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Palau Community College



MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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Board of Trustees Annual Organizational Meeting



From left to right; Pres. Patrick U. Tellei, Student Trustee Jediah Masahiro, Chairman Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl, Vice Chair Rev. Billy Kuartei, Min. of State and Secretary Treasurer Dr. Emais Roberts, Min. of Health

Pursuant to Republic of Palau Public Law RPPL4-2, the Board of Trustees of Palau Community College held its Annual Organizational meeting on Monday, January 9th (2nd Mon. of Jan.) to elect its officers and establish its calendar of regular meetings. At the meeting the Board voted to retain the same officers for 2017. The officers for calendar year 2017 are Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl, Chairman; Rev. Billy G. Kuartei, Vice Chair; and Dr. Emais Roberts, Secretary/Treasurer. Also serving on the Board of Trustees is Student Trustee Jediah E. Masahiro. By law, the Student Trustee is elected to the Board to serve as a full fledged voting member representing the interests of the student body. There are currently two (2) vacancies on the Board of Trustees. The Board elected Masa-Aki N. Emesiochl to continue to serve on the College of Micronesia Land Grant Program under each of the three regional colleges. It is a three member governing body with one regent each representing the Federated States of Micronesia, The Republic of The Marshall Islands, and The Republic of Palau. The Board has adopted a schedule to meet regularly on a monthly basis. All board meetings are announced to the public via radio announcements and bulletin postings five days prior to their meeting date. All board meetings, except for executive sessions, are open to the public.

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.

FSA Scholarship Recipients Awarded!

On January 26th the Faculty Staff Association had a small ceremony to award the recipients of the FSA Scholarship Award. The two students who received the awards are Howard Rekeewis Charles Jr. and Mary Catherine Wiley. These students were given the scholarship award in the amount of \$500 each for the Academic Year of 2016-2017. Both Howard and Mary Catherine had met the required CGPA for the FSA Scholarship and are both deserving of the award for their hard work and efforts. Pictured below are the students with faculty that make up the FSA being given their awards and congratulated by the staff to show their support in the students education endeavors. Congratulations Howard and Mary Catherine! It goes to show what you can achieve when you dedicate yourselves to your studies and you're both well deserving of the recognition.



FSA Scholarship recipients and Faculty Staff Association

2017 Taiwan ICDF Higher Education Scholarship

The 2017 Taiwan International Cooperation and Development Fund (ICDF) International Higher Education Scholarship Program is now accepting applications. The Taiwan ICDF provides scholarships for higher education and has developed undergraduate, graduate and Ph.D. programs in cooperation with renowned partner universities in Taiwan. Students accepted under the scholarship program will each receive a full scholarship that includes return airfare, housing, tuition & credit fees, insurance, textbook costs, and monthly allowances. This year, there are thirty-one (31) Programs offered for Taiwan ICDF Scholarship applica-

Applications must be completed online (<http://www.icdf.org.tw>) and submitted by March 17, 2017.



Former Dir. Thull donates new books to PCC



Library staff pictured with book donations, Thull (inset)

On Tuesday Feb.7th Tan Siu Lin PCC library received a very generous package of books, ranging from children's books to fictions and non-fictions, donated by former Director of Library Services, James Thull. Mr. Thull, who was appointed as Director of Library Services back in 2015, made many significant changes that have since made Library Operations noticeably efficient. Thull has returned home to the United States to attend to his personal and family obligations. Although Mr. Thull no longer works with us, his dedication to Palau Community College and the education endeavors of our students remains as evident as when he was here working to help improve our College. James' continued support for our school is greatly appreciated and we wish to recognize his efforts. So, on behalf of the entire PCC community, Thank you James for your invaluable support, you are missed dearly and shall be remembered for your great works here. We wish you all the best in life.

PCC CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) NON-CREDIT COURSES OFFERED

The Palau Community College Continuing Education (CE) is offering non-credit courses this week in the area of art and design training:

CUSTOMER SERVICE
HOW TO START A SMALL BUSINESS
TIME MANAGEMENT
SECRETARIAL TRAINING
KEYBOARDING
BASIC PALAUAN
ENGLISH CONVERSATION
ENGLISH WRITING
BASIC MANDARIN (CHINESE)
REPORT WRITING
TEAM-BUILDING
BUILDING OFFICE SKILLS
BASIC MECHANIC
BASIC SMALL ENGINES

For more information regarding the training being offered by the PCC Continuing Education (CE) Department, please contact the Ms. Courtney Joshua at (tel): 488-6223.

