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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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**Weekly Newsletter** 

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## **Beta Omicron Zeta Inducts New Members**



New members of Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter of Palau Community College with Dr. Tellei and college officials

Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society - Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter held an induction ceremony on Thursday, Feb. 28,

2013 at Assembly Hall. Witnessing the ceremony were Dr. Tellei, Dean Chilton, Dean Daniel and other college officials with mem-Beta Omicron cont'd on p.2

### Education Week Students Investment Conference

Once again, the Asia Pacific Association of Fiduciary Studies (APAFS) and Palau Community College presents a great education opportunity for our students during this year's education week. On March 14th, a second students investment conference will be held in the PCC Assembly Hall featuring an experts in the field of investment and finance Jason Mayashita, Instructor/Accredited Investment Fiduciary

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## MVS & PCC Thank Rescue Operation Parties



U.S Deputy of Mission Tom Daley (back row left) and, USCGC Washinton (WPB1331) commanding officer Lt. Nathan P. MacKenzie (2nd row right) with with crew and Alingano Maisu crew (& family members) and voyagers.

March 04, 2013 6:29 a.m. - Chipper Tellei of NECO Marine (on behalf of MVS) informed of a distress call from Sesario

Sewralur to the Republic of Palau's Ministry of Justice - Bureau of Public Safety Patrol Division -- Alingano Maisu was taking on

water and sinking. Location at 7 degrees 50 minutes North/136 degrees 7 minutes East - 90 miles west, southwest of Ngulu Island.

**7:02 a.m.** Mr. Sewralur called Dr. Tellei with a satellite phone and informed him of the situation; had already pressed the distressed signal, and that all ten people on board were safe. In the Bureau of Public Safety Division of Marine Law Enforcement, Chief Thomas Tutii alerted US Coast Guard Guam.

**7:40 a.m.** The US Coast Guard Guard Office contacted Dr. Tellei and requested information pertaining to Alingano Maisu's photograph, safety equipment, and the number of people on board.

**7:45 a.m.** Rodney Kazuma, PCC employee, called PCC Jay Olegeriil and reaffirmed their location and emergency status. The three females on board had been placed in the lifeboat; the Maisu is floating.

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Palau Community College is an accessible public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of the students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

## AG Program Donates to **PTHSE**

Instructor Alex Gachalian and students in Landscaping Class 216 donated about 19 pots of tropical ornamental plants "Amranth" to Palau Tourism & Hospitality School of Excellence. The plants were grown at Ngermeskang nursery (PCC-CRE campus) in Ngaremlengui. The request from instructor Soledad Garcia is part of a landscaping plan to grace the front yard of the "School of Excellence" with local plants and flowers.



Instructor Garcia & PTHSE students.

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bers' families, friends, and classmates.

#### New Officers

Nicole Adachi, President Sharnel Sumang, Vice President Antoni Soalablai, Secretary McMichael Mutok, Treasurer



Installation of new officers by Dean Daniel.

#### New Members

Nicole Adachi, Talitha Alexander Joseph Anastacio, Judgewin Daniel Ucheliou Filibert, Ciara Haruo Jenelle Joseph, Emily Loughlin McMichael Mutok, Desiiu Ngirkelau Sarahly Okada, Six Ridep Sukrad Sbal. K-La Shiro O'hara Skebong, Antoni Soalablai Sharnel Sumang, Leolin Tellei Iolani Kyota

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(Front L-R) Landon Sewralur, Reklai Bao Ngirmang, Trudy Sewralur, Rodney & Mechelins Kazuma (daughter), and Dyl- to the scene to locate the vessel. lan Sewralur. (Back L-R) Frutoso Tellei, Dr. Tellei, Arbedul 9:00 p.m. Kabekl Metal returned to Koshiba, Sesario Sewralur, and Miano Sowraenpiy.

Instruction was given to him and Sewralur to establish contact every 15 minutes.

8:07 a.m. Chief Tutii informed that US Coast Guard Cutter Washington, which is docked at Malakal Port, was positioned to sail to the location. Likewise, the PSS Haruo Remeliik, on routine patrol in the Southwest Islands of Palau, had been diverted and en route to the location.

8:50 a.m. Chief Tutii informed that in accordance to established protocols, M/V Hyundai Unity, which is approximately two hours from the location, had changed course and was heading to the location.

9:04 a.m. Mr. Sewralur called and updated Dr. Tellei of their current location - 7 degrees 50 minutes North/136 degrees 6 minutes East - with the current pushing westward.

