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Weekly Newsletter

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Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Officials in Palau



(back, left to right): MVS Member Alan Seid, NMC Dean David Attao, NMC Director Floyd Masga, PCC President Patrick U. Tellei, CNMI Congressman John Paul Sablan, CNMI Congressman Ramon Tebuteb, MVS President Shallum Etpison, and MVS Distinguished Mediator Ephraim Ngirachitei. (front, left to right): MVS Member Dr. Victor Yano, MVS Member Ibedul Yutaka N. Gibbons, MVS Member Tina Rechucher Marug, and MVS Member Reklai Raphael B. Ngirmang. Missing MVS members: Sesario Selawur and Palau President Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr. (off-island).

A delegation of officials from the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands (CNMI) visited Palau this week. The delegation includes Congressman Ramon Tebuteb, Congressman John Paul “JP” Sablan, Northern Marianas College Dean of Administration and Resource Development David Attao, and NMC Director of Community Development Institute Floyd Masga.

During their visit, the CNMI officials met with the members of the Micronesian Voyaging Society (MVS). MVS is a group that promotes and supports non-instrumental navigation methods historically present in Pacific island culture. Currently, Palau Community College (PCC) offers a Non-Instrumental Navigation course to interested persons. During their meeting with MVS, the CNMI delegation discussed the program and ways in which CNMI could participate in it. CNMI, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

Japanese Tourists Visit Palau Community College



(left to right): Kimiko Nakamura, Aiko Tani, Masayuki Tani, and Masaru Usui.

A group of Japanese tourists visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) on Tuesday, February 03, 2014. Included in the group were Kimiko Nakamura, Masayuki Tani, Masaru Usui, and Aiko Tani.

The group was interested in visiting sites in Palau with ties to Japan. During Japan’s administration of Palau, Koror had been considered the “Chii-sai Tokyo” or the Little Tokyo of the Pacific region. Japanese people were ever-present in Micronesia, especially in Palau. PCC had been the site of a hospital and a trade school during Japan’s Administration of the islands. Mr. Usui’s father had lived in Palau working for the Nanyo Kohatsu Kabushiki Kaisha Company (also known as the Nanyo Kohatsu K. K.).

JAPANESE TOURISTS, CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

FSA Scholarship for Spring 2014



Members of FSA and Scholarship Recipients during the FSA Scholarship Spring 2014 Presentation.

The Faculty Senate Association (FSA) presented the scholarship awards to its 2014 recipients on Tuesday, February 04, 2014. Keisha Willis and Lana Otobed were once again awarded with the first-year FSA scholarship; Antoni K. Soalablai and Sngbard Melairei were also again awarded with the second-year FSA scholarship. The four students had been diligent in keeping their grade-point-averages above 3.8 during last semester. Palau Community College (PCC) would like to congratulate the FSA Scholarship recipients and wish them all the best this new school semester.

Japanese Tourists CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The Nanyo Kohatsu K. K. was a strategic development company with a base stationed in Palau. It promoted the development of economy in Micronesia by trading with islands under the British and Dutch administrations. In addition, the company promoted Japanese political interests through its business around the Pacific and Southeast Asia. After World War II, the company was abolished by the American occupation authorities.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

The Palau Community College Board of Trustees will hold its regular meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2014 beginning at 9AM at the PCC Conference Room located in the Dort Building on PCC Campus. All regular meetings of the board are open to the public.

**If you wish to attend, please call:
488-2480/488-2471/488-1669
for accommodations.**

New Australian Ambassador to FSM

On Friday, January 17, 2014 a ceremony was held to welcome the newly appointed Australian Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). FSM President Manny Mori accepted the Letter of Recall & Credence for His Excellency Terence Beven who also cross-accredited to the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Republic of Palau. The ceremony was held at the Conference Room of the FSM President in Palikir, Pohnpei.

During the ceremony, FSM President Mori welcomed Ambassador Beven and extended his thanks to Australia for its continuous assistance to the islands. Australia has been aiding FSM in the development of economy, environment management, and the improvement of its primary education levels in English and mathematics.



FSM President Manny Mori welcoming new FSM Ambassador from Australia Terence Beven.

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...

