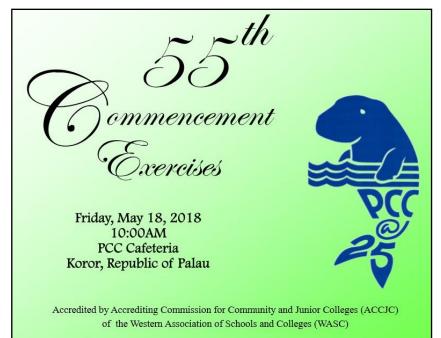


# PCC to Celebrate 55th Commencement Exercises



Palau Community College will be celebrating its 55th Commencement Exercises and 25th under RPPL 4-2 this coming Friday, May 18, 2018 at 10:00 am at the PCC Cafeteria. Over a hundred students from PCC and Adult High School are expected to graduate. The college is inviting the community to its 55th Commencement Exercises to commemorate and recognize the achievement of the PCC graduating class of 2018.

This year, the Palau Community College will be commemorating 25 years since March 19, 1993, when the Republic of Palau President Kuniwo Nakamura signed into law RPPL 4-2. This law established Palau Community College. On April 2, 1993 Micronesian Occupational College officially became Palau Community College, a national college with its own governing board.

The college is proud to celebrate this year's momentous occasion marking the 25 year milestone as the Republic's only institution of higher education.

For more information about the 55th PCC Commencement Exercises, please contact Graduation Committe Chair, Robert Ramarui at 488-2470/2471 ext. 245 or Todd Ngiramengior at ext. 225.

# **ROC-Taiwan Ambassador Visits**



Left to Right: Dean Robert Ramarui of Academic Affairs, Director Tchuzie Tadao of Development Office, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, ROC Taiwan Ambassador Wallace M. G. Chow, Third Secretary Steven H. W. Kang, PCC CRE Vice President Thomas Taro, and Dean of Students Sherman Daniel

On May 10, 2018 Republic of China-Taiwan Ambassador Wallace M. G. Chow visited Palau Community College. President Tellei gave a special presentation that provided comprehensive overview of the college mission, accreditation status, institutional learning outcomes, strategic directions, assessment process, personnel statistics, ROC-Taiwan language instructors, enrollment and graduate summary, various federal programs, college endowment, pension plan program, and college future projects.

Ambassador Chow was able to tour the campus with President Tellei and Dean Robert Ramarui prior to a lunch break.

Ambassador Chow thanked President Tellei and college administrators for the valuable information and a warm hospitality extended to him and his staff.



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.

## PCC CELBRATES 25 YEARS OF SUCCESS! ALUMNI PROFILE



Aquilla Masami Class of 2010 Liberal Arts

My name is Aquilla Masami and I'm currently working as an accountant for Palau Public Utilities Corporation. I have worked for PPUC since March 2015. I graduated from Palau Community College in 2010 with an Associate of Arts Degree. I later graduated from the University of Hawaii at Hilo with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. I chose PCC as the stepping stone for my post-secondary education simply because I wanted to experience college life while still having the comforts of home. PCC is an institution accredited by WASC - so my credits could be conveniently transferred to a four-year university. I did not have a job on campus nor did i have an internship during my PCC term but I did have workstudy. I was a Teacher's Assistant at Koror Elementary School. I believe it was for only one semester. Although I didn't have a internship, I was fortunate enough to receive PNSB's Summer Fellowship Award while attending UH Hilo. The award made it possible for me to return to Palau to attend summer internship program. I worked for Surangel & Sons Company, mostly with the accounting department. All the instructors I had were amazing, but the one who stood out the most is Mr. Joe Chilton. His classes were never dull and he always made learning a worthwhile experience. I enjoy the small class sizes, with a low-student teacher ratio, instructor were usually accessible. Students usually got the support and the attention they needed in order to excel. I have always been a shy, reserved person. I had trouble interacting with people I hardly knew but attending PCC allowed me to socialize with people outside of my social circle. After PCC, I took a year-long break and spent time with my family. Most days I would help my mom with our small store. In August 2011 I left Palau to further my education. Right after I graduated from UH Hilo in Spring 2014, I returned back to Palau and started working at PPUC in 2015. Since then I've been fortunate enough to participate in several software training and other seminars. As an accountant, I'm responsible for entering **Continued Next Section** 

billing related transactions into our accounting system. I also take part in monthly reconciliations to ensure all financial transactions are accounted for, and are recorded accordingly. Others roles would include processing and monitoring bank transactions, generating financial reports, and assisting our CFO and Accounting Manager with other accounting related activities. I'm not entirely certain what the future will bring, but I plan to work hard so that I may better serve the community. I enjoy spending time with my family, taking photos, and surfing the internet to learn about many different things (latest news, technologies, cooking recipes, creative DIY projects, etc.). I also enjoy taking my dogs swimming. College is a wonderful, life-changing experience. Embrace it and soak up all the knowledge that's being put in front of you. Participate in school activities and build lasting relationships with your peers and instructors/professors. The knowledge you retain and the network you build will have great benefits in the future.

