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# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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## Palau Community College Students Attend State Dinner



*PCC students attending the state dinner at Ngarachamayong Cultural Center*

On Friday, April 10, 2015 the Palau Community College (PCC) students from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) and the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) were invited to attend a formal dinner in honor of their government delegations visiting Palau. The PCC students were accompanied by Student Life & Housing Director Hilda N. Reklai and Dormitory Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei. Other staff members of the college were also present to enjoy the evening.

Honored attendees at the dinner included Republic of Palau President Tommy E. Remengesau Jr., FSM President Emanuel Mori, and RMI President Christopher J. Loek. Other high officials, such as the Senators and Delegates of the Ninth Olbiil Era Kelulau (OEK), were also present that evening.

In honor of the guests, President Remengesau presented FSM President Mori and RMI President Loek with honorary certificates of recognition. The gesture was to commemorate the strong ties and mutual support that the islands nations have for one another.

### Stanford Students Visits PCC

On Monday, April 13, 2015 two graduate students from Stanford University visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). Mallory Barkdull and Staci Lewis are currently pursuing their doctorate degrees. Both students are staying at the Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Hatchery in Ngeremlengui where they are conducting research. They had spent last summer in Palau studying sediment transport and watersheds. During their visit to the campus, they met with PCC Director of Development Tchuzie Tadao and donated \$240 to the PCC Endowment Fund. PCC would like to thank Ms. Lewis and Ms. Barkdull for their generous contribution! Their support will help sustain the future stability of the college. Ms. Lewis and Ms. Barkdull were accompanied by CRE Extension Research Agent Lyndon Masami during the visit.



*(left to right): PCC Director of Development Tchuzie Tadao, Staci Lewis, Mallory Barkdull, and CRE Extension Research Agent Lyndon Masami*

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## Upward Bound Motivational Workshop



*High school students attending the Upward Bound Workshop*

On Friday, April 10, 2015 high school students in the Upward Bound Program participated in a motivation-building workshop that was held at the Palau Community College (PCC) Assembly Hall. Presenter for the workshop was Emilia Katosang, a member of the Palau National Scholarship Board and a 1999 alumna of the Upward Bound Program. The workshop focused on helping high school students motivate themselves by following the habits of successful people. Good habits introduced to the students included proper time management, building an awareness for world events & social occurrences, and maintaining a spiritual foundation.

### **WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA):**

#### **2015 SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING PROGRAM**

The WIA Office is currently opening its doors for applications to its 2015 Summer Youth Employment & Training Program. Students and young people in Palau who are currently in school (ages 14-21), who are not attending school (ages 16-24), or who have completed college but are currently unemployed may apply. Participants will learn different skills that will help them succeed in a work environment. WIA Office is accepting application forms from March 28, 2015 to May 08, 2015. If interested, please contact the WIA Office on weekdays during its working hours from 7:30am to 4:30pm. Students under the age of eighteen must apply at the WIA Office with a parent or legal guardian.

#### **REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION:**

- Verification of Age (birth certificate, passport, or identification card)
- Check stubs of both parents/guardians if employed, SS/Pension Plan if applicable, and/or verification of income
- 3rd Quarter Report Card or High School Diploma
- Palauan Social Security Card

## Josh Nichols Visits PCC Campus



*(left to right): Josh Nichols from Stockbridge Elementary School/High School and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei*

On April 06, 2015 Josh Nichols from Stockbridge Elementary School/High School visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). During his visit, he met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. Mr. Nichols accompanied the team involved with the BENTProp Project. The BENT-Prop Project is a self-funded team of volunteers with essential expertise in certain areas (history, aviation, diving, navigation) who are dedicated to locating/assisting with identifying American prisoners of war and missing in action from World War II. BENTPROP PROJECT, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

## Financial Aid Orientation Sessions



*Students attending the financial aid meeting at the Assembly Hall*

From Monday, April 13, 2015 to Friday, April 17, 2015 the Admissions & Financial Aid Office of Palau Community College (PCC) met with students to provide information about current financial aid updates and requirements. FINANCIAL AID, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

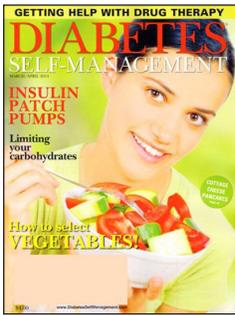
Monday to Thursday	7:30AM - 7PM
Friday	7:30AM - 5PM
Saturday	9AM - 6PM
Sunday	CLOSED

For more information, call:  
488-3540.

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### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: DIABETES SELF-MANAGEMENT MAGAZINE



"Diabetes Self-Management Magazine offers up-to-date, practical 'how-to' information on nutrition, exercise, new drugs, medical advances, self-help, and the many other topics people need to know about to stay healthy.

