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PCC Sponsors Climate Change Footlocker Workshop



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (sitting, far right), Dean of Academic Affairs Robert Ramarui (standing, far right), and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Marianne Temaungil (center, fifth from the left) with the participants of the Climate Change Science Footlocker Workshop.

A footlocker workshop on climate change was hosted at the Kedarm Conference Room of the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC) from June 25, 2014 to June 27, 2014. Participating in the workshop was the science faculty from the College of the Marshall Islands (CMI), Northern Marianas Community College (NMC), the College of Micronesia-FSM (COM-FSM), American Samoa Community College (ASCC), and Palau Community College (PCC).

Training was provided by Dr. Robert Richmond (Director of the Kewalo Marine Lab of the University of Hawaii and President of the International Society off Reef Studies) and Dr. Ron Dunbar (Professor of Earth Science at Stanford University and Senior Fellow for the Center of Ocean Solutions).

During the training at PICRC, participants were exposed to ocean acidification issues faced by the Pacific region due to a warming climate. CLIMATE CHANGE FOOTLOCKER WORKSHOP, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

THE PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PRESIDENT, FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENTS WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OF PALAU A...



HAPPY 34TH
CONSTITUTION DAY!



Palau Community College would like to wish the United States Embassy, the United States Civic Action Team (CAT), and all American citizens in Palau a Happy Fourth of July!

PCC & PIU Renew Memorandum



(left to right): PIU Executive Assistant to the President Samantha Owen, PIU Administrative Vice President Niño Pate, PCC Dean of Academic Affairs Robert Ramarui, PIU President Dr. David L. Owen, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, and PIU Board of Trustees Chairman Reverend Howard Merrell.

On Friday, June 27, 2014 representatives from the Pacific Islands University (PIU) in Guam visited Palau Community College (PCC). The group included PIU Board of Trustees Chairman Reverend Howard Merrell, PIU President Dr. David L. Owen, PIU Administrative Vice President Niño Pate, and PIU Executive Assistant to the President Samantha Owen. During their visit, the group met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Dean of Academic Affairs Robert Ramarui to ensue the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding between both institutions.

PIU Memorandum of Understanding, continued on page 3

PCC Welcomes New Employees



 $Sione\ K.\ L.\ Fakatou$



O'ranli M. Ise

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to welcome two new employees: Sione Kolini Leini Fakatou and O'ranli M. Ise. Mr. Fakatou is the new counselor for the PCC Adult High School. He is the former principal of Emmaus High School.

Mr. Ise is the new student activities specialist. He worked for the Koror State Public Land Authority as a realty specialist and a computer technician. We all welcome you both to PCC!

PIPER Summit: CERC & ELC Training

On Friday, June 27, 2014 training sessions under the second Pacific Islands Preparedness and Emergency Response (PIPER) Summit were hosted at the Palau Community College (PCC).

The Crisis & Emergency Risk Communication Session (CERC) Training was held at the PCC Assembly Hall with a total of 34 participants from American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Guam, the Marshall Islands, and Palau. Participants from Palau included representatives from the Ministry of Health (MOH), the National Emergency Management (NEMO) Office, Koror State Rangers, the Division of Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF), and the President's Office.

The CERC Training program provided instruction about how to systematically plan, develop, implement, and evaluate crisis & emergency risk communication activities. Lessons were based on public health emergencies, research in the fields of health, and emergency risk communication. Crisis & emergency risk communication is an approach used to provide information that allows an individual, stakeholder, or an entire community to make the best possible decisions about their well-being (under nearly impossible time constraints) while accepting the imperfect nature of their choices.

The Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Training was held at the PCC Conference Room with a total of thirteen participants from American Samoa, CNMI, FSM, Guam, and Palau. It was a site visit conducted by ELC Grant Project Officer Janice Battle.

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)

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

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

Sunday

CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: BON APPÉTIT MAGAZINE



"Bon Appétit Magazine features articles about American food and entertainment. It is published on a monthly basis. Founded in 1956, the magazine continues to provide readers with recipes and food reviews."

