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Cultural Youth Summer Program Concluded



A bamboo raft, a bamboo fish trap, woven baskets, and woven mats made by the young participants of the Cultural Youth Summer Program.

A ceremony was held for the participants of the Koror State Summer Youth Program on Friday, July 19, 2013. Held at the Koror State Government (KSG) Assembly Hall to signify another successful youth program, the ceremony commemorated the young Palauans for learning their culture and tradition. Young Palauans who participated in the program spent the summer participating in traditional practices such as basket-weaving and bamboo-raft building.

People who attended the ceremony in support of the youth were given a cultural presentation. During the ceremony, the participants were divided into different groups. Each group presented on a different traditional aspect: *Omengaus'l Tet/Sualo* (traditional weaving) instructed by Dilchur Ruloked, Sisbartol Nolan, Jury Kebekol, and Alfonsa Bintorio; *Omengaus'l Bub* (traditional fish trap) instructed by Felix Floriano; *Omesakt'l Brer* (bamboo-raft) instructed by Albert Soaladaob; *Omengesols* (traditional chanting) instructed by Dembert O. Sbal and Sariang Timulch; and *Uchelel Belau* (mythology/legend of Palau's beginnings) instructed by Hermana Ramarui. CULTURAL YOUTH SUMMER PROGRAM, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

2013 Accreditation Midterm Report

contributed by Daikola Olikong
(Accreditation Liaison Officer)

Earlier this month, President Tellei received a letter from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC)—Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) dated July 03, 2013. The letter informed the college that ACCJC met on June 05, 2013 to June 07, 2013 and considered the Midterm Report submitted by PCC. The purpose of the commission's review was to assure that PCC had addressed the four (4) recommendations made by the team that visited the school in 2010. It had also provided updates of the college's action plans that were identified in the Institutional Self-Study Report 2009.

Congratulations to everyone and let us continue to work together in maintaining the accredited reputation of our learning institution. The next report of the college will be a comprehensive evaluation called the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report. It is due in Spring 2016 covering 2010 to 2015.

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.

Upward Bound 30th Graduation Banquet



Upward Bound Graduates receiving certificates and awards.

The 30th Graduation Banquet of the students participating in the Palau Community College (PCC) Upward Bound Program was held on July 18, 2013 at the PCC Cafeteria. Students who had participated in the program received certificates of recognition for their accomplishments and achievements. Fellow Upward Bound participants and instructors were present to commemorate the graduates.

Upward Bound Program is part of the Federal TRIO Programs (TRIO) provided by the United States Department of Education. The program provides college preparation and educational support for high school students from low income households or households in which both parents do not hold a bachelor's degree. Upward Bound provides academic programs that instruct students in the mathematics, science, and language. In addition, students participating in the program are provided with workshops, counseling, and work-study experiences. The aim of the Upward Bound Program is to assist every student in their pursuit for a higher level of education.

Food Technology Awarding Ceremony



Participants of the CRE Food Technology Class.

Palau Community College (PCC) Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Department held a certificate-awarding ceremony on the night of July 24, 2013. The awarding ceremony commended the food technology class under the Department's Expanded Food Nutrition & Education Program (EFNEP). The one-week food technology class teaches participants to prepare food in a healthy and nutritious manner. Lessons included topics about nutritious values of foods, preparing meals using the available supplies and ingredients, and hands-on food preparation.

A total of twenty (20) participants were awarded with certificates. During the ceremony, participants were divided into five different groups. Each group presented a sampled dish of what they had learned including tapioca pizza, tapioca cake, tapioca pockets, tapioca maki, cool papaya, and yellow taro with coconut balls. Present to witness the ceremony were Dr. Aurora Del Rosario and Director of Development Tchuzie Tadao. Dr. Lydia Marero and Dalton Thomas were the instructors for the class. The master of ceremony was Ephraim Ngirachitei.



