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Spring 2015 Advising & Registration Week



Students at the Student Life Office registering for the new spring semester

From January 12, 2015 to January 14, 2015 the registration process for the new spring semester of Palau Community College (PCC) was conducted. Returning students and new students flooded the campus to meet with their academic advisers. During their meetings, the Student Life academic advisers helped the students plan their academic calendars for the new semester.

The 2015 spring semester of PCC will span a period of sixteen (16) weeks. An orientation for new students entering this spring semester was held at the PCC Assembly Hall on Thursday, January 08, 2015. Late registration was on January 15, 2015 and January 16, 2015. The first day of instruction is next week Monday, January 19, 2015.



Palau Community College
Welcomes All New and Returning
Students to a New School Semester!

Dorm Students Clean Campus

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize the efforts of the dormitory students who spent an entire day cleaning the college campus. On January 11, 2015 the dormitory students, along with dormitory managers Ephraim Ngirachitei and Bellarmino Fagolur, collected trash around the campus. They also cleared the campus of debris by raking up leaves, clearing the flower beds, and sweeping the parking lots. PCC expresses its thanks to the dormitory managers and the students for their assistance. Because of their commendable act, the college campus maintains its pristine appearance. As the new spring semester begins, the college would like to encourage everyone to keep the condition of the campus at its current level. We thank all the dormitory students and their managers for lending a helping hand.



Dorm students cleaning up the college campus

Spring 2015 New Student Orientation



New students and academic counselors attending the New Student Orientation for Spring Semester 2015

Palau Community College (PCC) held an orientation session last Thursday, January 08, 2015 for new students entering this spring semester. The orientation began with a check-in/enrollment session. After the students arrived, welcoming remarks were given by PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. In his remarks, PCC President Dr. Tellei thanked the students for enrolling at the community college. They had other options, including colleges closer to home, but they chose PCC. Orientation, Continued on PAGE 3

PCC THANKSGIVING ENDOWMENT FUNDRAISER RECOGNITION

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to acknowledge two of its 2014 Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser supporters who were not properly recognized: Ismael Anastacio and Laurentino Ulechong. Mr. Anastacio, the owner of Smile Company, had generously donated \$100 to the Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser. Mr. Ulechong had presented certificates for free cases of water from Palau Water as prizes for the Endowment Fund Raffle Drawing. He also donated \$100 in support of the fundraiser. PCC expresses its deepest gratitude to both supporters. Because of their generosity, PCC was able to raise over \$50,000 during its 2014 Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser. PCC would also like to recognize the recent donation of \$1,000 from Morgan Stanley and Daniel Roland of the Asia Pacific Group. Your support will help Palau's only institution of higher learning maintain its future stability. Thank you all for supporting the PCC Endowment Fund!

Viewing Service for Ms. Sinta Mataek



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (standing, far right) giving his remarks during the viewing service of Ms. Mataek

On December 23, 2014 a group of students from Palau Community College (PCC) attended a viewing service for Ms. Sinta Mataek at the Belau National Hospital. By the invitation of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) Honorary Consul to Palau Changeina N. Masang, the students attended the service along with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. The service opened with an invocation from Pastor Hiob Ngirachemoi of the Palau Evangelical Church. VIEWING, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

European Union Donates to PCC



Director of Physical Plant Clement Kazuma with the water tanks donated to PCC from the European Union

The European Union donated water tanks to Palau Community College (PCC) on December 10, 2014. The tanks were donated in support of the Building Safety & Resilience in the Pacific Project. A total of thirteen (13) water tanks were donated to priority schools in Palau to improve the health conditions and learning environments of the schools.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

8_{AM} - 5_{PM}

9_{AM} - 6_{PM}

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Academic Calendar: Spring 2015

January 15-16 (TH-F)
Late Registration

January 19 (M)First Day of Instruction

January 19-23 (M-F)
Add/Drop Period

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekiw'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 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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President Dr. Tellei shared with the students the learning concerns that were discussed during the Academic Programs & Departments Symposium held last week. He emphasized on the importance of being present at school, of taking advantage of the free learning services available on campus, and of meeting with counselors at Student Life in order to succeed academically. In addition, President Dr. Tellei also announced that Palau Community College will be starting it's first Bachelor's Degree Program this coming fall, a historical moment that will be witnessed by the students.

