# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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# Genealogy Presentation Held at PCC



Elder Arthur F. Williams (standing) and Sister Anna M. Williams (sitting) from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) holding a genealogy presentation at the PCC Assembly Hall

On Monday, March 14, 2016 a presentation about genealogy was held at the Assembly Hall of Palau Community College (PCC). The presentation was made possible through the collaborative efforts of the Palauan Studies Department, English Department, and the Social Sciences Department of the college. All students and interested members of the community were invited to the attend the presentation.

Genealogy is the study of one's ancestors or family history. Family plays an important role in the LDS belief system. As part of their efforts in keeping strong family ties, the LDS created an online database called Family Search (https://familysearch.org) that maintains family records. The presentation was given by Elder Arthur F. Williams and his wife, Sister Anna M. Williams, from the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints (LDS).

LSD Elder Williams, who holds a Masters Degree in Information Technology, is responsible for maintaining the website's records of families from the region of Micronesia. Genealogy, continued on page 3

#### **UOG Upward Bound Visit PCC**

Students from the University of Guam (UOG) Upward Bound TRiO Program visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC) on Tuesday, March 22, 2016. Accompanying the students were UOG TRiO Programs Director Yoichi K. Rengiil and TRiO Programs Student Support Services Assistant Director Chrislynn Takawo. The Upward Bound Program students met with PCC Vice President of Administration & Finance Jay G. Olegeriil, PCC Executive Assistant to the President Todd N. Ngiramengior, and PCC Director of Development Tchuzie Tadao. They presented a \$300 donation to the college in support of its Endowment Fund. The students in the program are Gian Paras, Ravin Ventura, Valerie Gastilo, Bora Kim, Mark Yanit, and Kristian Cercado. Upward Bound, continued on page 3



TRiO Programs Director Yoichi K. Rengiil (sitting, far left), TRiO Programs Student Support Services Assistant Director Chrislynn Takawo (sitting, middle), and PCC Vice President of Administration & Finance Jay G. Olegeriil (sitting, far right) with the UOG Upward Bound Program students

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.

#### **EMS & STEM Students' Presentations**



EMS Program & STEM Program students holding a recruitment presentation for Upward Bound High School Students

As part of their recruitment efforts, Palau Community College (PCC) students enrolled in the Environmental/Marine Science Program and the Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) Program held presentations aimed at high school students in the Upward Bound Program. The presentations were held at the Continuing Education (CE) Training Room on Friday, March 11, 2016. The PCC students provided information about their respective programs such as eligibility requirements, core courses, learning experiences, and academic benefits.

# ACCREDITING COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES THIRD PARTY COMMENT PROCEDURE

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The Third Party Comment Form is available at the Office of the President and the Accreditation Office. For more information, please contact ALO Deikola Olikong at #271 or 778-6019.

#### **PCC Mesekiu Baseball Team News**

On March 15, 2016 the Palau National Baseball League (PNBL) opened its inaugural season at the Asahi Baseball Field. The opening of the new league is significant because it occurred on Youth Day of Palau's Year of the Youth. It is also occurred on the day when the voyaging canoe called *Alingano Maisu* set sail for the 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts that will be hosted in Guam.

Republic of Palau President Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr. was the keynote speaker for the ceremony. In his speech, President Remengesau gave words of encouragement to the players & league organizers. Also present were Minister of Community & Cultural Affairs Baklai Temengil-Chilton who delivered a message on behalf of the Palau National Olympics Committee (PNOC), Peleliu State Governor Temmy Schmull who spoke on behalf of the Palau Baseball Federation, and Krispin Termeteet who represented the league. Master of Ceremony was the Minister of Natural Resources, Environment & Tourism (MRET) Umiich Sengebau. Three (3) games followed the opening ceremony.

In the first game, Ngerbeched defeated Peleliu. The second game saw the Melekeok Salty Boys defeat the Ngarchelong Blue Sharks in a tightly contested affair. The third game was between the PCC Mesekiu Team and the Ngatpang State Team with PCC winning by a score of 10 to 2.

