

# Palau Community College Hosts 9-11 Memorial Service



(top photo): US Ambassador to Palau Amy J. Hyatt (far right) with the parents of a Palauan soldier and (bottom photos) scenes from the 9-11 Memorial Service

Palau Community College (PCC) hosted a 9-11 Memorial Service on the evening of Friday, September 11, 2015. Guests were invited to join in commemorating the heroes and remembering the victims of the tragedy. Held at the PCC Assembly Hall, this was the fourteenth 9-11 Memorial Service hosted by the college.

Guests included Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Palau Her Excellency Amy J. Hyatt and the US Embassy staff; members of the Civic Action Team (CAT) serving in Palau; parents of the Palauan soldiers who had dedicated their lives to the fight against terrorism; and members of the community. PCC Student (also the Vice President of the PCC Auto Club) Ashley B. Etpison, Jr. was the Master of Ceremony for the evening. 9-11 MEMORIAL SERVICE, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

### Tulensa K. Sigrah Visits PCC

On Wednesday, September 09, 2015 Kosrae State Scholarship Program Administrator Tulensa K. Sigrah paid a courtesy visit to the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). Administrator Sigrah met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Director of Admissions & Financial Aid Dahlia M. Katosang, and Dean of Students Sherman Daniel to share information about scholarship and financial support currently available to students from the State of Kosrae. He then met with the PCC students from Kosrae at the PCC Assembly Hall where he assisted them in completing their scholarship application forms. Kosraean students attending post-secondary education institutions on a full-time basis are eligible to receive financial assistance from the Kosrae State Scholarship Program



(left to right): Dean of Students Sherman Daniel, Director of Admissions & Financial Aid Dahlia M. Katosang, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, and Kosrae State Scholarship Program Administrator Tulensa K. Sigrah

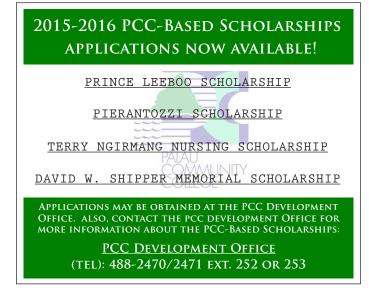
Palau Community College is an accessible public education institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

## Meeting Held for PCC Dorm Residents



Dorm students attending the general meeting at the PCC Cafeteria

A general meeting for the students residing at the dormitories of Palau Community College (PCC) was held on the evening of Tuesday, September 08, 2015. During the meeting, Dormitory Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei reminded the students about the dormitory etiquette, such as keeping their living area clean and respecting the personal boundaries of the other students. He also advised the students on how to properly behave at the PCC Cafeteria, especially during meal time. Dormitory Manager Ngirachitei noted that the dormitories were the students' home and they must learn how to maintain it for the sake of their well-being. The PCC dormitories is currently housing students from the islands of Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae, and the Marshall Islands. Two (2) students from Peleliu and a student from Oakland, California are also residing at the dormitories. Currently, there are four (4) staff members in charge of PCC dormitories.



## **Financial Aid Orientation 2 Sessions Held**



Students attending a financial aid session at the Assembly Hall

Beginning on Monday, August 31, 2015 the Office of Admissions & Financial Aid of Palau Community College (PCC) conducted a series of financial aid orientation sessions with the students currently enrolled at the college. The sessions were held at the Continuing Education (CE) Training Room and the PCC Assembly Hall. A requirement for all financial aid applicants, the Financial Aid Orientation 2 sessions provided information about financial aid policies and regulations. The Office of Admissions & Financial Aid staff were also present at the meetings to explain the financial aid information thoroughly as well as assist students who have not completed their forms or applications. The meetings concluded on Friday, September 04, 2015. A separate schedule of meetings with students from the Palau Community Action Agency (PCAA), the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Justice, and other agencies will be announced at a later date.

**Faculty-Senate Association (FSA) 2015-2016 Scholarship Applications** 

The PCC Faculty-Senate Association (FSA) Assistance Scholarship is open to first-year (freshmen) and second-year (sophomore) students who are enrolled as full-time (maintain at least 12 credits per semester) students at Palau Community College.

Now Available at the <u>PCC Development Office</u>. For more information, call 488-2470/2471 ext. 252 or 253.

#### **NOTE TO ALL STUDENTS:**

Scholarship application forms (PCC-Based Scholarships and the FSA Scholarships) must be submitted to the **PCC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE BEFORE OR ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2015.** Please submit your application forms by 5PM of the set deadline date.

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## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Thursday	7:30 <sub>ам</sub> - 7 <sub>рм</sub>
Friday	7:30ам - 5рм
Saturday	9ам - 6рм
Sunday	CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540

## Available to Interested Readers: GUIDEPOSTS MAGAZINE



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#### Academic Calendar: Fall 2015

October 05-09 (M-F) Mid-Term Period

October 26 (M) Last Day for All Withdrawals

October 26 (M) SPRING 2016 Pre-Registration

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

Mesekíw'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.

