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Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society Induction Ceremony



(top photo): New members of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society - Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter at the Induction Ceremony (bottom photos)

An induction ceremony for the new members of the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society (PTK) - Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter was held at the Palau Community College (PCC) Assembly Hall on Tuesday, November 29, 2016. In addition, the four (4) new officers were sworn-in along with the seventeen (17) members who were inducted into the honors society.

The ceremony began with an introduction of the society's history by PTK Member Turang Rengiil. Ms. Rengiil was followed by PCC Dean of Academic Affairs Robert Ramarui who led the induction of the new members. The oath of office for the new PTK Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter Officers was administered by PCC Dean of Students Sherman Daniel.

After the inductees signed their oaths, they lit candles to symbolize the knowledge that would lead them forward in their academic pursuits. PTK INDUCTION CEREMONY, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

ET Students Hold Presentation

On Wednesday, December 07, 2016 a presentation by students enrolled in the Electrical Technology (ET) Program. The presentation was an opportunity for the students to showcase the mock-up trainer, wiring board, and lamp control trainer projects they conducted this semester. The motor control & sequential control trainer project taught the students how to install basic motor control circuits. The project provided students with hands-on experience with connecting motor starts with two or three wire controls; connecting drum reversing controllers; connecting magnetic across the line starters using multiple push-button stations; connecting magnetic across the line-reversing starter; connecting the interlocking methods for reversing control; connecting jogging control circuits; connecting reduced voltage starters using auto-transformers; connecting reduced voltage starters using primary resistors; and connecting wye-delta wires. ET, CONTINUED ON PAGE 3



PCC Electrical Technology Instructor Jerry Taroy (far left) and PCC Electrical Technology Associate Professor Frutoso Tellei (far right) with the students who participated in the ET class projects

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.

PICRC Complete Coral Reefs Surveys

contributed by the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC)

In November of this year, researchers from the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC) surveyed one of its long-term coral reef monitoring sites in Kayangel State. The Kayangel Site was the final site surveyed this year. The PICRC researchers will continue conducting surveys on the monitoring sites in 2018 because the surveys are conducted once every two years. Since 2001, PICRC researchers have been conducting coral reef monitoring surveys in order to assess the status of Palau's coral reef eco-systems over a long period of time.

The twenty-three (23) permanent monitoring sites stretch from the north of Palau (Kayangel) through Babeldaob and continues on to the south (from Koror to Peleliu and Angaur). At each monitoring site, a team of four or five researchers conduct surveys of fish, juvenile corals, invertebrates (clams, sea cucumbers, *Trochus* spp., etc.), and benthic coverage survey which include corals, sponges, and similar species. The data is entered in the PICRC database where it is analyzed in order to provide more information on the status of coral reefs, especially in terms of the impact and recovery from disturbances/changes over time.

The results of these surveys will be used to expand on the information regarding the overall health of coral reefs in Palau. The data will also provide information about the coral mortality that have occurred since the last survey or whether or not the coral reefs have started to recover from natural disasters, like typhoons.

With this long-term monitoring scheme, PICRC can map out the current status of Palau's coral reefs within the past fifteen (15) years. Most importantly, the results from the surveys will provide information for policy decisions regarding marine conservation.



PICRC Research Assistant Dawnette Olsudong conducting a recruits survey on corals

STEM & EMS Program Presentations



STEM & EMS students who participated in the program presentation

On Friday, December 09, 2016 students enrolled in the Environmental/Marine Science Degree Program and the Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) Disciplines held a presentation at the Palau Community College (PCC) Assembly Hall. The presentation was to encourage high school senior students to enroll in the degree programs.

The presentation highlighted the eligibility requirements, core courses, and extra-curricular activities (such as field trips or student presentations) of the degree programs. PCC students who presented also shared their personal experiences regarding the program's learning environment, lessons, and academic opportunities. The student presenters were Mr. Masasinge Hideos, Ms. Mira Mariur, Ms. Rubie Joy Gabriel Joy, Ms. Mereng Andre, Ms. Ongibel Lakobong, and Ms. Jedidah E. Masahiro.

PCC SPRING SEMESTER 2017 EARLY PRE-REGISTRATION PERIOD

Early registration for the Spring Semester 2017 (SP2017) began on Thursday, October 27, 2016. This is an opportunity for Continuing Students currently enrolled in the Fall Semester 2016 to reserve classes for next semester. Once you pre-register, you will not have to return to campus until the First Day of Instruction on Monday, January 16, 2017.

Please follow the Regular Registration Process when you pre-register for classes. For more information regarding the Early Registration Process, please call (tel): 488-2470-2471 ext. 249 or 274.

**FIRST DAY OF INSTRUCTION:
MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2017**

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:

DISCOVER MAGAZINE



"Take an exciting adventure with Discover Magazine as it reports captivating developments in science, medicine, technology, and the world around us. Spectacular photography and refreshingly understandable stories on complex subjects connect everyday people with the greatest ideas and minds in science."

Academic Calendar: Fall 2016

December 25 (SU)

Holiday: Christmas Day

January 01 (SU)

New Year's Day

January 16 (M)

First Day of Instruction

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.

