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Weekly Newsletter

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53rd Commencement Exercises of PCC Held



Members of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society: (left to right) Six N. Rideb, Velda F. Lechol, Nelson Masang Jr., Sheila J. Pedro, and Judah T. Sibetang

Palau Community College (PCC) held its 53rd Commencement Exercises on Friday, May 13, 2016. A total of fifty-eight (58) graduates received degrees from PCC; twenty-one (21) graduates received bachelor of arts degrees from San Diego State University (SDSU); fourteen (14) graduates completed the Substance Abuse Treatment Counseling Program; and fifteen (15) graduates completed the PCC Adult High School Program.

This year's commencement speaker was Dr. Gregory J. Dever. Dr. Dever is a well-respected member of the Pacific medical society. He is the current Director of the Palau Area Health Education Center and also serves as the Coordinator of the Pacific Islands Health Officers' Association (PIHOA) Regional Human Resources for Health. Highlights of his impressive medical career include being a Pediatrician & Clinical Faculty at John A. Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawaii in Manoa and serving as Director of Clinical Services for the Belau National Hospital. 53RD COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

Committee Reviews for FestPac

Reviews of Palau's participation in the upcoming 2016 Festival of Pacific Arts (FestPac 2016) were recently held at Palau Community College (PCC). The first review covered the building techniques & structural significance of the *abai*, the Palau traditional meeting house for men. The men sharing information about this aspect of Palau's culture will also showcase a miniature *abai* that they built. A review of the literary presentations of Palau was held on May 13, 2016 at the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library. The literary committee covers the following aspects of the Pacific cultures: fashion (modern & traditional), history, indigenous languages, oratory, publications, and theater. Festival activities under this category include poetry reading, storytelling, book sales, and fashion shows. The delegation from Palau arrived in Guam on Thursday, May 19, 2016 for the Festival of Pacific Arts.



Group photo of the committee members and the men who built the miniature abai

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.

Photos from the 53rd Commencement Exercises of Palau Community College



School of Arts & Sciences



School of Business



School of Technical Education



PCC Adult High School - Class of 2016



San Diego State University - Bachelor of Arts in Education



Substance Abuse Treatment Counseling



Commencement Speaker Dr. Gregory J. Dever



PCC Class of 2016 Valedictorian Nelson Masang, Jr.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday 7:30AM - 7PM

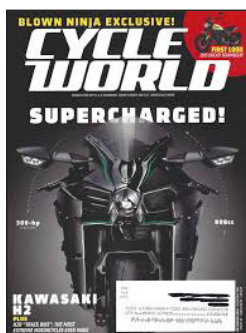
Friday 7:30AM - 5PM

Saturday 9AM - 6PM

Sunday CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: CYCLE WORLD MAGAZINE



"Cycle World Magazine is dedicated to the motorcycle enthusiast, no matter what he rides. It is the most trusted source of motorcycle information available. Cycle World Magazine's first love is motorcycles, and always will be, whether they are on highways, tracks, tearing across some unsettled expanse, or being used for everyday transportation. Joe Parkhurst, is the founding public of Cycle World Magazine."

Academic Calendar: Summer 2016

June 01 (W)

Holiday: President's Day

June 02 (TH)

New Student Orientation

June 06-08 (M-W)

Academic Advising & Registration

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekiw'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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In his speech, Dr. Dever congratulated the graduates on completing their respective degree programs. He highlighted the importance of perseverance, the act of doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success. He quoted Galatians 6:9 which reads, "Let's not get tired of doing what is good, for at the right time we will reap a harvest—if we do not give up." To the graduates, he advised that they continue to persevere regardless of the difficulties. Dr. Dever also recognized the graduates' tremendous support system which included family members, friends, employers, and academic counselors.

Mr. Nelson Masang, Jr., a graduate of the PCC Liberal Arts Program, was the Valedictorian of the Palau Community College Class of 2016. In his address, Mr. Masang commended his fellow graduates on completing this leg of their learning journey. Palau Community College had not been Mr. Masang's first choice in a post-secondary learning institution. He had been under the impression that higher learning was accomplished outside of Palau. His experiences at PCC taught him that learning can be done anywhere. Being a student at Palau Community College was an opportunity for him to learn more about his home. To his fellow graduates, Mr. Masang encouraged that they all try to do great things and become proud representatives of their islands.