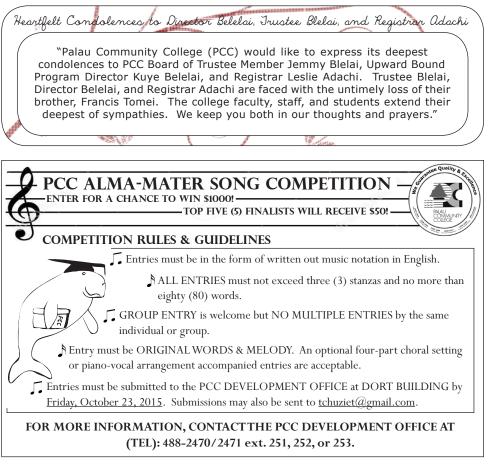
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Mr. Etpison began the program by introducing Palau Baptist Church Pastor Andrew McClure who gave the invocation. Pastor McClure was followed by the PCC Music Club performances of the Palau National Anthem and the United States National Anthem.

PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei gave the remembrance message. He recalled the events of September 11, 2001 and the first memorial service that the college hosted in 2002. He noted how the young people of today would not remember the impact that the attacks had worldwide but it remains a part of our history. President Dr. Tellei encouraged all to remember 9-11 for its historical significance but to move forward into the future with forgiveness in mind.

Ambassador Hyatt followed with a special message that emphasized how 9-11 was a tragedy felt worldwide. She recalled how cities around the world took moments of silence in respect for those who had lost their lives; she also remembered the countless heroes (from ordinary people to the soldiers fighting in the war today) who have helped in the fight against terrorism. She quoted prayers from different religions as examples of how compassion and understanding are universal concepts.

The service continued with the PCC Music Club performing praise songs and hymns followed by a benediction by Pastor McClure. At the end of the program, all guests were invited to sign the PCC 9-11 Memorial Guestbook and enjoy the refreshments.



#### FACULTY & STAFF PROFILE

**JAMES NORMAN SATO** STUDENT ACTIVITIES SUPERVISOR

"You cannot learn if you lack the dedication. If you want to complete your education, then be committed; but if you're unmotivated, then don't waste your time.'



James Norman Sato has been working at Palau Community College (PCC) for fifteen (15) years. He began as a coach for the college baseball team and works now as the Student Activities Supervisor. Mr. Sato is responsible for overseeing and organizing student recreational activities such as sports tournaments and community league participation. A graduate of Palau Community College, Mr. Sato holds an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degree in Small Engine & Outboard Motor Technology. He is a member of the PCC Classified Staff Organization (CSO) and the PCC Emergency Task Force. In his free time, Mr. Sato enjoys fishing and playing sports, specifically baseball.

#### Alumni Notes

#### JOANNY E. KESOLEI (Class of 2015)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - BUSINESS ACCOUNTING

"Nothing is impossible, the word itself says I'm possible!' - Audrey Hepburn"



Joanny recently graduated with an AS Degree in Business Accounting. For the past three years, she has been working as an Office Clerk for the PCC Office of the President. She is continuing her education by taking prerequisite classes in preparation for the upcoming San Diego State University (SDSU) Bachelor Cohort.

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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



(Academic Affairs Division)

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(Academic Affairs Division) salary range: determined by class credits,

(4) Career/Transfer Counselor

(5) Financial Aid Counselor (Student Services Division)

(6) Administrative Assistant

(7) Admissions Counselor

(9) Math Instructor

(10) Science Instructor

(Student Services Division)

(8) Maintenance Technician (General)

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(13) Twenty-Five (25) Part-Time Tutors (Talent Search Office)

(14) 2 Part-Time Math Instructors/Tutors (Upward Bound Office) salary range: \$100 - \$200 Biweekly

(15) 2 Part-Time English Instructors/Tutors

(16) 2 Part-Time Science Instructors/Tutors

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

(11) Social Science/Humanities Instructor

(2) Nursing Instructor

(3) Adjunct Instructors

salary range: \$8,991 - \$15,378 per annum

(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)

salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Sherene K. Adolf. Ms. Adolf works as a Deputy Clerk for the Palau Supreme Court. Thank you, Ms. Adolf, for contributing to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

#### **Celebrating Birthdays** VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT (1) Instructional Assistant - Construction Technology Rogelio Vergara September 20 Lisa T. Sulog September 21 Joanny E. Kesolei September 21 Courtney T. Joshua September 24 salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum HAPPY BIRTHDAY! educational level, and experience. **PCC Endowment Fund** (Learning Resource Center - Student Service) salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum **INVEST IN THE FUTURE** salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION TO SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY! salary range: \$10,929 - \$18,692 per annum P.O. BOX 9 Koror, Palau 96940 salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum (Physical Plant - Administration Department) Phone: 488-2470/2471 (ext. 251/253) e-mail: tellei@palau.edu salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum If you want to join the Bi-Weekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW! salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION (12) Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration Instructor Attp://pcc.palau.edu salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum Palau Community College - PCC Stamp Here (17) 2 Part-Time Academic Instructors at BHS & BMS 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.

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