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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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### Bilung Gloria G. Salii Guest Speaker for HI-189



Guest Speaker Bilung Gloria G. Salii (fifth from left) with the HI-189 Class

On Wednesday, May 06, 2015 the HI-189: Palauan History & Culture Class invited Bilung Gloria G. Salii to speak about issues in the community, particularly those pertaining to the women of Palau. As the leader of the Palau women's group called *Mechesil Belau*, Bilung Gloria Salii has played an active role in the society of Palau.

In her presentation, Bilung Gloria Salii shared with the students the significance of *Mechesil Belau*. She emphasized that the purpose of the group is to preserve the Palauan culture while helping to improve the community. The women's group holds an annual conference where members of the community are invited to address current issues affecting the community. Four main subjects discussed during the conference are education, health, environment, and culture & traditions.

Each year, *Mechesil Belau* has sent resolutions to the national government with the aim of providing solutions to the issues being faced by the community. HI-189, CONTINUED ON PAGE 4

#### **End-of-the-Year ASPCC Event**

In celebration of the last weeks of school, the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC) are hosting an annual International Night at the PCC Cafeteria on Friday, May 08, 2015. The event will feature performances from the different islands of Micronesia, such as the traditional dances of Yap and the contemporary dances of Palau. Last year, a fashion show that showcased the traditional attires from each island was also part of the program. All the featured performances will be coordinated by the students of the college. ASPCC cordially extends its invitation to all students of the college. Let us celebrate the end of the school year by enjoying the traditions & cultures of our island nations which have always been our defining factors. All who are interested are welcome to join.



Students performing traditional Chuukese stick dance at the 2014 ASPCC International Night

Palau Community College is an accessible public education institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

#### FSA Hosts 7th Gentlemen's Gourmet



Chef Ron Ledgerwood (left) sharing his speciality with guests

The Faculty-Senate Association (FSA) of Palau Community College (PCC) hosted the 7<sup>th</sup> Gentlemen's Gourmet on Saturday, May 03, 2015. Featuring an array of cuisines from different parts of the world, the annual Gentlemen's Gourmet is a food-tasting event that invites members of the community to an evening of cultural experiences. It was hosted at the Ngarachamayong Cultural Center.

Chefs featured at the event are residents of Palau with culinary experiences ranging from novice to expert. This year featured dishes from countries such as India and the United States. 7<sup>TH</sup> GOURMET, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

#### **Newest Endowment Contributors**



(left to right): Jordan Ngirchongeukl, Samuel Lukas, Linda Kurterbis (sitting), Francis Alonz

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributors from the Bureau of Immigration: Jordan Ngirchongeukl, Samuel Lukas, Linda Kurterbris, and Francis Alonz. Thank you all for your contribution to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of the college.

#### **Techur Rengulbai Donates to PCC**

On Wednesday, May 06, 2015 Techur Rengulbai visited Palau Community College (PCC) to present a donation to the PCC Endowment Fund. His donation of \$50 was made in memory of Uong Elibosang Eungel, an important member of the Palauan society who recently passed away. PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei received the donation on behalf of the college. PCC would like to thank Mr. Rengulbai for his contribution to Palau's only institute of higher education! His generous support will help sustain the future programs and stability of the college.



Techur Rengulbai (left) presenting a donation to PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (right)

### WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA) 2015 SUMMER YOUTH

### EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING PROGRAM

The WIA Office is currently opening its doors for applications to its 2015 Summer Youth Employment & Training Program. Students and young people in Palau who are currently in school (ages 14-21), who are not attending school (ages 16-24), or who have completed college but are currently unemployed may apply. Participants will learn different skills that will help them succeed in a work environment. WIA Office is accepting application forms from March 28, 2015 to May 08, 2015. If interested, please contact the WIA Office on weekdays during its working hours from 7:30am to 4:30pm. Students under the age of eighteen must apply at the WIA Office with a parent or legal guardian.

#### **REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION:**

- Verification of Age (birth certificate, passport, or identification card)
- Check stubs of both parents/guardians if employed, SS/Pension Plan if applicable, and/or verification of income
- 3rd Quarter Report Card or High School Diploma
- Palauan Social Security Card

#### **BITS AND PIECES...**

#### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Thursday 7:30<sub>AM</sub> - 7<sub>PM</sub> Friday 7:30<sub>AM</sub> - 5<sub>PM</sub>

Saturday 9<sub>AM</sub> - 6<sub>PM</sub> Sunday CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540

Available, Courtesy of United Airlines:

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### 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."

