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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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### OA-221 Tobacco-Free Pledge: *Kotel a Deurreng* Campaign



OA-221 students receiving tobacco-free lifestyle pledges from the public.

Students of the OA-221: Office Procedures class held a pledge drive on Friday May 02, 2014. The *Kotel a Duerreng* Campaign: Tobacco-Free Pledge invoked members of the community to stay tobacco-free for at least an entire day. Successful participants were rewarded for their efforts with prizes such as airtime and *Kotel a Duerreng* bags. Pledges were taken at the newly constructed student hut next to the Palau Community College (PCC) Registrar's Office and the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library.

The students of OA-221 also hosted a tobacco-free family event at the Belau National Museum on Sunday, April 20, 2014. Open to the public, the event promoted tobacco-free lifestyles by providing information about the health effects of tobacco use. Steps to quitting tobacco use were also provided by the organizers of the event. The event included entertainment such as dance performances and activities for children.

Both events hosted by the OA-221 class promote healthier lifestyles and provide assistance to community members wanting to take the first steps toward quitting tobacco use.

### PCC Congratulates New Minister of Education Sinton Soalablai!

On Thursday, April 24, 2014 the Republic of Palau officially swore-in Sinton Soalablai as the new Minister of Education. Minister Soalablai is the final appointee to complete the President's Cabinet.

For the past eleven years, Minister Soalablai has worked as Chief for the Ministry of Education. His experience within the ministry and his knowledge of Palau's educational pursuits add to his qualifications as a minister.

The Board of Trustees, President, Faculty, Staff, and Students of Palau Community College (PCC) would like to congratulate Minister Soalablai on his appointment. We wish him the best of luck with his new endeavor and we look forward to working with him in forming a prosperous educational future for Palau.



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei with New Minister of Education Sinton Soalablai.

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.

## Basic Counseling Skills Training



*Mr. Ngiraingas instructing participants during the counseling training.*

A Basic Counseling Skills Training was held at the Palau Community College (PCC) - Continuing Education (CE) Training Room from April 13, 2014 to April 16, 2014. The three-day training focused on training counselors of special skills to assist individuals, families, or groups through appropriate self-disclosure, attentive listening, concreteness, and respect. Participants spent a total of six hours a day refining necessary counseling skills and methods.

A total of thirteen (13) PCC staff members participated in the training: Director of Student Life Hilda N. Reklai, Counselor Maurine Alexander, Counselor Glendalynn Ngirmeriil, Counselor Winfred Recheungel, Dorm Manager Hulda Lukas, Dorm Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei, Student Activities Supervisor Norman Sato, Student Activities Specialist David Salapwa, Talent Search Counselor Jolene Joseph, Talent Search Counselor Angelio Antonio, Upward Bound Counselor Debra Ngiraingas, Learning Resource Center (LRC) Counselor Tublai Ililau, and Adult High School Counselor Hedrick Kual.

The Basic Counseling Skills Training covered the six stages of counseling and pin-pointed the essential skills of a counselor. It was conducted by Alex Ngiraingas and Fumiana Masayos. Mr. Ngiraingas is an Addictions Treatment Supervisor at Community Guidance Center of the Behavioral Health Division - Ministry of Health (MOH) and Ms. Masayos is a MOH Senior Social Worker.

**FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION**



<http://pcc.palau.edu>



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## State Financial Officers Training



*Participants of the State Financial Officers Training.*

On Monday, April 21, 2014 a State Government Finance Officers Training kicked off in the Assembly Hall of Palau Community College (PCC). The training, coordinated by the Ministry of State, was conducted by the Ministry of Finance and the Public Auditor's Office. The three-day training was designed to assist State Governors and their Finance Officers in conforming to the budget and audit requirements particularly the RPPL NO.9-9. Signed into law in August 2013, RPPL NO. 9-9 calls for an annual audit of state governments in order to hold the state governments accountable for their uses of public funds.

The three-day training ended on Wednesday, April 25, 2014. STATE FINANCIAL TRAINING, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

## SUMMER KIDS PROGRAM 2014 INSTRUCTORS WANTED!

Palau Community College (PCC) is looking for **TALENTED & COMMITTED TEACHERS** with both credentials and experience working with kids to teach this year's Summer Kids Program! The program is four weeks long, two hours per day for each class. Materials will be provided to instructors based on grades and what is used in regular classrooms.