Continuing Education Department

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2017 MOFA TAIWAN SCHOLARSHIP

for Undergraduate, Master, or Doctoral Degrees
sponsored by the Taiwan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)



The Taiwan Scholarship Program is a joint initiative launched by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), the Ministry of Education (MOE), the Ministry of Economic Affairs (MOEA), and the National Science Council (NSC) in 2004. The MOFA Taiwan Scholarship continues to encourage outstanding students to pursue academic degrees in Taiwan and to deepen their understanding of Taiwan's academic environment, thereby enhancing exchanges, and building friendships between Taiwan and their home nations. The MOFA Taiwan Scholarship is, in principle, granted to students from countries that have diplomatic relations with Taiwan. However, special consideration may also be given to students from other countries.

Applications must be submitted to the Republic of China - Taiwan Embassy in Palau (located at the WCTC Shopping Center Building) by March 24, 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: ASIAN DIVER MAGAZINE



"With articles drawn from the world's best underwater journalists, photographers, and academics specializing in the vast region of Asia, *Asian Diver Magazine* was created for the serious diver who understands the challenging lure of the deep blue."

Academic Calendar: Spring 2017

March 06-10 (M-F)

Mid-Term Period

March 27 (M)

Last Day for All Withdrawals

March 30 (TH)

Summer 2017 Pre-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.

Director of Development attends Crisis Emergency Risk Communication (CERC) training

On Tuesday, February 7th, PCC Director of Development Tchuzie Tadao was invited to attend a training seminar at the Penthouse hotel called CERC, which stands for Crisis Emergency Risk Communication. The seminar was conducted by the Public Health Emergency Preparedness office (PHEP-MOH) and focused on training people, who are part of the communication and public relations field, the processes behind disseminating information to the public during a national emergency situation. Most, if not all, organizations or large companies have a person in position who speaks to the media and public on behalf of the company or organization. Within government offices, people in this line of work are referred to as Public Information Officers, or PIO's, similar to a private company's public relations officer. The role of this person in an organization is to be the face and voice of the company that the public can identify with and trust to receive their official news information. One such face most of us already know, for example, would be the ROP President's Press Secretary, Olkeriil Kazuo, who regularly appears on Television and on the radio to share the most up to date information out of the Executive Office of The President.

These PIO's work on behalf of their respective organizations interests, and independently from one another; although, there are certain situations where they are called to work in unity for the sake of sharing centralized information to the general public to avoid mixed messages, for example, during a national crisis. In times of emergency, several agencies including the Ministry of Health (MOH), The Bureau of Public Safety (BPS), and the National Emergency Management Office (NEMO) are tasked to organize and activate the national response plan. During these times of crisis these organizations come together and assign their personnel to each of their respective obligations as Responders. One of the most important responders in these situations are the PIO's who are responsible for getting out information as quickly as possible, through the appropriate channels, to the general public as to try to prevent mass hysteria or panic and to provide safety information and instruction. It is critical that PIO's are trained well before they go in front of the Public to share any information because their use of words, diction, body language and many other factors can greatly affect the Public's reaction. A PIO tasked to calm a panicking crowd can tell his audience "...not to worry, the situation is under control" but if he is noticeably sweaty, shaky, nervous or un-sure of himself, he can make situations worse. That is the purpose of these CERC training seminars; so that in times of crisis we can all work together to prevent any loss of life or property.

Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Ms. Hasinta Idechong. Ms. Idechong works in the Accounting & Finance Division of the Palau Public Utilities Corporation (PPUC). Thank you, Ms. Idechong, for your contribution to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

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 two (2) administrative members who have been employed at the college for many years. If you could identify the two 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

FABIAN IYAR

(Class of 1993)

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



Fabian Iyar graduated in 1993 with an AS Degree in Business Administration Program. Then Continued on the the University of Guam where he recieved his bachelors and MBA. He is currently an Executive Director for Palau Community Action Agency (PCAA).



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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.

Bulletin: **NOTICE** for students

Federal Work Study Placement

Financial Aids' Federal Work Study Placement began on Tuesday and will end on Monday (02/07 to 02/13/17) Students Federal Work Study awards will be cancelled if he/she fails to come for placement. Thank you.

30th Pacific Educational Conference from July 17 to July 21, 2017 at Koror, Palau

"Bedochel e Motekau el Kedul a Omesuub el Kirel a Klungioliir a Rengalek."
(Quality and Sustainability in Education for Student Success)

Celebrating Birthdays

Jay Olegeriil	February 10
Robert Ramarui	February 13
Demy Emesiochel	February 16
David Fry	February 16



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
- (5) Secretary
(Academic Affairs Office)
salary range: \$9,892 - \$17,567 per annum
- (6) Admissions Counselor
(PCC Student Services Division)
salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (7) Security Service Officer
(Administration Department)
salary range: \$6,709 - \$11,475 per annum
- (8) Accounting Technician (Purchase Order Technician)
(Administration Department - Business Office)
salary range: \$9,913 - \$16,954 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



<http://pcc.palau.edu>



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