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MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Educational Talent Search Hosts Budget Workshop



Students and their parents attending the Educational Talent Search workshop.

Palau's high school senior students participating in the Educational Talent Search Program attended a budgeting workshop on Thursday, October 23, 2014. The workshop, which focused on budgeting and financial planning, was held at the Palau Community College (PCC) Assembly Hall. Also in attendance were the parents of the students and the Educational Talent Search Office staff.

The evening began with a registration period followed by the welcoming remarks of Educational Talent Search Director Laura Mangham. In her remarks, Director Mangham emphasized the importance and benefits of the Educational Talent Search Program. High school students participating in the program were given the guidance, information, and opportunities to prepare for college. Director Mangham encouraged the students to take advantage of the information provided and make use of the services available.

After the welcoming remarks, PCC Associate Professor of Business Administration & Accounting Keiden Kintol gave a presentation about budgeting. In his presentation, Associate Professor Kintol highlighted the keys to keeping a budget.

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Nippon Izokukai Visits PCC

A group from Japan visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) on Tuesday, October 14, 2014. The visitors were members of the *Nippon Izokukai*, an association of Japanese families that have experienced war bereavement. Members of the association are connected by their experiences of orphanage or loss due to wars. Together, they provide each other friendly support and memorial services in the promotion of world peace.

The *Nippon Izokukai* visitors were in Palau to honor and remember family members that had lost their lives during the battles of World War II. They visited sites in Palau that had connections to the time of Japan's Administration of the island. During the administration of Japan, the building that is now the main office of Palau Community College (PCC) was a hospital facility.



Nippon Izokukai members visiting the campus of Palau Community College (PCC).

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.

Financial Aid 101

contributed by the Admissions & Financial Aid Office



PCC Admissions & Financial Aid Director Dahlia M. Katosang conducting a financial aid session at Palau High School (PHS).

To better prepare students who are planning to go to colleges/universities, the PCC Office of Admissions & Financial Aid began this Fall Semester 2014 to conduct FINANCIAL AID 101 Sessions for all high schools throughout Palau. The goal of FINANCIAL AID 101 is to orient high school seniors and their parents about federal student aid programs such as the types of financial aid programs available, program requirements, application requirements, etc. FINANCIAL AID, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3



SWISS CONFEDERATION

Post-Graduate Excellency Scholarship
for Academic Year 2015-2016

The Embassy of Switzerland (Diplomatic Note No. 13/2014 to the Palau Ministry of State) will grant postgraduate excellency scholarship to foreign researchers and students through the Swiss Federation Commission for Scholarships for Foreign Students (FCS). Interested individuals from the Republic of Palau will be eligible for application this academic year 2015-2016.

Applications must be submitted to the Ministry of State no later than November 10, 2014, one week before the actual deadline on November 17, 2014 for review and official transmittal to the Embassy of Switzerland.

For more information, visit the Human Resources Office of Palau Community College (PCC) or call 488-2470/2471 ext. 227.

Eligibility criteria and additional country-specific information is available online at the following link: http://sbfi.admin.ch/scholarships_ENG.

CARP Donates to PCC Endowment



PCC student Jensen Teriong (right) receiving the donation from Carp Reservation Coordinator Richelle P. Trinidad (left).

On Wednesday, October 22, 2014 Palau Community College (PCC) received an in-kind donation from Carp Island Resort. The donation was a voucher for a one-night stay for two (2) at the Carp Island Resort. It was received on behalf of the college by PCC student Jensen Teriong from Carp Reservation Coordinator Richelle P. Trinidad. PCC would like to thank Carp Island Resort for its generous contribution to the annual Endowment Thanksgiving Fundraiser!

Roof Renovations for PCC Buildings



Workers roofing and repairing the college buildings with newer materials while adding insulation.

The past few weeks, the buildings on the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) underwent renovations. The photo above shows workers diligently replacing old roofs with new material. In addition, insulation was added to the buildings to help sustain temperatures during days of heat and rain.

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:

FINE WOODWORKING MAGAZINE



"Fine Woodworking Magazine is a great resource for woodworkers of all levels. This magazine is packed with step-by-step instructions and real-world information on constructing fascinating projects. From small woodworking projects to significant tasks, expect the most up-to-date and seasoned advice from professionals currently working in the field in the United States."

Academic Calendar: Fall 2014

November 26 (W)

PCC Endowment Fundraiser

November 27 (TH)

HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving Day

November 27-28 (TH-F)

Students' Thanksgiving Break

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 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.

Talent Search Workshop

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In addition, he explained the importance of having short-term and long-term financial goals especially in terms of college funds.

