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Palau Community College MESEKIU'S NEWS



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PCC Instructors Attend CareerTech VISION 2015



(left to right): PCC Instructional Assistant Samantha L. Rechelluul, PCC Instructional Assistant Santini B. Thomas, and PHS Counselor Gaudencia Joseph attending the CareerTech VISION 2015 at New Orleans, Louisiana USA

From November 19, 2015 to November 22, 2015, Palau Community College (PCC) Automotive Mechanics Instructional Assistant Samantha L. Rechelluul and Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology Instructional Assistant Santini B. Thomas attended the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) CareerTech VISION 2015. The conference was held at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in New Orleans, Louisiana USA.

The CareerTech VISION 2015 focused on career & technical education (CTE) and provided attendees with information about available professional development opportunities. Featured at the conference were workshops, booths, education sessions, and resources that promoted technical education. A panel of keynote speakers was also present to convey how CTE was influencing students and impacting the educational field.

Presenters in the Career Pavilion provided information about multiple employment sectors, CTE career pathways, and learning resources that could inspire students. ACTE, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

Accreditation Standards Update

Since last week, the Palau Community College (PCC) Accreditation Steering Committee (ASC) has been working diligently to compile evidence for the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report of the college. The ASC is composed of four (4) standards: Standard I - Mission, Academic Quality & Institutional Effectiveness, and Integrity; Standard II - Student Learning Programs and Services; Standard III - Resources; and Standard IV - Leadership & Governance. Members of each must compile evidence that support and address the dialogue under their respect standards for accreditation purposes. The Institutional Self-Evaluation Report provides a written analysis of a strengths and weaknesses of a learning institution. It is based on the continued evaluation conducted by the college and analyzes the quality of its improvements.



Members of the Standard II: Student Learning Programs - Institutional Research Analyst Ligaya Sara (standing) and Student Life & Housing Director Hilda Reklai (sitting) compiling evidence

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.

PCC-Based Scholarships Currently Open

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to inform the student body that two (2) PCC-Based Scholarships are currently available: the David W. Shipper Memorial Scholarship and the Sandra S. Pierantozzi Scholarship. Both scholarships will remain open until applications are completed & submitted to the PCC Development Office (there is no deadline). Recipients will receive \$500 each academic year (\$250 per semester) to assist with their school costs and related expenses. Only one (1) recipient will be selected for the David W. Shipper Memorial Scholarship and two (2) recipients will be selected for the Sandra S. Pierantozzi Scholarship.

If you are interested in applying for the PCC-Based Scholarships, please visit the PCC Development Office. You can also call the PCC Development Office at (tel): 488-2470/2471 ext. 252 or 253 for more information.

CSO Conducts Campus Clean-Up



Members of the PCC Classified Staff Organization (CSO) participating in the clean-up of the college campus

As part of their fundraising efforts, the Classified Staff Organization (CSO) of Palau Community College (PCC) recently conducted a clean-up of the college campus. Members of the organization spent an entire day pruning bushes, raking the lawns, water-blasting the walkways, collecting trash, and improving the overall appearance of the campus. CSO would like to recognize & thank all of its members who participated in the campus clean-up. Thank you all for supporting our fundraising efforts! The Classified Staff Organization is a registered non-profit corporate charter committed to fulfilling its civic responsibility by conducting activities that support the community in any way possible.

Revised Academic Calendar for Spring Semester 2015 (16 Weeks)

January 01 (F)

Holiday: New Year's Day!

January 04-06 (M-W)

Placement Testing

January 05 (T)

New Student Orientation

January 06-08 (W-F)

Academic Advising & Registration

January 11 (M)

Late Registration and the First Day of Instruction

January 11-13 (M-W)

Credit by Examination Period

January 11-15 (M-F)

Add & Drop Period

February 19 (F)

Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades for FA-2015

February 29 - March 04 (M-F)

Mid-Term Period

March 16-18 (W-F)

Students' Spring Break (Youth Day is on March 15)

March 24 (TH)

Last Day for All Withdrawals

March 28 (M)

Summer 2016 Pre-Registration Begins

April 01 (F)

PCC Charter Day Celebration (observed on April 02)

April 29 (F)

Last Day of Instruction

May 02-04 (M-W)

Final Examination Period

May 05 (TH)

Holiday: Senior Citizens' Day

May 06 (F)

Graduates' Grades Due by 11AM

May 09 (M)

Non-Graduates' Grades Due by 11AM

May 13 (F)

PCC Commencement Exercises

May 16 (M)

Last Day for Change of Grades

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday	7:30AM - 7PM
Friday	7:30AM - 5PM
Saturday	9AM - 6PM
Sunday	CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: ACADEMIC LEADER NEWSLETTER



"Academic Leader Newsletter is the monthly newsletter from Magna Publications, that covers the trends, challenges, and best practices for academic leaders in higher education to help balance these ever-evolving demands and privileges."

