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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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## First Week of Instruction for Summer Session



*Students around campus enjoying the first week of instruction.*

Palau Community College (PCC) began its summer term on Monday, June 10, 2013. New students and returning students roamed about the school campus as they went from class to class. When asked to comment about their expectations for the new school term, students said that they were eager to complete their course requirements though they will miss the months of summer fun.

On the first day of instruction students are introduced to the course and given a syllabus, an outlined schedule of the school term. The remainder of the week is spent obtaining books and reorganizing classes to fit the students' preferences. Classes may also be dropped or added depending on the week's experience. PCC summer session began on June 10, 2013 and will end on July 24, 2013 spanning over a six-week period.

### Otis College Presentation

The students of Otis College of Art and Design currently residing at the dormitories of Palau Community College (PCC) had a presentation on Thursday (June 13, 2013). Part of an art project that began in 2008, the group is on the island to design a Freedom Memorial honoring Palauans who have served and are still serving in the United States Military since the Vietnam War.

Their previous visits were spent researching Palauan culture and meeting local artists. By compiling an understanding about Palau, the students were able to create a design that represented the island's traditions and culture.

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*Otis students presenting a toluk design for the memorial.*

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

## Grant Coordinator Visits PCC

Ayumi Yasuda, a grant coordinator for the Embassy of Japan, met with Dr. Patrick Tellei, President of Palau Community College (PCC), on May 27, 2013. Yasuda coordinates the Grants Assistance for the Grass-Roots Human Security Projects (GGP). She met with the Dr. Tellei to share information about the program.

GGP targets nonprofit organizations, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and development projects instigated by the local community at a grass-root level. Examples of grass-root level projects include constructing local schools, improving medical equipment, and vocational training. The grant assistance aims to upgrade the livelihood of people by providing and improving basic human needs.



*PCC President, Dr. Patrick Tellei, with Japanese Grant Coordinator, Ayumi Yasuda.*

## EU Ambassador Visits PCC



*Participants of the Train-the-Trainer Program with EU Ambassador Andrew Jacobs, EU Program Manager Malcolm Panton, Energy Specialist William Thorp, and the Palau's Director of Energy Greg Decherong.*

Palau Community College (PCC) was visited by the Head of the Delegation of the European Union (EU) for the Pacific, Ambassador Andrew Jacobs. During his visit, Ambassador Jacobs examined the EU funded Train-the-Trainer Program currently ongoing at the PCC Electrical Shop. The program participants are taught about grid-connected solar photovoltaics (PV) and how they can be institutionalized. Employees from Palau Public Utilities Corporation (PPUC) and other agencies are currently attending this course. EU has been funding the North Pacific ACP Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Project (North REP Project), a project assisting Palau, the Marshall Islands, and the Federated States of Micronesia in the formation of reliable and accessible energy sources. William Thorp, an energy specialist with the North REP Project, orchestrated the solar panel training.

## Guam Senator Visits PCC

Guam Democratic Senator, Michael F. Q. San Nicolas, paid a courtesy visit to Palau Community College (PCC) on Thursday, June 06, 2013. He met with Dean Sherman Daniel of Student Services, Executive Assistant to the President Todd Ngiramengior, and Vice President of Administration & Finance Jay Olegeriil. Senator San Nicolas shared his interest in Palau's development, especially in terms of financial stability and education. He also expressed his interest in strengthening Palau's ties with Guam.



*(left to right): Executive Assistant Todd Ngiramengior, Senator Michael San Nicolas, Dean Sherman Daniel, and Vice President Jay Olegeriil.*



## BITS AND PIECES...

### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### Hours of Operation

May 20 - August 09:

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

For more information call  
488-3540.

### Summer Session

#### June 10 - 14 (M-F)

Add & Drop Period

#### June 14 (F)

Last Day to change to CR/NC &  
AUDIT Grading Options

#### June 28 (F)

Last Day to Remove Incomplete  
Grades for Spring 2013

#### July 01 - 02 (M-T)

Mid-Term Period

#### July 03 - 05 (W-F)

Fall 2013 Pre-Registration

#### July 09 (T)

Holiday: Constitutional Day

#### July 12 (F)

Last Day for All Withdrawals

#### July 19 (F)

Last Day of Instruction

#### July 22 - 24 (M-W)

Final Examination Period

### News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIU'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 [dilubchs@palau.edu](mailto:dilubchs@palau.edu) and [tchuziet@gmail.com](mailto:tchuziet@gmail.com).

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcomed.

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

## Carnegie Mellon University Assistance

Two students from the Carnegie Mellon University in Pennsylvania are currently residing at the Palau Community College (PCC) dormitories. Cheng Ding and Fachry Rozy Oemar will spend 10 weeks on campus, analyzing the technological framework then developing possible solutions for its improvement.



