
	07:46PM 1.9	08:58AM 0.8	08:06PM 0.1	08:49AM 0.3
		02:52PM 3.7		02:15PM 1.2
Saturday	04/18	04/25	04/18	04/25
	08:32AM 3.1	03:05AM 4.6	05:07AM 1.6	02:14AM 2.3
	06:39PM 1.7	09:35AM 0.7	08:00PM 0.2	09:31AM 0.1
		03:27PM 3.5		02:49PM 1.0
Sunday	04/19	04/26	04/19	04/26
	02:30AM 2.6	03:37AM 4.7	04:53AM 1.4	02:37AM 2.5
	05:04AM 2.5	10:14AM 0.6	07:15AM 1.3	10:18AM 0.1
	11:23AM 3.1	04:02PM 3.3	10:36AM 1.5	03:19PM 0.7
Monday	04/20	04/27	04/20 Mon	04/27
	01:26AM 2.9	04:10AM 4.7	03:17AM 1.3	03:03AM 2.5
	06:32AM 2.2	10:56AM 0.7	06:39AM 1.2	11:15AM 0.1
	12:25PM 3.3	04:38PM 3.0	11:47AM 1.5	03:41PM 0.4
Tuesday	04/21	04/28	04/21	04/28
	01:29AM 3.3	04:46AM 4.6	02:11AM 1.3	03:30AM 2.6
	07:12AM 1.8	11:42AM 0.9	07:03AM 1.0	12:43PM 0.1
	01:07PM 3.5	05:16PM 2.6	12:29PM 1.5	03:31PM 0.2
	07:28PM 1.2	10:30PM 1.3	07:08PM 0.4	07:03PM 0.1

Mango Snacks

1 ripe mango
Cinnamon (optional)

1. Wash and peel the mango.
2. Slice thinly.
3. Spread out on a clean plastic bag or a small tightly woven mat of coconut palm leaves.
4. Sprinkle cinnamon on top of the mango.
5. The slices of the mango must be as thin as possible so that they will dry quickly. If they are too thick they will not dry well and later they may spoil.
6. Dry the mango in the sun until the slices will come off the plastic or mat without sticking.
7. When dry, remove the mango from the plastic or mat, and store in a clean glass jar.
8. Makes a very healthy and nutritious snack for children instead of expensive lollipops from the store.

Mango and Papaya Relish

-2 cups ripe but firm mangoes (washed and chopped)
-2 cups half-rip papayas (peeled, chopped)
-1 fresh red chili (finely chopped)
-1 cinnamon stick

Four Servings:

1. Combine all ingredients in a pan.
 2. Bring to boil. Reduce heat and simmer for twenty minutes until mixture thickens.
 3. Cool and store in a clear container.
 4. Serve with meat or fish and cooked root crops.
- Note: This will keep about one week, or about one month if you have a refrigerator cook the vegetables.)to taste.

Sweet and Sour Vegetables

Six Servings:

6 cups of chopped mixed vegetables (any vegetables can be used, i.e. pumpkin, green beans, carrots, green pepper, tomatoes, etc.)
3 tablespoons cooking oil
4 large onions, chopped
4 half-ripe mangoes
1 cup water
1 ½ cups thin coconut cream
Salt and pepper to taste

1. Fry the onions in the oil for 5 minutes.
2. Add the chopped vegetables, water and coconut cream.
3. Lightly fry for about five minutes or until the vegetables are half cooked (note: do not overcook the vegetables.)
4. Wash and peel the mangoes. Cut them into slices.
5. Add the mango slices to the vegetables and cook for a further 2 minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste.

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