Academic Calendar: Fall 2015

December 14 (M)
Grades Due

December 21 (M)
Last Day for Change of Grades

December 25 (F)
Holiday: Christmas Day

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekiu'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 tchuziet@palau.edu 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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The Career Pavilion was also designed to entice discussion & promote action that address the gaps between education and the workplace.

A Career TechExpo with more than two-hundred (200) exhibitors showcased the latest gadgets, products, and services available in the CTE field. In addition, the CareerTech VISION 2015 also showcased success stories of students and individuals who have completed their education, or achieved admirable success, in the field.

Palau Minister of Education Sinton Soalablai, Ministry of Education - Division of Research & Evaluation Chief Ray Mechol, Palau High School (PHS) Counselor Gaudencia Joseph, and PHS Counselor Ulai Ikesiil also attended the CareerTech VISION 2015.

The Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) is the largest not-for-profit association in the United States. It is committed to the advancement of education that prepares youth and adults for successful careers. ACTE represents the community of CTE professionals including educators, administrators, researchers, guidance counselors and others at all levels of education. The association is committed to excellence in providing advocacy, public awareness and access to resources, professional development and leadership opportunities.



REMINDER TO PERSPECTIVE 2016 PCC GRADUATES:

The Registrar's Office would like to remind perspective PCC Graduates of 2016 that they must complete their application forms & pay their fee in order to graduate. Please stop by the PCC Registrar's Office or call (tel): 488-2470/2471 ext. 274 for more information. Thank you!

Taiwan International Cooperation and Development Fund International Master's Program in Electrical Power Engineering (IMEPE)

The Department of Electrical Engineering at the National Sun Yat-sen University offers a great opportunity for international students to study under the International Master's Program in Electrical Power Engineering (IMEPE). Two (2) scholarships are being offered for the program, one by the Taiwan International Cooperation and Development Fund (Taiwan ICDF) to international students from countries that have diplomatic ties with Taiwan.

Additional Information Available Online at:
<http://www.icdf.org.tw> or <http://www.ee.nsysu.edu.tw/IMEPE>

DEADLINE: February 28, 2015

PCC CAMPUS PROFILES

LESTER REKEMESIK

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR

"College life comes with its share of distractions, like spending time with your friends or working. But you have to prioritize your education. Don't be derailed by other activities. Stay focused!"



Lester Rekemesik is the Construction Technology Instructor for Palau Community College (PCC) where he has worked for over fourteen (14) years. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Education from the San Diego State University (SDSU). In addition, Instructor Rekemesik has also studied Architecture at the Tokyo Technical College in Japan. Instructor Rekemesik is a member of the PCC Faculty Senate Association (FSA). In his free time, he enjoys fishing and assisting with various carpentry/building projects that support the community.

ALUMNI NOTES

LILIWOKALANI AKEMIJ

(Class of 2012)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - GENERAL ELECTRONICS



Liliwokalani graduated from PCC with an AAS Degree in General Electronics. Currently, Ms. Akemij works as an Office Administrator for the Civic Action Team (CAT) Camp in Airai.



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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.



CONTACT TO SCHEDULE A FREE SCREENING/TESTING

CDU Clinic

488-3117/2450

Health Information Resource Center

488-1757

PCC Resource Center

488-8618

GETTING TO ZERO:

"0 INFECTIONS, 0 DISCRIMINATION, 0 AIDS-RELATED DEATHS"

Celebrating Birthdays

Sione K. Fakatou



December 16

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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) Admissions Counselor
(Student Services Division)
salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (5) Math Instructor
(Academic Affairs Division)
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Science Instructor
(Academic Affairs Division)
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (7) Social Science/Humanities Instructor
(Academic Affairs Division)
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (8) Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration Instructor
(Academic Affairs Office)
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum

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."

PCC Endowment Fund

INVEST IN THE FUTURE

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!**

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



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