(left to right): Fachry R. Oemar and Cheng Ding

The pair will assist in the reconnection of the school's networking system to provide a more efficient means of communication. In addition, they will remodel the school's official website by providing an upgrade on its design. By the end of their stay, Oemar and Ding hope to have helped push PCC in a forward direction by achieving technological goals in its institutional master plan.

## Phi Theta Kappa Society



back row (left to right): Sukrad Sbal,  
McMichael Mutok, Rhett Masaichi  
third row (left to right): O'Hara Skebong,  
Persis D. Omelau  
second row (left to right): Bridget Adachi,  
Malarie Ambai, Shari Nicolas  
front row (left to right): Elsei D. Tellei,  
Talitha Alexander, Sarahly Okada



Summer R. Saunders



McClaine Iyekar

The Phi Theta Kappa Society is an international honor society for two-year colleges, particularly junior and community colleges. Phi Theta Kappa provides learning resources and funding, such as scholarships, that assist its members in their educational pursuits.

Members of the Phi Theta Kappa Society who graduated from Palau Community College (PCC) are McClaine Iyekar, Elsei D. Tellei, Summer R. Saunders, Persis D. Omelau, Talitha Alexander, Sarahly Okada,, Shari K. Nicholas, Bridget W. Adachi, Malarie N. Ambai, Rhett D. Masaichi, McMichael M. Mutok, O'Hara Skebong, and Sukrad Sbal.



## ALUMNI NOTES

### KAYLEEN J. ONGALIBANG

(Class of 2013)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

*"We do not have to look for inspiration anymore. We have the potential to be the inspiration and contribution in our society."*



She was employed by PCC in 2007. After returning to school, she graduated as the valedictorian in 2013 with a degree in childhood education. Currently, she is working as an instructor for Palau Community Action Agency (PCAA).

### O'RANLI M. ISE

(Class of 2013)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

*"You can't fail; you just find ways that won't work. Your dream can be achieved only if you try."*



He graduated from PCC in 2013 with a degree in information technology. For the last 4 years, he has been working at Koror State Public Land Authority as a realty specialist and computer technician.

### TASYA WORSWICK

(Class of 1995)

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT - BUSINESS ACCOUNTING

*"It's never too late. Education helps improve working skills. Without it, one won't succeed."*



After graduating, she interned at the Property and Supply Division of the Ministry of Finance. She then worked for ten years as a supply technician for the ministry. Currently, she is the administrative officer at the Procurement Division of the Ministry of Health.



### Mesekiu's News

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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 alumnus/alumna or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone numbers 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, and 253).

We would like to feature you in future *Mesekiu's News* issues.

## Otis College CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

According to their presentation, the memorial will follow a spiraling shape design to represent the Palauan tradition of using a conch-shell for callings, specifically war callings. Eight *toluk* (Palauan women's money) carvings will be placed beneath monoliths lining the spiraling design. The memorial will have several bowls submerged in the water visible while the tide is out. Overtime, they will become natural tide pools serving as underwater attractions and homes for marine life. The Freedom Memorial is currently planned to be erected at Long Island Park in Koror, Palau.

## ENDOWMENT FUND

INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

**TO SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!**

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*If you want to join the Biweekly Allotment Program, call us NOW.*

## Vacancy Announcement

- (1) *Federal Work-Study Coordinator (Office of Admissions & Financial Aid)*  
Salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (2) *English Instructor (Learning Resource Center)*  
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (3) *Accounting Technician, General (Administration Department-Business Office)*  
Salary range: \$9,913.00 - \$16,954.00 per annum
- (4) *Math Instructor (Learning Resource Center)*  
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (5) *Librarian (Tan Siu Lin PCC Library)*  
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$24,647 per annum
- (6) *Dean of Academic Affairs (Academic Affairs Office)*  
Salary range: \$21,911 - \$33,730 per annum
- (7) *Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Instructor (Academic Affairs)*  
Salary range: \$16,010.00 - \$21,191.00 per annum
- (8) *Public Relations Manager (Development Office)*  
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$24,647 per annum
- (9) *Security Service Officer (Administration Department)*  
Salary range: \$6,709.00 - 11,475.00 per annum

For application forms and information, please contact Harline Haruo at PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, extension 227.

E-mail [hr@www.palau.edu](mailto:hr@www.palau.edu) or download form at <http://www.palau.edu>

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The Palau Community College Family gives its deepest condolences to Omdasu T. Ueki for the untimely loss of his father, Minami V. Ueki.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

## Celebrating Birthdays

Alex M. Gachalian	June 16
Midori Mersai	June 18
Lester Rekemesik	June 19
Grace Yalap	June 20



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

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