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# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## Registration Week: New Student Orientation



*New students attending the New Student Orientation at the PCC Assembly Hall.*

This week, Palau Community College (PCC) welcomed new and returning students to its Fall-2013 school semester. New students were greeted and welcomed at the New Student Orientation that took place on Wednesday, August 07, 2013. A myriad of new students met at the PCC Assembly Hall to meet with counselors from the Student Life Department of the college. The counselors were present to assist students with their first-time registration process. Members of the school staff were also present to explain the different parts of the college that may assist students.

PCC President, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, welcomed the new students and shared his educational experience with the students. Dean of Students Daniel Sherman introduced the new students to the Student Services Department at the college. Vice President of the CRE Department, Mr. Thomas Taro, gave an insight to the agricultural science and research conducted at the college. Financial Aid Director Dahlia Katosang explained the financial aid process to the students. New students were given a tour of the campus. Afterwards, they met with the different counselors for program planning and advising sessions. REGISTRATION, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

### PCC Bids Farewell to Christopher Batchelor

Christopher Batchelor has bid farewell to Palau Community College (PCC) as his contract with the school ends. Mr. Batchelor is from the country of Australia. He has been assisting instructors at the college implement *English as a Second Language* modules. Last year he had extended his contract to continue working with the school's instructors. The instructors and staff of the college would like to thank Mr. Batchelor for his dedicated time and contribution. The school wishes him the best in his future endeavors.



*(left to right): Director of Plant Kazuma, Vice President Olegeriil, Instructor Temaungil, Executive Assistant Ngramengior, Mr. Batchelor, Interim Dean of Academic Affairs Ramarui, and President Tellei.*

*Palau Community College is an accessible public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of the students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.*

## Breadfruit Farming Program



(left to right): Director Tadao, President Tellei, and Dr. Avegalio.

On July 30, 2013 Dr. Tusi Avegalio, Director of the Pacific Business Center Program at the Shidler College of Business Administration—University of Hawaii, met with Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, President of Palau Community College, to share information about a regional economic development and food security initiative centered around breadfruit. Breadfruit is a fruit that is found in the Pacific and South Asian regions. Recently, it has been discovered that the breadfruit is a gluten-free food source.

BREADFRUIT, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

## San Diego State University Oceans Class



Students participating in the Oceanography class.

For a week, San Diego State University (SDSU) offered a class on oceanography called Oceans-320. The class began on Monday, August 05, 2013, and ended on Friday, August 09, 2013. Kevin Robinson, the instructor of the course, flew in from California to teach the course. Mr. Robinson introduced his students to the dynamics of oceanography such as the physical knowledge of oceans, the complex systems that depend on oceans as a living environment, and effects human activities have on the livelihood of the ocean ecosystem. OCEANS, CONTINUED ON PAGE 4

## Prince LeBoo Scholarship



(left to right): Rimuu Dominica Ngoriakl, Bilung Gloria Salii, PCC President Patrick Tellei, PCC Student Ahlai Kyota, and the Director of Finance Uroi Salii.

Bilung Gloria Salii visited Palau Community College (PCC) on Friday, August 02, 2013 to present the funding for the new school year's Prince LeBoo Scholarship. The \$1,000 fund was received on behalf of the school by PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei, PCC student Ahlai Kyota, and the PCC Director of Finance Uroi Salii. The Prince LeBoo Scholarship has financially supported PCC students and their educational pursuits for many years. Students are encouraged to visit PCC Development Office for scholarships available for this school year.

## Moylan's Insurance Scholarship



Ewing Rudimch (PCC student, wearing black shirt) receiving Scholarship funding from Moylan's Insurance employees.

On August 05, 2013 the scholarship fund contributed by Moylan's Insurance Company was received by Palau Community College (PCC). The check was received on behalf of the school by Ewing Rudimch, a student of college. Moylan's Insurance Underwriters Scholarship has provided funding for a scholarship available to students at PCC for many years. All students interested in applying for the scholarship are encouraged to visit the PCC Development Office to obtain scholarship forms or more information.

# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday 8AM to 5PM

Saturday 9AM to 6PM

Sunday CLOSED

For more information call  
488-3540.

### FINE GARDENING MAGAZINE



"Fine Gardening Magazine from The Taunton Press brings you breathtaking design ideas, helpful techniques, and the know-how to get great results in your own garden."

## Academic Calendar: Fall 2013

**August 9 (F)**

Late Registration

**August 12 (M)**

First Day of Instruction

**August 12-14 (M-W)**

Credit by Examination

**August 12-16 (M-F)**

Add and Drop Period

**August 16 (F)**

Last Day to Change CR/NC

## News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIU'S NEWS welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and/or electronic copies to [dilubchs@palau.edu](mailto:dilubchs@palau.edu) and [tcuziet@gmail.com](mailto:tcuziet@gmail.com).

