

# Academic Programs & Departments Symposium



Associate Professor of Business Keiden Kintol giving a presentation about the business administration & business accounting programs

A symposium for the academic programs and departments of Palau Community College (PCC) was held on Tuesday, January 06, 2015 and Wednesday, January 07, 2015 at the PCC Assembly Hall. It focused on the enhancement of student learning outcomes by highlighting the achievements, learning outcomes, requirements, and issues that are currently being faced by the programs and departments. In total, twenty-five (25) programs and departments participated in the symposium including the Student Life Division.

The student learning outcomes are a part of the Formulate, Assess, Measure, Evaluate, and Develop (FAMED) Process. By establishing student learning outcomes, the academic programs and departments can have a clear focus for each lesson and course. FAMED is the institutional assessment, planning, and implementation process that requires all governance structures (including those at academic and non-academic programs, departments, and program levels) to evaluate on a regular basis their services and overall effectiveness. By implicating the FAMED Process, PCC can develop its programs to better meet the needs of the students and community.

### Condolences to the Family of Mr. Rosendo Skang



Palau Community College would like to send its deepest condolences to the family of Mr. Rosendo Skang. Mr. Skang has been the Landscaper for the college for over fifteen years. He was also an alumnus who received a Certificate in Agriculture in 1979. In 1990, Mr. Skang athletic agility and prowess earned him a gold medal for the All-Around Event of the Micronesian Games held in Saipan. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family during such a difficult time. His presence will be greatly missed at the college campus.

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.

### PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE: SCHOLASTIC HONORS FALL SEMESTER 2014

### PRESIDENT'S LIST (GPA OF 4.00)

#### NAME

Ucheriang Aderkeroi Natasha Dudley Vanessa Espangel Evan Fritz Happy Fritz Miyako Gushiken Melvira K. Kazuma Allyne Kikuharu Wade Kitalong Lyndon Masami Nelson Masang, Jr. Jessica Mobel Faith Ngirchomlei Community Public Health - AS Community PUblic Health - AS Nursing - AS Environmental/Marine Science - AS Environmental/Marine Science - AS UNDECLARED Office Administration - AAS Nursing - AS UNDECLARED Liberal Arts - AA Liberal Arts - AA Community Public Health - AS Community Public Health - AS

Major

#### NAME Lashawnda Olikong Sheila Pedro Merlynda Ramarui Havalei Recheked Sidney Roberts Hope Ruluked Jayson Sebalt Elizabeth Senior Maelee Sokau Rdiall Tellei Joyner Tutii Desyree Ubedei Keisha Willis

#### Major

Office Administration - AASNursing - ASCommunity Public Health - ASAgricultural Science - AASLiberal Arts - AATourism & Hospitality: Hotel Operations - AASEmergency Health Management - ASCommunity Public Health - ASCommunity Public Health - ASUNDECLAREDEducation: Elementary Education - ASNursing - ASLiberal Arts - AA

### DEAN'S HIGH HONOR LIST (GPA OF 3.80 - 3.99)

DEAN'S HONOR LIST (GPA OF 3.50 - 3.79)

### NAME

Darla Babauta Lineth Iruul Monaliza Melayong

#### MAJOR Business Accounting - AS Emergency Health Management - AS Community Public Health - AS

#### NAME Stafford Odaol Tanya Otei Violet Rengulbai

### MAJOR

MAJOR

Community Public Health - AS Emergency Health Management - AS Community Public Health - AS

### NAME

Jamielyn Basilius Dilisa Brikul Elisha Fakatou Lucio Hidemi Yubee Isaac Tmodrang Ishim Olivera Katosang Kirsten Kloulechad Cadrille Kuroda Dupree Marcus Pracy Masubed Hideo Michael Ngdesel Ngirachitei Tabesul Ngirailemesang Darnel Ngiraiwet Noelani Ngiramengior

MAJOR Agricultural Science - AAS Community Public Health - AS Liberal Arts - AA Community Public Health - AS Environmental/Marine Science - AS **Business Administration - AS Business Accounting - AS** Liberal Arts - AA Community Public Health - AS Automotive Mechanics - AAS Office Administration - AAS Education: Elementary Education - AS Tourism & Hospitality: Hotel Operations - AAS **General Electronics - AAS** UNDECLARED Automotive Mechanics - AAS

NAME Scottler Ngirangeang Daemi Ngirmidol Spencer O'Dell Jasmere Oilouch Percilla Paul Imee Pedro Trengiei Rumang Benigno S. Sablan Kaia Sasao Wyzer Seklii Judah Sibetang Jenilee Sokau Kaiulani Takeo Johnellyn Takisang Walker Umetaro

Sairong Yona

#### Automotive Mechanics - AAS Information Technology - AS Small Engine & Outboard Engine - AAS **General Electronics - AAS** Nursing - AS Liberal Arts - AA Nursing - AS Liberal Arts - AA Nursing - AS Small Engine & Outboard Engine - AAS Small Engine & Outboard Engine - AAS Education: Elementary Education - AS Information Technology - AS Nursing - AS Community Public Health - AS Liberal Arts - AA

### Palau Community College Welcomes New Director of Library Services James Thull



PCC Director of Library Services James Thull

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to welcome Mr. James Thull, the new Director of Library Services for the Tan Siu Lin Library. Mr. Thull is from Montana, USA. He holds a Master's Degree in Library & Information Science, a Master's Degree in Native American History, and a Graduate Degree in Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs). He is also a certified archivist and grant writer. Mr. Thull had worked previously as a Special Collections Librarian at the Montana State University. He was also a faculty member who taught courses such as online library research and university studies. Mr. Thull is very happy to provide assistance in any way whether it be writing grants or helping the community with projects. This is Mr. Thull's first time in Palau.