## **Emmaus Kinder visits PCC Library**



Emmaus Kindergarten children visited Palau Community College Tan Siu Lin Library on Thursday, April 26, 2018. The children were taught how to get books and when they should return the books. The children made library cards and chose books they wanted to read. They were very enthusiastic being able to access library services.

# **Newest Contributor PCC Endowment**



Ella Rdiall

Palau Community College would like to recognize its newest Endowment Fund contributor, Ella Rdiall. Ms. Rdiall works for Melekeok Elementary School. Thank you, Ms. Rdiall, 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.

# **BITSAND PIECES...**

# Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

# Hours of Operation

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

For more information, call: 488-3540.

Available to Interested Readers:

Scientific American Magazine



Scientific American (informally abbreviated SciAm) is an American popular science magazine. Many famous scientists, including Albert Einstein, have contributed articles to it. It is the oldest continuously published monthly magazine in the United States (though it only became monthly in 1921). Scientific American was founded by inventor and publisher Rufus M. Porter in 1845[2] as a four-page weekly newspaper. Throughout its early years, much emphasis was placed on reports of what was going on at the U.S. Patent Office.

#### Academic Calendar: Spring 2018

May 18 (Friday) Graduation Ceremony

### **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.

### PCC CLASS OF 2018 MEETS BEGIN PREP FOR GRADUATION



Graduation Sub-Committe on Practice & Usher held a first meeting with graduating class of 2018 at the PCC Assembly Hall.

Etpison Cup 11th Fishing Derby A Success, Shallum Etpison Donates to PCC



PCC dorm students received a fish donation from Shallum Etpison, President of Etpison Cup Fishing Derby and President of NECO Group of Companies The Annual 11<sup>th</sup> Fishing Derby featuring the Etpison Cup was held on May 5 and 6, 2018 at the pier of NECO Marine. The derby was hosted by Neco Marine Palau, Palau Sports Fishing Association and Etpison Cup. Shallum Etpison donated 183 lb blue marlin to the Palau Community College dormitory students. PCC Dorm Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei and

students would like to thank Mr. Etpison for his generous donation. Winners who participated are as follows: Baby Grand Prize winner is Team A-say with 293 lbs. For each respective category winners; Bill fish: 1st place is Ouflip with 199 lbs, 2nd place is Mangrove Anglers with 183 lbs, and 3rd place is Ebosech 171 lbs; Tuna fish: 1st plase is Ongeual with 108 lbs, 2nd place is Team Merol with 103.5 lbs, and 3rd place Belau Medical Clinic with 101 lbs; Wahoo fish: 1st place is Team Confederate with 25.5 lbs, 2nd place is Early boys with 25 lbs, 3rd place is Team Busonge with 22 lbs; Barracuda & Spanish Mackrel fish: 1st place is Team Busonge with 43.5 lbs, 2nd place is Erker with 37 lbs, and 3rd place is Wahoo Hunters with 30.5 lbs; Giant Trevalley - Catch and Release: AquaI 42.38 inches, AquaII 36.5 inches, and 3rd place is Ryan Mikel with 35.5 inches; and last category Ladies Line Fishing: 1st place is Team Mokko with 49 lbs, 2nd place is Hafa Fish with 44 lbs, and 3rd place is Lightning with 43.5 lbs. THE PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PRESIDENT, FACULTY, STAFF AND THE GRADU-ATING CLASS OF 2018 request the honor of your presence at the 55<sup>th</sup> Commencement Exercises



Friday, May 18, 2018 10AM at the PCC Cafeteria

## ALUMNI NOTES

KIMBERLY HANSER (Class of 2003) ASSOCIATE OF ARTS - LIBERAL ARTS



Kimberly Hanser graduated from Palau Community College in May of 2003. She graduated with an Associate of Arts Degree in Liberal Arts. She continued her education at Eastern Washington University.

### Mesekíu's News

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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 Mesekíu's News issues.

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION

http://pcc.palau.edu

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# VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- 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 (A) Construction Technoloxy Instructor
- Construction Technology Instructor depending on qualifications & work experience salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
  Community and Public Health Instructor
- depending on qualifications & work experience salary range: \$18,009 - \$31,810 per annum
  (6) Financial Aid Counselor
- (6) Financial Ald Counselor (Student Services - Office of Financial Aid) salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
  (7) Federal Work-Study Coordinator
- (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) Student Activities Specialist (2) (Student Life - Recreation) salary range: \$8,155 - \$13,948 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) Accounting Technician (Purchase Order Technician) (Administration Department - Business Office) salary range: \$9,913 - \$16,954 per annum
- (13) Researcher/ Food Technologist (Cooperative Research & Extension Office) salary range: \$30,000 per annum
- (14) Director Human Resources (Administration)

salary range: \$18,730 - 28,833 per annum

For application forms and information, contact 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."