The students were provided with pamphlets and additional information about the services that the program provided. One of the purposes of the Educational Talent Search Program is to identify and assist individuals from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. Students participating in the program are given academic, career, and financial counseling in addition to educational activities.

Financial Aid

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At the end of the presentations, students would fill out financial aid forms including Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for us to collect and begin to work on their financial aid application so we can inform them of their financial aid status.

Once their application forms are completed, we can process their financial aid award letters showing the types and amount of money they are going to receive for the 2015-2016 Award Year.

During the month of September and October 2014, Director of Admissions & Financial Aid, Ms. Dahlia M. Katosang and Financial Aid Counselor, Ms. Lakolani Olngellel, conducted FINANCIAL AID 101 SESSIONS with the Palau High School juniors and seniors.

As of September 25-30, 2014, Director Katosang conducted a total of ten (10) Financial Aid 101 sessions with Palau High School Juniors by their academics during the day from 8am to 12noon. Then from October 13-17, 2014, Director Katosang and Financial Aid Counselor Olngellel conducted a total of ten (10) Financial Aid 101 sessions with Palau High School Seniors and their parents by academics during the evenings from 6pm to 8:30pm. At the end of the presentations, students and parents filled out financial aid forms including Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and we collected them for processing.

Support the Palau Community College Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser!

To purchase tickets or make donations to the Endowment Fundraising Event, contact:



Palau Community College
Development Office
tel: 488-2470/2471 ext. 251 or 253



PURCHASE A \$10 TICKET
You need not be present to win fabulous prizes!

ENDOWMENT THANKSGIVING FUNDRAISER

An Annual Palau Community College Event

Place: PCC Courtyard
Date: Wednesday, November 26, 2014
Time: 12:30PM - 5:30PM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2014

Contact the PCC Development Office for more information:
tel: 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, or 253.

FACULTY PROFILE

YUKIO UMETANI

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR

"I like Palau and learning about its culture. To the students I advise that each practice patience and attend school so they can achieve something in their lives."



Information Technology Instructor Yukio Umetani is from Tokyo, Japan. He is a volunteer instructor from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). Before retirement, Instructor Umetani was a Professor who taught at the Shizuoka University in Japan. He holds a Bachelor's Degree of Science in Mathematics from Tokyo University. Instructor Umetani is a member of the *Nihonjin Kai*, a group for Japanese people in Palau. He enjoys playing as well as listening to classical music and hiking.

ALUMNI NOTES

DAVID SALAPWA

(Class of 2010)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - CONSTRUCTION TECH.

"Try your best to finish your years at PCC, study hard, and continue your education after graduating."



David graduated in 2010 with an AAS Degree in Construction Technology. After graduating, he became a crew member under Master Navigator Sesario Sewralur. Recently, David was hired as a Student Activities Specialist for the college.



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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 (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Dilkui Marino. Ms. Marino works for the Palau Social Security Office. Thank you, Ms. Marino, 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.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Director of Library Services
(PCC Library - Office of the President)
salary range: \$20,258 - \$33,082 per annum
- (2) Instructional Assistant - Construction Technology
(Academic Affairs Division)
salary range: \$8,991 - \$15,378 per annum
- (3) Nursing 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.
- (5) Twenty (20) Part-Time Tutors
(Educational Talent Search Office)
salary range: \$400 - \$1,200 per annum
- (6) Career/Transfer Counselor
(Learning Resource Center - Student Service)
salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (7) Part-Time Teachers
English, Math, Science, Health, Occupational Knowledge, Government & Law, Consumer Economics, Community Resources, College Preparation, and Computer Literacy
(PCC Adult High School)
salary range: \$980 - \$1,350 per course
- (8) Small Engine Instructor
(Academic Affairs Division)
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (9) Director of Research and Development
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)
salary range: \$18,730 - \$28,833 per annum
- (10) Administrative Assistant
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)
salary range: \$10,929 - \$18,692 per annum
- (11) Library Assistant
(Academic Affairs Division)
salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 per annum
- (12) Part-Time Instructors/Tutors
2 Math Instructors/Tutors, 2 English Instructors/Tutors, 2 Science Instructors/Tutors, 2 Academic Instructors/Tutors
(PCC - Upward Bound Program Office)
duration: October 2014 to May 2015
salary range: \$100 - \$200 bi-weekly

For application forms and information, contact Harline Haruo at the PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/2471 extension 227, or e-mail: hr@palau.edu, or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

Celebrating Birthdays

Mary M. Banphis

October 31

Tchuzie Tadao

November 01

Elia Rdiall

November 01

Joel Yabes

November 02



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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<http://pcc.palau.edu>



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