

19th Annual Education Convention



The 19th Annual Education Convention at the Campus of Palau High School.

On Thursday (July 25, 2013) and Friday (July 26, 2013) of last week, the Ministry of Education conducted a convention for teachers in Palau. It was held on the campus of Palau High School (PHS). The 19th Education Convention was divided into different sessions in which participants were taught about different aspects of education. Each session was instructed by an experienced educator or counselor.

Four sessions were conducted by counselors and teachers of Palau Community College (PCC). Midori Mersai and Derbei Meyar taught a session about learner-centered classrooms; Tennyson Carlson focused on classroom management and discipline; Hilda N. Reklai and Glendalynn Ngirmeriil shared techniques for successful communication skills; and Pasquana Iyekar gave a presentation about lesson planning and material development.

The annual education convention conducted by Palau's Ministry of Education (MOE) aims to improve the quality of education on the island. Workshops focused on skills that will assist teachers in their teaching such as library operations or classroom communication. The convention was over a three-day period.

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Campus Improvement Projects: New Hut

A new hut has been built on the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). Members of the school's maintenance staff have been hard at work building the hut's roof, cementing its ground floor, and painting its pillars. The hut will be utilized by students as an arena for special special events.



PCC Maintenance Workers building a new hut on the school campus.

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.

Crime Workshop Awarding Ceremony



Crime Workshop participants with guests.

The Transnational Crime Workshop conducted by the Joint Interagency Task Force West (JIATF West) concluded on July 26, 2013. An awarding ceremony was held on that day to commemorate the participants of the workshop. Invited to the ceremony were US Embassy Chargé d'Affaires Thomas E. Daley and Political Assistant/COMM/ECON Joyce Isechal . A total of 25 law enforcement officers were awarded with certificates. The awarding ceremony was held at the Palau Community College (PCC) Assembly Hall.

JIATF West is an executive agent of the US Pacific Command (USPACOM) for Department of Defense (DoD) to support law enforcement for counterdrug and drug-related activities. In an effort to decrease drug-related crimes in the Asia-Pacific region, JIATF West provides support such as classroom training, physical building infrastructure development, and information technology for command and control centers/information exchange. In addition, JIATF West builds partnerships with foreign law enforcements and tries to interconnect the agencies in an effort to downsize drug-related criminal activities. The workshop began on July 15, 2013.

Third Group of Caregivers Certified



Newly certified caregivers with guests.

The Care-Giving Program offered by the Continuing Education (CE) Department of Palau Community College (PCC) certified a third group of caregivers on July 24, 2013. A total of 11 new caregivers were awarded: Huana Nestor, Melinda Wasai, Marivic K. Damian, Lizle C. Delos Santos, Morris Philip Apresto, Camille M. Reyes, Luzviminda Gatdula, Jugie Lea C. Montano, Villy C. Candari, Jennifer Mulsima, and Annabelle Tuquero Selario. Minister of Health Gregorio Ngirmang, CE Dean Willy Wally, and Dr. Sylvia Osarch were at the ceremony to commemorate the new caregivers. Miriam Chin and Julita Tellei, caregivers whom had earlier been trained under the program, were also present to show their support.

Under the instruction of trained nurses and physical therapists, participants of the Care-Giving Program offered at PCC learn to properly care for bedridden patients particularly those of old age. The program spans over a two-week period. Each week night a module is taught that covers a caregiving topic sicuh as proper personal hygiene care for patients, food management, and stress control for caregivers.

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Ramon Rechebei and his nephews with book donations.

Books Donated to PCC Library

On July 25, 2013 Ramon and Elizabeth Rechebei donated seven boxes of books to the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library. The books included history books, materials about the Pacific Islands, and works of fiction. Palau Community College (PCC) Library would like to thank Mr. Rechebei and his wife for the generous donation to its shelves.

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Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

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

For more information call 488-3540.

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Academic Calendar: Fall 2013

August 5-7 (M-W)
Placement Testing/Readmit Student

August 7 (W) Student Orientation

August 8-9 (TH-F) Academic Advising & Registration

> **August 9 (F)** Late Registration

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.

23rd Annual PIALA Conference

contributed by Tan Siu Lin PCC Library



The 23rd Annual Conference of the Pacific Islands Association of Libraries, Museums and Archives (PIALA) took place in Saipan, CNMI from June 14 to June 16, 2013. Gerda Setts (Koror Elementary School Librarian), Raven Kloulubak (PCC Librarian), and Grace Merong (PCC Librarian) attended the conference as representatives from Palau. The theme for this year's conference was *Our Libraries, Archives & Museums (LAM): Bridging Our Past with Our Future*. During the conference, workshops were available to enhance the participants' understanding of the theme. Palau's librarians will give a presentation about the contents of the annual conference during the upcoming Palau Association of Libraries (PAL) meetings.

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Tennyson Carlson: Classroom Management/Discipline



Pasquana Iyekar: Lesson Planning & Material Development



Hilda N. Reklai and Glendalynn Ngermeriil: Successful Communication Skills



Midori Mersai and Derbei Meyar: Learner-Centered Classrooms

ALUMNI NOTES

JOYCE D. IKEDA (Class of 2013)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

"Don't think that school is too hard; education gets you into places.'



She recently graduated with an AA degree in Office Administration. For the summer, she interned at PCC Bookstore.

SEAN U. LAWRENCE (Class of 2013) ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - GENERAL ELECTRONICS

"Study hard, play harder!"



He graduated this summer with an AAS degree in General Electronics. He plans to continue working at PNCC after his internship with the company.

KESINA K. TADAO (Class of 2013)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

"Study hard!"



In the Spring of 2013, she graduated with an AAS degree in Office Administration. She spent the summer interning at the Admissions & Financial Aid Office of PCC.

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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 Mesekín's News issues.

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Palau has about 400 bedridden patients. Because of the great need for medical staffing, PCC and the Ministry of Health collaborated to create a training program that will fulfill this need. So far, a total of 36 caregivers have been certified under this program. A model for the Care-Giving Program was provided by Dr. Ritabelle Fernandes of the Geriatric Education Center at John A. Burns School of Medicine in Hawaii. Geriatric is a branch of medicine that focuses on the medical care of elderly individuals. The Care-Giving Program is free and open to any interested individuals.

August 04

August 05

August 08

Celebrating Birthdays



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Vacancy Announcement

- (1) English Instructor (Learning Resource Center) Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (2) Accounting Technician, General (Administration Department - Business Office) Salary range: \$9,913 - \$16,954 per annum
- (3) Math Instructor (Learning Resource Center) Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (4) Dean of Academic Affairs (Academic Affairs Office) Salary range: \$21,911 - \$33,730 per annum
- (5) 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 488-2470/2471, extension 227.

E-mail hr@palau.edu or download forms at http://pcc.palau.edu

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TO ALL PCC STUDENTS: PCC Bookstore will **NO** LONGER PROVIDE **BOOK RENTALS** starting Fall Semester 2013. All BOOKS MUST BE PURCHASED AT FULL-PRICE.

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