9:49 a.m. Mr. Sewralur contacted Dr. Tellei that a ship was heading toward them. Dr. Tellei instructed him to call again immediately after the ship rescues them; to assess the condition of Alingano Maisu; and to indicate the feasibility of towing it home.

9:55 a.m. Lt. May of Coast Guard in Guam contacted Dr. Tellei and confirmed that they have received the email communication.

10:30 a.m. Mr. Sewralur called Dr. Tellei and informed him that M/V Hyundai Unity was alongside the canoe. He also indicated that he had dived several times to ascertain the location of the leak of Alingano Maisu but was unable to locate it. Dr. Tellei advised Mr. Sewralur to call again after the rescue. 10.33 a.m. Dr. Tellei called Guam Coast Guard and related Mr. Sewralur's recent call. He was informed that US Coast Guard Cutter Washington was en route to the site and a transfer of the people rescued will take place.

11:00 a.m. Mr. Sewralur notified Dr. Tellei that Alingano Maisu crew/voyagers are on board M/V Hyundai Unity.

6:30 p.m. USCGC Washington arrived at Malakal Port inside Belau Transfer & Terminal's compound with Alingano Maisu crew and voyagers.

March 05, 2013 With the crew and voyagers safe, rescue efforts shifted to salvaging Alingano Maisu.

6:00 a.m. Both Kabekl Metal and Demul of NECO Marine departed Koror to locate Alingano Maisu and bring it back to Koror.

9:00 a.m. Pat Colin flew his airplane

Koror to refuel while Demul with MVS President Shallum Etpison continued to tow Alingano Maisu to Koror.

March 06, 2013 8:00 a.m. Kabekl Metal returned to continue rescue operation with volunteer/alumni of Non-Instrument Navigation program Francis Toribiong and son, Melvin Toribiong.

12:00 noon PCC boat with maintenance crew departed Koror to assist with rescue operation.

**6:00 p.m.** Alingano Maisu reached NECO Marine dock and hoisted to safety. Work is scheduled to assess the damage and restore the vessel so that it can continue to be used as a learning platform for Non-Instrument Navigation classes.

#### Special Acknowledgement

US Deputy of Mission Tom Daley Lt. Nathan P. MacKenzie & Crew, USCGC Washington

Capt. Casey White, US Coast Guard Sector Guam

M/V Hvundai Unity

Australian Maritime Surveillance Advisors

Republic of Palau

Vice President/Minister of Justice Antonio Bells

Acting Director Victoria Rowe, Bureau of Public Safety

Chief Thomas Tutii, Div. of Marine Law Enforcement

Engineer Rodney Wong & Crew of Kabekl Metal (Patrol Boat)

MVS President Shallum Etpison NECO Marine & Crew of Demul

**MVS Members** 

Francis Toribiong & Melvin Toribiong Pacific Mission Aviation

Patrick Colin. Coral Reef Research Foundation

Belau Transfer and Terminal Company PCC Maintenance Crew PCC Food Services

#### **BITS AND PIECES...**

#### **TOEFL Test Date**

TOEFL TEST - MAY 04, 2013 SATURDAY

**Online Registration Deadline** 

April 01, 2013 \$160.00

#### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Thursday: 8am - 8pm
Friday: 8am - 5pm
Saturday: 9am - 6pm
Sunday: CLOSED
Call 488-3540 for information

#### Calendar of Events

Mar 4-8 (M-F) Mid-Term Period

Mar 11-14 (M-F) Students' Spring Break

March 15 (F) Youth Day (Holiday)

March 22 (F) Last Day for All Withdrawals

#### News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIU'S NEWS welcomes stories/ articles/announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and/or electronic copies to dilubchs@palau.edu and alvinam@palau.edu.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

Please call 488-2470/2471 x 251, 252, & 253 for more information.

# TOEFL® PBT Test Strategy

Contributed by Shelley Ueki

## Practicing Your Skills Is the Key to Success

#### **Use English Every Day**

Set aside time each day to communicate only in English. Listen, read and write in English every chance you get.

#### Write

Make notes for yourself and write down daily reminders, using new words and common expressions. Practice with emails if you can. Practice writing a summary of a book you just read. This helps with sentence structure and vocabulary.

#### **Listen**

Listen to music, radio, television, movies and online broadcasts (if available) in English. The more you listen, the more you will understand vocabulary and expressions. Music helps you acquire the rhythm and stress patterns of spoken English. Listen closely to the words.

