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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## College of Micronesia Board of Regents Meet in Palau



*Members of the COM Board of Regents and college officials.*

The College of Micronesia (COM) Board of Regents recently held meetings in Palau on the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) and at the PCC Multi-Species Hatchery in Ngermetengel, Ngeremlengui. Attending the meeting were Chairperson Hilda Heine (Republic of the Marshall Islands), Vice Chair Churchill Edward (Federated States of Micronesia), Secretary/Treasurer Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl (Republic of Palau), and Dr. Singeru Singeo, Executive Director of the COM Land Grant.

The following representatives of the three member institutions of the COM Land Grant were also in attendance: PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, PCC Cooperative Extension & Research (CRE) Vice President Thomas Taro, Associate Director/Dean of College of Marshall Islands Bioma Samson, Associate Director/Vice President of COM James Currie, and Yap Agriculture Experiment Station Agent George Chuwai.

On Friday, June 13, 2014 the first day of the meeting took place in the PCC Conference Room while the second day of the meeting was held at the Multi-Species Hatchery in Ngeremlengui.

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### Claude Midgley Visits PCC

Environmental Scientist Claude Midgley visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) on Thursday, June 12, 2014. Mr. Midgley is a Senior Environmental Scientist for the Geoscience Consulting (NZ) Limited, a specialist consultation group based in New Zealand. During his visit, Mr. Midgley met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and PCC Director of Plant Clement Kazuma.

The Geoscience Consulting (NZ) Limited was formed in 2010. It provides engineering geological, geophysical, environmental, and geotechnical engineering services worldwide. Members of the group have worked on projects such as residential earthquake recovery in Christchurch and the redevelopment of the Palmerston North Freight Yard in Wellington. The group also extended its services to clients in Africa, the United Kingdom, Australia, and the Pacific region.



*(left to right): PCC Director of Physical Plant Clement Kazuma, Environmental Scientist Claude Midgley, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei.*

*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.*

## Strategic National Stockpile Training

A Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Preparedness Course was hosted at the Palau Community College (PCC) Assembly Hall on Tuesday, June 17, 2014. A total of fifty-one (51) people participated in the training including trainers and trainees from American Samoa, Hawaii, the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI), the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), and Palau. The preparedness course was a part of the second Pacific Islands Preparedness and Emergency Response Summit (PIPER) being hosted in Palau.

The Strategic National Stockpile Preparedness Course was designed to provide an overview of the SNS program. It also gave the participants' roles and responsibilities in medical counter-measure distribution and medical material management & distribution. The training not only explained the mission and operations of the SNS Program, it also alerted state and local emergency response officials to the important issues they must plan for in order to receive, secure, and distribute SNS assets.

Security training for the SNS assets, which includes presentation in security during an emergency and the role of security in an SNS deployment, was also a focus point of the training. The SNS Preparedness Course was conducted in partnership with the CNMI Department of Homeland Security and the CNMI Department of Public Safety. Instructors for the security training were Captain Melvin Manahane, Sergeant Eusabio Manglona, and Lead Instructor Jason Tarkong.

### **CHUUK STUDENT ORGANIZATION**

The Chuuk Student Organization (CSO) of Palau Community College (PCC) is soliciting requests for work as a means of raising funds for its students' activities. Requests may include miscellaneous duties, such as yard cleaning or similar work. If you are interested in hiring the Chuuk Student Organization, please contact Dickson Utha at the PCC Dormitories.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Dickson Utha**

**tel: 488-3074 (PCC Dormitories)**

## Japan Scholarship Placement Testing



*An ambitious student taking the Japan scholarship placement test.*

On Thursday, June 19, 2014 and Friday, June 20, 2014 the undergraduate program placement testing for the 2015 Japanese Government Scholarship took place at the Palau Community College (PCC) Assembly Hall. The placement testing was a part of the application process to assess the students' aptitude in the subjects of English, mathematics, chemistry, physics/biology, and the Japanese language. The Japan Government Scholarship will provide full funding for undergraduate students for up to five years in most fields of study or seven years in the fields of medicine, dentistry, or veterinary medicine. The government of Japan has been offering scholarships opportunities to citizens of Palau since 1982.

