# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## PCC International Night: "Micronesian Love"



Yapese students presenting their traditional attire during the fashion show.

On Friday, April 11, 2014 the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) hosted an International Night at the PCC Cafeteria. The International Night promoted the theme of "Micronesian Love" which embraced and celebrated the diverse Micronesian population of the college.

The program opened with a prayer from ASPCC Freshman Representative Ewing Rudimch followed by welcoming remarks from ASPCC President-Elect Benigno S. Sablan. In his remarks, ASPCC President Sablan commented about the uniqueness of the cultures throughout the Micronesian region. He shared his personal experience with the different cultures and remarked that the diversity of the islands also created a unity for the people.

A fashion show was the first event of the evening. Representatives from each island modeled their traditional and modern attires. Following the fashion show were performances from the island groups which included cultural and contemporary dances. The event also had a raffle-drawing with prizes that included airtime and gift certificates from the PCC Bookstore.

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## PCC Tourism & Hospitality Welcomes William Hetherington

contributed by Instructor Ltelatk H. Fritz

The Palau Community College (PCC): Tourism & Hospitality Program proudly welcomes William "Bill" Hetherington from the Australia Pacific Technical College (APTC) to Palau for a hospitality training course to be offered here in Palau starting in mid-April 2014.

Mr. Hetherington, a certified trainer/instructor, arrived on Sunday, March 23, 2014. He will be delivering a 20-week Certificate III Course in Hospitality-Lodge Stream at the Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence. This course is designed to offer students the opportunity to further their skills and experience in the hospitality industry. Mr. Hetherington will have the opportunity to train students in three functional areas including Food & Beverage Service, Cookery (Cooking), and Housekeeping.

Applications may be picked up at Palau Community College Continuing Education (CE) Office. Short-listed applications will be asked to complete a short placement test and interview. Qualified applicants will be eligible for AusAID scholarships and training opportunities.

WILLIAM HETHERINGTON, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

#### **Electrical Troubleshooting Certifications**

contributed by Don Hanser



Participants of the Electrical Troubleshooting Class receiving certificates with PCC Dean of Students Sherman Daniel (far right).

Water operators from the outlying states of Palau came together at Palau Community College (PCC) to receive certificates of recognition for successfully completing 50 hours of training in electrical troubleshooting. During the training, which took place during three weekends, plus follow-up on site training, they were able to review and sharpen their skill at troubleshooting the electrical systems of their water treatment plants.

This meant becoming familiar with the electrical control panels for their pump stations—how they work, how they are wired, and what are their components. They also learned how to use an electrical tester. The goal of the training was to learn how to identify defects in the electrical system when a pump is not working, so that experts can make proper adjustments or repairs to the system.

The total number of trainees completing the course was 36, and they attended the course in three different groups. The class was developed and taught by PCC Electrical Instructor, Jerry Taroy, with support from the Maintenance Assistance Program (MAP) at the college. Dean of Student Affairs, Sherman Daniel, gave welcoming comments at this occasion. The training program also presented electrical testers for operators from each state where they successfully completed the training.

#### FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



pcc.palau.edu



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#### **New Endowment Fund Contributors**

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to thank its newest Endowment Fund contributors! Cara Cruz and Jade Cruz, both alumni of PCC, both donated to the Endowment Fund.



Cara Cruz

Cara Cruz graduated in 2011 with an Associate of Science (AS) Degree in Tourism & Hospitality: Hotel Management. She currently works as an Accountant for SPACO Finance.

Jade Cruz graduated in 2011 also with an AS Degree in Tourism & Hospitality: Hotel Management. She works as an Administration Specialist for the Primary Health Care of the Ministry of Health.



Jade Cruz

PCC thanks you both for contributing to Palau's only institute of higher learning!

#### AUSTRALIAN AWARDS PACIFIC SCHOLARSHIP (AAPS)

Eligible citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Republic of Palau, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands are invited to apply for awards commencing in January 2015 for fulltime undergraduate and post-graduate study in Fiji, Vanuatu, and Samoa. Awards cover tuition, accommodation, living expenses, and airfares.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

- Completed an Associate Degree or equivalent, or due to complete by June 2014 with minimum GPA of 2.8, OR
- · Be over 25 YEARS OLD with High School GPA of 2.8 or above and have a minimum of five (5) years work experience related to the field of study.

Students finishing high school are **NOT** eligible.

Applications are available at the Australian Embassy Website:

www.fsm.embassy.gov.au

CLOSING DATE: APRIL 30, 2014

#### 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**

For more information, call: 488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: NYLON MAGAZINE



"Nylon Magazine is an American magazine that focuses on pop culture and fashion. Its coverage includes art, beauty, music, design, celebrities, technology and travel. Its name references New York and London. Nylon Magazine has established a material social media presence."

#### Academic Calendar: Spring 2014

May 05 (M)

Holiday: Senior Citizens' Day

May 09 (F)

Last Day of Instruction

#### Mesekiu's News: Corrections

Mesekiu's News would like to apologize for misspelling the name of Ms. Pasquana Iyekar in the last issue. Ms. Iyekar's last name was incorrectly written as Ikeyar.

#### **News/Stories Wanted**

Mesekiw'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 welcomed.

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

#### International Night CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1



Chuukese stick dancers.



Modern attire of the Marshall Islands.



Palauan contemporary dancers.



Yapese fire dancers.

#### William Hetherington CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Mr. Hetherington may be reached at the Tourism & Hospitality Program Office at 488-6008 or via e-mail <u>William.Hetherington@aptc.edu.au</u>. For more information about this special short-term training or other tourism and hospitality courses, contact Ltelatk H. Fritz at 488-6008 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:smile4lte@gmail.com">smile4lte@gmail.com</a>.

For anyone of you who would like to volunteer two hours a day every week as a Tutor for Koror Elementary School students, please submit your CLASS and WORK SCHEDULE(S) to the officers or advisor at the PCC STUDENT LIFE. As you submit your schedule(s), more information will be given from the officers or the advisor. Thank you all very much for your cooperation and please inform other members of the Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter.

## PHITHETA KAPPA

Toni K. Soalablai βοζ President

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Director of RCO Student Life

BoÇ Advisor

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Bot Treasurer

#### ALUMNI NOTES

CARA CRUZ (Class of 2011)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - T&H: HOTEL MANAGEMENT

"Focus on your studies and don't give up!"



Cara graduated in 2011 with an AS Degree in Hotel Management. She worked briefly for Cliffside Hotel after graduating. Currently, she is an Accountant for SPACO Finance.

#### PHOEBE A. 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.

#### JADE N. CRUZ (Class of 2011) ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - T&H: HOTEL MANAGEMENT

"Completing your education will lead to a prosperous future."



Jade graduated in 2011 with an AS Degree in Hotel Management. She works as an Administration Specialist for the Primary Health Care Division of the Ministry of Health.



**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.

#### 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

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

(1) English Instructor (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

(10) Cook (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 <a href="http://pcc.palau.edu">http://pcc.palau.edu</a>

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#### **Celebrating Birthdays**

Yoshi Aki Okabe Rodney Kazuma



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#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### PCC Endowment Fund

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

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