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CRISP Students Tour Palau Community College



High school students participating in the College Readiness Institute Summer Program

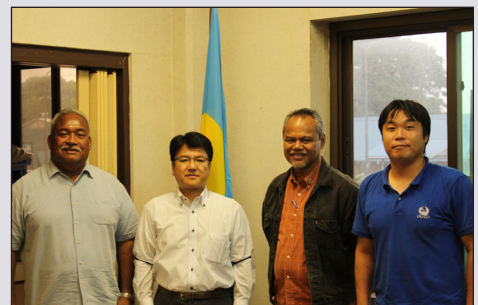
On Thursday, June 18, 2015 a group of high school students participating in the College Readiness Institute Summer Program (CRISP) toured the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). A total of forty-three (43) students entering their sophomore year of high school are participating in this year's summer program: forty (40) from Palau High School, two (2) from Mindszenty High School, and one (1) from Bethania High School.

During their visit to the campus, the students attended a presentation at the PCC Assembly Hall. Representatives from different sections of the college, such as the Student Life Division and the Learning Resource Center (LRC), introduced the students to the programs & services available at PCC. Afterwards, the students toured the college campus and visited areas such as the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library.

CRISP is a two-week program sponsored by the Ministry of Education (MOE). High school students participating in the program are given the opportunity to prepare for college life and learn necessary college skills. CRISP 2015, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

Professor Ihara Visits Palau

Professor Koji Ihara met with Palau Community College (PCC) President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Ministry of Education (MOE) Bureau of Education Administration Director Andrew Tabelual on Thursday, June 18, 2015. Professor Ihara teaches in the Department of Asian Child Studies of Higashiosaka College. He met with PCC President Dr. Tellei and MOE Director Tabelual to discuss the possibility of forming an exchange program between students from Palau and students from the Higashiosaka College & Higashiosaka Junior College. Higashiosaka College & Junior College are located in Osaka, Japan. Programs offered at the colleges include studies in the field of child science, health & nutrition education, and pre-school education.



(left to right): PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Professor Koji Ihara, MOE Director Andrew Tabelual, and Ishikawa Yoshihiro from IMPAC Tours

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

PICRC Hosts Stanford University Course

contributed by the Palau International Coral Reef Center

This summer, the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC) will host a Stanford University course on the coral reefs of Palau. Twelve (12) undergraduate students from Stanford University, which includes one (1) Palauan, will take part in a three-week course entitled “Corals of Palau: Ecology, the Physical Environment, and Management Options” from June 22, 2015 to July 11, 2015. Students from Palau Community College (PCC) are also invited to participate in the course. The students from Stanford University will spend their time in Palau learning about the island’s marine & coastal ecosystems through field excursions to Babeldaob, Ngermedu Bay, Peleliu, and the rock islands. They will also have lessons on Palauan culture and language courtesy of the Bureau of Arts & Culture.

Leading the course are three (3) professors and two (2) doctoral students: Professor Robert Dunbar (Stanford University), Professor Stephen Monismith (Stanford University), Professor Robert Richmond (University of Hawaii–Manoa), Mallory Barkdull (Ph.D Student from Stanford University), and Staci Lewis (Ph.D Student from Stanford University). Ms. Barkdull and Ms. Lewis are currently in Palau conducting research in relation to their dissertations. PICRC Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Dr. Yimnang Golbuu and the Bureau of Arts & Culture Director Sunny Ngirmang will be guest lecturers for the course.

Stanford University is collaborating with the University of Hawaii, Palau Community College, and the Palau International Coral Reef Center to facilitate a knowledge exchange between students & researchers from their respective organizations. Stanford University is collaborating with the University of Hawaii, Palau Community College, and the Palau International Coral Reef Center to facilitate a knowledge exchange between students & researchers from their respective organizations.

The “Corals of Palau: Ecology, the Physical Environment, and Management Options” course is sponsored by the Stanford Bing Overseas Seminar Program (BOSP) which offers opportunities for undergraduates to study abroad in various places around the world while remaining enrolled at the university. **STANFORD COURSE, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3**

Upward Bound Thanks Summer Mentors

contributed by the Upward Bound TRiO Program

For their summer program the students in the Upward Bound TRiO Program are being mentored under various offices, businesses, and agencies. Under the mentorship of the agencies, the Upward Bound students will learn various skills that can help them in future careers or work fields. These skills range from various office work to community-related activities.

The Upward Bound Program would like to thank the following businesses and agencies for hosting their students for the summer: the Environmental Quality Protection Board (EQPB), the Belau Family Surgical Clinic, Koror Elementary School (KES), the Animal Shelter under the State & Cultural Affairs Division of the Koror State Government, the Conservation & Law Enforcement Division of the Koror State Government, the Public Works Division of the Koror State Government, the Belau National Museum, Ngarchelong State Legislature, Pacific Car Rental, the Palau Language Commission, the Palau Community Action Agency (PCAA), Palau Pension Plan Office, the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC), the Palau National Communications Corporation (PNCC), the Office of the Public Auditor, the Palau Public Library, and the Palau Youth Council. **UPWARD BOUND, CONTINUED ON PAGE 4**

Ngatpang State Donates Fish to PCC



PCC Cafeteria staff receiving the donation from Ngatpang State

On Tuesday, June 23, 2015 the Cafeteria of Palau Community College (PCC) received a donation of 120 lbs. of reef fish from Ngatpang State. PCC would like to thank Ngatpang State for its generous donation!