#### Read

Reading is the best way to improve your vocabulary. English-language reading materials — newspapers, magazines, books and websites — are always available. Choose your favorites! Try some academic reading material to prepare for communicating at the university level in English.

#### Keep a Journal

Write down things you are doing to prepare for college and other events in your daily life. This is a great way to organize your thoughts and practice writing in English. You can track your own progress. Read it to yourself and read it out loud.

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Tips for Success on Test Day
How to Mark Your Answers on the
Answer Sheet

### Conference cont'd from p.1

Analyst and Senior Investment Management Consultant at Morgan Stanley, local bank executives and Dr. Patrick U. Tellei who serves on the APAFS Board of Directors. Topics will include: Investment 101, How to Read a Stock Table, and Introduction to Banking. On the second day of the conference, field experts will conduct the FI360 AIF Review and Retest for a selected group of finance executives from local agencies. APAFS was established by a forward thinking group of fiduciaries from throughout Asia and Pacific region. It is a non-profit educational association with the aim of providing educational forum for fiduciaries in the region, so that they can better exercise prudent stewardship of the funds entrusted to their care. It pursues its educational role in a variety of ways, including the Annual Regional Investment Conferences which include student competitions, Country Conferences, and Student Investment Conferences such as

PCC is proud to be a partner in this educational platform and wishes to invite all interested college and high school students and instructors to the conference. Interested students and teachers may contact Associate Dean Robert Ramarui or Keiden Kintol at the Academic Affairs Office, 488-2470/2471/2740, Extension 245.

## Meyuns Head Start Kids Tour Library

On Friday, Feb. 22, 2013, Meyuns Head Start kids with their parents and teachers toured the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library and were presented with a Read Aloud by a library staff Raven Kloulubak and Library & Information intern, Lawrence Tiwelital.

The teachers were Shirley Deltang, Relia Rhodas, Arlene Trolii, Diksela Olsingch, Virginia Emetero, and Mericis Emilio.

The kids, teachers, and parents with Manager Pioria Asito in front of the architectural model of ROP capitol at Ngerulmud, Melekeok State.



#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### <u>Class of 1992</u>

O'Eve Omechelang Idip



Eamed a Certificate of Achievement in General Office Clerk. She has worked as a Team Leader (Supervisor) for the past sixteen and half years at Duty Free Shoppers.

Message: Education is important.

## Class of 2009 Maria Paula P. Ngoriakl



Earned an Associate of Science in Business Accounting. After graduation, she was hired as an Accounting Clerk at Moylan's Insurance Underwriters. She has worked there for three years and ten months.

Message: Don't give up

Message: Don't give up trying to do what you really want to do. Where there's love and inspira-

tion, you can't go wrong. Make your passion your profession.

## Class of 2012 Samantha Ewatel



Earned an Associate of Applied Science in Tourism & Hospitality - Hotel Operations. She has worked at Palasia as a Reservation Agent for seven months.

Message: Study Hard.

#### 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 alumnus/alumna or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone numbers 488-2470/2471 x 251, 252, and 253.

We would like to feature you in future Mesekíw's News issues. PCC website: www.palau.edu



#### RENTAL BOOK RETURNS SPRING 2013

All students are urged to RETURN their RENTED BOOKS before or on FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2013.

See Alvina @ Development Office

Thank you for your cooperation!

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#### Vacancy Announcement

- (1) Federal Work-Study Coordinator, Office of Admissions & Financial Aid Salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (2) English Instructor, Learning Resource Center Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (3) Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Instructor Academic Affairs Salary range: \$16,010 - \$21,191 per annum
- (4) Math Instructor, Learning Resource Center Salary range: \$14,802 \$24,647 per annum
- (5) Librarian, Tan Siu Lin PCC Library Salary range: \$16,010 - \$24,647 per annum

For application forms and information, please contact Harline Haruo at PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, ext. 227.

Email hr@palau.edu or download form at <a href="https://www.palau.edu">www.palau.edu</a>

#### A Note of Condolence to Armstrong "Polo" Debelbot

May God Bless You & Your Family!

from PCC administrators, faculty & staff, and students

#### PCC Endowment Fund Donors

Dr. Tellei, administrators, faculty and staff, and students THANK YOU for your commitment to increase our College's Endowment Fund.

Please file your application for tax refund on or before Friday,
March 29, 2013.

Stop by the Development Office for assistance.

#### **Celebrating Birthdays**

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