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# Palau Community College



## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## Benigno S. Sablan Sworn-In as ASPCC President



*New ASPCC President Benigno S. Sablan (left) and PCC Dean of Students Sherman Daniel (right).*

Benigno S. Sablan was sworn-in as the new president for the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) on Thursday, September 04, 2014. The Oath of Office was administered by PCC Dean of Students Sherman Daniel next to the statue of Prince Leeboo on the college campus.

According to the by-laws of ASPCC, the vice president is promoted to the president every year instead of being elected by the student body. Thus, Mr. Sablan can assume his duties as ASPCC President now that the new school year has begun.

ASPCC is a student organization that encompasses the entire PCC student body. Students registered in degree programs are recognized members of the association. ASPCC is governed by a student senate consisting of ten (10) senators and four (4) officers who are elected annually. The association is responsible for the general welfare of the PCC students.

### PCC Hosts 2014 IYAIP

Twenty (20) members of the International Youth Ambassadors Interactive Program (IYAIP) visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) on September 03, 2014. The visit included a spectacular performance that combined a variety of themes presented in the form of dance, music, and Mandarin language demonstration. A roundtable discussion with the PCC students and faculty members followed. In attendance to grace the occasion was Her Excellency Ambassador Maggie Tien, Ambassador Chuan-Tung Lee, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei.

Ambassador Tien introduced the program and the delegation while President Dr. Tellei welcomed the guests to the college. President Dr. Tellei also expressed thanks to the Ambassador and the Republic of China (ROP) for visiting as well as their continued assistance. IYAIP, CONTINUED ON PAGE 4



*Members of the International Youth Ambassadors Interactive Program (IYAIP) performing at PCC.*

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## Conservation Training Concludes

contributed by the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC)



(back row, left to right): Shirley Koshiba, Marine Gouezo, Lyman Pedro, Charley Patris, Ricky Daniel, Roger Rumong, Mandiko Iyechad, Artingal Polloi, (front row, left to right): Fabio Esposito, Mike Henry, Weider Debengek, Omkilumel Polloi, and Lincoln Rehm.

A pilot course in conservation was conducted by the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC) from August 11, 2014 to August 22, 2014. The course was hosted at the PICRC Student Laboratory with ten (10) participants from the nine (9) states with sites under ecological monitoring protocol of the Protected Areas Network (PAN). Participants from their respective states included Mandiko Iyechad and Omkilumel Polloi from Koror State, Roger Rumong from Ngarchelong State, Charly Patris from Hatohebei State, Ricky Daniel from Ngiwal State, Artingal Polloi from Airai State, Sheldon Siksei from Ngardmau State, Mike Henry from Angaur State, Weider Debengek from Kayangel State, and Lyman Pedro from Ngaraard State.

The pilot course provided training that certified conservation officers through the Continuing Education (CE) Department of Palau Community College (PCC). Conservation officers who completed the training were certified to conduct marine ecological monitoring in their respective states. Certified conservation officers are also able to monitor the protected areas and effectively present information about the sites to the community. The certification of conservation officers also support the Micronesian Challenge goal of effectively conserving and managing 30% of the near-shore marine areas.

Trainers and instructors for the pilot course were PICRC researchers Marine Gouezo, Shirley Koshiba, and Lincoln Rehm. TRAINING, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

## Tia Belau Donates to Endowment



ASPCC President Benigno S. Sablan (right) receiving Tia Belau donation from Instructor Stephanie Nakamura (left).

Palau Community College (PCC) recently received a \$100 donation for its Endowment Fund from Moses Y. Uludong and his wife, Mrs. Lily Uludong. Mr. Uludong is the owner of Tia Belau Publishing. PCC would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Uludong for their generous contribution to our annual Endowment Thanksgiving Fundraiser!

## Palau Royal Resort Donates Prize



ASPCC President Benigno S. Sablan (left) receiving Palau Royal Resort donation from Ms. Jennica Yu (right).