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

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.

Climate Change Footlocker Workshop CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

This "ocean acidification" process occurs from dissolving atmospheric CO2 into the seawater, decreasing the ocean's pH (becoming less alkaline and more acidic). As a result, these calcium carbonate building organisms, such as clams and coral reefs, will have less energy to grow, feed, and reproduce. Ocean acidification is changing the marine ecosystems so rapidly that the next generation will not know coral reefs the same way as seen today.

The workshop provided training and a footlocker of necessary tools for the conduct of studies related to these ocean acidification climate change issues. Tools included five Hobo Temperature & Light Sensors, one Hobo Waterproof Shuttle, five Calcium Carbonate Unites (CAU), hardware for the CAUs, a pilot climate change curriculum, and a memory card full of information related to ocean acidification. The CAUs and related hardware were provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) - Coral Reef Ecosystem Division (CRED).

The Climate Change Science Footlocker Workshop was sponsored by the National Science Foundation's Partnership for Advance Marine & Environmental Science Training (NSF-ATE) and Palau Community College. The NSF-ATE is a program that aims to produce culturally-connected Pacific islanders specifically trained to serve their home islands in natural resource assessment, protection, and restoration.

The program is also designed to improve the technical education at the undergraduate and secondary school levels through community colleges of the Pacific islands by supporting regionally relevant curriculum development, professional development of faculty, internship/field experience (of instructors and students), and strengthening the scientific infrastructure of participating institutions.

PIU Memorandum of Understanding CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

PIU is a nationally accredited Christian College, Bible College, and Graduate Level Seminary in the village of Mangilao, Guam. It offers degrees in the fields of Bible Study, Liberal Arts, and Religion. The university also provides long distance education classes through teaching facilities on the islands of Yap and Palau.

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

ALONZO MOSES

(Class of 1982)

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION - SMALL ENGINE

"Stay in school and find a better life. A school a klou a ututelel (school is very important)!



Alonzo received a Certificate for Small Engine in 1982 from the Micronesian Occupational College (MOC). He currently works as a Joint Staff Member for the 9th Olbiil Era Kelulau (OEK).

KAYA SOLOMON

(Class of 2014)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS

"Don't be afraid to try. If you try, you can either fail or succeed. If you fail, you can always try again.



Kaya recently graduate with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts. She plans to continue her education at the University of Hawaii in Manoa or Hilo.

SID RENGULBAI (Class of 2012) ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS

"You can either be good or be good at something."



Sid graduated in 2012 with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts. He currently works as an 8th Grade Mathematics & Social Studies Teacher for Airai Elementary School.



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.

Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund



Palau Community College would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Renay Olikong. Ms. Olikong works as a Marshal Officer for the Marshals Division of the Palau Supreme Court. She is also an alumna of the college. Thank you, Ms. Olikong, for supporting your alma mater! Your donation will secure the future of PCC and help supports its programs.

ATTENTION PCC STUDENTS!

Fall Semester 2014

Pre-Registration Schedule

Early registration for Fall Semester 2014 will be held on Monday, July 7th and Tuesday, July 8th. This is an opportunity for continuing students from (Spring & Summer 2014) to reserve their classes early. Once you preregister, you will not return to campus until the first day of class on Monday, August 18, 2014.

Please follow the regular registration process when you pre-register for classes according to the schedule below:

Monday, July 07, 2014	8:30am - 11:30am 1:00pm - 4:30am
Tuesday, July 08, 2014	8:30am - 11:30am 1:00pm - 4:30am

Anyone who missed the above dates will have to wait for regular Fall 2014 Registration scheduled for Monday, August 11, 2014 through Wednesday, August 13, 2014.

THANK YOU!

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) Adjunct Instructors (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: determined by class credits, educational level, and experience
- (Cafeteria Administration Department) salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 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

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PCC Endowment Fund

INVEST IN THE FUTURE

OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

TO SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!

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Phone: 488-2470/2471 (ext. 251/253) e-mail: tellei@palau.edu

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

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