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# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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### **PCC-CRE Supports Local Milkfish Farmers**



Milkfish fry being acclimatized before releasing into the nursery ponds in Ngatpang

In support of Palau's aquacultural development in the area of commercial farming, the Cooperative Research & Extension of Palau Community College (PCC-CRE) recently implemented a project that supports the local production of milkfish (Chanos chanos). Milkfish (known as "aol" in Palau) seeds are imported from outside sources. By establishing a local source for milkfish seeds, PCC-CRE can guarantee that local commercial fish farms continue in support of Palau's economy.

The project was implemented in September 2014 with funding from the College of Micronesia (COM) Land Grant Program and the Center for Tropical and Subtropical Aquaculture (CTSA) based in Hawaii. It is also being conducted in collaboration with the Oceanic Institute of Hawaii Pacific University, Shallum Etpison (SE) Aquaculture, and the Ngerdubech Corporation that operates a milkfish farm in Ngatpang.

In 2018, Two major aquaculture farms being run by the Ngerdubech Corporation and Hiromi Nabeyama in Ngatpang State are among the beneficiaries of the first batch of locally produced milkfish fry from PCC Multi-species Hatchery located in Ngermetengel, Ngeremlengui State in this year 2018.

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#### **PCC Mesekiu Undefeated**



2018 PCC Mesekiu Basketball Team with their Head Coach Norman J. Sato

On March 27, 2018 PCC Mesekiu Basketball team played at the National Gym against Ngerbeched Team to capture 7 straight win this season. It was a close game with both teams kept each other on toes. The game feels like the inverse of last year's season. This year, the PCC Mesekiu had won more games as compared to the last seasons. With current standing, it looks like PCC Mesekiu will once again outdo its competitors and cling to this year's title.

DATE	TEAMS	SCORE
2/21/2018	Ksau Warriors vs. PCC	93-99
2/27/2018	PCC vs. Ngermid	91-79
3/2/2018	Topside vs. PCC	86-88
3/7/2018	Breakers vs. PCC	69-87
3/14/2018	MedaBoys vs. PCC	75-82
3/21/2018	FourWheeler vs. PCC	98-104
3/27/2018	Ngerbeched vs. PCC	85-94

#### 2018 Graduation Committee Meeting



On March 23, 2018, the Graduation Committe for the school year 2018 met to discuss the details of the upcoming 55th Commencement Exercises and also a 25th anniversary of Palau Community College. In his memorandum dated March 20, 2018 PCC President Tellei stressed that as an institution of higher learning, everything that we do surrounds student learning and student success. Hence, it is only appropriate that we begin our planning and preparation early to ensure a most successful celebration for our students and their families.

With this year's being the 25th Silver Anniversary of the college, PCC Graduation Committee is tasked to ensure that ceremony's program, script, logistics, awards & publicity are in place. The ceremony will also highlight achievements during this period, including special presentation of faculty and alumni. On Friday March 23, 2018 Committee Chairman, Dean Robert Ramarui called the first meeting of all members. The meeting discussed and selected members of subcommittees including tasks to be reported in the next meeting. For more information on 2018 Graduation Ceremony please contact Dean Robert Ramarui at 488-2470/1 ext. 245



## PCC Faculty Senate Association 9th Annual Gentlemen's Gournnet

**Food Tasting Event** 

PCC Faculty Senate Association is hosting its 9th Annual Gentlemen's Gourmet food tasting event on Saturday, April 14, 2018 7:00 pm to 10:30 pm at the Ngarachamayong Cultural Center.

Come and enjoy the culinary creations of local gentlemen & Chefs.

Buy a ticket for only \$20 each and you will be entered for a chance to win fabulous prizes. Not only that, you will get 1 complimentary drink of your choice and the opportunity to taste some of the most delicious dishes from around the world.



Money raised will help secure scholarships for future PCC Students.

