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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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### Registration Week for Fall 2014 Semester



Students register for Fall Semester 2014.

Registration for the new fall semester of Palau Community College (PCC) took place on Monday, August 11, 2014 to Wednesday, August 13, 2014. Continuing and returning students gathered at the campus of the school to meet with their academic advisors at the Student Life division of the college. During their meetings, students discussed their educational goals and future plans with their counselors. Students also selected their classes and set their official schedules for the new semester. Over a hundred-eighty (180) new students have been accepted this new school year.

A pre-registration session for continuing students entering PCC from the spring and summer semesters was held in July. Registration sessions for new students entering PCC was held on Thursday, August 07, 2014 after the New Student Orientation. Late registration will be held on Friday, August 15, 2014 and Monday, August 18, 2014. The first day of instruction is scheduled for Monday, August 18, 2014.

### **U.S. Delegation Visits PCC**

On Monday, August 11, 2014 a team from the United States Department of the Interior and the United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB) visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). team included Craig Crutchfield (Interior Branch Chief of the Office of Management and Budget), Denise Flanagan (Director of Budget for the Office of Budget of the Department of the Interior), Nikolao I. Pula (Director of the Office of Insular Affairs of the Department of the Interior), Johnathan Dunn (Deputy Budget Officer for the Office of Insular Affairs of the Department of the Interior), and Robert A. MacCallum (Management Officer for the Embassy of the United States of America).

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U.S. Office of Management and Budget Interior Branch Chief Craig Crutchfield (second from the right) and delegation with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (third from left) and personnel.

### PCC Bids Farewell to CMU Student



PCC personnel with CMU graduate student Tomokazu Yoshida.

Tomokazu Yoshida, a graduate student studying in the Information Networking Institute (INI) of Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) in Pennsylvania, spent ten weeks at Palau Community College (PCC) assisting with improvements of the school's networking system and upgrades of its wireless configuration. During his time at PCC, Mr. Yoshida installed a free open-source network access control solution (PacketFence) and Wireshark to extend wireless internet connection around the college campus. Mr. Yoshida has over ten (10) years of experience in the field of information technology and networking.

### Moylan's Insurance Scholarship Fund



PCC student Ebay Masayos (left) receiving the Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. funding on behalf of the college.

Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. recently presented a check to Palau Community College (PCC) for their annual PCC-Based Scholarship. PCC would like to thank Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. for their continued support of Palau's students.

### Stand Alone P. V. Trainees Awarded

contributed by Don Hanser

Trainees successfully completing a "Stand-Alone Photo-Voltaic (P. V.) System, Design, and Installation Course" were recently awarded certificates in a brief recognition ceremony held on the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). The ceremony marked the culmination of a program funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and administered by Arizona State University (ASU). The program is called the Vocational Training & Education for Clean Energy (VOCTEC) Project. The overall goal is to develop sustainable institutional capacity to offer train-the-trainer and technician level courses on solar photo-voltaic systems.

The project began last May when several PCC staff underwent train-the-trainer sessions conducted by an ASU staff member. The participants of the sessions became familiar with the course developed by ASU and the model stand-alone photo-voltaic solar system kits used by students for their hands-on activities. An initial group of technicians then went through the training course conducted by PCC instructors Jerry Taroy, Frutoso Tellei, and Joel Yabes.

The training course was conducted under the supervision of VOCTEC Regional Coordinator Gavin Pereira. On July 28, 2014 a second group of technicians also participated in training sessions conducted by instructors Jerry Taroy and Frutoso Tellei.

The certification ceremony began with welcoming remarks from PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. He was followed by Instructor Taroy who gave a brief description about the program. Training, Continued on PAGE 3



Participants of the Stand-Alone Photo-Voltaic Training Sessions attending the certification ceremony.

### **BITS AND PIECES...**

### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Friday Saturday 7:30<sub>AM</sub> - 7<sub>PM</sub> 9<sub>AM</sub> - 6<sub>PM</sub>

Sunday

CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: JOURNAL OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE



"The International Journal of Tropical Agriculture is a peer-reviewed journal. The journal publishes papers on fundamental, basic and applied aspects of tropical agriculture."

### Academic Calendar: Fall 2014

August 15, 18 (TH, M)
Late Registration Period

**August 18 (M)**First Day of Instruction

August 18-22 (M-F)
Add/Drop Period

### **News/Stories Wanted**

Mesekwy 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 or tchuziet@gmail.com.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcomed.

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

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The delegation was accompanied by Political Affairs Officer Jocelyn Isechal of the Embassy of the United States of America.

During their visit, the team met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and college personnel to discuss recent updates and reports about federal programs being made available to PCC students. A fruitful briefing at the PCC Conference Room was followed by a discussion of the information contained in the 2014 PCC Factbook. The U. S. delegation was pleased with the outcome of the meeting, especially in regards to the utilization of United States federal dollars in support of the mission of the college.

### Training CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

Short remarks were then made by the USAID Climate Change Advisor for the Pacific Islands Winston Bowman followed by the awarding of certificates.

We would like to give special thanks and recognition to the USAID for initiating the project and making it possible for the college to offer this new training. We are pleased that the college is able to offered this technology course to our students at a time when photo-voltaic systems are becoming a regular feature of homes, buildings, and other facilities in Palau.



### **PCC-Based Scholarships**

### **NOW AVAILABLE!**

- \* Moylan's Insurance Underwriters, Inc. \* Scholarship for School Year 2014-2015
- \* Pierantozzi Scholarship for School Year 2014-2015

Applications are available at the PCC Development Office. For more information, call 488-2470/2471, ext. 252 or 253.

### FACULTY-SENATE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP (2014-2015)

\*Deadline has been extended to August 31, 2014.\*

Applications are available at the PCC Development Office. For more information, call 488-2470/2471, ext. 252 or 253.

### ALUMNI NOTES

#### GORAN VANOOSTERWEYCK

(Class of 2013)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE

"Education is important! Continue your education and don't give up.



Goran graduated in 2013 with an AAS Degree in Agricultural Science. He is currently continuing his education at the University of Guam (UOG).

#### LEEDIA NGIRAWES

(Class of 2014)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE

"You can only get what you want by working hard, Remember your goals and continue to work hard.



Leedia recently graduated with an AAS Degree in Agricultural Science. She will continue her education at Taiwan this coming school year.

#### Brent Ueki

(Class of 2007)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

"Never give up: your dreams are there; you only need to go where 'there' is! If the mountain will not come to Mohammed, then Mohammed must go to the mountain.



Brent graduated in 2007 with an AS Degree in Business Administration. He currently works for Moylan's Insurance Underwriter as a Life Insurance Sub-Agent for Property & Casualty.



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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 Mesekíu's News issues.

### Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund



Palau Community College would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Berlyne Celestine. Ms. Celestine works for the Ngardmau State Government. Thank you, Ms. Celestine, for your generous contribution to Palau's only institute of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

### **Celebrating Birthdays**

James Norman Sato



August 18

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- 1) Nursing Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (2) Instructional Assistant, Construction Technology (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$8,991 - \$15,378 per annum
- (3) Small Engine Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (4) Education Program Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (5) Tourism & Hospitality Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Adjunct Instructors (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: determined by class credits, educational level, and experience
- (7) Cook (Cafeteria - Administration Department) salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 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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