## Clean-Up of the PCC Bookstore



*A student repainting the PCC Bookstore.*

The Palau Community College (PCC) Bookstore recently underwent a clean-up and a face-lift. Students participating in the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and the Upward Bound work-study programs assisted Bookstore Supervisor Gibson Towai repaint the bookstore as well as reorganize its stocks.



## 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: ACADEMIC LEADER NEWSLETTER



"Academic Leader Newsletter is a lively, informative newsletter with a singular purpose: to provide ideas and insight to educators who are passionate about teaching."

#### Academic Calendar: Summer 2014

##### July 04 (F)

Last Day for All Withdrawals

##### July 07-08 (M-T)

Fall 2014 Pre-Registration Period

##### July 11 (F)

Last Day of Instruction

##### July 14-16 (M-W)

Final Examination 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](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.

## COM Board of Regents CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Members of the PCC Executive Committee were invited to the second-day meeting and luncheon which was hosted by the PCC-CRE. The next COM Board of Regents meeting will be held in Guam on December.

Following the meeting, the Board of Regents issued its directives for implementation which included the approval of the FY2014 Consolidated Budget, approval of extra compensation plan for multi-states/multi-sites research projects, and an expression of support for the COM Endowment Fund target of \$7 million within two years.

The three-member Board of Regents is tasked with the governance and administration of the College of Micronesia Land Grant Program. Its members are appointed representatives of the three signatory governments (Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, and Federated States of Micronesia) to the College of Micronesia Treaty.

### PCC Main Parking Lot Undergoes Improvement

Palau Community College (PCC) is undergoing improvements this summer. The main parking lot of the college, adjacent to the main road, is being resurfaced by Hawaiian Belau Rock Corporation. Workers filled in pot holes in the area before applying a two-layer asphalt surface. PCC would like to thank the workers for improving the infrastructure of the college!



Workers applying a new layer of asphalt to the PCC main parking lot.

### \*CONDOLENCES\*

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to extend its deepest condolences to PCC Library Technician Grace Merong who is facing the untimely death of her sister, Dativa Felix. We are very sorry for your loss. You & your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

### 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 488-2470/2471 ext. 253

**DEADLINE: JULY 31, 2014**



## ALUMNI NOTES

### LEOLIN TELLEI

(Class of 2014)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - CRIMINAL JUSTICE

*"Be the change you want to see in the world."  
- Mahatma Ghandi"*



Leolin recently graduated with an AS Degree in Criminal Justice. She currently works as a Lab Assistant for the Palau Community College (PCC) Online Lab. She will be continuing her education at the University of Guam this fall semester.

### ANDREA EMERALD NGIRKELAU

(Class of 2014)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - CONSTRUCTION TECH.

*"Don't mark your mistakes as permanent failures. Lessons are best learned through trial & error. So learn from your mistakes and tell yourself to always try again."*



Andrea graduated in 2014 with an AAS Degree in Construction Technology. She is currently interning at the Socio Micronesia, Inc. at Ngemelachel.

### KORNELIA I. THOMAS

(Class of 2014)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS

*"Do your best and forget to rest. Only you can determine your future!"*



Kornelia graduated in 2014 with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts. She currently works as a Committee Staff member for the House of Delegates - EC & T Committee. Ms. Thomas is the former ASPCC President.



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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.

## Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund



Palau Community College would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Keraskes Masaharu. Mr. Masaharu (known as DJ Spide) is a disc jockey for the Eco-Paradise Radio Station under the Ministry of State - Division of Media. PCC would like to thank Mr. Masaharu for his generosity. His contribution will help the college fund future programs and maintain its longevity.

### Celebrating Birthdays

Tarmau T. Ngirmang

June 27

Evangeline Andrew

June 28

Amanda N. Ebas

July 02



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- 1) *Nursing Instructor*  
(Academic Affairs Division)  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- 2) *Instructional Assistant, Construction Technology*  
(Academic Affairs Division)  
salary range: \$8,991 - \$15,378 per annum
- 3) *Small Engine Instructor*  
(Academic Affairs Division)  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- 4) *Education Program Instructor*  
(Academic Affairs Division)  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- 5) *Tourism & Hospitality Instructor*  
(Academic Affairs Division)  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- 6) *Cook*  
(Cafeteria - Administration Department)  
salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 per annum
- 7) *Adjunct Instructors*  
(Academic Affairs Division)  
salary range: determined by class credits,  
educational level, and experience

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>

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## 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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