

# PCC Participates in Children's Christmas Program



PCC students who assisted with the distribution of gift bags to the children during the Children's Christmas Program at Ernguul Central Park

On Thursday, December 15, 2016 Palau Community College (PCC) participated in the 2016 Children's Program that was hosted at Ernguul Central Park in Koror. The program featured performances by different agencies of the national government. On behalf of the college, the PCC Music Club performed Christmas songs and distributed gift bags to the children who attended the program.

The program invited all members of the community, especially children, to the park to experience the spirit of the holidays. The songs performed by the PCC Music Club included well-known Christmas carols such as "Silent Night" and "Joy to the World." 2016 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, CONTINUED ON PAGE 4



**2016 PCC Endowment Luncheon** Palau Community College (PCC) would like to inform its Endowment Fund Bi-Weekly Contributors that the annual end-of-the-year luncheon will be hosted on Friday, December 30, 2016. All Bi-Weekly PCC Endowment Contributors are invited to enjoy the luncheon and participate in the raffle drawing event. Prizes for the raffle drawing will range from home items (dish-ware, vacuums, coffee travel mugs, etc.) to cash prizes. All bi-weekly endowment contributors will be entered in the raffle drawing. The luncheon is a token of appreciation from the college to the members of the community who have been supportive of its Endowment Fund. Because of your commitment, the college will be able to sustain its future stability and programs. In addition, the luncheon will be an opportunity for the Bi-Weekly PCC Endowment Contributors to complete their tax return forms. PCC Staff Members will be more than happy to assist you with completing the forms as well as preparing all the necessary documents for your tax return. If you are interested in becoming a bi-weekly contributor of the PCC Endowment Fund, you may also attend the luncheon and fill the necessary forms for your contribution. For more information regarding the PCC Endowment Fund, please contact the PCC Development Office at (tel): 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, or 253.

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.

# JIRCAS Research Agreement with PCC



JIRCAS Dr. Hide Omae (left) presenting PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei (right) with the Joint Research Agreement

On Monday, December 19, 2016 Dr. Hide Omae of the Japan International Research Center for Agriculture Sciences (JIRCAS) presented a Joint Research Agreement to the President of Palau Community College (PCC) Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. The Palau Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment, and Tourism (MN-RET), the Environmental Quality Protection Board (EQPB), and Palau Community College will be working with JIRCAS for the "Development of Sustainable Resources Management System in Palau."

The collaborative research project will focus on the construction of well-balanced water, soil, and nutrient cycles by evaluating the functional role of ecosystems in Babeldaob watersheds; the development of sustainable cropping & land management systems that utilize local resources in Palau; and the development of sustainable underground cultivation systems to reduce nutrient leaching from above to underground areas. Researches for the project will also be conducted in Uzbekistan, India, and Bangladesh.

JIRCAS was established in October 1993 after the Tropical Agriculture Research Center (TARC) of Japan was reorganized. In April 2001, it was again restructured as the Incorporated Administrative Agency under the Japan Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries (MAFF). Its main objectives are to research more advanced technologies that will benefit areas of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries; collect, analyze, and publish information about domestic/international researches related to agriculture, forestry, and fisheries; and contribute to finding solutions for global food & environmental problems as well as the stability of products & resources supplied in agriculture, forestry, and fisheries.

# **PAIR & Antenna Foundation Visit**

On Monday, December 19, 2016 members of the Pacific Academic Institute for Research (PAIR) and the Switzerland Antenna Foundation visited the campus of Palau Community College (PCC). The group met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei to share information regarding the foundation and its objectives. Also discussed was the possibility of creating a partnership that would support the learning environment of the college. Members of PAIR who participated in the meeting were Dr. Victor Yano (President), Dr. Bertrand Graz (Vice President), and Dr. Christopher Kitalong (Secretary/Treasurer). The Switzerland Antenna Foundation members who attended the meeting were Mr. Denis Von der Weid (Director) and Ms. Mariana Veuvy (Project Manager). PAIR Vice President Dr. Graz is also the Switzerland Antenna Coordinator for Antenna Medicines. The Switzerland Antenna Foundation is committed to the scientific research of technological, health, and economic solutions in partnership with universities, non-profit organizations, and private companies to meet the basic needs of marginalized populations in developing countries. The foundation also collaborates with international organizations and local NGOs to maximize networks, resources, and results. The Swiss Antenna Foundation is currently partnered with the Pacific Institute of Academic Research, the Republic of Palau Ministry of Health, the Belau National Hospital, and the Belau National Clinic in order to improve the medical & health technologies available to the people of Palau.