If you would like to be a chef, buy a ticket, or make a donation, please call 488-2471 ext. 240 and ask for Cecil Meteolechol, Evangeline Andrew, Midori Mersai, Samantha Bells, Suzette Hinojales or any FSA Members. Or email Suzette Hinojales at suzetteg@palau.edu

#### BITS AND PIECES...

#### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

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

For more information, call: 488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: ARTASIAPACIFIC MAGAZINE



ArtAsiaPacific is the longest running Englishlanguage periodical solely dedicated to covering contemporary art and culture from Asia, the Pacific, and the Middle East. It is published five times a year along with an annual almanac edition that recounts the past year in Asian and Pacific art, and is distributed internationally. A typical issue will include news events in Asian contemporary art, i.e. major auction results, museum openings, appointments, awards, and obituaries, along with profiles of up-and-coming artists, gossip (in the "Whispering Gallery" section), feature articles on important artists, themes, or events, and reviews of exhibitions, films, and books. The current incarnation of the magazine also includes a "Where I Work" series of articles where an artist describes their studio or workspace, and a "Projects in the Making" series where artists will preview works-in-progress.

#### **Academic Calendar: Spring 2018**

#### April 3 (T)

Summer Pre-Registration Open

#### **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.

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A total of 20,000 high quality milkfish fry were delivered to these farms for stocking in their nursery ponds on March 8 and 21, 2018. These milkfish fry were produced out of the 42,000 good eggs that were collected at the floating milkfish broodstock cage in Ngatpang State last February 7, 2018. Once these milkfish fry reach the size of more than 6 inches, they will be transferred to grow-out ponds and cages to further raise them until they reach the marketable size. In 2015, the Palau Community College through its Cooperative Research Extension in collaboration with a local farmer (Ngerdubech Corporation) and the Oceanic Institute of Hawaii Pacific University (OI-HPU) launched a two years research project that aimed to support the development of a sustainable aquaculture and minimize the dependence on imported fry for milkfish farming in the country.



This project was funded by the US Department of Agriculture – National Institute for Food and Agriculture (USDA-NIFA) through the College of Micronesia Land Grant program (COM-Land Grant) and the Center for Tropical and Subtropical Aquaculture (CTSA).



Since 2016, more than 150,000 locally produced milkfish fry were delivered to the local farmers after the captive milkfish broodstock in a floating cage successfully spawned almost year round even during the colder months (December through March) which are considered off season for milkfish spawning in neighboring milkfish fry producing countries like Philippines and Taiwan.



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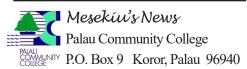
#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### ANDREW TABELUAL

(Class of 2004) ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE - EDUCATION



Mr. Andrew Tabelual graduated from Palau Community College in May 2004 with an AS Degree in Education. He furthered his education at San Diego State University and received a Bachelor of Education in 2012 and a Master of Arts degree in 2017. Mr. Tabelual currently a Director of Bureau of Eductation Administration at the Ministry Of Education.



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 Mesekíu'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 Affaris Division) depending on qualifications and work experience salary ranges from \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (4) Construction Technology Instructor depending on qualifications & work experience salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (5) Community and Public Health Instructor depending on qualifications & work experience salary range: \$18,009 - \$31,810 per annum
- (6) Financial Aid Counselor (Student Services - Office of Financial Aid) salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (7) Federal Work-Study Coordinator (Student Services - Office of Financial Aid) salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 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) Student Activities Specialist (2) (Student Life - Recreation) salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 per annum
- (PCC Student Services Division) salary range: \$12,653 - \$19,479 per annum
- (12) Admissions Counselor (PCC Student Services Division) salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (Administration Department) salary range: \$6,086 - \$10,408 per annum
- (14) Accounting Technician (Purchase Order Technician) (Administration Department - Business Office) salary range: \$9,913 - \$16,954 per annum
- (15) Researcher/Aquaculture (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, or download forms at http://pcc.palau.edu.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

#### **Celebrating Birthday**

Richard Saburo



April 3

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF OUR STUDENTS, OUR COLLEGE, AND OUR NATION

PCC Endowment Fund

#### 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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#### WATER RATIONING FOR KOROR AND AIRAI

PPUC would like to inform the public that due to the National Emergency Committee's (NEC) declaration of Stage 2: Water Shortage Warning requiring Mandatory Water Rationing, the following water rationing schedule will be implemented for KOROR AND AIRAI ONLY.

STARTING DATE Monday, March 26, 2018

WATER OFF 9:00pm to 5:00am WATER ON 5:00am to 9:00pm

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