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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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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 Friday, February 16, 2018. Four (4) new officers were sworn-in along with the fourteen (14) members who were inducted into the honors society.

The ceremony began with opening remarks from PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei followed by an introduction of the society's emblem by PTK President Jacquelyn Hanley. PCC President Tellei also led the induction of the new members while 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, candles were lit to symbolize the knowledge that would lead them forward in their academic pursuits.

The newly inducted PTK members are Ms. Ngedengoll Akira, Ms. Osisang Dibeck Chilton, Ms. Charlene Cubacub, Ms. Mechereng Emesiochel, Ms. Dahlia Fabian, Ms. Jacquelyn Hanley,

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### Financial Aid Sessions



The Director of Financial Aid, Ms, Dahlia M. Katosang and her staff conducted a total of nine Financial Aid Orientation 3 sessions from February 12, 2018 to February 22, 2018 at the Palau Community College Assembly Hall for Palau's high school students and PCC continuing students. During the sessions, Director Katosang discussed Federal Student Aid Programs, it's eligibility requirements and assisted interested students in completing the financial aid forms, including the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Over 74% of continuing students attended the orientation sessions. Director Katosang reiterated that "we will continue to reach out to the remaining (26%) students who did not attend the session and offer assistance to them. As soon as students complete their financial aid forms, we will be able to process their financial aid awards for the 2018-2019 Award Year". For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid at (680)488-4270/2471, ext. 235 or via Email at [dahliapcc@palaunet.com](mailto:dahliapcc@palaunet.com)

## Japan's SAKURA Science Exchange



Back row: Dr. Yasushi Ishihara, McQuinnley Mesengei, Maikani Andres, Daysha Adelbai, Masasinge Hideos; Front row: Ms. Azuca, Tristen Isacc, Sherry Ngirmereil (instructor), Leah Marie Bukurow

Six Environmental/Marine Science (EMS) students were privileged to participate in a week-long study tour of Japan's science and technology programs made possible through the Sakura Science Exchange program of the government of Japan. Among the places visited were the two campuses of Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology (JAMSTEC) at Yokohama and Yokosuka. JAMSTEC promotes advanced research and technological development projects for Japan in the fields of Earth & Marine sciences. The students attended three hours of lectures by various research scientists and were given tours of the lab facilities, including one of the research vessels. JAMSTEC is the home of SHINKAI 6500, the only manned submersible in the world that can dive down to 6,500 m.

The students were given a rare chance to visit the lab where SHINKAI was being overhauled and the pressure room where they recreate pressure conditions of different ocean depths and test

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## K.E.S Career day at PCC



Director Tchuzie Tadao, KES 8<sup>th</sup> Grader Aliyah Franz, and PCC Staff Ayshia Udui

On February 16, 2018 students from Koror Elementary School (KES) spent half-day at PCC for job shadowing. Students were exposed to day to day operation of various college offices including tasks involved. KES job shadowing program provides opportunity for 8th graders to explore and learn different jobs on campus. One of the 8th grader, Ms. Aliyah Franz spend time with the Development Office learning about Mesekiu's News publication.

## SAKURA *Continued from left column*

pressure capabilities of different materials used in building their research submersibles and deep-water research instruments. The students also visited the National Museum of Nature and Science in Ueno, Tokyo. This museum is one of Japan's largest integrated natural science museums. The high-quality, authentic specimens on display captured the students' interest and imagination in natural sciences. The variety of displays focus on subjects related to Earth, evolution of life, advancement of science and technology, and space. At the National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Miraikan), the students were able to enjoy hands-on contact with the latest science technologies used in research of our global environment, space exploration, and life sciences. They also had the opportunity to experience the latest robot technologies. They were able to watch a demonstration by the Honda robot called Asimo. Asimo has been described as the world's most advanced humanoid robots.

The group also visited the Enoshima Aquarium at Fujisawa where they were given a guided-tour by the chief curator, which included tours of behind-the-scenes lecture about the operations of the aquarium. Their displays were just captivating from the tiniest jellyfish to the huge manta rays, sharks, turtles, even schools of sardines, and a lot more. The day ended with an incredible dolphin show. The freezing temperatures and wind chill did not dissuade the students' high spirits throughout the 20-minute show.

This study tour was made possible through the Sakura Science Exchange program by the government of Japan. PCC students and a science instructor were invited to participate in this study tour by Dr. Yasushi Ishihara, a seismologist with JAMSTEC. Dr. Ishihara has been monitoring seismic activities in Palau for nearly 20 years and has his instruments set up on PCC campuses in Koror and Ngaremlengui. We would like to express our most sincere appreciation to Dr. Ishihara for providing this wonderful learning opportunity for the PCC students and the instructor as well.

## Big Thanks to PCC Maintenance



*PCC thanks maintenance for cleaning up the campus*

# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

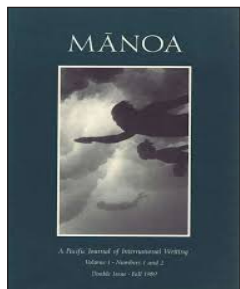
Monday to Thursday	7:30AM - 7PM
Friday	7:30AM - 5PM
Saturday	9AM - 6PM
Sunday	CLOSED

For more information, call:  
488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED

#### READERS:

#### MANOA JOURNAL



Mānoa (subtitled A Pacific Journal of International Writing) is a literary journal that includes American and international fiction, poetry, artwork, interviews, and essays of current cultural or literary interest. A notable feature of each issue is original translations of contemporary work from Asian and Pacific nations, selected for each issue by a special guest editor. Mānoa, meaning 'vast and deep' in the Hawaiian language, presents both traditional and contemporary writings from the entire Pacific Rim. Mānoa is published semiannually by the University of Hawaii Press and was established in 1989.