Dean of Students Sherman Daniel and Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Vice President Thomas Taro followed the welcoming remarks with introductions to their respective departments. Afterwards, members of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society led the new students on a tour of the college campus before the program planning & academic advising sessions occurred with the academic advisers/counselors of Student Life.

Viewing CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

He was followed by the remarks of PCC President Dr. Tellei and FSM Honorary Consul Masang. After the viewing session, a benediction was given by Pastor Ngirachemoi. Ms. Mataek was from the island state of Pohnpei of the Federated States of Micronesia. She had spent many years as a resident of Palau. During the viewing service, donations were collected to help pay for Ms. Mataek's funeral expenses.

New Contributors to the PCC Endowment Fund



Newest Endowment Fund contributors (left to right) Piccola Ngiraked, Beverlin Takeo, Keaton Soalablai, Bernadette Kintaro, and Martha Beketaut

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributors: Piccola Ngiraked, Beverlin Takeo, Keaton Soalablai, Bernadette Kintaro, and Martha Beketaut. The five new contributors work for the Palau National Post Office. Thank you all for your contribution to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donations will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

FACULTY PROFILE

LESTER REKEMESIK

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR

"College life comes with its share of distractions like spending time with friends or working. But you have to prioritize your education. Don't be derailed by other activities; stay focused!"



Lester Rekemesik is the Construction Technology Instructor for Palau Community College where he has worked for fourteen years. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Education from San Diego State University. Also, he studied Architecture at the Tokyo Technical College in Japan. In his free time, Mr. Rekemesik enjoys fishing and assisting the community with various building projects.

ALUMNI NOTES

REAGILLE K. TAKATARO

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

"Starting my secondary educational pursuits at PCC helped me start a career path at home. Education is important and if you're given the opportunity to study while enjoying the comforts of home, take advantage of that opportunity.



Reagille graduated in 2008 with an AAS Degree in Office Administration. She interned at the Social Security Office before being hired. Now, she works for the Social Security Office as an Information Technology Assistant. She plans to continue her education 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 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.

Message of Thanks & appreciation

"I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks and appreciation to all at Palau Community College (PCC) who generously supported me doing my time of hardship. Your generosity helped lighten my load and words cannot completely express the depth of my appreciation. Thank you all for your support."

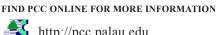
- Dilubch Samil

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructional Assistant Construction Technology (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$8,991 - \$15,378 per annum
- (2) Nursing Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (3) Small Engine Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (4) Adjunct Instructors (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: determined by class credits, educational level, and experience.
- (5) Twenty (20) Part-Time Tutors (Educational Talent Search Office) salary range: \$400 - \$1,200 per annum
- (6) Career/Transfer Counselor (Learning Resource Center - Student Service) salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (7) Part-Time Teachers English, Math, Science, Health, Occupational Knowledge, Government & Law, Consumer Economics, Community Resources, College Preparation, and Computer Literacy (PCC Adult High School) salary range: \$980 - \$1,350 per course
- (8) Director of Research and Development (PCC Cooperative Research & Extension) salary range: \$18,730 - \$28,833 per annum
- (9) Administrative Assistant (PCC Cooperative Research & Extension) salary range: \$10,929 - \$18,692 per annum

For application forms and information, contact Harline Haruo at the PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/2471 extension 227, or e-mail: hr@palau.edu, or download forms at http://pcc.palau.edu.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."



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Palau Community College - PCC

Celebrating Birthdays

Joleen Ulengchong Arbedul Koshiba



January 19 January 22

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

PCC Endowment Fund

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OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

TO SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!

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If you want to join the Bi-Weekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

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