## Academic Calendar: Spring 2015

**May 15 (F)**

Last Day of Instruction

**May 18-20 (M-F)**

Final Examination Period

**May 20 (F)**

Graduates' Grades Due by 11AM

## News/Stories Wanted

*Mesekiw's News* welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and/or electronic copies to [dilubch@gmail.com](mailto:dilubch@gmail.com) or [tchuziet@gmail.com](mailto:tchuziet@gmail.com).

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcomed.

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

## BENTProp Project CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

Their primary searches focus on American airmen lost in the waters of the Republic of Palau because of the many air battles that occurred during and after the US First Marine Division invaded Peleliu in September 1944.

Two years ago, Mr. Nichols and a group of high school students from Stockbridge High School traveled to Palau where they tested a remotely operated underwater vehicle (ROV). The ROV had been built by the Stockbridge High School students as a part of their Advanced Underwater Robotics Program. While in Palau, the students were able to use their ROV to search for aircrafts that were shot down during the Battle of Peleliu. In addition, the students visited Palau High School where they shared their knowledge about underwater robotics.

During an expedition conducted in March and April of this year, Mr. Nichols and the BENTProp Project team discovered a United States Navy Curtiss SB2C Helldiver Aircraft. A ceremony to honor the crew of the aircraft was held on March 28, 2015.

## Financial Aid CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

In March, representatives from the PCC Office of Admissions & Financial Aid and Business Office attended the Pacific Financial Aid Association (PacFAA) Annual Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii. Information about federal updates for the upcoming 2015-2016 Award Year shared during the conference was relayed to the students during the orientation sessions. Staff members from the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid were also present to assist students complete the necessary forms, such as the FAFSA, in order to be eligible for financial aid cover in the 2015-2016 school year. A total of nine (9) orientation sessions were conducted.

### PCC Faculty-Senate Association presents the

## 7th Annual Gentlemen's Gourmet

theme: International Cuisine

Buy a ticket for only \$20 EACH and you will be entered for a chance to win fabulous prizes. Not only that, you will get ONE (1) COMPLIMENTARY DRINK OF YOUR CHOICE and the opportunity to taste some of the most delicious dishes from around the world.

**MONEY RAISED WILL HELP SECURE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FUTURE PCC STUDENTS.**

If you would like to be a chef, buy a ticket, or make a donation: call 488-2471 ext. 240 and ask for Elicita Morei, Lucia Tabelual, Margie Buban, Tim Mitchell, Johvanna Yaoch, Midori Mersai, Samantha Bells, Loyola Darius, or any FSA member.

The Palau Community College Faculty-Senate Association (FSA) is a registered Non-Profit Organization.

**Date: Saturday, May 02, 2015**

**time: 7:30PM to 10:30PM**

**place: Ngarachamyong Cultural Center**

## FACULTY & STAFF PROFILE

### FRUTOSO TELLEI

ELECTRICAL TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR

*"Life is a learning process: focus and commit to your studies. The more you learn, the better understanding you will have of life. You can only improve yourself with knowledge."*



Frutoso Tellei, who began as an Assistant Instructor, has been teaching the electrical technology courses of Palau Community College for about twelve years. He holds an Associate of Science Degree in Electrical Technology from Palau Community College and a Bachelor's Degree in Education from San Diego State University. His hobbies include fishing and farming. Instructor Tellei also serves as Speaker for the Melekeok State Legislature.

## ALUMNI NOTES

### TASYA WORSWICK

(Class of 1995)

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION - BUSINESS ACCOUNTING

*"It's never too late. Education helps you improve your working skills. Without an education you cannot succeed."*



Tasya received a Certificate in Business Accounting in 1995. She spent ten years working as a Supply Technician for the Ministry of Finance. Currently, she works as an Administrative Officer at the Procurement Division of the Ministry of Health.



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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.

## Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund



Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Anthony Mikel. Mr. Mikel works for the Bureau of Land & Survey. Thank you for your contribution to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

## 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) Adjunct Instructors  
(Academic Affairs Division)  
salary range: determined by class credits, educational level, and experience.
- (4) Career/Transfer Counselor  
(Learning Resource Center - Student Service)  
salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (5) Director of Research and Development  
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)  
salary range: \$18,730 - \$28,833 per annum
- (6) Administrative Assistant  
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)  
salary range: \$10,929 - \$18,692 per annum
- (7) Academic Tutor  
(Upward Bound Program)  
salary range: \$200 - \$315 biweekly
- (8) Maintenance Technician (General)  
(Physical Plant - Administration Department)  
salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (9) Security Service Office  
(Administration Department)  
salary range: \$6,709 - \$11,475 per annum
- (10) Math, English, and Japanese Instructors  
(Upward Bound Program)  
salary range: \$400 - \$800 biweekly

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](mailto:hr@palau.edu), or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

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## FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## Celebrating Birthdays

Yoshi-Aki Okabe		April 19
Rodney Kazuma		April 22
Bruce Campbell		April 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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