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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## Collaborative Learning: Tourism & Hospitality and Palauan Studies

contributed by Tourism & Hospitality Instructor Ltelatk H. Fritz



HI-189: Palauan History & Culture and TH-110: Tour-Guiding & Travel Planning students at Ulong Island with their instructors and Koror State guides.

"Exciting and Fun!" "Astonishing!" When instructors hear such words from students describing their learning experience, it is quite rewarding and inspiring. These are actual responses from students in HI-189: Palauan History & Culture and TH-110: Tour-Guiding & Travel Planning that participated in an educational excursion to Ulong Island made possible through the partnership with the State & Cultural Affairs Department of Koror State.

Instructors Elicita Morei (Palauan Studies) and Ltelatk H. Fritz (Tourism & Hospitality) headed the field trip to Ulong Island to learn more about its history and heritage. Five sites were visited on and around Ulong including "Llecheklel a Orachel" and "Ollumel", the ship's renovation site and monument. Students learned alot from researcher Phedias Brel who was the Site Guide from the Koror State Government. Students benefitted from the priceless information about the excavation process and archaeology of each site visited. The State & Cultural Department Program Coordinator Bethwel Emul was also present during the tour to complement the sharing of experiences. Ulong Island, continued on page 3

### Yap SDA School Visits PCC

On Wednesday, April 02, 2014 the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) was visited by a group of high school students from the Seventh-Day Adventist (SDA) School in Yap. The students, accompanied by their teacher, explored PCC as part of their college experience tour. During their visit, the students were able to learn more about the programs available at PCC as well as visit the different learning areas, such as the Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence building and the vocational shops.

Yap SDA School opened on the island of Yap in 1987. The learning provided at Yap SDA School is based on the Christian beliefs of the Seventh-Day Adventist religion. Taught mostly by student missionaries, students attending Yap SDA School learn to integrate their faith in their daily lives whether it be in pursuit of academic excellence or performance of civil duties.



Yap SDA School group with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Dorm Manager Ephraim Ngirchetei.

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.

#### PCC Mesekiu Bai Undergoes Renovation



Maintenance workers renovating the PCC Mesekiu Bai.

Mesekiu Bai, a prominent fixture on the Palau Community College (PCC) Campus, is currently undergoing rennovation. The reonnovation entails replacement of wooden posts with concrete, replacement of wooden benches, repair of the thatch roof, and retouching of the painting of local legends on interior beams and outside gables. Thanks to the Maintenance Crew for their hard but delicate work!

# FAMILY DAY:

Prevent Kids from Tobacco Use!



Join the Palau Community College (PCC) OA-223 Class as they Promote Tobacco-Free Lifestyles! Activities will include a Raffle Drawing, Games, Prizes, Skit, Drawing Competition, and more!

Date: Sunday, April 13, 2014 **Venue: Belau National Museum** Time: 2PM

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



pcc.palau.edu



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#### **Graduation Meeting with Students**

The Usher & Practice Sub-Committee of the Palau Community College (PCC) 2014 Graduation Committee conducted a graduation meeting at the PCC Assembly Hall with graduating students on Tuesday, April 01, 2014. During the meeting, students graduating this May were informed about the aspects of the commencement exercise. Included in the meeting were discussions about graduation invitations, caps, gowns, and fees; the selection of two graduation masters of ceremony (MC); the graduation music for marching in and marching out; the schedule for graduation practice; and the graduation day scheduled for Friday, May 23, 2014.

Graduates attending the meeting decided that PCC will supply each graduate with five invitations. The invitations were to follow the same format: vertical with three folds. These invitations are to be picked up at the Registrar's Office on May 19, 2014. Graduation practice was scheduled for a three-day period starting on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 to Thursday, May 22, 2014. Graduating students were also informed about the proper manner of dress for the ceremony.

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Palau Community College (PCC) would like to express its deepest condolences to the family of Pasqua Ikeyar. Ms. Ikeyar graduated from PCC in 1979 with a Certificate in Agircultural Science. She was also a PCC Instructor and mother of PCC Student Trustee Dizzette Dolmers. Our hearts go out to her family, especially Trustee Dolmers. We keep you all in our thoughts and prayers during such a difficult time.

## DAVID WILLIAMS **MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Applications available at the **PCC Development Office!** 

\*Deadline: April 18, 2014\*

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

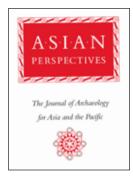
#### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Friday  $7:30_{AM} - 7_{PM}$  Saturday  $9_{AM} - 6_{PM}$  Sunday CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

# AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: ASIAN PERSPECTIVES JOURNAL



"Asian Perspectives Journal is the leading peer-reviewed archaeological journal devoted to the prehistory of Asia and the Pacific region. In addition to archaeology, it features articles and book reviews on ethno-archaeology, palaeo-anthropology, physical anthropology, and ethnography of interest and use to the prehistorian."

