

BlueBay Petroleum Donates to Library Face-lift Project



(left to right): PCC Librarian David Thompson, BlueBay Manager Ralph Moses, PCC Staff David Salapwa, and Executive Assistant Todd Ngiramengior.

On Saturday, October 12, 2013 the Palau Community College (PCC) Tan Siu Lin Library was face-lifted and renovated. Eight students, with the assistance of the PCC Maintenance Crew, were able to re-paint and repair parts of the library building that had been affected by heavy rain and strong winds. The group was able to clean the signage, clean the outside walls and windows, re-paint the walls and rails, and clean the surrounding library grounds. They were also able to do minor repairs to parts of the library that were not in good condition.

BlueBay Petroleum presented a \$250 check to the PCC Tan Siu Lin Library to assist with the face-lifting project. In addition, BlueBay Petroleum donated non-skid tapes for the entrance of the library. The non-skid tapes will prevent slips due to rain or water thus keeping the library's patrons safe.

PCC would like to thank BlueBay Petroleum for its generous donation and support to the Tan Siu Lin Library. The donation was presented by BlueBay Petroleum Branch Manager Ralph Moses to PCC Librarian David Thompson, Executive Assistant Todd Ngiramengior, and PCC Staff David Salapwa.

Engineer Sandell Visits PCC

On Friday, November 15, 2013, Palau Community College (PCC) was visited by Engineer Bert Sandell. During his visit, Mr. Sandell met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. Mr. Sandell is an "Engineer Without Borders" or an engineer who assists non-governmental organizations with engineering activities oriented towards international development work.

He graduated from the University of California, Berkeley with a Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Engineering/Operations Research. Mr. Sandell has worked on "Engineer Without Borders" projects such as the Application for Bottle Recycling Project in El Salvador for which he was the San Francisco Project Manager for the Juayua/San Juan De Dios, El Salvador chapter.



PCC President Dr. Tellei with Engineer Sandell.

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

First Career Expo

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Panel of Guest Speakers at the PCC Career Expo.



One of the information booths (Neco Group of Companies) at the Expo.

Palau Community College held its first Career Expo on October 31st, 2013 at the PCC Cafeteria. The theme of the Career Expo was "BE INFORMED! MAKE THE RIGHT CAREER CHOICE!" The Career Expo is to help PCC students learn about available job opportunities and gain information to help them identify future careers, or majors to pursue when they transfer to universities.

The Career Expo participants included all 8 government ministries, 4 private companies, and PCC Cooperative Research and Extension. The Career Expo format started with panel presentations from 9:00am to 10:30am and information booths opening from 10:35am to 12:00pm.

The panel presentations focused on available career opportunities within each ministry or company, education and trainings needed, and future career demands. The panelists included Minister Billy Kuartei-Ministry of State, Minister F. Umiich Sengebau-Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment & Tourism, Vice President Thomas Taro-PCC Cooperative Research & Extension, Director Rinsang Rechirei-Ministry of Finance, Director Umerang Imetengel-Ministry of Finance, Ms. Marleen Ngirametuker-Human Resource Administrator, Ministry of Health, Ms. Mahelany D. Oseked-Human Resource Manager, Palau National Communications Corporation, Mr. Noe Yalap-Program Specialist, Ministry of Education and Mr. Dison Sbal-Immigration Officer, Ministry of Justice. CAREER EXPO, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

Endowment Fund Contributors

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to thank the following businesses, offices, and individuals for contributing to the PCC Endowment Fund:

R&C: Bait and Tackle



PCC Student Trustee Dizzette U. Dolmers (right) receiving a donation from Joe Giramur (left).

Thank you all for contributing to the Palau Community College (PCC) Endowment Fund!

Tmetuchl Scholarship Funding



PCC Freshman Representative Ewing Rudimch (left) receiving the Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship fund from Assistant Manager Annabelle I. Williams of the Roman Tmetuchl Management & Realty, Inc. (RTMRI).

Palau Community College (PCC) received funding for the Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship on Monday, November 11, 2013. The Roman Tmetuchl Scholarship is a PCC-based scholarship offered every school year. Freshman Representative Ewing Rudimch received the scholarship fund on behalf of the college.

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Hours of Operation	

Saturday	9AM to 6PM
Sunday	CLOSED

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Academic Calendar: Fall 2013

November 27 (W) PCC Endowment Thanksgiving Fundraiser

> **November 28 (TH)** Holiday: Thanksgiving Day!

