## Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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### FNU Public Health Nursing Program Welcomes Lecturer



(left to right): PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Nursing Instructor Illoi Rabuka, and FNU Senior Lecturer Neidiri.

The Fiji National University (FNU) Nursing Program hosted at Palau Community College (PCC) recently welcomed its Nursing Lecturer Kavekini Neidiri. Lecturer Neidiri, along with PCC Nursing Instructor Illoi Rabuka, will be teaching the Public Health Nursing Program to nurses in Palau.

Neidiri is a Senior Lecturer at the FNU - College of Medicine, Nursing & Health Sciences. He holds a Bachelors Degree in Nursing Sciences, a Masters Degree in Public Health (MPH), and an Advance Diploma in Nursing Practice. He is also a Registered Nurse in Fiji.

PCC Nursing Instructor Illoi Rabuka is an Assistant Professor for the FNU - College of Medicine, Nursing & Health Sciences. She holds a Masters Degree in Public Health Education (MHP.Ed) and an Advanced Diploma in Nursing. Rabuka is a Registered Nurse and a RM in Fiji. She also has a Certificate in Public Health.

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#### Academic Affairs Division Management Updates

contributed by Deikola Olikong



(left to right): Associate Dean of Instructions Marianne Temaungil and Dean of Academic Affairs Robert Ramarui.

Earlier this month, Interim Dean Robert Ramarui took his position as the Dean of Academic Affairs. Dean Robert Ramarui took an Interim Dean's position when the former Dean of Academic Affairs Tutii Chilton departed Palau Community College (PCC) in May of last year.

Dean Ramarui has been with the college since 2003 and holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration. Before becoming the Interim Dean of Academic Affairs, Dean Ramarui was an Associate Dean of Instructions. Prior to being an Associate Dean, Ramarui was an Associate Professor and a Program Chair for the Business Administration Degree Program for several years.

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#### **Learning Resource Center Renovations**



Maintenance workers repairing and re-roofing the Learning Resource Center (LRC) Office.

The Learning Resource Center (LRC) of Palau Community College (PCC) is currently undergoing improvements and renovations. For the past two weeks, maintenance workers have been rebuilding the interior structures of LRC as well as face-lifting the center's building. In addition, its windows and walls are being replaced.

LRC is a student service component of the college. It provides academic and non-academic services that support student learning. The tutoring services of LRC provide one-on-one assistance for students. In addition, LRC offers placement tests and language tests (e.g., institutional TOEFL) needed by students in order to attend particular classes. A computer laboratory and a study area are also main components of the center.



Workers renovating the inner-structure of the PCC Learning Resource Center (LRC).

#### **ASPCC End-of-the-Year Celebration**

Before beginning the new semester of school, the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) held a celebration at the Palau-Japan Friendship Bridge. The celebration served to rejuvenated the spirits of the students before another school semester began. Members of ASPCC were dedicated to their studies all through Fall semester. In addition, they assisted the school with numerous events such as the End-of-the-Year Endowment Luncheon and the Annual Thanksgiving Fundraiser.

ASPCC is a student organization that encompasses the entire PCC student body. Students registered in PCC degree programs are regular members of the association. ASPCC is responsible for the general welfare of the student body by voicing the concerns of students or representing the students during public events.

## Palau Community College BASIC & INTERMEDIATE MANDARIN CLASS

Palau Community College is offering a complementary Basic & Intermediate Mandarin Class for anyone interested in learning the language.

#### The class if FREE!

Interested people are given the option to attend classes in the evenings or during the day.

For more information, Contact Anna or Leona at the PCC Continuing Education (CE) Office:

488-6223.

## Rotary Club of Palau DAVID WILLIAMS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications available at the PCC Development Office!

\*Deadline: April 2014\*

#### FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



pcc.palau.edu

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#### **BITS AND PIECES..**

#### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Friday 7:30<sub>AM</sub> - 7<sub>PM</sub>
Saturday 9<sub>AM</sub> - 6<sub>PM</sub>
Sunday CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

## AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: PCWORLD MAGAZINE



"PCWorld offers buying advice through opinionated reviews and PCWorld Labsbased evaluations of new products, provides authoritative analysis of technology news and trends, and gives practical tips on everything from troubleshooting Windows to securing wireless networks. It is also the only magazine in its category that routinely pursues investigative and consumer-advocacy stories."