PTK Induction Ceremony CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The newly inducted PTK members are Ms. Malorie Alonz, Ms. Minda Benjamin, Ms. Evana Dengokl, Ms. Kersten Dismas, Mr. Kaytano Edeyaach, Mr. Charles Howard Jr., Ms. Zoe Kintaro, Ms. Alynda Masayuki, Mr. Jairus Merep, Mr. Erikson Moses, Mr. Tibey Ongalibang, Ms. Havalei Reched, Mr. Tyron Rengulbai, Mr. Sean Sakurai, Mr. Pasqual Sungino, Mr. Regner Techitong, and Mr. Harris Ubedei.

The new officers for the PTK Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter are Mr. Ewing Rudimch (President), Ms. Kersten Dismas (Vice President), Ms. Malorie Alonz (Secretary), and Mr. Wade Kitalong (Treasurer). PCC would like to congratulate the newly inducted members and the new officers.

The Phi Theta Kappa Society is the largest honor society in America consisting of more than two-million members and one-thousand-two-hundred (1,200) chapters. It serves to recognize as well as encourage the academic achievement of two-year college students by providing opportunities for individual growth, development through honors, leadership, and service programming. The PTK Chapter for Palau is called Beta Omicron Zeta.

For more information regarding the PTK, please contact PCC Academic Advisor Ms. Glendalynn "Tau'o" Ngirmeriil at the PCC Student Life Office (tel): 488-3690 or 488-3036.

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The wiring board project was used as a simulation of an actual workplace environment. Wooden walls and ceilings of residential as well as commercial establishments were simulated in order to provide the students with the necessary experience for acquiring relevant competencies in electrical installation, especially in accordance with the latest edition of the National Electrical Code.

Students who conducted the wiring board project learned about approaching work-related situations with different wiring methods (sheathed non-metallic cable; rigid nonmetallic conduit; rigid metallic conduit; intermediate metallic conduit; electrical metallic tubing; flexible metallic tubing; and flexible metallic conduit). They also learned about the installation of electrical protection systems such as fuse boxes or circuit breakers; installation of different kinds of boxes as well as other electrical fittings; installation of lighting fixtures; installation of wiring devices; and testing & commission of electrical installation.

The lamp control trainer assisted instructors with explaining theories regarding lamp control circuits. Topics of focus included connecting lamps (single pole switches, two-three way switches, master switches); Ohm's Law & Power Law experiments; and circuit combinations.

The projects were for the ET-112, ET-122, ET-211, and ET-123 Classes taught by PCC Instructors Frutoso Tellei and Jerry Taroy. By providing the students with hands-on experiences through projects related to topics taught in the classrooms, the instructors could improve the students' learning outcome as well as emphasize on important skill abilities.

PCC CAMPUS PROFILES

GUESS WHO!

RULES: GUESS THE PEOPLE FEATURED IN THE PHOTOGRAPH BELOW AND WIN A PRIZE COURTESY OF THE PCC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE. ALL STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEMPT THIS CHALLENGE.



Palau Community College (PCC) has continued to strive because of the dedication & commitment of its employees. The photograph above features four (4) current faculty & staff members who have been employed at the college for many years. If you could identify the staff & faculty members as well as their current positions/job titles, the PCC Development Office will reward you. All students (except the students who are working for the PCC Development Office) are eligible to attempt this challenge. Please visit the PCC Development Office to submit your answer or call (tel): 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, or 253 for more information. An answer will be featured in next week's newsletter!

ALUMNI NOTES

ERIN D. BENHART

(Class of 2013)

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - T&H: FOOD & BEVERAGE



Erin graduated in 2013 with an AAS Degree in Tourism & Hospitality: Food & Beverage. She currently works for ATH in Guam.



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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.

2016-2017 PCC-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

MOYLAN'S INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP

The 2016-2017 PCC-Based Moylan's Insurance Underwriters Inc. Scholarship is still open for applicants. Students who are interested in applying must be full-time students at Palau Community College, Citizens of Palau, and maintain a Commutative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 2.50. Please pick-up the scholarship application form from the PCC Development Office located at the DORT Building across from the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library.

Moylan's Insurance Underwriters Inc. is a dedicated sponsor of an annual scholarship that supports the educational pursuits of Palau's young people. Initiated in 2000, the Moylan's Insurance Underwriters Inc. Scholarship is awarded to TWO (2) FULL-TIME STUDENTS \$500 in support of their academic studies at Palau Community College (PCC). Each student receives \$250 per semester (fall and spring) if he or she continues to meet the eligibility requirements.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE PCC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.
ALSO, CONTACT THE PCC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION
(TEL): 488-2470/2471 EXT. 252 OR 253

Celebrating Birthdays

Sione K. Leini Fakatou
Gurney L. Umang



December 16
December 23

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration Instructor
(Academic Affairs Office)
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (2) Maintenance Technicians (4)
(Administration Department - Physical Plant)
salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (3) Counselor
(Student Life & Housing Office)
salary range: \$12,653 - \$19,479 per annum
- (4) Counselor
(PCC Adult High School)
salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 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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PCC Endowment Fund

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

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