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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## Swearing-In of New ASPCC President



*Dean of Students Sherman Daniel swearing in new ASPCC President Kornelia Thomas.*

The New President of the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) was sworn-in on Wednesday, September 04, 2013. Kornelia Thomas, formerly the Vice President of ASPCC, took her oath at the PCC Assembly Hall administered by the Dean of Students Sherman Daniel. According to the by-laws of the association, the vice president is promoted to the president every year instead of being elected by the student body. Thus, Ms. Thomas can begin her duties before the annual student body elections take place. Present to witness her induction were PCC students, PCC staff members, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei.

ASPCC is a student organization that encompasses the entire PCC student body. Students registered in degree programs are regular members of the association. ASPCC is governed by a student senate consisting of ten (10) senators and four (4) officers who are elected annually. The association is responsible for the general welfare of the PCC student body.

### Student Life Workshop: Development Courses

This week the Student Life & Housing division of Palau Community College (PCC) held information workshops for students at the PCC Assembly Hall. It was conducted by counselors Glendalynn Ngirmeriil, Shelley Ueki, Maurine Alexander, and Winfred Recheungel. The information workshops focused on developmental courses and were for new students who have not been introduced to the topic.

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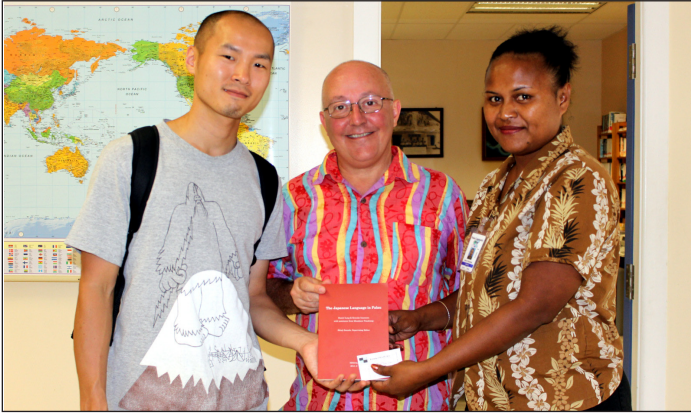
*(left to right): Counselor Recheungel and Counselor Alexander presenting.*



*Students attending the workshop.*

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

## TMU Student Completes Research



(left to right): Keisuke Imamura and Dr. Daniel Long giving a copy of their book to library staff Joleen Ulengchong.

Keisuke Imamura is a graduate student of Tokyo Metropolitan University. He has been working on a research paper about the Japanese language in Palau. Dr. Daniel Long, a professor of linguistics at Tokyo Metropolitan University, has been assisting him with the research. A book entitled “The Japanese Language in Palau” was published containing the results of their research. On September 04, 2013 Mr. Imamura and Dr. Long donated a copy of their book to the Palau Community College Tan Siu Lin Library. JAPANESE LANGUAGE, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

## YAP STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The Yap Student Organization of Palau Community College (PCC) is soliciting community projects and work that will assist the group with its funding efforts. Individuals interested in providing projects or work for the Yap Student Organization can contact Lisa Suloz or Alice Faletam at the PCC Dorm Office.

### CONTACT:

Lisa Suloz or Alice Faletam  
at the PCC Dorm Office

488-3074/488-1053

## Geek Squad

Are you having computer problems? For a very small fee, the PCC Geek Squad student club can help you. Please contact any Geek Squad member at the PCC Online Lab at 488-2470/2471 ext. 256 for inquiries. Services are available to anyone, both on and off campus.

## PCC Open Lab

The PCC Open Lab (Room 60) is now open for all PCC students. If you need a computer to do your course work or if you just need to print your work, please stop by the Open Lab. The lab is open Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

## CRE Donates Kindles to Library



Librarian David Thompson and staff receiving Kindle donations.

The Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Department of Palau Community College (PCC) donated fifteen (15) Amazon Kindles to the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library. The Amazon Kindle is an e-reader tablet developed by Amazon.com, Inc. It allows the user to read and collect digital media such as electronic books, magazines, or blogs purchased at the company’s online Kindle Store. The first generation of the Amazon Kindle was released in 2007. Since then, additional versions have been added that have added media connections such as movies and music. The Amazon Kindles donated to the PCC Library included two Fire Kindles, the latest version of the e-reader tablet. The Kindles will soon be available to the library’s patrons.

## 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.

### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINE



"The National Geographic Magazine publishes articles about geography, history, and world culture. It has been in print since 1888 and continues to provide in-depth looks into different parts of the world."

### Academic Calendar: Fall 2013

#### September 20 (F)

Last Day to Remove Incomplete  
Grades for the Summer

#### October 01 (T)

Holiday: Independence Day!

