Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Officials in Palau

A delegation of officials from the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands (CNMI) visited Palau this week. The delegation includes Congressman Ramon Tebuteb, Congressman John Paul “JP” Sablan, Northern Marianas College Dean of Administration and Resource Development David Attao, and NMC Director of Community Development Institute Floyd Masga.

During their visit, the CNMI officials met with the members of the Micronesian Voyaging Society (MVS). MVS is a group that promotes and supports non-instrumental navigation methods historically present in Pacific island culture. Currently, Palau Community College (PCC) offers a Non-Instrumental Navigation course to interested persons. During their meeting with MVS, the CNMI delegation discussed the program and ways in which CNMI could participate in it.

Japanese Tourists Visit Palau Community College

A group of Japanese tourists visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) on Tuesday, February 03, 2014. Included in the group were Kimiko Nakamura, Masayuki Tani, Masaru Usui, and Aiko Tani.

The group was interested in visiting sites in Palau with ties to Japan. During Japan’s administration of Palau, Koror had been considered the “Chisai Tokyo” or the Little Tokyo of the Pacific region. Japanese people were ever-present in Micronesia, especially in Palau. PCC had been the site of a hospital and a trade school during Japan’s Administration of the islands. Mr. Usui’s father had lived in Palau working for the Nanyo Kohatsu Kabushiki Kaisha Company (also known as the Nanyo Kohatsu K. K.).

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.
The Faculty Senate Association (FSA) presented the scholarship awards to its 2014 recipients on Tuesday, February 04, 2014. Keisha Willis and Lana Otobed were once again awarded with the first-year FSA scholarship; Antoni K. Soalablai and Sngebard Melairei were also again awarded with the second-year FSA scholarship. The four students had been diligent in keeping their grade-point-averages above 3.8 during last semester. Palau Community College (PCC) would like to congratulate the FSA Scholarship recipients and wish them all the best this new school semester.

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The Nanyo Kohatsu K. K. was a strategic development company with a base stationed in Palau. It promoted the development of economy in Micronesia by trading with islands under the British and Dutch administrations. In addition, the company promoted Japanese political interests through its business around the Pacific and Southeast Asia. After World War II, the company was abolished by the American occupation authorities.

PUBLIC NOTICE:  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

The Palau Community College Board of Trustees will hold its regular meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2014 beginning at 9AM at the PCC Conference Room located in the Dort Building on PCC Campus. All regular meetings of the board are open to the public.

If you wish to attend, please call: 488-2480/488-2471/488-1669 for accommodations.

New Australian Ambassador to FSM

On Friday, January 17, 2014 a ceremony was held to welcome the newly appointed Australian Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). FSM President Manny Mori accepted the Letter of Recall & Credence for His Excellency Terence Beven who also cross-accredited to the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Republic of Palau. The ceremony was held at the Conference Room of the FSM President in Palikir, Pohnpei.

During the ceremony, FSM President Mori welcomed Ambassador Beven and extended his thanks to Australia for its continuous assistance to the islands. Australia has been aiding FSM in the development of economy, environment management, and the improvement of its primary education levels in English and mathematics.

Rotary Club of Palau  
DAVID WILLIAMS  
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications available at the PCC Development Office!  
*Deadline: April 2014*

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MVS members present at the meeting with the CNMI officials were Ibedul Yutaka N. Gibbons, Reklai Raphael B. Ngirmang, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, MVS President Shallum Etpison, MVS Mediator Ephraim Ngirachitei, Dr. Victor Yano, and Alan Seid. Members of MVS not present during the meeting were Sesario Sewralur, Master Navigator and Instructor for the PCC Non-Instrumental Navigation Program, and President of the Republic Tommy E. Remengesau Jr. who was off-island during the meeting.

The CNMI Delegation also toured the PCC campus and facilities. Dean of Academic Affairs Robert Ramarui guided the guests on a tour of the PCC School of Career & Technical Education (CTE) as well as the Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence (PTHSE). In addition, the delegation visited the Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) stations in Babeldaob. The group visited the PCC Research & Development (R&D) Station in Ngermeskang and the Multi-Species Hatchery in Ngermetengel, both in Ngeremlengui State.

The CNMI Delegation paid a courtesy visit to Palau as a means of strengthening the relationship between both islands.
Huana Benhart
(Class of 1989)
Certificate of Completion - Office Clerk
“Make education a priority in your life. Instill that thought in your children. Someday, they will look back and thank you in abundance!”

Huana received a Certificate of Completion for Office Clerk in 1989. For twenty years, she has worked for the Judicial Branch of the National Government. She is currently an Administrative Assistant for the Budget Office.

Perry Hideos
(Class of 1995)
Certificate of Completion - Carpentry
“Work hard!”

In 1995, Perry received a Certificate of Completion for Carpentry from the Micronesian Occupational College (MOC). For the past eleven years he has been working as the Construction Technology Teacher for Palau High School (PHS).

Noria Manahane
(Class of 1994)
Associate of Science - Business Administration
“A high school diploma is not enough for a decent job. Earn a college degree, begin at PCC to gain an insight of college life and continue on to achieve the highest education possible.”

Noria graduated in 1994 with an AS Degree in Business Administration. She has been working for nineteen years as a Senior Accountant for the Bank Reconciliation of the Ministry of Finance.

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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 Alumna/Alumnus 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 Mesekiu’s News issues.

Vacancy Announcement

(1) 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) Two (2) Cooks
(Administration Department)
Salary range: $6,086 - $10,408 per annum

(4) Nursing Instructor
(Academic Affairs Office)
Salary range: $16,010 - $28,280 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 or download forms at http://pcc.palau.edu

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