The college played its second game on Sunday, March 20, 2016 against Peleliu State. The PCC Mesekius proved too much for the Peleliu Team as they dominated both offensively and defensively behind the strong pitch of Starting Pitcher Libery Tolenoa and Reliever David Salapwa. The final score was PCC 7, Peleliu 1. PCC MESEKIU TEAM, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3



PCC Mesekiu Baseball Team with their Coach Norman Sato (standing, far left) at the PNBL Opening Ceremony

### **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

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#### Academic Calendar: Spring 2016

March 28 (M)

Summer 2016 Pre-Registration

April 01 (F)

PCC Charter Day Celebration

**April 02 (S)** 

**PCC Charter Day** 

#### **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 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.

#### Genealogy Continued from Page 1

He and his wife are the family history advisors for Micronesia. During the presentation, Elder Williams explained the purpose of the website and encouraged the audience to contribute their family history. The Family Search Website is the largest collection of genealogical and historical records in the world. Encouraging the Palauan community to contribute family stories to the database will help strengthen family bonds, especially for family members who may have left the islands or no longer keep in touch.

#### Upward Bound CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

As part of their program's Off-Island Education Excursion, the students were in Palau to experience the local culture and traditions. They also sampled local cuisines and visited the world-renowned rock islands. In addition to visiting PCC, the students also visited the local schools.

The UOG TRiO Upward Bound Program is a federally funded program that aims to generate the skills and motivation necessary for college-bound students who are the first in their families to attend college, or are from low-income families, to successfully complete high school and enroll in college. In addition to off-island educational programs, the Upward Bound TRiO Program also provides services to students such as academic guidance, career exploration & internship, college preparation workshops, social activities, field trips, and tutoring services.

#### PCC Mesekiu Team CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

The PCC Mesekiu Baseball Team will play its next game on Sunday, March 27, 2016 at 11:00AM against the undefeated Oldias Team. The team thanks its fans and invites everyone to come out & cheer for them at the upcoming game.

# PRISTINE CAMPUS CAMPAIGN "Candid Camera" March Feature



The Pristine Campus Campaign is sponsored by the Faculty Senate Association, the Classified Staff Organization (CSO), and the Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC). It aims to promote the maintenance and continued cleanliness of the campus. If a candid photo of a student throwing away trash is featured in the Mesekiu's News, that student will receive \$25. Two (2) students will be recognized each month from March to April. Congratulations to Ms. Ester Grace Sigrah for being the second student featured in the "Candid Camera" section this month!

#### PCC CAMPUS PROFILES

#### SHERMAN DANIEL

PCC DEAN OF STUDENTS

"Education is the master key because it opens many opportunities."



Sherman Daniel has been working at Palau Community College (PCC) for over twentyseven (27) years. Previously, he served the position of Associate Dean of Academic Affairs before becoming Dean of Students. As Dean of Students, he is responsible for ensuring that students receive the support services needed in order to complete their studies and programs. Dean Daniel holds a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from San Diego State University, a Bachelor's Degree in Vocational Education also from San Diego State University, and an Associate of Applied Science Degree in General Electronics from Micronesian Occupational College. In his free time, Dean Daniel enjoys reading and fishing.

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### BENNIE MOSES-MESUBED

(Class of 1995)

Associate of Arts - Liberal Arts



Bennie graduated from PCC with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts. She holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Eastern Oregon University (EOU) where she also received her Bachelor's Degree. She is currently the Director of the EOU Multicultural Center. Recently, she was appointed as a representative for the Oregon Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs where she will be a voice for the Pacific islands population in Oregon State.



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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.

Palau Community College (PCC) will be holding its 22nd Charter Day: President's Run & Walk on Friday, April 01, 2016. The college invites all of Palau to participate in the event as part of its Charter Day celebration. Registration will be at the PCC Basketball Court starting at 4:00AM to 5:15AM. The event will start at 5:30AM.

#### PCC 22<sup>nd</sup> CHARTER DAY President's Run & Walk

#### Friday, April 01, 2016

Registration - 4AM to 5:15AM **Place - PCC Basketball Court** Starting Time - 5:30AM

For more information, please contact PCC at (tel): 488-2470 or 488-2471.

#### **Celebrating Birthdays**

Angelio Anthonio Keiden Kintol



March 25 March 28

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructional Assistant Construction Technology (Academic Affairs Division) salary range: \$8,991 - \$15,378 per annum
- (2) 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.

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Contact E-Van T. Ongrung at (cell): 779-3826 for more information.



### PCC Mesektu Team Baskefball Came Schedule

The PCC Mesekiu Basketball Team will be playing it's next game on the evening of Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at the Palau National Gymnasium. The team invites all students, staff, and faculty members of the college to come out & cheer for them at the upcoming game.

#### PCC Endowment Fund

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