Satellite Dish Installed on PCC Campus

A satellite dish was recently installed on the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). The newly acquired equipment was funded by the Caribbean and Pacific Consortium (CariPac) through the Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Department of PCC. CariPac consists of institutions of higher education on the islands of Guam, Palau, the Marshall Islands, Northern Marianas Islands, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Federated States of Micronesia. It was established to assist schools in obtaining funds for agriculture and food science programs. The satellite dish was acquired to support online distance education.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday 7:30AM to 7PM

Saturday 9AM to 6PM

Sunday CLOSED

For more information call
488-3540.

DIABETES SELF-MANAGEMENT



"Each issue of Diabetes Self-Management is chock-full of diabetes self-care tips, delicious and diabetes-friendly recipes, reports on the latest medical breakthroughs, and much more. From medicines to meters, from preparing meals to preventing complications, we cover it all."

Book Returns Reminder

Students are reminded that books may be returned from July 18, 2013 to NO LATER THAN August 02, 2013.

Contact PCC Development Office for more info: 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, or 253.

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 and 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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Koror State Governor Yositaka Adachi recognized the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and Palau Community College (PCC) Continuing Education (CE) Department for continuing to support an exceptional program. Governor Adachi stated that the culture of Palau, like all cultures, is best appreciated through hands-on experiences. By continuing to support programs that promote cultural practices and youth participation, Palau's culture may continue to foster through the years. He recognized the personal dedication of the instructors and commended them for their willingness to teach Palau's culture to its youth.

In addition to the Cultural Youth Summer Program, the ceremony also recognized the achievement of young Palauans involved in the Solid Waste Program and the Building & Zoning Office (BZO) Program. Like the summer culture program, the Solid Waste and BZO programs aimed to educate young Palauans about their roles and responsibilities to their community and environment. Following their recognition for successfully completing the program, the students demonstrated their learning outcomes.



Basket-weaving



Bamboo Raft



Fish Trap



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Oral History about Palau



Traditional Chants

ALUMNI NOTES

LORENA MYUKI

(Class of 1993)
CERTIFICATE - BUSINESS ACCOUNTING

"School helps you secure a job of choice."



She graduated with a certification for business accounting from MOC. Since 1995, she has been working as an accounting technician/cashier at the Clerk of Courts.

SANDRA MATSUDA

(Class of 1993)
CERTIFICATE - SECRETARIAL SCIENCE

"With education, you can find a good job. Now is the time, attend PCC!"



She graduated from MOC with a certification for secretarial work. For 12 years she worked as a clerk at the Clerk of Courts then became the secretary for Associate Justice Lourdes Materne.

ANDREA UCHEL

(Class of 2012)
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - TOURISM & HOSPITALITY:
HOTEL OPERATIONS

"Don't be afraid to try. Education is an important step to achieving your dreams."



She graduated with an AAS Degree in Tourism & Hospitality: Hotel Operations. Currently, she is attending the Adventist University of the Philippines.



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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, or 253).

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

Recruitment Schedule:

Palau Community College (PCC) will be conducting student recruitments at the following places from 7PM to 9PM:

Monday (July 29, 2013)

Tuesday (July 30, 2013)

Wednesday (July 31, 2013)

Meyuns Youth Center - Skojio

Ngerbeched Youth Center - Taoch

Ngermid - Bai

Celebrating Birthdays

Tanya Ngirkuteling



July 30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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 - \$16,954 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 Office)
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$21,191 per annum
- (8) *Public Relations Manager*
(Development Office)
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$24,647 per annum
- (9) *Security Service Officer*
(Administration Department - Business Office)
Salary range: \$6,709 - \$11,475 per annum
- (10) *Twenty (20) Part-Time Tutors*
(Educational Talent Search Office)
Salary range: \$400 - \$1,200 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@palau.edu or download forms at <http://www.palau.edu>

PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to express its deepest condolences to Instructor Mr. Joshua Ngirngbedangel who has recently lost his brother, Mr. Belechel Ngirngbedangel. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

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, **contact us NOW!**

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