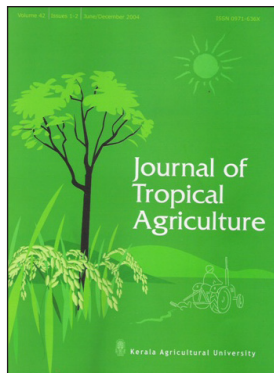
Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday 7:30AM - 7PM
Saturday 9AM - 6PM
Sunday CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:
TROPICAL AGRICULTURE JOURNAL



"The *Journal of Tropical Agriculture* is a peer-reviewed international journal that publishes scientific articles concerned with all aspects of crop science, agro-ecosystem management and conservation, and in particular the application of biological, engineering, ecological, and social knowledge to the management of agricultural crops in the tropics including plantation and horticultural crops."

Academic Calendar: Spring 2014

February 21 (F)

Last Day to Remove
Incomplete Grades for Fall 2013

March 03-07 (M-F)

Midterm Period

March 10-14 (M-F)

SPRING BREAK for STUDENTS!
(Youth Day March 14, 2014)

News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIUS 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.

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MVS members present at the meeting with the CNMI officials were Ibedul Yutaka N. Gibbons, Reklai Raphael B. Ngirmang, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, MVS President Shallum Etpison, MVS Mediator Ephraim Ngirachitei, Dr. Victor Yano, and Alan Seid. Members of MVS not present during the meeting were Sesario Sewralur, Master Navigator and Instructor for the PCC Non-Instrumental Navigation Program, and President of the Republic Tommy E. Remengesau Jr. who was off-island during the meeting.

The CNMI Delegation also toured the PCC campus and facilities. Dean of Academic Affairs Robert Ramarui guided the guests on a tour of the PCC School of Career & Technical Education (CTE) as well as the Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence (PTHSE). In addition, the delegation visited the Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) stations in Babeldaob. The group visited the PCC Research & Development (R&D) Station in Ngermeskang and the Multi-Species Hatchery in Ngermetengel, both in Ngeremlengui State.

The CNMI Delegation paid a courtesy visit to Palau as a means of strengthening the relationship between both islands.

**PLEASE JOIN US...
Freebies & Fun Games**

Free Services:
Information
Counseling
Education
30 mins. Internet
Testing for HIV, STI, TB,
and others

Get yourself tested

Where: PCC Health Resource Center / Time: 9:00am to 3:30pm/ Date: Feb 14 2014/ Info: 680.488.8618

~* CONDOLENCES *~

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to express its deepest condolences to Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Vice President Thomas Taro with the untimely loss of his mother, Itong Etibek. All in PCC extend their sympathies to Vice President Taro and his family during such a difficult time.

Palau Community College (PCC) would also like to express its deepest sympathies to Leory Fritz who is also facing the untimely loss of his mother, Obirang Fritz. All of PCC would like to extend its condolences to Mr. Fritz. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family during such a time of difficulty.

ALUMNI NOTES

HUANA BENHART

(Class of 1989)

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION - OFFICE CLERK

"Make education a priority in your life. Instill that thought in your children. Someday, they will look back and thank you in abundance!"



Huana received a Certificate of Completion for Office Clerk in 1989. For twenty years, she has worked for the Judicial Branch of the National Government. She is currently an Administrative Assistant for the Budget Office.

PERRY HIDEOS

(Class of 1995)

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION - CARPENTRY

"Work hard!"



In 1995, Perry received a Certificate of Completion for Carpentry from the Micronesian Occupational College (MOC). For the past eleven years he has been working as the Construction Technology Teacher for Palau High School (PHS).

NORIA MANAHANE

(Class of 1994)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

"A high school diploma is not enough for a decent job. Earn a college degree, begin at PCC to gain an insight of college life and continue on to achieve the highest education possible."



Noria graduated in 1994 with an AS Degree in Business Administration. She has been working for nineteen years as a Senior Accountant for the Bank Reconciliation of the Ministry of Finance.



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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 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 *Mesekiu'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 e-mail 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

Pioria W. Asito

February 09

Jay Olegeriil

February 10

Robert Ramarui

February 13



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

<http://pcc.palau.edu>

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!

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e-mail: tellei@palau.edu

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

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