#### Academic Calendar: Spring 2014

May 05 (M)

Holiday: Senior Citizens' Day

May 09 (F)

Last Day of Instruction

May 12-14 (M-W)

Final Examination Period

May 23 (F)

**Commencement Exercises** 

#### **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.

#### Ulong Island CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

On the second part of the learning adventure, tour-guiding students led their "guests" to popular tourist areas. The practice allowed the tour-guiding students to demonstrate their interpretation skills. Sites visited included snorkeling at Rose Garden, viewing of the giant clams at Ngchelobl, and enjoying the natural wonder of the Milky Way.

Instructor Morei and Instructor Fritz would like to extend their gratitude and appreciation to Ibedul Yutaka Gibbons and the House of Traditional Leaders; Koror State Governor Yositaka Adachi, Director Scott Yano, Program Coordinator Bethwel "Betz" Emul, Researcher/Guide Phedias Brel, Researcher/Guide Ray Isao; and the staff from the college. Thank you all for making this trip possible!



Koror Guide portrays site history.



Students break for a photo op.



Students on a trail that leads to Ollumel.



Students on the boat ready for the field trip.



(from left to right): Bethwel Emul, Instructor Fritz, Phedias Brel, and Instructor Morei.

# Faculty-Senate Association (FSA) Scholarship

## SCHOOL YEAR 2014-2015

The Faculty-Senate Association (FSA) Scholarship for the school year 2014-2015 is now available! Application forms can be picked up at the Palau Community College (PCC) - Development Office.

DEADLINE: JULY 31, 2014

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### ALEXANDRA PATRIS

(Class of 2011)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE



Alexandra graduated in 2011 with an AAS Degree in Agricultural Science. She currently works as a Room Attendant for the Housekeeping Department of Palau Pacific Resort.

#### DELINA REMENGESAU

(Class of 2007, Class of 2008, Class of 2011) ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - EDUCATION: SPECIAL EDUCATION Associate of Science - Education: Elementary Education BACHELORS DEGREE - EDUCATION (SDSU)

"Stay in school and study hard!"



Delina graduated in 2007 with an AS Degree in Special Education and in 2008 with an AS Degree in Elementary Education. She received her Bachelors Degree in Education through San Diego State University (SDSU). Her teaching experiences include teaching at G. B. Harris Elementary School and Koror Elementary School.

#### Lycer ngirengkoi

(Class of 2003)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS

"Continue your education. PCC is a great institution, it helped me out!



Lycer graduated in 2003 with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts. She is continuing her educational pursuits through San Diego State University (SDSU). Currently she is an English Teacher for Palau High School.



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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 Mesekíu's News issues.

#### **PCC Endowment Fund Receives Contribution!**



Palau Community College (PCC) would like to thank Ivana Takeshi for her recent donation to the PCC Endowment Fund. Ms. Takeshi works at the \$1.99 Store located at the I.A. Building in Medalaii. Thank you Ms. Takeshi for contributing to Palau's only institute of higher education!

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

(Learning Resource Center - Student Services) salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum

- (2) Nursing Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (3) Construction Technology Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (4) Small Engine Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (5) Education Program Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Tourism & Hospitality Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (7) Adjunct Instructors (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: determined by class credits, educational level, and experience
- (8) Dormitory Manager (Student Services) salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (9) Student Activities Specialist (Recreation - Student Life Division) salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (Cafeteria Administration Department) salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 per annum
- (11) Part-Time Teachers (PCC Adult High School) salary range: \$980 - \$1,350 per annum
- (12) Academic Advisor/Counselor (PCC Talent Search Office) salary range: \$16,000 - \$19,000 per annum
- (13) English Instructor (PCC Upward Bound) salary range: \$400 - \$800 biweekly
- (14) Foreign Language Instructor (PCC Upward Bound) salary range: \$400 - \$800 biweekly
- (15) Math Instructor (PCC Upward Bound) salary range: \$400 - \$800 biweekly
- (16) Academic Tutors (PCC Upward Bound) salary range: \$200 - \$350 biweekly

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

#### **Celebrating Birthdays**

Gaylord Rdechor Johnston Kloulubak Flora Wasisang



April 12 April 16 April 16

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### PCC Endowment Fund

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OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

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If you want to join the Bi-weekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

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