Palau Community College (PCC) received its first prize donation for its annual Endowment Thanksgiving Fundraiser from Palau Royal Resort (PRR). Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) President Benigno S. Sablan received the donation on behalf of the college. PCC would like to thank Palau Royal Resort (PRR) for its donation to the annual Endowment Fundraiser and its continued support of the college.

## 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: GUIDEPOSTS MAGAZINE



"The *Guideposts Magazine* is a Christian publication dedicated to inspiring people with personal stories of faith and belief. Articles also provide direction and life guidance for the dedicated Christian."

#### Academic Calendar: Fall 2014

**October 06-08 (M-W)**

Mid-Term Period

**October 23 (TH)**

Last Day for All Withdrawals

**October 27-29 (M-W)**

Pre-Registration for Spring 2015

**December 05 (F)**

Last Day of Instruction

#### 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.

## Training CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

PICRC would like to thank Mr. Fabio Esposito for giving six students diving instruction during one of the field tests and the Koror State Rangers for providing the boat transportation necessary for the field tests. The success of the pilot course in training Palau's conservation officers ensures that further ecological monitoring courses will be conducted.

This pilot course training was conducted in partnership with PICRC, Palau Community College (PCC), the Protected Areas Network Office (PANO), and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). The training course supports the mission of PICRC: guiding the efforts that support coral reef stewardship through research and its applications for the people of Palau, Micronesia, and the world.

For more information about research programs conducted by PICRC, "like" PICRC on Facebook or visit our website: <http://www.picrc.org>.

### Palau Red Cross Society Donates to PCC Cafeteria



PCC Food Service Supervisor Ezra Takeo (third from left) receiving Red Cross donation.

The Palau Red Cross Society donated food supplies to the Palau Community College (PCC) Cafeteria on Monday, September 08, 2014. The food supplies included bottles of salad dressing and pasta. PCC Food Service Supervisor Ezra Takeo received the donation on behalf of the college. PCC thanks the Palau Red Cross Society for its donation!



## PCC-Based Scholarships

for 2014-2015 are now available!

- \* Moylan's Insurance Scholarship
- \* Pierantozzi Scholarship
- \* Prince Leeboo Scholarship
- \* Terry Ngirmang Nursing Scholarship

Applications are available at the PCC Development Office. For more information, call 488-2470/2471, ext. 252 or 253.

**DEADLINE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2014**

## ALUMNI NOTES

### KURT REHUER

(Class of 1991)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - GENERAL ELECTRONICS TECHNOLOGY

*"Education is important. Do what you can and don't give up. It will build your future some day."*



Kurt graduated in 1991 with an AS Degree in General Electronics Technology. He currently works for the Ministry of Health (MOH) as a Security Officer.

### LOLA KOSHIBA

(Class of 1996)

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION - GENERAL OFFICE CLERK

*"Completing your education will help you get a better job."*



Lola received a Certificate of Completion for General Office Clerk in 1996. Currently, she works as a Medical Records Technician II for the Community Health Center under the Ministry of Health (MOH).

### ALFRED C. PEDRO

(Class of 2004)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - NURSING

*"If you study hard you can some day contribute to your community. Learn as much as you can and don't give up."*



Alfred graduated in 2004 with an AS Degree in Nursing. He currently works as a Nurse for the Belau Family Surgical Clinic.



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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.

## IYAIP CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The PCC students and faculty members who participated in the exchange activity included those from the PCC Mandarin Class and the Tourism & Hospitality Program.

Organized by the ROC Ministry of State, the 2014 IYAIP is made up of 129 students from 44 colleges and universities in the Republic of China. The program allows talented undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate students to participate in international affairs that broaden their horizons through exchanges with young people, particularly students from other countries.

## Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund



Palau Community College would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Francesca O. Morei-Misech. Mrs. Morei-Misech works for the Palau Parents Empowered (PPE). Thank you, Cisca, for your generous contribution to Palau's only institute of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

### Celebrating Birthdays

Howard M. Charles

Janyssa T. Ford



September 15

September 16

**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) **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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