November 28-29 (TH-F) Students' Thanksgiving Break

> December 04 (W) Last Day of Instruction

Reminder to All Students

Students are reminded that the smoking of tobacco is *prohibited* anywhere on the PCC campus grounds, facilities, vehicles, and properties. PCC is also a gambling, drug, and alcohol free environment!

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 **dilubch@gmail.com** and **tchuziet@gmail.com**.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

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

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According to Minister Billy Kuartei, the Ministry of State is willing and able to hire interested PCC graduates. He also stressed that there is an abundance of available scholarships and training opportunities and students should not have any excuse not to earn a higher degree or pursue professional training after PCC. Minister F. Umiich Sengebau followed up on Minister Kuartei's proposal by offering internship opportunities to students interested in working for the MNRET. Minister Sengebau also expressed the importance of earning a higher degree and pursuing specialized skills in areas where we lack local professionals. Vice President Thomas Taro then followed up on Minister Sengebau's offer by assuring students that the RIIA program offers scholarships to Agricultural Science and is able to pay for students who are interested in doing their internships at MNRET.

After the panel presentations, the information booths opened and students had the opportunity to visit the booths and interact with government and company representatives to get detailed information regarding career opportunities. Information booths had equipment and information displays, posters, pamphlets, job applications, and numerous giveaways. One of the many information booths that received a lot of traffic from students was the MPIIC (Division of Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF). Their display included various equipments such as rescue tools and protective gears which attracted students to visit their booth. The Ministry of Health information booth was also flooded with students as their display included information on all of MOH's programs, and students also had an opportunity to speak with Anesthesiologist Dr. Mekoll and his nursing staff. Other companies such as PNCC and WCTC had various giveaways for participants. All participating agencies and companies did a great job in providing materials for students to learn detailed information about each agency or company.

The Career Expo was a success as indicated by student evaluations. The overall "Career Expo" was rated at 98 percent in terms of presentation effectiveness, information gained, relevancy, and helpfulness. The presenters and information booth representatives were also requested to evaluate the Career Expo in terms of relevancy of information, easiness of the registration process, sufficiency of booth space, provision of needed equipments, and sufficiency of time given for presentations/booths.

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NOVEMBER 27, 2013 (WEDNESDAY) Contact the PCC Development Office for more information: 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, or 253.

ALUMNI NOTES

ALBINO ESOAILUG (Class of 2012) Associate of Applied Science - Carpentry "Study hard & never give up!"



Albino graduated in 2012 with an AAS Degree in Carpentry. He currently works for the Maintenance Department of Palau Community College.

THELMA REMENGESAU

(Class of 2006; Class of 2011) Associate of Science - Education: Elementary Education Bachelor of Arts - Education

"Education is the key to success. Study hard, do not give up, and always be willing to try again."



Thelma worked as a teacher for Maris Stella Elementary School before becoming its Vice Principal. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Education through the San Diego State University cohort offered at PCC in 2011. Currently, she is the Principal of Maris Stella Elementary School.

NICOLAS ERHIEISAP (Class of 1988) Certificate of Completion - GOC

"Try your best and never give up on your education!"



Nicolas graduated in 1988 with an Certificate of Completion for GOC. He currently works as a Boat Captain and Tour Guide for Manta Ray Hotel on Yap State.

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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 Mesekíw's News issues.

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The participants rated the overall program at 89 percent. These feedbacks are not only critical for evaluating this expo but will help us plan an even better Career Expo next year.

Career Expo is part of PCC's Career/Transfer Counseling component effort to help retain, graduate and assist our graduating students in choosing the right careers and/or transfer to four year institutions in pursuit of higher education.

PCC would like to thank the following government ministries and private companies for participating in the Career Expo. This partnership is critical in the effort to ensure that our students make the right career choices.

Our acknowledgement goes to the Ministry of State; Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Health; Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Education; Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment & Tourism; Ministry of Public Infrastructure, Industries & Commerce; Ministry of Community and Cultural Affairs; Palau Community College-Cooperative Research & Extension; Palau Visitors Authority, Western Caroline Trading Company; NECO Group of Companies; Surangel & Sons Company; and Palau National Communications Corporation. Most importantly, we would like to applaud the many students that participated in the Career

<u>Celebrating Birthdays</u>

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НАРРУ BIRTHDAY!

Vacancy Announcement

- English Instructor (Learning Resource Center) Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (2) Adjunct Instructors (Academic Affairs Office) Salary range: determined by class credits, educational level, and experience.
- (3) Dean of Academic Affairs (Academic Affairs Office) Salary range: \$21,911 - \$33,730 per annum

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

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