#### October 02-04 (T-F)

Mid-Term Period

#### October 18 (F)

Last Day for All Withdrawals

### 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, or 253) for more information.

## Japanese Language CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

During the course of their research, Mr. Imamura and Dr. Long made use of the Micronesia-Pacific Collection section of the PCC Library.

Tokyo Metropolitan University is a public university in Tokyo, Japan. It began as three separate schools in the Tokyo metropolis. In 2005, the three schools were merged to form the university. The mission of the university is "the succession and creation of knowledge" through education and research.

In June 2012, Dr. Long and Mr. Imamura participated in a symposium called "Back to the Future: Palau's Japanese Era and Its Relevance for the Future" at PCC. Dr. Long covered the topic about Japan's influence on the Palauan language while Mr. Imamura pin-pointed the historical significances of Japan's administration on the Palauan islands.

## Student CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

A development course is a college course that teaches basic learning skills, such as reading or writing. Based on the assessment results of the entrance placement test taken by each student, a developmental course may be a required class as a step to improving the skills a student needs for a higher level of learning. Classes categorized under developmental courses include basic algebra, developmental English, and basic reading skills.

In addition to providing a general understanding for developmental courses, the information workshop also identified a list of services available at PCC that can help a student improve learning skills. Such services included tutoring offered at the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and the PCC Tan Siu Lin Library. Students were also advised to meet with their instructors if they needed further assistance with their studies.

## SUPPORT THE PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE THANKSGIVING ENDOWMENT FUNDRAISING!

Support PCC by purchasing Tickets for the Annual Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser for Chances to WIN FABULOUS PRIZES!

# NOVEMBER 27, 2013 (WEDNESDAY)

*\*\*donations are tax deductible\*\**

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

## ALUMNI NOTES

### JASON MALULCHLUW

(Class of 2001)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - T&H: TOUR SERVICES

*"If you have a vision then you'll find a way. Take advantage of opportunities and go after your goals."*



Jason graduated in 2001 with an AS Degree in Tourism & Hospitality: Tour Services. He is the co-owner of Palau Dive Adventures, a diving operation in Palau that offers a unique small group diving experience.

### PHOEBE SENGEBAU

(Class of 2003)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

*"Education is the key to a successful future."*



Ms. Sengebau graduated in 2003 with an AS Degree in Environmental Science. She currently works as an Assistant Geographic Information System (GIS) Analyst at the Palau Automated Land And Resource Information System (POLARIS) Office.

### HEATHER NGIRATREGD

(Class of 2002)

CERTIFICATE - T&H: TOUR SERVICES

*"Never give up, education will take you places. Keep trying until you are where you want be."*



Heather received a certification in Tourism from PCC in 2002. She spent some time working as the Marketing Representative of Palau Visitors Authority. Currently, she is attending the University of Canterbury in New Zealand studying for a degree in Commerce.

## \*Condolences\*

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to express its deepest condolences to the family of Natalia Namie Rekemesik for their untimely loss. Ms. Rekemesik had been an education instructor for the college from 1999-2010. Our sympathy is with her family at this difficult time.



## Celebrating Birthdays

Howard Charles  
Rogelio Vergara



September 15  
September 20

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



[pcc.palau.edu](http://pcc.palau.edu)

## Vacancy Announcement

- (1) *English Instructor*  
(Learning Resource Center)  
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (2) *Adjunct Instructors*  
(Academic Affairs Office)  
Salary range: \*\*determined by class credits, educational level, and experience.\*\*
- (3) *Dean of Academic Affairs*  
(Academic Affairs Office)  
Salary range: \$21,911 - \$33,730 per annum
- (4) *Twenty (20) Part-Time Tutors*  
(Educational Talent Search Office)  
Salary range: \$400 - \$1,200 per annum
- (5) *Federal Work-study Coordinator*  
(Office of Admissions & Financial Aid)  
Salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum

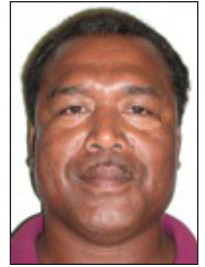
For application forms and information, please contact *Harline Haruo* at **PCC Human Resources Office** at 488-2470/2471, extension 227.

E-mail [hr@palau.edu](mailto:hr@palau.edu) or download forms at

<http://pcc.palau.edu>

PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

## Message of Appreciation



"Losing a loved one is never an ordeal easily carried. We would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to the PCC Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, and students as well as our numerous professional colleagues and friends in Palau and overseas for your generous contributions and condolences during our time of bereavement. All of your generosity and sympathy will remain with us always.

Thank you all for your kindness, and may God bless all of you!"

Warm Regards,

Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

PCC President

Frutoso Tellei

PCC Instructor

## Endowment Fund

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

**To SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!**

P.O. BOX 9 Koror, Palau 96940

Phone: 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251/253)

e-mail: [tellei@palau.edu](mailto:tellei@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 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 *Mesekiu's News* issues.