### CLASSES TO BE OFFERED:

Math (3rd to 8th Grade)  
English Reading & Writing (3rd to 8th Grade)  
Palauan Orthography (3rd to 8th Grade)  
Marine Science (6th to 8th Grade)

If you are interested, please visit the PCC Continuing Education office! You'll need your resume, official transcript, copy of Social Security Card, degrees, certificates and at least two recommendation letters and a police clearance in order for your application to be reviewed for approval. Classes will start on June 9th to July 4th. Last day for the Part-Time Instructor Application submission is May 16, 2014.

**For more information, call 488-6223.**



## 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:

#### AARP MAGAZINE



"The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Magazine is a bi-monthly American magazine that focuses on aging issues. Articles in the magazine include information about finance, life-styles, and health. The magazine was established in 1958 as *Modern Maturity*."

### Academic Calendar: Spring 2014

**May 09 (F)**

Last Day of Instruction

**May 12-14 (M-W)**

Final Examination Period

**May 23 (F)**

51st Commencement Exercises

#### Announcement to Students:

Students wishing to **sell their CS-100: COMPUTER LITERACY TEXTBOOKS** may do so through the PCC Bookstore. Interested sellers must see Gibson Towai before May 16, 2014.

#### News/Stories Wanted

*Mezeki'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](mailto:dilubch@gmail.com) or [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.

### Sixth Faculty Senate Association Gentlemen's Gourmet

The Faculty Senate Association (FSA) of Palau Community College (PCC) held its sixth annual Gentlemen's Gourmet on Saturday, May 03, 2014. The Gentlemen's Gourmet is a food-tasting event that invites members of the community to sample cooking creations by chefs living on island.

The sixth annual Gentlemen's Gourmet featured a raffle-drawing for ticket buyers with prizes that included gift certificates and a flat-screen television. In addition, entertainment was provided by local singers and a local dancing group.

Chefs featured in this year's food-tasting event included members of the PCC faculty and staff. Tourism & Hospitality students participated in the event as servers. Delicacies served included delicious cuisines from different parts of the world.

The money raised through the event's ticket sales will be used to fund FSA scholarships for PCC students.



Tourism & Hospitality students assisting at the sixth FSA Gentlemen's Gourmet.



People sampling food presented at the sixth FSA Gentlemen's Gourmet.

### State Financial Training CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

Although intended for the State Finance Officers, the attendance of approximately 50 people included Governors. The Bureau of Domestic Affairs of the Ministry of State, with the assistance of PCC, collaborated to ensure a productive training. Additional trainings for the employees of state governments are being planned by the Ministry of State.

### 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 Development Office.

*more information, call 488-2670/2671 ext. 253*



**DEADLINE: JULY 31, 2014**



## ALUMNI NOTES

### HUSSEIN DERBAI

(Class of 2009)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

*"Education is your goal in life and college is a step you must take to achieve it!"*



Hussein graduated in 2009 with an AAS Degree in Office Administration. For the past six years, he has been working for the Attorney General's Office as an Administrative Officer II.

### CLARINDA WORSWICK

(Class of 1995, Class of 2008)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS

BACHELORS DEGREE - EDUCATION

*"Live each day as a chance for success!"*



Clarinda graduated in 1995 with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts. Currently, she is a Classroom Teacher for George B. Harris Elementary School. She holds a BA Degree in Education from San Diego State University (SDSU).

### CHANCE DOUGLAS

(Class of 2012)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

*"If your inner-voice says you cannot do it, then by all means go for it and that inner-voice of yours will be silenced. The only way to gain great success is to take a chance and go for it!"*



Chance graduated in 2012 with an AAS Degree in Office Administration. He is currently attending the University of Guam (UOG) where he is studying Public Administration and Criminal Justice.

## New Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund!



Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor Tulop Aulerio. Mr. Aulerio currently works as an Employee Service Assistant for the Social Security Administration. Thank you Mr. Aulerio for contributing to the Endowment Fund and the future of Palau's only institute of higher learning!

## 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 Assistant*  
(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](mailto:hr@palau.edu) or download forms at

<http://pcc.palau.edu>

PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

## Celebrating Birthdays

Kuye Belelai



May 13

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

## PCC Endowment Fund

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OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

**To SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!**

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



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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.

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