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcomed.

Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253) for more information.

## Breadfruit CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

Gluten-free food products have become a staple in food markets around the world having reached a value of \$4.2 billion in 2012. This number is expected to rise to \$6.6 billion by 2017. Places such as the Philippines and Jamaica have successfully processed breadfruit into flour, a by-product of the breadfruit that sells well on the food markets. Dr. Avegalio believes that the Pacific islands can benefit from the agricultural production of breadfruit in the food market.

Research led by Dr. Diane Ragone, an expert on Pacific breadfruit and Director of the National Tropical Botanical Garden Breadfruit Institute, has found that thousands of breadfruit plantlets can be produced in weeks. Instead of the expected seven plus years needed for planting and harvesting, breadfruit can now be produced in two to three years. By taking advantage of the Dr. Ragone's research results, islands in the Pacific can garner a stronghold in the gluten-free food market.

Breadfruit farming is a regional economic development initiative that can benefit the entire Pacific region. Centers for breadfruit production can be built in the far West Pacific (Marianas Islands and Belau), Central Pacific (Federated States of Micronesia), East Pacific (Marshall Islands), and the South Pacific (American Samoa). All centers would be linked to Hawaii where the fruits are consolidated, production refined, packaged, and exported to the United States market. The breadfruit can become a main export of the Pacific islands opening a door to industries outside the sphere of tourism.

## Registration CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1



PCC President Tellei welcoming new students.



New students touring PCC Campus.



New students orientation at the PCC Assembly Hall.



Students around the PCC Campus getting ready for the new school year.

## ALUMNI NOTES

### CERILLA MICHAEL

(Class of 2013)  
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - LIBRARY SERVICES

*"It's always good to try new things than not trying at all. So, continue learning and see how it could change your life. It's never too late!"*



She graduated with an AAS Degree in Library Sciences. Currently, she works as a Librarian Aide at George B. Harris Elementary School.

### ELIZABETH ISAMU

(Class of 2012)  
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - LIBRARY SERVICES

*"Learning never stops. Pursue your education no matter how old you are!"*



She graduated in 2012 with an AAS Degree in Library Services. For nineteen years, she has been working as a librarian for Angaur Elementary School.

### ASHLEY UMETARO

(Class of 2012)  
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS

*"My experience during the years that I attended PCC helped with my educational experience abroad."*



She graduated with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts in 2012. Since, she has been attending the University of Guam. For the summer, she interned at Belau Medical Clinic. She plans on studying medicine in the future.

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**ALUMNI NOTES** showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities.

If you are that alumnus/alumna or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone numbers 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253).

We would like to feature you in future *Mesekii's News* issues.

## Oceans CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

Mr. Robinson is a full-time lecturer at SDSU. His focus subjects are geology and geoscience education. In Oceans-320, the course concentrated on the subjects of ocean pollution, ocean patterns and cycles, planetary dynamics that effect oceans, and the shifting baselines project. Like most sciences, Mr. Robinson also taught students how to infer facts through observation and research. Mr. Robinson encouraged his students to apply the knowledge they had obtained to caring for the ocean waters of Palau.

### Message of Condolences

Palau Community College would like to express its deepest condolences to the family of Dannies Uehara. Mr. Uehara worked as a research assistant for PCC CRE until the time of his passing. He also graduated from PCC in 2012.

Palau Community College would also like express its deepest condolences to the family of Harris Kambalang, a former Governor of Kayangel State. In 1974, he graduated from Micronesian Occupational Center (MOC) with a vocational certificate in carpentry.

### Celebrating Birthdays

Juan Camacho	August 14
Dr. Lydia M. Marero	August 14
Dilubch Samil	August 14
James Norman Sato	August 18



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

### Vacancy Announcement

- (1) *English Instructor*  
(Learning Resource Center)  
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (2) *Accounting Technician, General*  
(Administration Department - Business Office)  
Salary range: \$9,913 - \$16,954 per annum
- (3) *Math Instructor*  
(Learning Resource Center)  
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (4) *Dean of Academic Affairs*  
(Academic Affairs Office)  
Salary range: \$21,911 - \$33,730 per annum
- (5) *Twenty (20) Part-Time Tutors*  
(Educational Talent Search Office)  
Salary range: \$400 - \$1,200 per annum
- (6) *Federal Work-study Coordinator*  
(Office of Admissions & Financial Aid)  
Salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum

For application forms and information, please contact *Harline Haruo* at **PCC Human Resources Office** at 488-2470/2471, extension 227.

E-mail [hr@palau.edu](mailto:hr@palau.edu) or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>

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## Endowment Fund

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OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION  
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If you want to join the Biweekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

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