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

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:

LADYBUG MAGAZINE



"Ladybug Magazine offers enchanting stories and poems to read aloud that are just the right length for a cozy cuddle and is sure to spark young imaginations and develop a love of reading that will last a lifetime."

Academic Calendar: Summer 2015

June 29-30 (M-T)
Mid-Term Period

July 06-08 (M-W)
Fall 2015 Pre-Registration Period

Mesekiu's News Vol. 17, Issue 25: Corrections

Mesekiu's News Volume 17, Issue 25: The front page title incorrectly stated "CRE Summer Kids Program 2015 Begins" when it should have read "CE Summer Kids Program 2015 Begins." *Mesekiu's News* apologizes for the error.

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekiu'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 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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In addition, the students will also be participating in the Summer Work Experience Program (SWEP). Under SWEP, the high school students will be spending the summer working with a business or institution in order to hone their working skills. This provides an opportunity for the students to gain real-world working experience as well as apply the skills they have learned in classrooms to work-related experiences.

Counselors for this year's CRISP are Yuri Kishigawa, Gaudencia Joseph, Lestine Rekemesik, Hudson Ngirakesau, Ilima Kloulechad Lora Lee Bernardino, Lusinio Demei, Sabina Andrew, and Cynthia Malsol.

Stanford Course CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

The program is an integral part of the Stanford University curriculum. This is the second time that this particular course has been offered.

Professor Dunbar is visiting Palau with a group of Stanford University students for the fifth time. He comments, "Palau has some of the best preserved and most interesting marine environments anywhere in the global tropics. The coral reefs are spectacular and the nation is engaging in a variety of careful and deliberate conservation activities to help conserve them for the future. This makes Palau a uniquely valuable classroom for active learning about coral reefs, their bounty, threats to their existence, and what can be done to help them survive. PICRC is a wonderful host and partner for this course. The facilities are top-notch, the staff is very capable and professional, and it employs excellent scientists that in turn attract strong scientists from other nations. The friendly culture at PICRC enhances the exchange of ideas and makes it easy for our students to get to know Palauans. This year we hope to engage several students from PCC in the course activities and we are also planning for about seven of our students to stay on in Palau and work on projects through August."

PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECOGNIZES & CONGRATULATES ITS STUDENTS AND STAFF MEMBERS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN THIS YEAR'S BELAU GAMES. WE ARE ROOTING FOR YOU ALL WHO ARE REPRESENTING THE MANY STATES OF BELAU: KAYANGEL, AIMELIIK, AIRAI, MELEKEOK, NGARAARD, KOROR, NGARCHELONG, NGARDMAU, NGAREMLENGUI, NGATPANG, NGIWAL, PELELIU, AND SONSOROL



FACULTY & STAFF PROFILE

YECHUR EMESIOCHEL

OFFICE CLERK FOR THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

"Education is not a preparation for life; education is life itself."



Yechur Emesiochel is from the island of Palau. She recently graduated from Palau Community College with an Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts and plans to continue her education in the future. For the past year, Ms. Emesiochel has been working as an Office Clerk for the PCC Office of the President. Her duties include helping with official paperwork, greeting guests, operating the college telephone directory, and various office work. In her free time, Ms. Emesiochel enjoys reading books and listening to music.

ALUMNI NOTES

TELBAKES YANO


(Class of 2015)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS

"Do what makes you happy! Live life how you want, according to your rules, because you're the one who creates your future."



Telbakes graduated this year with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts. He plans to continue his education at the University of Guam this coming fall semester. Currently, he is working as an Assistant for the Belau Medical Clinic.

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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.

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The Upward Bound Program would also like to recognize the following offices of Palau Community College (PCC) that are also mentoring their students: the Student Life - Main Office, the Student Life - Recreation Office, the PCC Bookstore, the PCC Cafeteria, the Continuing Education (CE) Office, the Business Office, the PCC Day Care Center, the Development Office, the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid, the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library, the PCC Maintenance Office, Registrar's Office, the PCC Student Dormitories, and the Talent Search Program.

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) Financial Aid Counselor
(Student Services Division)
salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (6) Administrative Assistant
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)
salary range: \$10,929 - \$18,692 per annum
- (7) Admissions Counselor
(Student Services Division)
salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (8) Maintenance Technician (General)
(Physical Plant - Administration Department)
salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (9) Math Instructor
(Academic Affairs Division)
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 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."

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



<http://pcc.palau.edu>



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Celebrating Birthdays

Tarmau T. Ngirmang

June 27

Evangeline Andrew

June 28

Amanda N. Ebas

July 02



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

PCC Endowment Fund

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OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

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