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# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## PCC Upward Bound Funded for Another 5-years Cycle



*PCC Upward Bound Director Kuye Blelai with program participants*

Today, the pursuit of access, success, and excellence continues at Palau Community College's Upward Bound Program with the recent approval of its grant funding for the next five years. The longest-running federally-funded program at PCC, the Upward Bound Program recently received confirmation from the US Department of Education that it will continue its services for school years 2017 to 2022.

The PCC Upward Bound Program began 34 years ago in 1983 helping college-bound students with services such as academic advising/tutoring, mathematic instructions from Algebra through pre-calculus, Laboratory Science, Foreign Language, Composition & Literature, assistance in preparing for college entrance examinations, and assistance in completing college admission & financial aid applications. Such assistance offered

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### NCCER Training Concludes



*(left to right): Perry Hideos, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, NCCER Instructor Dr. Herbert Johnson, Instructional Assistant Marvin Yarofaisug, Rodney Kazuma, Instructional Assistant Galindez Kiep, Samantha Rechelluul, Instructional Assistant Santini Thomas, Director Clement Kazuma, Associate Professor Frutoso Tellei, Instructor Assistant Nena George, Louman S. Melayong, Instructional Assistant O'Hara Skebong and Rand Takeo,*

Twelve (12) faculty & teachers from Palau Community College (PCC) and Palau High School participated in a National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) Safety Training Workshop from July 11-14. Instructor for the training was Dr. Herbert Johnson, the Education Director of the Guam Contractors Association (GCA) Trades Academy. PCC would like to recognize the twelve (12) participants who completed the training: Director of Physical Plant Clement Kazuma,

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### **PCC welcomes the organizers and participants of:**

- **Asia Pacific Association of Fiduciary Studies (APAFS).....July 13-14 (TH-F)**
- **Pacific Post-secondary Education Council (PPEC).....July 15-16 (S-SU)**
- **REL Pacific.....July 17 (Mon)**
- **Pacific Educational Conference (PEC).....July 17-21 (M-F)**

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by the program is to make certain that participating students complete secondary education and continue on to enter and succeed in a program of postsecondary education.

As a host institution, PCC was one of the 1,300 eligible Higher Education institutions and other organizations that submitted applications for the fiscal year 2017 competition season. Of the 1,300 applications received by U.S. Department of Education, 889 applicants were recommended for awards and PCC was one of those selected to receive funding. With the new funding, the PCC Upward Bound Program will receive \$367,041.00 annually for a total grant award of 1.8 million over the next five years.

Currently, the PCC Upward Bound program serves approximately one hundred ten (110) high school students from all high schools in Palau and has to date served over 2,000 students in Palau.

For information on how to enroll at PCC Upward Bound Program, contact the office at telephone number 488-2962 or stop by and visit us on the campus of Palau Community College.

### PCC Campus Undergoes General Clean-up

This past week, Palau Community College (PCC) underwent general clean up. Staff and students along with the maintenance personnel cleaned, swopped and mopped the Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence (PTHSE) building. In addition, the entire campus sidewalks were pressure washed, art work on Btaches building were repainted. Upper and lower campus landscaping were improved.

PCC would like to thank the maintenance workers and students for assisting in beautifying the college campus!



*Workers cleaning PCC upper-campus*

## 10<sup>th</sup> Basic Police Academy Graduation



*Participants of the Basic Police Academy*

On Friday, July 14, 2017, the 10<sup>th</sup> Basic Police Academy graduation ceremony was held at the Palau Community College (PCC) Cafeteria.

A total of twenty-four (24) cadets graduated from this year's academy: Spencer August, James Baulchong, Vadi Kali Beketaut, Vahid Beketaut, Hoyt D. Blailes, Ewatel Esebei, Etirwir Franz, Lloyd Helacio, Jashley N. Inawo, Mallone Iyekar, Georgette Mad, Jake Meltel, Fremont N. Mengidab, Omar N. Mereb, Josh Ngiraswei, Jeracie M. Oiterong, Sean Joshua Pedro, Ucheriang Ragin Ramarui, Shannon Sakai, Centennial Sapemang, Junior Joey Sumor, Bowe M. Umedip, Jonathan You, and Sesario Gibbons. Vice President and Minister of Justice, Raynold Oilouch gave an welcoming remarks followed by a speical remarks by President Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr. Also present to witness the 10th Basic Police Academy graduation was PCC President, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Acting Director of BPS, Aloysius Alonz, the 10<sup>th</sup> Basic Police Academy Commander LT. Jefferson Eriich and 2<sup>nd</sup> Commander Detective SGT. Harvey Takeshi.