#### Academic Calendar: Fall 2014

**January 20-24 (M-F)** 

ID Card Processing at the Student Services Office

February 21 (F)

Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades for Fall 2013

March 03-07 (M-F)
Midterm 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 dilubch@gmail.com or tchuziet@gmail.com.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

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

#### FNU Nursing Program CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1



FNU Nursing Instructors and the first students with the collection of books and equipment for the nursing program.

In addition to welcoming Neidiri, the FNU Nursing Program also received a collection of books and equipment for its lessons.

The FNU - Public Health Nursing Program hosted by PCC aims to improve the nursing workforce of Palau by providing an educational opportunity for registered nurses on the island. Registered nurses may obtain a Bachelors Degree in Public Health Nursing through the FNU Nursing Program. The Bachelor of Public Health Nursing Program is made possible through the efforts and collaboration of PCC, FNU, and the Palau Ministry of Health (MOH).

#### Academic Affairs continued from page 1

As the Dean of Academic Affairs, Dean Ramarui will oversee the functions of Instructional Programs, Maintenance Assistance Program (MAP), and the PCC Day Care Program. He is also a member of the college Executive Committee (EX-COM).

Also earlier this month, Associate Professor Marianne Temaungil took her position as the Associate Dean of Instructions. She has been with PCC for 24 years and holds a Masters Degree in Education. During her 24 years with the college, Associate Dean Temaungil has worked with the Student Support Services (Project Beacon) as an English instructor; worked as an Associate Professor and Department Chair for the English Department; was an Assistant Accreditation Liaison Officer; and she is a member of numerous college standing and ad-hoc committees.

Prior to her new position, Associate Dean Temaungil was working with then Interim Dean Ramarui for several months by providing assistance and support for the instructional programs/departments. Associate Dean Temaungil will also chair the Committee on Programs and Curricula (CPC) and remain the Assistant Accreditation Liaison Officer (AALO). Congratulations to both Dean Robert Ramarui and Associate Dean Marianne Temaungil on the promotions!

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### DAWN KINGZIO

(Class of 2012)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - AGRICULTURE

"Be committed to completing your schooling because it'll be over quickly. Stay away from drugs!"



Dawn graduated from PCC with an AAS Degree in Agriculture in 2012. For the past year, she has been working as an Assistant Natural History Technician for the Belau National Museum.

#### PHOEBE ADERIANO WASISANG

(Class of 2010)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - EDUCATION: EARLY EDUCATION

"I'm a full-time mom & a full-time worker. If I can get my degree so can you!"



Phoebe earned her AS Degree in Education: Elementary Education in 2010. Currently, she works as a Family Service Worker for the Palau Community Action Agency (PCAA). She is also continuing her education through the San Diego State University (SDSU) cohort at PCC.

#### ROMARIE NGIRMANG

(Class of 2000)

Associate of Arts - Liberal Arts

"Education will help you reach your goal."



Romarie earned an AA Degree in Liberals Arts from PCC in 2000. For the past four years, she has been working as a Budget Analyst for the Ministry of Finance - Office of Planning & Statistics.



**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 Mesekiw's News issues.

#### Family Caregiving Course Train-the-Trainer Workshop



February 10 -13, 2014 Venue: Palau Community College - Koror, Palau

#### **AGENDA**

**DAY 1:** 

General Principles of Adult Education

**DAY 2:** 

Lessons 1-4

DAY 3: Lessons 5-8

**DAY 4:**Marketing the Course

#### Purpose of Workshop:

Workforce development to have trainers conduct family caregiving courses across USAPI.

#### **Costs:**

Registration fees are waived. Participants are to make their own travel & hotel arrangements. To sign up, please email Dr. Ritabelle Fernandes:

fernandes.ritabelle@gmail.com

Sponsored By: Palau Ministry of Health, Palau Community College, and the Pacific Islands Geriatric Education Center - University of Hawaii

#### **Celebrating Birthdays**

Epimachus Moses Winfred Recheungel Rennetta D. Meyar Felix Sengebau



January 28 January 28 January 31 January 31

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### 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) Two (2) Cooks
(Administration Department)
Salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 per annum

(4) Nursing Instructor (Academic Affairs Office) Salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 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 <a href="http://pcc.palau.edu">http://pcc.palau.edu</a>
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!

P.O. BOX 9 Koror, Palau 96940 Phone: 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251/253) e-mail: tellei@palau.edu

If you want to join the Biweekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

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