(left to right): PAIR Vice President Dr. Bertrand Graz, PAIR President Dr. Victor Yano, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Switzerland Antenna Foundation Project Manager Mariana Veuvy, Switzerland Antenna Foundation Director Denis Von der Weid, and PAIR Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Christopher Kitalong

# **BIISAND PIECES**

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

# **Hours of Operation**

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

For more information, call: 488-3540.

#### **AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:** Mānoa: A Pacific Journal of INTERNATIONAL WRITING



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#### 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**

Mesekíu'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.



# SCHOLASTIC HONORS fall semester 2016 semester grade point average

The President's List and the Dean's List are compiled & published at the end of each semester. The lists include the names of full-time degree candidates completing at least twelve (12) credits from courses under the A-F Grading Scheme.

PRESIDENT'S LIST (GPA of 4.00)					
NAME	MAJOR	NAME	MAJOR		
Akira, Ngedengoll	LA - AA	Ngirkelau, Sylvester	GE - AAS		
Augustine, Bradley	EDEE - AS	Obeketang, Ochob	BA - AS		
Chin, Meilin	OA - AAS	Roberts, Malsol	UND		
Hanley, Jacquelyn	ES - AS	Taareb, Krystal	AG - AS		
Hasinto DeeAnn	BA - AS	Tutii, Irish	CPH - AS		
Kitalong, Wade	LA - AA	Wiley, Mary Catherine	BA - AS		
Ngemaes, Francine	CPH - AS				

#### DEAN'S LIST - HIGH HONOR (GPA of 3.80 - 3.99)

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NAME	MAJOR	NAME	MAJOR
Alex, Rita	BA - AS	Odaol, Stafford	CPH - AS
Clyde, Dilrodech	UND	Sakurai, Sean	LA - AA
David, Amanda	BU - AS	Tarkong, Jayvan	SE - AAS
Franco, Natalie	EDEE - AS	Wong, Joyah	LA - AA

#### DEAN'S LIST - HONOR (GPA of 3.50 - 3.79)

NAME	MAJOR	NAME	MAJOR				
Adelbai, Odaol	AM - AAS	Oimei, Myla	CJ - AS				
Benjamin, Minda	NU - AS	Ongalibang, Tibey	GE - AAS				
Charles Jr., Howard	IT - AS	Rebelkuul, Kirah	LA - AA				
Cooper, Zhatayen	LA - AA	Recheyungel, Shadrach	CT - AAS				
Edeyaoch, Kaytano	AM - AAS	Rechuld, Maria	AG - AAS				
Gabriel, Rubie	ES - AS	Reddin, Romeo	CJ - AS				
Halisheliut, Darwin	AG - AAS	Renguul, Taira	CJ - AS				
Higa, Shaik	AM - AAS	Roman, Rockley	THTS - AAS				
Kemesong, Surech	BA - AS	Skilang, Justice	UND				
Kiuluul, Marichelle	UND	Techitong, Luca	AA - LA				
Masayos, Komtil	BA - AS	Techitong, Regner	IT - AS				
Melaitau, Marlynda	CPH - AS	Ubedei, Harris	CJ - AS				
Melayong, Monaliza	CPH - AS	Wasisang, Phyla	UND				
Moses, Erickson	LA - AA	Yaoch, Edwin	AM - AAS				

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# CONGRATULATIONS FOR AN OUTSTANDING **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT!**

### **GUESS WHO!**

RULES: GUESS THE PEOPLE FEATURED IN THE PHOTO-GRAPH 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

#### BRUCE KATTIL (Class of 2010) ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - OFFICE ADMINISTRATION



Bruce graduated from PCC in 2010 with an AAS Degree in Office Administration. He currently works as an IT Technician for the College of the Marshall Islands (CMI).

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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.

### PCC CAMPUS PROFILES 2016 Christmas Program continued from page 1

After their performance, the members of the club distributed gifts from to the children. The gift bags included candies, pencils, and erasers. PCC would like to thank its music club for spreading the holiday spirit. The

Palau Children's Christmas Program is an annual event organized to promote the feeling of holiday spirit in the community. PCC has been actively involved in this annual program since its inception.



PCC Music Club performing at the 2016 Children's Program at Ernguul Central Park



- (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 students distributing gift bags to the children at Ernguul Central Park