The following seven (7) graduates were members of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society - Beta Zeta Omicron Chapter: Nelson Masang Jr., Masami N. Andreas, Allyne K. Kikuharu, Sheila J. Pedro, Six N. Ridep, Velda F. Lechol, and Judah T. Sibetang.

Dr. Theresa Lally recognized the graduates of the Bachelor's Degree Program on behalf of San Diego State University. The commencement exercises ended with the recognition of the students and closing remarks from PCC Board of Trustees Chairperson Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl. The recessional march of the graduates followed the benediction from Pastor Zimmer.

PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE - CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE): 2016 SUMMER KIDS PROGRAM

PCC-CE Summer Kids Program Offers the Following Classes:

Singapore Math (3rd - 8th Grade)

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

Palauan Orthography (3rd - 8th Grade)

Marine Science (6th - 8th Grade)

Arts (3rd - 8th Grade)

Music (3rd to 8th Grade)

Classes will be from
June 06, 2016 to July
01, 2016. Last day of
registration is Friday,
May 27, 2016.

Classes are designed to provide education activities that enhance a student's learning abilities in order to improve in certain subject areas and foster new skills. These classes are on a "first-come-first-serve" basis. Maximum number of students per class is twenty (20). If you would like to enroll your child or if you need more information about the program, please contact Ms. Leona Blaluk or Ms. Courtney Joshua at (tel): 488-6223.

FACULTY & STAFF PROFILE

RAVEN S. KLOULUBAK

LIBRARY ASSISTANT AT THE TAN SIU LIN PCC LIBRARY



For the past five (5) years, Ms. Raven S. Kloulubak has been working at the Tan Siu Lin Palau Community College (PCC) Library. She is the Library Assistant who is responsible for the Teen/Kids Section. Her duties include supervising the teen/kids area, providing assistance to the library's patrons, and providing assistance at the library information/front desk. Ms. Kloulubak graduated from Palau High School in 2009. She holds an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degree in Library & Information Services from Palau Community College. Her favorite activities include reading, hanging out with friends, and spending time with family.

ALUMNI NOTES

EMILY V. LOUGHLIN

(Class of 2014)

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - NURSING CAREER LADDER



Emily graduated from PCC in 2014 with an AS Degree in Nursing. She graduated as a member of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honors Society - Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter and was Valedictorian of her class. Currently, Ms. Loughlin is continuing her medical studies at the National Taiwan University.



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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.

NEW ITEMS AVAILABLE AT PCC BOOKSTORE!



Lathers in Salt Water - Highly recommended by boating community for people living in coastal environments. Gentle enough for use as a body soap and shampoo!



20 Convertible Duffel Bag Coolers - Simply remove the inside cool layer and it converts into a duffel bag.

The PCC Bookstore is currently offering new items: Kirk's Original Coco Castle Soap Bars (lathers in salt water), PCC Branded T-Shirts (black color), and twenty (20) convertible duffel bag coolers. Feel free to stop by the PCC Bookstore to check out the new items and make a purchase!

Celebrating Birthdays

Dr. Aurora Del Rosario

May 20

Akiko B. Udui

May 20

Debbie Ngiraibai

May 25

Santini B. Thomas

May 25



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
- (3) Maintenance Technicians (4)
(Administration Department - Physical Plant)
salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (4) Upward Bound Math Instructors (2)
(Upward Bound Program)
salary range: \$350 - \$800 bi-weekly
- (5) Upward Bound English Instructors (2)
(Upward Bound Program)
salary range: \$350 - \$800 bi-weekly
- (6) Upward Bound Foreign Language Instructors (2)
(Upward Bound Program)
salary range: \$350 - \$800 bi-weekly
- (7) Academic Tutor
(Upward Bound Program)
salary range: \$350 - \$800 bi-weekly

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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PCC Endowment Fund

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OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

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

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