#### Academic Calendar: Spring 2015

May 15 (F)

Last Day of Instruction

May 18-20 (M-F)

Final Examination Period

May 20 (F)

Graduates' Grades Due by 11AM

#### **News/Stories Wanted**

Mesekw's News welcomes stories/articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Wednesday 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.

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Gourmet continued from page 2

PCC students in the Tourism & Hospitality Program were servers for the evening. Individuals who purchased \$20 tickets enjoyed a complementary drink and were entered in a raffle drawing. The theme for this year's food-tasting event was international cuisine. In total, the 7<sup>th</sup> Gentlemen's Gourmet made over \$4,000 which will be used to support scholarships for future PCC students. The FSA would like to thank the participants, ticket purchasers, and donors for contributing to the event! Without their support, the 7<sup>th</sup> Gentlemen's Gourmet would not have been such a success!



Chef/PCC Dean Robert Ramarui (right)



Dishes from India



Chef Matthew Cruz (sitting) from Guam



A sample of local food from Palau

### PCC Confinuing Education: Summer Kids Program 2015

The 2015 Summer Kids Program offered by the Continuing Education (CE) Department of Palau Community College (PCC) has begun its registration process. The classes offered by the summer program will provide education activities that will help students enhance their abilities to improve in subject areas as well as foster new skills. These classes are on a first-come-first-serve basis with a maximum number of twenty (20) students per class. If you are interested in enrolling your child or want to know more information, please contact Anna Ngiraklei or Leona Blaluk at (tel): 488-6223. Last day for registration is Friday, June 05, 2015.



### CLASSES OFFERED FOR THE 2015 PCC-CE SUMMER KIDS PROGRAM:

Math (3rd - 8th Grade)

English Reading & Writing (3rd - 8th Grade)

Palauan Orthography (3rd - 8th Grade)

Marine Science (3rd - 8th Grade)



#### FACULTY & STAFF PROFILE

#### MEDARDO J. REJANO

Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration Instructor

"Form good habits, study hard, and be more committed to your education. Your education is a very important part of your life."



Medardo J. Rejano is from Manila, Philippines. He has been teaching the air-conditioning & refrigeration courses at Palau Community College for over a year. Instructor Rejano holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Technology from Sorsogon State College. Previously, he worked for nineteen years as a Technical Coordinator/Assistant Supervisor for the San Miguel Company in the Philippines. In his free time, Instructor Rejano enjoys singing and playing basketball.

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### J. NORMAN SATO

(Class of 2014)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - SMALL ENGINE & OUTBOARD MARINE

"Attend your classes, do your best, and you will do well! If you are committed to your interests, success will find you in the end.



Norman graduated with an AAS Degree in Small Engine & Outboard Marine. He currently works as the Student Activities Supervisor for Palau Community College. Mr. Sato encourages the students to find educational success through their athletic interests. Students who do well in sports can find scholarships that will fund their educational endeavors.



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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.

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For example, a resolution to make Palauan studies mandatory in all schools submitted by Mechesil Belau has helped preserve the native language of the island. Through such efforts, the women of Mechesil Belau are keeping alive the notion that Palau is for its people and its people should be proud of their heritage.

The *Mechesil Belau* Conference will be held in September of this year. Bilung Gloria Salii invited all the students of HI-189 to join in the discussions. Instructor Elicita Morei and the HI-189 students would like to thank Bilung Gloria Salii for volunteering her time as well as sharing her expertise. Bilung Gloria Salii is a founding member of the PCC Board of Trustees who served close to twenty years.

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructional Assistant Construction Technology (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$8,991 - \$15,378 per annum
- (2) Nursing Instructor (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (3) Adjunct Instructors (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: determined by class credits, educational level, and experience.
- (4) Career/Transfer Counselor (Learning Resource Center - Student Service) salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (5) Director of Research and Development (PCC Cooperative Research & Extension) salary range: \$18,730 - \$28,833 per annum
- (6) Administrative Assistant (PCC Cooperative Research & Extension) salary range: \$10,929 - \$18,692 per annum
- (7) Academic Tutor (Upward Bound Program) salary range: \$200 - \$315 biweekly
- (8) Maintenance Technician (General) (Physical Plant - Administration Department) salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (9) Security Service Office (Administration Department) salary range: \$6,709 - \$11,475 per annum
- (10) Math, English, and Japanese Instructors (Upward Bound Program) salary range: \$400 - \$800 biweekly

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."

#### FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



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#### **Celebrating Birthdays**

Gamberlyn S. Ngirmeriil Kuye Belelai Lakolani Olengellel



May 08 May 13 May 13

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### PCC Endowment Fund

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

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