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Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

**Hours of Operation** 

| Monday to Friday | 8ам - 5рм                 |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| Saturday         | <b>9</b> ам - <b>6</b> рм |
| Sunday           | CLOSED                    |

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library will be closed on: December 23, 27, and January 03.

For more information, call: 488-3540.

### Available to Interested Readers: National Geographic Magazine



"Take an exciting adventure with *National Geographic Magazine* is the official magazine of the National Geographic Society. Published monthly, the magazine primarily contains articles about geography, history, and world culture. It has been published continuously since its first issue in 1888."

### Academic Calendar: Spring 2015

January 12-14 (M-W) Academic Advising & Registration

> January 15-16 (TH-F) Late Registration

**January 19 (M)** First Day of Instruction

### **News/Stories Wanted**

*Mesekíw'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.

### PCC and PICRC Sign Memorandum for DNA Lab



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (left) and PICRC Chief Executive Officer Dr. Yimnang Golbuu signing the DNA Lab Agreement

A memorandum of collaboration between Palau Community College (PCC) and the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC) was signed on December 18, 2014. The memorandum finalized the merging arrangements of the PCC and PICRC laboratories into one joint DNA laboratory. The DNA laboratory will focus on using molecular tools to assess Palau's biodiversity especially among the poorly studied groups of marine animals. Present to sign on behalf of the institutions were PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and PICRC Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Dr. Yimnang Golbuu.

The newly combined, state-of-the-art DNA laboratory is housed at the college campus which allows for better exchanges and interactions between PICRC researchers and PCC students. The laboratory will not only be used for research but it will also serve as a teaching facility where students will be able to learn about the latest techniques and molecular tools that are used for biodiversity research.

DNA technology known as "bar-coding" provides more accurate and faster assessment of Palau's biodiversity as opposed to the more traditional taxonomy that focuses on behavior and physical traits. By assessing the biodiversity of Palau, special attention and management can be made for areas with high diversity. Biodiversity and climate change are interconnected because biodiversity is affected by policy by the increase in ocean temperatures, the rise of sea levels, the erosion of coastal areas, and other climate change impacts.

The joint collaborative research project between PCC, PICRC, and the University of the Ryukyus (UoR) made the establishment of the joint DNA laboratory possible. The new laboratory was outfitted with equipment worth over \$100,000 due to funding from the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

### FACULTY PROFILE

#### STEPHANIE B. NAKAMURA TOURISM & HOSPITALITY INSTRUCTOR

"Study hard and challenge yourself. Don't settle for less; get the highest education."



Stephanie B. Nakamura is the Tourism & Hospitality Instructor for Palau Community College. She served as an adjunct instructor before being hired full-time last August. Instructor Nakamura holds an Associate of Science Degree in Travel & Tourism from Kapiolani Community College in Hawaii. She also holds a Bachelor's Degree in Travel Industry Management from the University of Hawaii in Manoa and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix in San Diego, California. Instructor Nakamura enjoys playing volleyball and spending time with family.

### Alumni Notes

#### ILIMA KLOULECHAD (Class of 2007)

Associate of Science - T&H: Hospitality Management "Your future depends on you so make the right choices for

a successful future!'



Ilima graduated in 2007 with an AS Degree in Tourism & Hospitality: Hospitality Management. She worked for the Public Health Division of the Ministry of Health before transferring to Delta Airlines. For three years, she has been an English Teacher for Palau High School (PHS).

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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 Mesekín's News issues.

### Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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salary range: determined by class credits,

(Educational Talent Search Office)

salary range: \$400 - \$1,200 per annum

salary range: \$980 - \$1,350 per course

(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)

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salary range: \$10,929 - \$18,692 per annum

salary range: \$18,730 - \$28,833 per annum

(8) Director of Research and Development

(Learning Resource Center - Student Service)

Government & Law, Consumer Economics, Community

Resources, College Preparation, and Computer Literacy

salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum

educational level, and experience.

(Academic Affairs Division)

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(5) Twenty (20) Part-Time Tutors

(6) Career/Transfer Counselor

(PCC Adult High School)

(9) Administrative Assistant

(7) Part-Time Teachers

(2) Nursing Instructor

(3) Small Engine Instructor

(4) Adjunct Instructors

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Dwight Ngiraibai. Mr. Ngiraibai works for the Bureau of Commercial Development. Thank you, Mr. Ngiraibai, for your contribution to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

### **Celebrating Birthdays** (1) Instructional Assistant - Construction Technology William O. Wally January 11 Siliang Michael January 11 Suzette G. Hinojales January 15 Harline Haruo January 15 Stephanie B. Nakamura January 15 HAPPY BIRTHDAY! PCC Endowment Fund **INVEST IN THE FUTURE** OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION TO SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY! English, Math, Science, Health, Occupational Knowledge, P.O. BOX 9 Koror, Palau 96940 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! 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. Stamp Here

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