## Academic Calendar: Spring 2018

### February 23 (F)

Last Day to Remove Incomplete  
Grades for Fall 2017

## 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](mailto:tchuziet@palau.edu) or [tchuziet@gmail.com](mailto:tchuziet@gmail.com).

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcomed.

Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253) for more information.

## Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributors, Carsla Frank, Harley Edeluchel, Joseph Tiobech, Dietz Rengechel, and Marion Kual. Carsla Frank works at the PCAA Medalaii Head Start, Harley Edeluchel works at Koror State, Joseph Tiobech works at the Bureau of Agriculture - MNRET, Dietz Rengechel works at the Office of the Vice President - MOJ, and Marion Kual works at George B. Harris - MOE.

Thank you, Carsla Frank, Harley Edeluchel, Joseph Tiobech, Dietz Rengechel, and Marion Kual for your contributions to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donations will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

### PTK Induction Ceremony CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Ms. Dee Ann Hasinto, Ms. Samantha Iyar, Ms. Kazue Joseph, Ms. Marichelle Kiuluul, Ms. Jenna Mersai, Ms. Francine Ngemaes, Mr. Esilong Ngiraiwet, Ms. Tessy Nobuo, Ms. Ochob Obeketang, Ms. Kirah Rebelkuul, Mr. Malsol Roberts, and Ms. Taira Renguul.

The new officers for the PTK Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter are Ms. Jacquelyn Hanley (President), Ms. Charlene Cubacub (Vice President), Ms. Ochob Obeketang (Secretary), and Ms. Marichelle Kiuluul (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 Director Hilda N. Reklai at the PCC Student Life Office (tel): 488-2690 or 488-3036.


## CE Smartphone Basic Training

Palau Community College Continuing Education Office will be conducting a Smartphone Basic Training to all interested individuals. Interested individuals please register at PCC Continuing Education Office from Monday to Friday anytime from 8 am to 5 pm. Registration fee of \$25

- Operate Smartphone
- Use Preinstalled applications
- Download new applications
- use mobile data
- update smartphone
- Set up smartphone
- Change ringtone
- Register contact
- Use Share It application
- Operate camera
- others

Register now and save your slot, First Come, First Serve!!

Silver Anniversary Silver Anniversary



**PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Palau Community College to celebrate

25<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary  
April 6, 2018

Charter Day  
Celebration Activities :

President's Run & Walk  
Traditional Fun and Games  
Canoe Racing


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## ALUMNI NOTES

**PAMELA SWEI**  
(Class of 1998)  
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS PROGRAM



Ms. Pamela Swei graduated from PCC in May 1998 with an AA Degree in Liberal Arts Program. Ms. Swei is currently working as a Principal at Emmaus Bethania High School.



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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.

### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Math Instructor/ Tutor (2)  
*(PCC Upward Bound Program Office)*  
depending on qualifications & hrs,  
salary ranges from \$100 - \$200 biweekly
- (2) English Instructor/ Tutor (2)  
*(PCC Upward Bound Program Office)*  
depending on qualifications & hrs,  
salary ranges from \$100 - \$200 biweekly
- (3) Tourism & Hospitality Instructor  
*(PCC Education and Training Department/  
Academic Affairs Division)* depending on  
qualifications and work experience salary  
ranges from \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (4) Air Condition & Refrigeration Instructor  
depending on qualifications & work experience  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (5) Construction Technology Instructor  
depending on qualifications & work experience  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Social Studies/Humanities Instructor  
depending on qualifications & work experience  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (7) Community and Public Health Instructor  
depending on qualifications & work experience  
salary range: \$18,009 - \$31,810 per annum
- (8) Maintenance Technicians (4)  
*(Administration Department - Physical Plant)*  
salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (9) Library Assistant  
*(PCC Education & Training Department)*  
salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 per annum
- (10) Counselor  
*(PCC Student Services Division)*  
salary range: \$12,653 - \$19,479 per annum
- (11) Admissions Counselor  
*(PCC Student Services Division)*  
salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (12) Cook  
*(Administration Department)*  
salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 per annum
- (13) Accounting Technician (Purchase Order Technician)  
*(Administration Department - Business Office)*  
salary range: \$9,913 - \$16,954 per annum
- (14) Researcher/ Aquaculture  
*(Cooperative Research & Extension Office)*  
salary range: \$30,000 per annum
- (15) Researcher/ Agronomist  
*(Cooperative Research & Extension Office)*  
salary range: \$30,000 per annum
- (16) Researcher/ Food Technologist  
*(Cooperative Research & Extension Office)*  
salary range: \$30,000 per annum
- (17) Director Human Resources  
*(Administration)*  
salary range: \$18,730 - 28,833 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](mailto:hr@palau.edu), or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

**"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."**

### Celebrating Birthday

Grace Salvador
February 29

Oliver Tebelak
March 3



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

## 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!**

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



<http://pcc.palau.edu>



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## SPECIAL BULLETIN

The sewer main installation at PCC parking lot has commenced, therefore all staff, faculty, students, and administrators are asked to cooperate and make use of all other available parking slots throughout campus to ensure that work on the sewer is unhindered and that the safety of all PCC constituents and patrons and their vehicles are secured.

For more information, contact 488-2470/2471.

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