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Associate Professor of Electrical Technology Frutoso Tellei, Agriculture Instructional Assistant Nena George, Air-Conditioning Instructoional Assistant Galindez Kiep, Instructor for Small Engine & Outboard Motor Marvin Yarofaisug, Instructional Assistant for Small Engine & Outboard Motor Santini B. Thomas, Instructional Assistant for Construction Technology O'Hara Skebong, Maintenance Technician Rodney Kazuma, Maintenance staff Louman Sim Melayong, and Palau High School teachers Perry Hideos, Randy Takeo, and Samantha Rechelluul.

# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

Starting from July 11- August 11, 2017

Monday to Friday      8:00 AM - 5 PM  
 Saturday                9:00 AM - 6 PM  
 Sunday                    CLOSED

For more information, call:  
488-3540

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED

#### READERS:

**BBC MUSIC MAGAZINE**



BBC Music Magazine ("The world's best-selling classical music magazine") is a monthly magazine. The first issue appeared in June 1992. BBC Music Magazine has also an edition in North America which was first published in March 1993.

### Summer Calendar 2017

**July (13-14)**  
APAFS

**July (15-16)**  
Pacific Postsecondary Education Council Meeting

**July (17-18)**  
REL Pacific

### 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 [tchuziet@palau.edu](mailto:tchuziet@palau.edu) 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.

## PCC Library Summer Activities Program



Students participating in the PCC Library Summer Activities Program

Over 50 elementary students ages 7-12 participated in the one-week PCC Library Summer Activities Program from July 3-7, 2017. The kids enjoyed a range of activities from learning traditional weaving skills; and math to spelling games. During the week, Yalap Yalap of Palau Conservation Society and Charlene Mersai of Palau Automated Land and Resource Information System (PALARIS) gave information on how to care for our environment in both land and ocean. Thanks to both Mr. Yalap and Ms. Mersai for their roles in the library week summer program. The last day of the summer program, students were treated to special kids movies. All children were able to obtain library cards and were oriented on how to use the online catalog to search for library books, which is a helpful skill that they could use throughout their educational years.

# CHECK IT OUT!

# PCC



Check us out to receive the latest news & school updates

## 30th Pacific Educational Conference from July 17 to July 21, 2017 at Koror, Palau

**"Bedochel e Motekau el Kedul a Omesuub el Kirel a Klungiilir a Rengalek"**  
**"Quality and Sustainability in Education for Student Success"**

## PCC CAMPUS PROFILES

### GUESS WHO!

RULES: GUESS THE PEOPLE FEATURED IN THE PHOTOGRAPH BELOW AND WIN A PRIZE COURTESY OF PCC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE



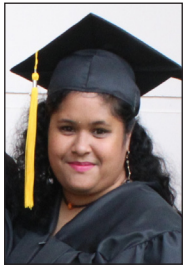
Palau Community College has continued to strive because of the dedication and commitment of its employees. The photograph above features four (4) staff members who have been employed at the college for many years. If you could identify all as well as their positions, the PCC Development Office will reward you. Only PCC students (except the students who are working for the Development Office and PCC employees) are eligible to attempt the challenge. Please visit the PCC Development Office to submit your answer or call tel: 488-2470/1 ext. 251, 252, or 253 for more information. An answer will be featured in the upcoming newsletter!

## ALUMNI NOTES

### TRIXY M. ELLIS

(Class of 2017)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - BUSINESS ACCOUNTING



Trixy M. Ellis graduated from PCC in May 2017 with an AS Degree in Business Accounting. Ms. Ellis currently works at the Palau Pacific Resort (PPR) as a Training Coordinator.

## ~\* Condolences \*~

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to express its deepest sympathies to Grace Alexander and Maurine Alexander for the untimely loss of their mother, Masako Taro. All in PCC would like to extend their condolences to the PCC Grace and Maurine. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during such a time of difficulty.

### Celebrating Birthday

Husto Ulengchong		July 20
Tennyson Cason		July 21
Grace Merong		July 22

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration Instructor  
(Academic Affairs Office)  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (2) Maintenance Technicians (4)  
(Administration Department - Physical Plant)  
salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (3) Secretary  
(Academic Affairs Office)  
salary range: \$9,892 - \$17,567 per annum
- (4) Admissions Counselor  
(PCC Student Services Division)  
salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (5) Security Service Officer  
(Administration Department)  
salary range: \$6,709 - \$11,475 per annum
- (6) Accounting Technician (Purchase Order Technician)  
(Administration Department - Business Office)  
salary range: \$9,913 - \$16,954 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](mailto:hr@palau.edu), or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

**"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."**

## PCC Endowment Fund

### INVEST IN THE FUTURE

OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

### To SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!

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Phone: 488-2470/2471 (ext. 251/253)

e-mail: [tellei@palau.edu](mailto:tellei@palau.edu)

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

### FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



<http://pcc.palau.edu>

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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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